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WEATHER—FAIR

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TEUTONIC DRIVE IN ROUMANIA CONTINUES; THOUSANDS OF BRITISH CALLED TO COLORS; CANADA SENDS GREETINGS TO ALL ALLIES

ROUMANIANS AND RUSSIANS FALL BACK

Near Fokshang and Thence Southeast to the Danube Petrograd Reports That Russians and King Ferdinand's Army Have Taken Up New Positions Without Pressure from Teutonic Allies.

GERMANS REPULSED AT VERDUN— THOUSANDS OF BRITISH MEN CALLED TO COLORS—BRITISH PATROLS ENTER THE ENEMY'S TRENCHES EAST OF ARMENTIERES AT SEVERAL PLACES—HOSTILE ATTACK REPULSED NORTH OF YPRES.

Bombardments and minor patrol engagements continue to prevail on all of the fronts except in Roumania, where the Teutonic allies are keeping up their inroads through the kingdom. The Russians and Roumanians are being steadily driven back from the Transylvanian Alps and lower Moldavian region, their line in the latter district now resting half way between Rimnik Sarat and Fokshang. Around Braila, on both sides of the Danube, the invaders have further driven in the defenders of the territory. Near Fokshang and thence southeast to the Danube Petrograd reports that the Russians and Roumanians have taken up new positions without pressure from the Teutonic allies. In Dobruja, the invaders, twenty-four battalions strong, have forced the defenders to give ground.

Huns Attempt Surprise.

In the Verdun sector east of the Ambrières Farm the Germans attempted a strong surprise attack against the French positions, but were repulsed, according to Paris. In the region of Ypres and Loos considerable artillery activity has prevailed.

On the front in Russia comparative quiet prevails, while in the Austro-Italian theatre the usual bombardments are in progress. No reports have been received from the Macedonian theatre.

The British government has appointed Earl Granville as diplomatic agent to the provisional government of the Venetian Islands at Saloniki.

Called To Colors.

London, Jan. 1.—New Year's Day was an eventful one in the lives of many Britons. Thousands of men of military age who had been granted temporary or other arrangements for the carrying on of their business were called to the colors, while others who had been doing work of national importance and whose places have now been taken by women or by men over the military age, donned khaki for the first time.

There was a rush at all the recruiting offices, and all day long columns of men after having complied with the formalities, were marched off to the depots to commence training.

The new railway time tables and fares also came into effect. Numerous trains were canceled, stations were closed and travellers were called upon to pay a fifty per cent. increase in fares.

Except in Scotland, where there is another week's supply of white flour, bakers today under the new order of things started to bake exclusively white wheat or standard bread.

London, Jan. 1.—The British official communication issued this evening says:

"Our patrols entered the enemy's trenches east of Armentieres at several places last night. Early this morning a hostile patrol reached our lines south of Pilkem, north of Ypres, but was immediately driven out.

"During the night the enemy artillery was somewhat more active than usual north of the Ancre. Today saw artillery activity by both sides at various places along the front, being most marked on the Loos salient and in the neighborhood of Faissant and Ypres."

Paris, Jan. 1.—The communication issued by the war office this evening says:

"On the right bank of the Meuse the Germans directed a strong surprise attack against the trenches we had taken to the east of Chambrettes Farm. The attack failed completely. On the remainder of the front the day was calm."

"To the east of Ramscapelle and toward Dixmude reciprocal bombardments took place. A spirited struggle by means of field and trench artillery is reported at Hetas."

Berlin, Jan. 1. via Sayville.—The official statement issued by the war office tonight says:

"Reports from the Roumanian and Russian fronts say that lively fighting is in progress."

POSSIBLE THAT WAR MAY GO ON FOR YEAR

Little Hope at Washington that Peace Negotiations will be Successful.

Washington, Jan. 1.—President Wilson late today spent an hour discussing the country's foreign affairs with Senator Stowe, chairman of the foreign relations committee. Their talk, it is understood, was devoted to the situation growing out of the unfavorable Entente reply to the peace proposals of the Central Powers.

Aside from transmitting the Entente note to Germany and her allies the United States will take no further formal action in the peace movement at least until the Entente governments have replied to the communication President Wilson addressed to them.

Answer Prepared.

Cable reports from Paris announcing that the Entente answer to President Wilson had been prepared and would be the same in effect as that to the belligerents, did not increase hope here for a favorable outcome of the negotiations. It is known that the German embassy believes that unless the door for a further advance by its government, the war will go on another year at least.

So far as could be learned the President today sought no action from congress relating to the peace movement. It was learned, however, that administration leaders in the senate were preparing to sound sentiment of resolutions introduced just before the holiday adjournment, which would declare it to be the sense of the senate that the action of the President, in addressing his note to the belligerent powers represented "the overwhelming public sentiment and earnest desires of the people of the United States."

Administration officials are admittedly concerned over efforts to make the action of this government appear as directed against the Entente Allies and in favor of the Central Powers.

Have Ear to Ground.

While awaiting the reply of the Entente Allies to the President's note, the state department is keeping in touch with official sentiment both among the Entente Allies and Central Powers.

As soon as the reply of the Entente is received, President Wilson is expected to address another communication to both sides, making clear his position and probably clearing up some misconception which he feels have developed. It may be stated that he will not seek to force peace on either side, but will continue to insist that the rights of the United States be thoroughly respected.

In connection with the admittedly serious concern with which the administration looks upon the submarine question, much attention was paid by officials to press despatches from Berlin stating that a semi-official news agency there had given out the information that the reply of the Entente Allies was generally looked upon as a "flat refusal" of peace proposals of Germany and her allies, adding that "this is especially regretted for the sake of the neutral countries suffering from the consequences of the war."

THE ENTENTE WILL EXPLAIN ORIGIN AND OBJECTS OF WAR

Answer to President Wilson will Contain Long Detailed Declaration—Germany Realizes that Allies have Refused Flatly to End War Now.

Paris, Jan. 1.—The answer of the Entente Powers to President Wilson's note, according to the Matin, will contain a long, detailed account of the origin and objects of the war. It will include also a declaration by the Belgian government "thanking the generous American nation for the immense services rendered during the last two years," and expressing its "confidence in America's friendly collaboration for the future."

The answer, the Matin says, will contain all the facts justifying in the eyes of actors in and spectators of the great struggle, the determination and will of the Allies.

Germany Disappointed.

Berlin, Jan. 1.—The text of the Entente note replying to the peace offer of the Central Powers, says the semi-official Overseas News Agency, "reached Berlin as transmitted from Paris by the Havas News Agency. The general impression here is if this version is correct that the Entente answer to the sincere German offer while verbose, nevertheless is a flat refusal to end the war. This is especially regretted for the sake of the neutral countries suffering from the consequence of the war.

"It is pointed as especially remarkable that the Entente note mentions the right of the nationalities, although one of the avowed purposes of the Entente is the conquest of Constantinople and the Straits."

What Austria Says.

London, Jan. 1.—The Austro-Hungarian foreign minister is quoted in a despatch to Reuters Telegram Company from Vienna by way of Amsterdam, as saying, with regard to the notes of Norway, Sweden and Denmark, concerning: "The Austro-Hungarian government is glad to state that its views in this matter agree with yours. It has sympathetically accepted President Wilson's suggestions and therefore with satisfaction sees Sweden, Denmark and Norway support President Wilson's initiative."

NEW YEAR'S EVE QUIET IN LONDON

Midnight Services Sparsely Attended—King and Queen Passed Year End at Sandringham.

London, Jan. 1.—The third New Year's eve of the war was extremely quiet in the British capital. The dinner tables in the restaurants were well filled largely by soldiers but all the establishments closed at eleven and few persons lingered in the streets or elsewhere to watch the passing of 1916. There was the traditional greeting outside St. Paul's Cathedral but it was a smaller crowd than usual that joined in the singing of "Auld Lang Syne." For the first time since the war began the Cathedral clock bell, known as "Great Paul," chimed the last hour of the year. A few churches held midnight services but they were sparsely attended.

National Intercession.

The day had been observed as one of national intercession and in recognition of the devotion of the men and women variously serving their country. Special services were held in the churches of all denominations and collections made for the Red Cross and the Belgian Relief Fund. The congregations in the leading places of worship were very large. King George, Queen Mary and the royal family, who spent Christmas in London, passed the year's end at Sandringham where they attended intercession services.

CANADA SENDS GREETINGS TO ENTENTE ALLIES

Government Again Announces People of Dominion Will Spare No Effort and Shrink from No Sacrifice Which May Be Necessary.

MESSAGES SENT TO KING GEORGE AND HEADS OF RUSSIA, JAPAN, FRANCE, BELGIUM, PORTUGAL, SOUTH AFRICA, INDIA, ITALY AND OTHER ENTENTE COUNTRIES.

Ottawa, Jan. 1.—Messages from the government of Canada expressive of the determination of the Canadian people to aid effectively in the war, were despatched to all of the Allies, save those whose New Year comes later, on the occasion of New Year's.

TO KING GEORGE.

"My advisers desire me to convey to Your Majesty with their humble duty and earnest confidence hope that in the year upon which we are about to enter the cause of liberty, civilization and humanity for which the Allied nations have undertaken this war may be crowned with victory and an abiding peace. They desire to express once more to Your Majesty the firm and unwavering resolve of the Canadian people to spare no effort and shrink from no sacrifice which may be necessary on their part for that purpose. They pray that in the coming year the divine blessing may attend the labors of Your Majesty and your ministers in the great cause for which our Empire has girded on its strength in this war."

To Belgian King.

"The government of Canada, at the beginning of the New Year send greetings to His Majesty the King of Belgium and desire to convey on behalf of the Canadian people the most profound admiration for the heroic and noble part played by the people and the armies of Belgium throughout this war, and to express the determination of the Canadian people that the objects so dear to the Belgian nation and marked out by the Allies as the purpose of their struggle, shall be fully attained."

To the French President.

"The government of Canada send at the beginning of the New Year most cordial greetings to the president of France with the assurance that the people of this dominion, composed chiefly of the British and French races have been moved to the most profound admiration by the splendid and indomitable spirit of the French nation, and by the valorous and inspiring achievement of the armies of France throughout the war, and they desire to express on behalf of the Canadian people, the most grateful recognition of the extraordinary and notable services thus rendered to the common cause."

To Japanese Emperor.

"The government of Canada, at the beginning of the New Year send convey to His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Japan their most cordial good wishes and the deep appreciation felt by the people of this dominion for the loyal and most valued support rendered the Allied cause by the Empire of Japan throughout this war."

CONFIDENT OF VICTORY FOR ALLIES IN 1917

New Year Welcomed As Beginning of End of Great World War.

With the British Armies in France, via London, January 1. — The arrival of 1917 was welcomed on the western front by the British and French soldiers as a beginning of the end of the great world war. There may be varying views and theories as to how the end is to be brought about, but there is no question that throughout the British army there is a conviction that the next twelve months will bring a victorious peace to the Allies.

SIR ROBERT NOT TO SPEAK IN THIS CITY

Premier Suffering from Slight Indisposition — Hon. Mr. Hazen Will Speak Here and at Halifax.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Jan. 1.—Sir Robert Borden had intended to address a national service meeting at St. John, N. B., on Jan. 4th and one at Halifax next day, but he is suffering from a slight indisposition and under the advice of his physician he will not be able to address the concluding meetings of the Dominion-wide national service campaign which he and Mr. R. B. Bennett have conducted. Hon. J. D. Hazen will take his place at the St. John and Halifax meetings.

ST. JOHN MAN DIES OF HIS WOUNDS

William L. Hickey, of 14 Sydney St., Passes Away—Sergt. MacLaggan, of Taymouth, Killed.

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Sunday night's casualties:

Infantry.
Previously reported wounded, now missing—William E. G. Whitley, 102 Lockman St., Halifax; George Brennan, 267 Pleasant St., Halifax; Thos. Stockall, 85 Longard Road, Halifax; Leo Bell, 31 East Yonge St., Halifax.
Wounded—Wm. J. Brothers, 84 West St., Halifax; Arthur H. Corney, Sunnyside, P.E.I.; LeBaron Beach, Hunter's Home, Queens Co., N. B.
Killed in action—Sergt. Frank MacLaggan, Taymouth, York Co., N. B.
Seriously ill—James C. Stackhouse, 57 Market Place, St. John, N. B.
Wounded—Lance Corporal Edgar Shampier, Kingston, N. B.
Died of wounds—William L. Hickey, 14 Sydney St., St. John, N. B.

THE CUTTER PROTECTOR BLOWN UP

London, Jan. 1.—The cutter Protector has blown up. The number of men lost is unknown.

