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Enemy Ready For General Peace Without Forcible Annexations and Indemnities

STILL ANOTHER RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT

Believed Kerensky Cabinet Men Are Directing Movement—Fail to Bring Bolsheviki and Rada Together

Seattle, Dec. 27.—Nicholas Bogolovinsky, Russian consul here, announced yesterday that he had received a cable by way of India, telling of the establishment of a new Russian government at Voronezh, the capital of a province of the same name between Moscow and Rostov, on the Azov Sea.

He believed the leaders in the movement were members of the Kerensky government who had fled from Petrograd.

Petrograd, Dec. 26.—The present delegation which went to Kiev to effect a compromise between the Bolsheviki and the Ukraine Rada report no success.

The central executive committee of the workers' and soldiers' delegates yesterday approved the appointment of seven social revolutionists as members of the council of national notables to replace Bolsheviki members of the council is ten, including one woman, who is minister of public welfare.

Amsterdam, Dec. 26.—Berlin says that the commission provided for in the Russo-German armistice agreement left Petrograd today. It will undertake to reach a settlement with the Russians for exchange of civilians and incapacitated war prisoners and also devise measures to restore relations between Germany and Russia.

TRAGEDIES OF A DAY

Worry Over Conspiration Leads to Suicide of Mother—Jealousy Believed Cause of Alleged Attempted Murder

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—Fear that her nephew would be conscripted and worry over the defeat of Sir Wilfrid Laurier are the reasons assigned for the suicide of Mrs. Cleophas Cousineau of Angers, Que., who drowned herself in a well. She had been in ill-health for some time.

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—Joseph Martell of Buckingham Township lies at death's door and two of her young children are carrying ugly wounds as the result of an attack alleged to have been made on them by the woman's husband, Joseph Martell, who was arrested.

Fort William, Ont., Dec. 27.—An Italian named F. Last evening from heat stroke died in his room here this morning. He was asphyxiated by fumes from a flueless natural gas stove.

DEATH OF SAMUEL A. CORBITT

General regret was expressed this morning when it was learned that Samuel A. Corbitt of Apohaqui, formerly of this city, had passed away. Mr. Corbitt was for several years in partnership in the grocery business with the late Geo. Robertson of this city, several times mayor of St. John. He afterwards was secretary of the Imperial Drydock Company and, retiring from that position, went back to his former occupation as a chartered accountant.

Mr. Corbitt resided in this city until three years ago, when he removed to Apohaqui. He was well known not only in this city but throughout the province and was a general favorite of those with whom he was acquainted. His genial manner won for him many friends. His wife was Miss Kate M. Robertson, sister of Struan Robertson of this city. Besides his wife he leaves two brothers, Henry Corbitt of Millstream and Edward L. Corbitt of this city, and one sister, Mrs. Annie McLeod of Apohaqui. The funeral will take place on Saturday afternoon from the residence of Mr. Robertson, 254 Germain street.

THOS. S. O'BRIEN DIES SUDDENLY

Many will learn with regret of the death of Thomas S. O'Brien, which occurred suddenly at his residence, 294 Germain street, last evening about midnight. Mr. O'Brien was about the city yesterday and was apparently in the best of health. He retired at his usual hour last evening and about midnight he took a bad spell and died suddenly. Mr. O'Brien was well known in the retail liquor business in Hill street for more than twenty years. He was about fifty-four years old and leaves two brothers, John S. and Joseph P. of this city and three sisters, Miss Nora of Boston; Mrs. H. Lacey of South Boston, and Mrs. George Morgan, of New Wood, Mass. The funeral will take place on Saturday morning.

Fire in Boston Boston, Dec. 27.—The paper supply plant of W. W. Bevan & Company, Sears street, was destroyed by fire to-

STOCKS TAKE UPWARD BOUND

Taking Over of Railroads The Reason

BUSY TIME IN WALL STREET

Baltimore and Ohio Leaps 17 Points From New Low Record of Yesterday—Shots in Panic in Effort to Cover Contracts

New York, Dec. 27.—Stocks soared at the opening of the stock market today, denoting the satisfaction of the financial community with the president's decision to take over the railroads. The advances ranged from two to three points in the railway list, all the standard shares being bid up furiously.

Baltimore & Ohio, which only yesterday made a new low record, recorded a gain of seven points, Delaware and Hudson made a total advance of fourteen points within about ten minutes. The advance spread to all the other parts of the list, including war shares, equipments and utilities. The latter issues, strengthened perceptibly as a result of the president's taking over the railroads.

Profit-taking after the first fifteen minutes caused recessions of two to three points among the stocks making greatest gains.

The advances in Canadian Pacific and its subsidiary "Soo," were attributed to the higher rates assured by the dominion government.

New York, Dec. 27.—(Wall street, 10:30).—The widespread approval of the United States government's proposed action in taking over the railroads and allied properties of the country found reflection in a buoyant advance of prices at the active opening of today's stock market. The shorts were heavily struck in the rush to cover contracts.

The principles of the quadruple alliance are agreed immediately, to conclude a general peace without forcible annexations and indemnities. They share the view of the Russian delegation which condemns the continuation of the war purely for aims of conquest.

"The allied (Teutonic) governments in programmes and statements have emphasized time and again that for sake of conquest they will not pronounce the war a single day. The governments of the allies unwaveringly have followed this view all the time. They solemnly declare their resolve immediately to sign terms of peace which will stop the war on the above terms, equally just to all belligerents without exception.

"It is necessary, however, to indicate most clearly that the proposals of the Russian delegation could be realized only in case all the powers participating in the war obligate themselves scrupulously to adhere to the terms in common with all peoples.

"The powers of the quadruple alliance now negotiating with Russia cannot, of course, one-sidedly bind themselves to such terms, not having the guarantee that Russia's allies will recognize and carry out these terms on a basis of reservation with regard to the quadruple alliance. Starting upon these principles, and regarding the six clauses proposed by the Russian delegation as a basis of negotiations, the following must be stated:

Clause by Clause. "Clause 1—Forcible annexations of territories seized during the war does not enter into the intentions of the allied powers. About troops now occupying seized territories it must be stipulated in the peace treaty, if there is no agreement before regarding the evacuation of these places.

"Clause 2—It is not the intention of the allies to deprive the political independence of those nations which lost it during the war.

"Clause 3—The question of submission to that or the other country of those nationalities who have not political independence cannot, in the opinion of the powers of the quadruple alliance, be solved internationally. In this case it must be solved by each government together with its people in a manner established by the constitution.

"Clause 4—Likewise, in accordance with the declarations of the statesmen of the quadruple alliance, the protection of the rights of minorities constitutes an essential part of the right of peoples to self-determination, indicated by a constitution.

"Clause 5—The governments of the (Teutonic) allies also recognize this principle. (This refers to Clause 5 of the Russian peace terms, stipulating that no belligerent country shall be required to pay contributions and that private persons shall be compensated for losses incurred during the war from a special fund contributed by all the belligerents on a proportional basis.) There is a material possibility of mutual refusal not only to refund war expenditures but also to pay for damages caused by the war. In this case each belligerent would be required to bear only the expense of its subjects made to civil subjects of an adversary by deliberate violations of international law. The creation of a special fund for this purpose, as suggested by the Russian government, can be discussed only in case other belligerents join in peace negotiations before the expiration of a certain time.

Wants Her Colonies. "Clause 6—Of the four allied powers, Germany alone possesses colonies. On the part of the German delegation, in full accord with the Russian proposals regarding that, the following is declared: "The return of colonial territories forcibly seized during the war constitutes an essential part of German demands, which Germany cannot renounce under any circumstances. Likewise, the Russian demand for immediate evacuation of territories occupied by an adversary



THE REAL STEAM-ROLLER. WILHELM: "Vot are ve to do about it, Hindy! It greeps steadily closer!" HINDENBURG: "Vot greeps closer! I can't see noddings." —Passing Show.

