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"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved"—H. M. The King.

OUR WARRIOR DEAD.
Sir Oliver Lodge, England's famous scientist, whose "Message to the Bereaved" has appeared in the Christian Commonwealth, addresses some very wholesome words to his fellow Britishers at a time when the echoes of the "last post" seem never to die away but rather to gain strength with the increasing numbers of those whose names appear upon the lists of Britain's mighty dead.

THE WAR SITUATION.
The past week has not been productive of good news from the war zone and if one is to judge from the despatches dealing with the progress of the campaign in the Balkans the situation there at present is critical. The Anglo-French forces which had been sent to the relief of the hard fighting Serbs are being pressed close to the Greek border and already there is much speculation as to what will happen should the Germans and Bulgarians follow them over. Greece is agitated as to the fate in store for her railways in that event. Latest advices received in London are to the effect that she is not unwilling that the Allied troops, if sorely pressed, should cross her border and go on to Saloniki, but there is much fear that their engineers may destroy the railways behind them in order to delay pursuit. Such a development will be almost certain to force Greece into definite alignment with one side or the other.

PEACE AS A MANOEUVRE.
G. K. Chesterton has pointed out in a very reasonable analysis of the present situation of Germany, and the desire of peace upon the part of very many of her public as well as private citizens, that for Germany at the present time Peace is necessary supremely as a war manoeuvre.

NUMBER OF PARCELS FOR SOLDIERS ADD TO WORK OF POSTAL DEPARTMENT.
Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Dec. 10.—The number of mailed parcels for soldiers at the front is so great and the strain on the transport system is so severe that the British government has notified the post office department of Canada that temporarily all parcels must not exceed seven pounds, that is, no parcel weighing more than seven pounds will be forwarded.

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Don't you feel a little lonesome when you walk the "city" street, And read the signs that's really meant for you, Don't you feel a little shameful when at every step you meet

Little Benny's Note Book.
We had chicken pot pie for supper yesterday, being won of my favorite things to eat, my wife I was still waiting for me to give me mine, pop looked at my hands and said, Look at those finger nails, how many times have I pointed out to you the error of advertising real estate at the supper table.

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CHANGE IN BRITISH CENSORSHIP RULES.
London, Dec. 12.—The following official statement was made public to-night: "Sir Edward Grey has arranged that, from December 20, 1915, censorship by the press bureau on behalf of the foreign office shall be suspended. This will not mean a change in the provisions of the Defence of the Realm Act, or of regulations made thereunder. They will be binding, as heretofore, but the responsibility of seeing that the publication in any newspaper or by any news agency of matter relating to foreign affairs, will rest upon the directors of that newspaper or news agency."

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An Interesting Contest FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

"Jumbled Words" Contest Below are given twelve jumbled words. Can you rearrange the letters of same so that the words thus formed make a complete sentence?

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STANDARD COMPETITION. For Boys and Girls Full Name..... Address..... Age Last Birthday.....

Trade Enquiries. A New York firm of lawyers, acting on behalf of clients who wish to locate in St. John, has asked the Board of Trade for information as to schools, churches, theatres and general conditions here.

ST. JOHN MAN WRITES FROM BRAMSHOTT

Sergt. Major Heans tells how men of 55th are enjoying life in England. In a letter which Sergt. Major Harry W. Heans of this city has written to one of his friends under date of November 26th, from Bramshott Camp, England, he says:

"I bought a bicycle last week and rode thirty-five miles in three hours the other night. The roads are just great, and you don't get a bit tired."

SERMON IN CATHEDRAL IN FRENCH LANGUAGE

Bishop LeBlanc paid appreciated compliment yesterday to men of the 69th Battalion. A large section of the 69th Battalion attended the mass which was given yesterday morning. The mass was marked by two unusual features, a sermon in French and also a military salute by buglers during the elevation. His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc officiated at the mass and delivered an eloquent sermon in the French language, the first time a French sermon was ever delivered in the cathedral.

FUNERALS.

The funeral of Mrs. John B. Robinson took place on Saturday morning from her late residence, 150 Wright street, to Holy Trinity church, where requiem high mass was celebrated by Very Rev. J. J. Walsh, V. G. Interment took place in the new Catholic cemetery.

OXO When you reach home cold and fatigued, take a cupful of OXO. It can be prepared with weathers while you are talking off your wrap or overcoat, will provide warmth in a moment and remove the risk of a chill.

