

AUSTRIA ADMITS SEVERE DEFEAT; BELGRADE REPORTED RE-OCCUPIED BY THE SERVIANS

Austrians Unable to Stand Up Before Servian Onslaught, Retire All Along Front with Heavy Losses—Poland Fast Becoming Second Belgium—Five Hundred Towns Ravaged—Brother Against Brother in Opposing Armies—Main Issue in East Still Unsettled, and No Important Changes in Western War Theatre.

London, Dec. 14.—The most striking feature of the day's official news is the candid admission by the Austrian government of the defeat of the Austrian army in Serbia and apparently of the abandonment of its third attempt at the invasion of the territory of its small Slav neighbor.

While attributing the failure to the enemy's superior force, the Austrian war office announces plainly an extended retirement and many losses.

"New measures will consequently be taken to repel the enemy," says the Austrian statement. Apparently that means that the Austrian army directed against Serbia will assume a defensive line. Against its repulse Austria balances the occupation of Belgrade as an asset to the good.

An unofficial despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company, from Nish, Serbia, however, reports that "the Servians, after a fierce battle, have re-occupied Belgrade."

The progress of the war in Northern Hungary is less definite. Sunday's German wireless report, with candor equal to that of the Austrian bulletin, spoke of the "severe resistance," which the German and Austrian arms are encountering in South Poland and in Galicia, and added that it was evident that the Austrian forts in the Carpathians are not numerically strong enough to clear the Russians out of Hungarian territory.

But the Austrians claim that they are driving down the northern slopes of the Carpathians the Russian invaders, who were last week in occupation of several towns south of that mountain range.

Poland is fast becoming another Belgium in point of suffering, while the opposing armies drive each other back and forth, occupying and re-occupying cities and villages, and inflicting upon the inhabitants bombardments similar to those that have been inflicted upon the people of Belgium and Northern France.

ONE OF MOST TRAGIC INCIDENTS OF THE WAR

More than five hundred Polish towns have been ruined, according to various accounts from the correspondents. Both armies accuse the other of looting and cruelty. The flight of the civilians from Lodz was one of the most tragic episodes of the war, while one correspondent pictures the fate of Kalisz as a repetition of Louvain, with the slaughter of four hundred civilians and the sack of the city.

A distressing feature of the fighting in Poland is the blood-kindred pitted against each other. There are several hundred thousand Poles in the Russian ranks, and several hundred thousand more in the ranks of the Germans and Austrians.

The Germans claim a distinct gain in their position in Northern Poland, although they are not believed to be as near to Warsaw as the report last week indicated.

On the other hand the Russians announce a strategic re-alignment of their forces in that field which strengthens their position.

In a late report tonight the Austrians announced that they have reoccupied the important point of Dukia, to the north of the Carpathians on a line south of Przemyśl and Cracow, but nearer to the former, with the capture of nine thousand prisoners.

The main issue in the eastern theatre of the war—whether the German and Austrian armies by the operations in Northern and Central Poland and the Austrian advance across the Carpathians

will shake the Russian grip from the Phymyal and Cracow fortresses—remains unchanged.

MUDDY ROADS IMPEDE ALLIES PROGRES.

The day has shown no important development in the western theatre. The French War Office reports artillery engagements in which they had the better of the Germans and small advances at various points, particularly in the neighborhood of Verdun and St. Mihiel, in accordance with Gen. Joffre's famous scheme of "nibbling at them."

But the German bulletins deny these claims.

The troops in France and Belgium are suffering a plague of mud and damp, which causes them greater discomfort than did the cold wave at the end of November, with its positive hardships of frozen feet and hands, and effectively vetoes any movements on a big scale. Life in the trenches of the Allies is easier than before, since they have been reinforced, so that they do not have to spend more than two days on the firing line, whereas, last month, they were without rest or an opportunity to remove their clothing for a week or more at a time.

The Turkish army has not yet asserted itself, nor has it engaged in any great battle. Enver Pasha has taken command of the Caucasian army, and Talaat Bey has succeeded him as minister of war. A report comes from Turkey of growing hostilities to both foreign and native Christians in that country which may lead to attacks upon them.

RATIFIES LONDON CONVENTION ON SAFETY AT SEA

Madrid, via Paris, Dec. 15.—The Senate today ratified the London Convention relative to safety at sea. The International Convention for Safety at Sea, which was framed at London, was largely the result of the Titanic disaster. One of its principal clauses calls for sufficient lifeboats aboard ships to handle all persons on board.

GOVERNORS OF M'GILL SUBSCRIBE \$150,000

Montreal, Dec. 14.—The governors of the Montreal General Hospital, through their generosity, have saved that institution from the financial disaster threatening by subscribing the \$150,000 needed to tide the hospital over its difficulties. This sum will meet the anticipated deficits in the next two years. Announcement to this effect was made at a meeting of the governors in the Windsor Hotel this afternoon.

SEARCHING FOR GERMAN WIRELESS

British Government Fits Up Station on Suffolk Coast to Find Whereabouts of German Plant.

London, Dec. 3.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—At Cromer, on the Norfolk coast, the British government has fitted up on a gentleman's estate a wireless station which for weeks past has been trying to check up the whereabouts of a German sending station, believed to be not more than sixty miles away. Often after midnight this apparatus attempts to interfere with the British station's sending.

The enemy's outfit is thought to be concealed cleverly somewhere on land not far from Cromer, and a reward for its unmasking has been offered. The strictest of routine is prescribed for the operators at the British wireless station, regulations which doubtless are enforced at all such government wireless plants. Soldiers not only guard the grounds day and night but escort the operators to and from their posts to prevent any possible leakage of government messages. To preclude the possibility of spies co-operating, the shifts of men working together are changed daily, and no two men occupy the same quarters more than one night.

MUST ACCEPT PRICE SET BY GOVERNMENT

Contract to Amount of \$900,000 for Motor Trucks and Wagons to be Awarded to Firms Whose Models are Approved if they Agree to Government's Terms.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 14.—It is understood that the government is ready to award contracts to the amount of \$900,000 for motor trucks, wagons, etc., provided that the firms whose trucks and wagons have been approved, will come down to the government's price. The motor trucks that have been selected are understood to be the Kelly, Packard and White. The first can be got at 25 per cent. below catalogue price and the other two must agree to do the same in order to get their share of the contract, it is said. The plan is to buy the parts from these American companies and do the assembling in Canada.

PETROGRAD'S WATER SUPPLY IS CUT OFF

By Ice Blocking Conduits of River Neva—Factories Closed, and Anxiety in City over Danger of Fire Breaking Out.

London, Dec. 15.—A despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Petrograd says the city is without water, owing to the blocking of the Neva river conduits by ice. Factories are shutting down, and the tea shops and bath houses also are closing. The people are fearful that should a fire break out large damage will result. This is the first time the conduits have been stopped by ice since 1893.

BESPEAKS THE STRENGTH AND CONFIDENCE OF AN IMPERIAL PEOPLE

London, Dec. 14 (Gazette cable)—The statement issued by Sir Robert Borden, telling what Canada has done to render effective help to the Motherland, occupies a prominent place in every British newspaper today. The Daily Mail, in its leading article, after quoting part of the Canadian Prime Minister's figures, adds: "That is all. No bombast or excitement; just a bare record of what Canada has done, is doing, and means to keep on doing in this hour of Great Britain's peril. In that restraint and that matter-of-fact consciousness there speaks the strength and the confidence of an imperial people."

EXPLOSION OF NATURAL GAS KILLS SEVEN AND WRECKS BUILDING

Windows for Blocks Smashed by Explosion—Eight Seriously Injured—Walls of Building Blown Out—Several Children Among Dead—Victims Horribly Mangled.

Cleveland, Dec. 14.—A natural gas explosion in a two story apartment house at 11616 Madison Ave, tonight killed seven persons, seriously injured eight, and wrecked the two story building. Windows for a block around were broken, and persons in a drug store across the street were thrown off their feet and injured by broken glass. The exact cause of the explosion has not been ascertained. A strong odor of escaping gas had been noticed in the vicinity. A photograph studio occupied the first floor of the apartment and it is supposed the escaping gas became ignited there.

MUTINY AMONG BAVARIANS AT ANTWERP

Barracks Closed to Outsiders—Aviators Drop Bombs Into Freidburg.

Amsterdam, Dec. 14, via London, 4.30 p. m.—A despatch to the Handelsblad from Antwerp says reports are current in Antwerp of a mutiny on the part of the Bavarian troops garrisoning the city. While the story is not confirmed, it is a fact that the Bavarian barracks have been closed to outsiders.

Berlin, Dec. 14.—The Zeitung Am Mittag publishes a despatch today saying that hostile aviators flew over the city of Freidburg, in the Grand Duchy of Baden, at 3 p. m. of December 13, throwing bombs from their machines. One bomb hit a house and did considerable damage. Two others fell in Columbia Park among a crowd of promenaders, and two girls were injured.

CANADIANS ON THE WAY TO EGYPT?

Letter from Member of Montreal Regiment Says Word Given Out They Are to Leave this Week.

Montreal, Dec. 14.—That the Canadian contingent, or at least a portion of it, is probably bound for Egypt is the information contained in a communication received in Montreal today from a member of the Fourteenth Battalion First Royal Montreal Regiment. He says: "Just got word we are to leave for Egypt this week. Some excitement I can tell you."

WHITE KNOCKS MURPHY OUT.

Kenosha, Wis., Dec. 14.—Charles White, Chicago lightweight, knocked out Jimmie Murphy, also of Chicago, in the second round of a scheduled ten round exhibition here tonight. White followed a left hook with a right to his opponent's jaw.

AUSTRIANS HELD BELGRADE LESS THAN TWO WEEKS

Reoccupied by Servians After Terrific Struggle—For Three Months Besieged by Enemy—Austrian Official Report Admits Germany's Ally Forced to Give Ground Before Serbs who Inflicted Heavy Losses.

London, Dec. 15.—The Servians after a fierce battle, have reoccupied Belgrade, according to a Nish despatch to Reuters Telegram Company.

The Austrians occupied Belgrade December 2, after having besieged it since July 29, bombarding from batteries near Semlin and from monitors on the Danube. A large portion of the city was said to have been destroyed by the fire of the Austrians.

When war was declared the Servian government moved from Belgrade to Kragujevatz, and later went farther south to Nish, where it remains at present.

AUSTRIAN RETREAT ADMITTED IN VIENNA.

London, Dec. 14.—Reuters Amsterdam correspondent says the Austrians admit defeat at the hands of the Servians, in an official communication issued at Vienna today. This communication follows:

"Our offensive movement, directed in a southeasterly direction from the River Drina, encountered southeast of Valjevo a greatly superior force of the enemy.

"Our advance had not merely to be stopped, but we were compelled also to make more extended retirements of our troops, which for many weeks have fought obstinately and brilliantly, but with many losses.

"Against this we may place the occupation of Belgrade. New measures will consequently be taken which will serve to repel the enemy."

ST. JOHN LADY AMONG NURSES IN WAR ZONE

Miss C. M. Hare Attached to No. 2 Stationary Hospital Located at Le Touquet, Near Boulogne.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—A letter received tonight from a member of No. 2 Stationary Hospital, under Lt. Col. Shillington, of Ottawa, the first unit of the entire Canadian contingent to reach France, gives a full list of the officers and nurses attached to the hospital. Owing to re-organization of the whole force just before leaving Valenciennes, the cable report of the departure of the unit for France led to some confusion in the number of the hospital and names of some of the officers not tallying with the official list prepared by the Militia Department before the contingent sailed from Canada.

There are nine officers, thirty-five nurses and ninety-two officers and men in the unit, which is at Le Touquet, near Boulogne.

The officers are as follows: Lt. Col. A. T. Shillington, officer commanding, and chief surgeon, Ottawa.

Major H. C. S. Elliott, Coburg, Ont. Major F. McKelvey Bell, Ottawa. Captain R. S. Pentecost, Toronto. Captain Charles A. Young, acting adjutant, Ottawa.

Captain James H. Wood, registrar, Toronto. Captain S. M. Fisher, London, Ont. Captain J. S. Walker, quartermaster, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Captain W. J. Bentley, dental surgeon, Sarnia, Ont. Sergt. Major H. E. Law, Kingston, Ont. Major Ethel B. Ridley, Belleville, Ont.

Following are the nursing sisters from the Maritime Provinces: R. A. M. Grant, Pictou, N. S. H. Graham, New Glasgow, N. S. C. M. Hare, St. John, N. B. R. McLean, Souris, P. E. I.

MURDER OF G.T.P. AGENT UNSOLVED

Police Holding Man at Montreal Who Admits He Was at Whitby Jct., on Night of Murder.

Whitby, Ont., Dec. 14.—The mystery surrounding the murder of William Stone, the Grand Trunk telegraph operator here, is still unsolved. The funeral service of the victim was held this afternoon. Montreal, Dec. 14.—While John Kennedy is being held until Friday on a nominal charge of trespassing on the Grand Trunk Railway property, the detectives are trying to trace his movements just prior to the murder of William Stone, the G. T. R. telegraph agent who was murdered at Whitby, Ont., early Friday morning, and between that tragic event and Kennedy's arrival in Montreal on Saturday. Though Kennedy is said to have ad-

PICKED UP TWO AVIATORS IN NORTH SEA

British Airmen Rescued After Motor Became Disabled and They Dropped to Sea.

London, Dec. 14.—A telegram to Reuter's Telegram Company from Flushing says that the Dutch steamer Oranje Nassau has picked up two aviators in the North Sea. The aviators proved to be a British officer and his mechanic, who had been compelled to descend upon the sea on account of the motor of their seaplane becoming disabled. "At first they refused to leave their craft until they were assured they would not be interned in Holland, with the vessel was bound. It was reported that the aviators had been flying over Belgium, where they dropped five bombs. It was reported that the aviators had been at Whitby Junction on Friday, the murder has not yet been mentioned to him by the authorities.

GERMANY LOSES SIXTEEN GRAIN SHIPS

Sent from Antwerp and are Being Detained by Dutch at Hansweert.

London, Dec. 15, (3.09 a. m.)—The Daily Chronicle's Amsterdam correspondent says that sixteen vessels containing grain, which the Germans sent from Antwerp, have been detained by the Dutch at Hansweert, Holland, at the mouth of the River Scheldt.

SAYS SHE IS DAMAGED

Santiago, Chile, Dec. 14.—It is officially announced that the German cruiser Dresden, now at Punta Arenas is damaged. She will be allowed to make repairs but will be compelled to sail immediately after these are effected, or else intern.

UNFAVORABLE WEATHER PREVENTS ADVANCE ON EXTENSIVE SCALE

French Official Report, However, Shows Allies Have Made Progress Along Yser Canal Despite Stubborn Resistance from Enemy—Struggle for Supremacy Continues in Poland, with Decisive Result Apparently Long Distance Away.

