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Estimate Stands At 2,000 Killed And An Equal Number Of Injured

This Morning's News From City Overwhelmed By The Catastrophe

Showstorm, While Adding to Suffering, Helps Work of Firemen—Agonizing Search For Missing—Hundreds of Bodies in Morgue

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 7.—Up to noon today there was no change in the police estimate of the number of casualties in yesterday's disaster. The dead number about 2,000, with the same number of injured, two-thirds of the latter suffering from flying glass.

4,000 TONS OF MUNITIONS EXPLODED

The cause of this disaster now is stated as follows:—A French munition steamer, carrying 4,000 tons of munitions, including, it is said, a considerable quantity of trinitrotoluol, the most highly explosive material manufactured, and a Belgian relief steamer came into collision off Pier 8, just at the entrance to the basin.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 7.—The war has touched Halifax. Sorrow and anguish are left in its trail. Where only a few hours ago the most prosperous city in Canada stood secure in her own defences, unafraid and almost apathetic, there are now heaps of ruins.

Many and conflicting were the stories of the origin of the explosion, but the real story was at last learned, two vessels had collided and one was a munition ship. Although believed to be purely accidental it was nevertheless due, so and caused by conditions the war created.

Five minutes before the explosion men were going about their business, women were busy in their homes and children played about the floors or went hurrying to school. Up the harbor steamed a ship laden with munitions, and down the harbor came a ship flying the Norwegian flag.

Orders were at first given that everybody should flee to the south of the city, and in a short time Barrington street resembled a road in Belgium or Serbia, when the people fled before the advancing Hun.

There were blanched faces and trembling hands, a few had tears pouring down their cheeks, but there was no undue excitement and no disorder. The wildest rumors were in circulation and every bearer of tidings was immediately surrounded.

On the one side the King Edward Hotel stood a practical wreck, on the other the central portion of the railway station no longer existed but the wreckage up to and including this point was as nothing to that beyond. Houses were simply indistinguishable masses where they had not been devoured by the flames that rise and fall, that roared and seethed and made the place like a smelting oven.

FEARFUL SUSPENSE

Most pathetic stories, so tragic that they almost benumbed the sensibilities seeped through. One possessing all the elements of horror was told by two white-faced sailors who came to a local newspaper office to see if they could help them in their search. They were both looking for wives and children. They had lived in Hanover street and when they had gone to what had been their homes, there was nothing but ruins and search among them had revealed nothing.

They had then made the rounds of the hospitals with hope and fear gnawing at their hearts, but all to no avail. A list of the temporary hospitals and shelters were furnished them, but at last account 47 were still torn between hope and uncertainty. Nothing is more terrible than cruel suspense and strong men as they were their faces showed this strain.

FIVE LITTLE ONES DIE

In the Infectious Diseases Hospital Miss Mulcahy, a nurse, was so badly injured about the face that she may lose an eye, and the building was practically wrecked, but none of the patients suffered serious injury.

St. John Men Bring Home Tales Of The Awful Disaster

Lieut. Colonel Good Was in Centre of Scenes of Devastation; Mount St. Vincent Girls Home; Esmond Barry Speaks of Harrowing Experiences

Among the passengers to arrive in the city this morning from Halifax on the Maritime train was Lieut. Colonel Good of Fredericton. The colonel left St. John on Wednesday night for Halifax and arrived there just about five minutes after the big explosion took place. Speaking of the disaster this morning, he said that he never witnessed such a sight, not even on the battlefields of France.

As soon as the train was brought to a standstill every member of the crew and many of the passengers got right to work in caring for the dying and suffering. Those on the train that knew anything of first aid were kept on the train, while the others went in search of the injured.

The wounded were brought back into the train and after the whole train, consisting of seven cars, was filled with the injured the train was taken to Truro. In one case the colonel said that he was coming up one of the streets looking for injured people when he stopped in front of a burning wooden house. As he was looking into the house an old man standing at the side of the house came up to him and said that his wife and family were in the structure somewhere.

In estimating the damage, he said that fully sixty per cent of the buildings of the city had been affected and at least forty per cent of them wrecked. Stores of all kinds were vacated, fruit, clothing, groceries and hundreds of other lines of goods were all over the streets and roads.

Passengers on the train arriving in the city this morning from Halifax said that the Belgian relief steamer came steaming up the harbor about 8.30 o'clock yesterday morning. She at the time was on fire. Those in charge of the steamer apparently tried to make the berth at which the French ammunition steamer was tied up to. So soon as the crew of the Belgian saw that their steamer was about to hit the munition boat they all took to the boats and only three of them were injured, while every member of the crew of the munition boat was either killed or drowned.

Just prior to the explosion a slight fire had broken out on the end of No. 8 pier and the chief and seven firemen were endeavoring to extinguish the blaze when the explosion occurred. All nine were instantly killed. Three large splinters of wood were found in the fire chief's body, one in the head, one under the left arm and the other through the stomach.

On the train which arrived from Halifax early this morning were fourteen young ladies from the Mount St. Vincent Academy at Halifax. Ten of these belonged to St. John and four were from outside points. They were: Miss Elizabeth Gorman, daughter of Mrs. Thos. Gorman, 78 St. James street; Miss Bertha Drometto, Miss Gertrude Thompson of Woodstock, Miss Catherine White of Boston and Miss Dorothy McKenize of Boston.