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SPLENDID MEETING IN IMPERIAL LAST NIGHT

Major C. G. Pincombe, Bishop Richardson and Major Bruce Taylor, speakers at recruiting rally—Stirring exhortations to Canadians to do their complete duty.

"Canada should have 533,000 men under arms," declared Major C. G. Pincombe of the 104th Battalion detachment, Fredericton, one of the forceful and convincing speakers at a rousing recruiting rally held in the Imperial Theatre last night. His Lordship of Fredericton, Bishop Richardson, went even further than that for he said: "I think 750,000 ought to go from Canada, and New Brunswick should send at least 35,000."

Bishop Richardson, the second speaker, said he had come to say only a few words. "These recruiting meetings," said His Lordship, "are becoming an old story. I am innocent of the blood of this just people. We know Germany plotted and planned long before hostilities commenced. The indictment will long stand against the German Emperor. He plunged the world into a welter of blood and tears, when by a word he could have avoided it. Great Britain is fighting for her life, for nothing less than her existence as an empire. The world knows that in face of pessimism we are going to win this war. Germany knows that as well as we do. It is time something was done to suppress pessimism in our midst. We want optimism. If Germany could not win the war twelve months ago she can not do it now. Germany is weakening in men, munitions and morale. The Entente Allies are in every way stronger. There is a great wall about the Balkan complications. I believe the Balkan campaign to be the maddest and most insane campaign Germany ever undertook. I believe it is a gigantic bluff to scare the Allies."

Major Pincombe, the first to be introduced was Major Pincombe, Chairman Mahoney in making the introduction told the audience that the recruiting committee had met with great success, but that more men were still needed. He spoke of the armistice of the Entente Allies being forced to retreat in Mesopotamia and in the Balkans because of the overpowering numbers of the enemy. Great Britain calls for 1,000,000 more men. The Canadians, especially our own 26th, had done well.

Major Pincombe has two sons at the front and he himself has been in two campaigns. He said he was pleased to see such a magnificent recruiting statement in the Belcherian could see that Germany's economic situation is acute. One unfortunate thing which appeals to me is that there are many on this continent who believe in peace at any price. Just as German gentlemen, we cannot listen to peace talk now. Shall it ever be said after the great sacrifice of men and billions of treasure that we should allow the Germans to be in a position to come to war again within the next decade. We must down this call for peace until Germany is thoroughly beaten.

"You in Canada are enjoying the greatest freedom of any place in the British Empire. I came to this country eight years ago last June and I have no desire to return, and have made my home here. I regard Canadians and Canadian soldiers very highly. Your religious and civil liberty is surprising to a degree. This glorious liberty was purchased by the blood of your fore-fathers. Shall it ever be said that future generations shall curse the day when we neglected our duty? I want to impress upon you that this war should be prosecuted to a glorious end. We rejoice that the Germans have accomplished nothing they set out to accomplish. Von Kluck's army is forty-two miles from Paris. He is not there and won't get there. Russia will come back. Yet we are bound to admit that Germany's great forces have our forces in a critical situation today. What we need today is a true, honest patriotism which impresses the idea that upon us rests a great duty to achieve the object in view."

What Canada Must Do "Three million men must be raised by early spring or the war office will not be responsible for the campaign. In 1,300,000 men can be raised by the United Kingdom. This means that the overseas dominions must send 1,100,000. "I think many people are making excuses when they have no foundation

HOW SOLDIERS SPENT SUNDAY

Men of 69th Battalion entertained in city churches—Arrangements for soldiers' Club for week.

A large number men of the 69th Battalion and other soldiers attended the reception given in the parlors of German street Baptist church last evening, many also having been present during the evening service when Rev. F. S. Porter gave an impressive address on "The Human Touch and How it Wins Men," being the third of a series of addresses to men.

In St. David's church school room a song service was held after divine service in the evening, more than 100 soldiers being present, as well as many others interested in these gatherings. Robert Reid presided. Many of the soldiers attended the evening service at which a full choir sang the Hallelujah chorus and Private Walter Campbell, a member of the choir, sang "Fear Ye Not O Israel." The service was conducted by Rev. S. J. Dowling. It was announced that the anteroom of the church would be open next Thursday after 5 p. m. for the entertainment of soldiers, when games, writing material, etc., will be on hand. The Soldiers' Club continues to be well patronized, and last evening many men used the reading, recreation and refreshment rooms, the latter being in charge of a committee of ladies. During the present week the refreshment committee will consist of representatives of the local branch of the Red Cross Society.