NORMAN S. CROKER DEAD OF BULLET WOUND

Montreal, Jan. 1.—Norman S. Croker, president of the Castle Bond Tea Company, Limited, who was felled through the head in the company's warehouse on December 7th, died tonight in the General Hospital. The case, according to the police, was an attempt at suicide. Mr. Croker's widow and three daughters survive.

MANY CANADIANS HONORED BY HIS MAJESTY, THE KING

Colonels Birkett, Roberts and Joly de Lotbiniere Appointed Companions of the Order of the Bath.—Others Made Companions of Saints Michael and George.

London, Jan. 1.—The following are appointed Companions of the Order of the Bath: Colonels Herbert Stanley Birkett, James Alexander Roberts; Canadian medicals: Brigadier A. C. Joly de Lotbiniere, belonging to a well known Canadian soldier family. Companions of St. Michael and St. George: Colonel, temporary Brigadier Hunter Douglas Ketchen; Lt.-Col., temporary Brigadier Robert Renne; Lt.-Col., temporary Brigadier Garnet Hughes; Lt.-Col., temporary Brigadier E. W. B. Morrison; Lt.-Col. Charles Hart, all of Canadian contingents; Lt.-Col. D. C. Van Straubentz, Royal Artillery; Lt.-Col. Francis F. Dufus, Imperial Army Service, belonging to well known Canadian military families.

Appointed Major General: Lt.-Col. H. C. C. Untack, Royal Artillery, well known Canadian; Colonel, temporary Brigadier H. G. Twining, formerly Canadian militia.

Appointed Brevet Colonel: Temporary Brigadier S. N. Cory, formerly Lt. Col. L. J. Lipsitt.

Appointed Brevet Lt.-Colonel: Temporary Brigadier J. H. MacBrien, Canadian Dragoons.

GIVEN D. S. O. (Distinguished Service Order), all Canadians: Majors Ronald Skedan, Alexander Merrill, Vincent Allen, Lt.-Col. William Beaumont Anderson; Major William Andrews; Lt.-Col. Ralph Craven; Major Frank Farquhar Arnold; Walter MacKie Balfour, John Clement Ball; William Gilbert Beaman; Lt.-Col. Arthur Henry Bell, Charles Edward Bent; Majors William Robert Bertram, Henry Eversley Bonk; Lt.-Col. Russell Hubert Britton; George Stephen Cantle; Henry Gurney Cartellian; Majors Charles Francis Constantine, Charles Arthur Corrigan;

THE ALBANY RAILROAD "ON THE HOG"

Two Hundred and Fifty Sleek Porkers Make a Break from Train.

Westboro, Mass., Jan. 1.—Of all New England railroads nobody ever accused the staid, old dividend-paying Boston & Albany of ever being "on the hog," but that's what happened to it between here and Boston.

And in all the surrounding country citizens were being apprised of the fact tonight by the squeaking of 250 sleek members of the pork family who for the want of a better place to go were spreading themselves about the countryside.

All Boston-bound trains passing through here from eight o'clock on slowed down and raised havoc with their running time. Engineers felt their way along the rails, hesitating in these days of the high cost of living to annihilate a perfectly good pig, which might grace a canny family's table for weeks and weeks to come.

Passengers from New York and the west, chafing at the slow pace of the trains and fuming at being late on their arrival here, smiled broadly and enjoyed the joke when informed by the trainmen.

What threw a great railroad system out of order and started to inconvenience hundreds of travelers? Well, it seems a door on one of the double-decked cars of a hog train became unfastened while the train was passing through here, and about 250 conscripted wards of a Chicago packer made thrilling leaps for freedom and literally took to the woods.

Chief of Police Tom Humphrey heard a succession of piercing yells in the direction of Cedar Swamp and at the hour of going to press was uncertain whether to form a posse to capture the wandering denizens of the west or to let human nature take its course in this vicinity and by providing kind homes for the hogs give a fatal, if temporary, wallop to the high cost of living.

TWO DROWNED WHEN STEAMER FOUNDERS

Italian Steamer Legano in Collision in Fog Outside of Cork Harbor.

Queenstown, Jan. 1.—The Italian steamship Legano has been damaged badly in a collision in the fog outside Cork harbor and is reported to have sunk. Her crew has been brought here, with the exception of the captain and one seaman, who were drowned.

CHRISTMAS TREAT FOR SOLDIERS' CHILDREN

Most Enjoyable Function Yesterday Afternoon Under Auspices of European War Veterans' Association.

One of the most enjoyable of the many treats which have been held this Christmas season was that yesterday afternoon under the auspices of the European War Veterans' Association.

For the children of returned soldiers and the children whose fathers have paid the supreme sacrifice on the blood-stained fields of France and Belgium.

About 150 children and fifty of the mothers took advantage of the invitation of the association and enjoyed their hospitality.

Mayor Hayes was present and addressed the gathering and Mrs. John Kooft and her daughter also assisted in caring for the guests.

Shortly after three o'clock the kiddies were set down to a bountifully laden table after which presents, candy, fruit, etc. galore were handed out to them and they left for their homes about five o'clock thoroughly satisfied with the day's proceedings.

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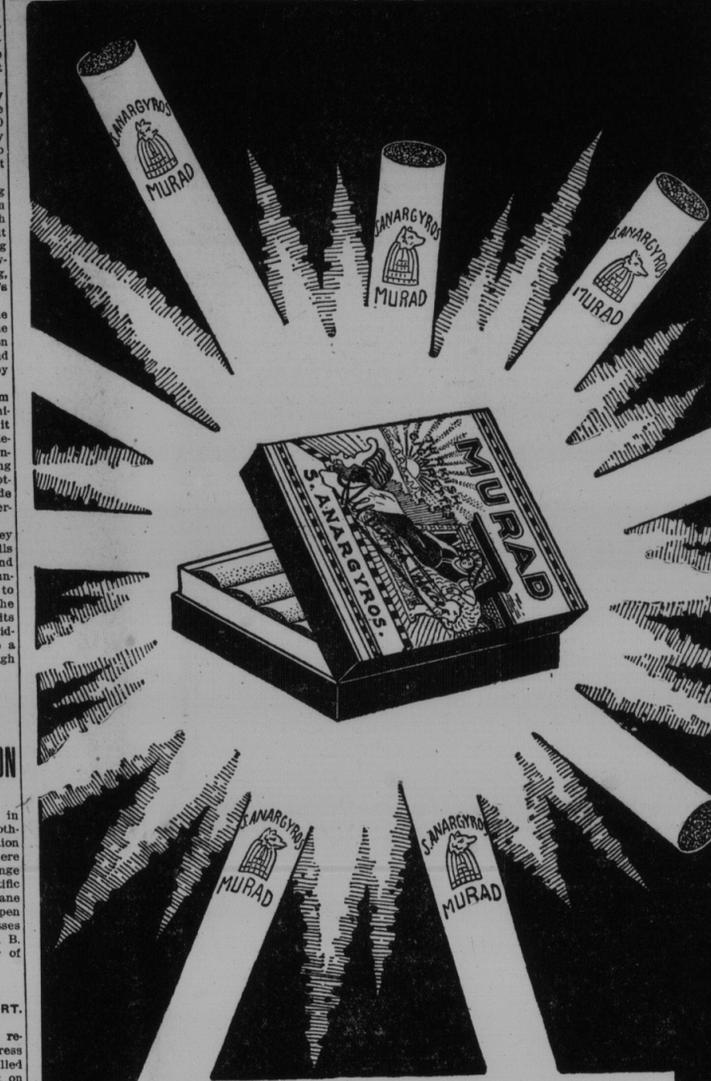
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AGREEMENTS TO MAINTAIN HIGH PRICES

Government Still Getting After Extortioners in High Living Cost.

Special to the Standard.
Ottawa, Jan. 1.—The replies to questions which have been sent by the Labor Department to coal dealers throughout Canada have now all been received and it is stated, after a preliminary perusal, that one potent cause of the maintenance of the high prices that prevail is the existence of agreements, and it is observed that dealers have resorted to all sorts of devices to avoid formal agreements. When a dealer in a locality refuses to abide by the arrangements made regarding prices, the plan resorted to is to ostracize the man and prevent him from getting supplies of coal. Under the new regulations power is given to deal with these agreements or arrangements.

Dealers Warned.
It is stated by W. F. O'Connor, the commissioner recently appointed, that all dealers have been notified that such arrangements, agreement and combinations, so far as they affect necessities of life, of which coal is one are now prohibited and criminal. Dealers have been called upon to repudiate any agreement to abstain from competition which entered into by way of "gentleman's agreements" or otherwise. Those making or maintaining such agreements in the future will be subject to prosecution. Some of the replies received admit that the firms which handle anthracite coal usually have a verbal understanding as to uniform prices. The department now points out that under the new regulations this is a criminal act.

CASUALTIES TO BRITISH WERE HALF MILLION

Total of 520,017 Are Figures Since Beginning of Somme Offensive.

London, Jan. 1.—The total of British casualties reported in the published lists from December 1 to December 23 was: Officers, 815; men, 36,350. No lists were published during the holidays.

The effect of cessation of the Somme offensive with the advent of unfavorable weather conditions is shown in these figures which give a daily average of 1,158 casualties for the 24 days covered by the report. In November the daily average was 2,488 and in October 3,452. The losses reported in December bring the total British casualties since the beginning of the Somme offensive to 520,017.

J. B. HARKIN TO SPEAK AT WASHINGTON

Washington, Jan. 1.—Officials in charge of the national parks and others interested in park administration will begin a five-day conference here tomorrow for consideration of a range of subjects connected with scientific park developments. Secretary Lane of the interior department will open the meeting and among the addresses to be delivered will be one by J. B. Harkin, Canadian commissioner of parks.

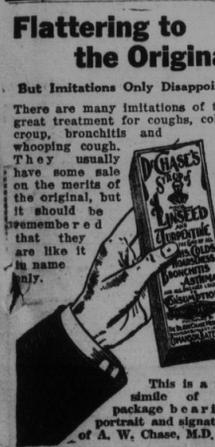
BERLIN DENIES HAMBURG REPORT.

Berlin, Jan. 1, via Sayville.—A report published by the London Express that a thousand persons were killed or wounded in raids in Hamburg on December 7, 8 and 9, is denied by the Overseas News Agency which says: "At Hamburg this incident was absolutely unknown."

GENERAL AMARICH REJOINS FRENCH ARMY.

Perpignan, France, Jan. 1.—General Gerard Amarich, commander of the Legion of Honor, who had retired from the service, has rejoined the army as a private in an artillery regiment. General Amarich is 65 years old and is now at the regimental depot at Versailles.

Flattering to the Original
But Imitations Only Disappoint
There are many imitations of this great treatment for coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis and whooping cough. They usually have some sale on the original, but it should be remembered that they are like it in name only.



NEW POSTAGE RATES FOOL PARISIANS

Paris, Jan. 1.—Parisians began the New Year by studying the new war taxes instead of the usual exchange of visiting cards and calls. Both houses of parliament, in a special Sunday's session, that continued until New Year's eve, worked on the new system of taxes in order to make it effective at the beginning of 1917.

The salient features of the new order of things from the viewpoint of the average citizen, are a three cent increase of a two cent domestic postage; a ten to twenty per cent increase of the tax on tobacco and cigars and a tax of from ten to fifty centimes on theatre tickets graduated according to the price of the seats; more costly telegrams and increased charges on beverages and certain provisions.

The new postage rates are causing the greatest perturbation. Probably not one half the people in posting their letters this morning noticed that an additional sou was required.

In addition to the new government taxes, residents of Paris discovered this morning that all taxable farms had been advanced about ten per cent over night.

The official New Year ceremonies were limited to calls by the president of the senate and chamber upon President Poincare, who returned the visits. Otherwise the New Year festivities were mostly confined to families having soldiers at home on leave.

At the front, every soldier received extra rations of ham, wine, champagne, cigars and oranges, while the officers received double rations.

OLD FOLKS NEED "CASCARETS" FOR LIVER, BOWELS

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ST. JOHN, N. B., TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 1917.

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

THE NEW YEAR'S HONORS.

It is always pleasant to learn of public honors coming to one's fellow citizens, particularly so when they are well merited. The New Year's list insofar as it has been officially announced to date is confined to military men, to those who, in their country's time of peril, have served faithfully and withstood grave personal danger without flinching.

In the list of those receiving the Distinguished Service Order, published this morning, there are at least five New Brunswickers, as follows:

Lieutenant-Colonel Archibald Ernest Graham Mackenzie, of St. John and Campbellton, officer commanding the 26th New Brunswick Battalion.

Major John Mackenzie, St. John, also of the 26th Battalion.

Major Thomas Edward Powers, St. John, of the Canadian Signallers.

Major Eric Whidden Macdonald, St. John and Fredericton, of the 10th Battalion.