On the same train were Esmond P. Barry, postal clerk, of 151 Waterloo street, and S. Rutherford Jack, railway mail clerk of 26 Pitt street. Both men were at Richmond at the time of the explosion and were active in assisting the wounded to the centres where treatment was being made and wounds dressed. A special train was made up outside of Richmond and sent with wounded and refugees to Truro.

"It was terrible," said Mr. Barry, when interviewed early this morning by a Times reporter. "People were dying in our car like flies. Some of them came to the place with nose shot off, eyes put out, faces slashed in all directions with flying glass, limbs torn and distorted. One man came in with blood streaming from what was originally his face. On one occasion while we were working around a wrecked building we could see a little baby fifty feet or more in and underneath burning masses, crying for aid. We could not get within thirty feet of him and had to watch while he was burned to death. Men, women and children were lying on the streets and hundreds are buried beneath wreckage who have not yet been accounted for. I lost all my belongings and was lucky enough to escape with my life, but I have been through an experience which I am never likely to forget."

Conductor J. C. Gillespie of the Halifax train, which arrived in the city this morning, said that the disaster was beyond the comprehension of man. His train, which left here on Wednesday night, got as far as Richmond, when the explosion broke. He said that the explosion had been a few minutes later, his train would have been in the North street station when it collapsed. For sometime yesterday it was thought that his train really was in the station at the time of the disaster. A passer-by this morning said that the disaster was greeted him with, "well, you're here. For some time yesterday we thought that you and your train crew had been killed." Conductor Gillespie answered: "Yes, I am here, but only through a miracle. Richmond, he said, the windows in every house were broken and fully fifty per cent of the buildings collapsed, babies were lying on the streets dead, mothers dead, fathers killed, and in one case he mentioned the family of Ernest Cameron, a C. P. R. operator, who himself was killed and all his whole family, including his wife and children, were killed. While one train was hauled up at Richmond, the conductor and two brakemen were sleeping in the van of the train, a piece of metal, weighing about five pounds, came crashing through the roof of the van and killed one of the brakemen instantly, the conductor and the other brakemen made their escape without a scratch.

The machinery in one of the foundries in Richmond, he said, was blown clean out of the structure and deposited in a field about twenty-five yards away. The road bed from Richmond to Halifax, a distance of about two miles, was completely torn up, trains were lifted off the rails and smashed. He said that F. C. Clark, an operator in the North street station, was instantly killed by the falling debris when the station collapsed.

Among those who arrived in St. John from the stricken city this morning were Roy McDonald of this city and Harry Milligan of Milltown, ecclesiastical students of the Holy Heart. That building was damaged but no one was seriously hurt.

Word came to the Misses Lynch that their sister, Mrs. Robert O'Mullin and family, were safe, but their house was damaged.

A. H. Chipman and Gideon Heveor were in the Halifax hotel when the explosion occurred. They escaped without injury.

Mr. Miles, son of W. H. Miles, of T. H. Estabrooks Co., who is a cadet in the Halifax Naval College, escaped without a scratch.

Gladys Baxter, daughter of Dr. Baxter, after escaping without injury from her hotel, worked all day in two emergency hospitals and won the admiration of everybody by her untiring exertion among the wounded and helpless.

BRITISH NOW IN STRONGER POSITIONS ON WEST FRONT

London, Dec. 7.—Last night's report from Field Marshal Haig's headquarters, says:—

"Local fighting has taken place again today in the neighborhood of La Vacquerie without any change in the situation. In the area south of Bourlon Wood minor hostile attacks were repulsed with severe loss to the enemy from the fire of our artillery and infantry."

"The hostile infantry has been active south of the Scarpe and also in the neighborhood of Arrmentiers."

British Headquarters in France, Dec. 6.—(By the Associated Press).—The British have withdrawn from the salient about Bourlon Wood to a prepared line which should make their position much stronger and more defensible in many ways. The retirement was carried out successfully mainly early on Wednesday morning, and under cover of darkness. Not until many hours later did the enemy discover he was facing evacuated territory.

The Germans today had swarmed over much of the vacated zone and were digging themselves in along the advanced line but as late as 1.50 o'clock yesterday afternoon they were still shelling Bourlon Wood and between noon and 3 o'clock they launched a heavy attack against the empty trenches near Meuvres, showing that they were uncertain of the situation even then.

The ground abandoned was cleared thoroughly and not a gun or any other material appeared to have been left behind. Moreover, the vacated positions were rendered temporarily untenable so that the enemy would be forced to construct new defences and digouts. The British prepared the new line while they still held Bourlon Wood.

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RELIEF TRAIN FROM BOSTON HERE TODAY

A special relief train, containing eleven doctors, ten nurses and four tons of supplies, arrived in the city about one o'clock today. It was sent out by Governor McCall of Massachusetts so soon as he realized the seriousness of the situation in Halifax. The party is in charge of A. C. Ratchesky, Major Harold G. Giddling, M. D., in command of the medical staff and John F. Moore, of Boston, was looking after a delegation from the Boston Metropolitan Chapter of the Red Cross, who received orders from the National Headquarters in Washington. Some newspaper men were also in the party en route to the scene of the catastrophe in the interests of American papers. They reported that another relief train will leave Boston some time today bringing food, clothing, etc.