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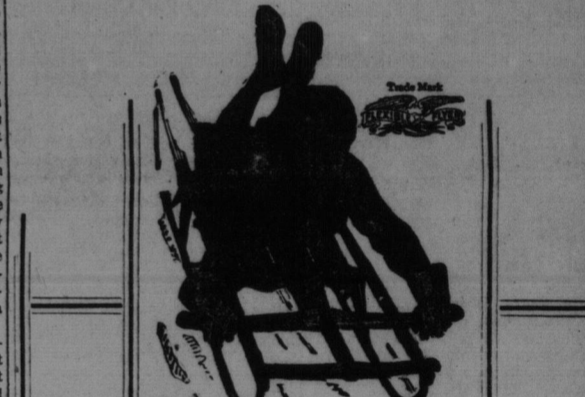
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This is the last month before the big drawing which takes place Dec. 31-15. Now is the time to get your teeth and incidentally get a free opportunity to win a big trip or \$100 in gold.

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MICMAC (Plain) 3.50
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ACME with ankle strap 1.50
BOYS' HOCKEY Plain, 55c.; Nickeled 1.00
BOYS' REACHERS 1.40
MEN'S REACHERS 2.25
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FOR MEN 3.00 4.00

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INSPECTORS NAMED TO VISIT MILITIA CAMPS

To prevent waste in supplies—Premier and lady Borden leave for the South.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 12.—Sir Robert Borden left for New York this afternoon accompanied by Lady Borden.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 12.—John B. Robertson, of St. John, N. B., has been appointed to visit all the camps and prevent waste of food and other supplies.

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LOCATION OF CYPRUS AND SCENES IN ISLAND WHICH ENTENTE POWERS OFFERED TO GREECE



IN THE early stages of negotiations between Greece and the Allies the latter offered to Greece the island of Cyprus in return for Greece's participation in the war on the side of the Entente Powers.

NELSON MAN'S SUDDEN DEATH. John B. Robertson stricken while driving home—Prominent in Masonic order and Sons of Temperance.

ST. JOHN GIRL HEADS LIST. Miss Helen M. Carter, of West St. John, wins first honors in Civil Service Examination.

MILITARY HONORS FOR CANADIAN OFFICER DROWNED IN ENGLAND. Lieut.-Col. H. G. McLeod one of most popular officers of the Second Canadian Artillery Brigade.

OBITUARY. John W. Allen. The death took place on Saturday morning of John W. Allen, at his residence, 14 Millidge street, after a year's illness. Deceased was 76 years of age.

"THE GIRL OF THE GOLDEN TRESSES" WHO DEMANDS INSURANCE ON HAIR. Mrs. Clara Jackson, Huntsville, Ont., writes us under date of January 12th, 1915.



Declaring that Lloyd's, of London, said it would accept her hair as a risk and then, because of the war, shelled her application, Miss Diane Oste, an actress, has just applied for a writ of mandamus in the Supreme Court to compel the company to issue an insurance policy of \$10,000 to her.

are anxious that the friends of this popular officer should have reliable details of how he met such an untimely end, and desire to place a record at once with fellow Canadians of their profound regret at his untimely end and of their admiration of his leadership.

Col. McLeod met his death between midnight and seven in the morning. The previous night he had gone to headquarters to meet the staff officers and Col. Creelman, to discuss his taking over the command of the brigade, as Col. Creelman shortly leaves for Canada.

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SINKING OF ANCONA "WANTON SLAUGHTER, AN ILLEGAL AND ENTIRELY INDEFENSIBLE ACT"

Continued from page 1.

The Secretary of State to Ambassador Penfield:

Department of State, Washington, Dec. 6, 1915.

Please deliver a note to the minister of foreign affairs to the following:

"Reliable information, obtained from American and other survivors who were passengers on the steamship Ancona, show that on November 7 a submarine, flying the Austro-Hungarian flag, fired a solid shot toward the steamship; that thereupon the Ancona attempted to escape; but being overhauled by the submarine, she stopped; that after a brief period, and before the crew and passengers were all able to take to the boats, the submarine fired a number of shells at the vessel, and finally torpedoed and sank her while there were yet many persons on board; and that by gunfire and foundering of the vessel a large number of persons lost their lives, or were seriously injured, among whom were citizens of the United States.