Major Charles Fairweather, Sussex, company commander of the 26th Battalion.

These men were all well known to residents of this city and province and had attained more than a little prominence in civil life before donning the uniform to fight the battle of right against might. Colonel Mackenzie was formerly a member of the city teaching staff, entered upon the study of law in the office of Attorney General Baxter, and later removed to his home in Campbellton where he successfully practised his profession. In the election of 1911 he was a Liberal candidate for the federal parliament in the County of Restigouche. Although he had much to keep him in civil life he answered the call to arms when the 26th was authorized and capably filled the rank of major in that battalion, succeeding to the command on the retirement of Col. James L. McAvity. Major A. E. G. Mackenzie is a first class soldier whose work at the front has been fittingly recognized by the honor bestowed upon him.

Major John Mackenzie of the 26th is not so well known in this city as his superior officer but still has very many friends here who will hail with delight the news that his bravery has been officially recognized by his king.

Every young man in St. John who attended High School up to five years ago knows Major "Tommy" Powers, for he was for some years on the staff of that institution. A son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Powers of this city, educated in the local schools and at U. N. B., he became interested in military matters when a youth. For a long time he was identified with the old artillery regiment before devoting himself particularly to signalling. At the time of his enlistment he held the rank of major in the militia and was command signaller for the Maritime Provinces. He enlisted at the outbreak of war and went overseas with the first Canadian contingent with the rank of lieutenant. He won his captaincy and majority for good work done and the D. S. O. comes to him as well merited recognition of particularly arduous service faithfully carried on under most rigorous conditions.

Major Powers "went in" at Arras in the early part of the campaign, passed through Ypres, Festubert, Givenchy, and the Somme, "coming out" at Courcellette in September. He is at present in the city on furlough and will return to his command before the end of the present month. He has probably seen more actual fighting than any New Brunswick officer who has yet returned from the front.

Major MacDonald is a son of Rev. Dr. J. H. MacDonald, formerly editor of the Maritime Baptist. He, too, has been at the front for two years and has seen a great deal of service. His father is now at the front as chaplain of a battalion which went overseas early in the war. Major MacDonald has been mentioned for good work and that he has received the D. S. O. does not come as a surprise.

Major Charles Fairweather, of Sussex, has been a popular and hardworking member of the "Fighting 26th" since it went to the front. He has done excellent work throughout and has distinguished himself by his conspicuous bravery in action. He received his D. S. O. some time ago but his name appears in the list this morning.

The young men who have received the coveted decoration are subjects for hearty congratulations. New Brunswick is also to be congratulated in that she possesses sons who do not shrink to face danger and death in her service. The Standard extends hearty congratulations to the valorous men whose bravery has been the subject of official recognition. They will merit the honor which has come to them at the dawning of the New Year.

The civil list of honors will not be announced until the middle of January. The statement published in the Telegraph of yesterday morning, that His Honor Chief Justice McLeod would receive a knighthood on New Year's Day, was therefore decidedly premature and entirely unauthorized.

HOW SIR WILFRID SEEKS RECRUITS.

On various occasions Conservative newspapers have felt called upon to complain that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, despite the failure of recruiting in Quebec, has shown complete disregard for his famous promise to "stamp Quebec" if ever the Empire were in peril. However, after reading the widely advertised recruiting speech which the Liberal leader delivered in Quebec East on December 8, the ordinary man will conclude that his failure to stamp Quebec is not in itself a great calamity for our participation in the war. An exchange has culled at random, from the newspaper report of Sir Wilfrid's address, some of his principal statements, which are hereby reproduced so that the public may have an opportunity of studying his peculiar methods of securing recruits:

He talked of the 40 years he had represented Quebec East, of his first election in 1877, of the growth of his riding, of his fifteen years of premiership and defeat in 1911, and the reason therefor.

His friends in St. Saviour, Sir Wilfrid said, knew that at the last election he was not defeated in the Province of Quebec on the question of reciprocity. "Our adversaries cried 'No Marine!'"

You know that Sir Lomer Gouin has given the best government this province has ever had, and all know that there is no other province has a government so well run as his government.

"There are some faces in her (England's) history that I would like to tear out. I would like to tear out the faces which tell of the part she played in 1870."

Sir Wilfrid pictured the nervousness that existed on the Pacific coast at the outbreak of the war. "Our only defense on the Pacific coast at that time," he said, "was the Rainbow. You have heard them speak of the Rainbow. You all remember the pleasanties that were made about this ship at the time of the last general election."

"We have no conscription here, and will have none."

"I have no unlimited confidence in the present government. As I promised to tell you my thought I will say that I have no confidence in the government at all."

The night before Sir Wilfrid delivered himself of the foregoing, Sir Robert Borden stood in the same city and issued a patriotic appeal on behalf of National Service. Not a word, not a suggestion, of politics passed his lips. His plea was addressed to all Canadians who have set their hearts upon winning the war. He was followed by Sir Wilfrid with a speech of rank partisanship crudely disguised as an appeal for recruits.

Perhaps the only comment that the disagreeable incident calls for is this: that in view of the Liberal contention that a return to office of Sir Wilfrid Laurier would promote a more vigorous prosecution of the war, the country would do well to place these Quebec speeches of the two leaders side by side and then determine which more truly interpreted the national mind.

Alarm of Fire.

The fire department was called out yesterday afternoon at four o'clock by an alarm from box 8. The fire was in an old unoccupied house on George street and owned by the Campbell estate. Considerable damage was done.

A NOTABLE FUNCTION AT AMHERST

Two Hundred Mothers, Wives and Children of Boys Across the Sea Entertained.

Special to The Standard. Amherst, N. S., Jan. 1.—Two hundred mothers, wives and children of the brave men who represent Amherst overseas sat down to a bountiful and well served dinner at the Terrace Hotel today. The dinner was provided by the Amherst Recruiting Association and was made possible by the generosity of the hotel proprietor.

The dining room was tastefully decorated for the occasion, while flowers adorned the tables. As the guests sat about the table Rev. W. C. Ross invoked the blessing.

Have Boys at Front.

The following members of the executive acted as host: President H. J. Logan, K. C., W. L. Ormond, D. A. Morrison, W. H. Rackham, John A. Laws and C. L. Martin. It may be of interest to note that the following members of the committee each have one or more boys at the front: Messrs. Morrison, Ormond, Laws and Rackham.

During the dinner hour Miss Lucy Logan and Mrs. D. W. Fraser presided at the piano and Mrs. Esty Chapman sang several appropriate songs. Several of the committee gave brief addresses. After enjoying the dinner to the utmost the children present, led by Mr. Logan, who thoroughly entered into the spirit of the gathering, sang many of the popular patriotic songs. Altogether this was one of the most pleasing functions held in Amherst for many a day and was appreciated by all. It was a big kind-hearted act but was fully deserved by the guests present who are sacrificing their loved ones in this struggle. Just before the dinner of the National Anthem Mr. D. A. Morrison presented each guest with tickets to the Empress Theatre for the afternoon play.

Lieut. Black Wounded.

News has been received by Mr. William W. Black that his son, Lieut. Lloyd W. Black, had been wounded. No particulars as to the severity of his wounds have been received. Gerald, another son of Mr. and Mrs. Black, who went overseas with one of the first battalions, was also wounded some time ago. Their daughter, Miss Frances, was last week operated on for appendicitis in the hospital here.

100 DROWNED IN AUSTRALIA

London, Jan. 1.—One hundred persons are believed to have been drowned in Clermont, Queensland, Australia, by a flood which washed away the main street and all the houses in low lying places, says a Reuter despatch from Brisbane. Fifty bodies have been recovered. The flood was caused by cyclonic weather in Northern and Central Queensland.

FUNERALS

SHIVES—The funeral of the late Robert Kilour Shives, R.F.C., will be held at the Chapel in Fernhill cemetery this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

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HOLIDAY QUIET AT PROVINCIAL CAPITAL

York Municipal Council Will Meet Today—Government to Hold Session Tonight.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Jan. 1.—The holiday was quietly observed in Fredericton. The weather, which was quite cold during the week end, moderated considerably and weather conditions today were excellent. Horsemen amused themselves with short brushes on Queen street.

There were several fast ones out, and as a result of today's racing there seems a likelihood of some matinee races in Fredericton before the end of winter.

In Presidents vs. Vice-presidents at the Curling rink the former won by two points in the day's playing. On Christmas day the Presidents led by twenty-two points and today's lead gives them a total of twenty-four.

The York Municipal Council will open its semi-annual session tomorrow morning. Mrs. W. J. Gien is to be acting secretary-treasurer until the appointment of a permanent secretary.

The new secretary-treasurer will be appointed at the first meeting of the council. The name of Colin A. B. Neill of Gibson is mentioned as likely choice for warden.

The York Circuit Court also meets in Fredericton tomorrow.

The provincial government will hold a session in the executive council chamber tomorrow evening. Premier Clarke arrived here on Saturday night accompanied by Mrs. Clarke and other members of the government are expected here tomorrow.

THREE WOMEN LYNCHED IN U. S. IN 1916

Total Number of Mob's Victims in Year Was Fifty-four.

Tuskegee, Ala., Jan. 1.—Fifty-four persons were lynched in the United States during 1916, according to records of Tuskegee Institute here, made public today. Fifty of the victims were negroes and four white people and included in the record are three negro women. Sixty-seven persons were lynched in 1915, thirteen of whom were white men.

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U. S. EPISCOPAL CHURCH GETS \$4,000,000

Fund for Clergymen and Their Dependent Families.

New York, Jan. 1.—Success in obtaining pledges for \$4,000,000 toward the \$5,000,000 church pension fund being raised for Episcopal clergymen and their dependent families was announced here today by Bishop Wm. Lawrence of Massachusetts, chairman of the fund committee. This great sum of money is the largest the church has ever raised in so short a time. Bishop Lawrence said: "The campaign which began March 1, 1916, will end on March 1 of this year. That day the entire \$5,000,000 must be in hand; otherwise we are not entitled to keep the four millions now pledged. We are confident, however, that the extra one million dollars will be raised and that this pension system will be formally established to provide substantial life annuities for aged and disabled clergy and the widows and dependent orphans of deceased clergy."

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TWO CANADIAN SOLDIERS DIE IN GERMANY

Card from T.P. Lawson Tells of Death of Two of His Comrades in German Hospital, One from Halifax, Other from Winnipeg.

The following postal card from P. P. Lawson, who is a prisoner of war in Germany, will be read with interest by his many friends. The card which is dated October 31, 1916, only arrived in the city yesterday morning and his mother, Mrs. Alex Scott, was more than pleased to hear from him.

Parchim, Mecklenburg, Deutschland.

Dear Mother:

Just a line to let you know that I am still in bed but coming along all right. Two of our boys died of their wounds, Rogers of Halifax and Shand of Winnipeg. A boy next to me will be the next to go, he has a very bad wound in his head and is delirious at times. Sunday was long and lonesome. There is some noise when the doctor dresses the wounds, he is a fine man and very kind. Two of the boys have their legs off and it goes hard with them. We get no butter, sugar or tobacco, and we do not get any money from England till we get back there, so we are up against it for fair. I guess the whole thing is to keep out of the "bug" house. I landed here with but a torn coat, no pants, boots or socks, but will get clothes from London. It is very cold here this winter, so if the Red Cross people have any woolen gloves they might send me a pair. I hung onto my last winter ones till the last time we went into the trenches, then I left them back in my pack with my other stuff and lost them all.

I suppose it is getting cold there. I have not so much mail since September 3. There is thirty-two of us in this camp. This is the third I have sent, and you should have the first one soon.

Well, I have told you about all I know.

F. P. LAWSON.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 30.

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Gatherings in Methodist and Presbyterian Churches Yesterday Were Largely Attended—Greetings to Governor General, Lieut. Governor, Premier Borden and Premier Clarke.

The annual New Year rallies of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational Sunday schools held yesterday, were in every way successful. The children of the different schools of these denominations in the city proper and in outlying points, including Carleton, Fairville, East St. John, Brookville and Silver Falls, with their teachers and friends, must have numbered, it is estimated at least 2,000. They met in the morning, those of the Methodist schools in Centenary church, and those of the Presbyterian and Congregational schools in St. Andrew's church.

The greetings of the rally had been previously sent on behalf of the Methodists to His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada, His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Wood, Sir Robert L. Borden, Premier Clarke, of New Brunswick, and to sister gatherings in various parts of Canada. The message to the Governor-General and His Excellency's reply were in the following terms:

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ings; recitation, "The Union Jack," Catherine Sheppard; saluting the flag, followed by National Anthem; address, Rev. Nell McLaughlin; hymn; offering; "O Canada;" benediction by Rev. George Steel, D. D.