Waterville, Me., Dec. 7.—The relief train sent to Halifax by Governor McCall and the state public safety committee of Massachusetts was delayed for more than an hour early today by a freight wreck on the Maine Central Railway at Burnham Junction, thirteen miles from here.

Five freight cars had been derailed just ahead of the train and the tracks were piled high with wreckage. Telegraph poles also had been knocked down, cutting off communication between this city and Bangor.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Arrangements for despatching a third relief train at 11 a.m. today from New York to carry supplies and assistance to Halifax were made by the Red Cross. Railway officials are assisting and will rush the train through as fast as possible.

Boston, Dec. 7.—A special train carrying a Red Cross unit, consisting of fifteen physicians and thirty nurses and a quantity of medical and other supplies will start for Halifax this afternoon in charge of S. Huntington Wolcott.

Dr. E. F. Murphy, son of George Murphy, Rockland road, was one of the physicians on the special train that passed through the city this morning from Massachusetts. Doctor Murphy has been practicing in Roxbury, Mass., and is at present attached to the American Army Corps of doctors. He spent a few minutes with members of his family at the station today at noon. Mr. Murphy has many friends in St. John.

ST. JOHN CITIZENS IN SESSION ARRANGE TO HURRY ALONG SUPPLIES

Business-Like Meeting Makes Rapid Arrangement For Effective Work—Many Donations—Children Help Little Ones of Halifax.

That the citizens of St. John mean to do everything in their power to render succor to the bereaved and homeless people of Halifax was manifested this morning at a meeting of business men, which was held in the mayor's office in City Hall. Deputy Mayor McLellan presided and the spirit which prevailed testified to the eagerness of all to do everything in their power to rush aid to the sister city now in the throes of disaster and despair.

Committees were quickly formed and working arrangements completed in a remarkably short space of time. It was arranged to send a special relief train out tonight with hundreds of thousands of yards of bandages, properly sterilized, thousands of loaves of bread, clothing of every description and anything else deemed advisable.

Some members of the Commercial Travellers' Association in charge of Robert Simms, were delegated to leave for Halifax at noon today and make arrangements to secure a place for the distribution of food, etc., and to have a large sign placed on the building to let the people know that they could procure food, etc. there. It is to be named the St. John Distributing Depot, and all goods shipped from this city will be sent there.

Committees were appointed to take charge of collecting clothing, bandages, food, etc., and others to look after the transportation of them to Halifax. Major Knox, on behalf of Brigadier General Macdonnell, addressed the gathering. He said that a wire had been received from Ottawa last evening instructing them to render all possible assistance to Halifax. General Macdonnell felt that it would be a good thing to have this done through the representation of the city. He said that arrangements would be made to rush all kinds of food, hospital supplies and other commodities to the scene. Major Knox suggested that it would be well to have all food prepared for immediate consumption and offered to have the military kitchens kept going continuously cooking beef, bacon, eggs, etc.

Deputy Mayor McLellan thanked General Macdonnell for his kindness and promised that officials would co-operate with them and see that everything was carefully transported to Halifax.

James F. Robertson spoke about the conditions prevailing after the terrible St. John fire and said that the experience gained would be invaluable in the present catastrophe. He offered several good suggestions, which Mr. Sims promised to follow out.

Commissioner Russell said that he had secured 5,000 loaves of bread to send over with the relief train tonight. He also received a large quantity last night from William Shaw and the York Bakery and neither would accept a cent for their donation.

FOR THE CHILDREN

This morning Superintendent Bridges sent communications to all pupils in public schools asking them to bring with them this afternoon some piece of wearing apparel for the unfortunate children of the stricken city. They were distributed by Walter H. Golding and brought a quick response. The articles will be sent on the relief train tonight. It is felt that two or three thousand articles have been procured in this way. (Continued on page 2, second column.)

ANOTHER SON KILLED IN WAR

Sad Message Comes To Mrs. Robert H. O'Brien of Britain Street

Mrs. Robert H. O'Brien of 184 Britain street received this morning a telegram from Ottawa announcing the death in action of her son Gunner Alfred Patrick O'Brien, on November 28. Gunner O'Brien was only twenty years of age and went over with a draft from the 9th Siege Battery last spring. He had been in France six or seven months. The young man had just finished a business college course and had the promise of a bright future when the call of his country led him to enlist for overseas.

This is the second son Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien have given to Canada, an older son Pte. Charles O'Brien, being killed in action two years ago the fifteenth of this month. He went over with the First Contingent, and saw heavy fighting in Flanders.

Besides their parents these soldier heroes are survived by five sisters and four brothers. Mrs. P. H. O'Brien and Mrs. E. J. Alexander are sisters, the other three living at home. The brothers are Robert, Arthur, and Frank of St. John and Harry of Toronto.

The sympathy of the citizens goes out to the bereaved family.

FEARED BROTHERS DEAD. Fred Elliott of the Stephenson Machine Works, had two brothers in Halifax. They were checking in the North Station when the accident happened and it is feared they are dead.

INJURED COMING HOME? It was rumored about the city this afternoon that there were 400 injured on their way to St. John from Halifax and would arrive in the city this afternoon. The rumor, however, could not be confirmed.

Colder and Snow. Maritime—Strong winds and gales from northwest and north, colder with local snowfalls.

New England—Fair tonight and probably Saturday continued cold; fresh northwest winds.

WOMEN KNEW NOT THEIR OWN NAMES

One simple statement that came over the telephone wire from Truro this morning reveals something of the horror of the Halifax tragedy. It was that women had been brought to Truro who were so crazed by the shock that they could not tell their own names.

