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Advance Carried Out Under Semi-Arctic Conditions—An Important Role in the Fighting Was Taken by the Russian Naval Brigade Which Had Been Specially Trained by British and American Naval Officers—U. S. Senate Kicks on Having Its Soldiers in Russia.

Archangel, Monday, Dec. 30, (Associated Press)—An Allied force composed of Americans, Russians and Poles yesterday advanced 14 miles southward, along the road bordering the Onega river. They met with considerable resistance from the Bolsheviki, but captured more than a dozen villages and did not halt until they had taken the village of Gogol.

Starting from the village of Kalang early Saturday morning, American forces took the village of Priklaki, where there is a large monastery. They continued the advance in hot fighting Sunday, and had not yet been halted up to late Monday. Sleighs are being used to transport the Allied soldiers.

The advance, the first attempt of the winter, was carried out under semi-arctic conditions and in the few hours of daylight which obtained in this region. The village of Gogol is approximately eight miles south of the town of Onega, and about 40 miles west of the frozen swamp which forms the Allied positions along the Volga railroad. The road along which the Allies advanced leads in the direction of Volgod, and crosses the railway at an important strategic centre from which the Bolsheviki have been operating.

An important role in yesterday's fighting was taken by a Russian naval brigade which has been trained by British and American naval officers. The Polish troops who participated distinguished themselves in the early days of the fighting along the Dvina. The Poles and Russians are filled with hatred for the Bolsheviki and neither ask

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FRANCE FRIENDLY TOWARD TURKS

There Are Long Standing Treaties Between France and the Ottoman Government Which Pichon Says Must Be Respected.

Paris, Tuesday, Dec. 31.—Associated Press—France plans to assume the guidance of the destinies of Armenia, Syria and Lebanon in the new order of world affairs, growing out of the war, in conformity with treaties signed with Great Britain and Russia in 1915. In the coming peace conference there will be no other alternative, according to authoritative information furnished to the Associated Press.

Palestine, according to the plan under consideration, would be divided into a number of nationalities and religions, to be placed under international protection. England would be responsible for the kingdom of Hedjaz, which would be free.

France, it is emphatically stated, opposes the "term protectorate" in connection with her proposed supervision of these countries, and it is probable that some such relations with them, as exist between England and her Dominions, would be established under the plan.

These facts were given as an explanation of the declaration of Stephen Pichon, Foreign Minister, in the Chamber of Deputies on Sunday. Referring to the manner in which France will deal with the Arab states, he said: "Our rights are incontestable in Armenia, Syria, Lebanon and Palestine. Our rights are based on historic conditions, and on more recent contracts. While admitting the entire liberty of the peace conference to deal with the subject, we consider our rights are fully established by our agreement with Great Britain."

The foreign minister's reference to "historic conditions" may be understood when taken as relating to long-standing treaties of capitulation between France and the Ottoman Empire, through which France protected the interests of Christians in the countries in question.

PASSENGER SERVICE TO BE RESUMED

White Star Line to Take up Interrupted Service Between New York and Antwerp.

New York, Jan. 1.—Passenger service, interrupted by New York and Antwerp last morning by the Red Star Line, it was announced today by the International Mercantile Marine Company. The company is awaiting only the release of its vessels, Lapland, Finland, Zealand, and Kronland, by the British and United States governments. Meanwhile chartered ships will take care of the freight traffic.

BELGIAN DELEGATION LEAVES LONDON SATISFIED WITH VISIT

Financial Arrangements for the Reconstruction of Belgium Pending Payment of Indemnities by Germany Are Most Satisfactory.

London, Dec. 31.—(British Wireless Service)—The Prime Minister, the Finance Minister and Colonial Minister of Belgium, who have been in London in conference with the British cabinet, concluded their mission today and returned to Brussels. They expressed themselves as entirely satisfied with the result of the conference here.

Louis Franck, the Colonial Minister, in an interview said: "The financial arrangements for the reconstruction of Belgium, pending the payment of indemnities by Germany, are in a satisfactory condition. The matter has been discussed here, and arrangements are being made for the necessary financial assistance from the Allies. The enormous losses to my country cannot be judged by the view of the great external damage done by the enemy. Shocking as that is, it is only a small part of what we have suffered."

"The enormous war contributions, the economic losses and physical exhaustion of the middle classes and the laboring population are things that do not strike the eye, as does the slight ruins of towns and villages, but they are none the less very real, and they have to be met."

British Peace Delegation

London, Jan. 1.—An important portion of the British delegation to the Peace Conference will leave for Paris on Saturday, according to the Evening News. In addition to Premier Lloyd George, Foreign Secretary Balfour and Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, the News says, the British representatives will include Viscount Hardinge, former Governor General of India, and permanent Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Sir William G. Tyrrel, former private secretary to Edward Grey, who will act for the Foreign Office; Sir Louis Mallet, former British Ambassador to Turkey, an authority on matters relating to Turkey; Sir Esmer W. Howard, Minister to Sweden, an authority on Northern Europe; Sir Ralph Page, Minister to Denmark, and former Minister to Bulgaria, as an authority on the Balkans; and Eric Crooke, assistant Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, as an authority on affairs of Western Europe.

DEMobilIZATION PLANS UNDER DISCUSSION

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DEMobilIZATION NOW ON SELECTIVE BASIS

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TRANSPORTATION IS GREAT PROBLEM

Be Possible to Discharge Twice the Number of Men Daily on a Non-Selective Basis According to Foch.

London, Jan. 1, (Canadian Press Despatch from Reuters, Limited)—Reuters has received the following authoritative statement in reference to demobilization in Great Britain, as being at least ten million men and women who were engaged in Britain's war effort, and of whom 775,000 have already been released, including 270,000 soldiers and sailors, 115,000 returned war prisoners and 390,000 munitions workers:

"The three factors governing demobilization are the size of the British army, which must for the present be maintained (this has already been practically settled by Marshal Foch in conference with the Allies holding the western line). Secondly, the machinery of discharge at home. At the present time demobilization is proceeding on a selective basis, as distinct from discharge by limits, the men being selected as far as possible among those who are most essential to industry. Obviously to demobilize the seven million men of the army and navy on a selective basis is a colossal task. Moreover, the army has been moving forward with many services working at a high standard during the fighting. Should the existing strain on the armies be relieved there will be a passage through the industrial basis of demobilization to the industrial basis, while later it may be possible to work on a formation basis, bringing the civilian home and then demobilizing collectively.

One of the great problems is transportation, especially over the devastated areas of France. Marshal Foch declared that on a selective basis, the maximum he can discharge from the army in France is ten thousand daily, while on a non-selective basis he can release twenty-two thousand daily with the same transportation facilities. By opening a passage through the winter, it would be possible to considerably increase these numbers, but this step would take time. It is recognized that it is desirable to return men from France as soon as possible. At the present time 272,000 people are drawing out-of-work benefit, while the out-of-work population is advancing to seventeen per thousand of the total population weekly. Consequently, in demobilizing, the unemployment factor must steadily be borne in mind. The authorities are, however, not alarmed at the present situation. There exists a good deal of optimism as regards the revival of industry, and it is believed that a boom will come later.

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TROOP TRAIN WRECKED TUESDAY NEAR GLENDYNE ON NATIONAL TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILWAY

Death Toll Resulting is Placed at Three, While the Number of Injured is Placed at Sixty. Two of Them Severely Hurt—The Soldiers Are All Toronto Men—Wreck Caused by Split Rail—Train Snowed in.

Quebec, Jan. 1.—Only meagre details are coming through in connection with the wreck of the troop train near Glendyne, on the National Transcontinental railway, Tuesday afternoon, but the later reports only tend to confirm the first estimates of the loss of life and the number of injured. The death toll is definitely placed at three, while the number of injured is in the vicinity of sixty, and two of them are severely hurt.

The men killed are: Lance-Corporal D. W. Johnson, Corporal G. E. Smith, Corporal W. F. Shag. Severely injured: Pte. Olson, of the 58th Battalion, and Pte. F. A. Winkworth. The names of the other casualties, which are said to be eight, have not been given yet.

The injured men were well looked after following the wreck. The wounded were dressed, and they were accommodated at Glendyne, and on the trains following up. A special train carrying fifty-five injured men left Glendyne this afternoon, and is expected to arrive here late tonight or early tomorrow morning. Apart from Ptes. Olson and Winkworth, the other casualties are reported to be only slightly injured.

On the arrival of these men at Quebec they will be quartered in the Quebec clearing depot, where a staff of doctors and nurses will attend to them.

Ottawa, Jan. 1.—The Militia Department has received the names of five men, three of whom were killed and two seriously injured, when a troop train was wrecked on the government railways near Glendyne, N. B., yesterday afternoon. The names of the killed are: Pte. W. F. Shag, 15th Battalion, Toronto; Pte. W. F. Shag, 15th Battalion, Toronto; Pte. W. F. Shag, 15th Battalion, Toronto.

Those seriously injured: Pte. Olson, 58th Battalion, Toronto; Pte. Winkworth, also of Toronto. Forty soldiers received minor injuries, it was reported, but the names are not yet available.

It has been reported to the Department that the wreck was caused by a split rail. The train is now snowed and a heavy storm is making it very difficult to secure information. A hospital train has been sent to the scene of the wreck, and the injured men are being brought to Quebec as rapidly as possible.

Quebec, Jan. 1.—The train carrying the fifty-five men injured in the wreck is not expected here before three o'clock tomorrow morning, and the list of names of these casualties will not be given out until later in the day. Telegraphic communication with the scene of the wreck is limited to one railway wire, and Captain Lumden, who was in charge of the ill-fated train, referred all inquiries made to him to the officer in charge of the Quebec clearing depot, who has not yet received a full list of the casualties. The road is reported to have been repaired and the wrecked cars removed, but traffic is still slow and the regular train on the line is said to be twelve hours late.

GERMAN EMPEROR SWORE TO STICK

Author of the German White Book Says Ex-Emperor Held Conference With Few Germans and Decided to Stand by Austria.

Paris, Jan. 1.—Karl Kautsky, who is in charge of the preparation of the German White Book, informs Evening newspaper men that the report that German crown council had been held on July 5, 1914, to decide finally on the question of making war, was incorrect.

The former German emperor, Kautsky said, had on that day a conference with a small number of prominent Germans, and it was decided to support Austria in her demands on Serbia.

LYDD GEORGE OF THE PEOPLE

Given Rousing Reception at Holyhead, Where He Made a Brief Speech.

London, Jan. 2.—(Canadian Press Despatch from Reuters)—Travelling this morning from Holyhead to Fleetish, Premier Lloyd George had a rousing reception at Carnarvon, where he made a speech in Welsh, thanking the constituents. The Premier said they could rely upon one thing, namely that he was still in the same place. He was one of the people. It was for them he worked and would continue to fight as long as God gave him health and strength.

PILLAGED THE SWISS LEGATION

Geneva, Switz., Jan. 1.—In revenge for the expulsion of the Bolsheviki representatives from Switzerland the Bolsheviki in Petrograd have pillaged the Swiss legation there, according to reports received here by the Swiss government. They also pillaged the Norwegian legation to which Swiss archives and money had been transferred when the Swiss legation was closed. The loss amounts to 250,000 francs.

President Wilson En Route To Rome

Paris, Jan. 1.—President Wilson tonight is en route to Rome, where he will be the guest of King Victor Emmanuel. During his stay in the Italian capital he will visit the Pope and the Methodist college and will continue his conferences with the King, Premier Orlando and Baron Sonnino, the foreign minister. Some important results are expected from this visit, which will be the last to the Allied countries before the beginning of the peace conference.

MAJ.-GEN. WILSON GIVES FAREWELL

Regrets Expressed by the Officers of District No. 4 That the O. C. is to Retire.

Montreal, Jan. 1.—Major-General E. W. Wilson this afternoon gave a speech to the officers of his command at which he made his farewell speech as general officer commanding military district No. 4.

General Wilson made a definite announcement that this was the last New Year's function at which he would preside as general officer commanding, and regret was expressed by the officers present that he was going later on to terminate his work in that capacity. The general was congratulated on the work he had achieved, and on the tactful and firm manner in which he always had carried on his work with regard to the French Canadians, so as to help toward the union of the two races during a difficult period.

TO INVESTIGATE LIBERTY BONDS

District Attorney Wants to Know Why They Are Selling so Far Below Par.

New York, Jan. 1.—An investigation intended to determine why Liberty Bonds are selling far below par, will be undertaken tomorrow by the county district attorney's office, it was announced today. "There is nothing to indicate any attempt on the part of the financiers to force down the prices so they can buy them at low figures, but in view of the fact that another issue is to be floated soon, I shall investigate," said Edward S. Brogan, an assistant prosecutor, who will conduct the inquiry. "It is plain that to insure the success of the next loan the market price of the bonds outstanding should be kept as high as possible."

DOMINION CUSTOMS

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Customs receipts for the Dominion for the month of December totalled \$1,325,825 compared with \$10,239,056 for the same month last year. This is the first month in the present year which has shown an increase over last year.

Foch Superior To Ludendorff

Paris, Jan. 1.—Maximilian Harden, the German editor, in an interview, has declared to the correspondent of the Temps that Germany was absolutely beaten by the superiority of the French in strategy and French generals. Marshal Foch, he declared, was a military leader far above Ludendorff, who has never been victorious on the front. As for Von Hindenburg, the editor characterized him as little more than a figurehead. Harden expressed fear that the loss of Alsace-Lorraine would be for Germany a wound like that suffered by France, but he hoped that the borders would have no great importance in the future.

DECEMBER DEATH RATES SHOW DECREASE

Moncton Police Report for Year Shows Falling off in Arrests for Drunkenness—December Death Rates Show Decrease.

Moncton, N. B., Jan. 1.—Chief Rideout, in his report for the year 1918, points out that there was a decrease of 74 in the number of arrests for drunkenness, as compared with the year 1917. The arrests for drunkenness last year totalled 146, while in 1917 the number was 220. The decrease is attributed largely to the prohibition act, which came into effect June 10th last. In reporting 23 arrests, under the anti-liquor act, Chief Rideout says that this regulation put into force by order in council under the War Measures Act, is, without doubt, the best enactment brought into force under this heading. During the year the Moncton City Police made 439 arrests, while the C. G. R. police made 29 arrests. There were 35 arrests on charges of violations of the Prohibition Act, and 10 arrests were made here at the instance of other police departments in the Maritime Provinces. There was not a single arrest for any serious criminal offence during the year, the record being remarkably clean in this respect.

