

## FURIOUS HUN DRIVE ON!

### THE ARMY OF GERMANY LAUNCHES THE MOST POWERFUL ATTACK MADE IN THE ENTIRE WORLD WAR, ON BRITISH LINES

Following Five Hour Hurricane of Shot, Shell and Gas Bombs Teutonic Infantry Falls on Field Marshal Haig's Army Along Front of Fifty Miles, Beginning What May Be the Greatest Battle of the War, a Struggle Which May Lead to Results Which Will Shape the Destinies of Millions of People Over Coming Centuries—Lightly Held Portions of British Line Withdrawn, But There is No Cause for Alarm.

Some of British Positions Penetrated, Marshal Haig Announces, But German Losses Declared to Have Been Exceptionally Heavy—On No Part of the Long Front Did Enemy Obtain His Objective—Line of Attack Extends from River Oise in Neighborhood of Lafere to the Sensez River, About Croisilles—Assaults Also Made on French Line.

Exactly twenty-five months after the Germans began the historic battle of Verdun the thunder of their guns deepened into a tempest of fire along the British front in Northern France and they began what may be the greatest battle of the war, a struggle which may lead to results which will shape the destinies of millions of people over coming centuries. The attacks were made on a scale hitherto unknown during this war of major offensives. It was over a front of fifty miles. Official reports are very brief, but correspondents at the scene tell of the terrific storms of artillery fire, which burst over the lines held by Field Marshal Haig's men.

The bombardment began at five o'clock Thursday morning, just before the early spring dawn was breaking over Eastern France. Shells of large and small calibres were rained upon the lines held by the British for about five hours. The German infantry stormed out to make the first great assault. The Germans, favored by the wind, moved forward under cover of a pall of smoke which hid the assaulting columns from the eyes of the British holding the front lines.

Describing the battle Andrew Bonar Law informed the House of Commons that lightly held portions of the British line had been withdrawn but said that there was no need for alarm on the part of the country.

The Associated Press correspondent at the British front reports that an attack there had been expected and that great preparations had been made to meet it. The Berlin report says that the Germans have penetrated some British positions.

#### Attacks Also on the French Line.

Nor were the German efforts concentrated upon the front held by the British. Early Thursday morning the Germans assaulted the French lines near the village of Ornes, to the northeast of Verdun, and claim to have penetrated a considerable distance. Near Rheims, too, the French were subjected to an assault, but here the artillery bore the burden of the fighting.

The attacks at Verdun and Rheims, however, may be considered for the time being as mere diversions to the principal attack, which has been loosed against the British. They would serve to keep French forces at Verdun and Rheims from being transferred to the British sector, if that part of the battle line should show any signs of bending back.

Nothing has been reported as to attacks on the lines held by the Americans. It had been expected that the Germans would make an assault on the American-held trenches in the Lorraine and Toul sectors, acting on the theory that troops which had not had experience in engagements of the first degree, might be found to yield easier than veterans. The Germans have called upon the Austrian army for assistance in their effort to carry the battle to the Entente Allies, for the official reports from Berlin say that Austro-Hungarian artillery is engaged along the western front. It is probable that the great Austrian howitzers or Skodas, have been used against the strongest sectors of the British lines.

The French official reports state that the Germans have been sanguinarily repulsed in a number of engagements, notably on the Verdun and Lorraine fronts.

### G. H. BOVIN IS DEPUTY SPEAKER

Ottawa, Mar. 21.—George H. Bovin, Liberal member for Shefford, was elected deputy Speaker of the House of Commons tonight. Col. Currie, Unionist, objected. Mr. Ekins, Liberal Unionist, St. John, made his first remarks in the House

today. He had practical suggestions to offer which were well received.

Sir Robert Borden made a reference to the absence of the Minister of Finance. He said: "It is my duty, but with great regret, to inform the House that the health of Sir Thomas White has been seriously impaired by the responsibilities and the severe and unremitting labors which have been imposed upon him in the performance of his duties since the outbreak of the war. No burdens of anything like the same magnitude have ever been imposed upon a minister of finance in Canada for a like period. Sir Thomas White's keen sense of duty impelled him to throw into the task his utmost strength and energy. His wide business activity and his great ability enabled him to render to Canada a service for which the whole country should be grateful. After my return to Ottawa, about the middle of January, I became convinced that he required immediate and prolonged rest, and I

strongly urged him to put aside his work for such a period as would bring about a thorough rest. He finally agreed to do so. There is not the slightest doubt that Sir Thomas White would greatly desire to be relieved from his present responsibilities, but finds himself confronted with the duty of remaining at his present post, if at all possible, until the conclusion of the war."

#### WOMAN ARRESTED

Halifax, Mar. 21.—The Halifax relief commission caused the arrest today of Mrs. Ellen Covey, on a charge of making a false claim for damage to her property. Mrs. Covey put in a claim for \$200. An investigation was made by detectives and the result was her arrest. She confessed that her real damage was only \$20. The woman was held and will be arraigned before magistrate tomorrow morning.

### MORE PEACE TALK HEARD IN GERMANY

Report of Semi-Official Negotiations Between Germany and the Entente.

#### HOLLAND NEWSPAPER HEARS MUCH NEWS

London, March 21.—Semi-official negotiations are on foot between Germany and the Entente in which Germany is displaying a strong inclination for peace the Catholic newspaper Nieuwblad Van Rotterdam says it has learned, the Central News correspondent at Amsterdam reports.

This Amsterdam newspaper is quoted as adding that its information is that if no basis for official negotiations was reached by March 27, the German offensive in the west would be begun. According to reports from Petrograd dated Wednesday, a rumor is current at Moscow that Germany has offered concessions to the allies, conditioned upon the recognition of the Brest-Litovsk treaty of peace.

"No Soft Peace"—Kaiser. Amsterdam, Wednesday, March 20.—"The price of victory must not and will not fall us—no soft peace—but one which corresponds with Germany's interests," Emperor William telegraphed the Schleswig-Holstein provincial council, according to a Kiel despatch. The emperor's telegram was sent in reply to a congratulatory message. Field Marshal von Hindenburg has telegraphed to the Fosen Provincial council as follows:—"God willing, we will also overcome the enemy in the west and clear the way to a general peace."

#### Canadian Quotes Kaiser.

Chicago, March 21.—"Keep the world afraid, and if it thinks you are afraid, rattle your sword and devastate the lands of those who oppose you"—that was the policy of the German Kaiser, as told by the Emperor himself to Prof. William H. Schofield, of Harvard University, Professor Schofield said in an address here last night. He was an exchange professor at Berlin several years and became intimately acquainted with the Kaiser. He is a native of Brockville, Ont. "Ten years ago he told me of his plans to manipulate the Jews and Catholics and his dreams of a world empire. At that time he even predicted that the United States would sometime be caught unawares and have to resort to conscription, but he did not seem to think that we would be fighting him when this happened."

### SHARP LOSES HIS DEPOSIT

Gen. McLean Has Majority of 3,125 in Total Vote of 8,793 in Royal.

Special to The Standard. Sussex, Mar. 21.—Sheriff McLeod of Kings county has received the official returns from Ottawa under part 4 of the Military Voters Bill and the total vote in Royal is as follows:

	McLean	Sharp
Under part 3	4,976	2,775
Under part 4		
Within North America	119	14
Within U. Kingdom	548	15
Con. of Europe	316	30
	5,959	2,834

This makes the majority for McLean 3,125 and Sharp loses his deposit.

### HON. J. A. MURRAY'S VOTES FOR WOMEN RESOLUTION ENDORSED UNANIMOUSLY

#### THE DECISIVE CONTEST OF ENTIRE WAR?

General Impression on British Front is in Agreement with the Germans in This Regard.

British Army Headquarters in France, March 21.—(By The Associated Press)—It is too early to predict the outcome of the first few hours of the struggle, in which vast forces and every conceivable engine probably was employed. On general principles, however, it may be stated that the great concentration of attacking force will probably result in the defensive line being pushed back in places. This would merely be history repeating itself.

Troops Confident. This much is certain. At no period has the British war machine been in such perfect condition. Never before has there been higher morale or optimism among the British troops. The general impression on the front is in agreement with that of the Germans—that this is the decisive contest of the war. But on the British side there is no doubt that the decision will eventually be in the Allies' favor. Germany is staking everything on this plan, and if the great attack fails to break clear through it is believed that the Germans will be finished, for they have nothing further to offer, except a gradually weakening defence.

Intense Bombardment. The bombardment today was one of the most intense seen along this front. As had been generally expected, the Germans depended on short, heavy artillery work to carry their troops forward. Large quantities of gas were used at various places and extraordinarily high velocity shells have been whining across the back areas since daybreak. The Germans made a great concentration of guns for this attack and every one of them was brought into play at the outset. It is reported that one German tank was seen in action, but this is not verified, although it would cause no surprise if true. The sky was heavily overcast all day, rendering aerial observation difficult.

### OSTEND BOMBARDED BY BRITISH BOATS; HELIGOLAND HIT

London, Mar. 21.—Ostend was bombarded by British monitors today and Heligoland was attacked by Seaplanes, according to the official announcement tonight.

The Admiralty statement says: Ostend was bombarded this afternoon by British monitors with successful results. Prior to the bombardment four enemy aircraft were destroyed by our naval air squadron. Enemy aircraft attacked the British machines while spotting for the bombardment with the result that another enemy machine was destroyed. "The British seaplanes engaged in reconnaissance in Heligoland Bight, attacked enemy mine-sweepers with machine gunfire. There were no casualties on the British side. All our machines returned safely."

### BRITISH ADVANCE IN PALESTINE

London, Mar. 21.—The British have made another advance in Palestine, capturing three towns, it is announced officially. A counter-attack by the Turks was repulsed. The Statement follows: "We occupied Beit, Rima and Ketrut, both east-southeast of Deir Ballut, unopposed. We drove off a counter-attack at Deir Ballut and secured Elowalilbeh and the high ground to the westward. "Airmen dropped 470 bombs on establishments in the vicinity of Elkurat station. Direct hits were observed on the objectives."

Not a Single Vote Cast Against Woman Suffrage Sentiment—Addresses Made Before Large Gallery by Opposition Leader, Mr. Tilley, Premier Foster, Hon. Mr. Veniot and Hon. Dr. Roberts.

Cause Gains Pronounced Step in Advance in This Province, and Measure Giving Effect to Yesterday's Action Will Probably Be Introduced Shortly—Minister of Public Works and Mr. Tilley Have a Tilt.

#### Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Mar. 21.—"Resolved, that in the opinion of this house the provincial franchise should be extended to women."

This resolution, on motion of Hon. J. A. Murray, leader of the opposition, and seconded by Mr. L. P. D. Tilley of St. John, passed the legislature this afternoon without a dissenting voice. Thus, through Hon. Mr. Murray's advocacy does the cause of woman suffrage in New Brunswick gain a pronounced step in advance, for the passage of the resolution commits the house to its principle, and the natural sequence of today's action is to introduce and press for passage a measure to give effect to the principle contained in the resolution. That this will be done is regarded as certain. In fact the premier in his address on the resolution intimated that the government might be prepared to consider such a measure, although he contended there was no necessity to hurry about it and gave expression to the view that it would be wise to wait until the Dominion legislation, conferring the boon of franchise in federal elections, had been passed.

The debate was brief but interesting. The speakers on the opposition side were Hon. Mr. Murray, who introduced the motion, and Mr. Tilley, who seconded it. On the government side the speakers were Hon. P. J. Veniot, Hon. Dr. Roberts and Premier Foster, all of whom announced their intention of voting for the resolution. (Continued on page 3).

### Premier Foster Wants To Tax Victory Bonds

Oppose St. John Bill Asking for Authority to Exempt Bonds Purchased in Last Loan Campaign—Hon. Mr. Byrne Introduces Monstrosity in 190 Sections Termed an Act Respecting Incorporation of Villages.

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Fredericton, March 21.—Aside from the brief debate on the woman suffrage resolution, the most interesting feature of the day's session of the legislature came late in the evening.

After the supper recess the House went into committee to consider bills. The first measure of interest came in a bill from St. John asking for authority to exempt from taxation the Victory bonds purchased during the recent campaign in that city. It will be recalled that in the campaign for these bonds the canvass was very generally used that they would not be subject to taxation, and tonight the legislation necessary to obtain that concession was brought before the House. The measure was introduced by Hon. Dr. Roberts, who then stood from under and took no part in urging its passage. What Dr. Roberts might have done had Mr. Foster not privately communicated with him is not known, but it is the fact that after a whispered conversation with the premier, St. John's representative in the provincial cabinet, subsided and it was left to Messrs. Tilley and Potts to state the case for the constituency they represent.

The bill stands for the present.

#### Village Incorporation.

The committee then passed to consideration of an act respecting the incorporation of villages.

This bill which was introduced in the House the other day by Attorney-General Byrne is a most voluminous document consisting of 190 sections, most of which are held by members of the House to be unnecessary.

So sound an authority as Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, ex-attorney-general, is of the opinion that the measure is a most needless length many of the provisions of the legislation already in force.