The Catholic Red Cross is at work in the Y. M. C. I. building making bandages.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service

Synopsis.—The disturbance which was on the South Atlantic coast yesterday morning has moved quickly northeastward with increasing intensity towards Sable Island. Very cold weather prevails in the western provinces.

Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Fair and decidedly cold today and on Saturday.

Lower St. Lawrence—Northeast and north winds, fair and colder today and on Saturday.

Gulf and North Shore—Fresh north-east and north winds, fair and colder today and on Saturday.

LOCAL NEWS

A reception was held in St. David's school room last evening for the soldiers. A programme was carried out by the following: M. DeSoyres, G. Tweedie, Miss D. Bayard, Miss M. Crulshank, D. Thompson, Corporal Harry Murray, Alex. Gibb.

A large assortment of boys' suits and overcoats from \$4.75 to \$15—Turner, out of the high rent district, 440 Main T.F.

A meeting of the Soldiers' Wives League was held yesterday afternoon in St. Andrew's church parlors. Mrs. Smith, the president, was in the chair. The question of meeting the soldiers' wives arriving at this port was discussed and it was decided to take no action at present.

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Expert telegraphers who have spent years in the work have arranged courses for the returned soldiers in which the training period has been reduced to the minimum of eight months, the shortest possible time for efficiency. Competent men who elected to take up this work as a means of livelihood after their return from the front have been placed in good positions at the completion of their course, and proved highly successful.

The telegrapher of average ability earns from \$100 to \$125 a month and after a time as he becomes expert he may increase his salary to \$150 and \$200. The returned soldiers whose injuries made it necessary for them to learn new occupations come from all classes of labor. There are railroad men, farmers, blacksmiths, motor drivers, mechanics and many other vocations represented, and some of the most successful and speedy operators have been one-armed men.

The death of John Bayard of Bangor occurred on Wednesday. He was sixty-three years old. A brother, James, of Belmont, N. S., and a nephew, Rev. Charles M. Bayard, also of Belmont, N. S., survive.

THE CROPS OF CANADA

Ottawa, Nov. 30—The census and statistics office issued today a preliminary estimate of the total value of the field crops of Canada for the year 1917, as compared with the finally revised estimates of 1916 and 1915. The estimated values for 1917 represent the prices received by farmers, and are calculated from current market quotations; they are subject to revision after the compilation of returns from correspondents in December. According to the preliminary estimate the total value of all field crops for 1917 is \$1,089,687,000, as compared with \$886,494,900 in 1916 and \$825,370,600 in 1915.

This is the first time that the estimated value of the field crops of Canada has reached one billion dollars, this large figure being due to the high prices now ruling. The total of \$1,089,687,000 is made up of \$451,874,000 for wheat, as compared with \$344,096,400 in 1916, and \$236,142,000 for oats, as compared with \$210,917,000, of \$145,801,600 for hay, clover and alfalfa, as compared with \$171,618,900 and of \$81,855,000 for potatoes, as compared with \$60,992,300. The aggregate value of other grain crops is \$134,006,700, as compared with \$84,679,800 and of other root and fodder crops \$40,974,700, as compared with \$84,165,000. The final estimates of value for 1917 will be published as usual in January.

The following officers were elected last evening at a meeting of Union Jack Lodge, No. 85, P. A. B. B., in the Orange Hall, in Simonds street—H. McCaw, worshipful master; H. Allen, deputy master; T. H. Penny, chaplain.

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1 1/2 lb. tin Cresco 42c
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Orange Pekoe Tea, per lb 50c
3 lbs. Barley 25c
2 pkgs. Dates 25c
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6 pkgs. Cow Brand Soda 25c
3 lbs. Rice 25c
2 pkgs. Christie's Biscuits 25c
Surprise or Gold Soap 25c
3 lb. tin Tomatoes 22c
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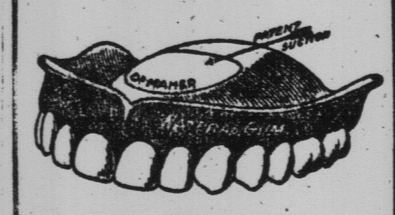
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6 lbs. best Onions 25c
1/2 lb. jar Whittly's Mince-meat 25c
1 lb. bulk Cocoa 35c
2 pkgs. Whittly's Mince Meat 25c
New Mince Meat, bulk, 18c, 1 lb. 2 lbs. 33c
3 pkgs. Jello Jelly Powder 25c
4 pkgs. Bee Jelly Powder 25c
Baked Beans, large can 18c
Baked Beans, small cans, 9c
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20 lb. pails Shortening \$4.90
10 lb. tin Shortening \$2.50
5 lb. tin Shortening \$1.25
3 lb. tin Shortening 75c
3 lbs. Small Prunes 25c
2 lbs. Large Prunes 25c
5 lbs. Choice Onions 25c
Fancy Dates 15c
Two Seeded Raisins 25c
Two Seedless Raisins 25c
3 Old Dutch 25c
5 Lenox Soap 25c
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4 Surprise or Gold Soap 25c
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Alexander Gaul, of London, England, was before the police court yesterday afternoon charged with trespassing on one of the C. P. R. docks at West St. John, and also with obtaining money under false pretences. It is said he had a plan for a submarine destroyer and on the strength of this he secured \$18 from John L. Andrews to whom he showed the plans. The case was further postponed until this afternoon.