NEXT DECISIVE STEP ON VISTULA PLAINS, BERLIN SAYS

Berlin (via The Hague to London, Dec. 14)—Despatches from the southwestern war zone report that a violent artillery duel was in progress Sunday in Upper Alsace, rising apparently from an attempt by the French to advance in the direction of Altkirch. The firing lasted from eleven o'clock in the morning until late in the afternoon. The result of the fighting has not been reported. The correspondent of the Zeitung Am Mittag with the Austrian general headquarters telegraphs that the battle in Poland, following the capture of Lodz, now is waging along a stationary front in that region. In West Galicia, the correspondent says, there have been tangible results to the Austro-German offensive, their success being shown in the withdrawal of Russian columns from the Carpathians to serve as reinforcements where they are most needed. The correspondent adds that the indication is that the next decisive step is due to take place in the Vistula plains.

Progress along the Ypres Canal is noted in the latest French official war bulletin, although the weather conditions are unfavorable to any extensive movement by the opposing forces on the battlefield in Belgium and France. The Germans have replied to the attacks of the Allies, and violent fighting is reported during the past twenty-four hours. An interesting feature of the French official communication is the statement that the railway station of Commercy, in the Department of Meuse, has been bombarded by the German batteries from a great distance. Commerce lies about seven miles to the south of St. Mihiel.

A Reuter despatch from Nish says that the Servians, after a fierce battle, have re-occupied Belgrade. The Servian capital was taken by the Austrians on December 2, after a siege of several months. If this report proves true the Servians are apparently

sweeping all before them, as the Austrians admit defeat at the hands of the Servians to the south-east of Valjevo, where they were compelled to make an extended retirement. On the other hand, Vienna announces the gain of considerable ground in a northern direction in Western Galicia, where the Austrians have re-taken the town of Dukla. Austrian forces advancing through the Carpathians have captured nine thousand prisoners, and a number of machine guns. The great armies of Germany and Russia are still contending, with all their strength, in Poland for supremacy, but it is not expected that any one engagement or series of engagements will give a decisive result, either for one side or the other.

A Berlin wireless despatch says the Austrian newspapers declare that when peace negotiations begin the United States will have a right to act as intermediary.

OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS

FRANCE

Paris, Dec. 14.—The French official statement issued this afternoon reports comparative quiet in Flanders, and artillery exchanges of relatively minor importance elsewhere. In the Meuse, German batteries are said to be moving to the north. In the Woivre district the French captured a trench and repulsed two counter attacks. The advance of the French line into Alsace has brought it to a point north of Altkirch, and about ten miles to the east of the frontier. The text of the communication follows:

Tonight's official communication issued by the War Office, says: "In Belgium several attacks by the French troops have resulted in progress along the Ypres Canal and to the west of Hollebeke. Several violent counter attacks have all been repulsed by our troops. "The railway station of Commercy (Department of Meuse) was bombarded yesterday by batteries firing from a very great distance, but insignificant damage was done. "In Alsace an offensive movement, resumed by the French in the northwest of Gernay, has been repulsed. "On the rest of the front there is nothing to report."

RUSSIA

Petrograd, Dec. 14.—The general staff of the Russian army has given out the following communication under date of Sunday, December 13: "There has been no engagement of importance on any of the fronts. In the region of Mlawe we continue to force back the German troops, who are in retreat. "On the left wing of the river Vistula there has been no change. "In the region of Mount Dukla, Austrian columns are coming down the northern slope of the Carpathians."

GERMANY

Berlin, Dec. 14.—The official press bureau gives out the following: "The week-end finds no change of importance recorded in the west, and in the east only the evacuation of Lodz by the Russians, although there is reason to believe that the German attack has been gaining ground. "Southward of Gracow the Austrians are still repulsing all attacks, and further to the south have succeeded in clearing a number of the Carpathian passes of the enemy. "The position of the German allies in Poland is generally considered favorable, an especially favorable point being the fact that the Russians appear to have assumed the defensive everywhere, without the power or energy to assume an aggressive advance in any section. "There has been no developments, so far as advice disclose, in the Servian operations. "The German and Austrian bulletins issued Sunday combine to show that both armies are making progress against the Russians. While the German statement omits to say whether the capture

of 11,000 prisoners and forty-three machine guns, previously reported, occurred in the region of Lodz or Lowicz, or north of the Vistula by the army which last week took Przasnysz, the Austrian statement renders it practically certain that it was north of Lowicz, where successful attacks continued upon the strongly fortified Russian position. "Austria further reports the defeat of the Russian southern wing on Saturday at Limanowa and the advance of Austrian forces over the Carpathian passes. "Special correspondents with the Austrian armies attribute the rapid withdrawal of the Russians from the Carpathians to the increasing pressure."

AUSTRIA

Amsterdam, via London, Dec. 14 (10:55 p.m.)—Vienna made the following official announcement this afternoon, according to a despatch received here today: "The pursuit of the Russians in Western Galicia continues. As a result of encounters of a more or less serious nature we have won ground in a northern direction. Dukla (in Galicia) is again in our possession. Our columns, advancing through the Carpathians, captured on Saturday nine thousand prisoners and ten machine guns. "The situation in front of Rejbro, to the east of Gracow, and in Southern Poland is unchanged. North of Lowicz our allies are pressing against the lower part of the Bzura river."

FRENCH LINER OVERDUE, NO WORD OF HER

The Florida Sailed Nov. 22 from Havre for New York and Hasn't Been Heard from Since.

New York, Dec. 14.—The French Line steamer Florida, six days overdue on her trip from Havre for New York, has not been heard of since she sailed on November 22, according to a cable message received by the line today from its agents in France. Each day adds to the apprehension felt for the vessel's safety. The Florida, a vessel of 4,328 tons, has aboard twenty-four cabin passengers and fifteen in the steerage. Heavy northwest gales have swept the Atlantic recently and the line believes that the stormy weather has delayed her.

BURNS GIVEN DECISION IN 13TH ROUND

New Orleans, Dec. 14.—The referee stopped the fight here tonight between Frankie Burns and "Chick" Hayes in the thirteenth round, and declared Burns the winner. The fight was scheduled for twenty rounds, and was announced from the ring as for the bantamweight championship.

CAN GET ALONG WITHOUT THE SUBMARINES

Washington Officials Seem to be of Opinion Col. Goethals Has Ample Powers to Enforce Neutrality in Panama Zone.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Col. Goethals' reiterated request for destroyers for use in enforcing neutrality laws in the Panama Canal zone, was the subject of conferences today between Secretary of War Garrison, Counselor Lansing, of the State Department, and Rear Admiral Fiske, chief of the navy's bureau of operations. No decision resulted, and it was indicated tonight that, because of the delicacy of the question involved and the scant information furnished by Col. Goethals, it will be several days before any action was taken.

Secretary Garrison early in the day received a cablegram from Col. Goethals in reply to his request for details concerning the call for destroyers. This message was not made public, on account of its confidential nature, but Mr. Garrison said in Col. Goethals' judgment misuse of radio communication with its canal waters and the necessity of preventing misuse of the zone as a base of supply by belligerents, required the presence of swift-moving warships. Before any step is determined upon, it is understood that officials of the administration will go deeply into the question of the powers and obligations of the government in controlling activities in the waters near the canal zone.

At present the officials appear to believe that the governor of the Panama Canal already has at his command ample power to enforce the neutrality laws and all of the regulations for the use of the canal. The fortifications at the terminals are sufficiently advanced to give military command to all of the waters within the three mile limit, and beyond that point the United States government can exercise no control. There is an ample military force in barracks in the zone to maintain order and to deal with any vessel after it has passed through the entrance locks of the canal.

Regarding the alleged use of wireless by British colliers within the canal waters, the officials are trying to ascertain the extent to which this has been done. So far only one instance is said to have occurred, and it is suggested that a warning against the repetition of the offense will be sufficient, without invoking a display of force.

DROWNING AT ALBERT

Timothy O'Connor of Harvey Bank Victim of Tragedy on Sunday.

Special to The Standard
Albert, Dec. 14.—The body of Timothy J. O'Connor was found drowned near McLellan's Wharf at Riverside this morning. Shortly after the arrival of the steamer Harbinger from St. John the mate noticed a body floating in the water near the stern of the steamer. Upon investigation it was found to be the body of Mr. O'Connor or Harvey Corner. It is supposed that the back wash from the steamer brought the body to the surface. The deceased attended mass at Riverside yesterday with his family and is now in the St. Joseph's hospital, near the church. He remained during the afternoon, and shortly before six o'clock started for home. It was presumed that instead of taking the usual road he started walking the trestle. It is not known whether he fell off the wharf or the trestle along the river. Deceased was a Justice of the Peace for Albert and Commissioner for Alberta and one of the most popular officials in Albert county, a good friend and neighbor. He was a son of the late Koderick O'Connor of New Ireland. He leaves a widow and two sons to mourn their sad loss. The date of the funeral will be announced later.

COMMANDER OF BRITISH FORCES IN N. CHINA DECORATED BY MIKADO

Tokio, Dec. 15.—Brig. General Nathaniel W. Barnardiston, commander of the British forces in North China, and who headed the British contingent operating against the German fortresses at Tsing Tau, was tendered a state luncheon today. Emperor Yoshihito decorated Gen. Barnardiston and also congratulated him for the work of his troops before Tsing Tau. Gen. Barnardiston will sail for San Francisco December 19 in company with the Japanese Red Cross, who are to proceed to England.

GERMAN INVASION OF POLAND HAS FAILED

Reached High Water Mark on Saturday — Failed to Break Russian Wall and Further Inroad Ended for Present at Least.

London, Dec. 15 (3:19 a.m.)—A Petrograd despatch to the Times says: "The German invasion reached its high water mark last Saturday. Having failed to undermine and overthrow the Russian wall, the invasion has now ceased to present a further inroad in Poland, and interest is stimulated in the

next move of the Russian staff, which a few days ago intimated that the Russian armies were ready to retire to more favorable positions behind Warsaw. "Now that the Russian army has splendidly responded to the situation, this will not be necessary, and the next move will be a manoeuvre to the German flank."

MAN IN THE OVERALLS IS DOING HIS SHARE

Thanks of Admiralty Expressed to Workmen in Yards Where Britain's Battleships are Built.

Newcastle, Eng. (Via London, Dec. 14).—"The men in overalls, just as much as those who go forth to fight for their country in Khaki or blue, stand between this land and a group of savage, relentless and ruthless militarists," said the Right Hon. Thomas James MacNanara, financial secretary to the Admiralty, in addressing tonight the first of a series of meetings at which he has been delegated to express the thanks of the Admiralty to the shipyard and engineering works employes engaged on government contracts. "Without your work," Mr. MacNanara added, "the valor of the soldiers would avail nothing." By their patriotic response to the heavy and continuous strain imposed upon them since the war, Mr. MacNanara declared, the workmen had assisted materially in increasing the strength and the readiness of the fleet. He exhorted them to continue their efforts in the assurance that in so doing they were best serving their country.

WILL HELP MEMBERS OF THEIR PROFESSION IN STRICKEN BELGIUM

Doctors and Druggists in the United States to Organize Belgian Relief Movement.

New York, Dec. 14.—A movement was completed today for the organization of physicians, surgeons and pharmacists of the United States for the purpose of relieving the five thousand people of the same profession in Belgium. This was announced tonight at the local office of the American commission for relief in Belgium. These united doctors and pharmacists will act nationally, raise cash donations and convert this cash into boxes filled with food, clothing and medicines which will be adapted to the needs of the Belgians. The organization was inspired by the formation of a similar body among the needed surgeons of England. Dr. Frank F. Simpson of Pittsburg is treasurer of this new organization.

PREVENTED HIM FROM CORNERING THE WHEAT MARKET, NEED NOT PAY

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Joseph Letter need not pay \$380,933 in notes given the Interior and Monarch Elevator Company to pay for grain during Letter's attempt to corner the wheat market in 1898, according to a verdict tonight of the jury which heard the elevator company's suit to recover. Letter's sole defense was that the late Frank H. Peavy and the late C. A. Pillsbury, both of Minneapolis, representing the company had agreed to keep this alleged agreement prevented Letter from effecting the corner and caused him a loss of about twelve million dollars, according to the testimony.

JOHNNY EVERS IS IMPROVING.
New York, Dec. 14.—The condition of Captain Johnny Evers, of the Boston Braves, who is suffering from pneumonia, is steadily improving. This was announced tonight at the local hotel where Evers has been ill for a week, at one time being in a critical state.

UNIONISTS WERE FOR STANDING BY FRANCE

London, Dec. 14.—A letter sent by A. Bonar Law and the Marquis of Lansdowne, Unionist leaders in the House of Commons and the House of Lords, respectively, to Prime Minister Asquith on Sunday, August 2, when the decision of the government whether to participate in the war or not was doubtful, was read by Mr. Bonar Law at a meeting of the Unionist chairman and agents today. The letter was as follows: "Lord Lansdowne and I feel it our duty to inform you that in our opinion, as well as in that of all our colleagues, whom we have been able to consult, that it would be fatal to the honor and the security of the United Kingdom to hesitate in supporting France and Russia at the present juncture, and we offer our unhesitating support to the government in any measures they may consider necessary for that object."

After reading the contents of the letter, Mr. Bonar Law, in a speech, said: "Before the war, party passions were inflamed to such an extent that I saw no possible outlet which would not be disastrous to the country. In a moment the whole situation was changed. "In our country there is no single instance since parliamentary government was introduced where the government engaged in conducting a war has not been hampered and harassed by the action of the opposition. That was true in the wars of Marlborough; it was still more emphatically true in the struggle against Napoleon, and it was true in the last war in which this country was engaged. "I think it is quite possible that we have made the mistake, not of criticizing the government too much, but of criticizing it too little; but if a mistake had to be made, I prefer that it were made in that direction."

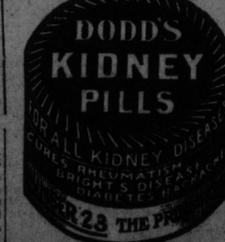
Mr. Bonar Law said that after four months, since the beginning of the war, he could look forward to the future with hope and complete confidence. "Germany," he said, "has failed. They have not crushed France. They cannot crush France, and already the Russian armies are on their frontiers. We have a terrible struggle in front of us, but the final result is not in doubt. The greatest honor which can come upon us as a party will be that when the war is over we can truthfully say that we 'nothing common did, or mean, upon that memorable scene.'"

ANOTHER WAR PRIZE TAKEN

Tokio, Dec. 15.—It is reported here that the German armed merchantman Oxford has been captured by the British in the Indian Ocean, and that the German converted cruiser Cormoran has entered the harbor of Guam, in the Ladrones Archipelago.

BANK OF VANCOUVER STOPS PAYMENT

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 14.—Announcement was made at a late hour tonight by the directors of the Bank of Vancouver that they had been obliged to suspend payment. The directors are confident that the depositors will be paid in full, as the assets are ample.



PRE-HOLIDAY SALE BLACK VELVET HATS AT MARR'S

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London, Ont., Dec. 14.—Fred Whitling, aged 18, of 382 Trafalgar street, was instantly killed and James Smith, colored, aged 16, of 1225 Trafalgar street, is in a dying condition, as the result of being struck by the Grand Trunk "Pacific Express," Buffalo to Chicago, at the Egerton street crossing of the company at 6:30 tonight. The boys were in a sleigh and the horse was instantly killed and the vehicle demolished.