The consideration of the bill occupied the greater part of the evening and its principal effect was to draw from the Attorney-General the rather peevish declaration that he would not be intimidated by members of the opposition side of the House, and other members of the government felt the same way about it. (Continued on page 2)

#### Premier Opposes Bill.

Mr. Foster opposed the bill on general principles. Mr. Tilley said in effect that when the bond campaign was carried on it was understood that the bonds would be exempt from taxation. The mayor and council of the city of St. John had recommended the measure and he thought their wishes should be respected. Mr. Potts took similar grounds. Mr. Foster said he was exposed to

# FIELD MARSHAL HAIG'S STATEMENT ON GREAT DRIVE TEUTONS PENETRATE THE BRITISH FRONT AT SEVERAL POINTS

### Attacks Delivered in Large Masses Extremely Costly to Hostile Troops Engaged Whose Losses Have Been Exceptionally Heavy — Severe Fighting Continues Along the Entire British Front—Large Numbers of Enemy Reinforcing Troops Appear Behind Enemy's Lines—Austrians Aid Germans.

London, Mar. 21.—Field Marshal Haig's report from British headquarters in France, described the German offensive as comprising an intense bombardment by the artillery and a powerful infantry attack on a front of over fifty miles. Some of the British positions were penetrated but the German losses are declared to have been exceptionally heavy.

On no part of the long front of the attack did the Germans attain their objective. The text of the statement reads:

"At about eight o'clock this morning, after an intense bombardment of both high explosive and gas shells on our forward positions and back areas, a powerful infantry attack was launched by the enemy on a front of over fifty miles, extending from the River Oise, in the neighborhood of LaFere to the Senese river, about Croisilles.

Great Artillery Fire. "A hostile artillery demonstration has taken place on a wide front north of La Bassee Canal and in the Ypres sector.

"The attack, which for some time past was known to be in course of preparation, has been pressed with great vigor and determination throughout the day. On the course of the fighting the enemy broke through our outposts and succeeded in penetrating into our battle positions in certain parts of the front.

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The Attack Launched. British Army Headquarters in France, Mar. 21.—(By the Associated Press)—The Germans this forenoon launched a heavy attack against the British lines over a wide front in and near the Cambrai sector and the assault bears all the earmarks of being the beginning of the enemy's much-heralded grand offensive.

Hard fighting is proceeding from a point north of Lagnicourt and south of Gache Wood, just below Gouzeaucourt. The attack was preceded by a heavy bombardment from guns of all calibres and the duel between the op-

posing heavy batteries has been rocking the countryside for hours.

The Germans have employed gas shells freely, and a constant stream of high velocity shells has been breaking with frightful concussion far back of the British lines.

The bombardment began in earnest at five o'clock this morning and about five hours later the enemy forces hurled themselves on the British front line trenches north of Lagnicourt and Lousval, the latter place lying due west of Bourles.

Big Smoke Barrage. At the same time other German forces advanced behind a smoke barrage along the ridge running northward from Gouzeaucourt. It may be said that the attack in this region was by no means unexpected by the British and they had made great preparations to meet the onslaught.

The two vast forces have been locked in a bitter struggle over this wide front for hours. The bombardment was of a most terrific nature and finally the infantry drove forward against numerous points on the Cambrai sector. The preliminary bombardment had extended from a point below St. Quentin, north of the River Scarpe, and at last reports sanguinary fighting was in progress as far south as the south of Hargicourt and as far north as Bullecourt.

The early stages of the battle would seem to indicate that the enemy was trying to drive a wedge on both sides of the Cambrai salient, south of the salient near Hargicourt and Ronancy. The British had been looking for this attack today.

Not only have prisoners declared that yesterday or today would mark the beginning of the offensive on this front, but there were abundant signs of an enemy smash against this sector, which was the scene of the last great battle in the British theatre.

## HIGH TIME IN THE N. B. LEGISLATURE

### Province Buys Grandfather's Clock for \$300 and Tall Timepiece Will Remain in Historic Chamber—Auctioneer Potts' Persuasive Abilities a Huge Success—First Time Auction Ever Held in Legislature — Proceeds of Sale for Patriotic Purposes.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Mar. 21.—The province of New Brunswick this evening bought a grandfather's clock for \$300, after Mr. F. L. Potts of St. John had conducted a spirited auction sale on the floors of the legislature. It was the first time in the history of the province that such a transaction has been completed within the historic legislative chamber and as Mr. Potts facetiously remarked, it is unlikely that there will ever be a repetition of it.

The clock was made by a returned soldier and taken over by Sir Howard Douglas Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire. They disposed of it by a drawing and the winner, Mrs. Randolph, offered the clock to be sold by auction on the floors of the House, the proceeds to go for patriotic purposes.

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## DIFFICULTIES IN RETURNING THE MILITIA

### In Some Cases Wives Were Separated from Returning Men — Government Investigating

Ottawa, Mar. 21.—A statement with regard to the transportation of Canadian soldiers and civilians from England to Canada was made today by a high official of the militia department who has had experience in this direction.

The transportation of Canadian soldiers and civilians from England to Canada has undergone a sudden expansion in the last few weeks. Pursuits have been given to the "Original Firsts"; a general policy of returning from England troops unfit for general service has been embarked upon somewhat suddenly; and it has been decided to repatriate a large number of Canadian women and children hitherto in England. Thus the volume of governmental passenger traffic westwards across the Atlantic has grown suddenly and heavily.

The situation is that the authorities on the one hand have an unusually heavy task to accomplish, and on the other hand are determined to see that these inevitable difficulties shall not be allowed to cause hardships to the men who have defended Canada and the Empire on the field of battle. A very recent case illustrates the situation.

Five vessels recently arrived in Canada, carrying both military and civilian passengers.

Reports have reached militia headquarters that the conditions under which such embarkation was effected were, in many respects, unsatisfactory. Inquiry will be made. It also is known, however, that the problem set the authorities in England by the embarkation was different. Some of the civilian passengers were the wives and children of soldiers. Thus cases occurred of the husband or father being on one ship and his family on another.

As far as the militia department has been able to learn, the authorities in England responsible for these matters did their very best in different places and in the short time at their disposal.

The whole affair will be investigated.

## PREMIER FOSTER WANTS TO TAX VICTORY BONDS

(Continued from page 1) Mr. Byrne was getting quite "hot up" over the criticism his bill provoked, particularly an opinion of Mr. Baxter that the measure was a "colossal conglomeration of idiosyncrasies."

The indications are that the bill will be very considerably amended and cut up before the committee stage is completed.

The House adjourned at 10.40. County Secretary J. King Kelley and Councillor John O'Brien are here tonight in the interest of municipal legislation.

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DEATHS. DRISCOLL.—On the 20th inst. Edward son of Michael and the late Mary Driscoll, leaving his wife, two children, one brother and two sisters to mourn.

Funeral Friday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock from the residence of his brother, John, 90 Marsh Road.

Shall It Be Hair or No Hair

It Is Up to You

## PRaise FOR THE CANADIAN OFFICERS AT ARGYLL HOUSE

### Cablegram Received from Sir Edward Kemp Read in Parliament—House Discusses Necessity of Granting More Money to Rural Mail Contractors—Hon. Mr. Fielding Warmly Greeted—Complaints Regarding Separation Allowance System, Quartering of Soldiers on Transports and Magdalen Steamship Service.

Ottawa, March 21.—In the House of Commons this afternoon the prime minister read the following cablegram from Sir Edward Kemp in reference to officers and men employed at the London (England) headquarters of the Canadian expeditionary force:

"Of seventy-six officers and two hundred and nine other ranks employed at Argyll House, fifty-five officers and one hundred and twenty-eight other ranks have seen service in the field, the great majority of whom were invalided owing to wounds. On becoming fit they will immediately be replaced by returned casualties. May I direct attention to the fact that the officers in charge of this responsible work at Argyll House are men of high reputation. They are Canadian citizens whose name, for the most part, are household words in Canada. Generally they have abandoned occupations at great sacrifice to perform a service for their country. Heads of branches have continually pressing claims to be freed from onerous duties and exacting tasks with which they have dealt at headquarters in order that they may return to the front.

Sir Sam Hughes—"May I ask whether or not that includes officers and men employed in and around the headquarters in London."

Sir Robert Borden replied that he was not then in a position to give an answer to the question.

## Rural Mail Contracts.

Mr. J. H. Burnham's proposed resolution to the effect that parliament should provide the Postmaster-General with power to revise rural mail contracts, not yet fully executed, because of conditions bearing unfairly on the carriers, caused some comment by members on both sides of the House. Mr. Burnham explained that the Postmaster-General has at present no power to revise a rural mail contract in any way. Some of these contracts made before prices had risen to their present height, had yet a period to run. At the time they were made, the figure agreed upon was sufficient to cover expenses, but the advance in prices of feed for horses, etc., had rendered it too small. He himself knew of cases where rural mail carriers were losing money on the work they were doing in carrying His Majesty's mail. He thought that the Postmaster-General should be authorized, in such cases, to afford relief.

Hon. Mr. Doherty Dismissed. Hon. C. J. Doherty, acting Postmaster-General, disagreed with Mr. Burnham, as to the best remedy for a condition as he described. His remedy would be to cancel existing contracts, when they bore too heavily on the carriers and call for new tenders. These tenders would be based on conditions prevailing at present.

## United States Judge Atkinson, Former Governor, Gives Opinion of Nuxated Iron

### Case Cited by Dr. James Francis Sullivan of General Gordon, Hero of the Battle of Gettysburg, Who at Nearly 85 Years of Age, Obtained Increased Strength and Endurance With a Short Course of This Remarkable Product.

Helps put vim and renewed energy into the veins of the weak, "run-down," infirm and aged—Often increases their strength in ten days' time.

Of great importance to the public generally should be the opinion given of Nuxated Iron by United States Judge Atkinson. For twenty years Judge Atkinson has been in the public service as Judge of the United States Court, Governor, Member of Congress, and United States District Attorney, etc. He has had vast experience in weighing evidence; in separating the truth from the false. Since Nuxated Iron, or "Fer Nuxate" as the French call it, has been introduced into this country, it has taken the people by storm. Druggists everywhere are talking about its immense sale, it being estimated that over three million people annually are using it in this country alone. It has been highly endorsed and prescribed by well known physicians like Dr. Schuyler C. Jacques, Visiting Surgeon, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, New York City. It has been used by many prominent men like former United States Senator Wm. E. Mason and Charles A. Towne who bear unusually strong testimony as to its great strength and endurance giving properties. Former Health Commissioner Wm. B. Keeney of New York thought to be prescribed by every physician and used in every hospital in this country.



United States Judge G. W. Atkinson, former Governor of West Virginia, Member of Congress, and United States District Attorney. Read below his opinion of NUXATED IRON.

Another remarkable case is that of General David Stuart Gordon, noted Indian fighter and hero of the Battle of Gettysburg. In citing this case Dr. James Francis Sullivan, formerly physician of Bellevue Hospital (Outdoor Dept.) New York, and the West County Hospital says: "The act that General Gordon now declares that within a month Nuxated Iron revived his weakened vital forces and made him feel strong again with an endurance which he never hoped to again possess brings out more clearly than anything else the force of what I have contended, namely: that physicians should prescribe more organic iron—Nuxated Iron—for their weak, nervous, anaemic, run-down patients."



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## THE WEATHER.

Toronto, Ont., Mar. 21.—The weather has continued mild today, throughout the dominion, except in Manitoba, where the temperature has been a little lower than for the past few days.

Maritime—Fresh to strong easterly winds; showers before night.

Northern New England—Local rains Friday or Friday night; Saturday probably fair and somewhat colder, northeast winds increasing.

	Min	Max
Dawson	33	6
Prince Rupert	34	40
Victoria	42	50
Vancouver	42	48
Edmonton	15	38
Battleford	12	36
Prince Rupert	12	34
Saskatoon	17	36
Moosajaw	24	48
Winnipeg	24	38
Port Arthur	34	58
Parry Sound	30	38
London	29	73
Toronto	36	39
Ottawa	26	46
Montreal	26	44
St. John	30	52
Halifax	26	52

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# GERMANS OPEN HEAVY FIRE ON BRITISH FRONT

## ROAR OF GUNS IN FRANCE IS HEARD DISTINCTLY IN ENGLAND

### Teutons Getting Ready for Spring Movement — Two Enemy Destroyers and Two Enemy Torpedo Boats Sunk by Five British and French Destroyers off Dunkirk — Rumania Called Upon to Surrender — Russian Towns Evacuated.

London, Mar. 21.—"We are at the decisive moment of the war, and one of the greatest moments in German history," said Emperor William in a telegram to the Rhenish Provincial Council, according to a Central News despatch from Amsterdam.

The Germans soon before dawn this morning began a heavy bombardment over a wide section of the British front. The statement follows:

"A heavy bombardment was opened by the enemy a little before dawn this morning against our whole front from the neighborhood of Venduill, south of St. Quentin to the River Scarpe.

"A successful raid was carried out by us last night in the neighborhood of St. Quentin. Thirteen prisoners and three machine guns were brought back by our troops. Prisoners also were taken in patrol encounters southeast of Messines and in another successful raid carried out by us south of Houtloist Forest.

"A raid undertaken by the enemy in the neighborhood of Armentieres was repulsed.

**Heard at Dover.**

London, Mar. 21.—The artillery action on the western front could be distinctly heard at Dover and other towns on the east coast of England. The doors and windows of the houses at Dover, for instance, were continuously shaken by the heavy concussion.

The firing, which was the heaviest that has been heard in this district from such a distance, began at three o'clock this morning and lasted at brief intervals until seven a. m.

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Edmundston, Mar. 21.—Miss Agnes May Theriault, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Theriault of St. Anne, and Miss Minnie R. Richard of Van Buren have joined a telephone girls unit to assist in winning the war in France. They were employed at Presque Isle. Miss Theriault was educated at St. Basil Convent.