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Ivory Soap 25c
5 Cakes Lenox Soap 25c
4 Cakes Fairy or Life Buoy Soap 25c
4 lbs. Oatmeal 25c
3 1/2 lbs. W. G. Buckwheat 25c
3 lbs. Farina 25c
3 lbs. Graham Flour 25c
3 Bottles Lemon or Vanilla Flavoring 25c
3 Bottles Strawberry or Pineapple Flavoring 25c
2 Tumblers Jam 25c
2 Cans Evaporated Milk 25c
10 lbs. Yellow Sugar \$1.00
2 pkgs. Shredded Wheat 25c
24 lb. bags Oatmeal \$5.25
Large size can Peaches 49c
Domestic Shortening 24c
3 lb. tins 75c
5 lb. tins \$1.25
10 lb. tins 2.50
Choice Country Butter, per lb. 46c
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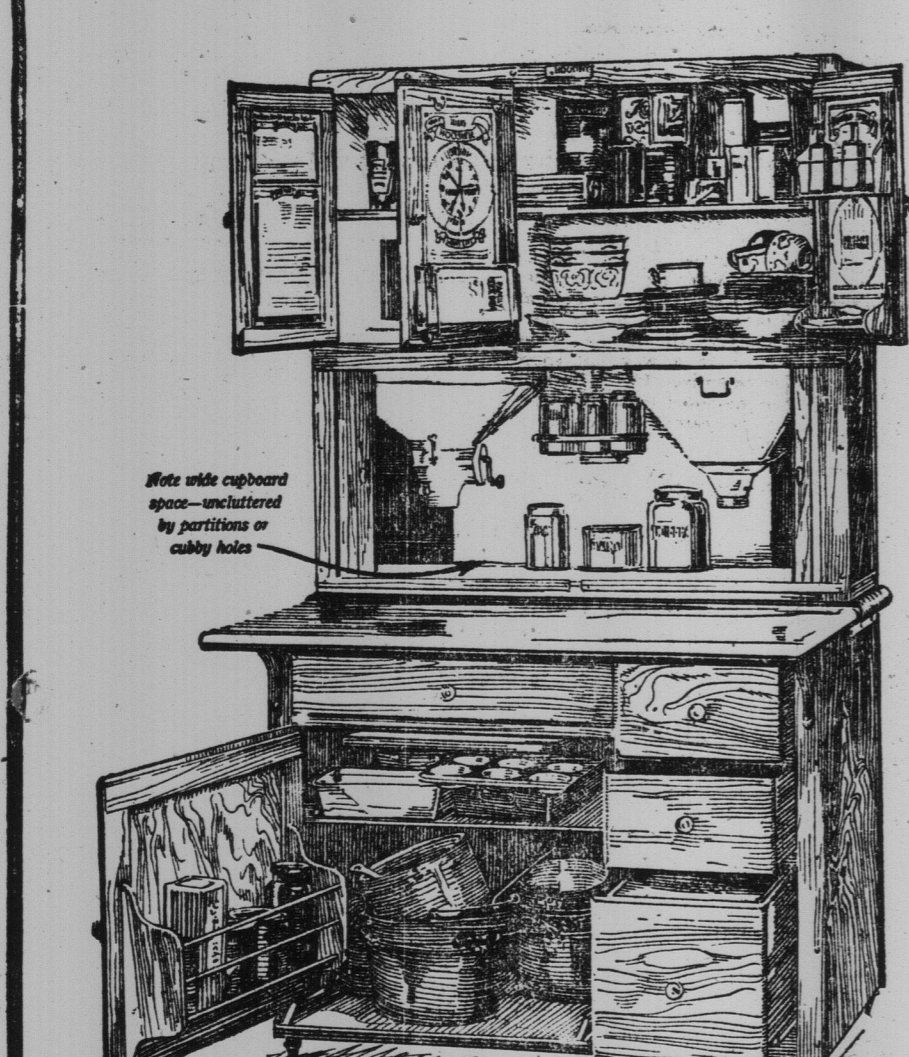
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THE HALIFAX TRAGEDY.

There is one dominant feeling in all hearts in St. John today. It is the feeling of profound sympathy and pity for the stricken people of Halifax.

broken hearts are not to be mended by human agency. The ruined city will be rebuilt, but of its people great numbers must carry in their hearts a life-long sorrow.

PARTIES AND THE NATION

That was a very significant remark made by Hon. F. B. Carvell on Monday night, when he said that after this war is over the political parties must revise many former theories and adopt themselves to new and greatly changed conditions.

Apparently there are one or two newspapers and a few orators who have not yet learned that the Borden government no longer exists.

Last February, months before construction became an issue in Canada, the Hamilton Canadian Club asked Sir Wilfrid Laurier to endorse a campaign to stimulate recruiting.

Referring to the wholesale exemptions in Quebec municipalities, Toronto Saturday Night observes that "this is nothing more or less than a deep conspiracy to defeat the aims of the military service act."

The British near Cambrai have withdrawn from one dangerous salient, because to hold it would involve too great a sacrifice of life, and Gen. Haig is careful of his men whenever care is possible.

Conscientious objectors in England are to be disfranchised for a period lasting five years after the war. That is perfectly right. A man who will not fight for his country should have no voice in its affairs.