Gloomy Christmas In Germany; Women Begging In Streets for Food

Geneva, Dec. 27.—Features of the German Christmas, according to news here, were women and children openly begging in the snow-covered streets for food, and ordinary dinner, and for this they paid as much as \$50. Most of the churches in Germany were closed owing to lack of coal.

some of which were made as recently as yesterday. Included among the more substantial advances of the final half hour were Baltimore & Ohio, which rose 17 points, Delaware and Hudson, which rose 14 points, Atchafalaya, Atlantic Coast Line 9 1/2, Northern Pacific 8, Norfolk and Western 8 1/2, Union and Southern Pacific 8, New York Central 7 1/2, Louisville and Nashville 6 1/2, Lackawanna and Chesapeake & Chic five each, Canadian Pacific and "Soo" four each and others two to three points.

Industrials, coppers, shippings and an unusual array of specialties rose two to four points, the movement being the broadest and most extensive since the middle of the year.

The process of assimilation, but at noon activity was renewed at or near highest levels. Bonds of minor railroads profited two to four per cent by the rise in stocks.

CORN AND OATS. Chicago, Dec. 27.—Notice that the government would take possession of the railroads had a bearish effect today on the corn market. A majority of traders inclined to the belief that the government action would result in a larger movement of grain from the interior to the principal terminals. Selling based on this theory, however, was of an aggressive character, opening figures to 3/4 to 1/2 cent lower, with January 1.26 1/2, and May 1.24 1/2 to 1.24 1/2, were followed by a moderate setback all around.

Although at first oats showed considerable strength the market later took a downward swing with corn. The initial upturn was ascribed to a forecast of much colder weather and to likelihood of export.

THE TAKING OVER OF THE AMERICAN RAILROADS

New York, Dec. 27.—Almost without exception prominent bankers and executives of railroads having their headquarters here today expressed approval of the action of President Wilson in taking over the country's railroad lines.

In the financial district bankers expressed relief that the uncertainty over the situation had been ended. It was asserted that the president's statement regarding guarantee of compensation to the railroads will have the effect of reassuring holders of railway securities.

Authorities on railroad finance said that in their opinion the change in status would have little, if any, effect on the operation of the railroads.

British Report London, Dec. 27.—"Except for some hostile artillery activity north and east of Ypres," Field Marshal Haig reports today to the British war office, "there was nothing to report last night."

Gould Arbitration Taken Up Here Today

Mr. Gregory Argues at Length For Claimant in Matter of Valley Railway; Continuation This Afternoon

This morning before His Honor Chief Justice McKewen, who is acting as arbitrator, hearing in the matter of a claim of A. R. Gould and others against the provincial government in connection with the Valley railway was continued. The session was taken up by J. A. Gregory, K. C., of Fredericton, who began argument on behalf of the claimants. He contended that Mr. Gould and his associates could have built the railway with money available from bonds and mortgages if the government had given promised support. The amount asked by the claimants as contractors was \$445,500 and as an alternative say that they are at least entitled to the value of their shares, which they set at \$384,240.

M. G. Teal, K. C., J. A. Gregory, K. C., and W. H. Barnhill, K. C., appeared for the claimants, Hon. F. B. Carvell, K. C., for the government and P. J. Hughes for the railway. Premier W. E. Foster and Hon. W. P. Jones of Woodstock, who is president of the railway, were present during the hearing.

Mr. Gregory started by outlining the premises upon which his claim was founded. He read sections of a government act passed in 1910 and spoke about the agreement entered upon by the company and the government. He also read extracts from evidence brought out during the enquiry to show that the traffic arrangement made by the company was one of the best ever made with the government. He said that the standing of the railway was equal to that of the Transcontinental. The construction of the railway proceeded favorably until the fall of 1913 when the stress of financial conditions developed and caused some trouble. He said that Mr. Gould and his associates offered to retire from the construction of the railway at that time, but the then premier offered on behalf of the government to support them in the construction.

He read the contract entered upon by the company and the government on Dec. 15, 1911. It was agreed in event of the company failing to fulfill or carry out the contract that the government would take certain recourse. Mr. Gregory here read several letters addressed to the government informing them that if they would guarantee four and a half per cent of the second mortgage bonds of the railway work, he would proceed with and completed. He then said that, instead of assisting in this, they allowed a chance to dispose of the said bonds to be passed and eventually sold them at 91. He also told about claims being filed with the government against the railway for more than \$200,000, while the company's books which had been audited showed that the whole liabilities did not exceed \$280,000. He also said that an act passed in 1915 nullified the contract made to Mr. Gould. Several letters were read regarding the financial condition of the company and the carrying out of their contract. These were sent to the government, but Mr. Gregory said, no notice had been taken of them.

Mr. Gregory said that not one dollar had been diverted from the sale of bonds or other assets. No charge was made for brokerage when mortgage bonds were disposed of as those interested realized that they were building the railway for themselves. For nearly six years they had given their time and attention to the building of the railway and not only put in thousands of dollars of their own money but pledged personal securities to trust companies for loans in order to complete construction. He further contended that the government, in taking the railway into their own hands, derived all the benefits and had not shown any default on the part of the company. He said that the true measure of compensation should at least be the valuation of the stocks, but contended that it should not be limited to this valuation. The government was getting the benefit of the work and the company were treated as mere contractors. He contended that as they had paid par value for part of their stock they were certainly entitled to be paid.

At the conclusion of Mr. Gregory's arguments the adjournment took place until 2:15 o'clock.

FIRE IN HALIFAX. Halifax, N. S., Dec. 27.—Fire today destroyed the Clayton Military Convalescent Home, in the north end of the city. There were no patients in the building. The matron, cook and orderly escaped without injury. Some time ago the building was handed over to the military hospitals commission by W. J. Clayton to be used as a convalescent home for returned soldiers.

BURIED TODAY. The funeral of David E. Swin took place this morning from his late residence, 12 St. Andrews street. Services were conducted by Rev. Walter P. Dunham. Interment was made in the Church St. Shepherd burying ground.

The funeral of Charles D. McPherson took place this afternoon from his late residence, 361 Union street. Services were conducted by Rev. J. A. MacKeigan and interment was made in Fernhill.

The funeral of Mrs. Annie Blair took place this afternoon from her late residence, 242 City road. Services were conducted by Rev. J. H. A. Anderson. Interment was made in Fernhill.

PIRE LOSS ADJUSTMENT. The adjusters in connection with the losses in the recent fire in the building at the corner of Mill and Union streets, occupied by J. F. A. Johnson and the National Clothing Company, have decided that the National Clothing Company sustained a total loss. They carried insurance to the extent of \$30,000. The adjustment in the Johnson loss has not been completed.

Majority is 956. Montserrat, Dec. 27.—The official majority of W. E. Baldwin, Liberal, over Dr. Sturdee, Unionist, in St. John's constituency is 956.

EIGHT BELOW. The temperature this morning was the lowest recorded during the month of December since 1914. Between eight and nine o'clock the thermometer dropped to eight degrees below zero. Fortunately there was little or no wind and it was not penetrating. At 2:30 o'clock this afternoon it was one degree below and a report from the observatory in Douglas avenue was to the effect that a continuance of the cold spell was to be expected.

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GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

YOU'LL ENJOY THIS AT THE OPERA HOUSE
Have you seen Louis London at the Opera House this week?

LOCAL NEWS

A meeting of the Boys' Club was held last evening in their rooms in Union street. The total membership of the club is 127.
FROM GUNNER COLWELL
Mrs. G. W. Colwell, 45 Exmouth street, today received a welcome letter from her son Gunner Orland A. Colwell.

BIRTHS

STEVENS—On December 26, to the wife of Garfield H. Stevens—a son.

DEATHS

THOMPSON—In this city, on the 26th inst., Hannah, wife of the late William Thompson, aged eighty-eight years, leaving one son and two daughters to mourn.
HENDERSON—On the 26th inst., Mrs. Anne Henderson, widow of C. J. Henderson, at the age of seventy-seven, leaving one son and two daughters.

IN MEMORIAM

PARKER—In loving memory of Eliza Parker, wife of Daniel Parker, who departed this life Dec. 21, 1916.
You are not forgotten, Mother dear, And never shall you be As long as life and memory last, We will remember thee. DAUGHTER.