The death rate in December shows a decrease of 10 per cent from the same month a year ago, which is considered by the local health authorities to be very satisfactory, considering the "flu" epidemic. Only one death during the month was reported during the month, although there were quite a number of cases of the disease reported. The number of deaths in the city last month was twenty-four, while there were thirty in December, 1917.

As the result of a detailed box car on a freight train at Bariboth, the C. G. R. mail line at that point was blocked for several hours today. The Maritime Express from Montreal did not reach Moncton until seven o'clock this evening on account of the wreck. An auxiliary train was sent from Moncton to clear up the wreck. None of the train hands were injured, and there was only slight damage to rolling stock and the track.

NEW GLASGOW MAN ELECTROCUTED

Chief Engineer of Power Company Meets Instantaneous Death While Cutting Out a Regulator.

New Glasgow, N. S., Dec. 31.—A most unfortunate accident occurred at the power house of the Pictou County Electric Co., Ltd., shortly after seven o'clock this morning when Henry McKay, chief engineer, was electrocuted. It seems that a year or so ago a device known as a "regulator" was installed at the power house. It is supposed to adjust the voltage. During the night the voltage went down and the matter was reported to the chief engineer by telephone to his home in New Glasgow. Mr. McKay went to the power house on the first car this morning and decided to adjust the regulator temporarily, as he thought the trouble originated in it. He proceeded to do so, but in order to inconvenience the public as little as possible, undertook to do the work without shutting off the current. In so doing he slipped up and got the full current of 500 volts. Death was instantaneous.

Deceased had been in charge of the power house for nearly three years, and was regarded as a capable and careful man. Prior to entering the employment of the Pictou County Electric Co., Ltd., he had been employed at marine engineering.

Henry McKay was a native of New Glasgow, being born and bred here. He is survived by his wife and three children, two daughters and a son. He was 46 years of age and was a son of the late Donald McKay, who conducted a grocery store on Archibald street. Mrs. Arnold McKay is a sister of the deceased.

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Over Five Hundred Canadians of All Ranks Were GAZETTED as Mentioned in Field Marshal Haig's Report.

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Commanders of the Order of the British Empire—Lieut.-Col. George Dodds, Lieut.-Col. Arthur Jarvis, Lt.-Col. Geo. Johnson, Lt.-Col. John Miller, Lieut.-Col. John M. Ross, Brig. Dennis Draper, Brig. Daniel Ormiston, Brig. John S. Stewart.

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Captains—Lieut. Charles MacNeil, Major Bertha Willoughby, Major Gordon MacNeil, Major Charles Connolly.

Distinguished Service Order—Brig. W.O. Dodds, Col. Roy MacNeil, Col. Albert Carmichael, Col. W. McConnell, W. Morrison, Alan Magee, Harry Burns, Wm. Munro, Chas. Vipond, James Wood, Jas. Wood.

Majors—F. Arnold, John Bailey, R.B. Irvine, Arthur Bick, B. Browne, Wm. Burn, D. Carrivill, B. Currie, John Deane, W. Lobbie, A. McNeil, A. Duncan, Philip Earnshaw, E. Fleckman, John Foulkes, Dan Fraser, James Greenie, H. Harcourt, Patrick Hennessy, Arthur Hibbert, N. McAnally, C. McEwen, John McIntosh, Wm. McCreay, Ernest Morris, Edward O'Brien, Leonard O'Rourke, Fred Phelan, P. Robertson, H. Saunders, Stuart, Wm. Swan, Edward Thompson, Wm. Webb, Willis O'Connor.

Over five hundred Canadians of all ranks are gazetted as mentioned in Field Marshal Haig's despatches.

ALLIED TROOPS ADVANCE ON THE BOLSHEVIKI

(Continued from page 1) sleep in swamps and snow. Outlines here and there they are in danger of extermination unless rescued. Get us information and advise us as to desirability and possibility of relieving them or withdrawing them. Immediate action necessary. Troops will be trapped by ice in less than two weeks.

Put Burden on President. How long it will be that our troops will stay there, I am informed by a source of high authority, will depend entirely upon the president. Senator Wason went on. "It cannot be decided until after the peace conference, which no doubt will last months. What interests me, and interests the people everywhere, is why those soldiers are there, and what is the cause of their being there. The president of the United States, the president of the British Empire, the president of the world, should be interested in the fate of those soldiers."

WEDDINGS. Craig-Wilson. At the Manse, Stanley, York Co., on Thursday evening last by Rev. M. J. MacFerson, M. A., B. D., Miss Eleanor Appleby, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Craig, and Rock, Stanley, was married to Edward Wilson, electrical engineer, of St. John. Miss Craig taught school and was very successful, and is very popular. The couple were attended by Miss Edith E. Pringle, cousin of the bride, and Mr. Thomas Craig. The ceremony was solemnly performed in a rooming house, and was followed by a collation of navy bread, which was served with white wine. A reception was held at the home of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson will reside in St. John.

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CAMPBELLTON BOY AMONG HONORED

New Year's Custom Prevailed at Halifax—Change in Train Schedules of Importance to Travelling Public.

Special to The Standard. The love of the Governor on New Year's Day is a custom which in Halifax holds its own with the passing years, and is still quite as popular as ever. The weather today was intensely disagreeable with rain falling and the snow melting in water and melted snow. Nevertheless, hundreds of citizens called on the Governor, who was attired in handsome Windsor uniform. Archibald McArthur held a levee half an hour later, and also did Arthur Currie at Government House afterwards called on His Grace, as they also did Archbishop Worrell. In old times there was a private entrance to Government House, when certain officials called fifteen minutes before the general public, but this practice has been obsolete for several years.

An arrangement that will be of interest to the travelling public is that the through train from the new ocean terminals passenger station will leave five minutes earlier, because of the slightly longer distance. This does not refer to suburban trains nor to the night express for St. John, the hours for which are unchanged.

The list of New Year's honors for Canadian soldiers includes the name of Lieut.-Col. George Johnson, who is commander of the Order of the British Empire, and a brother of Mrs. C. P. Payne of Halifax. Johnson went over easily in the war as an engineer, and given important work. He tested several marines before they left on active service, and was sent to France to effect a remedy for gas "heating." The French government gave him the Legion of Honor for bringing water to the front. Johnson was in the front line, and was conducting forestry operations, but suffered from lack of water. Johnson invented a siphon which overcame the difficulty.

More recently he has been on the staff of the war office in London.

ROBERT CRAWFORD CAPTURES THIEVES

Inspector of Military Intelligence Department Lands Three Chief Offenders and is After Others.

After three days and nights of steady and strenuous sleuthing, his best sleep an occasional dog with all his clothes on, Inspector Robert Crawford, of the Military Intelligence Department, last night handed at the Central Police Station with the three chief offenders who have been cornered in various thefts along Woodman's Point and other river districts. The older members of the bunch of outlaws is James McCourt, a freeman on the C. P. R. With the assistance of Chief Inspector McVeigh, of the railway police, Crawford, who is apprehended as he descended from the motive car at Brownville, Maine, and was brought to McCourt Junction, where he was charged by Inspector Crawford, and placed in the cells here yesterday.

Last night the inspector took the patrol to St. Patrick's home, where he gathered in two younger brothers of the other prisoner, Thomas McCourt, and William McCourt. The latter two admit that they were arrested by the of and abetted by two full grown men. These men are well known to the inspector and he is sure of having them in custody today.

The thefts include a \$70 rifle taken from the summer residence of Charles McDonald, of St. John, from Works; silverware; two watches; a silver revolver. The rifle was sold by James McCourt for \$110 by the name of "Patric's" and the other articles are now in the custody of Inspector Crawford.

The three prisoners, with the exception of St. Patrick, who is being held for trial, Inspector Crawford will be congratulated on his excellent work.

BRITISH MAY BEAT AMERICANS TO POLE

Have Quietly Planned for Airplane Expedition to Start in April, Going via Spitzbergen.

London, Jan. 1.—Plans have been quietly laid for a British airplane expedition to start for the North Pole in April, two months ahead of the proposed American expedition. The British party will travel via Spitzbergen, where, under the direction of Capt. Sir Ernest Shackleton's South Polar venture, a landing place is in the course of construction at Laws Sound, and where a camp with abundant supplies has been established. Wild a Veteran at Antarctic Expedition.

Capt. Frank Wild is a veteran in Antarctic exploration. He was second in command of the Scott expedition in 1901-4 and was a member of the Dr. Douglas Mawson exploring party some years later. He was with Sir Ernest Shackleton in 1907-9.

President and "The Tiger" on the "Balance of Power"

President Wilson Says:—"There is an old system of alliances called the 'balance of power' but it is not interested in European politics, but she is interested in the partnership of right between America and Europe."

If the future had nothing for us but a new attempt to keep the world in a right poise by a balance of power the United States would take no interest, because she will take no combination of power which is not a combination of all of us. She is not interested merely in the peace of Europe, but in the peace of the world.

SUBJECT RACES CENTRAL EMPIRE NOW QUITE HAPPY

Entente's Recognition of Czecho-Slovaks as Allies to Expel Magyars Causes Great Joy.

Bern, Dec. 27.—It is a relief to turn from watching the gloomy developments in detested Germany to see the joy of the liberated people that are now founding new states and the rains of the Central Empire. It is good to remember that while politicians are anxious and perplexed by the difficulties of the transition from the war to the peace, the simple people are rejoicing in their new liberty.

There are the Slovaks, for instance, who are people of peasants and shepherds in the hills of Northern Hungary, who, after maintaining their nationality intact through a thousand years of Magyar rule, now find themselves liberated by a miracle and united to Czech kinsmen of Bohemia and Moravia in a free Czecho-Slovak republic.

I have just received a bundle of Czech papers, which give a delightful picture of the awakening of this picturesque people to liberty in all the Slovak towns and villages. The old members of the great meetings are being held to celebrate their new era and it is touching to read what wonderful happiness these people feel. The power of their earth, and that the power of their old oppressors is completely broken.

The great meeting was held at the town of Novohrad, a freeman of the great estates, and we are sure that our people be freed as soon as the big estates are speedily broken up as a legal way.

The meeting elected delegates to the Slovak National Council. A peasant speaker began his speech by saying "This is the day which the Lord hath made, and all the people rejoiced. We will rejoice and be glad in it." Then the people shouted, "Glory to our noble liberator, God, and with barred heads they sang the national song, "Let us be free." Similar happy meetings are being held in many little towns and villages throughout Slovakia and Hungary. One village reports:

"It was our prisoners returned from Russia, who explained to us all the great changes of the world."

There has naturally been a certain amount of trouble and confusion, Magyars and Magyarized Slovaks of the land have intrigued vigorously and scattered bands of Magyar troops have committed acts of violence.

At Eperies, under the shadow of the Carpathian mountains, the National Council has been formed by individuals who never fought for the cause of the Czecho-Slovak Republic.

Empowered by Entente. In any case the chief danger is now removed by a remarkable communication made in December in the name of the Entente by the French colonel at Budapest to Karolyi and to Hodza, the Czecho-Slovak representative. This declaration empowered the Czecho-Slovak troops to occupy the Slovak country in the name of the Entente under the terms of the armistice, and orders the immediate withdrawal of Magyar troops from the country. The Czech Social Democrat organ, the Pravo Lidu, cries with joy: "Slovakia is ours," and demands the speedy suppression of Magyar magistrates who have lived on the people's life blood.

The Rumanian Socialist, Rakovsky, is now Lenine's envoy at Budapest and is tolerated by the Karolyi Government. He has been carrying on Bolshevik propaganda among the Slovaks and Transylvanian Rumanians, and almost succeeded in splitting the Rumanian Socialists. The Magyar government is naive if it imagines that Rakovsky will only attempt to divide the Magyars, and that he will not be sending armed bands into Transylvania to create disturbance and to create a revolution.

Karolyi's government has expelled a mid crisis, which was solved by the retirement of the Minister of the Interior, Dr. Horthy, and by the arrest of War, Bartha, and by Karolyi's adoption of a radical and socialist land programme.

SUFFS TO KEEP THE HOME FIRE BURNING

It'll be a Bonfire in Front of White House as Protest at President's Absence Without Aiding Amendment.

Washington, Jan. 1.—President Wilson is in for some more absent treatment at the hands of militant Suffragists. Beginning New Year's Day, the National Woman's Party will maintain a watchfire in front of the White House until the Senate passes the suffrage amendment. All the speeches made by the president in Europe will be read to the flames, which will "act as a spotlight on President Wilson, who while he attempts to secure the allegiance of the nations for self-government, declares himself unable to win Democratic senatorial votes for self-government in America."

Suffragists in pairs will guard the fire day and night. A bell on the balcony of the party headquarters will mark two-hour periods for the women and call out new pairs. It will also toll for the arrival of each of the president's speeches. State days will be named on which the respective states will send delegates with supplies for their particular work.

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NEW YEAR'S DINNER. Last night, after the conclusion of the show at the Imperial theatre, Harry Lauder entertained his troupe and the orchestra to a New Year's dinner at Bond's. About forty covers were laid and a most pleasant time was enjoyed, breaking up in the wee sma' hours with Lauder's "Wee Deoch-and-Dor."

CHART OF THE BAY. In the store window of P. A. Dykeman, Charlotte street, is displayed a large chart of the Bay of Fundy with route cards showing the course the S.S. Corinthian should have taken and the course she took when wrecked. It is a graphic portrayal of what resulted in so great a loss and refutes the insinuation regarding the Fundy tides.

THE CANADIAN CLUB. Every ticket has been taken by the members of the Canadian Club for the luncheon to be tendered Harry Lauder at Bond's this afternoon and many persons are unable to obtain tickets as the allotment is exhausted. The luncheon will be at 12.30 o'clock and the members of the club will hear an address from the famous comedian.

NEW YEAR'S DAY FIGHTS. Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 1.—Byron Downey, Columbus welterweight, and Ted Lewis of New York, went 15 rounds even in rather an uninteresting bout here this afternoon.