The gathering in Centenary was most enthusiastic and fully 1,400 were present, young and old. A bar of chocolate was given to each child. On the platform besides the chairman, were ranged the pastors of the various Methodist churches, and in front within the altar railing sat the school superintendents. The replies to the greetings sent on behalf of the schools were read by E. E. Thomas, the representative of the Governor-General and Premier Borden brought forth enthusiastic cheers. Rev. Nell McLaughlin was the principal speaker, and he recalled the progress made in Sunday school work since Robert Raikes, some 150 years ago, had initiated the great movement. Little Miss Sheppard's "Jack" is worthy of special mention. The fraternal greetings from the united rally of Presbyterian and Congregational schools met in St. Andrew's church were presented by Robert Magee and Rev. J. Hall.

At the close of the service the schools formed in procession and marched to King Square where, gathered about the band stand they sang "O Canada" and the National Anthem, followed by three cheers for the King.

In St. Andrew's.

The programme for St. Andrew's church rally was as follows:

Doxology; invocation and Lord's Prayer, the chairman, Rev. Wm. Townsend; Scripture reading; Ten Commandments, in concert; Psalm of Praise; Scripture reading, Rev. J. Hardwick; prayer, Rev. J. A. MacKellan; New Year's greetings; address by the Mayor; roll call, with responses by song; Scripture from each school; address, Rev. F. S. Dowling; patriotic chorus, "O Canada;" greetings from Centenary church conveyed by Mr. Cassidy and Rev. E. A. Westmorland; hymn; offering; presentation of flags kindly given by J. Fraser Gregory, with short speech; presentation of prize banner to Sunday school having the largest percentage of membership present; hymn; flag salute; National Anthem (war edition); benediction by Rev. Mr. McLean, formerly of St. Andrew's church.

The schools represented in the rally were as follows, there being a total attendance of about 600: Calvin, Carleton, Congregational, Fairville, St. Andrew's, St. David's, St. John, St. Matthew's, St. Stephen's. The prize banner was won by St. Matthew's with a percentage of 100.

The proceedings in St. Andrew's were thoroughly successful and great interest was shown by all present, Rev. John Hardwick, Robert Reid and others of the committee working hard to that end. The music was especially good with an orchestra from Calvin church assisting. Mr. Cochrane presided at the organ.

PERSONALS

Miss Mary E. Hipwell, accountant in the receiver general's office, Fredericton, will return to that place this morning after spending the New Year holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Hipwell of this city.

Mr. Verne A. Miller of the C. G. R., Moncton, and formerly of this city, spent New Year's in St. John and was a guest at the Victoria.

OBITUARY

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(New York, Jan. 1.—When the chimes of "Old Times" heralded the coming of 1917 at midnight, New York greeted the announcement with its usual carnival of noise but it was the dryest New Year's eve the city had seen in many years.

In the face of Mayor Mitchell's threat to revoke the licenses of those who disobeyed orders, revelry ceased in hotels and restaurants promptly at 1 o'clock, an hour after the New Year made its bow to a waiting world.

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THE HOME THE WORLD

NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

THE MOVIES THE PLAYERS

Here are Related Facts and Fancies Concerning the Activities of Individuals and Organizations, the Home, Fashions and Other Matters.

CODY'S WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

On Tuesday evening the regular meeting of the Cody branch of the N. B. W. I. met at the home of Mrs. George Worden.

My song, save this, is little worth: I lay the weary pen aside.

Lady Aberdeen's Visit.

Lady Aberdeen arrives in the city today and the many plans for the visit of this distinguished visitor have been completed.

At luncheon at the Union Club Lady Aberdeen will be entertained by the Board of the Victorian Order of Nurses.

At three o'clock the meeting will take place at the Imperial Theatre (donated for the purpose), at which Lady Aberdeen will give an address on Reconstruction after the War.

This meeting is under the auspices of the Women's Canadian Club, but is open to all patriotic societies.

The local council of women and the Red Cross are to meet on Thursday at the Natural History rooms at eleven o'clock.

As Lady Aberdeen founded the national council she expressed a desire to meet the local council to discuss their work.

A luncheon given by Mrs. David McLellan at the Union Club, and a tea held in honor of her guest by Lady Tilley, bring to a close a busy day.

Lady Aberdeen has come from Halifax, where her visit was deeply appreciated and where she made several splendid speeches.

Coffee Bread One cup scalded milk, 1/4 to 1/3 cup shortening, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/4 cup sugar, 1 1/2 yeast cake for long rising, 1 egg, 1/2 cup of raisins if desired.

Method—(1) Heat the milk and pour over the salt, sugar and butter. Cool to lukewarm.

2. Add the yeast, which has already been dissolved in 1/4 cup of lukewarm water. Add flour to make a batter.

3. When light add the egg well beaten, raisins and flour to make a thick batter.

4. Turn into buttered pans and spread out.

5. Cover and let rise again.

6. When light brush over with beaten egg and sprinkle with the following mixture: 3 tablespoons butter, 1/3 cup sugar, 1 teaspoon cinnamon.

Melt the butter, add the sugar and cinnamon mixed. When sugar is partly melted 1 1/2 tablespoons flour may be added.

To decrease the price of the bread use white bread and add 1/4 of a cup of white sugar.

If the coffee bread is to rise over night make into a thick batter at once putting in all ingredients. In the morning turn this batter into baking pans, when light spread with the icing and bake.

Not Popular Dr. Ella Scarlett-Syngé, known in Vancouver, Sicca, Vienna and Berlin, but apparently not quite so well at Birmingham, has not held her appointment in a hospital at the latter city very long.

Under the heading "Exit Dr. Scarlett-Syngé" the London Daily Express says: "Dr. Ella Scarlett-Syngé, the Huns' whitewasher, whose appointment to a Birmingham hospital was cancelled by the Public Health Committee on Friday."

Dr. Scarlett-Syngé, who left the hospital at Saturday night, and left the hospital," Dr. Scarlett-Syngé, it will be remembered, left Vancouver for Serbia with a medical unit and afterwards travelled through the Central Empire, visited a number of prison camps and declared publicly that she had found British prisoners of war universally well-treated by the Germans.—Vancouver World.

WHY WORRY? "The Worry Cow might have lived if she'd only saved her breath: She thought the hay wouldn't last all day, So she choked herself to death."

PHOTOGRAPHY. Remember, if you are taking a photograph, or sitting for one, that in photography colors play strange tricks. So, if you wear a gay red frock, your photograph will have a sombre look. Here are some hints to help you to get the results you wish in photographs:

Red takes black. Orange takes black. Gold takes black. Yellow takes white. Pink takes dark gray. Green takes dark gray. Brown takes dark gray.

UNCLE DICK, THE STANDARD, ST. JOHN, N. B.

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Uncle Dick's Corner.

TODAY'S LITTLE JOKE

Run By A Trust. "Your mother agrees with me exactly, Johnny," said his father, proceeding to trim the twigs from a tough switch.

UNCLE DICK'S CHAT.

My Dear Kiddies: Some of you older members will remember that among the simple rules of the Corner, as published about six months ago, there was one which read "I promise to be trustworthy."

Did you ever come across a kiddie who was always exaggerating? Some have quite a habit of doing so. I remember hearing a story about a boy who came rushing into the house one day shouting "Mother, come quick!"

"There are about a million cats fighting in the street," "No," replied mother. "There cannot be that many."

"Well, mother, there is Jimmy Smith's cat and ours, fighting over so hard," at last the boy answered.

Kiddies, that is just a little story, but what a lot of truth there is in it. I am sure you have heard a boy (yes, and a girl too), say to his school mate, "I got all my sums right," when perhaps he got one wrong.

Always do your best, as I told you the other day, and you will have few regrets as you get older and pass from grade to grade.

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From your Uncle Dick

Children's Editor. Thirty-Four Relatives in War. Belleisle Crech.

Dear Uncle Dick: I thought I would like to join your happy club. This is my first letter to you, but I am too late for my birthday as it has gone and I am 13. My birthday is the 21st of November, and I have also a brother in the army. He has been wounded and is now in Sussex, England. His name is George; and I had also a father in the army, but he got discharged. And I have a brother-in-law in the army. I have also a dear little nephew, his name is George. He is a month old. I have three brothers and four sisters. I am going to school and like our teacher. Her name is Miss Dixon. I am in the Third Reader. We have 34 relatives in this war.

I remain your loving niece Ada Rose Edwards.

Spoke of Soldiers. Grey's Mills, N. B.

Dear Uncle Dick: In looking over the letters of Why Do You Like the Corner? I think Zella Gorham deserved first prize. I noticed that Zella said "I like it because of the Allies' Aid which helps the soldiers, etc."

It was the only one that spoke about the soldiers. Some spoke of the Allies' Aid but not of the soldiers. Waiting to hear from you every day.

Your niece Curly Locks.

A Letter From New Member. Silver Beach.

Dear Uncle Dick: I have been reading the notes and letters from some of Uncle Dick's nieces and nephews, so I thought I would like to become one of his nieces.

I live on a farm and my father also is a potato buyer. I have a

Who's Who and What's What in the Picture World and on the Stage—Favorites and What They Say and Do.

IMPERIAL.

Tour 'Round the World—The Two Edged Sword.

It is usual to speak of the story picture first in these columns, but I want particularly to mention these "round the world" tour. So many of us have to stay at home and try to satisfy our wanderlust by books that it is a great pleasure to have presented such beautiful scenes in foreign countries as we witnessed yesterday at the Imperial.

Many favorable comments were made and several said of this Gaumont production: "The best we've seen for a long time." Archangel, from where the Russians didn't start for England; that northern seaport was the first city visited. Its waterfront was shown and some lovely scenes on the Dvina River which might have been taken on our own St. John.

Amsterdam was well traveled over next and the life on the canals which intersect the city pictured. No Dutch child would be allowed to play on the back stoop, one must suppose, or drowning accidents would be frequent.

Few of us had any idea of this Dutch town was so much like Venice. With its beautiful examples of architecture and its quaint beauty of antiquity, Rome made a most interesting picture and it was splendid to really see these places of which so much is heard. We are so intensely interested in anything French.

The Two Edged Sword.

Naturally this was a sword which cut both ways and the name of the sword was at first jealousy but later love. It was playing with edged tools which made all the mischief in this story.

All was happy in a country woman, tired of doing nothing and ready for the person who finds the mischief still for life hands to do. The loving little country girl (the part played by Edith Storey) turns into a woman filled with but one idea—to avenge her brother, and in so doing she finds that it is herself she has hurt. The picture is a good cast and well produced after the Vitagraph style.

There are some very tense situations and admirers of Miss Storey will appreciate her excellent acting. Others in the cast are Evert Overton, who plays the victim of the society woman and Robert Egan, Miss Josephine Egan, the little wife.

The Pathé British Gazette was, as usual, excellent, showing pictures of Lloyd George (so prominent a figure just now), decorating some brave men with medals. This picture brought forth much applause from the crowd in the theatre. A very substantial looking football and other photographs of much interest were in this Gazette.

UNIQUE.

The Shielding Shadow. In this episode, the second to the last, Ravenger discloses to Leontine the secret of "absolute black" and how it was that the mantle lost its invisibility. Leontine is almost the indelible having the police slip through their hands. A very substantial looking vision of Jerry appears to Leontine and I must confess I think her rather stupid if she has not guessed the identity of Ravenger by now. It was clear to most of the audience from the first few chapters.

A comedy "Billy's Revenge," told of a mother's absence from home and how a friend of hers was received and treated in her house.

A Pathé Weekly rounded up a programme of variety at the Unique. Several slides were shown with New Year's greetings to the patrons of the Unique and outlining the policy of the theatre for 1917.

LYRIC.

The Conscience of John David. This is the picture which I saw at the Lyric but I believe "East is East," with Florence Turner, is the bill for today.

The Conscience of John David is a David Horsley picture, written by Crane Wilbur, himself, and giving this star plenty of opportunities to show his talent. It depicts the evils wrought by too much wealth, (a condition from which few of us suffer), and the waste of time and the falseness of friends when pleasure is the end and aim of a life.

Conscience appears to John David in the form of a young man he had once known but whom he had brother three years old and a baby brother seven months old Christmas Day. I like him very much. He is awful cute and smart.

I go to school and have not missed a day this term, and I'm expecting a prize. Our teacher is getting up a Christmas concert and I have got two parts. We only live five miles from the town of Grand Falls.

I am now seven years old. I like school very much.

Well I guess this is all for this time. Hoping to see my name in the Children's Corner next week, as I want to become one of Uncle Dick's nieces.

Lovingly yours, My address: Hilda Merritt, Silver Beach, Victoria County, N. B.

Bert Lewis.

Harry Winters, his twin brother, Ralph Austin.