"The public statement of the Austro-Hungarian admiralty has been brought to the attention of the government of the United States, and received careful consideration. This statement substantially confirms the principal declaration of the survivors, as it admits that the Ancona, after being shelled, was torpedoed and sunk while persons were still on board.

The United States and Germany, of the attitude of the government of the United States as to the use of submarines in attacking vessels of commerce, and the acquiescence of Germany in that attitude, yet with full knowledge on the part of the Austro-Hungarian government of the views of the government of the United States, as expressed in no uncertain terms to the ally of Austria-Hungary, the commander of the submarine which attacked the Ancona, failed to place in a place of safety the crew and passengers of the vessel, which they purported to destroy because it is presumed, of the impossibility of taking it into port as a prize of war.

"The government of the United States considers that the commander violated the principles of international law and of humanity by shelling and torpedoing the Ancona before the persons on board had been put in a place of safety, or even given sufficient time to leave the vessel. The conduct of the commander can only be characterized as wanton slaughter of defenseless non-combatants, since at the time when the vessel was shelled and torpedoed she was not, it appears, resisting or attempting to escape; and no other reason is sufficient to excuse such an attack, not even the possibility of rescue.

"The government of the United States, is forced, therefore, to conclude either that the commander of the submarine acted in violation of his instructions, or that the imperial and royal governments failed to issue instructions to the commanders of its

submarines, in accordance with the law of nations and the principles of humanity. The government of the United States is unwilling to believe the latter alternative and to credit the Austro-Hungarian government with an intention to permit its submarines to destroy the lives of helpless men, women and children. It prefers to believe that the commander of the submarine committed this outrage without authority, and contrary to the general or special instruction which he had received.

"As the good relations of the two countries must rest upon a common regard for law and humanity, the government of the United States cannot be expected to do otherwise than to demand that the imperial and royal government denounce the sinking of the Ancona as an illegal and indefensible act; that the officers who perpetrated the deed be punished; and that reparation be made for the injury done to the citizens of the United States who were killed or injured by the attack on the vessel.

"The government of the United States expects that the Austro-Hungarian government, appreciating the gravity of the case, will accede to its demand promptly; and it rests its expectation on the belief that the Austro-Hungarian government will not sanction or defend an act which is condemned by the world as inhuman and barbarous, which is abhorrent to all civilized nations, and which has caused the death of innocent American citizens.

"(Signed) LANSING."

Wanted Slaughter.

The Austro-Hungarian government has been advised, through the correspondence which has passed between