NO XMAS LEAVE, BUT RULES WILL BE RELAXED

London, Dec. 14.—Keen disappointment is being expressed by members of the Canadian contingent whose homes are in Britain at the fact that Christmas leave is being refused. It is understood, however, that at the command of the King, every relaxation is to be allowed in the camps at Christmas.

All possible facilities were given to the Hebrew members of the Canadian contingent this week end to attend the special services in connection with their religious feast of Hanukkah.

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London, Dec. 14.—The Prime Minister of Canada and the three Premiers of the Maritime Provinces will be present as well as a large number of men prominent in the public, commercial, manufacturing, agricultural and general business life of the Maritime Provinces.

About 200 availed themselves of the leave granted, and a large proportion attended the parade service to Hammons' Synagogue on Sunday.

RICHARDS—Suddenly at Ottawa on Saturday, December 12th, Nettie F., wife of J. Fred Richards, Internment at Fredericton on Tuesday

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GEN. MACKENZIE'S ARMY SMASHED BY RUSSIS NEAR LOWICZ, REPORT SAYS

Will Have to be Reformed Before Another General Offensive can be Attempted — Allies Advancing Trench by Trench Around Ypres where Violent Fighting was Resumed Yesterday — German Losses Three to One Compared with Allies'—Austrians Powerless Against Servian Advance.

Petrograd, Dec. 14.—The Russians defending the line in the Lowicz region have inflicted such serious losses upon the attacking army of Gen. Mackenzie that his lines have to be reformed before another general offensive can be attempted.

Paris, Dec. 14.—The most desperate fighting of the month on the extreme western of the battlefront was resumed today in the region from Ypres through Armentieres and La Bassée. The Germans have met the attacks of French and British in this region with a vigorous counter offensive, which has resulted in extremely bloody and hand-to-hand fighting. The Allies have slowly advanced their lines, trench by trench, but it is admitted their losses have been heavy.

The German losses, however, are three to one greater than those of the Allies. On one charge alone along the La Bassée Canal an entire German regiment is declared to have been practically wiped out. After it had taken a French trench the French, aided by British territorial troops, succeeded in flanking the Germans, few of whom escaped. It is evident today that the French are making excellent progress in the Woevre region, where a flanking movement is in progress against the Germans holding St. Mihiel.

Fighting has been in progress in the region for several days and the French are declared to have reached a point where the German communication with Metz from St. Mihiel is seriously threatened. The German attacks upon Ashas have been repulsed and the lines in Alsace are generally being strengthened.

The greatest enthusiasm has been aroused by the annexation of twenty-one communes in Alsace by France.

Paris, Dec. 14.—The course of war which are grinding toward an objective, which is victory, are unable to stop at will, is the comment of the Temps, in declaring that the twenty day truce among the warring nations suggested in the United States Senate is impracticable. Such a truce could not be arranged, it is stated, for the additional reason that it would be impossible to obtain guarantees that it would be observed by all the belligerents.

London, Dec. 14.—According to a Nish, Servia, despatch to Reuters, an official communication issued there on Sunday claims that all attempts by Austrians to halt their retreat have failed, and that the Servians are continuing to sweep the country clear of the defeated Austrians.

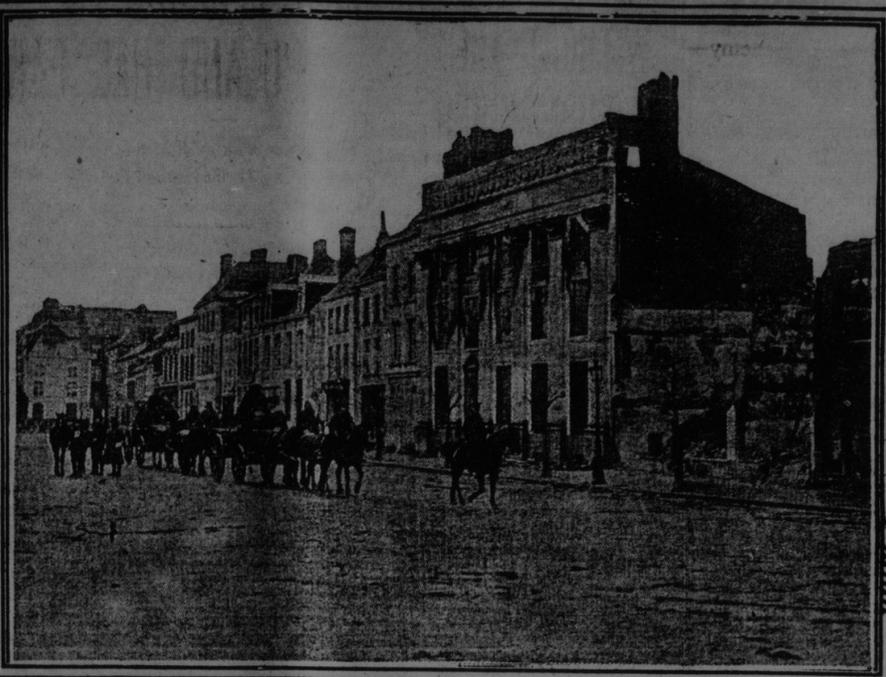
"The Servians are advancing successfully in the direction of Milantovatz and Belgrade."

The communication continues: "The enemy is retiring southeast of Obrenovatz."

In the course of the day the Servians captured seven officers and 2,158 men, two flags, sixteen mounted guns, other guns, munitions and supplies."

Paris, Dec. 14.—The official report says: "Servia—During the days of December 10, 11 and 12, the enemy continued to retreat along the entire front. The Servian advance guards have progressed as far as Veliki and Bosniak, in the direction of Shabat, and as far as Zaslaka in the direction of Loznica. During their retreat the Austrians abandoned many trophies & war material."

A STREET SCENE IN YPRES AFTER THE TOWN HAD BEEN BOMBARDED.



BRITISH PATROL PASSING THROUGH BATTERED STREET OF YPRES.

The unhappy position of Ypres, which for some weeks now has been the centre of heavy fighting, is well summarized by a writer who recently gave the following interesting facts:—"The town of Ypres is added to the list of other Belgian towns like those in which I have seen the ruin of a nation. It exists no longer as a place of ancient beauty in which men and women made their homes, fruitful of fate. Many of its houses have fallen into the roadway and heaped them high with broken bricks and shattered glass, others burned with a fire, fierce glow inside the outer walls. Their roofs have crashed down into the cellars. All between, furniture and paneling and household treasures, has been burned out into black ash or smoulders in glowing embers. The inhabitants of Ypres have gone, unless some of them are still hiding or buried in their cellars. A few dogs roam about, barking or whining at the soldiers who pass through the outskirts staring at all this destruction with curious eyes."

ENGLAND UNDER WAR CONDITIONS

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Gen. Kekewich has been succeeded by Major-Gen. Henry Jeffrey, who is only six weeks of age, but retired four years ago, owing to having been unemployed for three years. In the days of his youth he was a horse gunner of the Aldershot rather than Wood type, and was as good a rider to hounds as he was a soldier. He had the bad luck to take part in Gatacre's Stormberg expedition, but brought his skill, and helped to cover the retreat of those who escaped being captured.

An English military writer says: "The casualty lists have not contained the name of a braver or more enthusiastic soldier than Brig. Gen. Fitz-John, V. C. of the Irish Guards. He greatly distinguished himself on several occasions during the South African War, and he was so prominent in the defence of Mafeking that he became known as 'The Demon.' He gained the V. C. by three remarkable acts of special bravery."

The Westminster Gazette reproduces from a Dutch paper an account of a secret sitting of the Belgian Chamber in the summer of 1913. The story is that the secret sitting was held to hear a confidential statement from the War Minister. The War Minister's statement was to the effect that the Belgian Government had ascertained that the increase of the German army would give the Germans an immediate advantage of 200,000 men over the French upon mobilization, and that it was intended to attack France with that force through Belgium. The Belgian Government had also satisfied itself that the French were not in a position to meet such an attack, particular reference being made to the condition of Lille and Maubeuge. Further, they had received from a European sovereign a hint that Belgium had better look after herself. The War Minister did not name this sovereign, but it is suggested that it was the late King Carol of Rumania.

Circulars have been received in London from an enterprising Swedish merchant who intimates that for a reasonable commission he is ready to negotiate shipments, via Sweden, between England and various countries "like Russia, Finland, Germany, Austria, etc." No doubt there have been some unscrupulous dealers who have done a little underhand business in this fashion, but the Board of Trade returns prove that such traffic has not been upon any considerable scale. An extension is made, however, in the case of tea. There is very little doubt that Germany was the ultimate destination of vast quantities of the leaf exported to Holland, Sweden and Norway, or that certain Mincing Lane merchants have profited largely by the transaction.

Lord Lansdowne, the Conservative leader, is slowly recovering from the serious illness which followed a painful operation, but his recovery has been much retarded by the news of

his youngest son's death on the field of battle.

The capture of Basra, near the head of the Persian Gulf, by British forces from India, in less than seventeen days from the time it was first captured, shows the value of sea power. An expedition sent nearly 1,500 miles from India, seized the great Turkish seaport in little more than a fortnight. Basra was to have been the terminus of the Baghdad Railway, and some of the earthwork for the track between Baghdad and Basra has already been completed. As a seaport Basra is famous throughout the East, for it serves Baghdad and the whole of Mesopotamia. It is the centre of the date trade, and a number of British firms are established there. The combined import and export trade of the port has an annual value of over £2,000,000 sterling. Basra lies about fifty-five miles up the broad river known as the Shat-el-Arab, which is formed by the confluence of the Tigris and the Euphrates. It had already become a centre of German activity.

A correspondent in France of an English newspaper says of the new French military uniform: "The color is agreeable to the eye, and to make the blow to the sensibilities of French patriots which the disappearance of the old red trousers and blue tunic with its historic associations will naturally cause, red and white threads are woven into the blue. Germany's gray is an excellent shade for escaping notice. It will blend particularly well with the gray winter landscapes in which the troops are now fighting. It is perhaps not quite so good in this respect as the German uniform, which is distinctly lighter and grayer. It would be impossible to confuse the two except at a great distance, and in any case, the flat German cap will remain a distinctive mark, the cap of the new French uniform being something like the gendarmery in shape with flaps which can be folded down over the ears. Cap, coat and trousers are all of the same color."

"The likelihood of any leakage of rubber to Germany has now been rendered highly improbable," says the London Times, "by the Government order prohibiting exports from this country. And every day the war continues the greater will Germany's need for rubber, as well as for petrol and copper, become. For instance, it is known that already there are no motor tires to be had in Brussels. An outstanding fact to be remembered is that nearly all the plantation rubber available every year—about 70,000 tons—is produced within the British Empire and is controlled by British firms. There is a little grown in the Dutch East Indies, and American houses control a few Eastern plantations. But the great bulk of the plantation rubber is brought to London, and in normal times large quantities are transhipped to Germany. Henceforth no supplies will be sent out of the country, except under a license. Presumably large quantities will continue to be shipped to our Allies. Within the last three months the value of the rubber sent to Russia—Antwerp it is understood that only 100 tons remained when the Germans took possession of the port."

Anecdotes of Lord Roberts are frequent in all English newspapers. The following is taken from the published letter of a colonel: "At a dinner at the Mansion House after the South African War I was called upon to respond for the toast of the Volunteers, Lord Roberts, at that time Commander-in-Chief, being present, and I took the

TOTAL CASUALTIES AMONG BRITISH OFFICERS SINCE OUTBREAK OF WAR

London, Dec. 3 (correspondence of the Ass's Press)—The official officers' casualty list for the week ended November 30, was made public today. It shows that in these seven days the British forces on the continent lost seventy-nine officers killed, and 141 wounded, and that thirty-three were reported missing. This gives a total of 253 for the week.

Added to the previous totals, the last report shows that since the outbreak of hostilities Great Britain has had 966 officers killed and 1,918 wounded, while 582 have been reported missing. The total of casualties of officers up to date is therefore 3,466 men.

BELIEVE CONSTABLE WAS MURDERED

Quebec, Dec. 14.—Constable Joseph Caron, who was found early Sunday morning badly beaten, in an excavation in the suburbs of Three Rivers succumbed last night at St. Joseph's Hospital without regaining consciousness.

The theory of a murder is strongly supported by circumstances surrounding his acts on the evening of Saturday last.

It is known that Caron went, that evening, to a certain house of ill-fame after leaving his post, in the west end of the city. He had previously reported the house for the disorderly conduct of its occupants, and it is believed that he was assaulted and beaten by thugs who, seeing him unconscious, took his senseless body to the excavation where he was discovered, with his legs only protruding, by a young boy who was on his way to church.

opportunity of criticizing the medical arrangements of the volunteer force. After dinner Sir William Soulsby came to me and said that the Commander-in-Chief wished to speak to me. I naturally thought that as I was at that time on the active list I was about to receive censure for my remarks, but the Field-Marshal said he had had and desired me to put my suggestions on paper and send them to his private house. This I did and the medical service was subsequently remodelled."

Lord Raglan, Lieutenant-Governor of the Isle of Man, speaking in Douglas, said that when his son, Mr. Wesley Somerset, who is a Lieutenant in the Welsh Regiment, was seriously wounded during recent fighting in Belgium a private soldier of the regiment first bound up the wound cleverly and then remarked: "They shall not hit you again, sir." The private lay down in front of his wounded officer, effectually interposing his own body as a protection against the enemy's fire.

PROTEST AGAINST "UNTRAINED" NURSES SERVING AT FRONT

London, Dec. 14.—As a result of a protest from the National Council of Trained Nurses that incompetent women are serving at the front and in hospitals, Lord Kitchener, the war secretary, has called on the council for a detailed report.

The press some time ago directed public attention to the fact that many eager young women, either wealthy or socially prominent, were clamoring for positions as nurses. While the motives of these young women are to be commended, it has been said that meagre training was hardly beneficial to the wounded.

KAISER TO UNDERGO OPERATION FOR THROAT TROUBLE

London, Dec. 14.—Telegraphing from Berne, Switzerland, a correspondent of the Central News says: "A telegram received here from Munich states it has been decided to operate on Emperor William's throat, but the operation is being deferred owing to the feverish condition of the Emperor."

Quebec, Dec. 14.—The Salvation Army will ask the next Legislature of the Province of Quebec for a law giving it power to allow its ministers and officers to officiate at marriages, baptisms and funerals, and to keep civil records.

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TOMMY ATKINS CALLS NEW BRITISH HOWITZER "BLACK MARIA'S MOTHER"

The London Morning Post publishes a letter from an officer in the Royal Garrison Artillery at the front giving a most interesting account of the manner in which the British have succeeded in countering the formidable attacks of the German "Black Marias." This, no doubt, helps to explain a good deal that has happened lately in Belgium. The letter is dated as recently as November 20, and is as follows:—"I have just come from a five-mile ride, and as a foot of snow covers the ground and a north-east wind is blowing, I need not apologize for my handwriting. Things are going well with us still, and the optimistic outlook still flourishes amongst us. The Germans have raised four new army corps of sorts, but their attacks have in each case been repulsed with considerable, or rather enormous, losses. Round Ypres the fighting still continues in its severity, and out of a division of man guns in the past fortnight, the German eight-inch heavy howitzers, Mother's shell weighs 300 lbs. She ranges most accurately, and indeed, she has had four direct hits on German positions in the past fortnight. A direct hit is only recorded by the airman when the shell actually strikes the enemy's gun. Mother is usually accompanied by 'Archibald,' which is one of the new anti-airplane guns. Archie is mounted on a motor-trolley, and yesterday brought down a Taube aeroplane, much to our delight. He fires a 13lb. shrapnel shell and is daily becoming more expert in his attentions to hostile aircraft. Our five-inch battery is still doing good work, and is constantly keeping hostile batteries quiet.