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## HON. J. A. MURRAY'S VOTES FOR WOMEN RESOLUTION ENDORSED UNANIMOUSLY

**Hon. J. A. Murray.**

In rising to introduce his resolution the leader of the opposition was greeted with applause. He referred to the fact that in 1909 W. F. Hathe-way, then member of the legislature from the city of St. John, had introduced a bill providing for the extension of the franchise to women. At that time the speaker was opposed to the proposal, but there had been a marked change in public sentiment since 1909 and his own views had been affected. Many events had taken place that had led thinking people to change their minds on the question of women in politics and in public life. This change had been emphasized by the events of the war in the splendid part taken by the women in all patriotic activities.

**Women's work in this direction had brought a realizing sense of their ability to bear their full part in the public life of the country.** In 1909 women had been referred to as angels going into the dark places of the cities and spreading light and goodness. If they merited to be called by that term apply today in the light of the great work of mercy they had accomplished in connection with this tragedy of war.

**The Federal Campaign.**

He then referred feelingly to the part the women played in the Union Government campaign. By their effort then they had measured up to the standard and had won the approval of all by their keen, intelligent interest and their work in the cause in which they had engaged. The movement to grant the suffrage to women had seen wonderful development since 1909 until in Canada every province but Quebec and the Maritime provinces had decided to extend the franchise. In Nova Scotia a bill for that purpose would be brought down this session. In Great Britain measures to that end had been taken and he believed the time would come when women would have the franchise there. The resolution before the house ascribed to the principle that women should have the provincial franchise.

**Not Party Question.**

Mr. Murray emphasized the point that it was not a party question, but each member of the legislature saw fit, but he felt sure that the time had come when the legislature of this province should pass an act conferring the franchise upon women. He did not purpose to discuss the motion at length for he believed the case in favor of the vote for women was so strong that it required no prolonged advocacy. The Opposition leader was vigorously applauded as he finished his forcible little address.

**Mr. Tilley.**

Mr. Tilley, the seconder, referred to the defeat of Dr. Roberts' bill last year by seven or eight votes. He supported the bill then and intended to vote for the motion this time. Last year the Minister of Public Works, Mr. Veniot, had been rather critical of his (Tilley's) speech because Mr. Veniot's remarks in opposition to women suffrage were largely based on a speech which the speaker had made in 1913. He was glad to be able to give the Minister of Public Works material on which to build speeches and also glad that Mr. Veniot had been big enough to give him credit for changing his opinion. When he opposed the bill in 1913 he used the same arguments he had been accustomed to use in the debates in the Fredericton Grammar School when, as a boy of fifteen years or so, he had participated in them. There was the argument that the proper place for women was in the home that participation in politics and in elections would have a demeaning and degrading effect, and that it was not her proper sphere to mix in such affairs. He would like to ask the house if the same noble work they did in this case since the outbreak of the war in any way demeaned or degraded themselves or if they had lost any of their qualities of womanliness as a result of their activity.

**As Much As Men.**

Since the outbreak of the war women of the country had done as much as the men in furtherance of the aims of the Nation. When it was decided to form a Union Government at Ot-

come in New Brunswick as elsewhere, and in this connection he referred to the remarkable change of sentiment of the last few years. It was but a few years ago when windows were smashed in London and politicians were being beaten up by ardent advocates of women suffrage, yet the idea had made such progress there that it would eventually be successful. He had been favorably impressed by the work of the women in the war, and believed that his government could be depended upon in time to introduce a bill granting a measure of franchise to women, but there was no need to hurry it along. He thought it would be well to wait until the Dominion franchise act had been passed so that our legislation would be brought into uniformity with it.

The motion was then put without further debate and carried without a dissenting voice.

The debate drew out the largest gallery that has been seen in the House since the opening day. Ladies were there in abundance and to judge by appearances they seemed eminently well satisfied that the motion had been successful.

**Salts Fine For Aching Kidneys**

We eat too much meat which clogs Kidneys, then the Back hurts.

Most folks forget that the kidneys, like the bowels, get sluggish and clogged and need a flushing occasionally, else we have backache and dull misery in the kidney region, severe headaches, rheumatic twinges, torpid liver, acid stomach, sleeplessness and all sorts of bladder disorders.

You simply must keep your kidneys active and clean, and the moment you feel an ache or pain in the kidney region, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good drug store here, take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is harmless to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity. It also neutralizes the acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder disorders.

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A well-known local druggist says he sells lots of Jad Salts to folks who believe in overcoming kidney trouble while it is only trouble.

**RETURNED SOLDIERS.**

Halifax, Mar. 21.—Following are names of returned soldiers: Gunner J. R. Bramble, Shannon, P.O. N.B.; Pte. P. Murray, St. John; Gunner R. N. Stableford, Sussex; Pte. B. Crawford, Moncton; Pte. W. E. Montford, St. John.

**Hon. Dr. Roberts.**

Hon. Dr. Roberts opened his remarks by saying he was glad to realize that his address of last year and other things had moved the opposition.

Mr. Murray took the same objection taken by Mr. Veniot to the remarks of Mr. Tilley. Nothing had moved the opposition act in this matter. He had been impelled to move his resolution by his own recognition of the right of women to the franchise.

Dr. Roberts continuing said he endorsed the principle of the motion and would vote for it.

Premier Foster complimented Mr. Murray on his presentation of the case. He had expected that some measure of this sort would engage the attention of the House during the present session, for there was a general disposition to give the women a larger share in the public affairs of the country. He did not think the resolution could do any harm and it might be productive of good. It dealt with the question in the abstract and was sufficiently broad to allow members to vote on it in that way. Speaking for himself and himself alone, he said he would vote for it, but he had yet to be convinced that the women of the province as a whole desire the vote. He felt that out of every ten women, two wanted the franchise, two were indifferent and the other six were indifferent.

**Votes for women, however, must**

**INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE.**

A college debate between U. N. B. vs. St. Francis Xavier, will be held Tuesday, March 26th, at 8 p.m. The subject is "Resolved that minimum wage legislation should be enacted for employees in mines, workshops, factories and stores in Canada." This subject is now being considered by some of our provincial legislatures, and it is a live one. It answers the question, how are we going to protect our Canadian workmen and our boys, who are "over there," when they come back, from the unfair competition of foreign labor?



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**"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until the 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.**

## ECONOMY UNDER THE FOSTER GOVERNMENT.

The annual report of Hon. P. J. Veniot as Minister of Public Works which was laid on the table of the Legislature on Wednesday afternoon contains abundant evidence of the reckless prodigality with which the public money of the province is being dissipated on the services administered by his department. Take the two items of ordinary bridges and ordinary roads. We find that during the year the government expended on ordinary bridges the sum of \$217,145.38, and on ordinary roads \$226,843.93, or a total of \$443,989.31. The appropriation for the services was \$300,000, so already the Fosterites are \$143,989.31 over-expended on these items alone. Under the rule of the former Government the appropriation for ordinary roads and ordinary bridges averaged \$300,000 per year and this amount was expended as, as the people well knew, with far better results than we have today.

During the last election campaign members of the Foster party raised their voices in every county in the province in protest to high heaven against what they termed the gross extravagance of the Murray Government. Yet in its first term, Mr. Foster's "business administration" has eclipsed all records for prodigality and has thrown away the road and bridge money by the handful, obtaining for the people but very indifferent returns.

It should not be forgotten that during the year the Foster government borrowed \$500,000 on account of permanent roads. Mr. Veniot's report shows that to the close of the fiscal year they had expended \$334,066.65 of this, while Mr. Smith of Carleton in reply to a question as to the expenditure on permanent roads since the close of the fiscal year, obtained the information that \$78,086.76 had been spent. Add these two amounts and the total is \$412,153.41 as the total of permanent road expenditure. To this, add the sum over-expended on ordinary roads and bridges and we find that out of their bond issue and all their ordinary appropriation the government has spent the appalling total of \$856,142.72 on the roads and bridges of the province, and this takes no account of expenditures on permanent bridges.

The question can well be asked: What have the people received for their money? Instead of practising economy the Foster government is doing the very reverse. There has not yet been opportunity at Fredericton to bring all these matters out across the floors of the House, but there can be no question but that before the present session has ended the Minister of Public Works and his colleagues will be called sharply to account for their recklessness. Mr. Foster in opposition promised the people a business government. Mr. Foster in power seems well content to sit supinely by and allow stronger hands to run the ship of state. And judging from present indications the course taken by Pilot Veniot leads straight for the rocks of provincial bankruptcy. It will not do. It is not what the people of New Brunswick were led to expect when this government took office, but every day reveals the truth of the situation and the truth is that a government which won its way to power by false pretences finds, when enthroned in the administrative benches, that it is utterly incapable of properly administering public affairs. The material is not there. One cannot make constructive statements or careful administrators out of the men by whom the present leader has surrounded himself.

## THE SUFFRAGE FOR WOMEN.

That the women of this province should have a voice and vote in the selection of the men who administer our provincial affairs as well as those who go to Ottawa to care for the business of the Dominion, will appeal to all as sound common sense. Let us, for a moment, depart from the path of argument usually followed in the discussion of women suffrage and consider the question purely from a business standpoint. If it is a good argument to say that the interest of the women in the affairs of the Dominion is sufficiently great to entitle them to a vote in Dominion elections, why cannot the same reasoning be applied to votes for women of New Brunswick in provincial affairs? The business management of this province vitally affects the people of this province, men and women alike. It is to our provincial government that we look for the administration of our schools, for the provision of our roads and bridges, for the encouragement of agriculture,

and the development of our resources. Why then should the women of the province not have a voice in selecting the men to take charge of the administration where their real interest lies?

As to the argument that participation in politics or in public life will have a tendency to degrade the women of the land, that has been answered every day since the outbreak of war. The women of the land have practically taken charge of some of the greatest undertakings necessary to our participation in the war and they have done it well. It is not recorded that their activities in this line have tended to rob them of their womanly qualities or make them less gentle or less refined. Therefore that argument falls and the thing to consider is not the effect participation in politics will have upon our women, but the effect our women will have upon our politics. The Standard believes that the effect will be good and that public life will be better and cleaner when the women have a voice in the selection of public representatives.

That the women will exercise their franchise with intelligent discernment and a keen regard for the interests of the country is well demonstrated by the experience of the last Dominion election. In that contest the women worked for their men folk overseas and they worked well. To them in very large measure must be given the credit for the splendid victory achieved and it is a certainty that in the future they will play an ever-increasing part in the public affairs of this country. That this is their right is recognized by the Prime Minister of Canada, who will introduce a bill at the present session at Parliament to give women the vote in Dominion elections.

In the light of this action Hon. J. A. Murray, Opposition leader in the Legislature, is entitled to a full measure of credit for the resolution he introduced in that body yesterday by which he took the first step in the direction of securing the franchise for the women of New Brunswick, the resolution passed the House without a dissenting voice and it is assumed that a bill will soon be submitted to give effect to the desired reform. It is to be hoped that when that bill comes before the House the gentlemen supporting Premier Foster will give to the same measure of support they accorded to yesterday's resolution. If they do not they will show themselves to be sadly out of joint with the times, for woman suffrage is one of the political reforms that is certain of adoption in all parts of the civilized world. At present, of all the Canadian provinces, only the Maritimes and Quebec withhold the franchise from women, and in Nova Scotia a measure is already being taken to remedy this condition. Mr. Murray and those who voted with him in the Legislature yesterday will merit the warmest commendation and support of all who believe that our women should take the place in the public life of the country to which they have shown themselves to be entitled and for which they are eminently qualified.

## WHAT MR. H. M. BLAIR GOT.

In the Legislature a few days ago an enquiry from Mr. Smith of Carleton elicited the information that Hon. Mr. Veniot had engaged Mr. Harry M. Blair as a special official for the collection of delinquent motor vehicle fees, and for the enforcement of the act. Mr. Blair was employed by the department for three months and in that time drew from the public treasury the sum of \$1,200. In the report of the public works department this amount is classified as follows:

Three months' salary at \$125.....	\$375
Monthly allowance for expenses including use of car three months at \$25.....	\$225
Total.....	\$600

Mr. Blair, it will be remembered, is the gentleman who was formerly employed as secretary of the department and who figured rather notoriously in an investigation conducted by Mr. M. G. Teed, K. C. into certain bridge expenditure of the department when under the superintendence of Mr. John Murray. At that investigation it was shown that Mr. Blair had also been concerned in a transaction involving the gift of certain stock in a company holding a contract with the department. Now agencies holding provincial contracts do not make gifts of stock to officials of the department with which they are doing business, unless they expect some favor in return for such gift. Evidently it was so in Mr. Blair's case although that gentleman, when on the witness stand, declared

there was no improper relation between him and the company and rather intimated that the gift of stock was made purely as an evidence of friendship on the part of the contractor. What the commissioner thought of this evidence may be gleaned from the fact that he referred to Mr. Blair as a man whose testimony he would not believe under oath. Following that investigation Mr. Blair speedily terminated his connection with the provincial public works, but did not remain long out of the service. Mr. Veniot took charge early last year and lost no time in seeking to reward Mr. Blair for his services to the party in connection with the Carleton county by-election and in other ways. Consequently, we find this gentleman, who has already been stamped by a royal commissioner as unreliable, figuring once more on the department payroll, only this time he appears as a special collector of delinquent motor vehicle fees, and for three months' work in that connection manages to extract \$1,200 from the province. Surely Mr. Veniot has amply rewarded the ex-secretary for his political labors, but there is no reason why the public should pay the bill. It is quite possible that an officer for the collection of such fees is a necessary official. But such an official should not cost the province \$1,200 for three months' work, and when it is remembered that the official in question is Harry M. Blair, the discredited and dismissed one-time secretary of the department, the whole transaction has a mighty suspicious appearance.