Edmonton, Alta., Jan. 1.—The boxing match here today for the middleweight championship of Canada between Serg. A. L. Ross, middle champion of Canada and Kid Carson of Buffalo, N. Y., 16 rounds, was decided in a draw. Ross broke his right hand early in the bout but stayed the limit.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Low Tandler, the Philadelphia lightweight, slightly outpointed Rocky Kanaz, the Buffalo champion, here today in a ten round scut.

BENTON. Benton, Jan. 1.—Miss Alberta Muschland, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia following influenza, is improving.

Miss Elizabeth Anderson of Moncton spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Arns, and Mrs. Theresa Boyce of Houlton spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. B. Bolger.

Miss Alice Lewin, who has been very busy nursing influenza cases in Presque Isle, spent Christmas Day at her home here.

An oyster stew was very much enjoyed by a crowd of young folks at the home of Thomas Day last Friday evening.

Frank Anderson, C. P. R. agent at Presque Isle, wife and baby daughter spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. William Anderson.

Dr. Gordon Turner, who has been home on leave, has returned to Fredericton where he is to undergo a serious operation in the Fredericton Military Hospital.

Paris, Jan. 1.—Premier Clemenceau, who has labored incessantly since he took office 13 months ago, is taking a rest. The Premier was under an especially severe strain during the parliamentary sessions of the last few days. He has gone to Moulleau-en-Pareds, La Vendee, where he was born, 78 years ago.

CHIEF JUSTICE GIVES DECISION

Judgment Handed Down Tuesday in Case of King vs. J. K. Flemming on Some Preliminary Questions.

In the case of the King vs. James K. Flemming, His Honor Mr. Chief Justice McKewen handed down judgment Tuesday morning on the preliminary questions raised at recent hearings. The matter came up on the plaintiff's application for interrogatories, and when same were returnable the defendant took objection that he should not be compelled to answer the interrogatories, as it was submitted on his behalf that there was no basis in law for the claim which the crown put forward, and while no deurrer is now allowed, yet under the present procedure he has the right to challenge the sufficiency of the plaintiff's claim of action. The plaintiff's claim was to recover an alleged secret commission on the letting of the Valley Railway contract. The defendant contended that he could not be held liable as common law in a case like the present, because no relationship of principal and agent existed between the crown and its ministers, who are regarded as advisers only. The defendant further contended that the wording of the recent act of legislation was inapt and did not impose upon the defendant the liability at issue. His Honor decided that if these matters were decided in favor of the plaintiff, it would be decided in favor of the plaintiff. It was, however, not any further trial. It was, however, not any further trial. It was, however, not any further trial.

Every day you will find special things that you want to wear and special courteous attention from our assistants. Today overcoats are a special offering. It's the overcoat month and our assortment is good from light to heavy, short to long from cloth to fur collared, from us to you at the lowest prices possible. A special business case, good for every day and Sunday at \$25.00.

Gilmour's, 68 King St. THE WEATHER. Toronto, Jan. 1.—A disturbance which was in the far southwest yesterday has moved directly across the lower lakes, and is now centered in the Ottawa Valley. Rain and sleet have fallen in southern Ontario and snow in Northern Ontario and Quebec. The temperature is decidedly low in the western provinces.

Vancover ... 24 30 Kamloops ... 8 16 Edmonton ... 4 10 Calgary ... 6 10 Prince Albert ... 14 10 Winnipeg ... 24 30 London ... 24 30 Toronto ... 24 30 Kingston ... 3 26 Ottawa ... 6 24 Montreal ... 8 24 Quebec ... 8 16 St. John ... 10 30 Halifax ... 18 42 Below zero ... 18 42

Forecast—Maritime—Strong winds and gales, south and west, mild with occasional rain. Friday much colder. Northern New England—Rain or snow, followed by clearing Thursday, Friday, fair and colder. Southwest and west gales.

PRESENTED WITH PEN. A pleasing event took place last week at Cady's, Queens county, when the people of that place gathered to do honor to Gunner Wm. E. Armstrong, one who had come back to them after doing what he could in the present struggle. He was presented with a fine fountain pen as a mark of their appreciation. Gunner Armstrong enlisted with the 8th Battery at Woodstock and crossed to England with a draft from that unit.

DIED. FOSHAY.—In this city, December 31, Grace Lillian, beloved wife of Isaac Dexter Foshay, and eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Parker E. Nichols of this city, in her 25th year, leaving besides her husband, one daughter, two brothers and three sisters to mourn. Funeral today (privately) to Cedar Hill cemetery.

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Harry Lauder who sings tonight at the Imperial Theatre makes records exclusively for "His Master's Voice."

Harry Lauder's list of "His Master's Voice" records is a very large one, comprising over sixty selections, a few of the most popular are given below.

- It's Nice to Get Up in the Mornin' ... 60143
British Bulldog's Watching at the Door ... 60138
Rooftop in the Gloamin' ... 60105
Wee Hoose 'Mang the Heather ... 60106
Same as His Father Was Before Him ... 60094
I've Something in the Bottle for the Mornin' ... 60000

Any "His Master's Voice" dealer will be pleased to play these or any others you may wish to hear.

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These two great movements work in perfect harmony, improve appetite, aid digestion, relieve biliousness and constipation. They make convalescence real, rapid and perfect. They are also of service in the prevention of disease and the preservation of health. Each is good alone; both are good together. Get them today.

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Mr. John D. Palmer, chairman of the Victory Loan committee, and other prominent citizens, making arrangements for an organizing meeting which is hoped to have held tomorrow afternoon or tomorrow night—probably in the Board of Trade rooms.

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The Board of Education through the Chief Superintendent, Dr. Carter, will soon be sending out some thirty thousand copies of a book on savings and thrift for distribution among over two thousand school teachers and those of our thousands of scholars who are over ten years of age.

Miss Hazel McCain, superintendent of Women's Institutes under the Provincial Department of Agriculture, will make a special effort among those industrial ladies. It is hoped, too, that the speakers at some fifty or more farmers' meetings under provincial Agricultural Department auspices in connection with the Dominion grant for provincial purposes, will all devote considerable time to the war savings and thrift propaganda.

In this connection Mr. W. W. Hubbard of the Experimental Farm, expresses himself as willing to aid in the savings and thrift campaign at all such meetings in English-speaking districts. Besides these actual activities, Sir Douglas will probably address public meetings in at least some of the most important sections of the province, though his duties as Chief Justice will not permit of his covering the whole province.

"Sir Douglas and his committee will come the co-operation of the press and bar, the press, leading businessmen, bank managers, members of the provincial government, senators and members of Parliament, members of the Legislative Assembly, railway managers, officials and employees, city, town and county councillors, Boards of Trade, prominent manufacturers and business men, the different women's organizations, and other societies and organizations, including the Commercial Travellers, Great War Veterans and labor bodies. It is also hoped to interest the proprietors of moving picture houses.

"The work of post office officials, contractors, officials of all public departments, railway, steamship, express, telephone and telegraph companies, public utility companies, treasurers of clubs, lodges, etc., that will in any way help along the savings and thrift cause will be much appreciated."

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ST. STEPHEN LOSES LEADING CITIZEN

Big Jim Morarty Dies After a Few Days' Illness With Heart Disease Well Known on St. John River.

Special to The Standard. St. Stephen, Dec. 31.—Another prominent citizen and merchant passed away this forenoon, in the person of James Morarty, Sr., his death following in less than a week's illness of heart trouble. He was sixty-six years of age, and had resided here for many years, coming from Nova Scotia, in recent years he had conducted a leading market and grocery in St. Stephen, but before that, and even after he entered the retail meat business, he bought live stock on the foot and drove it here from all parts of the province. He was well and favorably known along the St. John River, which territory he had covered several times each year.

With a generous heart, a kindly way and square in every dealing, no man was better known or more generally esteemed than Big Jim Morarty. For some years he had served as county councillor from the parish of St. Stephen, and held that position at the time of his death. He was a director of the St. Stephen Agricultural Society, and held that office until his death. He was prominent in the work of the Orange Order and of the Knights of Pythias. In political matters he was always a worker in behalf of the Conservatives, and in religious matters was a member of the Church of England, attending Christ church when his health permitted.

His partner in life predeceased him about three years, but he is survived by two sons and three daughters. Funeral will be held from his home on Union street, Thursday afternoon, and will be conducted by Very Rev. deacon Newnam, the Organist and Knights of Pythias participating.

COLE WAS READY TO FIGHT FLEET

Ordered Nevada's Crew to Battle Quarters When Cruisers Failed to Signal in Fog.

New York, Jan. 1.—"There's a man with as much nerve as you'll find in any navy in the world—and a lot more than in most," a sailor said to a reporter, pointing to Capt. William C. Cole, of the battleship Nevada.

"We were out in the North Sea in the old wagon the sailor method of saying 'ship' at 9 o'clock in the morning, when in the thick fog we ran bang into a flock of cruisers. We set signals to show who we were, but those cruisers didn't give us a tinkle. The skipper ordered us to show our signals once more, and we did, and when there was no answer he gave the order: 'Sound quarters; train all guns and open fire.'"

"Well, the alarm zones sounded and the bugles blew, and we all went to battle stations, and the old Nevada was just getting ready to blow things to (c) open a few seconds more would have seen it—when we got the signal that showed the cruisers were of the British Grand Fleet.

"Oh, boy! It isn't so much that the Nevada was going to tackle the whole whopping fleet single handed out there in the fog that got me, it was the attitude of Capt. Cole. Give him a rowboat and he'd fight the world. Some guy—the captain!"

This story was verified by other members of the Nevada's crew, who said those few foggy early morning moments were the most thrilling that they put in during the war.

BADKE WOULD WELCOME ALLIES

Believes if Entente Invaded Russia the Invaders Would Become Infected With Bolshevism Which Would Help the Cause.

Berlin, Monday, Dec. 30.—(Associated Press)—A feature of the congress of the Spartacus group today was a speech by M. Radek, head of the Bolshevik mission to Germany, who launched a long defense of Bolshevism, and declared the Russians did not fear an Entente invasion, because the invaders would become infected with the germ of Bolshevism. He said he welcomed the prospect of French occupation of Germany for the same reason, because it would help to promote Bolshevism still further in its progress westward.

The Russian workman, Radek declared, were filled with pride at the prospect of fighting beside their German comrades on the banks of the Rhine against Anglo-Saxon capitalists. The Vossische Zeitung, commenting on the presence of Radek in Berlin says: "It is useless to enquire how he came to be admitted. The thing is, what is to be done now that he is among us. Apparently the German front, no longer is efficiently guarded against foreign agents striving to rob the German people of peace, and to incite it into fresh war. Tolerant of Radek will be the first step toward restoring the war with the Entente."

A prominent member of the new German government informed the correspondent today that Radek had been smuggled across the border, and probably would be asked to leave the country at once.

NEW GOVERNOR FOR NEW YORK

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Alfred E. Smith, of New York city, was inaugurated governor of New York State at noon today. His inauguration into office marked the return of a Democratic chief executive after four years of Republican administration.

J. FRED DOUGLAS DIES SUDDENLY

A Well Known and Prominent Citizen of St. Stephen Succumbs to Heart Trouble.

Special to The Standard. St. Stephen, Jan. 1.—J. Fred Douglas, a well known citizen and merchant, died at his home on Union street, Tuesday evening, after an illness from heart trouble that had confined him to his home about one week, though he had been in failing health for some years. He was a member of the Quarterly Official Board of McCall street, and was active in the work of that denomination and was a member of Sussex Lodge F. and A. M. In politics he was a Conservative. He was at the head of the St. Croix Marble Works, which, in other years, had manufactured many monuments that were sent to all parts of the province. He was a skilled workman in that line. In 1917, he was one of the most devoted husbands and father. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2.30. The deceased would have been fifty-one years of age had he lived until February.

He is survived by his widow, who was formerly Miss Young of Fredericton, and by three daughters and one son, one of the daughters having been brought home from Normal School a few days ago seriously ill with influenza. They have the sympathy of all Society, and held that position at the time of his death. He was a director of the St. Stephen Agricultural Society, and held that office until his death. He was prominent in the work of the Orange Order and of the Knights of Pythias. In political matters he was always a worker in behalf of the Conservatives, and in religious matters was a member of the Church of England, attending Christ church when his health permitted.

TURN HAIR DARK WITH SAGE TEA

If Mixed With Sulphur It Darkens so Naturally Nobody can Tell.

The old-time mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur for darkening gray, streaked and faded hair is grand mother's recipe, and folks are again using it to keep their hair a good, even color, but what delights the ladies are living in an age when a youthful appearance is of the greatest advantage.

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HAIG AND BEATTY RECEIVE EARLDOM

Several Leading Generals of England Are to be Elevated to the Peerage.

London, Jan. 1.—Earldoms will be conferred on Field Marshal Haig and Vice-Admiral Beatty, in recognition of their services during the war, according to the Mail. It is stated that Generals Horne, Plumer, Byng, Rawlinson, Birdwood and Allenby will be elevated to the peerage. Before doing so he had all he could handle and one of the panes of glass in the street door was broken during the struggle.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS RIOT

New Year's Celebrations in Norfolk Result in Disorders Requiring the Marines to Settle the Row.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 1.—Soldiers and sailors celebrating the beginning of the New Year caused so much disorder in the business center of Norfolk, this morning, that the local police appealed to the naval authorities for marines to quell the disturbance. Several shots were fired, trrolley cars held up, and civilians roughly handled. Two hours after the disturbance started there were unconfirmed reports that one soldier had been stabbed to death. The enlisted men, armed stores, and broke show windows and forced restaurants in the business district to close. Pains were spread over windows, buildings and other objects on the streets.

An Announcement

To give our staff an opportunity to enjoy a winter holiday, we will close our business on Saturdays at one o'clock, p.m., during the months of January, February, March, 1919

We hope our customers will appreciate our attitude, and not be inconvenienced thereby.

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FREDERICTON BAN TO BE LIFTED 13TH

Hon. H. F. McLeod, M. P. Goes Under Surgeon's Knife for Appendicitis—New Year's Quiet at the Capital.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Jan. 1.—Rev. W. D. Wilson, chief liquor inspector for the province, announced yesterday that out of four cases against Dr. Prescott, of Woodstock, for alleged illegal dispensing of prescriptions for liquor, two convictions were made, and fifty dollars fine imposed in each case.