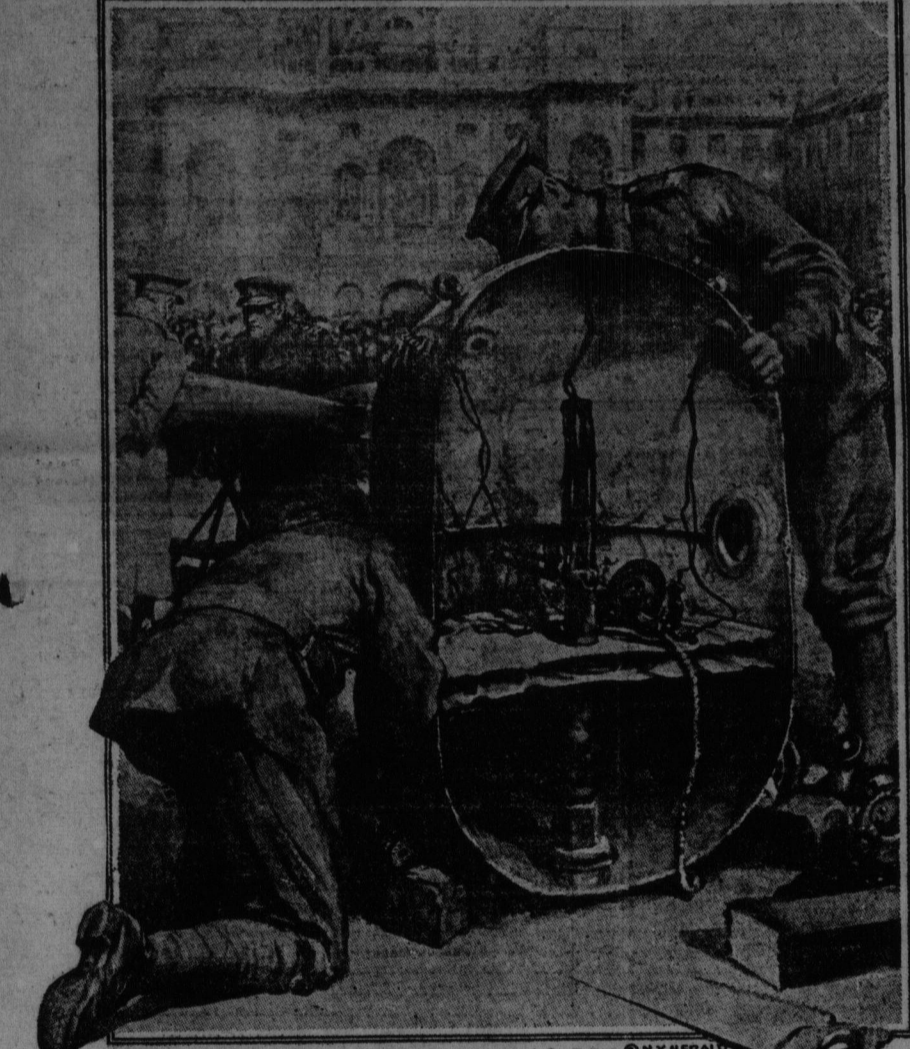
Live Sporting News and Notes

STARS WHO EARN PLACES ON ROLL OF HONOR



Naming an All-Eastern football team for the season of 1915 is no simple task. It was made extremely difficult because of the wealth of material in almost every position. There have been years when it has been hard to find eleven players who stood out as incense and backs. Not so this year. It has required a minute study of ability and a sort of elimination process before making the final selection. But these players are offered as the best in the East. With Mahan, of Harvard, Oliphant, of the Army; Hastings, of Pittsburg, and Barrett, of Cornell, playing behind the line what a world of power is represented on attack! It is a versatile power. There would be Mahan and Barrett to do the kicking and all four to do the running. It would carry line plunging as well as end running ability, and all four are without peers in running back kicks. Furthermore, they would be as formidable a collection on defensive play as could be gotten together.

GERMAN SEA TERROR CAUGHT BY THE BRITISH



GERMAN SEA MINE, NOW ON EXHIBITION IN LONDON

One of the most interesting exhibits among the war trophies which are now being daily inspected by crowds of Londoners is a section of a German sea mine. This mine has been cut in half in order to show the internal mechanism. The upper portion of the mine contains the detonating apparatus in the centre (fulminate of mercury). This very high explosive fires the mass of gunpowder or other explosive, which occupies the lower section of the mine. The upper portion contains air, thereby supplying the necessary buoyancy for the mine. On the outside of the mine case project certain knobs, which, when pressed inward, make an electrical contact, which fires the fulminate already referred to.

OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL

Following are the results of the principal English and Scottish games on Saturday:

- ENGLISH LEAGUE.**
- (Northern Section.)
 Burnley, 4; Preston North End, 1.
 Bolton Wanderers, 1; Bury, 2.
 Everton, 2; Manchester United, 0.
 Manchester City, 2; Liverpool, 1.
 Oldham Athletic, 2; Blackpool, 0.
 Southport Central, 2; Rochdale, 2.
 Stock, 0; Stockport, 2.
- (Midland Section.)
 Bradford City, 1; Sheffield United, 2.
 Derby County, 3; Hull City, 1.
 Grimsby, 4; Barnsley, 3.
 Huddersfield, 1; Leicester, 1.
 Notts County, 0; Notts Forest, 0.
 Sheffield Wednesday, 0; Leeds City, 0.
- (London Section.)
 Fulham, 4; Brentford, 1.
 Crystal Palace, 4; Tottenham Hotspur, 2.
 Clapton Orient, 0; Woolwich Arsenal, 2.
 Watford, 3; Croydon Common, 0.
 Millwall, 1; Chelsea, 0.
- SCOTTISH LEAGUE.**
- Aberdeen, 2; Aldrich, 1.
 Ayr United, 0; Celtic, 4.
 Clyde, 1; Hamilton, 2.
 Dumbarton, 2; Partick Thistle, 0.
 Motherwell, 3; Dundee, 0.
 Queens Park, 2; Falkirk, 1.
 Raith Rovers, 1; Hearts, 2.
 Hibernians, 0; Third Lanark, 1.
 Morton, 2; Kilmarnock, 0.
 Rangers, 4; St. Mirren, 0.