The cables from England and France show that the soldier vote is going for union government. If we at home have any regard for them, how can we do otherwise than follow their example?

In these times that try the souls of men there are two important issues in the Moncton Transcript office. The first is the Moncton Transcript. The second is the Moncton Transcript. There are no others.

Twenty German divisions attacked necessary this is the war news reveals. Two British divisions near Cambrai got the worst of it, because the British had the advantage in position and had the guns. The enemy losses were heavy.

A snowstorm this morning adds to the misery of Halifax citizens whose houses are windowless, and makes more difficult the work of searching parties.

The splendid organization of the local Red Cross has made it possible to rush needed supplies quickly to Truro and Halifax.

Massachusetts lost no time in starting a relief train for Halifax. All honor to Gov. McCall and his fellow citizens.

Saint John Sends Aid To Stricken Sister City

Mayor and Relief Committee Left Last Night; Doctors Also; News With Special Bearing on Local Features of Disaster

St. John was prompt in sending relief to the stricken people of Halifax. Having in mind the quick and most generous response of neighboring cities at the time of the great fire here in 1877, Mayor Hayes with the assistance of leading citizens quickly summoned a meeting at City Hall at 5 o'clock last night.

After 11 o'clock last night, after former offers had not been received, a call came from Halifax for three surgeons and the train was held up until Dr. W. W. White, Dr. G. A. B. Addy and Captain Thomas got on board.

The local Red Cross sent a shipment of supplies for medical relief as well as material for destitute. The V. A. D.'s were instructed to be in readiness for a call but it is not expected now that they will be needed.

Indications are, despite the seriousness of the situation, that there is sufficient medical aid at hand. Lieut.-Colonel A. H. H. Powell of the local military headquarters staff, wired yesterday offering doctors, nurses and medical orderlies as well as other material. A reply was received that these would not be required.

About 11 o'clock at night, however, a call came for three surgeons and these were promptly enlisted.

People in St. John were at fever pitch all right long the telephones at the newspaper and telegraph offices were busy with inquiries regarding the general situation, and also regarding St. John people who are in the sister city.

As soon as serious reports reached city hall Mayor Hayes and the commissioners here received word, naturally, that Halifax needed provisions and clothing and needed them quickly.

This is a feature which citizens will regard with some pride. At 9 o'clock, just three hours after adjournment, three cars at the C. G. R. depot were loaded with provisions and supplies. The following committee was named to go to Halifax and administrate the distribution.

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Hardly a man in the Canadian army but enjoys skating and the exercise in the fresh air will be beneficial to all of the convalescent men who are able to participate in such active exercise. No one, of course, is allowed to skate except by permission of the medical officer.

The boys have a great time, and the rinks promise to be one of the greatest sources of amusement during the winter season in many of the out of town centres. Skates in many places are being supplied by patriotic citizens. Some are new and others are skates which have been discarded by men overgrown by old age or dignity, but sharpened and put into shape they suffice.

It is interesting to note that even in the schools for blinded soldiers in England and France the men enjoy skating.

England May Check Waste of Coal

(Toronto Mail and Empire.)

Among the problems which the war has pressed upon public attention in England is that of fuel, which fact is brought to mind by the report of the Fuel Research Board. The report is merely preliminary, and the board has decided to erect a research station in which the great questions affecting the fuel supply of the nation can be tested. The various coal seams in the country will be surveyed and classified, and it will be determined whether an economical and efficient apparatus for carbonizing coal at low temperature can be produced, and also whether it will be possible to dispose of the by-products at a commercial profit. It may be that as one of the results of the war, and as a result of experiments made in the course of the war, the British people will take steps along the line of public ownership and operation that seemed impossible a few years ago. It is said that under a single management the railroads have given a service that would have been impossible had the lines been operated by several owners, and there are some who maintain that the nation ought to nationalize its fuel sources, and have them developed and conserved for the good of the nation rather than for the benefit of employes and owners.

Empire Founded on Coal.

The point is emphasized by Sydney Brooks, who writes on "King Coal, Pusan to Peking" in the British, in the Philadelphia Public Ledger, that the Empire depends upon coal, that our civilization, in fact, is a coal civilization. We believe, of course, that the great power of the British Empire rests upon the sure foundation of British character; but it has been pointed out by the fact that Great Britain had not such great deposits of coal, and if she had not early discovered how to use it in smelting iron, the British Isles would not be able to sustain a third of the present population. England would have been little better than Holland. The Dutch people have great coal reserves, but they are not used, and the Netherlands was once a first-class power, but owing to an absence of great natural resources has sunk to the rate of a third-class power; and there appears to be no prospect of her being anything else, unless it might be a fourth-rank power.

Enough for 200 Years

The British Empire having risen in the past hundred years to a position of the great English deposits of cheap fuel, will its supremacy not be threatened if these deposits are exhausted? Of actual exhaustion there is little fear. It is estimated that there is available for mining some two hundred billion tons, which would keep the heating and power needs of the world for 200 years. The question that has not been satisfactorily answered is whether it will be possible to mine this coal at a price that will enable British industries depending upon it to compete with American industries and German industries. It will be the business of the Fuel Research Board to grapple with this and kindred questions and make suitable recommendations. For some years now the cost of mining coal in Great Britain has increased, apart from the increased wages paid the miners. The coal is deeper down, and is therefore harder to get at, and consequently the tons per year per miner have also decreased. For instance, while an American miner can produce some 400 or even 600 tons a year, the British miner can produce only 244.