"After a hostile battery had been shelled a short time ago our alarm reported next day that only four of the six German guns had been moved to a new position, so that it appeared that the other two which had been the best of our knowledge London left behind were of no further use."

SPLIT OVER ICELAND'S NEW CONSTITUTION, GOVERNMENT RESIGNS

Copenhagen, Dec. 3 (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—As a result of disagreements over the proposed new constitution for Iceland, the provincial government of that island has resigned.

The provincial government declined to submit the bill for the new constitution to the King of Denmark for ratification, on the ground that it could not agree with the king's demand that the Danish State Council should have the right to "discuss" the affairs of Iceland. The king, thereupon, refused to permit the flying of the special Icelandic flag, until the differences were settled.

The resignation of the provincial government has been presented to the king, who will confer with various Icelandic politicians and endeavor to reach an agreement.

Iceland's government consist of a Minister for Iceland, nominated by the King of Denmark, and a legislature, called the Althing, which has thirty-

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TURKISH BATTLESHIP DESTROYED

British Submarine Makes Daring Raid in Dardanelles and Torpedoes One of Enemy's Warships.

London, Dec. 14.—A communication issued by the Official Bureau today announces that the Turkish battleship Mesudieh has been torpedoed by a British submarine. The official Bureau's statement is as follows:—"Yesterday Submarine B-11, in charge of Lieut. Commander Norman B. Holbrook, of the Royal Navy, entered the Dardanelles, and in spite of the difficult current dived under five rows of mines, and torpedoed the Turkish battleship Mesudieh, which was guarding the mine fields. "Although pursued by gun fire and torpedo boats, the B-11 returned safely, after being submerged on one occasion for nine hours."

"When last seen, the Mesudieh was sinking by the stern."

The Mesudieh was a very old boat, having been built at Blackwall, England, in 1874, and reconstructed at Genoa in 1903. She was 232 feet long, 59 feet beam and of about 10,000 tons burden. She had a speed of 17 knots and her main battery consisted of two 8.2 inch guns in turrets and twelve 6-inch guns in battery. In the war with Greece, in 1912, the Mesudieh was reported badly damaged in a naval battle in the Dardanelles. She carried a crew of 600 men.

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The first act takes place in a young ladies' seaside seminary and the second in the island of Wiseland. Jack Westerman takes the part of I. Key, who in the first act acts as secretary to Professor Kewper (Chas. Hillman) of the young ladies' seminary, and in the second is converted into the Grand Vizier by the queen of the island of Wiseland. Mr. Westerman gives a

very good exhibition in both roles, and keeps the audience laughing heartily all the time he is on the stage.

Some of the musical numbers are very pretty and were very generously applauded. Elsie Wallace was heard to line effect in several love songs. A very funny musical number by Jack Westerman and chorus was "Never Heard of Anybody Dying of a Kiss."

One of the features of the performance was the representation of a doll which talked, sang, danced and otherwise cavorted, given by Kathleen McGregor. Her song, "I've Got a Pain in My Sawdust," was one of the hits of the evening.

A very clever bit of dancing was given by Ralph Austin, whose sailor's hornpipe earned him round on round of applause.

The Wizard of Wiseland will occupy the boards during the rest of the week and should attract good houses.

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EXPENDITURE FOR SCHOOLS DURING YEAR

Trustees expended \$852.28 more than income—Appreciate good work of Teachers Society.

At the regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees held last evening the report of Adam McIntyre on the audit of the board's account for the year was submitted. It was decided to allow A. Company, 62nd Regiment, the use of the assembly hall in King Edward School for drilling purposes if suitable. A suggestion was made by Toronto teachers that school children be requested during their hours from papers and paste them in scrap books to be sent to soldiers at the front. It was said soldiers were not allowed to receive newspapers, and the matter will be looked into.

Miss W. M. Inch and Miss Frances Trainor applied for positions on the teachers' staff; referred to superintendent.

Miss Helen W. Gregory, Miss Beattie Kelly and Miss Margaret Gray tendered their resignations, which were accepted. Miss Gray has been a teacher in city schools for over 30 years.

Miss Ada A. Graham and Margaret R. Graham, who have been on leave of absence, wrote offering to resume work.

Miss Bessie Thompson wrote from Boston, asking that her leave of absence be extended from 3 to 6 months. This was granted. In her letter Miss Thompson said she had visited many schools in Boston, but thought the children of St. John were better behaved, and as well advanced in their studies, though the equipment in Boston was superior.

Alice K. Lingley was also granted an extension of leave of absence for another term without pay.

Mr. Day thought she should be given half pay as she was a very valuable teacher.

H. C. Mott asked for payment of \$1,000 on account of professional services in connection with the Bentley street school; referred to Finance Committee.

E. K. Strathey of Toronto wrote suggesting school children make clippings from newspapers, paste them in scrap books, and have them forwarded every week or fortnight to the soldiers. The matter will be looked into.

Mayor Frink wrote acknowledging the receipt of \$455 from school teachers and \$12 from the superintendent for the Belgian Fund.

Miss Alice Walker acknowledged receipt of \$97 from school teachers for the Red Cross Society.

The board adopted a motion, expressing appreciation of the action of the teachers in making these contributions.

Audit Report.

Adam A. McIntyre sent in his report on the auditing of the books of the School Board. The board issued debentures during the year amounting to \$50,000, expiring in 25 years from Jan. 1st, 1913, bearing interest at 4 1/2 p. c. These were sold for \$95.51.

The amount of the bonded indebtedness of the board on June 30th, 1914, was \$119,500, an increase of \$50,000.

The board's liability to the Bank of Nova Scotia on June 30, 1913, was \$23,642.65. The amount assessed for sinking fund, \$2,151.58, was paid to the credit of that account with the board's bankers. The board had at credit of its sinking fund on June 30, 1914, the sum of \$21,500.07. There were expended on repairs to buildings and furniture the sum of \$9,308.90.

The interest paid the bank on overdraft account during the year was \$1,957.19. The annual interest on bonded indebtedness was \$24,467.50.

The fire insurance carried on school buildings and furniture under schedule expiring on June 27, 1916, is \$316,110. Insurance is also carried on boilers to the amount of \$5,000.

The school trustees expended \$852.28 more than their income.

On motion of Mr. Day the board decided to protest against the continuance of the city buildings on Elm street on the ground that it interfered with the school house.

Frank R. Fairweather wrote saying A. Company of the 62nd would like to have the use of the assembly hall of the High School for drilling purposes. Members of the board thought marching in step would bring down the ceiling. Mr. Bullcock suggested they might use the hall of the King Edward assembly hall. It was decided to get the advice of an architect and city inspector and if they said the King Edward assembly hall was suitable A. Company could use it.

Secretary's Report.

The secretary's report for the month of November was as follows:

Teachers: days, 21; schools, 180; pupils enrolled, 7,969; pupils belonging: boys, 3,737; girls, 3,951; total, 7,688; pupils in average daily attendance, 6,955; percent of enrollment, 87.29; number of teachers' visits, 255; The number of pupils not belonging to the school as follows: Died, 1; sick, 108; at work, 25; left city, 49; transferred, 32; truancy, 3; suspended, 1; kept at home, 62; total, 231.

Those present were R. B. Emerson, chairman; T. H. Bullock, Geo. Day, M. Coll, M. E. Agar, C. B. Lockhart, James Manning, Supt. Bridges, Secretary Leavitt.

SPAIN SENDING DREADNOUGHT TO PANAMA OPENING

Madrid, via Paris, Dec. 14.—Admiral Miranda, Minister of Marine, announces that the Spanish government will be represented at the inauguration of the Panama Canal by a delegation headed by Vice-Admiral Estrada, on board the dreadnought Espana.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR WELFARE OF SOLDIERS

Different Societies Providing Reading Rooms Etc.—St. James Church Welcomes Men.

That the comfort and general welfare of the soldier who will, from time to time be located in St. John will be the aim of many well-wishers is indicated by the efforts now being made to provide them with means of enjoying a short hour or two in the immediate neighborhood of the armory. In St. James' church school room, and in the recreation room below, the soldiers will be able, at any reasonable time, to read a letter, read a newspaper or other periodical, without fear of dire consequences. The reading room is well supplied with books, magazines, books and magazines. In the school room there is a good piano, ready to produce music to the touch of the hand of either the vamped or maestro. A gramophone is also in evidence, with late records willing to take turns on active request. Downstairs there is a billiard room, a cosy spot where one may either play a game or rest, with or without the aid of a good cigar, and, now-a-days, none seems to regard with unconquerable distaste. The general arrangements for the benefit of the soldiers have been made in large measure through the kindly efforts of the Loyalist Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, and the ladies connected with St. James' church.

At last evening the first of many entertainments that it hoped to have in the schoolroom of the church was a success in every way. Rev. H. A. Cody presided. The programme was as follows: Solo, Mr. Guy; address by Archbishop who spoke most interestingly. He said he was glad to see present Major A. E. G. McKenzie, an old friend of his, who had come from Campbellton, a town that had not the aid of the foreign service, "St. James' church," he said, "was an old military church of St. John, and it is very appropriate that a part of it should be opened for the soldiers' sole use. James Bond; comedy sketch, Bond and De Venne; short address by Rev. E. B. Hooper; solo, G. L. Wilson, A. S. C.; address by Major McKenzie, in the course of which he expressed pleasure on behalf of Col. McAvity, at being present at the opening of such fine quarters for the convenience of the soldiers; solo, O. O. Wilson; address by Captain MacArthur; bagpipe selection by F. L. Ross, A. S. C.; address by Lieut. Carter; whistling solo, Mr. Estey, A. S. C.; National Anthem. There was a large attendance during the evening, many men of the Army Service Corps being present.

Salvation Army.

The accommodation for the soldiers going to the front is nearing completion in Army Citadel, Charlotte street, where in the lower room, which will be open every evening, magazines, newspapers and other reading matter, writing materials and other means of helping the boys are already at hand. In the upper hall last evening a rousing send-off was given to Adjutant Robert Pentoff, of the Salvation Army, who has been appointed chaplain of the first contingent of the different city corps, and who will sail today by the Mis-sissippi for England to join the troops at Salisbury Plain. Brigadier Taylor presided, and representatives of the different city corps furnished music of a special and appropriate character. The proceedings being enthusiastically thronged.

After the Adjutant made a few remarks he played "The Maple Leaf Forever." Refreshments were served during the evening by an efficient and willing staff of lady members of the army. It was stated during the evening that more literature, especially magazines and books would help much towards the end that the Salvation Army has in view.

German Street Institute.

A visit to the German street Baptist Institute disclosed the fact that here, again, the soldier will find comfort and entertainment, and a welcome whenever he likes to step in. Next Friday evening would be a good time to make the initial visit. Under the supervision of a committee of the Institute, the church trustees will be found something that will be sure to make the visitor feel inclined to linger a little longer. For here will be found writing material, books, magazines and other literature. Billiard, bascule, ping-pong and other games can be played, and if none of these things appeal to the soldier man he will have the opportunity to solve a host of puzzles in which James' chains and strange devices are present in mute appeal to be pulled apart, put together again or otherwise manipulated in a proper pre-digitorial way. There will be music, for which the piano will be available, and as the institute is always kept well warmed, it is safe to predict that the soldiers will patronize the German street building for some time to come every Monday and Friday. The committee consists of the following members of the Brotherhood: H. G. Marr, chairman; W. P. Nobles, Fred L. Bowman, Wentworth Lewis, Sydney P. Francis.

Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. arrangements for the benefit of the soldiers in the building which has been set apart for the use of this organization in rear of the armory will be complete in a few days. H. R. Hill, of Toronto, who has had charge of work such as will be required at this interesting centre of worthy activity arrived in the city last Friday. He will be especially welcomed as a visitor in Toronto he had charge of the exhibition camp there, where some 5,000 soldiers were at one time located. Ray Pendleton and W. P. Sherwood, both accustomed to Y. M. C. A. activities, will assist Mr. Hill. The quarters include a social room,

ADDRESS ON ACTIVITIES OF RED CROSS

Mrs. Plumbtree, of Toronto, tells of splendid work Society is doing—Urges greater interest.

Stone Church school room was crowded last evening when Mrs. Plumbtree, general superintendent of the Red Cross supplies for the central council at Toronto, gave a practical and pleasing address on the Romance of the Red Cross. Mrs. Plumbtree made a fine impression and her remarks were given an attentive hearing. She reviewed the history of the Red Cross movement and introduced anecdotes in that connection that made the lecture entertaining as well as practical.

Florence Nightingale was the first Red Cross nurse and her work in caring for the soldiers in the Crimea has many romantic features. Miss Nightingale inaugurated a great work that has extended to every part of the earth and the Red Cross emblem has come to be recognized by every country in the world. Not only the Christian nations, but Japan, China and others have learned to revere this emblem of mercy and the feeling of love that it has engendered.

From the foundation of Red Cross work to the work of the members of the society at the present time the story of the Red Cross was practically the history of civilization.

The great magnitude of the work was forcibly brought home to every one at the meeting last night.

The Red Cross Society was the great worker behind the Army Medical Corps and for that reason large quantities of different articles had been provided. Persons had often laughed at the different articles given for the work but people must remember that the conditions in war times were not the same as at other times. The ideas of a hospital here would not fit in with the real hospitals on the battle field, nor those maintained for wounded soldiers. Great coats and boots had to be provided and other articles that one would not associate with the wounded.

Mrs. Plumbtree told of the stupendous amount of work carried on by the Canadian Red Cross societies. One contribution had been \$15,000 in cash. Twelve auto ambulances had been provided for the use of the allies and five more had been given for the exclusive use of the Canadians.

The speaker also outlined the work of the Red Cross on the battle field and the great good accomplished. With the aid of motor ambulances the work had been greatly facilitated and in some cases these vehicles had gone on the battle field.

At the close, Mrs. Plumbtree made a strong plea for a greater interest in the work of the Red Cross Society.

Mayor Frink moved a vote of thanks to the speaker. This was seconded by Rev. G. A. Kuhring.

His Honor Josiah Wood, Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick, was chairman of the meeting. He introduced the speakers and at the close tendered the vote of thanks to Mrs. Plumbtree.

On the platform were Lieutenant Governor Wood, Lady Tilley, Mayor Frink and J. A. Belyea.

SENATOR JAFFRAY'S CONDITION IMPROVED

Toronto, Dec. 14.—The condition of Senator Jaffray, who has been seriously ill since Friday, is tonight greatly improved and the doctors have every hope of his recovery.