HORSE NOTES

Nettie King, 2:20 1/4, the only mare that ever produced two trotters having records of 2:05 or better, is dead, at W. B. Dickerman's Hill and Dale Farm, near Mamaronock. She was the dam of The Abbot, 2:03 1/4, holder of the world's record fifteen years ago, and of Bonington, 2:14 1/4, one of the fastest stallions of 1915, as well as of eight others in the 2:30 list. She was twenty-eight years old, and was fruitful only two years ago, when she gave birth to Stella Maris, that earned a record of 2:23 1/4 this season. Follow-

NEW RECORD FOR SIX DAY BICYCLE RACE

New York, Dec. 12.—Fred Hill, of Boston, and Alfred Grenda, of Australia, an American-Australian team, won the twenty-third annual six-day bicycle race, which closed at 10:05 o'clock last night in Madison Square Garden. The final score was 2,770 miles, and 8 laps, which bettered by 11 miles and 6 laps the best previous mark, which was set by Goulet and Grenda in New York in 1914.

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Auto Reaches Destination.
 A cable recently received by Mrs. E. A. Smith, recent of the Royal Standard Chapter, I. O. O. E., stated that the automobile sent through that chapter for the use of the 55th Battalion had arrived in England and been handed over to Col. Kirkpatrick.

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THE WEATHER.

Forecast. Maritime—Winds shifting to easterly and increasing in force. Fair today, then snow, turning, in some localities, to sleet or rain. Toronto, Dec. 12—Snow is falling over the Great Lakes; otherwise the weather is everywhere fine and cold. Temperatures. Min. Max. Prince Rupert 36 42 Vancouver 40 45 Kamloops 24 30 Calgary 6 16 Medicine Hat 16 16 Prince Albert 4 10 Regina 8 14 Winnipeg 4 8 Parry Sound 8 26 London 18 30 Toronto 20 32 Kingston 18 24 Ottawa 5 18 Montreal 12 18 Quebec 10 20 Chatham 16 28 Halifax 18 28 Below zero.

Around the City

Sold Liquor to Soldier. George Kelley, aged 23 years, was arrested on Saturday by Detectives Barrett and Briggs charged with selling liquor to a soldier in uniform.

Pocket Book Found. A pocket book containing a sum of money was found on Waterloo street yesterday by Detective Barrett, and the owner can receive the same on application at police headquarters.

Longshoreman Injured. Edward Goguen, a longshoreman residing in Church avenue, Fairville, was taken to the emergency hospital on Saturday morning where he was treated for an injury to his left foot received whilst working on a steamer.

Apples for Wounded. Seventy barrels of apples were shipped on Saturday to Lady Oeler for wounded soldiers at the base hospital at Oxford, England. These were given by various individuals and organizations in response to an appeal by Rev. Mr. Sharman.

Seamen's Institute. The Sunday evening service was well attended by the sailors in port. Rev. R. J. Haughton gave an excellent address and President R. M. Smith welcomed the men. Songs were given by Miss Alcorn and Mr. Walker and were much enjoyed.

Help for Kindergarten. The Ladies' Aid Society of Renfrew held a successful pantry and fancy sale on Saturday afternoon at the corner of Germain and Church streets in aid of the Free Kindergarten. They were assisted by teachers of the kindergarten.

Longshoreman Injured. About eleven o'clock Saturday night James Sharpe, a longshoreman, fell into the hold of a steamship loading at No. 1 berth Sand Point, and received severe injury to his shoulder and back. After receiving first aid from Dr. F. L. Kenney the injured man was removed to his home on Moore street.

Water Break in Murray Street. The residents of Murray street were without water yesterday on account of a break in the pipe. The department were working all day, found one piece of pipe broken clean through and had to put in a new section. They finished the work and got the water turned on again about 5 o'clock.