CARDS OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Proffitt and family wish to thank their many friends for kindness and sympathy during their recent sad bereavement.

THE BIG SALE Still Going Strong

What Better Way to invest that Xmas money gift than in warm, serviceable clothing, either for yourself or someone more needy.

What Better Place than here and now when this mighty sale is offering such price values.
A FEW PRICES TO SET YOU THINKING:

- SHIRTS: Men's Work Shirts—(Heavy Black Duck) 39c. Special Reinforced Striped Duck Reg. 85c.—Our Price, 68c. Dress Shirts—While they last. Reg. \$1.50 line. Now 79c.
OVERALLS: Heavy Black Duck 68c. Extra Quality Heavy Blue Duck 88c. Union Overall (with bibs and braces). Reg. \$1.85. Our Price, \$1.32.
PANTS: Dark Tweed Effects, strong and serviceable. \$1.39 a pair. Fine Tailored Pants—Dark Tweeds, Chevots, etc. Reg. \$4.00 and \$5.00 lines. Yours for \$2.68.

Above Only Partial List—Many Other Articles Equally Good Value

King Square : : Across From Market MARITIME SALVAGE CO.

WHOLESALE ARRESTS IN GERMAN MINORITY SOCIALIST PARTY

London, Dec. 27—More than 300 members of the German minority Socialist party were arrested on Christmas eve by the German military authorities, according to a Zurich despatch given out today by the Wireless Press.

WOULD REVOLUTIONIZE BRITISH INDUSTRIES

London, Dec. 27—Proposals which would revolutionize the industry of Great Britain are contained in a report of the coal conservation sub-committee on the supply of electrical power. The main reforms advocated are as follows: Construction of 10 super-power stations in different parts of the country. Suppression with adequate compensation of 800 small undertakings now in existence. National control of the whole undertaking by a national board of electricity commissioners.

WHISKEY DEARER

Whiskey quotations in Montreal are up \$3 a case for domestic and \$5 for imported.
Halifax, N. S., Dec. 27—The city vendors under the Nova Scotia temperance act were today notified by wire from Montreal that the price of whiskey had increased \$5 per case, the first jump as a result of the announcement of prohibition of importation of liquor.

MEMBER OF NOTED FAMILY

Thomas A. Crane passed away at his home in Grand Pre last Friday evening. He had been prominent in business circles in Montreal for some years. He is the last survivor of his family, excepting a sister, Miss Elizabeth Crane of Grand Pre. His brother, the late Sir Leonard Crane, K.C.B., died in London a few years ago. On retiring from business, he returned to his native town to reside. Miss Nita Patterson of Amherst, Mrs. Dr. Paisley of Sackville, and Mrs. F. W. Curry of Hortonville are nieces. He leaves a widow, but no children. He was a grandson of the late Col. Crane, who was well known in Westmorland and Cumberland counties. His son, the late William Crane, of Sackville, was speaker of the House of Assembly of New Brunswick for some years. His nephew, the late Hon. Jas. S. Morse represented Cumberland in the House of Assembly when he himself represented Kings county. Three nephews are James N. of Halifax; William of California, and Fred H. of Grand Pre. Mr. Crane was the youngest son of the late James Noble Crane, also of Grand Pre, and nephew of the late Dr. James F. Avery of Halifax; and was nearly eighty-six years of age.

BRITISH STEAMER WRECKED

London, Dec. 27—The British steamer City of Nagpur has been wrecked in Delagoa Bay, Portuguese East Africa, according to a despatch to the Times from Lisbon. The passengers, numbering 239, were saved, as was the cargo. The City of Nagpur was of 3,881 tons, and was built in Belfast in 1914. She was chartered by the Ellerman Line of Liverpool.

TOM FOLEY'S CLOSE CALL

Well Known Athlete and Boxing Instructor Was on the Verge of Death Following the Halifax Explosion

(Halifax Recorder for)
This, Foley, who for years was the champion boxer of the maritime provinces, and later well known as a referee and physical instructor, who was first reported dead as a result of his injuries in the recent explosion, was able to be out Friday for the first time. There have been many wonderful escapes reported in the disaster, but probably none who were so near death as Mr. Foley and his wife.
Mr. Foley was at his home on Creighton street, and was engaged in washing his face when the first rumble came, and turning his head to look towards the window wondering what happened, the explosion came, and he was badly cut with the glass about the face, head and arms, bleeding profusely.
Soldiers came to his assistance, gave him first aid and placed him on a mattress, and as he was losing consciousness, he heard one of the soldiers say to somebody in a quiet voice, "He's dead; his jugular vein is cut." He knew nothing more until seven hours later, when he came to at the hospital. His condition was such that members of his own family had no hopes of his recovery. He had a bad gash on the forehead, he was in danger of losing his right eye, his left arm was cut, but, worse than all, his jugular vein was severed, and he had bled to such an extent that all hopes of his recovery, and his family said what they feared was their last farewell.

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12 oz. pkge. Seeded Raisins 9c.
16 oz. pkge. Seeded Raisins 12 1/2c.
16c. pot MacLaren's Cheese 10c.
4 lbs. Rolled Oats 25c.
15c. pkge. Macaroni for 10c.
20c. tin Clark's Spaghetti 17c.
55c. lb. Lipton's Tea 47c.
Shrimps, only 17c. tin
New Pack Lobsters 27c.
Snider's Tomato Soup 15c.
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Canadian Cheese 27c. lb.
Choice Creamery Butter 50c. lb.
Clark's Pork and Beans, 18c. tin
3 lb. tin Tomatoes for 20c.
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Golden Dates, only 10c. pkge.
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- 12 1/2c.
16c. pot MacLaren's Cheese 10c.
4 lbs. Rolled Oats 25c.
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4 lbs. Rolled Oats 25c.
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LOCAL NEWS

Band on Carleton Rink tonight.
Miss E. I. Heffer postpones classes on account of illness, for one week.
McRobbie Shoe Co., 50 King street, have women's dark tan rubbers to fit high and low heel boots. Price \$1.25. 12-81.

TONIGHT

And every night, store open until ten o'clock. Clothing and furnishings must be sold regardless of prices. Maritime Salvage Co., King Square, opposite market.

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Maritime Salvage Co. clearing out sale of King Square. Clothing, underwear and furnishings for less than what regular dealers buy at wholesale.

You can get an extra good quality ankle support, price 65c., at McRobbie's, 30 King street. 12-18.

A NEW DISCOUNT. We have decided to make a liberal price discount on all purchases at our store from now until the New Year. Remember we have still most appropriate gifts for the friends you could not decide for the last minute. Poyas & Co., near Imperial.

ONLY ONE PLACE. And that on King Square, opposite The Market, where men's shirts are being sold for 75c. Shop early. T.F.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREK. This annual Christmas tree concert of Calvin church will be held in the school room on Friday evening, December 28, at 8 o'clock. Admission 10c.

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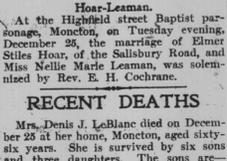
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BIG ARMY OF WOMEN FIGHTING THE KAISER

1,500,000 Strong in Men's Places; Thousands in Hospitals and Munitions Shops

Some idea of the huge and important part British women are playing in the war Miss Helen Fraser, a British war worker, who recently arrived in the United States, is seeking to give to the American women who are anxious to take up war work on a large scale and more systematically than heretofore. Here are some of the figures quoted by Miss Fraser in the New York Herald:

One and a quarter million women doing work formerly done by men. Eight hundred thousand women in munitions plants. Two hundred and fifty-eight thousand women on the land. Eighty-three thousand women in government offices.

Forty thousand women somewhere in France, working at military bases. Sixty thousand women voluntary hospital workers. Between six and seven hundred women patrols.

That is only a part of it. There are also great numbers of home women who give part of their time to war activities. As an example of the thoroughness and vast extent of this sort of work in England Miss Fraser cites the organization of 40,000 war savings committees and the cantens of the Young Women's Christian Association, which serve no less than 80,000 meals a week.