## THE GERMAN DRIVE.

The German offensive with all the force the Kaiser's armies have been able to muster has been expected for some time. That they should secure preliminary successes is not a matter of deep concern, because beyond doubt the Allies will at once reinforce the threatened positions to an extent which will make a further aggressive impossible. This operation is not likely to be decided in a few days, and while the Germans may succeed in attaining some of their objectives, it is a certainty that such a success will be attended by very heavy losses.

It will be much easier to count the German army after this offensive has finished than it was before.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### WILL IT BE TOO LATE AGAIN?

To the Editor:  
Once upon a time, before the era of the great war, there was a slogan which ran, "Wake Up England." Since 1914 England has had a great awakening, and now fully realizes the menace to her existence. This slogan was afterward changed to read, "Wake Up Canada." Hitherto the message has not been properly impressed upon our people here. Premier Jordan has repeatedly insisted on the equality of opportunity, service, and sacrifice; but we assert with full knowledge of the situation, that he has not been supported by some of his colleagues, or by the people as a whole. We certainly have the equality of opportunity; but it is not followed to its logical conclusion. Far from it. The history of the Military Service Act, as at present developed, shows a very pronounced objection to equal service and sacrifice. The theory back of the Act has not been carried out in practice. We have undoubted proof that the provisions of the Act have not been followed with strict impartiality, either as to class or individual. Handicaps, official and otherwise, have tied the hands of those appointed to apply conscientiously the principle of selective conscription. The very class of men are kept home who would be the ideal type of fighters. The misfits who are not of much utility at home, or at the front, have to be returned home at a great expense to the country. The Government, for reasons best known to itself, has to a great extent, by its own procedure, nullified a law of its own making, which was originally intended to raise the reinforcements demanded by and promised to our gallant representatives who are over there in Europe, fighting to the limit of human endurance, to preserve our national and individual freedom, and to protect us all from the infernal effects of a possible victory for Germanic absolutism.

### AT SCHOOL.

The young "pride of the family" had been to school for the first time in his short six years. "What did you learn?" asked his mother, as mothers always ask on the afternoon after the morning before. "Little Johnny frowned." "I didn't learn nothing," he replied. "I have to go back to-morrow!"—*Indianapolis News.*

### NOT PIKERS.

"O, Mary! Last night I dreamed we had the nicest little runabout, and—" "John Henry Smith, you do right back to sleep and dream a Remountain, or get out and walk! There'll be no cheap dreaming in this family!"—*Richmond Times Dispatch.*

### PITY THE NEIGHBORS.

"Is your daughter fond of the needle?" "Very, if you refer to the gramophone needle."

There are many cases where there are three to five or more brothers in one family. In very few cases will they listen to an appeal for at least one of the family to volunteer for service. I have made such appeals many times so far without result. In the case of farmers, when we have tried to use the principle of selective conscription, and compelled one to take his place in the ranks, we have been confronted with official hints to leave them alone, as a privileged class. Affidavits are plentiful to prove men are over or under the age limit, when no collateral evidence is to the contrary. When we contrast the official figures, we see that the very thing for which the Government received a mandate,

## Little Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE.  
The Sparrows.

O the sparrows sing and hop and fly,  
And fly and hop and sing,  
And walk on the snow in their little bare feet,  
Proving you can get used to anything.

They don't fly south in winter,  
When the other birds have all flew,  
O is it because they are braver,  
Or because they mite miss something if they do?

They always seem exter blazy,  
And make little chirps with their tung,  
And whenever you look and cant see em,  
They're home slipping their yung.

They don't fly away till you get rite up close,  
Being because they're either tame or lazy,  
But if one let you get close enough to put salt on his tail  
The others wood think it was crazy.

Sparrows are very fond of crumbs,  
And with pleasure they peck them rite in,  
But if you offered one a hole loaf of bread,  
It woodnt know wate to begin.

They like to set on telephone wires  
And look around with animation,  
And you never can tell, wen youre telephoning,  
Weather theres sparrows on your conversation.

is largely a failure. Why? The people demand an answer to this query. We demand that from now on, there shall be no more equivocation or procrastination. The present circumstances are too serious to allow this question of reinforcements to be sidetracked or delayed any longer. Statesmen, play the game; and cut out playing to the gallery. Hangers-back and hangers-on, be men for once. Make no longer vain excuses. One step to the front. Quick march. Is there a man with soul so dead that he will refuse to fight for freedom.

W. H. BRAMLEY,  
Bath, N. B.

## A BIT OF VERSE

THE LITTLE FATHER.  
Nichol, Nichol, Little Car,  
How I wonder where you are?  
You who thought it best to fly,  
Being so afraid to die.  
Now the sullen crowds are gone,  
Now there's nought to fire upon;  
Sweet your sleigh bells ring afar,  
Tinkle, tinkle, Little Car.

Little Car, with soul so small,  
How are you a Car at all?  
You had been a happier lot,  
In some peasant's humble cot,  
Yet to you was given a day  
With a noble part to play,  
As an Emperor and a man;  
When it came—"then Nicky ran."

Little Car, beware the hour  
When the people strikes at power;  
Soul and body held in thrall,  
They are human after all.  
Thrones that reek of blood and fears  
Fall before the avenging years.  
While you watch your sinking star,  
Tremble, tremble, Little Car!

## A BIT OF FUN

Usually the fellow who depends on a boost to get him to the top has to have help after he gets there.

The race isn't always to the swift, but the slow are seldom favorites in the betting.

Spring has every opportunity to make herself popular this year.

The Joy Out of Life.  
They had been dining in state in the dining car, Husband, who is a teacher of English, was glad that little daughter had behaved so perfectly. Mother also was in a happy frame of mind. There were numerous other diners in the car and the parents were proud of their child. Not a single thing had happened to mar the serenity of the occasion. Finally the meal was over and they started to leave the car. Their way took them past all of the other tables. Suddenly the little girl felt impelled to ask a question.

"Mother," she called in a shrill voice, "aren't we going to wash the dishes?"—*Indianapolis News.*

Halifax, Mar. 20—Word was received tonight from Lunenburg that the schooner Allison H. Maxner had been lost off Eastern Point and that probably all hands perished. Wreckage was discovered there, including the stern of a vessel, sticking out of the water with the name Allison H. Maxner, Lunenburg. The schooner was bound from Turk's Island with salt.

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ANNUAL PHYSICAL EXHIBITION HELD

Large Attendance at the Y. M. C. A. Last Evening—Gymnasium Prettily Decorated—An Excellent Programme Enjoyed.

The annual physical exhibition at the Y.M.C.A. last evening was well attended and those who have attended previous ones were of the opinion that this year's performance was the best yet held. The gymnasium was prettily decorated with various flags and the numerous Japanese lanterns hung around the edge of the balcony lent a novel effect to the scene. Music was provided by the Y.M.C.A. orchestra, the piano accompanists being R. S. Coupe and W. Belyea. The programme included acrobatic tumbling by F. Thorne and W. Belyea; scholastic by junior "A" class; gallop, junior "B" class; pyramids by High School and business boys; bar work, senior leaders; aerobatics, junior "B" leaders; and the jumping jacks, the senior leaders; the Highland fling and other dances were given by Alex. Gibbs. The clowns with their funny antics and the living statuary were also interesting features of the entertainment. The performance will be repeated this evening.

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OBITUARY

Pte. Angus McVicar.

Many friends in the city will regret to hear of the sudden death of Pte. Angus John McVicar, which occurred on March 9 at Morham Hospital, Sidney, C.B. Private McVicar, who returned to Canada early in July, 1916, was a member of the original 25th Nova Scotia Battalion. He received the wound that caused his death at Camel, where the 25th and 26th were holding trenches.

Besides a brother, Corp. Daniel McVicar of the engineers, Halifax, he is survived by his mother, which occurred Nova Scotia and Cape Breton, including an aunt, Mrs. McDonald, with whom he made his home. Pte. McVicar spent a year and a half in the Parks Convalescent Home and Army Hospital in St. John.

Soldier's Child Dead.

Much sympathy is extended to Mrs. Harry Hewitt, 94 Rockland road, in the loss of her baby girl, Leona Winnifred, aged ten months. The little one was sick only a short time with bronchial pneumonia. Besides her father, who is in France, she leaves to mourn her mother and one brother, Ernest, at home.

Miss Teresa Alice Brown.

The death of Miss Teresa Alice Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brown, 156 Mill street, occurred early yesterday morning in the St. John County Hospital. Miss Brown was 17 years old. Besides her parents she leaves four brothers, Edgar, overseas, and William, Joseph and John at home, and four sisters—Mrs. Wallace Johnston of this city and the Misses Margaret, Eileen and Gladys at home.

FUNERALS

The funeral of John D. Breen took place yesterday afternoon at 2:30 from his late residence, Long Island, Kings county. Rev. H. Waterton officiated and interment was made at Clifton.

London, Mar. 19.—The Spanish cabinet has resigned, according to a Reuters despatch from Bilbao. The Spanish premier, Marquis De Alvearas, presented the resignation of his cabinet on March 9, but the following day yielded to the request of King Alfonso and agreed to continue in office. It was announced at that time that no changes would be made in the cabinet.



EVIDENCE GIVEN BY PILOTS AND OTHERS AT INVESTIGATION

Hearing Was Resumed in Board of Trade Rooms Yesterday—All in Favor of Consolidation of the Present Districts into One—Suggested Pilots Be Placed Under Supervision of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries.

The investigation into pilotage matters here was continued yesterday and a number of witnesses gave evidence at the two sessions held. All the witnesses were in favor of a consolidation of the present districts into one with the establishment of a steam pilot tender at a point about eight miles from Partridge Island. There was a suggestion made that the pilots be placed directly under the supervision of the minister of marine and fisheries, as apprentices were taken from seafaring men and be required to pass an examination equal to that for second mate. R. H. Blennerhasset gave evidence regarding the carrying of boats between the islands as in his opinion that it would be a good thing to have muniton steamers fly a red flag by day and show a red light by night.

Morning Session. At the morning session the first witness was Capt. W. R. Bennett. The witness thought sixteen pilots was enough for this port. With regard to apprentices he favored compulsory attendance at the school of navigation here and he would take boys between sixteen and eighteen years of age. The apprentice should pass an examination equal to that for second mate. He said it was hard to make an age limit as some men were better at sixty than others of forty-five. He was in favor of making one district and having a boat located about eight miles below Partridge Island. Pilot Fenwick McKelvey told of his apprenticeship and said the pilots had shown him everything they could. He thought two years too long to spend at sea although they should have some sea training. The witness favored the present method of collecting the pilotage dues to the pilot do it himself.

Secretary Thomas placed in evidence a statement of the tonnage before the war. Commander Elliot said that there were no traffic regulations for the port of St. John. He favored the consolidation of the three districts. J. Willard Smith, one of the pilot commissioners, expressed the opinion that St. John should reciprocate with Portland in the matter of free pilotage. He favored a steam station, but thought it should be located further down the Bay than was suggested by Capt. Bennett. He thought a sailing vessel could be used just as well as a steamer for this station.

Afternoon Session. The first witness at the afternoon session was R. H. Blennerhasset of the C. P. R., who advocated the establishment of one station with a boat stationed there all the time. They had in Canada what he called a range and considered the charge of \$10 and \$15 for moving steamers reasonable. In regard to muniton ships the witness said there had not been any come into port this winter. Those that loaded here all took their cargo at No. 16 which was quite a distance from the other berths and the utmost care was used in the handling. This class of goods was loaded right from the cars and was never placed in the sheds. The military guards on the wharf did good work but it was felt there should be a more efficient patrol service in the harbor. He thought it would be a good thing to have ships with muniton on board fly a red flag in the day time and show a red light at night.

D. W. Ledingham of William Thomson Co., was the next witness. His firm were agents for the Manchester R. M. S. P. Furness Withy and Head Lines. He thought it would be an improvement if the three districts were made one and a permanent station adopted. None of the vessels for which they were agents were in the exempted class. He felt that it would be an improvement if all the pilotage districts in Canada were placed directly under the marine and fisheries department. The witness was of the opinion that all Canadian registered vessels in the coastwise trade should be exempt from pilotage.

Pilot James H. Miller was then called. He was of the opinion that three years was hardly long enough to get the knowledge of local conditions in the Bay that a pilot required. The witnesses learned the tide, set of the currents, the use of the lead, how to take bearings and cross bearings, and how to use the chart. The pilot boats did not keep any regular log, but the witness thought this should be done in order that a pilot might always have his bearings. He thought the establishment of one station instead of the three would be a good move.

Capt. A. G. Potter thought that all inter-provincial trading vessels should be exempt from pilotage, provided they had a man capable of bringing them into harbor, as master. He was in favor of compulsory pilotage but thought the master of a trader should be required to get a license before acting as his own pilot. In his opinion the government should take over the pilot systems and pay the men a salary. He suggested the maintaining of a combined life saving and pilot station on Partridge Island with the steam tender lying between eight and ten miles below the island. C. Chesley, member of the pilotage commission favored the taking over the whole pilotage system of the country by the government and placing all the pilots directly under the minister of marine and fisheries. He was not a believer in the present apprentice system. He thought the

FIRST ROBINS HAVE ARRIVED

Interesting Facts Relating to the Feathered Tribe—Wild Geese Flying North After Spending Winter Months in the South.