Charged With Opium Smuggling. Wong Foo, aged 45 years, a Chinese, is being detained at police headquarters at the request of the Customs department. It is charged that the Chinese was captured by the Customs officers while he was smuggling five or six cans of opium ashore from one of the steamships loading at a Sand Point berth.

Last Charged With Vagrancy. Yesterday afternoon Detectives Barrett and Briggs, while on the war path, arrested John Rumley, aged ten years, and had him locked up at police headquarters on the charge of vagrancy. It is not the first time that the boy has been in the hands of the police, having been taken care of on previous occasions for truancy and for stealing milk cans.

Had a Quick Recovery. A few days ago a soldier who had been under guard was taken ill and was conveyed to the General Public Hospital for treatment. While in the hospital a guard was kept over him. On Saturday evening the soldier managed to take a chance when the guard was not looking and escaped through one of the windows. Some hours later he was located near the I. C. R. depot and once more taken into custody.

Coats Found in Water. On Saturday Isaac Kieckhof found an overcoat and an undercoat floating in the water in a slip off Water street, West St. John, and handed the garments over to Acting Police Sergeant Fred O'Neill. On the label of the undercoat was a society button of the International Longshoremen's Society, while in the pocket of the overcoat was found a lunch box with the initials H. H. on it; also a tea bottle.

RETURNING OFFICER OF FIGHTING TWENTY-SIXTH TELLS OF CRATER FIGHT

Lieutenant Carter, of Point De Butte, in city on his way home on sick leave—Was in command of Machine Gun Section in historic action of October 13th—Col. McAvity and his men made great record for themselves.

Lieut. A. D. Carter, of the 26th Battalion, one of the officers who was wounded in the crater fight on October 13th, who returned home on sick leave was seen last night at the Victoria Hotel. Lieut. Carter said the crater was about half way between the German and English trenches, about 50 yards from either. The Germans were using it to run a mine under the English first line trenches and the only way to stop them was to destroy the crater. There were about 125 men of A Co. in the attack. They first sent out a party of bombers under charge of Lieut. Fairweather and Sgt. Colter. This party was practically wiped out, then a second party of bombers were sent out and the bayonet men.

After the bayonet men Lieut. Carter, who was in charge of the machine gun section, ordered out three machine guns on either flank enfilading the retreating Germans. As soon as the Germans saw the bayonets they blew up their mine and ran. They would not face the cold steel.

Lieut. Carter estimated that there would be at least 100 Germans in the crater. Three men who had particularly distinguished themselves were Major Brown, Lieut. Fairweather and Sgt. Ryer. Lieut. Carter was wounded in the side by a piece of shell and paralyzed from the hips down. He was in hospital about seven weeks and expects to go back in about five weeks.

The 26th Battalion, he said, were the first troops in the 2nd Division to take the aggressive against the enemy. Lieut. Carter has in his possession a gruesome souvenir of the fight in the shape of the piece of shell which wounded him. He intends to have this mounted as a reminder of his experience. The men, he says, are in splendid spirits and enjoying the best of health. At present the trenches are very wet, which makes things disagreeable but, ordinarily, they are very comfortable and have everything they want. The 26th are holding about 700 yards of front trench and have six days in and six out. They talk back and forth with the Germans; the Germans call over for food as they claim they are not getting enough to eat.

Col. McAvity is in the trenches every day and the men think a lot of him. Two or three times a day they send iron rations over to "Frits" which is their way of saying the artillery is at work. At the present time the Allies are firing shells in the proportion of ten to one on the Western front. The general impression on the other side is that there will not be another winter campaign.

Lieut. Carter says Col. H. F. McLeod is regarded as one of the best officers who has gone from Canada, and he is filling a very important post at Shorncliffe.

3000 MEN IN KHAKI WILL WINTER HERE

Detachment of 140th here today—Will quarter on West Side—115th in South End. It is probable that at least 3,000 soldiers will spend the winter in St. John. This forenoon 338 men of the 140th Battalion, Sussex, will arrive at the Union Station on a special train and will march to their quarters in the immigration sheds and former Martello hotel on the West Side. These places will accommodate 500 troops when the work of fitting up the buildings is completed. By the end of the week it is expected that that number of the 140th will be on the West Side.