New Year's Day was ushered in by ringing of the Cathedral and Methodist church bells. Watch night services were held in each of these churches. The day was quietly celebrated. Local horsemen held the usual races on Queen and King streets. The Orilliers held a match at the Curling Rink. During the course of the art was badly demolished by colliding with another team.

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The State House will be composed of members for each one million inhabitants, but Prussia, which has around 30,000,000 inhabitants, will have only 33 representatives. However, it is provided that, if Prussia is divided into more states, each state will have full representation.

CHURCH FOR MAYOR

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JANUARY calendar. We live one day at a time. Don't allow a regret for yesterday or fear for tomorrow to cast shadow on the pleasure of today. Every day is a special at this store. Every day you will find special things that you want to wear and special courteous attention from our assistants. Today overcoats are a special offering. It's the overcoat month and our assortment is good from light to heavy, short to long from cloth to fur collared, from us, to you at the lowest price possible. A special business cost, good for every day and Sunday at \$25.00. Gilmour's, 68 King St. THE WEATHER. Toronto, Jan. 1.—A disturbance which was in the far southwest yesterday has moved directly across the west lakes, and is now centered in the Ottawa Valley. Rain and sleet are falling in southern Ontario and now in Northern Ontario and Quebec. The temperature is decidedly low in a western province. Min. Max. Vancouver 24 30 Kamboop 8 16 Edmonton 4 12 Calgary 6 10 Prince Albert 14 10 Winnipeg 14 14 London 29 44 Toronto 21 30 Kingston 3 46 Ottawa 8 28 Montreal 8 24 Quebec 8 16 St. John 10 30 Halifax 18 42 Forecasts—Maritime—Strong winds, light rain, south and west, mild with occasional rain. Friday much colder. Northern New England—Rain or snow, followed by clearing Thursday, day, fair and colder. Southwest light rain.

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THE NEW YEAR.

We have entered upon a new year, a year fraught with great possibilities for good, but bearing as well such perils as probably never before confronted civilization. It will be a year very different from the four or five which preceded it, inasmuch as the whole aim of humanity is entirely contrary to that which has been the impelling motive since August 1914. In these few years now ended the nations have sought only one object, victory by force of arms. The twelve-month now at hand sees this struggle as a thing of the past and the efforts of all directed to the accomplishment of peace. This in itself, while in all respects a most desirable occupation, forms a problem almost as difficult of solution as did the actual clash of arms. The fact of peace itself, on terms laid down by the victors, is only an incident in the graver questions of world-wide re-adjustment, of demobilization, of repatriation, and of reconstruction which must be brought about in a comparatively brief period. These various undertakings, together with the reconciliation of the smaller races involved on one side or the other in the recent hostilities will engage the best minds of the civilized world. And yet, despite the fact that all are working toward one goal, there is an undercurrent of feeling that much confusion will ensue before the world turns back to its normal manner of life. In addition to the problems in which all peoples are involved, each nation has questions of its own arising out of or resulting from the war as well as internal difficulties due to changing economic conditions. Society as generally constituted now takes a somewhat different view of life; the vision of the people is broader, and scant attention will henceforth be paid to immaterial things. Instead of diverse individuals clamoring for particular rights, we are apt to see only consideration of the well-being of humanity in the mass.

PROTECTION NEEDED.

During the past week or so, a number of people in St. John have been pleasantly surprised in the receipt of dividend cheques from fox companies operating in Prince Edward Island. Others, as opposed to this, have read with interest as well as disappointment the sale of the assets of the Dalton Company for some twelve thousand dollars, which represents a loss in four or five years of more than six hundred thousand dollars. It is presumed that actually more than a half million of cash was put into that company, much of it by small investors who had little to lose, but who were possessed of the gambling spirit and were prepared to take a chance. The fox business generally has not been in the very best of condition for some time. With the advent of war the demand for pelts fell off, prices dropped and the ranching game as a promotion feature found itself in sore straits. A few of the more sensible organized companies have managed to pull through, and in certain cases there is a prospect that when conditions again become normal these will be able to do business as straight livestock propositions, carrying on their breeding on the pelt basis and without regard to the stock promotion feature which has resulted so disastrously for many. In this connection, it would perhaps be well for the government, and those charters carry the privilege of stock selling schemes which arise from time to time. Certainly had there been any authoritative investigation of the notorious Dalton fiasco the flotation of that company could not have been carried on as it was, nor would the people of the Maritime Provinces who were foolish enough to invest in it now be mourning the loss of their half million dollars.

Now that the war is over we are almost sure to find the promoter on the job again with gilt edged propositions which cannot fail, and yet which have a most uncomfortable habit of falling. It is a remarkably easy matter to secure a charter from the provincial or federal governments, and these charters carry the privilege of selling stock. They are issued without any knowledge on the part of the responsible government as to the merit or otherwise of the proposed undertaking, and the very existence of such a charter conveys to the inexperienced investor an impression of safety which may or may not exist.

INFLUENZA.

The best medical opinion now seems to be turning to the belief that the bacilli responsible for the prevailing influenza epidemic has not yet been located. There is a growing feeling that the germ of influenza which is present in this disease is merely associated with something else about which nothing definite has so far been learned. It is, however, generally accepted that as is found with other bacilli the responsible organism in this instance loses much of its potency through time, and in certain cases continues the cases on the whole are of a milder type. This may be due to a weakening of the disease germ itself or partially to the natural erection of a barricade of immunity among

these exposed to infection. However, this may be it is clear that just as much influenza prevails in this community, and in most others, as at any time during the epidemic. True, the doctors are not reporting the cases, seeing no great advantage in doing so, and realizing, too, that the type of disease now prevalent is not as serious as was found a couple of months ago. Medical men here are just as busy as at any time, but the death rate has fallen, and the trouble with which so many are now afflicted seems to be more of the nature of the old fashioned Grippe, with certain undesirable additions, than the first dreaded influenza.

AN OPPORTUNITY.

Mr. Fred M. Sprout recently resigned the position of Registrar of Deeds for Kings County. By the vacancy thus created an excellent opportunity is afforded the local government for the appointment of a returned soldier. Will such an appointment be made or will the position go to some of those party hacks who, for the past year or more, have been clamoring for everything in sight? Premier Foster is going about the country telling the returned men what wonderful fellows they are, and how pleased he is to help them in every way possible. Here is one little opportunity for him to make good. Will he take it?

WHAT THEY SAY

A Thorn in Our Side. (Manchester Guardian.) The presence of the Allied Fleet in the Black Sea brings the ill-omened face with the still thornier problem of Russia. Russia is the only country with which they are not at peace. Here, the nations regard to Russia or have they not?

The Russian Enigma. (Chicago Tribune.) Lenin wants to toss the architect in the wastebasket and out Trotsky wants to tarry and see what happens. The German soldiers, far from their double eagles into the discard and adopting the crimson standard, are ignoring the soviets and supporting what they conceive to be the only sane and just government to be born.

The Church's Opportunity. (Edmonton Journal.) The other day the church which has proved its usefulness patriotically, has not been proved a failure theologically. At the worst it is realising, not a romantic, that it needs now. Its message to mankind will be the same as it has always been since truth and mercy and justice will remain the same, but it may be expressed differently and with different forcefulness. A new opportunity has come to it, along with all other agencies for the betterment of the world, but the principles upon which its new service must be founded are the same principles that were laid down two thousand years ago by the Man of Peace.

The Dead Language. (London Morning Post.) Most of the politicians and most of the newspapers, are talking politics again just as if there had never been a war. But they do not seem to realize that they are talking a dead language. They are to be reminded that for over four years the public has not cared for party politics, and that we are now dealing with people who only dimly remember what a General Election means. We should begin to talk of party politics, and what a Party is, and what Party Funds are, and what Party loyalty means, and what candidates should be elected at all. For people have forgotten all that. If they are not told they may fall into all sorts of errors.

The Last Straw. (London Daily Mail.) For our men, after suffering with an unbroken spirit and for some months the worst tortures that the evil Hun mind can invent, had yet a last and in many cases a fatal blow to endure; they have been dismissed by their inhuman gaolers in utter rags, misery and filth, without even a morsel of bread, with scarcely a semblance of warm clothing, unguided and unhelped, to find their way from Germany to the Allies' lines in the piercing cold of the Rhine winter. Many succumbed to their sufferings. It is easy to picture the feelings with which the relatives of these men will learn of the agonies which, not only during the war, but when the war is past, have still inflicted on son, husband and brother; it will not be so easy to comfort them. This last Hun brutality must cease absolutely and at once.

In Praise of Thrift. (New York Times.) Thrift is a double protection for wage earners. It not only leads to independence, but it produces those accumulations of capital upon which, husbanded and invested by savings institutions, the industries of the country must depend. It will keep the wheels turning, insure permanency of employment, promote activity in business and national prosperity, add to the country's wealth, and provide good wages. Money circulating from hand to hand is a convenience, a necessity, it sustains trade, but accumulated wealth reproduces itself, and in that process of reproduction labor must always be employed. The little streams that run down the sides of the valley and through larger water-courses flow unhindered to the sea, turn no wheel, it is when they are

impounded that they constitute power, giving employment to labor and reproducing goods.

America's Neglect.

(Buffalo News.) In the matter of soldiers' pay and allotments the government has been painfully remiss. Thousands of our fighting men have returned from France without funds. Many of them have not been paid for months. Moving from station to station in France, they had got out of touch with the paymaster. As to allotments, the government appears never to have arrived at a system to assure regular payments to soldiers' dependents. It is disgraceful that our soldiers should be permitted to land in America penniless and be sent to demobilization camps in that state of poverty. It is true that the government looks to the feeding and the housing of the men, but bed and board do not round out life. There are a thousand and one things that a soldier arriving in the homeland desires that are not provided for by the government. For them to be out of funds at that time must cause them mental distress.

A BIT OF VERSE

THE BROKEN ROSE. (To King Albert) By Anne Vivanti Charrier. Shy, youthful, silent—and misunderstood In the white glare of Kinghood thou didst stand, The sceptre in thy hand Seemed but a flower the Fates had tossed to thee. And thou wert called, perchance half scornfully, Albert the Good.

Today thou standest on a blackened grave, Thy broken sword still lifted to the skies. Thy pure and fearless eyes Gaze into Death's grim visage unappalled. And by the storm-swept nations thou art called, Albert the Brave.

Tossed on a blood-red sea of rage and hate, The frenzied world rolls forward to its doom. But high above the gloom Flashes the fulgent beacon of thy fame. The nations thou hast saved exalt thy name— Albert the Great.

Behold! Afar where sky and waters meet, A white-robed figure walketh on the sea. (Peace goes before him and her face is sweet.) As once he trod the waves of Galilee He comes again—the tumult sinks to rest. The stormy waters shine beneath his feet.

He sees the dead rose lying in the sand, He lifts the dead rose in his holy hand And lays it at his breast.

O broken rose of Belgium, thou art blest!

A BIT OF FUN

Taking a Rest. 'Is yo brudder like still raisin' chickens here?' 'Not jes at present! Dey cotched, 'em raisin' some las' Tuesday night.'

Not Yet. But— Tommy—Done much travelling in your day, Yank? Yank—Quite some. Tommy—Ever been to Berlin? Yank—Not yet.

In Society. 'My husband moves among the best families here.' 'That so?' 'Yes, he's the leading furniture mover of the town.'

Sometimes That. 'How do you pronounce "hauteur"?' 'Hot air, in some cases.'

Taking What Comes. Philosopher Citizen—You must take what you can get these days. Weary One—Yes, but some of these telephone numbers I get aren't of the slightest use to me.

Only One Thing To Do. 'What arrangements do you think will be made for taking care of the Kaiser?' 'What arrangement do you usually take for taking care of a bad egg?'

Non-Military Definition. 'Pa, what's a masked battery?' 'Pretty lips concealing a shrewish tongue, ny son.'

ANDOVER

Andover, Dec. 31—Mr. and Mrs. William Walker of Everett, Mass., were recent guests of Mrs. Warren Jamer, they are enroute to Vancouver where they will reside.

Mr. Harry Sadler who is attending Welville Academy, is spending the vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sadler.

Gunner Barton McAlary arrived home from France of Christmas day and is visiting at the home of his father, Henry McAlary. He is being warmly welcomed by many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Pickett and family of Hillside spent Christmas at the home of Mr. A. M. Tibbitts.

Mr. Thomas Bedell, St. John, spent Christmas with Mrs. Bedell and children at the Court House.

Miss Grace Black is visiting relatives in St. John for a few weeks.

Miss Maud Grant of Worcester, Mass., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Gray for a few weeks.

Mr. George Burt of Hartland, spent several days the past week at T. J. Carter's.

Miss Sylvia Larlee and Catherine Larlee are home from Fredericton Business College for the holidays.

Mr. A. E. Kuppy spent Christmas with Mrs. Kuppy at Woodstock House. Mrs. Kuppy's many friends are pleased to learn of her satisfactory improvement.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Holt and Mr. and Mrs. Thurber Holt and daughter of Fort Fairfield, Mr. and Mrs. James Porter were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Porter on Christmas day.

Much regret was expressed on Thursday when word came of the sudden death of Mrs. Grace Stevens of St. Stephen, at Hamilton, Ont. During her recent visits here with Mrs. S. F. Wade, Miss Stevens made many warm friends by her cheery manner and bright personality. She will be greatly mourned in church circles and especially by the St. John Presbyterical choir.

Miss Carolyn Armstrong of Edmundston, spent a few days the past week at her home here.

Miss Lena Cronkite spent Christmas with her parents at Red Rapids.

Miss Emma Woolton came from Fredericton Tuesday and spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Woolton, returning on Thursday.

Private Harry Mallory came home from the Military Hospital at Fredericton to visit his parents.

Mrs. Julia Sutton and family were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hedley Thorne at St. John.

Mr. Sandy McAlary of Whitworth, Que., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry McAlary.

Masters Edna and Ewan Matheson of Edmundston are guests at Mr. William Curry's.

Mrs. Herbert Baird and son, George

Little Benny's Note Book.