Kate Armitage, Tom's sweetheart, Elyse Wallace.

Molly Somers, in love with Harry, Maude Randall.

Mrs. Winters, a weeping willow, Josephine West.

Time—Present.

Local—The Seaview Hotel, Musical Numbers.

Opening chorus—"Teach Me How to Swim," Josephine West and chorus.

Smile, Smile, Smile—Tom Bullock and chorus.

They're Wearing Them Higher in Hawaii—Maude Randall and chorus.

Yama Yama Man—Katherine McGregor and chorus.

"They'd Wait for a Tunnel"—Bert Lewis and chorus.

Cuddle Up a Little Closer—Elyse Wallace and chorus.

Specialty—Ralph Austin.

"I Want to Settle Down"—Jack Western and chorus.

Finale—Entire company.

SOLDIERS' CLUB.

La Jour d'Annee was well celebrated at the Soldiers' Club yesterday when the Young Women's Patriotic Association were at home to the soldiers and sailors in St. John for the holiday.

The invitation sent out by the Y.W.P.A. was accepted by a large number of men and the club was well filled from early afternoon until the new year closing. Afternoon tea was served and in the evening a short programme was carried out in which several of the soldiers took part.

Games and music made the evening pass away pleasantly and the men seemed to enjoy the informal nature of the entertainment. Mrs. P. R. Warren and Mrs. Kuhring were present during the afternoon and evening.

Miss Nora Kinkaid was convener of the refreshments, Miss Alice Fairweather arranged the programme for the evening, and many members of the society were present to assist in entertaining the guests.

Those taking part during the evening were Miss Madeleine de Soyres who gave much pleasure with several French songs, Miss Ermeline Climo who sang very sweetly and Miss Hill whose readings were much enjoyed by all.

Harold Fitzgerald did some buck and wing dancing. Pte. J. Murray gave classic dances with H. Fitzgerald who has now joined the 8th Field Ambulance unit. J. Demaine of 8th Field Ambulance gave a few songs which pleased the boys very much.

Paramount will open the New Year with the Famous Players' production of "The Slave Market," with Pauline Frederick in the leading role, and the Lesky production of "The Evil Eye," in which Blanche Sweet is starred.

ALICE FAIRWEATHER.

OUR WORLD TOUR

Second Journey: Archangel in Russia. Amsterdam in Holland. Rouen in Normandy. Vesuble Gorges, Alps.

BRITISH GAZETTE

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BILL OF FARE

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THURS.—FRI.—SAT. THE MISFIT FOUR. Colored Comedy Quartette.

Cor ALBER

The annual election Albert Lodge, F. and A. last evening in the Oulton Hall, resulting office bearers being Edward E. Lewis, Fullerton, S. W.; R. L. W.; W. S. Jones, S. D. J. D.; J. E. Fullerton, Prescott, Secty.; H. P. S.; L. J. Molins, J. S. on, I. G.; Geo. Marsham

The police court at the past two weeks in matters of information forty-four dollars by a boarder. A warrant offender into court, and search of the premises proved successful, and exact denomination of found on the top shelf under a lot of old papers different pocketbook when lost. The finding was kept a secret in the

The prisoner stoutly innocence, but the were so overwhelming that she was remanded two days to await examination time of silent hours, away from false evidence came before the fully acknowledged he the money was in the intact the magistrate via the Christmas season accused seemed to be her wrong doing he to go home and spend day with her husband. After thanking the court for their kindness left the court with the small amount of by the defense. The not produce the board as she said she burned

The pool room case judgments was concluded 26th, and resulted the proprietor, being costs. This case was keeping for delivery liquor got by three y proprietor being one sent to W. L. Molony for a gallon of Denon original package was can which came in the Cape Breton man corner in the place, a tion took place in the pool room premises effects of the Molony widely boisterous that resulted in consequ word "Demerara" is pass word among a c. This case is unique, in desecration was the action same faith and order for the defense, called very satisfactory legal

A physician also a charge of giving a description for liquor strictly medicinal purposes as a second admitted by the accused witnesses being called. The case of a run not being given up to mand, was before the several adjournments of the defense, the had issued a search order for the return of her father. The paid by the defense, for the prosecution, Sherron for the defense no charges of criminal on either side, and amicably settled after the disposal of the case.

A Sunday school of auspices of the R school was held on the 26th inst. The attendance and the programme and nicely carried out school has sustained acquisition in Princip Hetherington.

A festival by the congregation was held on the evening of T was liberally patron ceeds were for bene and were entirely s absence of Rev. Lockary, the late be who is now at the r commented on by all by whom he was j respected during the efficient and well-p in this parish.

A large sugar bar of which is not dest or ticket, or elawie or inside, but whic from a certain bre and consigned to was setzted at Alber just before Christma this little village. T the barrel taken in bottles of some kin found inside. The q hilarious acts of human constitution to be attaining the m tor, who left for hi on Wednesday morn Ireland Mountains sties of this brewery session. It has not been whether he ha miles in sober sa son by the reports in whose custody wa was sober.

Correspondents' Corner.

ALBERT

The annual election of officers in Albert Lodge, F. and A. M., took place last evening in the lodge room in Oulton Hall, resulting in the following office bearers being elected:

Edward E. Lewis, W. M.; M. D. Fullerton, S. W.; R. L. Fullerton, J. W.; W. S. Jones, S. D.; S. G. Turner, J. D.; J. E. Fullerton, treas.; I. C. Prescott, Secty.; H. P. Kierstead, S. S.; L. J. Collins, J. S.; L. W. Cameron, I. G.; Geo. Marshall, Tyler.

The police court activities during the past two weeks include following matters of information—The theft of forty-four dollars by a landlady from a boarder. A warrant brought the offender into court, and a search warrant authorized the officer to make a search of the premises. The search proved successful, and the bills of the exact denomination of those lost were found on the top shelf of the pantry under a lot of old papers, but in a different pocketbook than that in which they were lost. The finding of this money was kept a secret in the officer's mind.

The prisoner stoutly protested her innocence, but the circumstances were so overwhelmingly against her that she was remanded to jail for two days to await examination. After her time of silent thoughtiness was over, away from false friends, the accused came before the court and tearfully acknowledged her fault, and as the money was in the officer's hands intact the magistrate stated that as it was the Christmas season, and as the accused seemed to be truly sorry for her wrong doing he would allow her to go home and spend the Christmas day with her husband and little children.

After thanking the officer and the court for their kindness the accused left the court with her husband. The small amount of costs was paid by the defense. The accused could not produce the boarder's pocketbook as she said she burned it.

The pool room case after three adjournments was concluded on December 26th, and resulted in the accused, the proprietor, being fined \$50 and costs. This case was of a charge for liquor got by three young men, the proprietor being one of the trio who sent to W. L. McIntyre at St. John for a gallon of Demerara rum.

The original package was a square tin can which came in the name of a Cape Breton man who was a new comer in the place, and the back room of the pool room premises; and the effects of the McIntyre goods were so widely boisterous that five convictions resulted in consequence. And the word "Demerara" is now used as a pass word among a certain fraternity. This case is unique, in that a Baptist deacon was the acting agent for the prosecution, and another deacon of the same faith and order was acting agent for the defense, each doing part in a very satisfactory legal manner.

A physician also answered to the charge of giving a certificate or prescription for liquor for other than strictly medicinal purposes. This was entered as a second offence and was admitted by the accused without any witnesses being called.

The case of a run-away girl of 16, not being given up to her father on demand, was before the court, and after several adjournments at the instance of the defense, the magistrate who had issued a search warrant compelling the presence of the girl, had ordered the girl back into the custody of her father. The legal costs were paid by the defense. Mr. A. W. Bray for the prosecution, and Mr. Jas. Sherron for the defense. There were no charges of criminal wrong doing on either side, and the matter was amicably settled after the matter of the disposal of the child was concluded.

A Sunday school concert under the auspices of the Riverside Sunday school was held on the evening of the 26th inst. The attendance was good and the programme was well chosen and nicely carried out. This Sabbath school has sustained a valuable acquisition in Principal and Mrs. L. R. Hebburnston.

A festival by the Roman Catholic congregation was held in Oulton Hall on the evening of Tuesday last, and was liberally patronized. The proceeds were for benevolent purposes, and were entirely satisfactory. The absence of Rev. Father Francis Loachy, the late beloved parish priest, who is now at the front in France was lamented on by all classes and creeds by whom he was justly beloved and respected during the time of his very efficient and well-appointed pastorate in this parish.

A large sugar barrel, the contents of which is not designated on any tag or ticket, or elsewhere, on the outside or inside, but which is way billed from a certain brewery in Quebec, and consigned to the Albert druggist, was seized at Albert railway station just before Christmas day dawned on this little valley. The inspector had the barrel taken into court and 120 bottles of some kind of liquid were found inside. The question of the exorbitant effects of this liquid on the human constitution is now supposed to be agitating the mind of the inspector, who left for his home in Elgin on Wednesday morning by way of New Ireland Mountains with several bottles of this brewery juice in his possession. It has not yet been learned whether he has covered the 25 miles in sober safety. When last seen by the reporter, the magistrate, in whose custody was left the barrel, was sober.

HARTLAND

Hartland, N. B., Dec. 31—Hartland is sending another of her bright young men to do battle for King and country. The latest to join the colors is Joseph H. Barnett, son of Postmaster Barnett, a recent principal of the Hartland school. He goes on Monday to report for duty with No. 9 Siege Battery at Partridge Island. He has an elder brother, Captain John Barnett of the 187th, who is now in England. "Joe," as he is familiarly known, is not looking for the pay he will receive but feels that it is his duty to aid in the suppression of the Germans.

At the Upper Knoxford church on Tuesday the funeral took place of Mrs. John Perry, she having died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lardner at Mars Hill. She was the widow of Rev. John Perry and lived here several years. She leaves two sons, Leonard at Knoxford and Edward in Utah.

On Christmas Day Rev. H. P. Risby, Curator of England rector at Centreville, performed the ceremony which united in marriage Miss Annie Lonsdale of Knoxford and Mr. Charles Brown of Upper Kent. About sixty guests were present at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson Longstaff. The young couple will reside at Upper Kent.

Miss Vivian Fowler of Hampton, who has served three terms as teacher in the Kilburn school, has resigned and gone to her home.

Last week friends of Mrs. J. W. Grant called at her home in Kilburn and presented her with a parlor table and willow rocker in appreciation of her services as church organist and Sunday school superintendent. Mrs. Edward Cox made the presentation.

Miss Laura Cartledge on Thursday for a visit in Boston.

Major W. W. Melville of East Florenceville has been quite seriously ill at the Fisher Memorial Hospital in Woodstock.

Mrs. Arthur W. Dickinson has been visiting with her mother, Mrs. Wm. Arnott, at Fort Fairfield.

Several cases of pneumonia are occupying the attention of the doctors, among them Mrs. G. C. Nevers, who is reported dangerously ill. Mr. John Noddin is also down with the malady.

Samuel W. DeWitt, who has been buying potatoes on the North Shore for Hatfield & Scott, has been here for a few days and leaves again on Monday for the same locality.

A. L. Baird, who has conducted a general store here for some years, is to close up his business on January 8, but what his plans are for the future is not known.

Christmas in the churches was observed by special sermons and music.

The places of worship being appropriately decorated. In the Church of England the offertory was handed to the rector, Rev. N. Franchette. The Church of England Institute at St. John sent a box of good things for the children of the Sunday school and they were made happy by their presentation in the afternoon, supplemented by gifts from the rector and Mrs. Franchette.

Mrs. O. S. Boyer of Bristol returned last week from Vancouver.

Mrs. Beecher McKinney of the Canadian west is visiting her sister, Mrs. Alva Dow, at Lower Brighton.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nixon of Lower Brighton have gone to Boston for a visit with friends.

On Saturday, Dec. 23, the death took place of Thos. O. Boyer at the advanced age of over eighty years. He was born and lived the greater part of his life in Victoria, Corner, where he was engaged as a tanner. His wife and two sons, Russell, (now of the Killies), and Cecil, survive. Rev. N. Franchette conducted the funeral services, which were held at Victoria, Corner on Sunday.

Mr. Charles Dickinson of Newburg Junction has returned from a visit with his father at Eastport, Me., for the past three months.

Mr. Wm. Banks of Bristol, who has been in the west for the past year, has returned home.

Miss Ethel Bell of Amherst is visiting at her home in Bristol.

Wallace Somerville is home from college in Boston for a visit with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Somerville, at Bristol.

SHEDIAC

The holidays are being quietly observed, fine, cold weather prevailed, and navigation is still open between P. E. Island and Pt. du Chene.

A well laden Christmas tree was in evidence in Tipperary Hall, on Saturday afternoon, when over 90 children, families of the employes of R. C. Tait, were remembered most liberally by Santa Claus.