Lieut. Col. Gunnings of Halifax, formerly of the 66th Regiment there, will, under Col. Fowler, be in command of the 140th. Capt. P. M. Rising of St. John, quartermaster of the 140th, is acting quartermaster of the 140th and Capt. H. P. Davies, adjutant of the 140th, will be acting adjutant of the 140th. It is expected that the citizens will accord the boys from Sussex a hearty reception as they march through the streets today. Several of the city officials and militia officers of other battalions will meet the detachment at the station. Arrangements have been made to have the agricultural hall, near the exhibition buildings fitted up for the accommodation of the 115th Battalion. Eleven hundred men will be quartered there.

Col. Morsereau's 132nd North Shore Battalion has a company quartered in an old mill at Chatham, another in the Newcastle armory and a third at the International railway shops, Campbellton. Returning Officers Here. Twelve returned military officers from the battle front were in the city yesterday enroute to their homes. Some of them have only left the trenches a few weeks ago. The officers are as follows: Lieut. Carter, Capt. R. de LaB. Girouard, Capt. W. Gerrard, Lieut. Howard, Capt. M. McCausland, Lieut. Mitchell, Lieut. Nocheil, Major Thompson, Capt. Payne, Lieut. Rhodes, Lieut. Smith and Major H. Taylor.

When asked how matters were going at the front the returning soldiers did not have much to say, but stated that the Allies were sure to win. Asked as to the fighting 26th the officers had nothing but praise for the boys from New Brunswick and said that Lieut. Col. McAvity and his men were making names for themselves which other battalions would have a hard time to beat.

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A MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE

A. B. Smalley has not been seen since Friday evening—Family and friends anxious.

A. B. Smalley, the well-known watchmaker, jeweller and optician, of 91 Prince William street, has been missing since Friday evening and his family and friends are greatly worried. Mr. Smalley, who is a man of twenty-five years of age, has been in falling health for some time but has been able to be at his place of business. He was at his store Friday afternoon and at 6:45 o'clock informed his son, A. C. Smalley, that he was going home. Nothing was thought of the matter until an hour later when Mr. Smalley learned that his father had not arrived at home. Relatives becoming anxious got in touch with the police who conducted a systematic search for him, headed by the Commissioner of Public Safety. Up to a late hour last night Mr. Smalley had not been seen and it is now feared that he has met with a fatal accident. As he is a well-known figure around the city and known to thousands of fellow citizens who might have seen him after 6:45 o'clock Friday evening are requested to communicate with the police.

The missing man when he left his place of business wore a dark melton cloth overcoat and a square top hard hat.

ANOTHER SAD CASE IN COURT

Three arrests Saturday and yesterday in connection with serious charges.

With six cases only finished in the Circuit Court last week where men were charged with crimes committed upon girls under the age of fourteen years, and in which three of the defendants were sentenced to terms of two years in prison, while three others were acquitted, the police have rounded up a new case.

On Friday last it came to the ears of the police that a thirteen year old girl residing in the North End had been the victim of two men. Immediately thereafter Detectives Barrett and Briggs started to make arrests and were successful. On Saturday afternoon the detectives rounded up Harry Crossman, aged 18 years, who was locked up charged with charges. This prisoner is Fred Murray, aged 20 years, and the wife of the crime was committed was on the 6th of December and the place a house at 158 Charlotte street kept by Mrs. Agnes Graham. Inspector Wickham with Officer Lucas arrested the Graham woman yesterday. She is booked as a native of Newfoundland, aged 29 years, and she is charged with allowing her premises at 158 Charlotte street to be used for the assault of a girl under the age of fourteen.

In the case of this prisoner it is a sad one. When the officers visited the place they learned that she is the wife of a soldier who at the present time is on the firing line fighting for the Empire. In the house were three small children the oldest being but seven years of age. The children could not be left alone in the house and it was a pitiful sight when the mother was taken into custody and had to leave the little ones behind her. C. D. Howard, superintendent of the Children's Playgrounds, took the three children in charge and they have been conveyed to the Municipal Home to be cared for.

If found guilty of the offences charged the two men are liable to life imprisonment, while in the case of the woman if she is found guilty she is liable to ten years' imprisonment.

NEW CHIEF OF STAFF OF FRENCH ARMY

Paris, Dec. 11—General Joffre, who retains direct command of the armies of the east and northeast, has designated General Edouard D. Courtyes de Castelmas as chief of the general staff. General Joffre continues in general command of all the French fronts.

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