"A feature of women's war work which has proved of tremendous value is our communal kitchens," said Miss Fraser. "The kitchens have served two purposes—that of making possible a tremendous food saving and also the proper nourishment of great numbers of persons who otherwise would have been insufficiently fed."

"At all of the munition plants there are canteens or communal kitchens for supplying the workers with food. We very earnestly realized that this was extremely important. In some cases these canteens are run by the management of the factory in others the Y. W. C. A. conducts them. The food is of excellent quality. Our munition dinners consist of soup, meat, vegetables and bread, the cost ranging from 12 to 15 cents."

"The enthusiasm of the munition girls is delightful. They are glad to work in the munition plants, whether they are used or not, as they must be had at once in order to close the accounts."

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RECENT WEDDINGS. Heffer-Outon. At the Highfield street Baptist parsonage, Moncton, Monday afternoon, December 25, the marriage of Elmer Siles Hour, of the Salisbury Road, and Miss Nellie Marie Leaman, was solemnized by Rev. E. H. Cochrane.

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SECOND VICTIM OF WOOD ALCOHOL. Newcastle, Dec. 27—Peter D. Arsenault, who was reported seriously ill from drinking wood alcohol, died at four o'clock this morning.

PERSONALS. Mrs. J. Albert Godard, nee Cameron, will receive for the first time since her marriage on Friday, December 28, afternoon and evening, at her residence, 62 Guelph street, west.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. McAvity and daughter Irena, of Halifax, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McAvity, 192 King street east, for the Christmas holidays.

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TWO CURRENTS OF OPINION NOW

Bourassa Hopes More Solid Ministers Will Not Be Swayed by Hotheads—Attitude of Liberals

Announcing that he belongs neither to the party of the victors nor to that of the vanquished, Henri Bourassa, the Nationalist chief, has analyzed, in Le Devoir, the result of the general election. Mr. Bourassa contends that the victory of the government in real and significant, and would have been secured without the audacious acts preceding the election. The results, he says, prove that the majority in English Canada want to keep the unionist cabinet in power and approve, on the whole, its war policy. It is going a long way, however, to contend that the vote was equivalent to a formal approval by referendum of conscription, or that the people wish to carry on the war without let-up or limit.

In announcing that the sons of farmers will be exempted from military service, and that the second class of conscripts will not be called up, the government assured for itself the support of a large number of anti-conscriptionists.

Nationalism v. Imperialism. "The various groups and provinces in the country voted against unionism in direct ratio to the strength of their resistance to the imperialist tendency," continues Mr. Bourassa. "The government has rallied all Canadian-born or Canadian by adoption who were blinded by the prospect of grandeur and imperial solidarity. The French-Canadians resisted, en masse, because they are en masse, and by instinct, Nationalists. At the moment two currents of opinion are exercising their influence on the government and its triumphant majority. The most turbulent element of the unionist party wants to drive the government to measures of reprisals against Quebec. We like to believe that the more solid heads of the cabinet, Messrs. Borden and Delery, will not allow themselves to be carried along by the hot-heads of their party."

Prospects for Liberals. "As for the Liberals," concludes Mr. Bourassa, "one can only hope that they will have a clear vision in the situation and will not fall into their past errors. All the concessions they have made to imperialism, militarism, and jingoism have done them no good. They are classed as Nationalists. Their newspapers appear to cherish a hope of reconciliation with the Liberal Unionists. That is an illusion. The Liberals who sincerely abandoned their party will remain true to the coalition as long as the reason for their change lasts."

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LOCAL NEWS

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NOVA SCOTIANS IN THE IMPERIAL ARMY WOUNDED.

London, Dec. 26.—The following casualties in the imperial forces are reported: Wounded—Sergt. D. McFarlane, Welsh Regiment, Melford, N. S. A. Fortune, Durham Light Infantry, Nova Scotia; Sergt. R. D. Tupper, M. G. C., Halifax.

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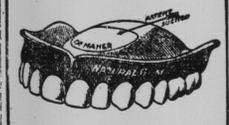
"The Canadians are admitted everywhere to be the best fighting troops on the Allied front," declared Major Alex. C. Lewis of Toronto, who is home on two months' sick leave from the front. "A British Tommy is proud to be told that he is as good as the Canadians. The achievements of the Canadians and the respect and admiration they have earned makes a man proud to be a Canadian."

SOME CHRISTMAS TREATS

The annual Christmas treat at the Municipal Home was held yesterday afternoon. The large school room was tastefully decorated. G. A. Knodell, president of the commission, presided, and with him were Mayor Hayes, Commissioner Fisher, Hon. R. J. Ritchie, Rev. A. J. O'Neill and A. M. Belding. All the members of the commission addressed the meeting.

There are at present in the home sixty-eight men, sixty-six women and forty-nine children. Among the visitors were Rev. J. A. MacKeigan, Rev. George Scott, Rev. R. Taylor McKim, A. E. McKinley, Superintendent McDonald of the Boys' Industrial Home; S. M. Wetmore and others in addition to members of the board. There was a noticeable large attendance on the part of the ladies. A programme was given by Miss McGuire's class and a recitation by one of the visitors, Miss Ethel McKinley. Gifts from a great Christmas tree were distributed. The arrangements were in charge of Mrs. E. C. Woods, matron, and her son, E. L. Woods, superintendent.

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day tables were placed in the various wards and at noon those able sat around them and enjoyed a Christmas dinner. Employees of the New Brunswick Telephone Company had a very pleasant time last night in the old Schofield building, which was trimmed with green ferns and holly. The arrangements were made by H. C. Gray, traffic manager for the company.

ALICE NIELSEN WEDS.

Alice Nelson, prima donna, and Dr. Le Roy R. Stoddard, a physician of New York city, were married last week in the First Presbyterian church, Greenwich Conn., by the Rev. Frank M. Carson. They had kept the plans of their marriage from their friends, Miss Nielsen declaring that she wanted to "escape both gifts and advice," and only three persons witnessed the ceremony, the bride's brother, Erasmus Nielsen, and his wife, and Charles W. White, a boyhood friend of the bridegroom. The bride was born in Nashville, Tenn., of Danish and Irish parents, and first won fame as a member of The Bostonians. At the age of eight she sang Nanki Po in a juvenile production of "The Mikado." Her stellar debut was made in "The Fortune Teller," in which she appeared in London, where she met Henry Russell, later director of the Boston Opera Company, and under his advice went to Rome to continue her vocal studies. Her debut as a grand opera singer was made as Marguerite in "Faust" at Naples. Later she appeared at Covent Garden in London as prima donna, singing Mimi in "La Boheme" with Caruso, in which role she made her debut at the Metropolitan Opera House in 1909.

Dr. Stoddard is the son of the late S. R. Stoddard, author and publisher, and is a graduate of the New York University, class of '06; also of the New York Homeopathic College and Hospital.

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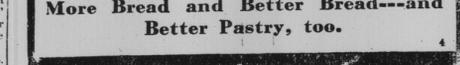
He belongs to the Manhattan Automobile and Columbia Yacht Clubs. Dr. and Mrs. Stoddard have gone to Havana. Miss Nielsen will resume her professional career.

Liberal Won By 2,463.

Kitchener, Ont., Dec. 27.—The official figures in the North Waterloo election give W. D. Euler, Liberal, a majority of 2,463 over W. T. Weichel, Unionist candidate—5,405 to 2,942.

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For the convenience of subscribers, by arrangement of the Canadian Bankers' Association, Banks will remain open on the evenings of Thursday and Friday, January 3rd and 4th, and on the afternoon of Saturday, January the 5th. Evening hours 7.30 to 9.30. Saturday afternoon from 2 until 6 o'clock. It has been brought to the attention of the Finance Department that a considerable number of subscribers, who have deposits with Banks, are under the impression that their Banks will take care of their January payments by automatically debiting their accounts with the necessary payments. This is incorrect. Each and every subscriber must personally arrange for these payments.

T. C. BOVILLE, Deputy Minister of Finance. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE. Ottawa, Dec. 26th, 1917.

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New York, Dec. 26.—Study of foreign languages in the city elementary schools will be discontinued after Feb. 1. German will be affected chiefly because about 65 per cent of the children in the elementary grades who are studying foreign tongues are taking courses in German.