Notwithstanding the prolonged cold weather we have had our summer birds are returning on schedule time and it is interesting to note that no matter what kind of weather we may have or how inclement it may be, the birds usually arrive about the same time each year. The returning crows and robins began to arrive some time ago; indeed, quite a number of these birds remain in southern New Brunswick all winter. The wild geese have been reported to be passing north and from now the migratory sparrows, blackbirds, woodpeckers and thrushes, warblers and swallows will arrive in about the order named. The question is often asked: "Where do they spend the winter?" The crows and many of the sparrows only go far enough south to be sure of a plentiful supply of food, usually from the New England States southward. The wild geese spend the winter in Florida and other southern states. The blackbirds, song sparrows and old tom peabody, from Massachusetts to the southern states. The black ducks go as far south as the West Indies. Some of our most common birds are great travellers. The tiny humming bird winters in Florida and Central America. The barn swallow and bobolink goes to Southern Brazil. The night hawk also spends the winter in South America as do many others of our common warblers. The Arctic tern is undoubtedly the greatest traveller, going back and forth each year from the Arctic to the Antarctic Circle, travelling thus many thousands of miles each year.

CHILDREN HAD WHOOPING COUGH

Whooping cough, although specially a disease of childhood, is by no means confined to that period, but may occur at any time of life. It is one of the most dangerous diseases of infancy, and yearly causes more deaths than scarlet fever, typhoid or diphtheria, and is more common in female than male children. Whooping coughs start with sneezing, watering of the eyes, irritation of the throat, feverishness and cough. The coughing attacks occur frequently, but are generally more severe at night.

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Kiltarity, N. S., Mar. 21—This letter from Mr. Cameron should make every reader of this paper think. If you happen to be a sufferer from rheumatism Mr. Cameron's experience may prove of incalculable value to you. He spent money liberally in a vain effort to obtain cure, and finally found the effective treatment at a cost of \$2.00 for eight boxes of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. This treatment set the liver and kidneys right and swept from the system the poison which caused pains and aches and all the suffering from rheumatism. Write to Mr. Cameron and verify the statements contained in his letter. Mr. Neil A. Cameron, Kiltarity, N. S., writes: "I am glad to recommend Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills to anyone who is suffering from rheumatism. For about twenty-five years I was bothered more or less with this affliction. I was treated by doctors all over Nova Scotia, and when on business in New York had an opportunity to consult one of the greatest specialists there; but I never gained more than temporary relief. In an effort to get rid of the accumulating development of the disease I tried Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and when I had taken eight boxes I was, to my astonishment, totally cured. I therefore heartily recommend these Pills to all who suffer from rheumatism, and anyone who doubts this testimonial may write me as proof to the contrary." Rev. James A. Collins, P. P., says: "This is to certify that I am personally acquainted with Mr. Neil A. Cameron, and believe his statement is true, and to my personal knowledge correct." Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, one pill a dose, 25c a box, at all dealers, or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Limited, Toronto. Refuse substitutes, for they only disappoint.

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MONTREAL SALES. (McDOUGALL & COWANS.) Table listing sales for Cedar Bonds, Steamships, etc.

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N. Y. COTTON MARKET. (McDOUGALL & COWANS.) Table with columns for High, Low, Close for various cotton grades.

WALL ST. PEEVED OVER NEWSPAPER REPORTS ON WAR. Claimed That Much That is Published Bewilders the Market. THE PROFITERS AND CENSORS CRITICISED. Long Accounts Are Being Reduced in Some of the Equipments.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.) New York, March 21.—We take occasion to warn active investors not to place too much credence in newspaper reports of matters affecting the war. It will be the padded cell for them if they do. Between the ramifications of the German publicity agencies and the allied and Washington counter-propaganda, it will take more than a Philadelphia lawyer to separate the wheat from the chaff and the most of it is plain fake chaff. The public would be surprised to know how little real news is printed unvarnished. It is small wonder that the market act bewildered. There are good reasons for believing that the great game of profiteering—first played by capital and now by labor—will soon come to an end, honest men and the real people get their due, and the war prosecuted with that efficiency without which it will be lost to the Allies.

Evidently this Wall Street authority refers mainly to certain newspapers in the United States, for it is probable he does not intend to condemn the war news of all newspapers any more than the newspapers or the public would condemn all brokerage houses, because there may be shysters among them. Wall Street knows that the newspapers are under strict censorship, and there is a heavy penalty for the dissemination of false reports in connection with the war.

For military reasons it would not do to publish everything connected with the war. Each government issues statements two or three times daily, and announcements are made from time to time in the House of Commons. If American papers are printing "fake chaff" there should be a remedy at Washington.

CHICAGO PRODUCE. (McDOUGALL & COWANS.) Table with columns for High, Low, Close for various grain products like Corn, Oats, etc.

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CORN MARKET MUCH STRONGER. Active Demand from Exporters Carry Oats Market Up Grade—Pit Bare of Offerings. Chicago, Mar. 21.—Continued falling off in receipts here put fresh strength today into the corn market. It was generally accepted that favorable conditions for field work would still further restrict the crop movement. Buying, however, was of only a scattered character. After opening unchanged, with May 1.25 1/2, the market scored a substantial advance.

Market quotations this week show a slight advance in some lines but for the greater part prices remain unchanged from last week. Rice has advanced from \$9.95 and \$9.00 to \$10.00 and \$9.25, yellow-eyed beans from \$10.25 and \$10.40 to \$10.50 and \$10.60. Liverpool salt, per sack, is \$210 to \$215. In canned goods pineapple, sliced, is \$2.80 to \$3.00; peaches, 2 1/2, \$2.50 to \$2.75; raspberries and strawberries, \$3.10 to \$3.20. In meats and spring lamb, 25 cents; case eggs, 50 to 52 cents. In fruits, bananas are \$3.50 to \$5.00; lemons, \$9.00 to \$10.00; California oranges, \$1.00; Canadian onions, bags, \$2.50 to \$2.55, and Florida oranges, \$8.00 to \$9.00.

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BRISK DEMAND FOR LIBERTY BONDS IS WALL ST. FEATURE. Dealings in Stocks Diminish Steadily Until the Final Hour. INDUSTRIALS AND OILS MODERATELY ACTIVE. Texas Co. Advances Five Points and Other Specialties Gain.

New York, Mar. 21.—Another brisk inquiry for Liberty bonds was the distinguishing feature of today's session of the stock exchange. Dealings in stocks diminished steadily until the final hour, when moderate activity set in under the lead of Industrials and Oils. These shares were favored because of an advance in crude oil prices and intimations from Washington that the new schedule for steel and iron would in all probability eliminate existing inequalities.

Texas Company was foremost among the oils at an extreme gain of five points and United States Steel was pointed out of its previous torpor, gaining almost a point on relatively heavy accumulation. Other Substantial Gains. Other substantial gains were confined to such specialties as American Car, inactive equipments and Industrial Alcohol, Distillers Securities and Malt, all of which advanced 1 to 3 points.

Liberty issues again constituted the sole feature of the bond market, second 4's gaining almost one per cent, but reacting sharply later. Sales (par value) aggregated \$6,500,000. United States bonds (old issues) unchanged on call.

BANK OF ENGLAND. London, March 21.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve increased, £74,000; bullion increased, £1,624,000; other deposits increased, £2,979,000; public deposits increased, £5,283,000; government securities increased, £261,000. The proportion of the bank's reserve to liabilities this week is 18.68 per cent.; last week it was 18.67 per cent. The bank rates are 5 per cent.

BRIG. GEN. CAMPBELL SERIOUSLY HURT. Well Known Imperial Army Officer Loses an Eye but is Otherwise Unhurt. Frederickton, March 21.—Word has been received here that Brig. Gen. Herbert Montgomery Campbell, of the Imperial Army, has been seriously wounded in the line. General Campbell is a brother of Lieut.-Col. Henry Montgomery Campbell of Apohaqui, who went overseas as officer commanding the 64th Battalion and is a native of Frederickton. Brigadier Campbell has had a lengthy military career. When little more than a boy he was commissioned in the Imperial Army and served in various parts of the world in the Royal Artillery. He saw service in India, South Africa and elsewhere prior to the outbreak of the present conflict.

FRED FROM JAIL. Frederickton, March 21.—As the result of an application made by C. D. Richards before His Honor Judge Crockett under habeas corpus, Joseph Patris and Charles Flevey, Belgians, convicted at Mistio before Magistrate William H. Upton, recently, for violation of the Intoxicating Liquor Act, have been ordered released. Both men had been sent to Gasstown jail. The alleged offence consisted in importing for personal use more liquor than was permitted under the act.

FATAL COLLISION. Washington, March 21.—One American officer and three men were killed aboard an American destroyer March 19, when the vessel collided with a British warship, the navy department announced today. A number of American sailors were injured.

A BULL TRADING MARKET LIKELY. Sentiment is Drifting Owing to Half Dozen or More Uncertainties. (McDOUGALL & COWANS.) New York, March 21.—A bull trading market subject to narrow superficial changes according to professional whims, seems to be on the program for the present. Sentiment is drifting owing to the half dozen or more uncertainties which are pending but which may be removed in the next few days, so far as the perspective is concerned.

It is noted that there is buying of standard issues on declines, but that on rallies some readjustment liquidation appears in connection with the Liberty loan flotation now approaching. Pool channels continue to bull B. F. and National Lead. N. Y. F. B.

CAR AND COTTONS IMPROVE POSITION. Former Strong and Active, Common Advancing to 27 and Preferred to 64—Canada Cotton at 59 and Textile at 84 1/2. (McDOUGALL & COWANS.) Montreal, Mar. 21.—The volume of trading was bigger today than it has been recently and better distributed throughout the list. The Car securities were strong and active, the common advancing to 27 and the preferred to 34.

PUBLIC CAN AID CANADIAN BANKS. Banking Association Says Curtailment of Checking Convenience in Connection with Savings Accounts Advisable. Montreal, Mar. 21.—In addition to the official announcement of a change in banking hours from 9.30 to 2.30 p. m., the Canadian Bankers Association intimates that the public can help the situation, in a statement issued today by the war's depletion of banking staffs by considerable curtailment of the checking convenience in connection with saving accounts.

WHEAT PRICE. Washington, Mar. 21.—The Senate today tentatively went on record in favor of increasing the government guarantee for wheat to \$2.50 a bushel. HALIFAX CLEARINGS. Halifax, Mar. 21.—Halifax weekly clearings with comparisons are: 1918, \$3,880,013, 1917, \$2,427,174; 1916, \$2,121,566.

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SIGNING OF THE RAILROAD BILL HELPS MARKET. Steel Trade and War Industries Board at Washington Reach Satisfactory Agreement as to Prices—Nothing Develops Regarding Holland's Position. (McDOUGALL & COWANS.) New York, Mar. 21.—The market continued of much the same character in the afternoon with a show of strength in Distillers and Car Foundry with declines in A.T.T., Central Leather and a few others. In the last hour news that the President had signed the railroad bill and the House had sent to Congress the war finance bill began to turn the market upward, so far as industrials are concerned. The rails remained indifferent.

Shortly before the close a Washington dispatch stated that the steel trade had reached a satisfactory agreement as to prices with the war industries board. This has been sent to the President for his approval and will probably not be given out before tomorrow. That this agreement should have been reached so much more quickly than was expected is significant. It certainly shows that a new spirit animates the industries board and that it is disposed to encourage production actively by meeting trade interests in a liberal spirit.

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LEGISLATURE DEBATES WORTT

B. & S. CO.'S EXEMPTION BILL

Hon. Mr. Robinson Objects to Firm Not Paying School Taxes in Fredericton—Bill to Amend New Brunswick Companies Act—St. John Bills in House—Committee Named to Consider the Changes in Rules.

(From Official Report.) Fredericton, Mar. 21.—The House met at 3 o'clock. Mr. Burchill submitted the report of the committee on standing rules. In doing so he took occasion to call attention to rule 84, which has to do with the payment of fees. He said that a company seeking incorporation with a capital of \$5,000 had to pay a fee of \$50 and it was claimed that only one-third of that amount should be paid when an amendment was sought to the charter. According to a strict reading of the rule, however, the company should pay \$50 in both cases. He had deemed it advisable to call the attention of hon. members to the matter, with the view of having the change made.

Hon. Mr. Robinson was of the opinion that the rule should be amended. He thought a company coming before the legislature should pay at least as great a fee as one incorporated by the governor-in-council. He believed the fee should be fixed at \$50 and \$50 for amended charters. Mr. Tilley asked for the opinion of the Attorney General as to whether under the rule the fee should be \$30 or \$10.33 for an amended charter.

Hon. Mr. Byrne said he had not looked into the matter very closely, but in view of the suggestion by the hon. member from Moncton it might be advisable to change the rule. Mr. Burchill said that the last clause of the rule was not quite clear and it might be the result of a clerical error. He did not think an ordinary amendment to a charter should call for the same fee as the original charter. He did not believe that companies should be too heavily penalized when seeking amendments that do not increase their powers.

Hon. Mr. Robinson pointed out that exceptions were made in case of companies having no capital or not incorporated for gain. Mr. Tilley said that some hospitals, when seeking legislation, paid the fee while others did not. The St. John Hospital had paid the fee last session. He thought the matter should be more clearly defined. Hon. Mr. Byrne moved that a committee of five members of the House be named by the Speaker to deal with the matter under discussion and submit a report.