Members of the 65th Battery, Woodstock, including Fred Webster, E. Dorin, L. McDevitt, and E. Robidoux were at their homes in town for Christmas-tide.

Mr. F. S. Henderson of Truro, N. S., is spending a few days in town.

Mr. J. W. Wortman and Miss Wortman spent Christmas day and the following with relatives in St. John.

Capt. W. Milne was the guest this week of his sister, Mrs. H. W. Murray, Belcourt.

Miss Florence Harper of Boston, is spending the holidays at the home of Mrs. D. S. Harper.

Mr. R. Kaye of St. John, is the guest of friends in town.

Miss Myrtle McQueen is home from Mount Allison for the vacation.

The Misses L. Patrel and M. Belliveau are home from Mt. St. Vincent, Halifax, for a vacation.

Mrs. L. T. Belliveau, after some months spent in Halifax has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Stewart spent Christmas day in Mencton.

Miss E. Wilbur, registered nurse is home from Boston, and the guest of her mother at the Cape.

Miss Myrtle Givan, professional nurse, is home from Boston and visiting her parents, Capt. and Mrs. Givan, Idylwilde.

The annual Christmas tree entertainment in connection with the Methodist Sunday School, will be held on Friday evening.

EARL GRANVILLE TO REPRESENT G. T. BRITAIN AT SALONIKI.

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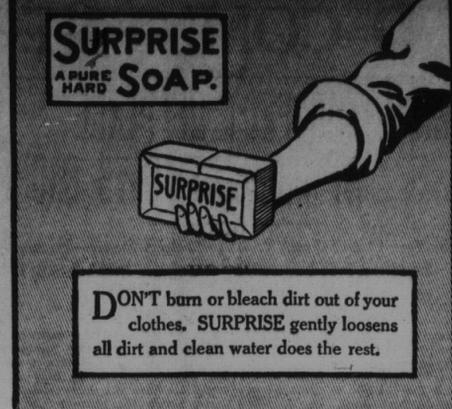
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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

The head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the District. Entry by proxy may be made at any Dominion Lands Agency (not Sub-Agency), on certain conditions.

Duties—Six months residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. A habitable house is required except where residence is performed in the vicinity.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section alongside his homestead. Price \$5.00 per acre.

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W. WOODRY, C.M.G., Deputy of the Minister of Interior, N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will be paid for.—64838.

MAILED CONTRACT.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon on Friday, the 2nd February, 1917, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails on a proposed contract for four years, 12 single trips per week between St. John and C. P. R. Station (N. B. Southern Division), from the 1st April next.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Offices at St. John and West St. John, and at the office of the Post Office Inspector.

N. R. COLTHER, Post Office Inspector, Post Office Inspector's Office, St. John, N. B., Dec. 15, 1916.

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N. R. COLTHER, Post Office Inspector, Post Office Inspector's Office, St. John, N. B., Dec. 18th, 1916.

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The Maritime Provinces once made Canada the third shipbuilding and shipowning nation in the world, as well as manning this great merchant fleet. The province of P. E. Island used to build from 70 to 100 vessels in a year—one town having as many as 22 on the stocks at one time—while today there is not a keel laid of a ship building in the whole province, and there is plenty of good material in the island for shipbuilding. The shipbuilding industry was at a standstill in British Columbia and Newfoundland before the respective governments granted a bonus. The revival of the shipbuilding industry in the provinces by the sea is not a mere sectional one for other provinces, if not the whole of Canada and the Empire, at present, have a direct interest in the matter.

I know one wooden vessel of 175 tons that cleared \$22,000 the last year—and not in European trade—but trade that our vessels could compete in, had we the vessels. This vessel was built in England 20 years ago, and was bought 10 years ago for \$12,000.

A barque built at Biddeford, P. E. I., thirty odd years ago, carried one cargo of lumber last summer from a Nova Scotia port on which the Norwegian owner, who was the captain, cleared \$20,000.

Mr. Saunders, secretary Halifax Board of Trade, said that there were forty wooden ships, all sizes, now being built in Nova Scotia.

New Vessel Launched.

Another very pretty and well-built stern schooner was successfully launched from Shipyard Point at high water on Thursday morning last. The vessel is named the Maid of Harlech, and is expected to be an excellent sailer. She was modelled and partially constructed under the superintendence of the veteran builder, Robie Mead, for parties in LaHave, and in September last was purchased at auction by Robt Jones and Whitman, of Halifax, who entered into a contract with J. S. Gardner to carry the work to completion. Her dimensions are: Length of keel, 110 ft.; breadth of beam, 31 ft.; depth of hold, 11 ft., and registers 275 tons. The Maid of Harlech, like all the other vessels built, is constructed of the very best material obtainable, and fitted with all the most modern appliances.

Big Freighter Launched.

Steamer Julia Luckenbach, a 10,000-ton freighter intended for the carrying trade, was launched at the yard of the Fore River Shipbuilding Corporation, Quincy, Mass., Saturday last. The Julia Luckenbach is one of five large oil-burning freighters ordered by the Luckenbach Line of New York. The Luckenbach, the first vessel built under the contract, left Fore River three weeks ago. The others are under construction at the yard. The steamer is 450 feet over all and has capacity for 10,000 tons. She is driven by a Curtis turbine, with high and low speed reduction gears designed to deliver 4,000 horse-power. Steam is furnished by three boilers of the Scotch marine type, the fuel oil being carried in the double bottom compartments and in the forward and after peak tanks.

Will Build Four Ships.

The report that the International Mercantile Marine will build four gigantic 25 knot turbine steamships in America for service after the war was repeated Monday at the office of the American Line at New York. It was said that the line felt confident that it would receive such substantial encouragement that there was little doubt that the big ships soon might be in process of construction. The probabilities are that the ships will cost about \$1,500,000 each, and that they will be built by the New York Shipbuilding Corporation, at Camden, N. J., in which the International Mercantile Marine has an interest.

The plans for them have not been completed, but it is known that they will be more than 900 feet long, will have double hulls and be as safe as it is possible for liners to be made.

FUNERAL OF THE HON. T. CHASE CASERIN TO-DAY

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Jan. 1.—A number of cabinet ministers left this afternoon for Montreal to attend the funeral of the Hon. T. Chase Caserin which will take place there tomorrow morning. Sir Thomas White and Hon. J. D. Reid will represent Ontario, Hon. P. E. Bloodin and Hon. E. L. Patenaude, Quebec, Hon. Robert Rogers, Western Canada, and Hon. J. D. Hazen the Maritime Provinces. The Prime Minister will be unable to attend the funeral owing to indisposition.

SMALL PROSPECT OF PEACE AT PRESENT, SAYS BAGGE

Past Year One of Great Profit to United States—Future of Securities Not Imperilled—Munition Making Will Decline Steadily.

New York, Jan. 1.—Bache's Review says: As to our present situation, there never has been a year in our history which has brought so much general profit to the country. The enormous figures of our foreign trade balance are some measure of what has happened to corporations and individuals. Many concerns which before the war were in unsatisfactory position have been placed upon their feet, and business firms and corporations which were before well established, have been led by great profits, and the tremendous enlargement of our export trade with huge balances due us, which have been liquidated either by gold shipments amounting for the year to nearly \$677,000,000, by sale to us of our own securities, or by advances of credit on our part, in one form or another, the total has reached around \$1,500,000,000.

Looking over the whole situation, one of the most important things to be done at the present time in order to provide for stability of the country's business in the future, is to place the railroads in a position so that when the temporary prosperity is over, they will still be able to earn fair returns sufficient to keep their credit excellent and their purchasing power unimpaired, because upon the volume of railroad purchases year by year in this country, depends, in the last analysis, maintained activity in all other departments of industry. The matter of railroad wages is completely in the air, due to the events which led up to the dramatic proceedings in congress last fall under political pressure.

WHITMAN INAUGURATED GOVERNOR OF NEW YORK

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Amid brilliant and impressive surroundings, Charles S. Whitman, of New York, was inaugurated today as governor of New York for a second term. The ceremony conformed to the simple and dignified procedure that has characterized similar functions for many years.

INTENDS TO ENLIST.

Les Darcy, the Australian boxer, wishes it understood that he is not a striker and that he intends to enlist. "Just as soon as I have met several good American boxers and have earned a sum of money sufficient to support of my father, mother and sisters, I shall go to Canada or England and enlist. My parents need money, and I am a good enough boxer to earn it for them, but I want to be sure that they have enough if anything should happen to me in the war."

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PRESIDENT WILSON HAD NO NEW YEAR RECEPTION

Secretary of State Lansing Did Not Give Customary Diplomatic Breakfast.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Celebration of New Year's Day in Washington was without many of the official features which have marked the advent of the New Year in the past. President Wilson held no New Year reception, a custom he omitted when he came in office, and Secretary of State Lansing did not give the customary diplomatic breakfast.

YOUNG LADY SAVES HOUSE FROM BURNING

Special to The Standard. Albert, Jan. 1.—The fine residence of Albert S. Mitton had a very narrow escape from total destruction yesterday morning, when in a bitterly cold north wind a chimney heavily charged with soot ignited by the strong draft of the fire in the dining room stove sent out great flakes of blazing material which alighted on the south side of the dry shingled roof. The fire was not discovered for some minutes and the double shingled roof had gotten eighteen small configurations at work before Miss Deborah Mitton discovered the danger and raised the alarm. The young lady hurried across the fields to the nearest telephone, at Police Magistrate Peck's home, where a general alarm was rung in to Albert, Riverside and Howeyville Hill. Then with Mr. Peck's family, and the Mitton household formed into a small but well organized fire brigade, the flames were kept from advancing until the arrival of the Riverside fire pump, which, with the many willing workers from the villages above named soon had the fire under control, but not until the south side of the roof was totally ruined and the plaster and carpets inside were soaked and ruined in the upper flat. The damage approximated three hundred dollars and is covered by insurance in a Nova Scotia agency.

BERLIN CLAIMS MOSCOW CLOSED TO REFUGEES

Berlin, Jan. 1, via Saville.—The military commander of Moscow has closed that city to refugees, says the Overseas News Agency, which adds that the city is crowded with people from Roumania, Odessa, and all parts of Southern Russia. Roumanian refugees, the agency says, will in the future be sent to Siberia.

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EX-NATIONAL CHAMPION DEAD.

Mexico City, Dec. 28.—Willie Smith, golf professional at the Mexican Country Club and formerly National open golf champion of American, died here today. Pneumonia was the cause. Willie Smith was professional at the Mexican Country Club for a number of years. He won the American open championship at the Baltimore Country Club in 1899 and played in the open championship tournament of Great Britain at St. Andrews, Scotland, in 1910.

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Local WITH THE CURL YEST

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President G. B. Bishop... 8
H. C. Olive... 7
F. A. McAndrews... 6
W. A. Shaw... 12
A. W. Sharpe... 5
D. McClelland... 2
Total... 36

JEFF SMITH BEATS
Baltimore, Jan. 1. dleweight champion fifteen round bout day from Frank M. Ohio.

COULON BETT JOE
New York, Jan. the Chicago bantam world's champion, Joe Wagner, a lot feated Coulon four ten-round bout he weighed 112 pounds 118 1/2.

CHARLIE WHITE OUT
Rochester, N. Y. White of Chicago Donahue of Peoria round of a scheduled here this afternoon.

NEW LEAG
New York, De (Kitty) Bransfield and Philadelphia player, has been a Press. Tender of it was announced Bransfield has the last three years in the Inter

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Local and Foreign Sporting News Notes

WITH THE CURLERS YESTERDAY

The ice was in excellent condition yesterday in the different curling rinks and the curlers who competed in matches were fully satisfied. There was no regular match in the St. Andrew's rink, although a few scratch matches were curled by members who happened to drop in during the afternoon or evening for a few hours.

President vs. Vice-President.
The return match of the president vs. vice-president was curled in the Thistle and Carleton rinks. In these matches, they being the first of the season, every member of the club is listed to play, but all do not put in an appearance with the result that the original rinks are greatly changed.

The Thistle Rink.
At the Thistle rink there was curling in the morning and afternoon with a total of six rinks aside. The result of the day's play gave the victory to the vice-president with a score of 64 to 36. The scores by skips follow:

Morning.	
President	Vice-President
G. S. Bishop.....8	S. W. Palmer
H. G. Olive.....7	R. S. Orchard
F. A. McAndrews	D. R. Willett
Afternoon.	
W. A. Shaw.....12	J. C. Chesley
A. W. Sharpe.....3	W. J. Shaw
D. McClelland.....2	W. J. S. Myles
Total.....36	
Total.....64	

The Carleton Club.
Four rinks aside curled in Carleton, the games being in the morning, afternoon and evening. The result of the day's play gave a victory to the president by a score of 54 to 40. The scores by skips follow:

Morning.	
President	Vice-President
S. Irons.....14	H. Lingley
Afternoon.	
M. Beattie.....17	C. Coater
J. Scott.....13	S. M. Wetmore
Evening.	
Harry Belyea.....10	J. F. Belyea
Total.....54	
Total.....94	

JEFF SMITH BEATS FRANK MANTELL

Baltimore, Jan. 1.—Jeff Smith, middleweight champion of Europe, won a fifteen round bout on points here today from Frank Mantell, of Dayton, Ohio.