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The Evening Times and Star

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 27, 1917.

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PROVINCIAL POLITICS.

It will be necessary to demonstrate that the gentlemen who desire a union government in New Brunswick have experienced a great change of heart before the people will be led to regard the proposition with favor.

AN INCOMPLETE REPORT.

A committee of the board of trade, appointed to inquire into the question of the proposed increase in rates by the New Brunswick Power Company, has submitted its report.

Of course this is not all the board of trade proposes to do in a matter which so vitally touches the interests of the public.

Of the vote against conscription in Australia a Melbourne cable says:—It is believed that the majority against conscription is largely due to the solid vote of the labor unions.

The United States government has taken over the railroads and the railroad companies heartily agree.

The report that the Australian soldiers voted against conscription is hard to understand.

This evening's reception to Hon. F. B. Carvell in the spacious rooms of the Elks Club will be informal and participated in by the citizens generally.

They will soon have nine cent sugar in the United States, with all the refineries at work.

That those of the inmates who can work a little do not eat the bread of idleness is shown in the neat condition of the home, and in the fine record of farm production.

It was interesting yesterday to hear Hon. R. J. Ritchie contrast present conditions with those of years ago, and describe the evolution from the rough bench to the cosy rocking chair.

Figures for Vienna show an increase of 98 per cent. for Prague 72, and for Budapest 100. In London the increase is 17 per cent.

LIGHTER VEIN

In the Old Cottage.

Derrigan lived in an old cottage which stood in a field near the high road to Dublin. The foundations of the house were lower than the road, through which ran a great water-main.

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"I got me money from the district council," he called to her.

Had Saved Money.

The exile had saved a bit of money, and came back to his native land for a holiday.

Just before I came back," he mentioned modestly, "I won a gold medal for a hundred yards' sprint."

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On Land and Sea Sportsmen Add to Britain's Honor Roll

(Special Cable to The Toronto Globe.) London, Dec. 21.—The lull in the fighting on the Western front has brought an appreciable falling off in the casualties amongst British sportsmen, but several well-known names are included in the latest list issued.

Brig-Gen. D. P. M. McLaren, the famous Highgate Harriers' sprinter, has been killed in action.

Colin Blythe, the famous English and Kent county cricketer, has been killed in action on the Western front.

What Counts Today

U. S. BUILDING SHIPS RAPIDLY

Government's Building Programme Already 18.2 Completed—Pressure Applied

Washington, Dec. 27.—The government's shipbuilding programme on December 15 was 18.2 per cent on its way to completion, as disclosed in an analysis of statistics supplied by the shipping board to the senate commerce committee investigating progress of the work.

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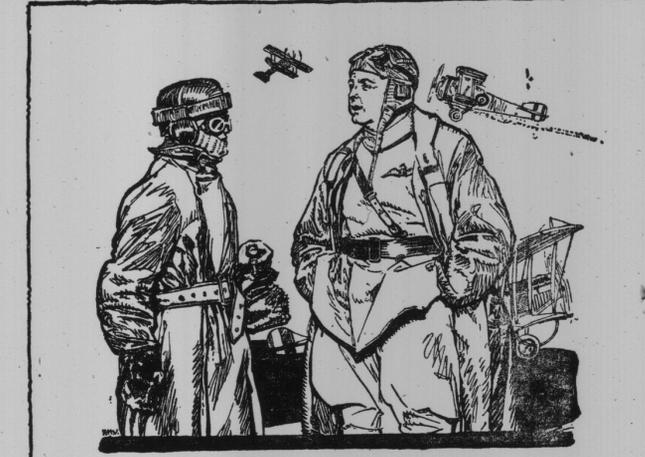
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LONDON PRESS ON ADMIRALTY CHANGE

Some Regret Retirement of Admiral Jellicoe

OTHERS EXPRESS PLEASURE

Newspapers Imply That Action Was Not Voluntary—Sir Rosslyn Wemyss, Successor, Has Well Established Reputation in Navy

London, Dec. 27.—Vice-Admiral Sir Rosslyn Wemyss has been appointed first sea lord in succession to Admiral Sir John Jellicoe.

Notwithstanding the recent severe and adverse comments concerning the admiralty on some quarters, several newspapers at this announcement as a sensational surprise and two or three accompany their remarks with warm expressions of regret.

change have been guided wisely in their decision.

The Daily Mail, which long has campaigned against Admiral Jellicoe, says openly that it cannot pretend regret. It adds that Sir Eric Geddes, First Lord of the Admiralty, deserves the thanks of the country for not shrinking from a painful duty.

The Times, though less frankly outspoken, does not conceal its satisfaction and sees in the change the determination of the government to give younger men a chance.

Although nothing has been stated officially, it is implied by the newspapers that Admiral Jellicoe did not retire voluntarily, and according to the Telegraph the government's decision was conveyed to him before Christmas in the form of a bare intimation that it had been determined to appoint a new first sea lord.

Of his successor, the public knows comparatively little, as he never held a conspicuous command afloat, and had no administrative experience in the admiralty until appointed second sea lord last summer. In the navy, however, Admiral Wemyss has a well established reputation. He also had a large and varied experience in the war and his services under Admiral Dorebeck at Gallipoli received the unqualified praise of naval and military authorities.

AUSTRIA STRAINS TO GET MONEY FOR WAR.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Despatches from France say it has been announced in Vienna that a new loan of 1,000,000 crowns has been made by the Austrian government to the government at one-half of one per cent interest, payable eighteen months after peace is declared. It was said the only way the bank had of advancing such a sum was by adding to its already over-inflated paper circulation, which in four months has increased 4,000,000,000 crowns.

TENNIS AND BALL IN UPLIFT ROLES

Southern Republics Put Aside Cock-fighting and Bull-fighting Evils

New York, Dec. 26.—Frequently the statement has been made that American and Canadian soldiers carry with them to foreign climes the American national game of baseball. This statement has been borne out since the entry of American marines into the Dominican republic. The Dominicans have been so enthusiastic about baseball that a league is to be formed with clubs in Santiago de Los Caballeros and Puerto Plata. The proprietors of the new hippodrome recently established at Puerto Plata will lay out a diamond inside the race course.

Santiago is also to have a diamond without a race course built by the owners of the Puerto Plata course. The Santiago stand will accommodate 2,000. U. S. Consul Arthur McLean, stationed there, reports that the new hippodrome is quickly to the game and become profitable players.

Before marines took baseball into the Latin republic, cock fighting was the national sport, but its popularity has in a great measure declined. National gambling laws have restricted cock fights to municipalities which grant licenses for pits. Bull fighting is not now and never was popular among the Dominicans, although a wandering tumbler occasionally enters the country and stages a fight. These are poorly attended. Tennis is also gaining favor in the country.

Venezuela also has a baseball league, established last year. With the American game becoming a popular attraction in both Latin and South American countries the fan seeking refuge from northern blizzards will be able to make himself right at home in the republics of the south. And in Venezuela where the language of the game is English, he will be able to "speak United States" and still intelligently "kill the umpire."

MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES

Vice-Admiral Sir Rosslyn Wemyss, second sea lord, succeeds Sir John Jellicoe, first sea lord. Experts say a sharp and aggressive campaign will be waged against U-boats. Only eleven British merchantmen of 1,600 tons or more are under this tonnage were sunk during the week. The latest conscription figures from Australia are: For conscription, 870,000; against, 1,050,000. The first result of the soldier vote shows 17,000 in favor of it and 23,000 against.

Judgment given yesterday by the board of railway commissioners provides for a fifteen per cent increase in passenger rates in all parts of Canada, with the exception of British Columbia, where the maximum rate is now three cents a mile.

Some 3,400 Red Cross bandage rolls were destroyed in Cleveland, Ohio, as the result of a plot to poison American soldiers by means of poisoned bandages. Joseph Daigle of St. Charles, Kent county, died, and Peter Arsenault of Newcastle is critically ill, rendered blind as a result of drinking wood alcohol at Newcastle on Christmas Day.