By LEE PAPE My cousin Artie was enroute for supper last nite, being one piece of chocolate cake for everybody, and we me and Artie got ready for dessert our 2 peeces was the only 2 peeces left, one of them being a grate big peeces and the other one jest being a regular size peeces, the plate being ware me and Artie could both reach it without anybody handing it to us, me thinking, I'll leave Artie take his peeces first and he will have to leave the big one out of politeness. And I looked at Artie and heer wat was Artie doing but looking at me, and me sed, Well, aren't you boys ready for your cake? Yes, mam, sed me and Artie. Well help yourselves, wry this unusual formality sed me—meaning wat was we waiting for, and I sed, I'll leave Artie take his first, company awt to always be first. No, you take yours first, you're more company than wat I am, you can take yours first if you want, sed Artie. No, you take yours first, you're more company than wat I am enjoying, I sed, and pop sed, Pardon the interferance of a mae outside, but has the relative size of the 2 peeces anything to do with this ex-croaching politeness? No sir, I'll shut my eyes and take a peeces jest to prove it, I sed. And I quick shut my eyes and took a peeces of cake, not feeling as big as wat I thawt it would, and wen I opened my eyes wat was it but the regular size peeces, and I sed, O, G, pop, no fare, you termed the plate ex-croaching.

How do you know? sed pop. Because you did, I sed. Not telling him how I knew. And I sed the regular size peeces and Artie at the big peeces, but I made mine last as one as his anyway, out of revenge.

went to Woodstock on Friday to visit Mrs. A. E. Kuppy. On Friday evening Mrs. Reed Bedell entertained at a small party where those present were Private Paul Bedell, Gun. Burton McAlary, Hartley Ward and Misses Kathleen Beveridge, Edith Baird and Isabel McPail.

The Misses Annie and Bessie Fraser returned to Grand Falls, on Friday after visiting at Mrs. N. A. Hanson. On Thursday afternoon Mrs. Hanson entertained informally at tea for their pleasure.

Miss John Wright and family of Gillespie spent the holiday with Mr. Marshall Wright and family. Mrs. Mary Wiley and her son, Donald of the R. A. F., Toronto, arrived on Saturday to spend a week and are receiving a cordial welcome to their old home. Mrs. Wiley and son have spent the past fourteen months at Portland, Oregon and Toronto and expect to spend the winter in Houston, returning to Portland when her elder son, Dr. David Wiley returns from overseas.

Miss Kathleen Beveridge returned to Fredericton on Monday after a visit at her home here. Miss Eva Day, Grand Falls, is the guest of Mrs. Ezekiel Sloat.

Miss Grace Gunter, Lower Queensbury, York Co., is visiting her sister, Mrs. LeBaron Anderson.

Set. David Millan, St. John, is spending a short furlough with his family here. Miss Susie Watson is visiting her sister, Mrs. Arthur Edgar at Three Brooks.

Misses Edna and Luella Pearson, are spending two weeks at their home in Brighton.

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The most fires in one month occurred in April, when the department responded to no less than nineteen alarms in the city proper and four on the West Side. Following is a complete list of alarms in the city proper on the West Side, making a total of 131—

Jan. 1, Box 6, 9.35 a.m., Gillis Building, Prince William Street. Jan. 1, Box 144, 10.10 p.m., Hamm Bros., Main Street. Jan. 1, Box 143, 10.15 p.m., Hamm Bros., Main Street. Jan. 1, Box 26, 11 p.m., Smallley's, Prince William Street. Jan. 2, Box 127, 9 a.m., Chimney, Beasley Street. Jan. 4, Box 25, 4.20 a.m., F. E. Williams, Germain Street. (Second alarm for this fire.) Jan. 10, Box 8, 7.20 p.m., P. O'Neil, Mill Street. Jan. 14, Box 154, 12.40 p.m., Dun can's house, Paradise Row. Jan. 20, Box 145, 8.30 p.m., H. J. Pratt's house, Main Street. (Second alarm for this fire.) Jan. 23, Box 151, 11.55 a.m., Fleming's Foundry, Germain Street. Jan. 28, Box 23, 10 a.m., National Cash Register shop, Germain Street. Jan. 30, Box 151, 11.30 a.m., Willet's Auto shop, Pond Street. (Second alarm for this fire.) Feb. 3, Box 8, 1.30 p.m., Jacobson's, Pond Street. Feb. 4, Box 8, 4.10 p.m., Houses over wharf. Feb. 7, Box 12, 7.25 p.m., James McDonald's, Peter Street. Feb. 7, Box 215, 8.10 a.m., Thomas McMaster's, Rockland Road. Feb. 13, Box 64, 6.35 p.m., Chimney St. Patrick Street. Feb. 14, Box 23, 5.30 p.m., Queen Hotel, Queen Street. Feb. 16, Box 23, 2.50 p.m., Townsland's, King Street. Feb. 21, Box 23, 6.35 p.m., Thomas Wilson, Sidney Street. Feb. 20, Box 4, 11 p.m., Paley alley. Feb. 21, Box 38, 6.50 p.m., Geo. Scott's, Casparthen Street. Feb. 22, Box 42, 3.20 p.m., H. J. Fitzmorris, Duke Street. Feb. 27, Box 42, 2.35 a.m., Phillips', Mecklenburg Street. Feb. 28, Box 4, 1.10 p.m., Shed, Richmond Street. March 25, Box 15, 11.05 a.m., Colwell's shop, Brunel Street. March 25, Box 5, 10.35 p.m., Patterson's building, Union Street. March 26, Box 6, 12.05 p.m., W. H. Thorne, Market Square. (Second alarm for this fire.) March 27, Box 51, 8.50 p.m., Chimney, City Road. March 27, Box 71, 5.35 p.m., L. E. Clarke, Pitt Street. April 7, Box 312, 6.30 p.m., A. W. Worden's, Rockland Road. April 7, Box 123, 7.55 a.m., Holder's, Main Street. April 11, Box 25, 5.45 p.m., Wm. Magee's, Charlotte Street. April 12, Box 121, 2.30 p.m., grass fire. April 13, Box 13, 12.25 p.m., Porter's, Dunlop, Union Street. April 17, Box 124, 1.45 p.m., O. O. Ward's, Duke Street. April 18, Box 42, 12.15 a.m., G. A. Grass, Brunel Street. April 19, Box 321, 8.15 p.m., Quinn's, Somerset Street. April 19, Box 23, 8.25 p.m., Germain Street. April 20, Box 56, 11.30 a.m., Rafferty's house, Waterloo Street. April 20, Box 421, 3.10 p.m., Myles', Curran's Road. April 21, Box 121, 4.05 p.m., John Foster's, Victoria Street. April 22, Box 12, 9.30 a.m., Miss Turner's, Union Street. April 24, Box 45, 8.40 p.m., J. McDermott's, Charlotte Street. April 28, Box 142, 4.30 p.m., Steamer, Gregory's Block. April 27, Box 234, 4.25 p.m., Grass fire. April 28, Box 145, 9.50 p.m., M. Gordon, Long Wharf. April 29, Box 132, 9.15 p.m., J. Seely, Chealey Street. May 5, Box 241, 12.45 p.m., A. Rowley's, Celebration Street. May 8, Box 123, 1.45 p.m., E. Morrill, Kennedy Street. May 8, Box 35, 8.40 p.m., D. Watson, head of bay, Duke Street. May 8, Box 64, 8.30 p.m., Patterson's, Clarence Street. May 10, Box 313, 7.10 a.m., A. McAllister, Cranston Avenue. May 14, Box 25, 12 a.m., Rob Ross, Duke Street. May 14, Box 152, 2.50 p.m., F. M. Dark, Long Wharf. May 17, Box 14, 4.20 p.m., Brussels Street. May 22, Box 117, 2.35 p.m., Marc, Moore Street. May 23, Box 63, 12.20 a.m., false alarm. May 25, Box 49, 8 a.m., military trainees, Barrack Square. May 27, Box 56, 12.55 p.m., Mo-

FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO MANY ALARMS LAST YEAR

One Hundred and Thirty-one Bell Alarms in City Proper—Ten Were Second Alarm Fires—Twenty-seven Calls in West St. John—Four Fires Caused Loss of \$195,000—Complete List of All Alarms During 1918.

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The most fires in one month occurred in April, when the department responded to no less than nineteen alarms in the city proper and four on the West Side. Following is a complete list of alarms in the city proper and the West Side, making a total of 158:

- Jan. 1, Box 6, 9.25 a.m., Gillis Building, Prince William Street.
Jan. 1, Box 144, 10.10 p.m., Hamm Bros., Main Street.
Jan. 1, Box 143, 10.15 p.m., Hamm Bros., Main Street.
Jan. 1, Box 26, 11 p.m., Smalley's, Prince William Street.
Jan. 2, Box 127, 9 a.m., Chimney, Beasley Street.
Jan. 4, Box 25, 4.20 p.m., P. E. Williams, Germain Street.
Jan. 10, Box 8, 7.20 p.m., P. O'Neil, Mill Street.
Jan. 14, Box 154, 12.40 p.m., Duncan's house, Paradise Row.
Jan. 20, Box 143, 8.30 p.m., H. J. Pratt's house, Main Street.
Jan. 23, Box 151, 11.55 a.m., Fleming's Laundry, Germain Street.
Jan. 23, Box 23, 10 a.m., National Cash Register shop, Germain Street.
Jan. 30, Box 151, 11.30 a.m., Willet's Auto shop, Pond Street.
Jan. 30, Box 34, 3.30 p.m., W. A. Soper, Paradise Row.
Jan. 31, Box 232, 8.30 a.m., McLean's house, Burpee Avenue.
Feb. 3, Box 8, 1.30 p.m., Jacobson's, Pond Street.
Feb. 4, Box 8, 4.10 p.m., Houses over wharf.
Feb. 7, Box 12, 7.25 p.m., James McDonald's, Peter Street.
Feb. 7, Box 313, 8.10 a.m., Thos. McMaster's, Rockland Road.
Feb. 13, Box 64, 6.35 p.m., Chimney St. Patrick Street.
Feb. 14, Box 35, 8.30 p.m., Queen Hotel, Queen Street.
Feb. 16, Box 23, 2.50 p.m., Townsend's, King Street.
Feb. 19, Box 32, 5.35 p.m., Thos. Wilson, Sidney Street.
Feb. 20, Box 4, 11 p.m., False alarm.
Feb. 21, Box 38, 6.50 p.m., Geo. Scaplan's, Carmenton Street.
Feb. 22, Box 42, 3.20 p.m., Mrs. Fitzmorris, Duke Street.
Feb. 27, Box 42, 2.35 a.m., Phillips', Mockenburgh Street.
March 10, Box 44, 1.10 p.m., Shed, Richmond Street.
March 25, Box 15, 11.05 a.m., Colwell's shop, Besset Street.
March 25, Box 5, 10.35 p.m., Patterson's building, Union Street.
March 26, Box 6, 12.05 p.m., W. H. Thorne, Market Square.
March 27, Box 51, 3.50 p.m., Chimney City Road.
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April 19, Box 23, 8.25 p.m., Germain Street.
April 20, Box 56, 11.30 a.m., Rafferty's house, Waterloo Street.
April 20, Box 421, 3.10 p.m., Myles', General Road.
April 21, Box 121, 4.05 p.m., John Foster's, Victoria Street.
April 22, Box 13, 9.30 a.m., Miss Burney's, Union Street.
April 24, Box 45, 8.40 p.m., J. McDermott's, Charlotte Street.
April 26, Box 142, 4.30 p.m., Steamer, Gregory's Block.
April 27, Box 134, 4.25 p.m., Grass fire.
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April 29, Box 132, 9.15 p.m., J. Seely, Chesley Street.
May 5, Box 241, 12.45 p.m., A. Rowley's, Celebration Street.
May 5, Box 132, 3.30 p.m., E. Merrill, Kennedy Street.
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ACTIVITIES IN Y. M. C. A. CIRCLES

Open House Yesterday and Reception—Something Done from New Year's Eve Until Last Night.

New Year's was a big day in Y. M. C. A. circles, it being the annual open house and reception day of the association.

On New Year's Eve the boys gathered in the rooms for the annual watch-night services, which were well attended and on the old clock striking the dying hour of twelve marking the "This" 1918, perfect quietude reigned for a time in the place, and then a revival of noise to usher in the new and glorious "peace year."

At sharp 9.15 the dormitory men of the third and fourth floors met at 8.30 in a room of the fourth floor in the defeat of the fourth floor men. At sharp 9.15 the dormitory men breakfasted and all "unusual" justice to the dairy and tasty refreshments to the school boys into the annual athletic meet, the school boys showing up in good form and swamping their opponents.

In the afternoon the business men of the association met for their annual meet in volley ball—the business men carrying away all honors. Their foe was the executive staff of the association and the executive staff of the association met for their annual meet in volley ball—the business men carrying away all honors.

The evening at 7.30 the championship junior baseball games were played in the auditorium. The "Moose" showed in excellent form and won over all comers. A demonstration of group games was given by the junior "B" class, also an exhibition in tumbling. Their foe was the indoor baseball game—Seniors vs. Former Members, now from college for the holidays.

The local team bore down all opposition and chalked up a record of 100 per cent. The final number was the aquatic meet in the swimming tank, when an exhibition of fancy swimming and diving was given by several members of the association. Yesterday's activities were run under the auspices of the board of directors and the auxiliary, and was a banner day in the annals of the Y. M. C. A., likewise a fitting commencement for the year.

COMMON COUNCIL MEETS TOMORROW

Retiring Commissioners Deliver Their Valedictories and New City Fathers Will Be Sworn In.

A special meeting of the Common Council will be held on Friday afternoon at three o'clock at which the retiring commissioners will deliver their valedictories and the new commissioners will be sworn in and take office.

Mayor Hayes announced yesterday that H. B. Baxter, city solicitor, had advised that the old commissioners had sworn in, and they will be sworn in tomorrow afternoon. It is understood that Commissioner Fisher would like to have the Safety Department, and while the new men will serve for the unexpired term of the men they opposed, the allotting of the departments lies with the council as a whole.