Great Waste of Coal.

There enters also the great question of the waste of coal. Witnesses before a Royal Commission in 1908 testified that one-quarter of the coal was wasted. They calculated that if all steam engines were as efficient as the best a saving of 80 per cent would be effected in coal used for raising steam. Similarly, if all collieries had modern plants they would consume only half of what they now burn. Coal is wasted through boiler incrustations; it is wasted when a reciprocity engine is installed instead of a turbine, and when automatic stokers and mechanical draught furnaces are not used. The American furnace system of house heating is also much more economical than the system that prevails in the majority of British homes. An open hearth is a great comfort, but undoubtedly it permits more heat to escape up the chimney than is thrown into the room.

Too Valuable to Burn.

But even if coal were burned economically, it may be wasted. It may be like burning mahogany economically. Some experts insist that a great deal of coal is lost in the form of raw or nude coal is to waste it, that its by-products are more valuable than the fuel, and that coal should only be used as fuel after these products have been scientifically extracted. That is to say, coke, not coal, should be burned. Before the war Germany was making huge strides in the preparation of powder fuel. In both Belgium and Germany the waste gas from blast furnaces was conserved, purified and used in gas engines. With a coal output greatly less than that of Great Britain, Germany was producing twice as much coke, sixteen times as much patent fuel and 50 per cent more ammonium sulphate. Mr. Brooks concludes: "The country which is the quickest to develop its sources of power will be the country to recover first from the war. The Fuel Research Board is a token that Great Britain intends to be that country."

Lieut.-Colonel Davidson and L. E. Prouse, of Charlottetown, passed through the city yesterday on the way to the front to take the soldier vote.

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The application filed this day with the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities by the New Brunswick Power Company praying that the Board may approve of a new and revised toll charge and tariff for its street railway, electric light power and gas services—to go into effect on the first day of January next, will be heard on Thursday, the 27th day of December next, at the hour of 10.30 of the clock in the forenoon—in the Government Rooms, in the City of Saint John, when all parties interested may attend and be heard.

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ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT

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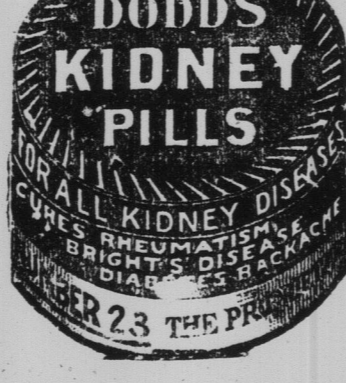
Notice is hereby given that Blonde Rock Automatic Gas and Whistling Buoy is reported adrift. Will be replaced as soon as possible. J. C. CHESLEY, Agent, Marine and Fisheries Dept. 12-10.

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Saint John Girl's Vivid Story of Disaster In Nova Scotia Capital

Miss Eleanor Tapley, Student at Mt. St. Vincent, Describes Scenes and Speaks of Outstanding Incidents

Miss Eleanor Tapley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis E. Tapley, was one of the Mount St. Vincent young lady students to return home this morning. She gave an account of the disaster to a representative of the Times. "The class at Mount St. Vincent had just finished their hour in the commercial room," she said, "and it was nearly time to change classes, when a fearful roar came from the direction of the city. It was not known what had happened, but after some seconds we were again startled by a sudden smashing of every pane of glass in the building and an inrush of cold air. It took that long before the effect of the concussion was felt at the Mount. Immediately we were panic stricken and did not know what was happening. What added to our fears and was generally thought to be the most trying, was the fearful shrieking which came from the stricken city. By the time we had begun to realize that it was some really terrible thing which had happened our nerves had quieted down and we could look at things a little more calmly. "We first got word of the disaster from an engine which came tearing up from the city, rocking from side to side with terrific speed. The engineer, the only man aboard, cried to us, 'Give me anything you have, blankets, food, bandages or anything. The whole city is wrecked and for the mercy of God be quick. We girls rushed to get anything we could lay our hands on. Sweaters, coats, clothes torn in strips for bandages, everything was piled on the engine which immediately tore at full speed back to the scene of horror. "No one at the convent was killed, but some of the Sisters were terribly cut by the flying glass, which in our section of the city, did most of the damage. Every window was broken and some of the pillars in the chapel fell. "Some Girls Injured. "Some of the girls were hurt, too—Miss McParland, Miss Ready, Miss O'Neill and Miss Gorman all suffered slight cuts. The rest of us, fortunately, got off practically without a scratch. These injuries at the convent, however, were absolutely nothing compared to some of the wounds that we treated here later. Before the explosion was taken, thousands of the inhabitants were rushed out from the danger zone as far as possible and we were ordered to leave the mount. We did this, and, accompa-

WORD OF SAFETY OF ST. JOHN PEOPLE

Many St. John people have received answers to their telegrams asking for news of relatives who were at the scene of the explosion yesterday morning. Rev. J. H. Jenner of West St. John has received a telegram from his daughter, Nursing Sister L. M. Jenner, who was at the military hospital in Halifax, saying that she escaped safely. D. C. Clark of West St. John has had a similar message from his daughter, Miss Ella Clark, who was studying at a Halifax business college. Word has been received by Gerson Mayes of West St. John that his son, Harold Mayes, is safe. He had a narrow escape, however, as it would appear that he was in the Union Hotel at the time of the explosion. A wire was received early this morning by A. M. Belding from his son-in-law, E. V. Morrow, Halifax manager for the Burroughs Adding Machine Co., saying that Mrs. Morrow and he were safe. G. S. Mayes received a wire this morning from his son, Harold Mayes, saying that he was safe, and the family were greatly relieved, for he was known to be in the very district ravaged by the explosion. L. C. Armstrong, traveler for T. H. Estabrooks & Co., is safe but slightly injured. His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc today received from Capt. Byrne, Halifax, a despatch stating that the children of the Sacred Heart and St. Mary's schools were all safe.