VICE PRESIDENT IN VETERANS' ORGANIZATION RESIGNS HIS OFFICE

Vancouver, Dec. 26.—Sergeant-Major Jas. Robinson, D. C. M., of Vancouver, has resigned his vice-presidency in the Dominion Great War Veterans' Association and from office in the local veterans' organization. He was non-committal when asked for his reasons, but said the association had broken away from the spirit of the veterans' cause in Winnipeg. It is rumored that he will enter provincial politics.

MAYOR MARTIN IN PLEA FOR UNITY

Montreal, Dec. 27.—Mayor Mederic Martin issued a New Year message in which he expresses the hope that "the different races composing the population of the metropolis of Canada will always march hand in hand." He adds: "It is in the interest of one and all to live united and to avoid all dissensions and questions of nationality, and all subjects of discord. To this end all our efforts should converge."

MEXICAN BANDITS ARE KILLED BY AMERICANS.

Marfate, Texas, Dec. 26.—Eight bandits were killed yesterday when American cavalrymen fired on Mexican raiders after the Mexicans had killed M. Welsh, driver of a United States mail stage, and his two Mexican passengers and had looted a store at Candelaria, Texas.

WOMAN IN HULL PLEADS GUILTY OF BIGAMY.

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—Aurore's Gagnon pleaded guilty in Hull yesterday to a charge of bigamy, and was remanded for sentence. She married John Alexander of Montreal last April, but a month later, it was alleged, entered into another marriage with Andrew Bochen of Wrightville.

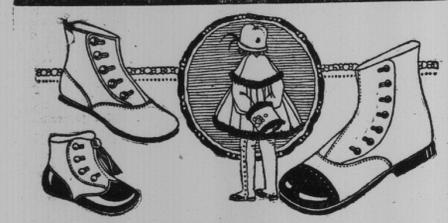
YEAR'S SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

New York, Dec. 26.—Foreign missions in the United States and Canada received subscriptions of \$29,407,861 in 1917, of which \$19,106,564 was from the United States and \$1,240,997 from Canada, according to reports by the foreign missions conference of North America.

Stilwell-McPhee.

The wedding of William Stilwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stilwell of Grand Lake, and Miss Manetta McPhee of this city, took place last evening at the home of the bride, Moore street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. P. Dennison.

At the meeting of the St. John De-Molay Preceptory, K. T., the sum of \$100 was voted to the preceptory in Halifax.



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LADIES' SILK GOLFERS —In self colors, rose, yellow, biscuit, Copen., navy., taupe, mauve, tan, red and pink.	CHILDREN'S SILK SWEATERS , \$12.50 and \$14.00
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War Menus

How to Save Wheat, Beef and Bacon for the men at the front. Issued from the Office of the Food Controller for Canada.

MENU FOR FRIDAY.
Breakfast: Oatmeal Porridge, Bread, Omelet.
Dinner: Bread, Tea or Coffee, Olemargarine, Baked Haddock, Baked Potatoes, Mashed Turnips, Coddled Apples.
Supper: Spanish Beans, Toasted Graham Bread, Stewed Prunes, Tea.

The recipes for Coddled Apples and Spanish Beans, mentioned above, are as follows:

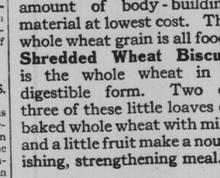
Coddled Apples— Pare apples, whole, put in a covered granite baker in the oven with a simple syrup. Add a little cinnamon or lemon juice as desired. Cook until tender.

Spanish Beans— 2 cups kidney beans, 2 cups tomato, 1 cup finely cut onion, 1/2 cup pimento, 2 tablespoons drippings, 2 tablespoons flour, 1 tablespoon salt.

Soak beans over night; drain, cover with boiling water; boil slowly 1 1/2 hours or until tender. Drain and add sauce made as follows: Put fat in frying pan, add onion and chopped pimento and fry until tender but not brown. Add tomato, salt, and flour mixed with cold water. Boil five minutes. Pour over beans and simmer ten minutes.

On Christmas night the body of Mrs. Robert Kierstead, of Salmon Creek, with whose death her husband is charged, was removed to her parents' home in Waterloo. Interment was made in the Thornetown Baptist burying ground.

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RECENT DEATHS

Prof. C. H. McLeod, Montreal, Dec. 26.—Professor Clement Henry McLeod, of McGill University, died this afternoon while seated in his chair in his office at the university. He was sixty-six years of age. He was in charge of the McGill observatory. In the years that he served at McGill many engineers passed through his hands. He had been secretary of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers since 1891, and was a charter member of the society. He was professor of astronomy, of geodesy and formerly professor of civil engineering, as well as being vice-dean of the faculty of applied science. He was born at Strathlorn, Cape Breton (N. S.), and graduated from McGill University in 1878.

Mrs. C. J. Henderson. The death of Mrs. C. J. Henderson occurred yesterday in the seventy-seventh year of her age. She had been sick only one day. She leaves one son, W. A. Henderson, and two daughters: Mrs. W. C. Jordan, and Mrs. W. M. Howatt, both of this city.

W. B. A. Ritchie, K. C. W. B. A. Ritchie, K. C., one of the best known lawyers in Canada, and for years law partner with Sir Robert Borden, died in Vancouver General Public Hospital on Christmas night. He was fifty-eight years old and was born in Annapolis, N. S.

Was 102 Years Old. One of the oldest inhabitants of Nova Scotia passed away at Amherst recently, in the person of John David Ormond, father of W. L. Ormond, and grandfather of Lieut. L. E. Ormond, of the 25th Battalion. Mr. Ormond was one hundred and two years of age. He had been ailing for some time but had been confined to his home only a few days. Mr. Ormond was born in Lisnoore, County Waterford, Ireland. When a young boy he came with his parents to this country and settled in Sydney, where later he was well known to the traveling public as a mail contractor. About fifty years ago he moved to the United States, where he resided until some fourteen years ago, when he came to Amherst to spend the remaining years of his life with his son, W. L. Ormond. He is survived by another son, David, who resides in the United States, and three daughters, Mrs. Patrick O'Connell and Mrs. D. A. Hearn of Sydney, and Mrs. Alexander Gammon, of Glace Bay. He was a veteran of the Fenian Raid, and has five grandchildren now in the king's uniform. Lieut. J. E. Ormond, Corporal Ernest Ormond, Captain J. I. O'Connell, Cadet W. F. O'Connell, and Private Charles O'Connell.

SEES SUGAR CHEAPER

Down a Cent by End of January is Opinion of American Official

New York, Dec. 27.—Within two weeks virtually every sugar refinery in the country will be in operation, according to Geo. M. Rolph, head of the sugar division of the food administration, who returned here from Washington yesterday. By the end of January, he asserted, about 20,000 tons of sugar will have been brought in and the consumer then should get sugar at nine cents instead of the present price of ten. He added that about 25,000 tons either are being loaded on ships at Porto Rico and Cuba or else are on the way here.

OLEMARGARINE PRICES EXCESSIVE

"Import it Yourself," is Advice of Food Controller Hanna

(Toronto Globe.) Food Controller W. J. Hanna, who is in the city for a few days, says he has received a number of complaints regarding the price charged for olemargarine in Toronto. The food controller thinks that thirty-seven cents a pound is too much. The department had investigated many complaints and found that no merchant was charging more than a spread of five cents a pound between the cost and the selling price. He stated that most of the olemargarine brought from the United States is laid down at thirty-two to thirty-three cents a pound.

If a citizen wants to buy and use olemargarine and thinks the prevailing price is too high, the food controller's advice to him is to import it himself if he can get it cheaper at Buffalo, Detroit or any other place. The duty, including the war tax, has been suspended on olemargarine, and a license to import costs nothing but the application. Regarding the large amount of bacon now being released for overseas as tonnage has been secured, it does not mean that bacon in Toronto will go up in price, according to the food controller. "Great Britain is in pressing need of bacon," added Mr. Hanna. "She has through Lord Northcliffe and the British buyers impressed on us as strongly as possible that the duty of Canada above everything else in the way of food production is to increase to the limit the supply of bacon for overseas."