SAPPER LONG DEAD

Mrs. Bedford Long, of Milford, has received a telegram announcing that her son, Sapper Bedford Long, had died of broncho-pneumonia at No. 12 Casualty Clearing Station on December 18. Sapper Long went overseas with the 2nd Battalion, Royal Canadian Trench Battalion. He was twenty-one years of age. Besides his parents, he leaves five sisters, four at home and Mrs. Harry McLeod, of St. John. He also leaves one brother, Corporal Robert Long, just returned from overseas. The soldier who has now given his life has been through the big battles of the war and had not been wounded.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

- Two Kings County property transfers are recorded this week: E. H. Eakin to J. H. Waddell, property at Kingston. Peter McManus to S. H. White Co., Limited, property at Waterloo.
April 29, Box 31, 11.30 p.m., false alarm.
May 15, still alarm, 11.30 a.m., Capt. Fitzpatrick's house, Duke Street.
May 22, still alarm, 11.20 a.m. and 12 noon, James Campbell's, Blacksmith shop, Market Place.
May 24, still alarm, 6.1 p.m., Clark's Wharf, Water Street.
May 30, Box 116, 4.25 p.m., Union Foundry, Union Street.
June 28, still alarm, 11.25 a.m., Thos. McLeod's house, Middle Street.
Oct. 22, Box 219, 3 p.m., County, Union Street.
Nov. 7, Box 221, 7.15 p.m., false alarm.
Nov. 11, Box 24, 11 p.m., false alarm.
Nov. 12, Box 24, 2.40 a.m., false alarm.
Nov. 17, Box 112, 6.35 p.m., George Waring's automobile.
Nov. 21, Box 212, 1.15 a.m., false alarm.
Western Division.
Jan. 21, Box 8, 9.40 p.m., Thomas Heffernan's house, Protection Street.
Jan. 28, Box 215, 4.30 a.m., steamer No. 14 berth.
Feb. 6, Box 34, 5.55 p.m., Joseph Allan's house, Charlotte Street.
Feb. 18, Box 116, 11.50 p.m., Union Foundry, Union Street.
March 8, still alarm, 1.40 p.m., J. Fred Belyea's smoke house.
April 11, Box 118, 9.30 a.m., William Goodman's house, St. John Street.
April 16, Box 5, 1.55 p.m., chimney, Immigration Building.
April 20, Box 118, 4.1 p.m., grass

OLD YEAR PASSED, NEW ONE ENTERED IN PEACEFUL MANNER

Watchnight Services Largely Attended—Sounding of Midnight Alarm on Fire Bells Signal for Happy Celebration—Dismissed Policemen Paraded Streets to Assist in Preventing Rowdyism—Citizens Who Expected Troublesome New Year's Eve Agreeably Disappointed.

New Year's Eve and the first day of 1919 passed away without any undue celebration or rowdyism on the part of some citizens. On New Year's Eve the streets were crowded with people, and as the rumor had spread about the city in the afternoon that there would be something unusual happening towards midnight, the crowds lingered about the streets anxiously waiting for something to happen. It had been stated that damage would be done to certain buildings, and that a company of soldiers were being kept ready to respond to a call at a moment's notice, but fortunately there was no such demonstration as has occurred on previous occasions, and the old year passed and a new one was born without any trouble, nothing but peaceableness.

During the earlier part of the evening the dismissed police officers gathered in their headquarters on King Street, and after talking over the outcome of the election on Monday, and listening to a few addresses, the former blue coats left their rooms in a body and until well after midnight they paraded the principal streets with one sole object—that to prevent any number of persons who might be inclined to do damage to property or otherwise disgrace the name of the city.

Fortunately the things that were forecast by the "wise ones" did not take place. The dismissed police officers were followed by a large crowd of spectators, and at each such gathering there was a good natured crowd of men, young and old, who remained on the streets. The object of excitement reigned at one time when two distinct crowds assembled (one on the corner of King and Charlotte streets, the other on the corner of Union and Charlotte streets, and at each such gathering there was comment on the Monday election. Occasionally when one of the number would make a brief address he would be cheered. Finally one crowd rushed to join the other, and for a short time there was plenty of speech-making and applause. Beyond this there was nothing of note. The passing of the old year and the entrance of the new.

One time a military police officer attempted to arrest a boy in the corner of Union and Charlotte streets, who, although feeling fine, from the effect of an over-indulgence in the forbidden was not in a mood to resist and the soldier was given his freedom.

Right on the dot of midnight the fire alarm sounded two blows, and this was the signal for the crowd to cheer, while other sang "Auld Lang Syne." Then came the blowing of whistles on steamships in port, also on a number of factories, while bells rang, and every person who happened to be out appeared happy.

The usual watch night services were held in a number of local churches, and these were largely attended. After the services came to a close a large number of the worshippers made their way towards the head of King Street, where on former occasions there had been plenty of excitement. Those who were not looking for some trouble to start were agreeably disappointed, for it was peace and quietness. It was only a short time after midnight when the usual handshaking and the words "Happy New Year" were heard.

Inspector McAlinsh has just recently recovered from a severe attack of pleurisy, and in the dying hours of the old year was on hand to watch the violators of the liquor statutes.

HARBOR RECEIPTS SHOW AN INCREASE

Last Month About Seventy Per Cent. Over Corresponding Month in 1917—Last Year's Business Larger Than Previous.

The harbor receipts for the past month of December show an increase over that of the year 1917 of about seventy per cent, while the increase for year 1918 is a little over 25 per cent. This increase is largely due to the increased rates which were put in force last year, and it is expected the revision of rates now pending will add still more to the receipts from this source.

With the additional business which is promised for this season it is expected the receipts for the year 1919 will be largely in excess of any year in the history of the port, and point out the necessity for employing the large staff of watchmen has passed, it is thought a similar effort will be a nice balance on the right side of the ledger for months for 1919-18.

Table with 2 columns: Month, 1917, 1918. Rows: January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December.

MARRIED.

WHITNEY-BARKER—At the residence of the bride's mother, 88 City Road, Wednesday, January 1, Miss Ella May Barker and J. Parker Whitney, of Montreal, by Rev. J. A. Macdonald.

KESWICK-McNEIRNEY—On December 31st, at St. Paul's Rectory, Cambridge, Mass., by Rev. Father Ryan, Captain R. MacLaren Keswick, late of the 26th Battalion, son of the late David Keswick of Buctouche, N. B., to Florence McNeirney, second daughter of the late Dr. J. P. McNeirney and Mrs. McNeirney, St. John, N. B.

DIED.

FOSTER—Suddenly in this city, Roy R. Foster, aged twenty-nine years, at his home, 2 City Road, after an illness of only three days. Besides his wife and two small children, he leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Foster, and two sisters and two brothers.

Funeral today (Thursday) at 2.30 o'clock from his late residence, Dechester Extension (or 2 City Road) to Cedar Hill cemetery.

Funeral on December 31, 1918, Annie Alma, wife of Patrick Albert Palmer, leaving her husband, three children, father, two sisters and one brother to mourn.

Funeral on Friday morning at 8.45 o'clock from his residence, 17 Clarendon Street, to St. Peter's Church for High Mass of Requiem. Friends invited to attend.

O'BRIEN—On December 31st, at her residence, 184 British Street, and a very brief illness, Johanna, wife of Robert H. O'Brien, leaving her husband, four sons, five daughters and one sister to mourn.

Funeral on Friday morning, at 8.45, to St. John the Baptist church, Broad Street, for requiem high mass at 9 o'clock.

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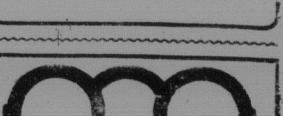
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REV. FR. COUGHLAN'S CONDITION. The friends of Rev. Father Richard Coughlan will be sorry to learn that he is not showing any improvement in health at the present time and has shown very little improvement since his admittance to the infirmary some time ago.

CHANGEABLE WEATHER. The New Year was ushered into the city accompanied by a few inches of snow, which made it quite pleasant for those wishing to go driving. Towards midnight rain settled in, causing the streets to become quite slippery, and making it extremely dangerous for pedestrians, most of whom took the middle of the street. At the head of King Street one lady fell and injured herself quite badly. At an early hour this morning a steady downpour of rain was causing the snow to disappear rapidly.

SCHOOLS REOPEN. The schools and other educational institutions re-open tomorrow after Christmas holidays, and today classes prove a busy one with those who are concerned with the issuing of permits and vaccination certificates.

PICTURES PRESENTED. Yesterday the Hon. John E. Wilson, assistant receiver-general, presented the members of the Balcony Club, German street, with beautiful and expensive steel engravings of King George, Sir Douglas Haig, Generalissimo Poch and General Arthur Currie. The portraits will make most suitable and attractive additions to the decorations of the club rooms.

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UNIQUE. THURS.—FRI.—SAT. Mat. 2 and 3.30; Evg. 7 and 8.30.

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CRIME SWEEPING NEW YORK CITY

Woman Charges Member of Brooklyn Force Held Her Up With Revolver.

New York, Dec. 31.—The upward trend of crime within the metropolitan district which has been causing the authorities much concern, continued unabated yesterday, with the latest developments revealing a uniformed policeman accused of robbing a woman at the point of his revolver. Two vain attempts by crackmen in lower Manhattan to rifle cafes and the successful robbery of a Harlem jewelry firm, after bunding the proprietor's wife, gave additional worry to the police.

An independent investigation of the carrying holiday and robbery committed in the home of Mrs. Catherine Conine, 108 Canal street, Stapleton, S. I., Wednesday night, is being conducted by John S. Shaw, Special Deputy Police Commissioner, and the residents of that community are aroused by what occurred. Brooklyn reported the arrest of two men, guards on charges of felonious assault and attempted robbery.

For the most amazing incident in the arrest of Policeman Leader Greener, of the Greenport police station, for alleged robbery. His arrest was caused by Nello Stoklein, wife of a saloon proprietor at No. 221 Greene street, Brooklyn, who asserted he entered the premises early yesterday morning and displaying a revolver which he pointed at her, demanded what money was in the cash register.

Says Policeman Took \$23. Mrs. Stoklein says she crouched behind the counter while the policeman took from the cash drawer \$23. When arrested Broder seemed in a daze, and evinced little interest in his arraignment before Magistrate Steers in the Bridge plaza Court. Brother policeman tried to arouse him to the seriousness of his plight, but he would only remark that he must have been crazy. He declared he wanted no examination, desired no bail nor lawyer, and accordingly was held without bail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

Broder has been a member of the police force for twelve years and previously had a good record. He lives with his wife and two children at Balise street and Martha avenue, Jamaica, L. I. A good record.

Twenty thousand dollars in Liberty bonds and jewelry were overlooked by two robbers who entered the establishment of Paul Sacks, dealer in bonds and jewelry, on the second floor of No. 12 West 124th street, yesterday morning, and attacked Mrs. Rose Sacks, wife of the proprietor, who was alone at the time.

The thieves attacked Mrs. Sacks after she had sold a fifty dollar Liberty bond and purchased a diamond ring for \$28. Her suspicion had been aroused by the man as they feigned to leave. Suddenly the man, accompanied by a second man, leveled a pistol at her head, while his companion produced twine with which he proceeded to bind Mrs. Sacks.

Overlook Bonds and Gems. In the corner of the office stood a safe with open doors. Reposing within it was \$20,000 worth of bonds and gems, but the thieves never directed a glance in that direction, contenting themselves with removing \$100 in cash and \$1,600 in bonds from a drawer.

As they were going down stairs they encountered Policeman Henry Bendt, of the West 124th street station who was paying a call on the Sacks. They merely stepped aside and permitted the policeman to make his way to the office, where he discovered Mrs. Sacks and learned of the robbery. In the interval the thieves had made good their escape.

Is Locked in Refrigerator. Compelled to remain in a refrigerator for four hours and almost frozen when he finally succeeded in getting his release was the victim of a robbery perpetrated by Henry Sahn, owner of a retail wine and liquor store at No. 271 Jerome avenue. This happened last Saturday night, and was once made public yesterday.

As in the previous robberies, the robbers were two, and both were armed with pistols. First they quaffed Mr. Sahn's beer and then made known the purpose of their visit by producing the weapons. In the rear of the store was an ice box, into which they drove Sahn, but not before relieving him of a diamond ring which adorned his finger.

In leaving the place the thieves carefully locked the door and dimmed the lights, which led the police to believe Mr. Sahn had closed for the night. From half-past twelve until half-past three o'clock Sunday morning Mr. Sahn was imprisoned.

With the temperature hovering about zero and in his shirt sleeves, the imprisoned man strove to force his way out, and after tearing down part of the interior with his bare fingers, got possession of a bottle and smashed the glass panel which had resisted his physical endeavors. Half fainting, he staggered to the telephone and informed the police of the robbery and last night was still suffering from the effects of his experience.

After blowing open a safe in the loft of Ebers and Hayes, manufacturers of fountain pens on the second floor of

GERMANY LOSES LONG MONOPOLY

Allied Scientists Produce Superior Product by Adopting West India Healing Methods.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27.—Before the war Germany was considered by great portion of the globe as the home of science, but in practical discoveries since the war commenced the men of science of Britain and her allies have shown they need no tuition from Germany.

In July, 1914, practically all of the antiseptics used in the medical world were manufactured by German medical firms. At the moment when antiseptics became an urgent necessity supplies were cut off. The need of satisfying the immensely increased demand led to instant experimenting, and many antiseptics of the old type, superior to those in use prior to the commencement of the war, were discovered by what occurred. Their main discovery, however, tended to revolutionize completely ideas regarding the use of antiseptics.

Early in their investigations it was found that the old slave drivers of the West Indies knew even more about antiseptics than did the modern German chemists. Slaves caught trying to escape were severely thrashed to discourage such attempts on their part on the part of others. But it was not to the owner's benefit to be kept deprived of the services of errand slaves, and in order to promote rapid recovery the wounds were rubbed with a mixture of sea water and lemon juice.

The effect of a mixture of common salt and lemon juice on the blood was, therefore, carefully studied. It was found that while ordinary antiseptics tended to destroy not only the germs but also the tissues of the body, and thus actually retarded the recovery of the wound, the old slave drivers' remedy promoted the flow of the healing fluids from all parts of the body to the injured part, cleansing as well as healing the wound.

This antiseptic method has now been generally adopted, a matter of some consideration to the Tommy whose wounds required frequent dressing, as comparatively few bandages were required.

Lockjaw, among other maladies was responsible for many painful deaths in the six months of the war. The microbes responsible for this disease breed, a few inches below the surface of the soil, and the highly manured lands of France are ideal places for its cultivation. In fact, before the war the large number of lockjaw cases from the Marne area of France was seriously occupying attention.