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CANADA HAS STOOD UP WELL UNDER SHOCK

That Dominion has withstood world-shaking catastrophe so well, proof of fundamental soundness, Hon. Mr. White says

Montreal, Dec. 14.—"We in Canada have great cause for thankfulness. We may have a more or less trying period to go through before the light of peace again breaks, but I believe it will be a briefer period than we dared to hope. For Canada at this juncture the watchword of the hour should be—production, production and again production."

These were the closing words of an address by Hon. W. T. White, Minister of Finance, at a largely attended gathering of members of the Canadian Club at luncheon in the Windsor Hotel this afternoon.

Mr. White gave a review of what Canada has passed through since the war, pointing out how she has stood the strain and what steps should be taken to safeguard the future.

He said the banks have steadily gained in strength and they are abundantly able to care for the legitimate financial requirements of the Dominion.

"That we have been able to withstand the shock of this world-shaking catastrophe and recover so quickly," said the Finance Minister, "is to me nothing short of marvellous, a conclusive proof of the fundamental soundness of our country and its institutions, an unqualified tribute to the prudence and energy of our people and an unmistakable earnest and augury of our future progress and greatness."

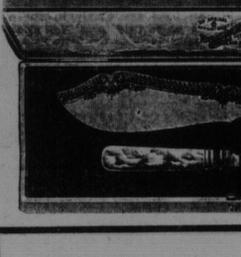
Last night there was a meeting of the members of No. 7 Engine Company and No. 2 Hook and Ladder Company in West St. John. They decided that the money which has been donated to a New Year's festival by this year donated to the Patriotic Fund.

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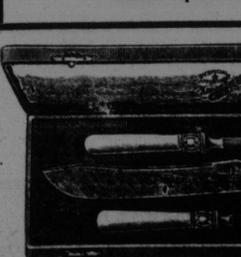
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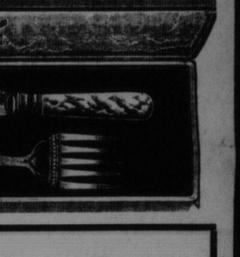
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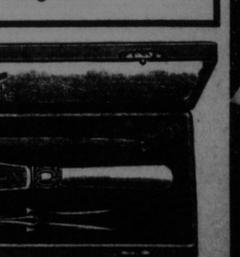
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In an engagement near the Falkland Islands the powerful raiding squadron of the German fleet met with serious disaster when three of her doughty cruisers were sent to the bottom by the unerring aim of a British fleet under Admiral Sir Frederick Sturdee.

VICE ADMIRAL SIR F. C. D. STURDEE

THE DRESDEN.

THE LEIPZIG

CO-OPERATION THE KEYNOTE OF CANADIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS EMPLOYEES' MAGAZINE

(From Moncton Times, Dec. 12th) To the Officers and Employees of the Canadian Government Railways: With the publication of the first number of the Canadian Government Railway Employees' Magazine, I desire to request the co-operation of all our Officers and Employees with the editor, Mr. J. E. Long, Safety Engineer, for I believe that, with your help, it can be made a most beneficial publication for railway men.

most polite attention. That they do this is shown by the frequent expressions of praise received from appreciative travellers by the Railway management.

MISS MARY S. BURGESS DIES AT APOHAQUI APRECIATES WORK OF FARM SETTLEMENT BOARD; MAKING GOOD

Held in esteem by large acquaintance—Suddenly stricken with pneumonia while visiting sister. Apohaqui, Dec. 14.—The death of Miss Mary Burgess, eldest daughter of the late Thos. R. Burgess, took place here at the home of her sister, Mrs. Harley S. Jones, at 6 o'clock tonight.

THANKS FOR DONATIONS DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT APPRECIATES GOOD WORK OF ROYAL KENNEBECASIS YACHT CLUB.

H. C. Wetmore, commodore of the Royal Kennebecasis Yacht Club has received the following letter of thanks from H. R. H. the Duchess of Connaught for the \$90 raised by the club for the men-o-war's men of the North Atlantic squadron.

APRECIATES WORK OF FARM SETTLEMENT BOARD; MAKING GOOD

The following letter from an old countryman who took a farm from the Farm Settlement Board at Coronation, Victoria County, hardly a year ago, gives an interesting sidelight on the value of the work the Board is doing, as well as upon the character of the settlers it is placing on the land.

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And right well does the initial number enter into the spirit of the General Manager's letter. Different branches of the service have contributed well written and most interesting articles on their respective activities, dealing with such weighty subjects as the system of accounting, automatic block signals, evolution of a freight car, Pacific type locomotives down to the ubiquitous time table, or as the article is headed "The Red Folder."

Encouragement is given to neatness in the appearance of grounds, and buildings, and illustration of the lawn at the mechanical offices and shops at Halifax, and the engine house at Stellarton, demonstrate the possibility in this direction.

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Holiday vaudeville was started in the Lyric yesterday and the large crowd and the generous applause attested to the judgment of the selection made by the management. Two big vaudeville acts were introduced and they proved winners.

PEOPLE OFTEN SAY "How Are We To Know When The Kidneys Are Out Of Order?" MENDELSSOHN FOUR AT IMPERIAL. Splendid Bill of Pictures—Robert Edson on Wednesday.

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LATE NEWS IN THE FINANCIAL WORLD

UPWARD MOVEMENT ON WALL STREET CHANGE YESTERDAY

First full session of open dealing an unqualified success - Day's business satisfactory for this period of year.

New York, Dec. 14.—The unqualified success today of the first full session of open stock dealings caused the authorities of the Exchange to decide to restore all shares to the list tomorrow.

From start to finish, except for occasional wavering moments, today's movement of prices was upward, with especial activity in the metal or copper group and some of the higher priced railroads, including Reading, Lehigh Valley and Northern Pacific.

Long before it became known that the ban was to be lifted from the international list, these shares moved up from two to four points over Saturday.

Routine news was in keeping with the movement of stocks, in that it consisted mainly of a constructive character.

STOCK QUOTATIONS ON N.Y. EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Open, High, Low, Close. Lists various stocks like Amal Cop, Am Beet Sugar, Am Car Fy, etc.

WHEAT PRICES STRONG YESTERDAY

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Wheat developed fresh strength today on account of an unexpected upturn in prices at Liverpool, where supplies were said to be insufficient to meet requirements.

German exchange was again heavy, marks falling to 93 1/2, as against 92 the middle of last week.

THE OPENING OF STOCK EXCHANGE

Results of opening to Bond trading have been entirely satisfactory.

The growth towards normal conditions in the country's financial and business affairs, however slow, is one of steadily succeeding steps.

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This judgment has been confirmed. Prices have held above the minimum fixed by the rules of the Committee.

PRODUCE PRICES ON MONTREAL MARKET

Montreal, Dec. 14.—CORN—American No. 2 yellow, 73 @ 74. OATS—Canadian Western, No. 2, 60 @ 60 1/2.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET PRICES

March... 7.22 7.21 7.23 May... 7.50 7.47 7.49 July... 7.65 7.61 7.65

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Wheat, No. 2 red, 1.18 1/2 @ 1.19 1/2; No. 2 hard, 1.18 1/2 @ 1.19 1/2.

Table with columns: Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork. Lists prices for various commodities.

PROBATE COURT

In the matter of Elspeth King, Doris King and Nancy King, infants. On the petition of the above infants and their father, Harry King, of Chipman, Queens county, merchant, who is appointed guardian of their estates, which consist of \$200 left to each of them by their maternal grandfather, the late T. Amos Godson, of this city, Kenneth A. Wilson, proctor.

ALL RESTRICTIONS EXCEPT TWO HAVE BEEN REMOVED

New York, Dec. 14.—Open trading in all the shares listed on the New York Stock Exchange will be renewed at the opening of tomorrow's session.

This significant move was announced by the authorities of the Exchange in the final hour of today's active and strong market, and was received with enthusiasm in the financial district.

Only two of the many restrictions originally imposed by the exchange when business was suspended remain operative. The rule of cash sales on all stocks selling at over \$15 will be continued, likewise a minimum price list.

Arthur Burke and Albert Hanson were sentenced to two and four years respectively in the Industrial School by Judge Forbes yesterday morning.

NEW "MARITIME FORWARD" SCHEME ASSURED SUCCESS

The "Forward Movement" has been successfully launched. The conference of Maritime business activities of Maritime Canada, promises to be an assured success.

An outstanding feature of this gathering which is attracting such widespread interest is the fact that the Prime Minister of Canada and the Premiers of each of the Maritime Provinces will be present to take part in the discussions.

The second purpose of the meeting is to encourage co-operation for their mutual interests among Maritime Province people—to emphasize the business advantage of supporting each other's industries—in a word, to imbue the whole people of the Provinces with a desire to give Maritime support to Maritime enterprise.

To this conference which meets in Amherst on the 17th inst, all Maritime citizens interested in the development of the Canadian East will be cordially welcomed.

It can readily be understood that it was a matter of impossibility for the committee charged with the organization work to get in personal touch with all those whom it is desired should attend this important gathering.

STEAMSHIPS

EASTERN STEAMSHIP CORPORATION INTERNATIONAL LINE REDUCED FARES

Schedule in effect November 25. St. John to Boston... \$5.00 St. John to Portland... 4.50

Maine Steamship Line \$3.00

Reduced fare to New York October 1st to April 30th. Passenger Steamship, North Land leaves Portland for New York at 6.00 P. M. November 24 and 31.

ELDER-DEMPSTER LINE

South African Service, S. S. "KADUNA," sailing from St. John about December 20th for Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, East London, Durban and Delagoa Bay.

WHITE STAR DOMINION LINE WINTER SAILINGS

PORTLAND & HALIFAX TO LIVERPOOL. S.S. Zealand, 12,000 tons, Jan. 2 Jan. 3 S.S. Valparaiso, 12,000 tons, Jan. 16 Jan. 17

MANCHESTER LINE

From Manchester, Nov. 14 Man. Citizen Dec. 11 Nov. 21 Man. Miller Dec. 7 Nov. 28 Man. Corporation Dec. 25

FURNESS LINE

From London, Nov. 22 North Point Dec. 11 Sagamore Dec. 8 Dec. 10 Graciana Dec. 6 Dec. 15 Start Point

THE MARITIME STEAMSHIP CO. (LIMITED)

Until further notice the S. S. Corsairs Bros. will run as follows: Leave St. John, N. B., The Wharf and Warehouse Co., on Saturday, 7 a. m. for St. Andrews, calling at Dipper Harbor, Beaver Harbor, Black's Harbor, Back Bay or Leticia, Deer Island, Red Store, St. George, returning leave St. Andrews Tuesday for St. John, calling at Letete or Back Bay, Black's Harbor, Beaver Harbor and Dipper Harbor, tide and weather permitting.

RAILWAYS

CANADIAN PACIFIC

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CANADIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAY INTERCOLONIAL SERVICE

THROUGH SERVICE TO QUEBEC AND MONTREAL. OCEAN LIMITED DAILY. Connection via No. 2 Express leaving St. John 7.10 a.m. MARITIME EXPRESS (Daily except Sunday) Connection via No. 12 Express leaving St. John 6.30 p.m. GEO. CARVILL, City Ticket Agent, 3 King Street.

Robert Carter CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT Auditor and Liquidator

Business Systematized Cost Systems Installed McCurdy Building, Halifax

World's Shipping News

Table with columns: Date, Ship Name, Destination, Departure Time. Includes entries for December Phases of the Moon, Miniature Almanac, and Steamer Notes.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

Portland, Dec. 11, 1914. Grand Manan Channel, Me. Sall Rock Whistling Buoy, 1, replaced December 9, having been extinguished, will be relighted as soon as practicable.

MEMORANDA

Newport, R. I., Dec. 11.—Lightship No. 85, which was driven from her station on Nantucket Shoals by a north-east storm last Monday, resumed her position there today, according to a radio message received here tonight.

SPOKEN

Bark Juno (Nor), Barbadoes for St. John, N. B., all well, Dec. 7, lat 39 N, lon 73 W.

BRITISH PORTS

Bernuda, Dec. 12.—Sid star Chauders, St. John. London, Dec. 10.—Ard star Start point, Pinkham, Philadelphia, St. John N. B. and Halifax.

FOREIGN PORTS

Delaware Breakwater, Dec. 11.—Sid schr Coral Leaf, from Baltimore for Windsor, N. S. Rockland, Me., Dec. 11.—Ard schr John D. Walters, Parrsboro for New York.

OUTLOOK BRIGHTER IN TEXTILE BUSINESS

Indian demand for Cotton poor—Cloth business decidedly improved.

Manchester, Dec. 14.—Indian demand for cotton goods will be poor, according to present outlook. The exports to India were sixty million yards less during November than they were in October.

Recruits Wanted Army Service Corps, For 2nd Oversea Contingent, Drivers, Wheelers, Sadlers, Farriers, and Artificers. Apply at Armoury lower Floor, any time during day or night.

Western Assurance Co. INCORPORATED 1851. Assets, \$3,213,438.28. R. W. W. FRANK - BRANCH MANAGER ST. JOHN, N. B.

THOMAS BELL & CO., St. John, N. B. PUGLEY BUILDING, 48 PRINCESS STREET Lumber and General Brokers

LONDON GUARANTEE AND ACCIDENT CO., ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS, NEWEST FORMS. GUARANTEE BONDS, RATES MODERATE. CHAS. A. MACDONALD, Solicitor, 49 Canterbury St., Phone Main 1536

Queen Insurance Company. Agents Wanted. C. E. L. JARVIS & SONS 74 Prince William St.

STEAM BOILERS. We have on hand, and offer for sale the following new boilers built for a safe working pressure of one hundred and twenty-five pounds: One "Inclined" Type 60 H. P. One Return Tubular Type 60 H. P. One Locomotive Type 60 H. P. Two Vertical Type 60 H. P. Full particulars and prices will be mailed upon request. I. MATHESON & Company, Ltd. BOILER MAKERS NEW GLASGOW, NOVA SCOTIA.

R. P. & W. F. STARR, LTD., Agents at St. John. DOMINION COAL COMPANY LIMITED. GENERAL SALES OFFICE 112 ST. JAMES ST. MONTREAL.

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COAL. Scotch and American Anthracite, Fresh Mined Minudle, Broad Cove, Sidney and Other Soft Coal in Any Quantity. FORD H. LOGAN, 90-98 CITY ROAD.

CHOICE. Carleton Co. Hay, Manitoba White Oats. All kinds of Mill Feeds. At lowest possible prices. A. C. SMITH & CO., 9 Union Street, West St. John. Telephone West 7-11 and West 81

Paul F. Blanchet CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT 54 PRINCE WILLIAM STREET

World's Shipping News. Miniature Almanac. December Phases of the Moon. Full Moon, 2nd, 11.21 a.m. Last Quarter, 10th, 7.32 a.m. New Moon, 19th, 10h. 35m. p.m. First Quarter, 24th, 4h. 25m. a.m.

Five Year 5 Per Cent Bonds at Par and Accrued Interest—Exempt from Taxation. A Rare Opportunity for Investors—Small or Otherwise. The Province of New Brunswick offers for sale an issue of \$500,000 in five per cent. Bonds running 5 years—interest (half yearly) and principal payable at the Provincial Secretary-Treasurer's office at Fredericton, N. B., or at the Bank of Montreal, St. John, N. B. These Bonds will be issued in the denomination of \$100 and the multiple thereof.