Rev. F. P. Dennison, pastor of the Tabernacle church, was advised last evening at the close of a prayer meeting that his salary had been increased \$300.

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FINANCIAL

SPORT NEWS OF THE DAY HOME AND ABROAD

BOWLING. Wins Turkey.
Roy McIlveen won the Christmas turkey offered for the highest score registered at Black's Alleys in one string. He rolled 184.

THE RING. Denies Foul.
Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 27.—A statement denying that Fred Fulton, claimant of the heavyweight title, struck a foul blow in his Christmas 'day bout here with Harry "Texas" Tate was issued last night by Mike Collins, Fulton's manager. The statement protested against the conduct of Referee Billy Hassck, contending that the referee should have counted Tate out on two occasions in the first and only round of the fight. The manager said Fulton was ready to meet Tate again at any time.

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COMEDY
Geo. Ovey in Cub Comedy "Jerry's Victory"

MON., TUES., WED.—SPECIAL NEW YEAR'S FEATURES

BASEBALL. Bell Players Enlist.
Washington, Dec. 24.—Horace Milan, utility outfielder for the Washington Americans, has joined the army aviation corps and Billy Murray, one of the newly-acquired outfielders, has joined the military police corps. Manager Griffith received their resignations from the club today.

Handicks May Manage Cards.
St. Louis, Dec. 24.—President Rickey, of the St. Louis Nationals, today received a telegram from President McCall of the Indianapolis club, stating that he has granted Jack Hendricks permission to make further efforts to be named manager of the St. Louis Nationals. Rickey said, however, that he had lost interest in Hendricks, but he will consider any proposition Hendricks may make.

Spring Training Trip.
Announcement was made Monday that the Brooklyn Nationals would again go to Hot Springs, Ark., for their spring training trip. The recruits will report here to Manager Wilbert Robinson on March 18 and about a week later the regulars are scheduled to arrive for the season's preparations. The period of training will extend to April 3, and another spring tour with the Boston Red Sox has been arranged.

On this tour eight games have been scheduled, the first to be played at Hot Springs on April 12. The second game is set for April 15 and the third on April 15, the National League season opening on April 16. Last year weather conditions permitted only one game of the series with the Yanks to be played.

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Jane Cowl in Strong Love Story—Signor Guarino and Musical Act

The Imperial theatre by returning to that policy which made it a by-word for excellence and refinement throughout the length and breadth of the country—the best pictures and exclusive musical specialties—has caught the popular fancy with renewed fervor. This is evidenced by large attendance and satisfied patrons. In spite of the cold snap yesterday the theatre was filled afternoon and evening.

Although Signor Antonio Guarino is singing an extra week at the Imperial his popularity increases daily and his Italian and English numbers last evening were rapturously applauded to the extent of a tripple encore, a most unusual compliment for a vocalist in undemonstrative St. John. The pretty little girls Eva and Adele, with accordion and violin, were also well received. Their programme for the remainder of the week is quite new and different. The orchestra on the stage and the special Yuletide decorations makes the tout ensemble as pleasing to the eye as the musical offerings are to the ear.

A Goldwyn feature introduced yesterday and continued today presents the stage beauty Jane Cowl in Basil King's Saturday Evening Post story "The Spreading Dawn." This is not a trashy fiction by any means but a powerful heart-throbbing love drama of the highest type, splendidly acted, charmingly photographed and containing very much that is artistic in its many-sided presentation. It has been a long time since a story of this type made so profound an impression.

A Drew comedy, which as usual was polite and clean and the second of the Imperial's exclusive British government war pictures, completed a bill that people of taste could not help but enjoy. Tomorrow Vivian Martin in a sweet story of the out-of-doors entitled

FULTON SIGNS TO MEET WILLARD

Champion Declares, Though, That His Terms Have Not Been Lived Up To

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Fred Fulton has signed articles of agreement to box Jess Willard twenty rounds for the world's title in New Orleans.

Willard, who is in Chicago, declared, however, that the terms of the agreement signed by Fulton evaded the conditions he stipulated when he announced his willingness to fight for the benefit of the Red Cross.

"He says he will give half his winnings to the Red Cross," said Willard. "That doesn't suit me at all. I am giving all of mine, so why shouldn't he do the same thing?"

Tortorelli's telegram said that the club would allow the fighters 70 per cent of the gross receipts as a purse.

"Should Fulton win," said the telegram, "he agrees to give half of his end to the Red Cross. If Willard wins, he can give all his money to the same institution. My services as promoter and the club's organization as helpers in staging the battle will be donated absolutely free of cost. There will be some necessary expenses, and after these have

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET
Quotations furnished by private wire of J. M. Robinson & Sons, St. John, N. B.
New York, Dec. 27.

	Opening	Closing
Am Car and Pdry	68	64 1/2
Am Locomotive	49 1/2	49
Am Can	88 1/2	85
Am Steel Pdry	70	65
Am Smelters	70	70 1/2
Am Tel & Tel	43	41 1/2
Am Woollens	41 1/2	41 1/2
Anaconda Mining	50 1/2	57 1/2
At, T and S Fe	78	87 1/2
Brooklyn R T	80 1/2	87 1/2
Balt & Ohio	30 1/2	31 1/2
Baldwin Loco	54 1/2	56 1/2
Butte & Sup	14 1/2	15
Beth Steel "B"	98 1/2	70 1/2
Chino Copper	87 1/2	87
Chic & N West	85	85
Ches and Ohio	42 1/2	42 1/2
Col Fuel	32 1/2	33 1/2
Can Pac	130	134
Cent Leather	59	59 1/2
Cruible Steel	49	50
Del and Hudson	92	100
Eric	18 1/2	16
Eric 1st Pfd	22	22 1/2
Gen Electric	128	124 1/2
Gt North Pfd	80 1/2	85
Gen Motors	98 1/2	94
Inspiration	80 1/2	40 1/2
Int'l Mar Com	10 1/2	10 1/2
Int'l Mar Pfd	78 1/2	80
Indust Alcohol	109 1/2	112
Kennecott Copper	30 1/2	30 1/2
Lehigh Valley	52 1/2	57 1/2
Midvale Steel	41 1/2	42 1/2
Maxwell Motors	21 1/2	21 1/2
Mex-Petroleum	72 1/2	72 1/2
Miami	28 1/2	27
North Pacific	76	85
Nor and West	108 1/2	108
N Y Air Brakes	112 1/2	112 1/2
N Y Central	63 1/2	70 1/2
Pennsylvania	42 1/2	45 1/2
Pressed Steel Car	53	53
Reading	67 1/2	71 1/2
St. Paul Pfd	78 1/2	78 1/2
Republic I & S	38 1/2	48 1/2
Sales	36 1/2	36 1/2
Sloss Sheffield	30 1/2	30 1/2
South Railway	22	24 1/2
South Pacific	77 1/2	84
Shattuck Arizona	15 1/2	15 1/2
Studebaker	42 1/2	48 1/2
Union Pacific	108 1/2	112
U S Steel	88 1/2	88 1/2
U S Steel Pfd	108 1/2	104 1/2
United Fruit	111	110
U S Rubber	40	40
Utah Copper	64 1/2	78
Vir Car Chemical	81 1/2	81 1/2
West Union	79	79
Westing Electric	88	86 1/2
Wills Overland	18 1/2	17 1/2
Wills-Eleven Block	366.100	366.100

MUTT AND JEFF—JEFF MIXED A LITTLE ACT WITH HIS FICTION
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INCREASE DEMAND IN STREET CAR FARES DROPS; NOW ONLY GAS PRICES
Shown That Public Utilities Commission Could Not Revise Street Car Rates Upwards; Hearing on Gas Prices Has B. gun

At a sitting of the Public Utilities Commission in the government rooms, Prince William street, this morning, the matter of the increased rates on the street railway, electric lighting and gas system of the New Brunswick Power Company was taken up. The application for increase in the rates for car service and electric lighting was dropped by F. R. Taylor and H. A. Powell, on behalf of the company, since it was pointed out by Hon. J. B. Baxter, speaking for the city, that the commission did not have jurisdiction to revise the rates upwards. G. O. D. Otty, president, with F. P. Robinson, secretary; A. B. Connell and Felix Michaud, of the commission present. Mayor Hayes and Commissioner Fisher attended the hearing. Fred R. Taylor, K.C., appearing for the petitioners, read the formal petition addressed to the commission, and also the affidavit for publication, signed by H. M. Hopper, general manager of the Power Company.