Mr. Murray (Kings) seconded the motion and it was adopted. Hon. Mr. Speaker stated that he would name the committee later. Some inquiries. Following notice of inquiry were given: By Mr. Smith (Carleton) as to particulars of permanent road expenditures in the parishes of Brighton and Simonds in Carleton county; also as to particulars of permanent road expenditures made under the heading of "Miscellaneous"; and also as to the number of snow plows purchased by the government.

Mr. Tilley introduced a bill to amend chapter 182 of the consolidated statutes 1903. He explained that the bill proposed to amend the bastardy act, but applied only to the municipality of the county of St. John. Hon. Mr. Byrne said that the hon. member was introducing a public bill. Mr. Tilley said he understood the bill had been approved by the standing rules committee. Mr. Baxter said that the hon. member from St. John was absolutely within his rights in introducing the bill in the way he had. Hon. Mr. Byrne said that rule 65

draw a distinction between public and private bills. He did not think it would be seriously contended that the hon. member for St. John could assume prerogatives belonging to the Crown; however, if the bill applied solely to St. John, and the fees had been paid, he would offer no objection to it. Mr. Baxter said he had no information in regard to the bill but felt that so long as it did not relate to the spending of money, a private member had the right to introduce it. Mr. Smith (Carleton) wanted to know if a bill emanating from his side of the House to amend the franchise act to women would be subject to a fee. Some hon. members—"No."

Mr. Tilley said that as there seemed to be some doubt in regard to the bill it might be well to refer it to a committee which was to deal with the rules of the House. He added that the bill had been placed in his hands by the county secretary of St. John, and Hon. Mr. Foster thought it would be well to turn the bill over for consideration to the committee on rules, as it would serve as a guidance for the future.

Mr. Potts introduced a bill to amend the act relating to the paving of streets in St. John. Mr. Baxter introduced a bill relating to the Children's Shelter in the city of St. John. Mr. Tilley introduced a bill to amend an act relating to the city of St. John. Mr. Baxter introduced a bill to correct an error in a tax sale of lots in Wellington ward, St. John. Mr. Campbell introduced a bill relating to the St. John General Public Hospital.

Mr. Potts introduced a bill relating to the double tracking of Union St. in St. John. Hon. Mr. Byrne introduced a bill to amend the New Brunswick Companies Act, 1914. He explained that the object of the bill was to bring the New Brunswick Companies Act into conformity with the Ontario Act. It would be a step towards securing uniformity of legislation the principle of which had already been approved by the House.

The woman suffrage resolution of Hon. J. A. Murray was then discussed and passed unanimously. Hon. Mr. Veniot said he wished to make a correction to an answer to a question which he had given. The amount of the automobile fund placed to the credit of sinking fund and interest, some \$30,000, had not been for the past year as he had stated but would be credited for the year 1913-14. The House then went into committee on the credit of sinking fund and interest, and the consideration of a bill relating to Fraser Limited and the town of Edmundston.

The bill was agreed to with amendments. The committee considered a bill from the city of St. John relating to top wharfage. The bill was reported as agreed to. Mr. Hart Company Bill. The committee considered a bill to authorize the city of Fredericton to grant further exemption to the Hart Boot and Shoe Company. Slight amendments were made. Hon. Mr. Robinson called attention to the fact that it evidently was intended to exempt the company from payment of school tax. In his opinion a clause should be added to the bill

expressly stating that the company should not be exempt from school taxes. Bills from the city of Moncton contained such clauses. For years it had been the policy of the legislature not to exempt from school taxes. If that policy were worth anything it should be continued. He would move that a clause which he suggested should be added.

Hon. Mr. Baxter said that this bill was merely an extension of a bill passed by the legislature many years ago. He agreed with his hon. friend in his remarks concerning school taxes, but did not think the principle should be applied in this instance. If the principle of non-exemption from school taxes were to be applied with exception public notice to that effect should be given to all municipalities. The city of St. John had power to exempt industries from taxation by a mere resolution of the common council. Recently exemption had been given a shipbuilding industry there and no reference to school tax had been made.

Mr. Sweeney called attention to the fact that a bill to amend the school tax act had been introduced. He might be wise to insert in the bill a clause to prohibit exemption from school tax under any circumstances. That practically had been the principle followed by the legislature in the past. Hon. Mr. Robinson said former guarantees of exemption to this company had been fulfilled and in his opinion the bill proposed to grant new concessions. Mr. Baxter replied that the bill was an agreement entered into between the city and the company which he did not think the legislature should interfere with.

Hon. Mr. Robinson said the question of exemption from taxation was very broad and was debatable. The principle of non-exemption from school tax adopted in the past should be continued. Hon. Mr. Byrne said he considered the position taken by the hon. member from Westmorland to be correct. There was no doubt that weight attached to the words of the member from St. John county to the effect that the bill was merely an extension of concessions previously given.

However, the legislature had power to make alterations. It was desirable that a firm rule be established. In his opinion the house should adhere to the principle of non-exemption from school taxes. A Broad Question. Hon. Mr. Baxter said he had no personal interest in the bill but the question of exempting industries from taxation was a broad one. St. John city by resolution of the common council recently had granted exemption. If the principle of non-exemption from school tax were to be followed the powers of the city of St. John in that regard also should be interfered with. The city of Fredericton was a separate municipality and this proposed exemption would throw a burden on the city of York as far as school tax was concerned. He favored passing the bill without such a clause as that proposed by the hon. member from Westmorland. He always believed that exemption from school tax was a heavy burden on the poor people but in this instance the schools of Fredericton would not be deprived of any money. To force the application of the principle of non-exemption from school tax upon the city of Fredericton in this instance would be a little too rigid when it is considered that no protest against the bill had been made and the citizens seemed agreeable to it.

Might Lose Industry. Mr. Crockett said that as no burden would be thrown on the County of York he would like to see the bill passed in its present form. Failure to pass it might mean that Fredericton and the province might lose this industry. Hon. Mr. Robinson said he did not wish to force any industry out of the province, but industries seeking concessions always said that they were going to leave. Fredericton must have had the benefit of this principle of non-exemption from school tax many years ago for the question arose in the time of the late Hon. A. G. Blair. As the hon. member from St. John county had said the city of St. John had passed a general bill which seemed to be at variance with this principle, but he had noticed that St. John seemed to be able to get through the legislature many bills which were in violation of established rules.

Hon. Mr. Foster—"You are jealous." Hon. Mr. Robinson said he would press his amendment. Mr. Crockett suggested that the committee report progress on the bill, to which Hon. Mr. Robinson agreed. The committee reported progress. Hon. Mr. Speaker named as the committee to consider the changes in the rules of the house, Mr. Burchill, Hon. Mr. Robinson, Mr. Baxter, Mr. Campbell and the Attorney General. Hon. Mr. Baxter moved that the time for the introduction of local and private bills be extended up to and including Tuesday, April 2.

The motion was carried. It being six o'clock the Speaker left the chair to resume at 8:30 P.M. Evening Session. Upon resuming at 8:30 p. m. the House went into committee with Mr. McGrath in the chair and took up the consideration of the Fredericton bill to fix the valuation for assessment purposes of the Fraser Company Ltd. Mr. Crockett explained that the bill was simply a duplication of the act of 1913, and was made necessary by a change in the name of the company. Hon. Mr. Veniot said that in fixing the valuation of property for assessment purposes school assessments should not be included. He held that it was a matter which affected the interests of the whole province, and the principle was wrong. Hon. Mr. Robinson said that inasmuch as the legislation had been passed in 1913 there was a question in his mind as to whether or not it could now be departed from. Hon. Mr. Byrne said that it seemed to him to be a sound principle that exemptions granted a company should not apply to school taxes, and he believed that principle should be made general. In his opinion, the time was approaching when the House would have to adopt the principles. Mr. Crockett claimed that the bill was similar to that of 1913, and was approved by the city council of Fredericton, it should be allowed to pass. Mr. Sweeney said that as the bill was simply a duplicate of legislation

previously enacted it might not be well to change it at the present time. The City of Fredericton was carrying on its schools and he presumed no injury had resulted from the exemption. Hon. Mr. Robinson pointed out that the bill was broader in some respects than the original act. Hon. Mr. Veniot said he had no desire to do an injustice to the company and therefore would not oppose the passage of the bill. He claimed that it concerned the whole province as it affected the county school fund.

Mr. Crockett said that the county school fund was treated separately from the city of Fredericton by the county of York. Hon. Mr. Veniot said that if that was so the city of Fredericton had certainly been favored. The bill was agreed to. Victory Bond Exemption. The committee took up the consideration of a bill to amend the St. John assessment act to enable the city to exempt Victory bonds from taxation. Mr. Sweeney said he thought it should not be necessary to pass legislation to prevent St. John from taxing Victory bonds.

Hon. Mr. Foster said that he objected to the principle of the bill and he asked that progress be reported, in order that he might look into the question involved. He was inclined to think that the people of St. John would ask for authority to have them willing to pay taxes at the same. Mr. Tilley said that when the campaign for the sale of bonds was carried on it was intimated that the city would ask for authority to have them exempted from taxation. If the bonds were made taxable the yield to the investor would be greatly reduced and he held this would be most unfair to them. The federal government had relieved Victory bonds from taxation under the new income tax, and if the city of St. John wished to exempt them surely the House would permit them to do so.

Dr. Roberts said the bill had been sent to him for submission to the House. He had not looked into the matter very carefully, but felt that it was likely to conflict with the interests of the province it should not be passed without consideration. Mr. Potts said that it was understood in St. John when the Victory bonds were sold, that they would be exempt from taxation. He was surprised to hear it stated that the exemption of these bonds would interfere with provincial bonds. In his opinion nothing would interfere with them. The federal government had relieved Victory bonds from taxation and they were sold as the last ones were disposed of.

Hon. Mr. Foster said that he wanted time to look into the principle of the bill. St. John Legislation. Hon. Mr. Robinson said that whatever course was adopted in reference to the bill should be made applicable to the whole province. There was too much St. John legislation. What was wanted was New Brunswick legislation. Mr. Tilley thought the exemption of Victory bonds should apply to the whole province and legislation to that effect should be brought down. Mr. Baxter said it had been understood in St. John when the bonds were sold that they were to be exempted from taxation. He understood that the mayor was of the opinion that the premier was not opposed to such exemption. While the bonds should be exempted from taxation he (Baxter) did not think they should be exempted from succession duties. The city tax rate in St. John was now 2 1/2 per cent. while the bonds would yield, if exempted from taxation 5 1/2 per cent.

The committee decided to report progress. The bill relating to short term debentures in the city of St. John was agreed to. Village Incorporation. The House again went into committee with Mr. Leger (Westmorland) in the chair and took up the consideration of the bill relating to the incorporation of villages. Mr. Magee, on the section which limits the area of the village to one thousand acres, said he thought the area should be at least twelve hundred acres. The village in which he resided had had partial incorporation and might wish to come under the new act if the area were enlarged. Hon. Mr. Foster said that he would allow the section to stand in order that the matter might be further looked into.

Hon. Mr. Foster thought that 50 persons was rather small to constitute a village. He thought the number should be at least 100. Hon. Mr. Foster said he was prepared to make a change in the bill should it be found necessary. The object of the measure was to enable people in small communities to get together with a view of improving conditions. Hon. Mr. Foster suggested that the term of office of village councillors should be two years. Mr. Magee suggested that the councillors be elected in rotation for a term of three years.

Mr. Murray (Kings) said the suggestion was a good one. The section was allowed to stand. Women Voters. Mr. Magee speaking to the section relating to the qualification of women voters said there should be a property qualification. Mr. McGrath also said he favored a property qualification. The section was allowed to stand. Mr. Baxter speaking about the oath of office, set out in the bill, said it was fearful and wonderful and offered

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Mr. Magee—"There will be that many in Westmorland." Mr. Baxter said that he had no objection to anyone attempting the pinnacle of ridiculousness. The bill was a conglomeration of idiocy. He had offered criticism in the hope of bringing about some improvement. As usual a certain member of the government had replied to his suggestions with a speech repellent in tone practically intimating that the bill must be passed because the speaker had offered objection to it. Mr. Baxter said that section 48 put too great powers in the hands of the Provincial Secretary in the matter of winding up the affairs of a village. This power might be used to persecute some community for he had found during the last session that the House divided on straight party lines on a matter as purely local as concrete sidewalks in the parish of Lancaster. Mr. Tilley urged that the House be democratic and not give such power to the Provincial Secretary. After passing section 49 the committee rose and reported progress. The House adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

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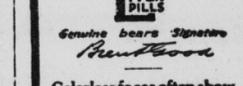
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Music in the Home

The other Friday night the writer was an uninvited guest at a choir practice. The choir was an average one in more ways than one.

The keenness of human judgment was apparent from the way the singers entered into the first anthems. There was a reserve which seemed to anticipate the full two hours' grind ahead.

Just at this point the leader announced "only two more anthems, and both new ones."

INASMUCH.

"Every task however simple sets the soul that does it free; Every deed of love and mercy, done to man is done to Me."

had acquired its second wind. This was followed by C. B. Adams' "Rejoice! The Lord is King."

The annual meeting of the Greenwich Branch of the Women's Auxiliary was held at the Rectory Central Greenwich on March 14th.