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE DEBATES IN PARLIAMENT

Moncton Times exposes falsification of Moncton Transcript—How the machine Grit newspapers twist Royal Commission evidence to suit themselves.

(Moncton Times, Dec. 14.)

Not satisfied with his attempts to injure Premier Fleming by grossly distorting for some months the evidence given before the Royal Commission investigating the Dugal charges, the Transcript editor now brazenly attempts to erase that portion of the evidence given by the North Shore lumbermen, in which they admit having contributed to campaign funds during a period of twenty-five years under the old (Liberal) government. In its issue of the 12th instant the Transcript accuses the Times of misrepresentation and asks that the Times publish what is claimed to be a portion of Allan Ritchie's evidence to substantiate its contention that Mr. Ritchie never stated that he had contributed to campaign funds for twenty-five years under the old government. Such a contention is absurd, and in this the Transcript editor has out-classed Frank Carvell.

The following is the Transcript's version of Mr. Ritchie's evidence:

Mr. Teed.—Contributing to a lumberman's campaign is no new thing. Mr. Ritchie—No, but it is not often that it is given away.

Mr. Teed.—You have done it in the past?

Mr. Ritchie—Yes, once or twice.

Mr. Teed.—To how many elections have you contributed?

Mr. Ritchie—Well, I guess it goes back a long way.

Mr. Teed.—You have paid to the Liberal campaign funds?

Mr. Ritchie—Yes, I have.

Mr. Carvell.—You paid to Conservative campaign funds, too?

Mr. Ritchie—I don't know just exactly.

Mr. Carvell.—Did you contribute to a fund at renewal of licenses 20 years ago?

Mr. Ritchie—I think you will have to make it 25 years before.

The Transcript tries to make it appear that Mr. Ritchie meant that he contributed when licenses were being renewed twenty-five years previous to the granting of licenses twenty years ago, and allowing that Mr. Ritchie is about the age of the Transcript editor, he might be persuaded to inform the public just about what age Mr. Ritchie was forty-five years ago.

But the editor of the Transcript states that which is not true in regard to Mr. Ritchie's evidence, as the following will show:

I suppose it is something new for you to contribute to campaign funds, asked Mr. Teed, after Mr. Ritchie had said that he considered his payment of \$15 per mile nothing more than a campaign contribution and not voluntary in any way.

No, replied Mr. Ritchie, with a smile, as if appreciating what was to follow.

You have often contributed to campaign funds, haven't you? was Mr. Teed's next question.

Yes, I think I have, replied Mr. Ritchie.

NEED MONEY IN BELGIUM

Mayor Frink has received an acknowledgment of his first remittance to the Belgian Relief Fund, from the Belgian Minister at London. His Worship sent \$7,000, and on November 24th sent an additional amount of \$5,000. He expects to send forward a substantial contribution on Tuesday, which has been held over pending advice from the people of New Brunswick, whether money or supplies were most needed. The letter from the Belgian Minister was as follows:

BELGIAN LEGATION,
15 West Main St.,
Belgrave Square, London, S. W.,
1st December, 1914.

The Worshipful the Mayor, St. John, N. B., Canada.

BELGIAN RELIEF FUND

Sir,—I am in receipt of your letter of the 17th ultimo, together with the sum of £1,431 3s. 1d. being contributed by the people of New Brunswick, Canada, towards the above fund.

I beg to offer you and all kind donors, my most grateful thanks for this very handsome donation, and to assure you that a source of comfort it will be to my suffering countrymen, and how greatly it will alleviate their distress. Belgium will never forget the help she has received in this sad hour of trial from people in all parts of the world.

With reference to your enquiry, it will be far better for you to send further kind contributions in cash and not in kind. It can then be utilized for the most pressing needs.

With renewed thanks, I am,
Yours faithfully,
(Signed) LALAIN,
Belgian Minister.

The letter was accompanied by a receipt for the amount.

The following subscriptions to the Belgian Relief Fund were received by Mayor Frink yesterday:

Mrs. E. J. Smith, \$1; J. J. Rowan, \$10; Mrs. E. C. Burpee, Maugerville, \$5; E. C. Burpee, Maugerville, \$5; Miss Marjorie Burpee, Maugerville, \$1; Miss Sheila Burpee, Maugerville, \$1; Blackville Women's Institute, Blackville, N. B., per Mrs. Justus Underhill, \$25; proceeds supper at Aroostook, N. B., per C. S. Gates, \$68; a friend, Maugerville, \$1; Local Patriotic Committee, Florenceville farmers, sale of potatoes, \$21.40; a friend, \$2; Rev. S. J. Doucet, Grand Anse, parish contributions, \$67; Alma concert, additional per Hon. A. R. McCollan, \$1.

HOPEWELL HILL.

Hopewell Hill, Dec. 12.—The Albert Patriotic Knitting League held a very enthusiastic meeting at the home of their president, Mrs. Geo. D. Prescott,

COMMONS' DECISION

Parliament should sit intermittently to keep eye on Cabinet.

London, Dec. 14.—The determination of the House of Commons not to sit again until February 2, has excited considerable criticism, and the decision of the House of Lords to reconvene on January 6 is praised by the critics, who maintain that both Houses should sit intermittently for the purpose of keeping an eye on the executive branch of the government.

Long sittings would not be necessary, according to these critics, as there is no question of legislation or finance immediately impending. The sole duty of the House under prevailing conditions would be to keep an eye on the cabinet, which with the aid of the Defence of the Realm Act, is a post-hoc, pro-hoc, arbitrary power. The situation will be somewhat saved by the earlier sitting of the Lords, an unprecedented thing under normal conditions, but, with party discord barred, the Lords ought to provide as effective a brake for the impetuosity of the cabinet as the Commons.

AN APPEAL FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF PEACE SUNDAY

The swift seasons have rolled by to the eternity that lies behind us and another Christmas-tide approaches us. But what a Christmas season: the glad music of the angel chant, "Peace on Earth, to men good will," drowned in the boom of cannon and the clash of arms; the harmonies of the skies lost in the discords of earth. Never before has man's Satanic ingenuity predicted would set the vast armaments of Europe in a blaze has fallen, and lo, a conflagration involving three continents. A war-map published by the Christian Herald shows the countries involved in war printed in red and is entitled, "The Blood Red World." It is, says the Sunday School Times, a startling and alarming picture, for by far the greater part of the globe is now directly or indirectly war territory. And never before was war waged on so colossal a scale, for never before has man's Satanic ingenuity devised instruments of such wholesale slaughter. Never before have the slain—men made in God's image—been counted by million, or whole villages around which the battles have raged been described as charnel houses.

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CONFERENCE ON FISHERIES

Convened at Ottawa yesterday—Withdrawal of Canada from proposed Fisheries Treaty with U. S. necessitates new regulations for fishing in boundary waters of Gulf of Georgia and Fraser River.

Special importance attaches to the present conference because of the withdrawal of Canada from the proposed fisheries treaty with the United States and the consequent necessity of drawing up new regulations for the fishing in the boundary waters of the Gulf of Georgia and the Fraser River to which the salmon proceed in the spawning season. According to the Canadian view the American regulations have never been framed so as to conserve those valuable fisheries. It has been suggested in some quarters that the Canadian fishermen should be placed under no more restrictions than the Americans, thus the danger of depleting the fisheries would compel both sides to agree on a policy of conservation.

and Christian methods. We ask that Sunday schools and Bible classes bring the lessons of the time home to those under instruction, and, most earnestly we urge that all who believe in prayer and in an overruling God, who is able to make even the wrath of man to praise Him, make daily supplication for the speedy overthrow of militarism and for the establishment of peace and righteousness.

Prayer moves the arm that moves the world.—So let us pray.

Sarah M. Wright, President, Dominion W. C. T. U.

Elis. C. Acheson, Cor. Secretary, W. C. T. U.

A. E. Gordon, Supt. of Evangeline Dept.

Mary R. Chesley, Supt. of Peace and Arbitration.

Don't Forget About Your Corns.

Cure them in one night by Putnam's Corn Extractor. It stirs, softens and painless, guaranteed to cure or your money back.

many people; and they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

It is too much to hope that even now this prediction is being, in part fulfilled—that the Lord is judging among the nations and rebuking the people, and that, as a result of the terrible object lesson this world-war furnishes, nations will cease to "learn war," will "seek peace and pursue it."

In any case we earnestly call upon all who name the name of Christ to observe the lessons of the waste, the folly, the futility, the savagery of war, and we rejoice that so much of this is being done, by pulpit and press.

Sunday, December 20th, will be observed all over the United States and doubtless also in Great Britain as Peace Sunday. We ask for this day, in this Dominion, a much more general observance than has usually been accorded it, and we ask this more particularly in the name of that portion of humanity who are always and everywhere the greatest sufferers from the evil, women have yet ever known. The pulpits of our Dominion resound with denunciation of this irrational and barbarous method of settling international disputes and with appeals for the application of rational

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTHWEST LAND REGULATIONS.

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

Each settler who has exhausted his homestead right may take a purchased homestead in case of route, or he may acquire a second homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. Royalty, five cents per acre, except where residence is performed in the vicinity.

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SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tenders for the purchase of the property of W. D. No. 3 Restigouche," will be received at this office until 4.00 P. M., on Tuesday, January 5, 1915, for the renewal of boiler of Dredge F. W. D. No. 3 Restigouche.

Plans, specification and form of contract can be seen and forms of tender obtained at this Department and at the offices of A. Kastella, Esq., Mechanical Superintendent, Bricks Building, Ottawa, Ont.; J. K. Benkison, Esq., Superintendent of Dredges, St. John, N. B.; C. E. W. Dodwell, Esq., District Engineer, Halifax, N. S., and J. Nickerson, Esq., Insp. of Dredges, Liverpool, N. S.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with the actual signatures, stating their occupations and places of residence. In the case of firms, the actual signature, the nature of the occupation, and place of residence of each member of the firm must be given.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Hon. the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent. (10 p. c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender is not accepted the cheque will be returned.

Accepted cheque does not bind it self to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,
R. C. DESROCHERS, Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, December 12, 1914.

Newspapers will not be paid for this advertisement if they insert it without authority from the Department.—7146

CHRISTMAS

as usual. The choicest assortment of JEWELRY, suitable for Xmas gifts, displayed in my twenty-eight years at 3 Coburg street, ERNEST LAW, Issuer of Marriage Licenses.

LANDING

One Carload Cast Iron Soil Pipe. Price Low.
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EVERY WOMAN

should use Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

CHRISTMAS

Useful Presents—Men's, Ladies', Misses', Youths', and Children's (4 years up). Rubber Garments, Cloth and Rubber Surfaces, Toilet Cases.

ESTEE & CO.,
No. 59 Dock Street, City.

LANDING

Sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned will be received until December 24th, 1914, for the purchase of Timber Land comprising approximately eighty acres of heavy spruce timber at Gardner's Creek, St. John County, N. B., one half mile from wharf. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Edgar Smith, Black River,
St. John County, N. B.

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Sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned and marked "on the envelope" for the Indian Supplies, will be received at this department up to noon on Tuesday, 5th January, 1915, for the delivery of Indian supplies during the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1915, duty paid at various points in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Forms of tender containing full particulars may be had by applying to the undersigned.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority of the Department will not be paid.

DUNCAN C. BOOTE,
Deputy Superintendent
General and Indian Affairs,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 1st, 1914.

on Wednesday afternoon. About 25 ladies were present and the afternoon passed quickly, everyone working dilligently. When it was too late refreshments were served and the meeting broke up after an unanimous vote of thanks to their charming hostess who has very kindly thrown her beautiful home open to them for their weekly meetings.

On Friday afternoon the Hopewell Hill League met at the home of Mrs. W. J. McAlmon and a large quantity of yarn and needles distributed among the many ladies present.

Mrs. Archie Barkhouse is quite ill at her home here.

Miss Musson Downey of Curryville is the guest of Mrs. W. T. Wright here, for a few days.

Miss Fanny Tingley is spending a week at Lower Cape with her sister, Mrs. Percy Nelson.

Mrs. Thos. Stebbings is recovering from an attack of the grippe.

The Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist church met on Tuesday afternoon at the parsonage. Albert Herbert I. Brewster, of Moncton, has been the guest of relatives here this week.

Miss Julia Peck has returned from a two weeks visit to Moncton.

FUNERALS.

The funeral of Andrew Hamm was held yesterday afternoon from his late residence in Middle street at Cedar Hill. Speaking of the death of Mr. Hamm, Mayor Frink referred, in the highest terms, to his record in the employ of the city. He was formerly a member of the permanent fire department, and for several years was in charge of the city watchmen at Sand Point, and was always recognized as a faithful and trustworthy employe.

FUND NEARING MILLION DOLLAR MARK.

Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—The Winnipeg and Manitoba Patriotic Funds have now reached a total of \$63,571.41. It is expected the million dollar mark will be reached before the new year.

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Rich, delicious, pure

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Shippensburg, Pa.—"It was several years ago that I started taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I then suffered terribly every month. My husband bought me a bottle of it and it helped me right away. Then after my second child was born I had a terrible trouble very badly and I used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and in a short time was cured and have been in excellent health since. I always praise the Compound whenever I have an opportunity as I know it helped me and will help others. Lately I have given the Compound to my daughter and I wish all suffering women would take it and be convinced of its worth."—Mrs. James A. Brown, 113 N. Penn Street, Shippensburg, Pa.

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If you have the slightest doubt that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help you, write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., (Incorporated) Lynn, Mass., for free advice. Your letters will be answered, read and answered by a woman, and held in strict confidence.

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ENGINEER, good all round man, wants position in saw mill or power house. U. S. and Canadian license. Address H. H. Edwards, care H. W. Gourley, Gagetown, N. B.

WANTED—A First Class Male Teacher for School District No. 1, Sussex Corner, graded school. Term to commence in January. Please state experience and salary to Armoor Mills, Sussex Corner, N. B., Secretary to Trustees.

WANTED—A young man from an up-to-date dry goods store, about 25 years of age, an travelling salesman for ladies' furnishings. Apply Box 20, care The Standard.

WANTED—A woman for one week to attend three children by day. Apply 49 North street.

WANTED—At once, Firemen. None but the best need apply. Apply Box 30, care of The Standard.

WANTED—First or Second Class Teacher for School District No. 6, Upham. Apply stating salary to Harry Fowler, Upham, Kings county, N. B.

MALE HELP WANTED.

AGENTS WANTED—Agents \$3 a day selling Mendota, which mends Granite, Hot Water Bags, Rubber Boots, Reservoirs, Bolters, Metal Tubs and Tinware without cement or solder. Sample ten cents. Collect M/Tg Company, Collingwood, Ontario.

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LANDING—1,000 kegs Malaga Grapes.

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TIMBER LAND FOR SALE

Sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned will be received until December 24th, 1914, for the purchase of Timber Land comprising approximately eighty acres of heavy spruce timber at Gardner's Creek, St. John County, N. B., one half mile from wharf. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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REAL LIVE

According to reports the Federal League is coming together on a new basis. The American League is not so strong as it was in 1911, and it is no longer a regular to the team for his conduct.