COULON GETS BETTER OF JOE WAGNER

New York, Jan. 1.—Johnny Coulon, the Chicago bantamweight and former world's champion, cleverly outpointed Joe Wagner, a local bantam who defeated Coulon four years ago, in a ten-round bout here today. Coulon weighed 112 pounds and Wagner 118½.

CHARLIE WHITE KNOCKS OUT HARRY DONAHUE.

Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Charley White of Chicago knocked out Harry Donahue of Peoria, Ill., in the sixth round of a scheduled ten-round bout here this afternoon.

NEW LEAGUE UMPIRE.

New York, Dec. 28.—William E. (Kitty) Bransfield, former Pittsburgh and Philadelphia National League player, has been appointed umpire by Pres. Tener of the National League, it was announced here this afternoon. Bransfield has been an umpire for the last three years. In 1916 he umpired in the International League.

OPEN HOUSE AND ATHLETIC MEET AT THE Y. M. C. A.

Friends of the Local Y. M. C. A. Made Welcome Yesterday—Reception and Luncheon in the Afternoon—Athletic Events and Basketball Throughout the Day.

Yesterday was open day at the Y. M. C. A. and from early morning until late last night there was something doing all the time. The entire staff were kept busy looking after the welfare of the visiting friends, and in the afternoon the ladies' auxiliary served luncheon from four until five-thirty. Athletic meets were held morning, afternoon and evening, and three games of basketball were played.

In the Morning.
The first event in the morning was a basketball game between the dormitory men, 4th floor vs. 3rd floor, which was won by the men of the 3rd floor by the score of 13 to 3. The line-up was:

4th Floor.		3rd Floor.	
Dawson	Forwards.	Farquhar	Forwards.
Norman	Centre.	Samms	Centre.
W. Fitzgerald	Guards.	Blako	Guards.
Burns	Guards.	Bank	Guards.
Wilkinson	Guards.	King	Guards.

At the conclusion of the game breakfast was served to the contestants by Mr. and Mrs. Bird.

Next on the programme was the annual athletic meet between the business and the high school boys, which was won by the high school boys by a score of 45 to 10. The events and the winners were:

High jump—1st, Anglin, H.S., 4 ft. 11 in.; 2nd, H. Wetmore, B.B., 4 ft. 10 in.; 3rd, K. Willet, H.S., 4 ft. 9 in.
Standing hop step and jump—H. S. all three places, 1st, S. White, 26½; A. Taylor, 25½; 3rd, Fleming, 23½.
Pull ups—1st, P. Cross, H.S., 18; 2nd, J. Holder, B.B., 15; 3rd, G. Smith, H.S., 13.
Five lap potato race—Three men each, 1st, H. S. Taylor, Cross and White; 2nd, B.B. M. White, H. Wetmore, E. Ketchum. Time, 1:20 4-5.
Twelve pound shot put—1st, Anglin, H.S., 31 6½; 2nd, Wilson, H.S., 31 ¼; 3rd, Holder, B.B., 29 9.
Standing broad jump—1st, S. White, H.S., 8 11; 2nd, E. Ketchum, B.B., 8 8½; 3rd, Anglin, H.S., 8 8.
Five man relay race—High school won. Time 1:10.

In the afternoon.
In the afternoon on the gymnasium floor the following gave an exhibition of the work done on the horse, parrots and elephants: E. Ketchum, H. Wetmore, P. Cross, M. Evans and K. Cairns, after which P. Long gave an exhibition on the rings.

The next was an exhibition of swimming. The following tests were given: Speed, long distance under water, plunge for distance and diving. This was participated in by P. Cross, A. Gillen, P. Long, G. Burton and H. Wetmore.

In the junior basketball league the Loyalists won from the Chippewas by the score of 12 to 7. The line-up was:

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BILLY NISKE GETS BETTER OF BROWN

New York, Jan. 1.—Los Darcy the Australian middleweight champion, witnessed his first ring contest in America in Brooklyn today. He sat in a ringside box keeping close watch while Billy Niske of St. Paul and George ("Knockout") Brown of Chicago went through ten rounds of hard fighting during which the St. Paul man gave the Chicagoan a beating in eight of the ten rounds. Niske, who is prominently mentioned as an opponent for Darcy in the near future, had the advantage of height, reach and five pounds in weight but Brown withstood terrific punishment after the first two rounds which he had won and was still fighting gamely when the finishing song rang. In the sixth round Niske landed a right swinging uppercut under Brown's jaw but the Chicago man clinched and stalled on the round although groggy.

Couldn't Make Knockout.
In the following round he took three short arm jolts in the same place besides some hard blows on the body but Niske could not get his right over for a knockout.

The arrangements here are rather strange to me," said Darcy. "You see both smoking and coaching from the corners are absolutely prohibited in Australia, but both are allowed here and the men in the ring must be weakened by inhaling such a smoke laden atmosphere."

In another Brooklyn club Battling Levinsky cleverly outpointed Gunboat Smith in a 10-round bout. Levinsky weighed 180½ pounds and Smith was two pounds heavier.

Mike O'Dowd, the St. Paul middleweight, scored a decisive victory over Johnny "Kid" Alberts of Elizabeth in nine out of ten rounds. Their respective weights were 154 and 155 pounds.

Holder Nixon was awarded a referee's decision over Jim Johnson of New York at the end of a 12-round bout here this afternoon. The first four rounds were even but Langford punished Johnson severely in the remaining rounds, scoring two knock downs. The men are negro heavyweights.

WEYMOUTH "TAR BABY" WINNER

Kansas City, Jan. 1.—Sam Langford of Boston was awarded a referee's decision over Jim Johnson of New York at the end of a 12-round bout here this afternoon. The first four rounds were even but Langford punished Johnson severely in the remaining rounds, scoring two knock downs. The men are negro heavyweights.

KID BURNS THE WINNER OVER GIROUX LAST NIGHT

The athletic tournament held under the auspices of the European War Veterans' Association last night at the Imperial Theatre received a fair patronage from the sporting fraternity of the city. Among the audience could be seen a sprinkling of feminine apparel, evidencing the popularity the manly art is gaining among the fair sex.

Every number started was received with enthusiasm. The entertainment opened with the National Anthem, after which the pictures of the different New Brunswick units which have gone overseas were exhibited. The pictures included Army Service Corps, commanded by Colonel A. E. Massie and Major Fred McKean; the Army Medical Corps and the Fighting 26th, which was commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel McAvity.

The Gibb children received a "good hand" in their Scotch dances. Master Gibb was most enthusiastically cheered in the Sailor's Hornpipe.

Joe Matthews in his usual breezy character delighted the audience with his songs and dances. The prolonged ovation compelled him to respond to the wants of the audience.

The main attraction of the evening, the twelve-round bout between "Kid" Burns, the clever Canadian light-weight, and Eddie Giroux, one of the premier scrappers of America, was without a doubt the best boxing bout staged in the city for many moons. Both boys were alive every second they were in the squared circle. "The gamest little fighter that ever pulled on a glove in St. John" was the popular expression around the ringside, in reference to Giroux, who was put on the shelf in the eighth round by Burns with twin left jabs to the face, a right poke, followed by a potent uppercut.

The fifth round was the most disastrous for Giroux. He withstood severe punishment throughout the entire round. It looked as though he was doomed for the count, but the plucky scrapper managed to keep his feet, coming back strong in the sixth. Although Giroux was not knocked out in the eighth, the referee seeing that he was not able to go further with the scientific Canadian, awarded the bout to the latter.

Lieutenant-Col. J. L. McAvity was the announcer for the evening. Jack Power, referee and the timers were K. J. MacRae and James Pullen.

BASEBALL MEN WILL MEET TODAY

Cincinnati, Jan. 1.—Baseball men from almost every part of the country began gathering here tonight for the annual meeting of the National Baseball Commission tomorrow. While the committee meeting has been called for ten a. m., it is highly probable that it will be hours later before the supreme court of ball really begins its work, inasmuch as there has been a special meeting called of the club owners of the three-class A. A. leagues which has as an indicated object, the adoption of a suitable resolution for presentation to the commission asking that the drafting of players from class A. A. leagues be abolished.

While nothing official has been announced by the commission to how it will look upon this demand yet it has been unofficially indicated by President Johnson of the American League, that the request would be denied.

Our Offer Extended A Few More Days

Because we believe that during the season of merry-making now about ended, when most folks' attention was diverted from the usual course, very many did not seriously consider the exceptional opportunity which we have been offering, we are therefore extending the closing date of this offer from Dec. 30th to January 13th.

When January 13th comes around there will be no further extension. After that date all subscriptions must be at the regular rate of \$3.00 per year and we are very much afraid this rate will not prevail much longer, owing to the phenomenal increase in the cost of producing a newspaper.

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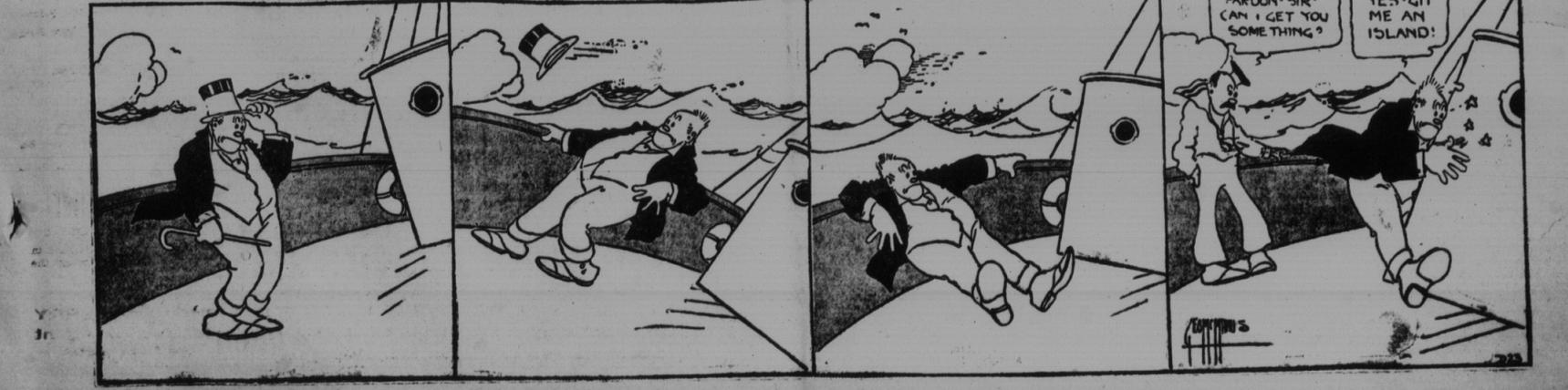


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THE WEATHER.

Forecast. Maritime—West and north-west winds; mostly fair; mild at first, then colder again. Washington, Jan. 1.—Northern New England—Fair Tuesday and probably Wednesday, not much change in temperature; fresh winds.

Table with 3 columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes entries for Dawson, Victoria, Vancouver, Edmonton, Winnipeg, London, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

NEW BRUNSWICK OFFICERS WIN DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER IN KING'S NEW YEAR'S HONOURS

It is Now Major Thomas E. Powers, D.S.O.—Lt. Col. A.E. G. Mackenzie, Major Eric MacDonald and Major John Mackenzie Also Included.

New Brunswick's heroes share largely in the New Year's decorations which were announced yesterday. No less honor than the Distinguished Service Order has been conferred on four gallant officers, Major Thomas E. Powers, who lately arrived here on a brief furlough, Lt. Col. A. E. G. Mackenzie, the popular officer commanding the 26th Battalion, Major Eric W. MacDonald and Major John Mackenzie.

Gallant Work on the Somme. It was for gallant work on the Somme that Major Powers was recommended for the D. S. O. and it is presumed the other distinguished officers also merited their decorations in connection with the Somme fighting.

Other officers well known in New Brunswick have also received the D. S. O. Major Barry Wentworth Roscoe is a Halifax man and was until a few years ago one of the officers of the R. C. R. stationed at Fredericton. Lt. Col. John S. Stewart is a former prominent Halifax physician who sailed for England early last year in command of the Dalhousie Hospital unit.