GREENWICH W. A.

TEA AT THE SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Seamen's Institute had full possession of the Rooms on Thursday when a successful afternoon tea was held for the benefit of the work among seamen.

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Miss Nettle Bridges of St. John and Miss Marion Crockett of Fredericton have received recently the Red Bar which denotes that they have served with efficiency one year in Military nursing.

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INTERESTING ADDRESS

About twenty girls assembled in the rooms of the Y.W.C.A. on Union street last evening and were delighted with an interesting address by Mrs. E. A. Burington Ham on life and experience in Africa.

SOLDIERS' WIVES LEAGUE

A meeting of the Soldiers' Wives League was held in Trinity yesterday afternoon when considerable routine business was transacted.

ECLECTIC READING CLUB

The Eclectic Reading Club were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Skelton last evening.

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**CASUALTIES**  
Ottawa, March 21.—Tonight's list of  
casualties reports 23 Canadian sol-  
diers names—three killed in action, one  
died, one reported dead by Germans,  
five wounded, eleven gassed, one suf-  
fering from burns and one from frac-  
ture.

**MERGER APPROVED**  
Ottawa, March 21.—Announcement  
was made today at the finance depart-  
ment that, according to the terms of  
the bank act, the minister gave his  
approval to the proposed merger of  
the Bank of British North America,  
with the Bank of Montreal.

**PRaise FOR THE CANADIANS  
AT ARGYLL HOUSE**  
Continued from page 2.  
Hon. Mr. Lemieux spoke of the mer-  
its of the rural delivery system, which  
he said was a great boon to the coun-  
try.  
Dr. Edwards, of Frontenac, said  
that hundreds of mail contractors  
were performing their duties at a loss  
and he strongly recommended an in-  
crease in pay for country postmas-  
ters.  
D. D. McKenzie, Cape Breton, also  
supported the resolution.  
Hon. Mr. Fielding Talks.  
Hon. W. S. Fielding, in his first  
speech as a private member of the  
House, said that the matter was real-  
ly of the utmost importance, but he  
doubted if the remedy proposed was  
a safe one. These contracts, he said,  
were performed at a low rate because  
of the fascination of a government dol-  
lar is strong. He had known many men  
who had ruined themselves by taking  
government contracts at too low a  
figure. He regarded the proposal that  
the Postmaster-General should revise  
the contracts, however, as being un-  
safe. He was not surprised that the  
acting postmaster-general should  
shrink from it. It would be a dis-  
agreeable duty to have to decide the  
contracts to be revised. Mr. Fielding  
suggested that a better solution for  
the problem would be to offer a per-  
centage of increase all round on con-  
tracts taken within a fixed period.  
The former minister of finance was  
generously applauded by members on  
both sides of the House.  
The prime minister promised the  
question raised should have full con-  
sideration of the government and Mr.  
Burnham withdrew his motion.  
The House then took up a further  
motion by Mr. Burnham providing  
that it should not be necessary for

# Sporting News

## BOWLING

on the Y. M. C. A. alleys last night the  
Western Union won three points. The  
scores follow:  
G. E. Barbour & Co.—  
Belyen ..... 85 81 92 256 85-13  
Seely ..... 86 78 70 234 78  
Stewart ..... 74 90 72 236 78-23  
Stammers ..... 117 85 82 284 94-23  
Cosman ..... 88 88 94 270 90

**THE CITY LEAGUE.**  
In the City League match on Black's  
alleys last night the Wanderers won all  
four points from the Wanderers. The  
score follows:  
Sweeps—  
McIlveen ..... 90 92 91 273 91  
Gambin ..... 100 81 95 276 92  
Kane ..... 81 115 99 295 98-13  
Ferguson ..... 105 104 102 311 106-23  
Sullivan ..... 111 83 112 306 102

**WESTERN UNION.**  
Whitney ..... 84 89 83 256 85-13  
P. Ballie ..... 76 112 90 278 92-23  
Fullerton ..... 92 86 87 265 85-13  
McMahon ..... 81 102 90 273 91  
A. Ballie ..... 88 83 82 253 74-13

**SYDNEY AN EASY WINNER.**  
Sydney, N. S., Mar. 21.—Sydney  
trimmed the pick of the Amherst and  
Glouce Bay teams at the hockey games  
at the Arena rink last night, piling up  
a score of 13 to 2. There will be a  
play-off some time next week to settle  
the Maritime Province championship.

## PRINCESS PATRICIA 32 SUNDAY



PRINCESS PATRICIA OF CONNAUGHT  
PHOTO BY LALIE JAMES

soldiers' dependents to show total dis-  
ability in order to obtain aid or other  
forms of support from the separation  
allowance branch, but that such aid  
should be apportioned according to sup-  
port purposes.

**Work Unfairly.**  
Mr. Burnham cited cases to show  
that the present method of granting  
allowance to soldiers' dependents  
worked unfairly. It was a very ser-  
ious matter, he said, and apt to in-  
duce fraud and bring about the great-  
est possible hardships.

Major-General Newburn replied  
that the subject required great con-  
sideration. Separation allowances  
had been granted to dependents on  
defined and definite terms. To go in-  
to the question of apportionment  
would require an enormous staff and  
enormous responsibility would be  
thrown on the department in investi-  
gating every single case.

He suggested that the motion be  
withdrawn.  
W. F. Nickle, (Kingston) thought  
the matter should not be put aside  
quite so easily.  
"If men," Mr. Nickle declared,  
"are going to be taken compulsorily,  
then, I say, when a man goes, it is  
the duty of the state to supplement  
the income of those whose income  
has been depleted."

T. M. Tweedie, (Calgary) supported  
this view. He thought that the separa-  
tion fund had not been established on  
a basis of justice and equity.  
The motion was finally withdrawn  
by Mr. Burnham.

**Steamship Service.**  
Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux drew the  
attention of the House to the inade-  
quacy of the steamship service be-  
tween Pictou and the Magdalen Is-  
lands and also between Montreal,  
Quebec and the various harbors of  
Gaspé.  
Sir George Foster, in replying to  
Mr. Lemieux, stated that it was ex-  
tremely difficult to get steamers for  
these services. The war had added  
to the difficulties of his department  
and the department of marine and

fisheries, in their effort to keep these  
services open. He assured Mr. Lem-  
ieux that everything possible would  
be done to maintain the services. The  
steamer "Amelia," which had been on  
the Magdalen Islands route, was, he  
admitted, unsatisfactory, but she was  
absolutely the only steamer available.  
Captain Read, (Prince Edward Is-  
land) asked the government what it  
proposed to do with the steamer  
"Northumberland" which has been  
plying between Summerside and  
Tucker, K. C. in the opinion of the  
minister, in his opinion, the vessel  
quoted by Mr. Lemieux, asking that  
of the department in sending the  
steamer "Stanley" to the Magdalen  
Islands. Referring to the telegram  
quoted by Mr. Lemieux, Mr. Lemieux  
said that when her husband went  
to the front she was left with four  
children and a monthly income of \$64.  
made up of assigned pay, separation  
allowance and patriotic fund allow-  
ance. In February, 1917, the assigned  
pay and separation allowances were  
sent direct to the patriotic fund in-  
stead of to Mrs. Zwingle. For several  
months she received absolutely noth-  
ing and was starving and freezing.  
Major-General Newburn remarked  
that the separation branch had caused  
more anxiety than any other branch  
of the militia department. It had to

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your territory. Write while oppor-  
tunity is open. Freer Co., Foster,  
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a Bill will be presented for enactment  
at the next session of the Legisla-  
ture of New Brunswick for the pur-  
pose of enabling the City of Saint  
John and the Parish of Lancaster to  
levy taxes for the construction and  
maintenance of a Ferry to run be-  
tween Pleasant Point, in the Parish  
of Lancaster, and Indiantown, in the  
City of Saint John, and also for pow-  
ering enabling the commissioners of  
such Ferry service to issue debentures  
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ment of the City of Saint John by an  
Elective Commission."

The object of this Bill is to provide  
that at any Civic Election the Com-  
mon Council may take a plebiscite on  
any question or measure by printing  
on the civic ballot such form as it  
thinks desirable, the question or  
measure on which it desires the  
opinion of the Electors.  
Dated at the City of Saint John, N.  
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HERBERT E. WARDROPER,  
Common Clerk.

deal with approximately 300,000 cases.  
Mistakes had been made and since he  
assumed office he had begun a reor-  
ganization of the branch; but it would  
still be some months before everything  
was working smoothly. He promised  
investigation of the case cited by Mr.  
Lemieux.

C. G. Power (Quebec South) quoted  
the complaint of a returned sergeant  
that proper accommodation was not  
provided on Atlantic transports for  
soldiers brought back from overseas.  
The sergeant was quoted as saying  
that accommodation was disgraceful and  
wounded men were kept below,  
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Fifth Ave. & 29th Street,  
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Convenient to all bus stops.  
Ideal for Out-of-Town Visitors.  
Single Rooms, with Detached Bath, \$2.00 per day.  
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bitious write at once to Opportunity,  
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ulars.

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Settlement. Apply stating salary, to  
Geo. E. Machum, Sec., Polyhurst P.O.,  
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**FOR SALE.**  
**FOR SALE**—Tug "Leader," in good  
repair. For particulars apply L. W.  
Nickerson, Box 335 St. John, N. B.

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Mill Machinery parts; Shafts, Pulleys,  
Bolts, Babbitt, Belts, Chains, Trucks,  
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"With Ford car to sell dealers in  
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Dimmer for Ford cars. A necessary,  
Good commission. Should have a lit-  
tle capital." Rumsey & Town, Wind-  
sor, Ont.

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per week, selling one-hand egg-beater.  
Sample and terms 25c. Money refund-  
ed if unsatisfactory. Collette Mig-  
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Send your name and address for free  
sample of our famous Leaver's Lan-  
dry Tablet. It costs you nothing to try  
it. We take all the risk. Our guaran-  
tee of sales and absolute satisfaction  
protects you and your customers. Hun-  
dreds enjoying big savings. Why not  
you? Let us tell you how to organize  
your territory. Write while oppor-  
tunity is open. Freer Co., Foster,  
Que.

**NOTICE**  
Public notice is hereby given that  
a Bill will be presented for enactment  
at the next session of the Legisla-  
ture of New Brunswick for the pur-  
pose of enabling the City of Saint  
John and the Parish of Lancaster to  
levy taxes for the construction and  
maintenance of a Ferry to run be-  
tween Pleasant Point, in the Parish  
of Lancaster, and Indiantown, in the  
City of Saint John, and also for pow-  
ering enabling the commissioners of  
such Ferry service to issue debentures  
and assess for same.  
Dated this 13th day of March, 1918.  
WILLIAM GOLDING.

You are under no obligation to pur-  
chase one of my Remingtons even  
after a two weeks' trial unless you are  
satisfied it is the best typewriter of  
them all. A. Milne Fraser, Jas. A.  
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N. B.

"Canadian Express Money Orders  
are on sale from Vancouver to Syd-  
ney, at thousands of agencies. Best  
medium for remitting that was ever  
devised."

**NOTICE**  
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given  
that a Bill will be presented for enact-  
ment at the next session of the  
Provincial Legislature, to amend the  
Act 2, George V., Chapter 42 intitled  
"An Act to provide for the Govern-  
ment of the City of Saint John by an  
Elective Commission."

The object of this Bill is to provide  
that at any Civic Election the Com-  
mon Council may take a plebiscite on  
any question or measure by printing  
on the civic ballot such form as it  
thinks desirable, the question or  
measure on which it desires the  
opinion of the Electors.  
Dated at the City of Saint John, N.  
B., the 6th day of March A. D., 1918.  
HERBERT E. WARDROPER,  
Common Clerk.

deal with approximately 300,000 cases.  
Mistakes had been made and since he  
assumed office he had begun a reor-  
ganization of the branch; but it would  
still be some months before everything  
was working smoothly. He promised  
investigation of the case cited by Mr.  
Lemieux.

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**CLIFTON HOUSE**  
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**"THE PRINCE WILLIAM"**  
Transient and permanent guests  
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cellent table. Special rates for guests  
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P. St. J. Beard, Manager.

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**HOTE DUFFERIN**  
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New and Up-to-date sample rooms in  
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**NERVOUS DISEASES**  
ROBERT WILBY, Medical Electric-  
al specialist, 250 Main Street. Treats all  
nervous diseases, neurasthenia, acci-  
dent motor ataxia, paralysis, sciatica,  
neuritis, etc. Special treatment for  
uterine and ovarian pain and women's  
troubles. Facial treatment of all kinds  
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to Wasson's, main street, for best de-  
veloping and printing. Enlargements,  
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and all string instruments and bows  
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AT RESIDENCE  
We are now prepared  
to bill orders for sales  
of household furniture  
at residence. Our experience in hand-  
ling furniture enables us to get the  
highest prices for goods of this kind  
and it is important that you bill your  
sales as soon as possible to secure  
good dates.  
F. L. POTTS,  
Auctioneer and Real Estate Broker,  
96 Germain Street.

**Francis S. Walker**  
SANITARY & HEATING  
ENGINEER  
No. 18 Germain Street

**NOTICE**  
Sealed Tenders, addressed to the  
undersigned and marked Tender for  
Children's Aid, will be received up to  
noon of Wednesday, the 26th inst.,  
at the office of the undersigned, Electric  
Wiring, Masons and Painters work re-  
quired in the renovation of No. 68  
Garden street for the Children's Aid  
Society. The lowest or any of the  
tenders not necessarily accepted.  
Plans and Specifications will be  
on view at the building from 2.30 to  
5 o

Around the City

FAIR AND MILD.