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Edwin F. Torrey, United States National Association, has prepared a list of the members of the national body. The list shows an amazing growth. Altogether eighty new members have been added to the list since the season of 1911, and the team early in May of 1914 is no longer a regular to the team for his conduct.

The most important elected members are: Lettich club of Seattle, Country club of Birmingham, and a thousand members and a large list.

The athletic program at Frisco already has 50 events which will yet to be arranged. The big San Francisco yet to arrange final events will include archery, bowling on ball, Rugby and American ball. In all it is expected that over 200 days during the season.

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In The World Of Sport

REAL LIVE TOPICS OF THE BIG LEAGUERS

According to reliable information, the Federal League blames Ben Johnson for preventing the rival factions coming together on peace terms, and are aiming their principal blows at the American League instead of the National. Last year it was the National that suffered.

With the passing of Plank, only Connie Mack and Harry Davis remain of the team that represented Philadelphia in its first year in the American League. Plank was first to come in the season of 1901, and Davis joined the team early in May of that year. Davis is no longer a regular, but is valuable to the team for his coaching.

Edwin F. Torrey, secretary of the United States National Lawn Tennis Association, has prepared a statement of the clubs admitted to membership in the national body since March. It shows an amazing growth of the game. Altogether eighty new clubs, having 15,000 playing members and more than 1,000 courts, have enrolled in the national association in the past seven months.

The most important of the newly-elected members are the Seattle Athletic club of Seattle, Wash., and the Country club of Birmingham, Ala. The former has a thousand tennis playing members and a large field of dirt courts.

The athletic programme in connection with the Panama-Pacific exposition at Frisco already mapped out includes 50 events, which will require 138 days to complete. The athletic directors of the big San Francisco carnival have yet to arrange final dates for army and navy events, golf, tennis, cricket, archery, rowing on the green, handball, Rugby and American style football. In all it is expected the athletic events will extend over a period of 200 days during the 1915 season, and

attract the best athletes of the world. The loyalty to organized baseball of Charles H. Fitzpatrick cost him a duck dinner. While the Squire of Flatbush was in conference with the International League men a few days ago in New York, somebody impersonated him to the Hotel Imperial checking clerk and obtained a basket of sixteen dressed fowl that Wilbert Robinson had brought up from Baltimore for his boss. Ebbets has offered a reward for the apprehension of the sneak thief.

Chief Johnson, the Federal League's star Indian pitcher, went on the war-path yesterday at Winnipeg, his home town. Justice of the Peace Colligan decided that Johnson was intoxicated and tried to arrest him. The latter refused to be arrested. A gun was brought into play, and it crashed down on Johnson's head. He fell and in some manner the gun was discharged. The bullet hit Herman Blower, a spectator, in the groin. While the wounded man was being cared for Johnson made his escape. He has not yet been found, after a diligent search by the authorities. Blower's wound is not considered serious.

Billy Evans in a newspaper article expresses the opinion that Tris Speaker's failure to hit in the early part of the season cost the Red Sox the pennant. Not only did Speaker fail to keep up his end, but his failure had a bad effect on his team mates, with the result that the whole team slumped.

In increasing the capital stock of the Chicago Federal League club from \$250,000 to \$400,000 the statement was made that the Chicago club has an actual investment of \$412,000 in their plant. It developed that there are 25 other stockholders besides Wegman but that he had put up practically all the money so far.

YANKEES HAVE CHANGED OWNERSHIP

French Lick, Ind., Dec. 14.—The New York American League Club has been sold to Col. Jacob Ruppert. The price is about \$450,000. Col. Ruppert will not acquire any interest in the Federal League.

This is the substance of statements made here today by Col. Ruppert and President James A. Gilmore, of the Federal League, who conferred regarding the proposed establishment of a Federal League club in New York. After the conference Col. Ruppert said:

"I have already taken over the Yankees. The price is the only thing that remains to be settled. This probably will be \$450,000." "I am afraid we were too late," said Mr. Gilmore, "Col. Ruppert already has purchased the Yankees. I shall return to Chicago at once and try to find another backer for the New York club."

KILBANE PROVED THE WINNER

Philadelphia, Dec. 14.—Johnny Kilbane, of Cleveland, the featherweight champion, outpointed Willie Houck of this city, in a six round bout here to-night. Houck fought aggressively, and made a good showing, but the champion's ring experience enabled him to come out ahead in each round. Kilbane weighed 125 and Houck 129.

SUMMERS GIVEN KNOCKOUT BY SGT. BASHAM

London, Dec. 14, 11.30 p. m.—Johnny Summers, holder of the Lord Loynsday Belt, was knocked out in the ninth round by Sergeant Basham in a contest held at the National Sporting Club tonight for the welterweight championship of Great Britain.

BROKE PAROLE, ARE ORDERED BACK TO HOLLAND BY GERMAN GOV.

Zevenaar, Holland, (via Holland, Dec. 14).—Two German officers who had been war prisoners here, and who had violated their parole by escaping across the border into Germany, returned here today, under orders of their government to do so. The officers reported to the commanding officer at the internment camp at Bergen, where they will be interned until the end of the war. Before the violation of their parole they had the privilege of free movement.

TWO YOUNG BEARS FOR ROCKWOOD PARK LIQUOR CASE UP IN POLICE COURT

The two bears at Rockwood Park having grown somewhat large and requiring considerable food, and showing a tendency to become quarrelsome, the park management decided to change the only difficulty in the way being the cost of obtaining new bears in substitution. At this psychological moment Holt, Renfrew & Co., Ltd.,

REMARKABLE PICTURE TAKEN AT THE BIG EDISON FIRE.



This remarkable photograph shows rolls of films exploding in the fire which ruined the Thomas A. Edison plant at West Orange, N. J. Thirty of the thirty-five buildings of the great manufacturing plant were destroyed, causing a loss which Mr. Edison announced to be \$3,000,000.

Quebec, who have a private zoo at Montmorency, most kindly offered to present to the park two male cub bears. Accordingly the old ones were disposed of to advantage. The young ones arrived yesterday. Holt, Renfrew & Co., Ltd., generously paying all the charges including the heavy express-charge, \$15.75, and have now taken their place in the Bear Den where it is believed they will prove much more attractive than were their older predecessors. They were raised in captivity and have been well cared for from the start. The former ones when first obtained were in very poor condition and never seemed to overtake their appetites.

On the subject of Bears in Captivity Dr. William T. Hornady, the author of "The American Natural History" writes: "If not fed by visitors bears are more playful and mirth provoking than most monkeys," and at page 34: "Never offer a finger to a carnivorous animal, and do not feed peanuts, candy, peaches or tobacco to animals in captivity. If you wish to kill any of these a gun is far more respectable and also more merciful."

Patrolmen Briggs and Garnett testified that on Sunday December 6th at 12.30 they saw Gallagher go down to the shingle shed of Hilyard's mill, take two bottles of liquor from their pockets and put them away. Some time afterwards they saw Daniel Maloney give Gallagher a bank note in exchange for the liquor. Others present were John Porter, Guy Gregory and Curry Clark.

It was mentioned that in the Clark case it took place a half hour previous to the Gallagher case and Thomas Wilson was mentioned as having given a bank note to Clark in return for a bottle of liquor. Wilson, Clark and Porter took drinks from the bottle. Thomas Wilson gave evidence that he asked Clark for a bottle of liquor and got it from Gallagher. E. S. Ritchie asked that Clark be dismissed and the Magistrate adjourned the case until this morning at ten o'clock.

KINGS OF NORWAY AND DENMARK TO VISIT SWEDEN'S MONARCH

Copenhagen, via London, Dec. 15.—By invitation of King Gustav of Sweden, King Haakon of Norway and King Frederick of Denmark, will visit him at Malmö, Southern Sweden, next Friday and Saturday. The three kings will be accompanied by their ministers of foreign affairs and secretaries, and will discuss affairs of common interest which have arisen as a result of the war, and also measures for helping the economical situation in Scandinavia.

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MADE IN CANADA

METAL FAMINE IN GERMANY

Copper \$750 Per Ton—Appeal to People to Send Jewelry or Gold Pieces to Imperial Bank

London, Dec. 14.—All information received here indicates that a famine in both the finer and the baser metals exists in Germany. An appeal is made by the Cologne Gazette to its readers and even to the soldiers in the field, to send their stored gold pieces and any foreign gold or gold jewelry they may possess to the Imperial Bank.

Copper has risen foremostly and the price is now stated to be \$750 per ton in Germany, as against \$280 per ton in London.

THOMAS BLAMES COLLINS FOR LOSS OF BALL GAMES

In every ball club are some petty jealousies and invariably a couple of knockers, but the Mackmen were known as a club that was practically free from this little disturbance until the past season. That there is something wrong is evident in the way certain players do not mind knocking each other in public. The last shot by Ira Thomas at the brilliant Eddie Collins proved conclusively that the tactician has a bunch of trouble on his hands.

Thomas, who is on the trip with the All-Americans en route to Honolulu, is reported to have written to a friend that Collins lost many ball games for the Athletics through his desire to grab all the money there was in sight. Ira, in explaining this, is reported to have said that Collins' newspaper articles had not only lost many games, but caused other teams to change their styles so completely that Ira has his doubts about the future success of the team.

Thomas declares that the Athletics would have had smooth sailing to at least four or five more consecutive pennants had Collins kept his knowledge to himself. Incidentally Ira remarks that this inside knowledge of the opposing teams' weaknesses was not secured by Eddie, but by other members of the team, and that Collins was let in on it. It is generally thought that Collins is one of the shrewdest men in the country in this respect, but now the fans will have to take their pick and either agree with Ira or decide that Thomas has an axe to grind.

Here is what Thomas is reported to have written to his friend: "In writing his article Collins has tipped off many things that he should have kept to himself. He did not give away our signs or tell so much about the inside workings of our club, but he did something that was just as bad. For years our players have been grabbing the signs of other clubs, the peculiarities of the different players and their weaknesses. Very little of this was gathered by Collins, but naturally, along with the rest of the players, everything was told him."

MATTY WAS PLAYING GOLF GAME

Christy Mathewson of the Giants is a sad example of what golf will do to an otherwise perfectly Christian-like gentleman.

Matty, as most every one knows, does not play ball on Sunday. Such an act would conflict with his religious scruples. He made it a condition when he joined the Giants that he never was to participate in a Sunday game.

Hearing of Matty's stand and admiring it, a St. Louis clergyman called at the Giants' hotel to congratulate Matty when the Giants were in the Mount City recently. It was on Sunday. "Mr. Mathewson is out sir," the hotel clerk told the minister. "Could you tell me, please, where I can find him?" asked the clergyman. "Yes; he's out playing golf, his second round today," was the reply.

THE MYSTERY STORY DRAWING TO A CLOSE

Unique Has Pleasing Programme With the Mystery and Fatty.

The Million Dollar Mystery, the second last chapter, was on the screen at the Unique yesterday and proved a deeper mystery than ever. The documents in the treasure box were again in evidence and those mysterious hands were again prominent. Braine's thrilling leap from a bridge forty feet above the water was alone worth the price of admission. It was realistic in the extreme and even in the picture caused a thrill. This absorbing story is drawing near the end and those interested in modern inventions should see the last of this exciting picture.

The Trap, a two-part Moonshine scenic study was also good and in keeping with the other features of the programme. Then there is Fatty with his famous laugh-producing scenes. Fatty's Debut is the title of this mirth-producer and anyone who has seen Fatty will understand something of the story. The Unique will have this programme again this afternoon and evening.

LIQUOR CASE UP IN POLICE COURT

Yesterday afternoon in the police court Curry Clark and Thomas Gallagher were charged with selling liquor without a license. They were represented by E. S. Ritchie. They pleaded

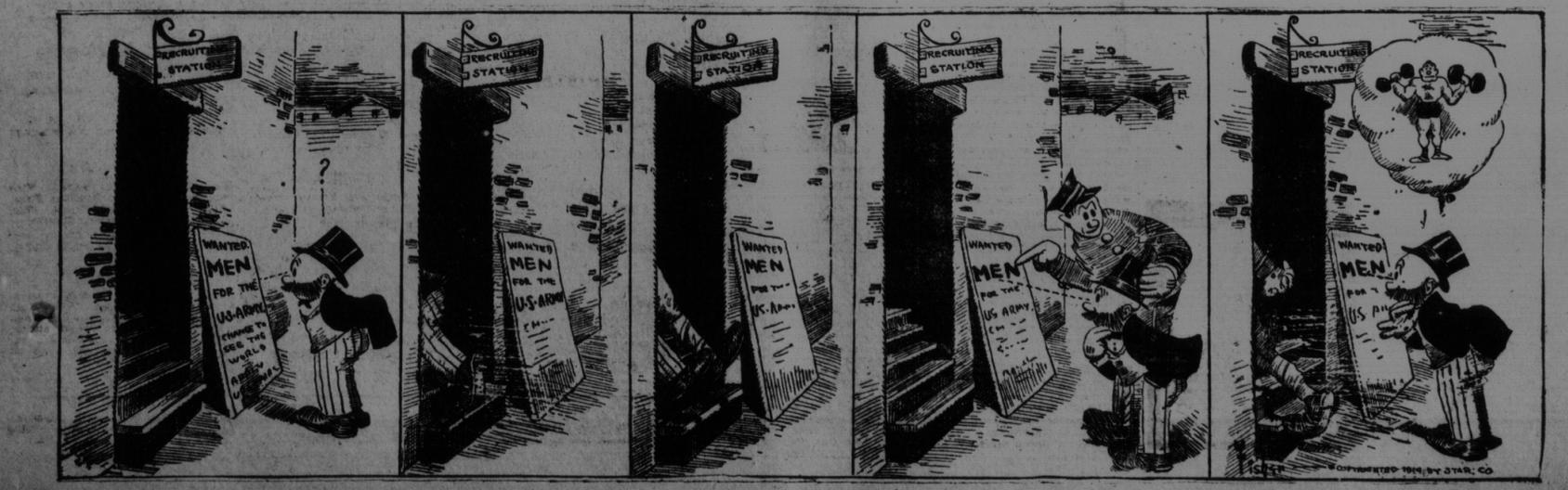
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THE WEATHER.

Maritime - Gale, westerly to northwesterly, light local snowfalls or flurries, but for the most part fair and decidedly colder.
Washington, Dec. 14.-Forecast: Northern New England-Fair and colder Tuesday; Wednesday fair, strong west winds.
Toronto, Dec. 14.-The severe storm mentioned in the night now continues over the Island of Anticosti, causing fresh to heavy gales from the Great Lakes to Newfoundland. Snow has fallen over Ontario and Quebec, and rain in the Maritime Provinces.
Temperatures.
Mtn. Max.
Kamloops 10 18
Battleford 4 6
Prince Albert 14 26
Calgary 8 18
Medicine Hat 8 16
Regina 8 16
Winnipeg 22 32
Port Arthur 12 0
Perry Sound 6 14
Toronto 10 20
Ottawa 0 26
Montreal 8 20
Quebec 12 32
St. John 32 48
Halifax 38 50
-Below zero.