Invested With D. S. O. by the King. Yesterday's despatches also contain the information that the King personally invested Major Charles Fairweather and John Mackenzie with their Distinguished Service Order at the palace on Saturday.

Now Major Powers, D. S. O. As soon as it became known about the King's last evening that Major Powers had received the D. S. O., numerous friends of the popular local officer extended their genuine congratulations. While the major spoke to The Standard on his return about the gallantry of his men, he positively refused to say anything about himself, and he was equally as persistent in his refusal to talk about the matter last evening. All The Standard was able to learn from the major was that he understood he had been recommended for the D. S. O. for doing his duty on the Somme.

Sir Max Writes of Major Powers. Those who know Major Powers have no doubt that the high honor he has received from His Majesty the King was well merited. The story of the Somme has not as yet been written by the Canadian eye witness, Sir Max Aitken, the former New Brunswick, but Sir Max has written a splendid work on Canada in Flanders. He pays a tribute to Major Powers' work at the second battle of Ypres in the following terms: "Captain T. E. Powers of the signal company, attached to General Mercer's command, maintained communication throughout with the advanced line of the attack under a heavy shell fire that cut the signal wires continually. The work of the company was admirable, and was rendered at the price of many casualties."

Major Powers is well known throughout the city and province. He was for a time connected with the teaching staff at the High School, but resigned his position to engage in business for himself. He always manifested a keen interest in military affairs and volunteered immediately at the outbreak of the war. His work at the front was a revelation and served to win for him promotion after promotion until he became one of the chief assistants to General Mercer, who has since been killed in action. An all-round good fellow, every inch a soldier, Major Powers will prove a valuable acquisition to the country's quota of distinguished officers who have been decorated by the King. Col. Mackenzie Big Military Figure. The friends of Lt. Col. A. E. G. Mac-

kenzie will be delighted with the announcement that he has been awarded the D. S. O. by the King. He is one of the most brilliant military men which New Brunswick has contributed to the Empire, and enjoys the unique distinction of being the officer commanding the famous 26th New Brunswick Battalion, having succeeded Lt. Col. McAvity in that position, when the latter's health made it incumbent on him to return to Canada.

Commands the Famous 26th. "Ern," as Colonel Mackenzie is popularly known, is a fine chap. No better soldier has ever crossed the ocean to fight for liberty and freedom than he. Going to France as second in command of the 26th Battalion, his military ability was soon appreciated by the authorities, and it was only natural that they should choose him for the important command.

Col. Mackenzie, D. S. O. is a graduate of the University of New Brunswick in Arts, having made a brilliant course. He was the principal of the Albert street school in West St. John for some years and during his principalship took up the study of law, successfully passing the provincial examinations. He practised his profession at Campbellton and when he volunteered soon after the outbreak of the war he enjoyed a large and lucrative practice. He was an officer in the 73rd Regiment at Campbellton and was for some time the adjutant of that regiment. During his stay in St. John during the mobilization of the 26th Battalion he increased his number of friends who will remember the genial officer's pleasant smile which was always in evidence.

Fighting Father and Son. Major Eric MacDonald, formerly of the Rev. J. A. MacDonald, formerly of this city, but now a chaplain on the firing line, was a member of the original 12th Battalion, which afterwards became a reserve battalion at Shorncliffe. This did not suit Eric, then Lieut. MacDonald, and his efforts to get to the front were finally rewarded. He proceeded to France to take the place of an officer in the 10th Battalion who had been killed. His work was of such a character that he was mentioned in despatches. A large host of local friends heard with much pleasure the good news of his decoration.

Major MacDonald was Star Athlete. It is not a great many years ago when Eric MacDonald was the star athlete and football player for the Fredericton High School. He was equally as prominent in the intercollegiate athletics as a member of the University of New Brunswick track team. In fact, he was the best all-round athlete at that time attending any of the colleges in the Maritime Provinces. Major MacDonald was doing well in the west at the outbreak of the war, but returned to St. John to join the 12th. He is probably the youngest major in the Canadian army—at least in that portion of the Dominion's army which is now on the firing line.

Mention has already been made of the D. S. O. having been awarded to Major John Mackenzie and Major Charles Fairweather. Both are New Brunswick officers who have rendered the Empire gallant services. Lt. Col. Unlache and Lt. Col. Twining, who have been appointed Major-Generals, are former Halifax men, who had been active in the Canadian militia for many years. Telegraphic Announcement Premature. The list of civilian bodies will not be announced until the middle of the month. The sensational story printed in the Telegraph on Saturday last was entirely too premature.

while fighting in France. Letters have been received by Captain J. A. Kirkpatrick and Lieut. Col. Warden, and these officers speak in the highest terms regarding the brave young hero. They state that he met his death in the first line trenches during a terrible engagement in which five other officers were killed. They speak of him as the best loved officer in the battalion. He was loved by all the men. He was genial, and looked after the welfare and comfort of his men in every way possible. The men of his company would not consent to have his body buried in the spot where he fell, but got the consent of the colonel and carried it for miles on a stretcher under heavy fire, and he was buried in a cemetery in a town.

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Billy Sunday Campaign. The committee reports progress and will meet tonight at eight o'clock and make final arrangements. Any information required, ring up Main 2852. Signed, R. H. Cother.

HAD ALMOST EXHAUSTED COAL SUPPLY

Allan Liner Arrives Yesterday After Terrific Battle With the Heavy Seas.

Twenty-one days on the Atlantic, and for the most part in terrific weather, was the experience of the officers and crew of the Allan liner Ionian, which reached port yesterday morning and docked at No. 6 pier at West St. John about 4.45 p. m.

The Ionian was on the ocean during the heavy gales which were experienced towards the latter part of December. For two days she was unable to make practically no headway against the heavy sea. The long time occupied in connection with the voyage proved a great drain on the coal supply on the steamer, and it is a fact that when she reached port yesterday, she had scarcely a day's coal left aboard.

The Ionian brought no passengers. She carried the remains of the young Campbellton hero, Captain Robert Kilgour Shives, of the Royal Flying Corps. Captain Shives will be buried this afternoon, interment being made at Fernhill. The service will be held at the chapel in Fernhill at 2.30 o'clock. The young hero was given a funeral with full military honors at Epsom, England, where he met his death.

HON. MR. HAZEN AND R. J. BENNETT WILL SPEAK HERE THURSDAY

In the Interests of the National Service Movement—Imperial Theatre Engaged.

The Imperial Theatre has been engaged for Thursday night by the National Service Directorate for the purpose of giving to the public a clear conception of just what National Service, or the man power census means. Arrangements are being made for one of the largest meetings ever held in the city. The director-general of National Service, R. B. Bennett, M. P., in company with the Hon. J. D. Hazen, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, will arrive in the city on Thursday, and will both speak in the Imperial in the evening.

R. B. Bennett has just returned from a trip to the west where he was most favorably received by the thousands who turned out to hear him. The manner in which he handles his subject has rapidly brought him to the front as one of Canada's best speakers in public life. Major L. P. D. Tilley, who is completing detailed arrangements for the meeting, told The Standard last night that the meeting would open at 8 o'clock. The City Cornet Band will be engaged for the evening.

BOOKS PRESENTED TO CHOIR MASTER

Members of Waterloo Street U. B. Church Visit Mr. Harmon Hoyt and Present Him With Rack of Books.

Mr. Harmon Hoyt of 256 Rockland Road was taken completely by surprise last evening when a number of the members of Waterloo Street United Baptist church arrived at his home at the close of the prayer service. He was not long, however, in learning their mission, for the pastor, Rev. F. H. Wentworth, briefly stated that they were there in the name of the church to express their high appreciation of Mr. Hoyt's work as choir master, and to present him with a slight token of that appreciation and esteem in some tangible form. The pastor then handed Mr. Hoyt a solid brass book rack containing thirteen books on many subjects, such as history, religion, travel, fiction, the war, and humor. Mr. Hoyt was almost too overcome for words, but managed to reveal his deep gratitude for the kindly thought of the people of the church.

After speeches referring to the high regard with which Mr. Hoyt is held by the members of the church, from Deacon Galley and Mrs. Wentworth, Mr. Hoyt and family were left to sample the new additions to their library.

We have said it before, in fact we have dwelt upon the subject—Generally one merchant is equal to another merchant, provided they can both pay their bills. Just occasionally does it fall to some one merchant to pull off a scoop. We are in an unique position in regard to Bracelet Watches and Diamonds. Our offerings are better value than ever before and we are open to demonstrate. Gundry's, 79 King street.

WRINGERS advertisement featuring an image of a wringer machine and a list of prices for various models like ROYAL, NOVELTY, IMPERIAL, RIVAL, EUREKA, CROWN, STAR.

Marr Millinery Co., Ltd. advertisement for Trimmed Hats for All Occasions, Feather Turbans, Skating Caps, Tams and Scarfs.

Emerson & Fisher Ltd. advertisement for Heating Quality - Economy - Desirability, featuring The New Silver Moon stove.

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NEW YEAR BARGAINS advertisement listing various items like Madeira Tray Cloths, Japanese Kimonos, Dress Goods, Knitted Hats, Mufflers, Men's Pyjamas, Undershirts, Velveteen Costumes, Fancy Work Stands, Nursery Blankets, Children's Overalls.

MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON, LIMITED advertisement for ANNUAL FREE HEMMING SALE OF HOUSEHOLD LINENS AND COTTONS, Will Commence on Monday, January 8.

Around the City

Board of Trade to Meet Tonight. Owing to the fact that the first Monday in this month was New Year's day, the monthly meeting of the Board of Trade will be held tonight at the board rooms, Prince William street.

Quiet for Police. The holiday passed off quietly for the police, not one arrest being recorded. The only occupants of head-quarter cells are three drunks who were gathered in Saturday.

Was Thrown Overboard. Last evening a large dog took a hold on a small terrier on the east side ferry floats and after a couple of shakes the smaller dog was tossed into the water. With much difficulty a sailor climbed over the side of the floats and rescued the drowning animal.

First of the Season. The run of gasperaux at the mouth of the Kennebecasis has set in, and yesterday William H. Dunham bought the first catch of the season and brought them to the city. The public generally will be glad to learn that this toothsome fish is again on the market.

Time Extended. The Board of Trade has received notice that the time for filing objections to the proposed freight classification No. 17, has been extended by the Board of Railway Commissioners until February 1. Strong opposition has developed among the business men to the increases which the proposed change will effect.

CAPT. KUHRING'S LEAVE HAS BEEN CANCELLED

Reported He Will Come Home Later—Acting Rector of Stone Church Ill.

Mrs. G. A. Kuhring received a cable yesterday announcing the fact that the leave of her husband, Captain Rev. Mr. Kuhring had been canceled, and that he would be unable to return to Canada this month as he had expected. It is hoped that Captain Kuhring's duties at the front will permit him to get the necessary leave in the early future.

MANY ATTEND WEEK OF PRAYER MEETING

Four meetings were held last evening in connection with the week of prayer services. Group number 1 assembled in the Calvin Presbyterian church, where Rev. Thomas Hall was the speaker. Group number 2 met at the Leinster street Central Baptist church, where the Rev. Thomas Hicks was the speaker. Group number 3 met at the Ludlow street Baptist church, where the Rev. J. H. A. Anderson was the speaker. Group number 4 met at St. Matthew's Presbyterian church, where Rev. F. P. Dennison presided. The subject of the various speakers last evening was "Faith and the Present Struggle." The services will be continued throughout the week.

Week of Prayer. The week of prayer services will be held tonight as follows: Topic, "Missions and Present Struggle"; group 1, Tabernacle, Rev. John Hardwick; group 2, Cartharthen street, Rev. J. H. Jenner; group 3, Methodist, Rev. F. H. Wentworth; group 4, St. Luke's, Rev. F. S. Dowling.

Band at Victoria Rink this afternoon and evening.

LIEUT. P. COPP WAS FORMER ST. JOHN BOY

Popular Banker Who Made Supreme Sacrifice Did Great Work—His Will Probated.

Application for the probate of the will of the late Lieutenant Pearson Copp, of Vancouver, has been made in that city. The esteem and love in which the gallant young man was held was shown in a number of letters which were filed as a proof of death in connection with the application. Lieutenant Copp was well known in St. John, having been with the Bank of Nova Scotia in this city for some time. He was about 25 years of age, and the son of Captain Alfred and Nancy Pearson Copp, formerly of Riverside, Albert county. His aunt is Mrs. E. E. Peck, of Riverside. He entered the Bank of Nova Scotia at Riverside when about seventeen years of age, and after working there for some time was transferred to St. John. He was then sent to Vancouver, and his father and mother went west with him to make their home. He enlisted in Vancouver, and was killed in action on October 23rd last,