In trench warfare, the clothing of the men gets very muddy. When a man is wounded the projectile takes a portion of his clothing, germs and all, into the body with it. In this way many men slightly wounded developed lockjaw after their arrival in English hospitals and died agonizing deaths.

An antidote had been known for some time, but the method first adopted of administering the remedy only after the symptoms had appeared proved very successful results. Afterward it became the general practice to administer the antidote to all wounded men immediately after they arrived at the hospital, and the disease was practically wiped out.

Mrs. Johanna O'Brien. The death of Mrs. Johanna O'Brien, wife of Robert H. O'Brien, took place Tuesday morning here, Boston, 184 Britain Street. The deceased leaves besides her husband, four sons, Robert J., of the postal service, Arthur E., of this city, Frank L. and Harry E., all residents in this city, and five daughters, Mrs. P. H. Trifits, Mrs. P. L. Alexander and the Misses Isabel, Josephine and Mary. A sister is Mrs. James Gorman, of this city. The death of two sons in the war was a serious shock to Mrs. O'Brien, and no doubt contributed to her early death. She was a deeply interested in charitable and philanthropic work and was highly esteemed by all who knew her. The funeral will take place on Friday morning at 8.45.

Oliver James Collier. Col. J. N. B., Dec. 31.—The death of Oliver James Collier, aged one year and five months, occurred at his parents' home in this city on Dec. 31st last. Interment took place at St. John's Island, N. B. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Wm. W. Haidfield, pastor of the United Baptist church, at the grave.

Mrs. Robert Phillips. Col. J. N. B., Dec. 31.—The entire community of Cole's Island, N. B., was greatly shocked to learn of the sudden death of Mrs. Robert J. Phillips, of pneumonia, after a few days' illness, at her husband's home in St. John, on Sunday morning, Dec. 29th last. Mrs. Phillips was of a mild, unassuming disposition and beloved and respected by all who knew her. She is survived by her sorrowing parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Starkey of Cole's Island, her husband and little daughter, Grace, three sisters and two brothers. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Wm. W. Haidfield on Monday afternoon, Dec. 30th, in the Cole's Island United Baptist church and at the grave.

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UFA CAPTURED BY BOLSHEVIKI

Capital of the Non-Bolshevik Government in Ara, West of the Ural Mountains.

Bulletin—London, Jan. 1.—Ufa, capital of the non-Bolshevik government, in the area west of the Ural Mountains, was captured on Tuesday by the Bolsheviki, according to a Russian wireless dispatch received here today. The wireless message adds that the Lithuanian Bourgeois government has left Vilna for Kovna. The message reads:

"Ufa, capital of the White Guards on this side of the Urals, was taken by us Tuesday. On the same day the Lithuanian Bourgeois government has left Vilna for Kovno."

"Feeling that their position was endangered, the Lithuanian bourgeois government has left Vilna for Kovno."

Early in the afternoon at 2 p. m., at his residence, "Southend," from an attack of double pneumonia developed from influenza. The deceased, who was about twenty-six years of age, was the son of Frank Thornton of this town, and was the husband of his wife and three children, his parents, and one brother, Arthur, late of the Royal Air Force. The funeral was held on Monday afternoon from his late residence, the service being conducted by Rev. P. J. Trainor. The floral offerings were many and beautiful. The Knights of Pythias, of which the deceased was a member, marched in procession to the grave in Greenwood Cemetery. Very much sympathy is felt for the bereaved family.

Albert Orser. Harland, Dec. 31.—One of Harland's most aged and life-long residents in the person of Albert Orser, passed away early on Sunday morning at the home of his son, Moses, with whom he had been living for the past few months. Mr. Orser, though a man of small education, was yet gifted with a good deal of natural ability, lectures on temperance and the making of poetry being his hobbies. He conducted farming on a small scale but in his earlier years made quite a livelihood from magistrature business for which he had quite a talent. He was over eighty-five years of age and is survived by two sons, Moses and Albert of Harland, and four daughters, Mrs. John Leonard of the Canadian West, Mrs. Mason, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Clapp, all living in Harland, besides a large number of grand-children and nieces. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon from the home of his son, Moses.

Mrs. Elizabeth Graham. The death occurred suddenly, on Monday night, of Elizabeth, wife of John Graham. She leaves to mourn but also the issue of the body, and Mrs. William Wooley, Mrs. Percy Williams, Elizabeth and Mary Graham, all of this city. The funeral will be held from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Wooley, 505 Haymarket Square, this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

Mrs. Herbert Baker. The death of Mrs. Herbert Baker occurred in Boston, in Millbrook street, on pneumonia. Besides her husband she leaves six small children, her mother, Mrs. James Bayley, of this city, five sisters, Mrs. Clifton Stone and Miss Kathleen Givens, of Millbrook; Mrs. Thomas Peterson, and Mrs. Walter Peterson, and Mrs. Josephine of East St. John, and Mrs. Albert Cammack, also one brother, Walter Givens, of this city.

Mrs. Isabel Fowler. The death took place on Tuesday morning, at her home, 54 Wright Street, of Mrs. Isabel Fowler, wife of Charles D. Fowler. A daughter of Robert Wood, of Carleton, Scotland. Mrs. Fowler had been a resident of this city for many years. Besides her husband, she is survived by one son, Fred Z. Fowler, of this city, and two daughters, Miss Helen, a trained nurse practicing in Boston, and Miss Jennie, a trained nurse practicing in Sussex. A brother, James A. Wood, resides in Cambridge, Mass. The funeral will take place this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

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Forty Were Accepted Today by the American Receiving Commission—Seven of Them Gothas.

Coblenz, Tuesday, Dec. 31.—(By the Associated Press)—Forty airplanes, including seven Gothas, said to have been accepted today by the American Receiving Commission. Two hundred machines are now in Coblenz, or on the way, and all of them soon will be taken to France. Each airplane must be in perfect condition before acceptance, and German aviators are being kept busy in testing them before being sent to France. The American Receiving Commission is now in Coblenz, and is in perfect condition before acceptance, and German aviators are being kept busy in testing them before being sent to France. The American Receiving Commission is now in Coblenz, and is in perfect condition before acceptance, and German aviators are being kept busy in testing them before being sent to France.

WEDDINGS. Kewick-McInerney. A quiet wedding took place at the rectory of St. Paul's church, Cambridge, Mass., on December 31st, when Florence Mary McInerney, second daughter of the late Dr. J. P. McInerney of 98 Orange street, was united in marriage to Captain R. David Kewick, of Bantouche, N. B. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Ryan, of St. Paul's church. Captain Kewick went overseas with the 6th Battalion and was transferred to the 25th, and is now with the 1st Depot Battalion stationed in St. John. Miss McInerney was visiting at the Huron avenue, Cambridge, Mass. She is a granddaughter of the late Dr. Travis and a favorite among a large circle of friends who will unite in many good wishes. The young couple returned to St. John yesterday.

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SUBMARINES ARE BEING DIVIDED

Thirty-six Have Been Distributed Among the Allies—Four U-Boats Are Crossing the Atlantic to the U. S.

London, Jan. 1.—German submarines, which have been surrendered, are being divided among the Allies, according to the Mail. The newspaper says that fifteen go to France, ten to Italy, seven to Japan and four to the United States. The U-boats turned over to the United States are said to be on their way across the Atlantic. The newspaper does not specify the manner in which the rest of the 127 surrendered submarines are to be allotted.

TO BE KNOWN AS CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS. A circular has just been issued over the signature of the President, Mr. D. B. Hanna, announcing that effective January 1st, 1919, all Government Railway Lines, heretofore known as Canadian Northern Railway System, including its eastern and western lines, and Canadian Government Railways, composing the National Transcontinental Ry., Intercolonial Railway of Canada and the Prince Edward Island Railway, will hereafter be known and operated under the name Canadian National Railways, the headquarters of which will be in Toronto.

All officers of the system are requested to use the name "Canadian National Railways" in the course of operating correspondence and general conduct of affairs. It is also desirable that the public and the railway's connections adopt and put into practice at once the new title in addressing communications, reports and general correspondence to the various offices of the Canadian National Railways.

BOLSHEVIKI ADVANCING. London, Jan. 1.—Bolshevik troops continue their advance westward in Estonia and Livonia, and are marching on Riga and Vilna, according to a Russian wireless report received here today. Southeast of Riga the Bolsheviks have taken Romenshof on the Dvina.

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THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY. THERAPION No. 1. THERAPION No. 2. THERAPION No. 3. For 1 for Rhinoid Catarrh. No. 2 for Bronchitis. No. 3 for Sinusitis. Price in English, 2/6. Price in French, 2/6. Price in German, 2/6. Price in Italian, 2/6. Price in Spanish, 2/6. Price in Portuguese, 2/6. Price in Russian, 2/6. Price in Polish, 2/6. Price in Czech, 2/6. Price in Slovak, 2/6. Price in Hungarian, 2/6. Price in Rumanian, 2/6. Price in Bulgarian, 2/6. Price in Greek, 2/6. Price in Turkish, 2/6. Price in Persian, 2/6. Price in Arabic, 2/6. Price in Hebrew, 2/6. Price in Yiddish, 2/6. Price in Ladino, 2/6. Price in Esperanto, 2/6. Price in Interlingua, 2/6. Price in Volapuk, 2/6. Price in Esperanto, 2/6. Price in Interlingua, 2/6. Price in Volapuk, 2/6.

SUFFERED TERRIBLE AGONY

"Fruit-a-tives" Alone Gave Him Quick Relief.

Buckingham, Que., May 2nd, 1915. For several years, I suffered terribly from Severe Headaches and indigestion. I had belching gas from the stomach, and I had chronic Constipation. I tried many remedies but nothing did me good. Finally a friend advised "Fruit-a-tives." I took this grand fruit medicine and it made me well. To everyone who has miserable health with Constipation and Indigestion and Bad Stomach, I say take "Fruit-a-tives," and you will get well.

50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size 25c. At dealers or sent postpaid by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa, Ont.

TROOPS IN TURKEY. London, Jan. 1.—A battalion of French troops has been detailed to occupy the Stamboul district of Constantinople while a British battalion will occupy Pera, the European quarter. Italian forces will occupy another district of the city.

Simple Herbs Care Serious Troubles. MANY of the diseases of womanhood may be prevented with care. The delicate balance of woman's sensitive nervous system, and upset her whole system. At the first indication of nervousness or any irregularity, take Dr. Wilson's HERBINE BITTERS.

It's safe and certain—purely vegetable—regulates kidneys and bowels—eases headaches, indigestion, stomach trouble—purifies the blood—tonifies up and invigorates mind and body. At most stores. 25c a bottle; 50c a dozen. Five times as large as Dr. The Bradley Drug Company, Limited, St. John, N. B.

THE MAKING OF A FAMOUS MEDICINE. How Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is Prepared for Woman's Use. A visit to the laboratory where this successful remedy is made impresses even the casual looker-on with the reliability, accuracy, skill and cleanliness which attend the making of this great medicine for woman's ills.

Over 350,000 pounds of various herbs are used annually and all have to be gathered at the season of the year when their natural juices and medicinal substances are at their best. The most successful solvents are used to extract the medicinal properties from these herbs.

Every utensil and tank that comes in contact with the medicine is sterilized and as a final precaution in cleanliness the medicine is pasteurized and sealed in sterile bottles.

It is the wonderful combination of roots and herbs, together with the skill and care used in its preparation which has made this famous medicine so successful in the treatment of female ills.

The letters from women who have been restored to health by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound which we are continually publishing attest to its virtue.

Try Making Your Own Cough Remedy. You can save about \$2. and have a better made kind. Easily done.

If you combined the curative properties of every known "ready-made" cough remedy, you probably could not get as much relief as you can get from this simple home-made cough syrup, which is easily prepared in a few minutes.

Get from any druggist 2½ ounces of Pinex (50 cents worth), pour it into a 16-oz. bottle and fill the bottle with 15oz. of water. Add either Pinex granulated sugar syrup, clarified molasses, honey, or corn syrup, as desired. The result is 16 ounces of really better cough syrup than you could buy ready-made, and saves early \$2. Tastes pleasant and never spoils.

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AROUND THE CITY

GALES WITH RAIN

INQUEST THIS EVENING. The inquest into the death of Sade Hassan, who was found dead in West St. John Sunday, will be resumed in the court house, Sydney street, this evening.

DIED SUDDENLY. Mrs. W. A. Watson, 59 Coburg street, last night received a telegram that her nephew, William C. Carter, of the United States navy, had died suddenly of pneumonia at his parents' residence, Cambridge street, Cambridge, Mass., leaving a wife, father, mother and one brother to mourn.

PRICE OF TURKEYS. Many of the local meat markets failed to carry any stock of turkeys on New Year's Eve owing to the high price asked for these birds. It is stated that no less than seventy cents per pound was being asked, and while there were purchasers even at this price the majority of citizens thought they could enjoy a New Year's dinner with something else than Turkey.

PLEASING PRESENTATION. There was a pleasing presentation in the rooms of No. 1 Fire Station on Charlotte street yesterday afternoon, when David McRoberts, a popular houseman, who has retired from the service, was called to the front and H. G. McKeith, foreman of the company, presented him with a handsome silver flag. After Mr. McRoberts made a brief reply of appreciation remarks were served and those present enjoyed a social hour.

FALSE ALARMS. A few persons who lack little or no brains went out on the streets early yesterday morning sending in false alarms and calling the fire department out. About 1:15 o'clock a false alarm was sent in from box 17 on the corner of Brunswick and Erin streets. On the western side of the harbor alarms were sent in from boxes 117 and 119, causing much annoyance to the firemen and considerable labor on the part of the horses.

EXCELLENT CALENDARS. A calendar has been received from the Lake of the Woods Milling Company, Ltd., which is very prettily designed, showing a life size Indian standing in a field of wheat, with a bag of flour. He is pointing to a scene of the soldiers in battle and expressing the words "It's needed over there," also the words: "Save wheat and flour for those who are saving you." Another very serviceable calendar has been sent to The Standard from Lockhart and Ritchie, agents for the Continental Insurance Company.

RECENT ORDERS. No. 7 District, Depot—Lieutenant Daryl Graves Peters is struck off the strength of the G.E.F. 75th August, 1918. Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.—The undermentioned are awarded the Good Conduct Medal: Louis Service Medal, under the provisions of the Royal Warrant, dated the 18th day of May, 1899, and General Order No. 132 of 1907: 1901. Capt. H. P. G. Woodbridge, 1st York Regt.; Pte. J. A. McElhinney, 62nd Regt. St. John Fusiliers.