Around the City

A Company.
A Company, Home Guards, will meet for drill in the custom house this evening. There is still room for several more members.

C. A. S. C. Officer Hurt.
Lieutenant D. B. Pidgeon, of the Army Service Corps had his arm badly strained in a fall from a horse on Sunday. He will be laid up for several days.

A Fine Calendar.
The calendar of the National Life Assurance Co. of Canada has been received by The Standard. It is of attractive design, printed on excellent paper and altogether well gotten up.

An Instructive Lecture.
The second lecture in the C. M. B. A. lecture course was given last night by Rev. Wm. Donohoe, his subject being the Magna Charta. Father Donohoe, who is a fluent speaker, gave an interesting address. He told of the events leading up to the Magna Charta, and described conditions of that period. At the close of the lecture a hearty vote of thanks was tendered the speaker.

Disorderly Soldiers.
Last night Sergt. Scott and Patrolman Gibbs, of the police force were summoned to the Armory by Captain McKenzie, who gave five soldiers in custody on the charge of having been disorderly in the Armory. The men who were taken to the central station cells, were John Casey, 42, England; John Carle, 30, P. E. I.; Gordon Leslie, 30, P. E. I.; Elmer Taylor, 21, N. B.; Michael Ryan, 23, N. B. The men are said to be members of the 26th battalion.

Patriotic Fund.
C. B. Allan, treasurer of the Patriotic Fund, yesterday received a letter from a Queens County man, E. G. MacLean, now resident in Sake, West Africa, enclosing \$5 for the Patriotic Fund. Mr. MacLean writes: "Though far from New Brunswick, my native province, I want to help those who are making sacrifices for the Empire." Another donation received by Mr. Allan was from Pioneer Lodge No. 9, I. O. O. F., the second this body has given. The additions to the fund were: E. G. MacLean, Sake, via Lagos, West Africa \$5.00 Pioneer Lodge, I. O. O. F. \$3.00

AGED LADY SENDS SOCKS TO SOLDIER

Mrs. Catherine Crawford at 95 Knits Socks As Christmas Present To Major Magee.

Mrs. Catherine Crawford, who is 95 years of age, and who lives at 78 Exmouth street, is a happy person today. It was mentioned some time ago that this dear old lady was knitting a pair of good woolen socks to send to some St. John boy at the front. It was also stated that considering her age Mrs. Crawford was performing the work in a wonderful manner. The socks have been finished and Mrs. Crawford has requested The Standard to send them to Major F. C. Magee, West Downs, North Camp, Salisbury Plains, England.

No doubt Major Magee will receive many presents this Christmas, but there will be some more appreciated than the pair of grey woolen, long-legged socks, knitted by a woman 95 years of age for the brave commander of the St. John artillerymen. Along with the socks is a Christmas card, also sent by Mrs. Crawford. It is of very pretty design and the old lady writes on it as follows: "With best wishes, and God bless you, to return home to your loved ones From Mrs. Catherine Crawford, 78 Exmouth street, St. John, N. B."

Then comes a few lines with the following: "Old times are sweetest, and old friends are surest. To greet you in the old sweet way, with a kindly thought this Christmas Day. From Catherine Crawford."

BELGIANS HERE ON THEIR WAY TO BATTLE LINE

Hundred and Ten Stalwart Men From West Going Home to Fight-Sail on Scandinavian.

Without pomp or ceremony nor even a cheer from the people of the Loyalist city of St. John one hundred and ten stalwart men for the army of "Britain's Plucky Little Ally" arrived in the city last evening over the Intercolonial Railway and will proceed across the Atlantic on the steamer Scandinavia when she sails from this port. These Belgians, who are on their way home to fight for the cause of civilization, came from the far western plains of Canada where they were engaged in different peaceful pursuits. The majority had formerly been in the army of Belgium and had served out their terms but the call to arms had drawn them even from the remote places of the earth and they sacrificed bright prospects in order to help uphold the honor of the home land in her struggle against the oppressive German hordes.

They had travelled under conditions that were not at all times favorable, but up to the time they arrived in St. John they had been given hearty greetings by the people of the different cities and towns through which they passed. At St. John their approach was unheeded and only a few citizens were in the station last evening when the Belgians arrived and the people present did not realize that these were Belgian troops going forward to the seat of war.

The Belgians were a fine husky set of men and seemed well pleased with the prospect of again taking up arms for their native land. One of the party in conversation with a Standard representative said he had served under the Belgian flag for 22 years and, although he was not compelled to go back, he thought it his duty to help the motherland. He was going back to do his little part.

Only one of the party was in uniform and he wore the dark blue serge of an infantry regiment. The others were appressed in civilian clothing, but a great many had a military carriage that stamped them as having been at one time thoroughly trained in soldierly ways.

The disembarked from their cars as soon as they reached the station and it was expected they would immediately go on board ship. But it was found that they would have to remain ashore until this morning. Intercolonial Railway officials provided two colonist cars for their accommodation last night. The men secured something to eat at the restaurants in the vicinity of the station.

Military men said they had had no advice of the Belgians coming here and no provision had been made by them for their accommodation. It was thought that the party would go through to Halifax and some of the officials here were surprised to find they had come this way.

At Moncton the Belgians were given a hearty greeting. About three thousand people with a band received them at the station and they had been provided with refreshments.

The majority of the party could talk English and during their stay in the station kept up their spirits with singing. The Belgian National Anthem and the French National Anthem.

They will embark on the Scandinavia this morning.

THE TRADE WITH CUBA

The Cuban Consul, Cesar Barranco, is interesting himself in the establishment of a direct steamship service between this port and Cuba, and for this purpose is asking merchants in St. John and elsewhere if it would not be possible for them to make their Cuban shipments through this port. Havana circulars of Dec. 4th, quote the following prices: Codfish in drums \$7.50; haddock \$7.00; lake \$6.00; codfish in cases, \$9.50 for Norwegian, \$5 to \$9 for other sources, per case. For herring bloaters, there is an active demand at \$1.37 per large box. Potato prices are weak, owing to heavy arrivals. Quotations are \$2.78 per barrel and from \$1.50 to \$1.62 per 100 pounds, for bags.

STEAMSHIP NOTES.

The steamship Sagamore has arrived at Boston and is expected to arrive in St. John about Thursday to take cargo for London.

The C.P.R. steamship Misonable, and the Allan Line Scandinavian are expected to get away from port today. Each ship is taking a large general cargo, and about every berth on board will be taken by passengers; in fact it is believed that all the passengers who are offering to take the voyage cannot be accommodated and will have to find passage on some other steamer.

The Head Liner Inishowen Head is due to arrive in port to take in a general cargo for Belfast, Ireland.

The Manchester Line steamship Manchester Inventor is due to arrive at Halifax from Manchester, and after a short stay at that port will proceed to St. John.

SALE OF QUILTS AT M. R. A.'S

Sateen Covered Quilts, silk, floss filled, size 5 by 6 feet, at \$2.75; also quilts covered with best grade of silk-lins, filled with pure white batting, our own make, size 5 feet by 6 feet 6 inches, at \$2.75. Both of these quilts are extraordinary bargains and will be offered at \$2.75 each only until noon after 12 o'clock the regular prices will be charged. Come for them early to the House Furnishings Department second floor.

The annual meeting of St. John County Women's Christian Temperance Union will be held at 140 Union street, December 15.

GEN. HUGHES ON ST. JOHN ON WEDNESDAY

Local Military Officers Making Preparations for Reception of Minister of Militia.

Local military officers received word yesterday that Major General Hughes, Minister of Militia, would arrive in St. John at 10.40 Wednesday morning. He will come by the I.C.R. On his arrival here he will be met at the station by the officers and men of the 26th Overseas Battalion which will be turned out in full strength to receive him. During the afternoon the minister will be busy inspecting the various military units here, and the arrangements for their accommodation. In the evening it is expected he will be given a reception by the Women's Canadian Club. The minister of providing additional accommodation for men here, which is said to have been under consideration, may be decided by General Hughes after he has looked over the situation. Major General Hughes will be in Quebec today. His daughter, Miss Hughes, and Lt. Col. George P. Murphy are with him.

26th Battalion.

A regular programme of drill has been mapped out for the men of the 26th Battalion, and it is being adhered to regardless of the weather. Yesterday the programme called for squad and musketry drill and this was rather fortunate for the men as a route march in the mud would have been more trying. At the present time the battalion is being kept at work 8 hours a day, and the period of its daily duties will be further extended until the men are brought into a condition calculated to enable them to stand the strain of a regular campaign. After this week the men will be given some night work.

Whether the establishment of officers of the battalion will be increased or decreased is not yet known. If the battalion is restricted to the Imperial establishment when sent to the front two officers will have to be let go; on the other hand if given the Canadian establishment two more officers will be appointed.

NORTH END CONSERVATIVE CLUB MEETS

Fine spirit shown at regular monthly meeting - Added activity for winter months.

The monthly meeting of the North End Conservative Club was held in the Orange Hall, Simonds street, last evening. Dr. C. M. Pratt occupied the chair, and after the business had been disposed of a fine programme was carried out.

The social hour took the form of a smoker and a fine array of talent entertained the members. Several of the members gave addresses on different subjects of interest, and Messrs. Harry Gaslin and R. Carson assisted. Plans for the coming year will be held during the winter were discussed and a committee was appointed to secure speakers of prominence to appear before the club. Keen interest has been shown in the meetings of the club and it is expected that the membership will be materially increased during the next few months.

STEAMSHIP CASSANDRA OFF PARTRIDGE ISLAND.

The Donaldson line steamship Cassandra, Captain Birch, left Partridge Island last evening and anchored there. She will dock this morning with a good general cargo of merchandise for local, and other Canadian markets. The steamer left Glasgow on December 5th and experienced severe weather on a number of days during the voyage to this port. Her passengers include 58 first cabin and 46 second, and these who are mostly booked for Upper Canada, will leave on this afternoon's train.

FLOUR FOR THE BELGIANS

The Provincial Belgian Relief Committee has purchased 3,100 bags of flour in Montreal at a very low price, and the flour will be forwarded to Belgium as soon as possible. It has been suggested that societies having money for the relief of the Belgians should forward it to the provincial committee as it can be buying provisions at wholesale in large lots make better bargains.

These Furs.

It is a wonder to everybody how F. A. Dykeman & Co. sell such fine quality of furs at the moderate price they are asking for them. The explanation is found in the fact that they bought them from an overstocked manufacturer in Montreal at prices which enables them to sell these furs from one-quarter to one-third less than other stores. Handsome black fox sets that would sell ordinarily for \$120.00 are on sale at \$76.00. Handsome large size wolf sets worth \$75.00 are on sale at \$47.00. Imitation fox sets at \$9.80 for the set. Near seal coats, rich, glossy appearance, \$65.00 quality for \$46.00.

MR. LELACHEUR SOON FOR THE CONTINENT?

Louis Lelacheur writes of persistent rumors, in letter to mother in this city

In a letter to his mother, Mrs. J. J. Lelacheur of this city, Louis Lelacheur, at present a signaller with the first Canadian contingent at Salisbury Plains, writes that his officers believe the first contingent will soon be sent to either France or Russia for a four or five months' workout under actual service conditions before getting word in spoud of the guns. Whether this rumor is authoritative or not Mr. Lelacheur does not know.

The letter was written at Salisbury Plains on November 25th and contains much information regarding life at the big camp which will be of interest to friends in St. John. Mr. Lelacheur states that Major Powers is on leave in London and that he and Cyril McDonald, another St. John boy, will soon have six days' leave in which to see the old country. London is the chief centre of attraction and the two boys intend buying a monkey to fill the position of quartermaster in their tent.

Mr. Lelacheur is much pleased with his tent companions and says they are all good fellows. They have bought a lot of clothes, chiefly rubber boots, coats and hats, a floor for their tent and all together it is a happy party. Mr. Lelacheur expects that the winter quarters will soon be ready and as each house will accommodate twenty-five men, all the St. John signallers will be in the city.

On Sunday last several of the boys took a trip through the country and on the way saw numerous partridge, but as they were not allowed to carry guns, did not bag any. They, however, succeeded in capturing two hens which, the writer says, made a most enjoyable pot pie.

With reference to the alleged trouble about mail not being delivered, the writer believes it is because of improper addressing, as he has never had any trouble about his.

The following is the daily schedule laid down for the signallers: 6.30 to 7.30, physical drill; rifle cleaning, breakfast at 8.15; 9.10 parade and rifle drill; 10.15 to eleven, map reading, and from then until dinner time telegraphing and signalling; from two o'clock to 2.30, target practice; 3.30 to four, care of horses and how to saddle, followed by an hour's work on the running of motor cycles; 4.30 to five buzzer practice, followed by supper at five thirty; lights out at 9.45.

Mr. Lelacheur in closing his letter wishes to be remembered to all his friends.

A SAD STATE OF AFFAIRS

Many children unable to attend school because of lack of clothes.

There are times when children in St. John are not able to go to school because they have no clothes or boots. This matter was brought to the attention of the Board of School Trustees last evening by the monthly report of Trustee Officer McMahon.

"Is nothing done to have the churches or other organizations provide clothes for these children?" asked Trustee Day.

"In the great majority of cases the parents object to charity in any form," said the Trustee Officer. "I have frequently suggested that something might be done by the churches, but the parents are strongly against accepting help. In most cases they are sure they will get boots as soon as they can, and absence from school on this account is temporary. I generally know about the circumstances of the family."

Chairman Emerson-I don't think any child in St. John should be kept away from school because of lack of clothes or boots. Hundreds of families in St. John would be willing to supply boots and clothes to school children if they were in need of them. The Trustee Officer-I have frequently asked parents if I could go to their clergyman and ask them to secure clothes for their children, but they generally object to that.

All men, other than those stationed on Partridge Island, who have handed in their names to go with the Artillery Division, Column, are requested to report at Major W. H. Harrison's office, Room 33, Royal Bank Building, King street, not later than Wednesday, 16th inst., between the hours of 11.30 a. m. to 1 o'clock, and 4 p. m. to 5 p. m.

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M. R. A.'s annual Christmas Sale of Dress Goods will present better opportunities than ever of saving money. There will be attractive Cheviots, Serges, Tweeds, Poplins, etc., offered, and the sale price will be but 40c, 50c, and 75c a yard. Dress Goods Department, ground floor.

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Two Bargain Specials for This Morning IN THE HOUSEFURNISHING DEPARTMENT. Quilts at Only \$2.75. Here are two kinds of Quilts, both to be offered at the same low price and as the object of this sale is to bring shoppers to the store in the early part of the day, this opportunity will hold good only until noon. After 12 o'clock these quilts will be sold at regular prices, so come during the forenoon if you want them. QUILTS—Kapock (silk floss) filled, covered with good quality sateen and made in panel effect the same as down quilts. Size 5 by 6 feet. Special price until 12 o'clock. Each \$2.75 QUILTS—Covered with daintily figured silkoline, filled with best grade of pure white batting. Size 6 feet by 6 feet 9 inches. Our own make. Special price until 12 o'clock. Each \$2.75

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