THE POLICE COURT. In the police court yesterday morning two drunks were remanded.

ACCIDENT YESTERDAY. Yesterday morning Gardner Porter of St. James street fell off a pile of lumber at Haley Bros. & Co.'s factory and received severe cuts about the head.

THERE WAS NO MEETING. The Common Council committee meeting was not held yesterday morning as there was no quorum present. The regular meeting of the council takes place today.

EXCEEDED ESTIMATES. Commissioner Fisher says that the tenders for paving Main street exceed the estimates of the city engineer and himself. The only complete tender submitted is from B. Mooney and Sons.

THE RIVER BOATS. It is stated that the steamer Hampton will be put on the Bellisle route this summer. Carpenters and painters are busy on all the steamers at Indian town getting them ready for the opening of the season.

A DEMONSTRATION. A demonstration of a new smoke helmet was given in the rear of No. 2 fire station yesterday morning. Mr. Tremblay, representing the La France Company donned the helmet and remained in a room full of dense smoke for over half an hour.

TOM DALEY TRAINING. Tom Daley, native of the Chicago, is in training with his club at Pasadena, Cal. It was stated some time ago he had selected service in the navy, if drafted, but he has not been called yet. His brother is training with the American Aviation Corps.

RECEPTION TO SOLDIERS. Members of the 9th Siege Battery with other soldiers were waited on by a number of ladies of the Canadian War Contingent Association and members of the Red Cross, yesterday afternoon, and each man was presented with a pair of socks and a package containing extra.

A SMALLPOX CASE. A man from a lumber camp who came to the city from Mispec, was discovered Wednesday to be suffering with smallpox. He was conveyed to the Isolation Hospital. All persons who came in contact with him have been vaccinated, the house which he had been in has been quarantined and the Mispec school is closed for two weeks.

CAPTAIN WELDON HERE. Captain D. B. Weldon of Moncton was in the city yesterday and was given a warm welcome by many friends. Captain Weldon was a Moncton newspaper man when he enlisted with the 115th Battalion under Lieut. Col. Wedderburn, and by his genial manner made a host of warm friends while training with that unit in St. John. He went overseas with the rank of lieutenant and won his promotion on the field.

COMING TO ST. JOHN. Prof. Paul S. Duffy of Moncton has resigned as organist and choir leader of the Highfield St. Baptist church in the railway town in order to join evangelist E. W. Kenyon and will in the future assist Mr. Kenyon in evangelistic work. Prof. Duffy is a talented organist and soloist and assisted the evangelist when he was in Moncton. Wednesday night Prof. Duffy was presented with a handbag and address by the Highfield street church choir.

THE CITY LOTS. The city land on the Manawagonish Road will be available for those who wish to take part in the greater production campaign this year and it is understood that persons who had lots last year can procure the same lots this year if they apply before the first day of April. About eighty lots were under cultivation last year and some fine crops were raised. One man who has a fairly large family harvested enough potatoes to last for four and a half months and enough turnips to do the season. These desirable lots should make early application to the city engineer as otherwise they are apt to get left as a good many applicants did last year.

SPRING OPENING TODAY. Beautiful and Exclusive Display of Spring Modes—An All Week Feature.

Women simply can't see too much of the lovely smart Suits, the charming dresses, the exquisite waists, the hundreds of Novelties and Dress Accessories. New York herself would be interested in the wealth of lovely styles and distinctive novelties that are being presented at Dykeman's this week.

This is a series of fashion displays that establishes and confirms the coming season's modes. As far as Spring and Easter are concerned the styles are fixed, and their most charming and artistic interpretations are being presented this week at Dykeman's opening display.

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MAKING INSPECTION OF SITES FOR STEEL SHIPBUILDING PLANT

Frank D. Chase, International Industrial Engineer, in the City—St. John, With Open Water All Year Round, Has Advantage Over Inland Ports—Proposed Plant Will Employ a Thousand Men.

Frank D. Chase, the well known international industrial engineer, who has been engaged by the St. John Shipbuilding Company to select a site and lay out the proposed shipyard for the building of steel ships here, arrived in the city yesterday at noon and spent the afternoon in looking over sites in company with Thomas Nagle, the prime mover in this effort to obtain an up to date steel shipbuilding plant for St. John. A number of sites were looked over and others will be inspected today by Mr. Chase and Mr. Nagle, after which Mr. Chase will make his report on the one he considers the best.

Speaking with the Standard last night Mr. Chase said there were essential which entered into the choosing of a site for a plant of this kind. There was the water frontage, space for buildings, storage space, railroad facilities and labor facilities. After he had inspected all the sites he would then analyze them, and the most economical in all these requirements would be the one chosen.

This is the first time Mr. Chase has visited St. John but he expressed himself as very pleased with what he had seen and saw no reason why St. John should not be as successful in the building of steel ships as she was in the old days when the finest sailing ships in the world were turned out in local yards.

The great advantage of such an industry as steel shipbuilding was its permanency and this should make it most attractive to the investor. It would be years before the loss in ships would be made up and this without taking into consideration the natural increase in the demand for bottoms which must come after the war, particularly in Canada where the population and production was bound to increase rapidly.

A plant such as was proposed here would give employment to about one thousand persons and would mean a big thing to the industrial life of the city. One of the big advantages possessed by this city as a site for an industry of this kind was the all year open water where ships could be launched at any time of year. In the great lakes and at Montreal where there was probably one hundred and fifty ships under construction they must wait for the ice to go out before they could be launched which was a big handicap, while in a place like St. John the ship could be launched as soon as completed, and another put on the stocks.

Mr. Chase's firm have just completed a shipbuilding plant at Saginaw, Mich., which they turned out complete in sixty days. They are at work on plants in New York state, Michigan, North Carolina, Maryland and Arizona.

Speaking of the proposed plant here Mr. Chase said he thought there would be no trouble in having it ready for business in between three and four months.

WISDOM OF HAVING WIRELESS ON ALL CLASSES OF SHIPS

If ill-fated Batiscan Had Been Equipped Could Have Called for Help—Is Third Ship from Cape Breton Port Without Wireless That Has Disappeared.

The loss of the steamer Batiscan, with all hands, has drawn attention to the wisdom of equipping all steamers with wireless whether engaged in the coasting trade or deep sea traffic.

A well known shipping man in speaking to The Standard about this matter, said that if the Batiscan had been fitted with wireless she would have been able to send out a call when she found herself in difficulties and there would then have been a possibility of sending to her aid a life saving crew, and it might have been the means of saving the lives of many men who found a watery grave when the vessel went down.

Had she been equipped with wireless the world would have known to day just where she sank and probably the cause of her loss, which now can only be guessed at.

This gentleman pointed out that this is the third steamer without wireless which has sailed from Cape Breton port coal laden and never heard of after sailing in the past seven years. In the year 1911 the steamer Morien sailed from Sydney with a cargo of coal for St. John's, Nfld., with a crew of between twenty and twenty-five persons, and was lost on the voyage. In 1912 the Bridgeport sailed for Montreal with a crew of forty-five and she has never been heard of since. He said that had these vessels all been equipped with wireless the world would at least have known where they went down and why and it is just possible that many of the crew might have been saved had there been any way of communicating the fact that they were in distress.

THE TWINS ARE DOING WELL IN MONTREAL. Infants Born to Wife of Private "Glad" McKenzie While on Voyage to St. John Are in Montreal Hospital—Doctors Named Them C. P. R., and Missanabie.

The twins who were born on board a liner while on a voyage from England to this port last week, are now with the mother, being cared for at Montreal Maternity Hospital and been named by the doctors "C.P.R." and "Missanabie." Their father is Pte. "Glad" McKenzie, one of the three soldiers sons of Peter McKenzie, managing director of the Chibougamou Company.

ST. JOHN MAN LOST HIS LIFE ON THE STEAMER BATISCAN

William H. Williams Was Fourth Engineer—Was Making His First Trip—Leaves a Wife and Young Daughter at 256 Duke Street.

Only one St. John man is known to have been on board of the Collier Batiscan when she was wrecked after leaving Lunenburg for St. John on March the 14th. That is William H. Williams, who has a wife and ten-year-old daughter residing at 256 Duke street. Mrs. Williams stated yesterday that her husband had been working in a shipyard during the winter and had signed on the Batiscan as fourth engineer a little more than two weeks ago. His wife received a letter several days ago, dated the 19th, in which he stated that he was just sending her a few lines so that she would not worry. He expressed himself as much pleased with the position and the officers and crew of the ship. He said that he expected soon to be back in St. John. Mr. Williams was in high spirits on securing the position on the ship and he and his wife had been making a number of plans for the summer. His loss came as a great shock to his family and much sympathy will be extended to the bereaved wife and daughter in their sorrow.

THOMAS H. WIGMORE DIED IN WINDSOR

Father of Rupert W. Wigmore Was 75 Years of Age—Had Been Ill Since First of Year—Funeral Will Be Held Today.

The death of Thomas Hazen Wigmore, aged 75 years, and a much respected resident of Windsor, N. S., and father of Rupert W. Wigmore, M.P., of this city, took place in Windsor on Tuesday evening. The deceased had been ailing since the beginning of the year and five weeks ago was taken to the hospital where he died. Everything that medical skill and careful nursing could accomplish was done for him but without avail.

The deceased leaves to mourn their loss two daughters, Grace and Amy at home, and one son, Rupert W. of this city. He was married twice, his first wife being Miss Wilson of Windsor Forks, and the second wife, Miss London of St. John, who predeceased him eight years ago. He was born in Sackville, N. B., but has resided in Windsor for the past seven years going to that town from Kentville, N. S. He was a staunch member of the Baptist church.

SAPPHIRE LODGE ENTERTAINS SOLDIERS

About 250 Men at Red Triangle Club Last Evening—Enjoyable Programme Carried Through.

About 250 soldiers were entertained at the Red Triangle Club last evening by Sapphire Rebekah Lodge. The programme was an excellent one and many of the numbers were enjoyed. The programme included solos by Miss Treacart, Miss Anne VanHorn, Corp. Smith, Mr. Punter, Mr. Parker, Miss Bussie, Miss Spencer, Miss McGowan and Sgt. H. D. Smith; recitations, Mr. Spencer, Miss Gladys Whalen, Miss Ross and Sgt. Logan; piano solo, Miss Ina Magnusson. The men entered heartily into some choruses singing. Refreshments were served and the evening closed with the National Anthem and three cheers for the ladies. Miss Edna Whalen was the convener.

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A big seven-reel programme today and Saturday at the Nickel, featuring William Russell and Helen Holmes.

TRAIN SERVICE RESUMED. Moncton, Mar. 21—The snow blockade on the Prince Edward Island Railway has now been raised. The train service has been resumed.

ONLY THE NEW EDISON RE-CREATES MUSIC. COME IN AND HEAR IT. Let Women Folk Choose the Hardware Trim! It is as much within their realm as the selection of furniture, draperies and other items that go to beautify the home. You'll find, too, that results will be more pleasing. SARGENT'S HARDWARE TRIM has long been recognized as the standard of design and quality, being fashioned in conformity with all schools of architecture, and in every popular finish. Market Square W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. King Street

MILLINERY EXHIBITION FROM NOW TO EASTER SUNDAY. Hundreds and Hundreds of the Season's Newest Offerings on Display. No matter what amount you wish to spend we can give you an exceptional Hat. Come in and see our immense stock, then you will realize how we can give such wonderful values. Our Policy—Smaller Profits and a Larger Volume of Business. Marr Millinery Co., Limited

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Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited. OUR STORES OPEN AT 9 A. M. AND CLOSE AT 6 O'CLOCK DAILY. IMPORTANT WEEK-END SALE OF Chamoisette Gloves FOR LADIES. A grand chance to purchase dependable Gloves for Easter and spring wear. They are in white only, some with black stitching on backs, 2 dome fasteners, sizes 5 1-2 to 7 1-2. Perfect fitting and washable. Two prices, 50c. and 90c. PAIR. Sale starts This Morning at Front Counter, Main Store. Don't Miss Our Pre-Easter Showing of the New Styles in Men's and Boys' Clothing Now Going on. See Windows. Week-End Bargains in Linen Room. Real Irish Linen Damask, also Hand Drawn and Hand Embroidered. TEA CLOTHS. Square Hemstitched—36 x 36, \$1.10 to \$3.00. 46 x 45, \$2.50. Round Scalloped—36 x 36, \$1.75. 45 x 45, \$2.20. Square Hand Embroidered and Hemstitched—36 x 36, \$3.75. 40 x 40, \$4.00. 45 x 45, \$3.90. Square Hand Drawn and Hemstitched—36 x 36, \$2.50. 45 x 45, \$2.20. 54 x 54, \$3.00. Small Size Linen Damask Tray Cloths—14 x 20, 30c. Hemstitched and Hand Drawn Tray Cloths—18 x 27, 75c. Week-End Sale of Crepe de Chine Blouse Waists. We are offering at a Special Price two lines of Crepe de Chine Blouses. These are of exceptional quality, and in two distinct styles—one with plain Sailor Collar, edged with fine quality of lace. The other with Novelty Embroidered Fronts and Sailor Collar. Both of these Blouses shown in Ivory, Flesh and Mauve 36 to 42 in. Sale Price \$3.90 Each. See Window Display. SALE STARTS THIS MORNING.

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