THE BUILDING REPORT. The cumulative effect of four years of war on building activity in the city is reflected in the report for the year ending Tuesday, compiled by James Carleton, building inspector. No permits were issued during this December, as compared with two of a total value of \$1,500 last December. The total value of permits issued during 1918 was \$351,520, as compared with \$531,250 for 1917, a decrease of \$179,730 for the year. During 1918 permits issued for repairs showed a total of 172, of an average value of something like \$500 each.

REQUEST TO MERCHANTS. Sir Douglas Hazen, local representative of the Federal Government, in connection with the sale of War Stamps for the province, has made a request to the Retail Merchants' Association regarding the vending of the stamps. In response to this request the executive of the Retail Merchants' Association held a meeting Tuesday morning to consider the proposition of the members of the Retail Merchants' Association taking upon themselves to act as vendors. It was decided to call a mass meeting of all the members of the association this morning at 10:30 o'clock to consider the matter.

THE POLICE COURT. In the police court Tuesday, John Kelly was charged with having liquor on his premises other than his private dwelling. The case will be resumed tomorrow.

There was further evidence taken in the case of Steve Polka, charged with being in the mob that did damage to the Police warehouse on the night that the news of the signing of the armistice was received. The case will be resumed tomorrow.

Robert Bryson, charged with using abusive language to Inspector McAtish, was discharged by the magistrate. Bryson swore that he did not use abusive language. Miss Bryson corroborated her father's evidence.

RETURNED MEN ARRIVE. Forty-six returned men arrived from Halifax Tuesday morning, and were met at the Depot by Charles Nicholson, Secretary of the Returned Soldiers' Commission. After the men breakfasted at the station they dispersed to their homes. The men have been granted a fourteen days furlough before having to report to Fredericton for discharge. The following St. John men were in the party: Private P. H. Mims, Pte. G. C. Harnett, Pte. F. L. Hunt, Dr. J. R. Bramble, Pte. C. Entwistle, Spr. W. J. Lloyd, Pte. W. K. Mcintosh, Pte. G. B. McIntyre, Pte. J. H. Ogden, Pte. A. Sheehan, Pte. A. Smith, Pte. G. H. Walton, Sgt. H. T. Ward and Pte. J. A. Nico. Private Nico is a first contingent man. He was overseas at the outbreak of the war, and during his four years' service was wounded twice. He expects to go into hospital for treatment in a few days. He is a son of Fred Nico, 278 Prince street, West St. John.

OLD FASHIONED BEAN SUPPER

Junior Members of the Y. M. C. I. Were Entertained Tuesday Evening—Excellent Programme Carried Out.

"An old fashioned bean supper" was given in the Y. M. C. I. on Tuesday evening to the junior members of the institution. The tables were placed in the gymnasium rooms and the big spread placed thereon which made the young fellows open their eyes.

The following young ladies were in charge of the supper, and they saw to it that the young lads had all they required. The names follow—Mrs. Haney, Mrs. Cavanaugh, Mrs. D. Reynolds, Mrs. C. Kane, and Mrs. P. J. Fitzpatrick.

The following assisted in serving at the tables:—The Misses Nan McLaughlin, Regina Lawlor, Josephine Jenkins, Dorothy Kinsella, Leverage Lawlor, Josephine Conlon, and Mary Connolly.

All the boys had done right justice to the feast and the piles of sweeties and delicacies attached thereto, they all proceeded to the assembly hall of the institute where a programme of songs and readings and addresses were carried on. Edward Hennesbery, chairman of the social committee presided.

Following is the programme: Vocal solo, Gregory Ward; vocal solo, Miss Marion Power; reading, Mrs. A. G. Wilson; flute solo, Master Thomas Beck; vocal solo, Miss Gertrude O'Brien and several vocal selections by the junior members of the City Cornet Band, which drew forth all kinds of favorable comments. The little lads show the training which is being given them and the band master and members of the band are to be congratulated.

Gerald O'Neil, chairman of the boys' committee, then gave a short address announcing that on every Friday evening during the winter months a social gathering would be held in the rooms for the benefit of the junior members of the institution. He traced the proposed activities of the Y. M. C. I. during the present month and announced that an athletic meet would be held in the Y. M. C. I. gymnasium on the tenth of the present month. This meet is for the younger members only and is now awaited in suspense by the lads.

Judge Ritchie being called upon gave a few words of advice to the boys and congratulated the work of the Y. M. C. I. The accompanists at the evening's entertainment were Miss Tapley, Leonard Quinn and Joseph Ward. Towards the close of the entertainment the chairman called upon Rev. Father Duke, chairman of the institute, who was given a hearty reception. Father Duke referred to the work which the institute was accomplishing but this would be impossible without the hearty co-operation of the members, and then alluded to the great cooperative spirit now prevalent among the members. Continuing he wished the Y. M. C. I. genuine success during the year 1919, and hoped that the gathering on Tuesday evening was the initiative for further gatherings among the boys during the year.

SPECIAL SERVICES IN ST. JUDE'S

Large Congregation at Watch-night Service—Children's Service Last Evening—Elder Members' Service This Evening.

The Watch Night services in St. Jude's church, West Side, on New Year's Eve, drew forth large congregations. The pastor, Rev. J. H. A. Holmes, officiated at the service. At the hour of twelve o'clock, as the clock on the wall marked the dying moments of the old year, the Holy Eucharist service was celebrated, about eighty proceeding to the communion rail. Another feature of the services was the excellent music rendered by the choir of young ladies, all being clad in white vestments and presenting a beautiful appearance.

"On Sunday evening last the services are somewhat worthy of mention when they took on the aspect of an English Christmas Carol service," being held in pure white vestments.

Last evening there was a special children's service held for the junior members of the Sunday school. All the little ones were given a nice treat.

This evening the elder members of the Sunday school will gather in the church for their special service.

THE SOLDIER LADS WERE ENTERTAINED

Members of Local Units Were Guests of Y. W. P. A. in Red Triangle Rooms Last Evening.

The soldier lads of the several local units, and some of the visiting men were entertained in the Red Triangle Club rooms last evening, under the auspices of the Y. W. P. A., with Miss Madeline Delaney as convener.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S RALLY

Methodist Sunday Schools of St. John District Met in Centenary Yesterday—About One Thousand Congregants.

The Methodist Sunday schools of St. John district met in Centenary church yesterday morning in their eleventh annual New Year Rally, and about one thousand Sunday school scholars, of all ages, from the tot to the aged, met together.

An interesting feature of the program was the presentation of the flag to the school which had the largest per centage of its enrollment present at the rally, and this honor went to the Fairville school, which had seventy per cent. of the scholars in the roll present.

Mayor Hayes presided and the giving of the assemblage and greetings by Rev. H. A. Goodwin, read the scriptures, and Rev. H. Penna offered prayer. Addresses were delivered by Revs. G. F. Dawson and Geo. Morris. In the course of his address Rev. Mr. Dawson referred to the men on the Methodist honor rolls who have paid the supreme sacrifice and who the audience stood, read aloud the names of about fifty heroes, who lie in soldiers' graves in France.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOLS' RALLY

Second Annual Held Yesterday Morning in Main Street Church—Messages of Greeting Sent and Received.

The second annual New Year's Rally of the Baptist Sunday schools of the city was held yesterday morning in the Main street Baptist church, and proved very successful. Representatives were present from all the schools and joined heartily in the exercises. Rev. I. W. Williamson led a fifteen-minute song service, and I. A. Belyea acted as chairman of the meeting. The offering, which was for the Children's Aid Society, was a little over twenty dollars. Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Hutchinson and Rev. J. H. Jenner, solos were sung by Miss B. Campbell and E. Clyde Parsons, and the address was delivered by Rev. A. L. Telford.

The following message of greeting was read from the Methodist Sunday schools to the Baptist Sunday schools at St. John: "Assembled in our eleventh annual New Year's Rally, the St. John Methodist Sunday schools representing a body of about three thousand members, send their kindest greetings to the Baptist Sunday schools, with best wishes to run very prosperously this year of church work and fellowship. We pray for the kindred members who have been serving the Empire overseas may be returned to you in safety and add greatly to the efficiency of your work. With kindest regards, Chairman Greeting Committee."

The following message of greetings was sent to the Methodist schools: "To the Methodist schools of the city, assembled in our second annual New Year's Rally, the United Baptist Bible schools of the city send most cordial greetings. While the world is at war, the Allies, largely through the prayers of Christian men and women, let us continue to pray for the victory our politics that a great victory may come to us and bring peace to the Master, Hartley Wannamaker, Chairman Greeting Committee."

HARRY LAUDER HONORARY MEMBER

Presented With Beautiful Pin by Canadian Imperial League Last Evening—Unable to Attend Smoker Arranged in His Honor.

As Harry Lauder, the famous comedian, had a son who fought and lost his life at the front, it made this gentleman eligible to be a member of the Canadian Imperial League, and at a recent meeting of the league, Mr. Lauder was elected an honorary member. It was the intention of the league members to hold a smoker in the war veterans' rooms tonight, with Mr. Lauder as their chief guest, and it was expected that he would give a short address to the league members and the city after this evening's performance. Since he was unable to accept the invitation, a delegation was sent to Mr. Lauder and presented him with a beautiful league pin designed by E. A. Smith, and which was received by the comedian, who thanked the league for the honor they bestowed on him.

GOV'T RETURNS FOR FISCAL YEAR

St. John Maintaining Its Place as Second Port in Canada—Figures for Period Ending September.

The government returns for the first six months of the fiscal year 1918-19, show that St. John is maintaining its place as the second port in Canada. The figures for this period ending September 30, 1918, are: Exports, Montreal, \$22,150,561; St. John \$64,281,749; Halifax, \$16,991,044; Quebec, \$81,178.

Imports, Montreal, \$94,140,647; St. John, \$7,443,699; Halifax, \$7,178,919; Quebec, \$6,851,593. The totals, Montreal, \$316,201,698; St. John, \$71,825,448; Halifax, \$23,166,023; Quebec, \$9,848,371.

DECEMBER WAS A MILD MONTH

Among the Twelve Decembers Since 1873 Without Temperature Readings at or Below the Cypher.

The month just closed while not the mildest December on record counts among the twelve Decembers since 1873 without temperature readings at or below the cypher. D. L. Hutchinson, director of the Dominion Meteorological Observatory, states the mean temperature of the month was 25.3, which is one degree above the average of the past forty-six years and the highest since the Dominion Meteorological Observatory was established in 1917. The highest temperature recorded was 47, on the 15th, and the lowest 3 above, on the 31st. The total rainfall amounted to one high and eight-tenths, and the snowfall thirteen inches. Owing to rains prevailing, zero and below was only possible between the 5th and 14th and the last days of the month, otherwise the ground was bare of snow. The month has been in marked contrast to that of December, 1917, when considerable intensely cold weather prevailed, zero and below was recorded on eight days and that month closed with one of the most prolonged periods of cold weather on record. The extreme conditions which set in on the 26th of December continued without a break until the 3rd of January. On the 30th and 31st of December and 1st of January the thermometer did not rise above zero and the extreme of 20 below was recorded on the 30th.

New Year's Day of 1918 was fine and bright, the highest temperature was 7 below and the lowest 11 below, the snow covering amounted to two inches and the sleighing was fairly good. This year the lowest temperature was 10 above, rising to 30 above by 3 o'clock, and during the day morning followed by drizzle and dull cloudy weather. About two inches of snow covered the ground, making very good sleighing.

CASE BEFORE JUDGE CHANDLER

Before His Honor Judge Chandler in chambers Tuesday morning there was a hearing in the matter of the International Shipbuilding Corporation, Limited, and its winding up under the Winding Up Act, Chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906, and Amending Acts. H. A. Powell, K. C., appeared in support of the petition, and F. R. Taylor, K. C., appeared in behalf of the creditors. G. R. Walters of Liverpool, with a claim of \$2,000; P. Norman Saucen, St. John, with a claim of \$1,187; David Cohen Co., Ltd., of New York, with a claim of \$1,274; K. J. MacLae appeared in behalf of McLaren Belling Company with a claim of \$250; and Francis Kerr appeared on behalf of three workmen: G. R. Walters with a claim of \$230; A. S. Brown with a claim of \$227, and A. W. Brown with a claim of \$118. A claim on behalf of the Lownders Co., of Newcastle was also presented.

A statement was made by the Provisional Liquidator, A. A. Davidson, it showed that the Royal Bank of Canada held security in all amounting to \$108,564. It also appeared that John H. Smith, of New York, owned a vessel built by the company at a price of \$40,000 and paid \$40,000 on account. The hearing was adjourned until three o'clock.

FINE PROGRAMME CARRIED OUT

No. 2 Salvage Corps at Home to Friends Last Evening—Commissioner Thornton Was Present.

The members of No. 2 Salvage Corps and Fire Police were at home to their friends last night and a new corps of real enjoyment was seen. Captain Robert Cunningham presided and in a brief address of welcome he said that the corps was very prosperous New Year. The smokes and other refreshments were passed around and those present thoroughly enjoyed an excellent programme. The newly elected commissioner, John Thornton, who is a member of the company and a recent captain, was present and was greeted with hearty applause. He made a short address. Messrs. Carson and Punter were heard to advantage in a character sketch. Songs were rendered by Hyard Stillwell. A vocal quartette by Messrs. Kierstead, Burt, Hilder and Smith proved pleasing and moving pictures shown under the direction of Mr. McArthur were also enjoyed. The happy gathering was brought to a close with the singing of the National Anthem.

NEW YEAR'S DAY IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

New Year's Day was fittingly celebrated in all the Catholic churches of the city. At the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception four masses were celebrated, the latter one being a vespers, celebrated by the Rev. R. B. Fraser. His Lordship Right Rev. Bishop LeBlond celebrated the mass at nine o'clock. As this mass there were a very large number of communicants. In the evening fitting services marked the close of the forty-sixth year of the Cathedral. Pontifical Benediction being given, and His Lordship giving the blessing to the extraordinary large yet typical congregation. In other Catholic churches the day was fittingly observed through the medium of fitting services and prayers.

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