Mr. Taylor, after some question as to the correctness of the declaration under the terms of the act, opened the case. He said that what had brought matters to a head was the rise in the price of coal from \$8 to \$9 a ton. A contract with the Dominion Coal Company for the N. B. Power Co's coal would expire on December 31, 1917, and the new contract would raise the yearly expenditure at least \$100,000. The operating expenses of the company used up altogether the income. Next year, he said, with increased costs in every direction, there would be a tremendous deficit. The total amount of coal used in the gas house in 1917 was 5,308 tons, in 1916, 4,814 tons. At the gas house there was a deficit of \$18,945.27 in 1916. Since then the firemen's wages had been increased. In 1917 the deficit was \$7,006.71. There had been a larger consumption of gas, which lowered the deficit. There was generally a deficit on gas, Mr. Taylor said, but was hoped eventually to make it a paying proposition. The increase of customers buying gas as a fuel, he said, would sometime enable the company to operate this end of the business at a profit.

The street railway business, Mr. Taylor said, was almost as bad as the gas. There would be absolutely no returns this year, and next year there must be a deficit. The capital of the stock, he said, was \$1,000,000 first preferred, \$350,000 second preferred, and \$2,000,000 common stock. The bonds issued amounted to \$1,750,000. The lack of coal had tied up many other street railways in the United States and Canada, he said, and he quoted several instances in point. Mr. Otty said that even if what Mr. Taylor said was proved, it would be necessary to inquire into the actual amount of capital invested before an equal schedule of rates could be drawn up. Mr. Taylor, in answer to a question by Mr. Connell, said that if an auditor should be selected by the commission to inquire into this, he would be granted every facility. With reference to the electric light, Mr. Taylor said that the increase was based on the rise in coal prices. The object of the company was to keep itself on its financial feet, so that any expenditures necessary might be made. If the United States had not gone into the war, he said, local water power would have been utilized and the tremendous cost of coal evaded. Mr. Taylor said that all that was wanted was the maintaining of the company until better times were at hand. Hon. J. B. Baxter spoke on behalf of the city. What the citizens wanted, he said, was to be shown. Further than this he would not go. He also read a long time attached mystery to the Street Railway Company as to whether the several departments brought in returns. This question was never settled by a declaration from the company. Thus the mind of the public had never had confidence in this public utility.

There is also the question as to whether the car riders should pay for the upholding of the other departments of the company. Dr. Baxter said that while the city did not want to depend on technicalities, yet in Chap. 62, Sec. 1, Geo. IV, it was directly stated that the Public Utilities Commission did not have the power to revise the rates upwards, even if desired. He also read a section of Acts of Assembly, 1906, Chap. 48, on the point. But holding to technicalities would only refer matters to the House. He suggested that the board should go forward and a report be made of the result which should be then taken to the legislature. This finding of the commission would then probably be accepted without question by the House and made legal. Dr. Baxter also suggested that some expert should be appointed to value the whole plant and report on it. Mr. Taylor said that it was unfortunate that the point of jurisdiction be brought up and that the terms of 6 Geo. V, Chap. 62 strictly bound all the departments except the gas from inquiry on the part of the Public Utilities Commission. Mr. Taylor then withdrew the petition in regard to the street railway and the electric light, leaving only the gas rates in question. Dr. Baxter suggested that the commission should investigate the matter if only to satisfy the minds of the public. Mr. Taylor, if here said that the company was quite willing to allow the city to go ahead and engage experts at their own expense. He said that the company did not feel justified in paying expenses for an investigation which could avail them nothing, even if decided in their favor. H. M. Hopper was called in reference to the gas deficit. He substantially corroborated Mr. Taylor's statement in opening the case, as was shown in this department of the company. The present price of fuel gas was \$1 net and lighting gas, \$1.75 net. Even if the fuel gas were raised to \$1.50 net there would be a large deficit next year. Coal will increase at least to \$8.12, which would mean a deficit of \$92,000 next year. In the immediate future, he said, the company would need to spend \$100,000.

LOCAL NEWS

THE BANK CLEARINGS.
St. John bank clearings for the week ending Dec. 27 were \$1,019,264; corresponding period last year, \$1,796,274; corresponding period 1915, \$1,269,771.

AT CITY HALL.
There was no committee meeting of the common council this morning as the mayor was present at the meeting of the Public Utilities Commission.

TRAINS LATE.
The trains arriving in the city today were late. The Boston was one hour and thirty minutes; the Montreal one hour, and the Maritime Express twenty-five minutes.

A CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE.
Rev. Dr. J. A. Morrison and Mrs. Morrison, as is usual at this season, have received kindly Christmas gifts from members of his former church in Chicago.

THE MUNICIPAL HOME.
Among those present at the Municipal Home Christmas tree celebration yesterday were A. M. Rowan, Frederick Green, W. L. Walsh and W. P. McAfee, members of the commission.

RECEPTION TO HON. MR. CARVELL.
The reception to Hon. Mr. Carvell, minister of public works, is to be held this evening in the Elks' club house, Wellington Row, from 8.30 to 11 o'clock. No special invitations will be issued. Because of the work Mr. Carvell has done and the representative and important position he occupies, many will naturally wish to meet him now that the elections are over. Out of town and local friends of the minister will be present to give him a warm welcome. The reception will be wholly informal and will be to the general public.

A PRESENTATION TO JOHN T. HAWKE.
At the rooms of the Moncton Liberal Association on Saturday evening many active Liberals met to make a presentation to Mr. Hawke, proprietor of the Transcript. Dr. C. A. Murray presided and speeches were made by the chairman, Hon. P. J. Veniot, who happened to be present, Hon. F. J. Sweeney and others. An address was read by John A. Doherty and a large library swivel desk chair of golden oak with leather upholstery, was presented to Mr. Hawke, accompanied by a second chair to match the library desk chair. The chairs were beautifully designed. In addition there was a beautiful mahogany desk lamp with inkstand, large ink wells, electric light attachment, shade and socket complete.

Mr. Hawke, who was taken entirely by surprise, made a feeling response. He spoke of the necessity of harmony between English and French speaking Canadians, and charged that conscription had sowed seeds of discord. He paid a glowing tribute to Sir Wilfrid Laurier personally, and said that though the straits Liberal party was not a majority apparently, yet Liberals controlled the new house of parliament. There were difficulties confronting the government as at present constituted, and in the outcome of the situation he believed a united Liberal party would be formed, which for many years to come would guide and control the destinies of the Dominion of Canada.

THE SUGAR SITUATION
The local pinch with regard to sugar is over, and the price is twenty cents a hundred pounds less than at the highest point. That a very severe pinch was not felt in this province was due to the very large shipments sent to the trade from the Redpath refinery of Montreal, to supplement the quantity available from the local refineries. The Acadia refinery in Halifax, which was shut down for some months, will resume operations in the first of January. The price to come would decline a little, and while there will be no surplus of supply there should be enough to meet moderate requirements. A New York despatch says all the American refineries will soon be busy and nine cent sugar is predicted there.

LIQUOR CASES IN YORK
Fredericton, Dec. 27—A conviction of violating the intoxicating liquors act was made yesterday by Police Magistrate Limerick against the Springhill Hotel. The penalty was \$200 fine or six months in jail. This was for the sale of liquor. A charge of selling beer without a license also is the first conviction of violation of the prohibitory act in York county. Two other cases of similar nature were before the court yesterday.

Earthquake Report.
Panama, Dec. 27—An earthquake is reported to have occurred near Amatitlan, fifteen miles south of Guatemala. Telegraphic communication has been interrupted.

for new gas holders. The commission then adjourned until 2.30 this afternoon. The following are now the only increases asked for by the company.
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