K. OF C. OFFER QUARTERS HERE FOR HOSPITAL

A fine example of generosity has been shown by the Knights of Columbus of this city. Learning that some of the injured from Halifax might be sent here they have offered the use of their home on Coburg street, with accommodation for probably 200 patients, and the members are ready to give all the assistance possible in regard to clothing or any other way they may be able to serve. The local Red Cross asks for donations of old clean linen, preferably sheets. Kindly leave at Red Cross depot or 100 King Street. The ladies of the St. John Methodist churches are requested to meet at a temporary church parlor Monday, Dec. 10, at 3:30 p. m. for united effort in behalf of Halifax sufferers. Offers of help came in from all quarters of the city when the terrible news was known here yesterday. The Sisters of religious organizations in the city and the nurses at the hospitals volunteered their services. These were accepted, but just before leaving last night they received word that no accommodation could be found for them in Halifax at present and later word came that no help was needed immediately. Between fifteen and twenty members of the V. A. D. had also volunteered but their services may not be needed until the nurses and Sisters prove insufficient.

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led by the sisters, made our way to the hill behind Mount St. Vincent.

In Vivid Contrast.

"Here no signs or traces of the cataclysm a few miles away were visible. The trees had not been damaged by the concussion and the cows were quietly chewing the cud or lying down in the field. It was a startling change and produced instant reaction on the wrought nerves of all. Below in the distance we could see the smoke of the burning city, but all around us was peace and quietness and we could hear only the distant sounds of the disaster. We spent the whole of the morning there in prayer, Sisters and girls, and it was a prayer that we believe, was answered.

"By noon we received word that the magazine had been flooded and that the only danger left was from the conflagration throughout the city. We immediately returned to the convent and there the sisters relit the fires and courageously set to work to make a place for all the wounded that could possibly be cared for at the place. We were given something to eat and then helped in the work of dressing wounds. Miss Flood did great work here and in every way possible gave assistance. Where none of the girls and not even the fathers of little babies would do it, she would hold the injured ones while their wounds were sewed up by the doctors.

Soldiers Reported Killed.

"It was the same tale of wounding and death everywhere. I was talking to a soldier who had been washing the dishes at the armory at the time of the explosion. The armory was rendered a mass of ruins as a result of the concussion and many soldiers there were killed. This soldier had had an artery cut with glass and he was bandaged in five places. He and his family were able to get away to their home in New Glasgow late in the afternoon. It was not known whether he would live or not. At five o'clock we were told that there was a train leaving for Truro and we came away with little but the clothing we wore.

"We were not allowed to go near the city the whole time. In the evening, as we were leaving the sky was of flaring red with great luminous pillars of smoke rising out of the city. St. Joseph's school suffered terribly, and we think ourselves lucky to get off as we did.

"We reached Truro safely and a train being made up here for St. John. This we boarded. At all the stations as far along as Moncton crowds of people were anxiously waiting for news or word of friends and relatives in the city. At last we reached here, and after the terrible day we had been through we certainly were glad to hear 'St. John safe' and to see our friends and relatives.

"The number of dead and injured in Halifax is appalling. Every possible aid that St. John can send will be absolutely needed."

GENERAL CURRIE

Commander of Canadian Figures in Cable Over Matter of Leave

(Special Cable to Times by F. A. MacKenzie, Copyright.)

London, Dec. 6.—Careful inquiry has now revealed the grounds attributing General Currie's leave to disagreements with other authorities. He visited Paris to fulfill public engagements. The relations between him and General Turner are excellent. General Currie has won in the highest degree the confidence and affection of the whole army corps. He possesses the supreme gift of inspiring his men. His careful preparations, bold strategy and dogged hard-driving are universally appreciated and have splendidly justified his selection for the corps command.

General Turner is doing admirable work in England, where his transformation of the organization made it possible to keep the fighting corps the whole time up to full strength. While the principle of giving the minister of militia for overseas control of corps appointments and promotions through the chief commander is radically bad, every-one tries to work it to the best advantage.

LLOYD GEORGE IS SLIGHTLY ILL

London, Dec. 6.—Premier David Lloyd George is slightly indisposed, having suffered a chill. A dinner arranged for Friday, at which it was announced he would reply to the Lansdowne letter, has therefore been postponed for a week.

Laurier Declared Hopelessly Behind in Soldiers' Vote in the British Camps

(Special Cable to Times by F. A. MacKenzie, Copyright.)

London, Dec. 6.—Inquiries at British camps since my return home concerning election prospects here show that Laurierism is hopelessly beaten. An active union propaganda during the last eight days has been very effective. Preston has announced his intention of bringing another action, this time against the military who, he says, arrested him at Witley Camp.

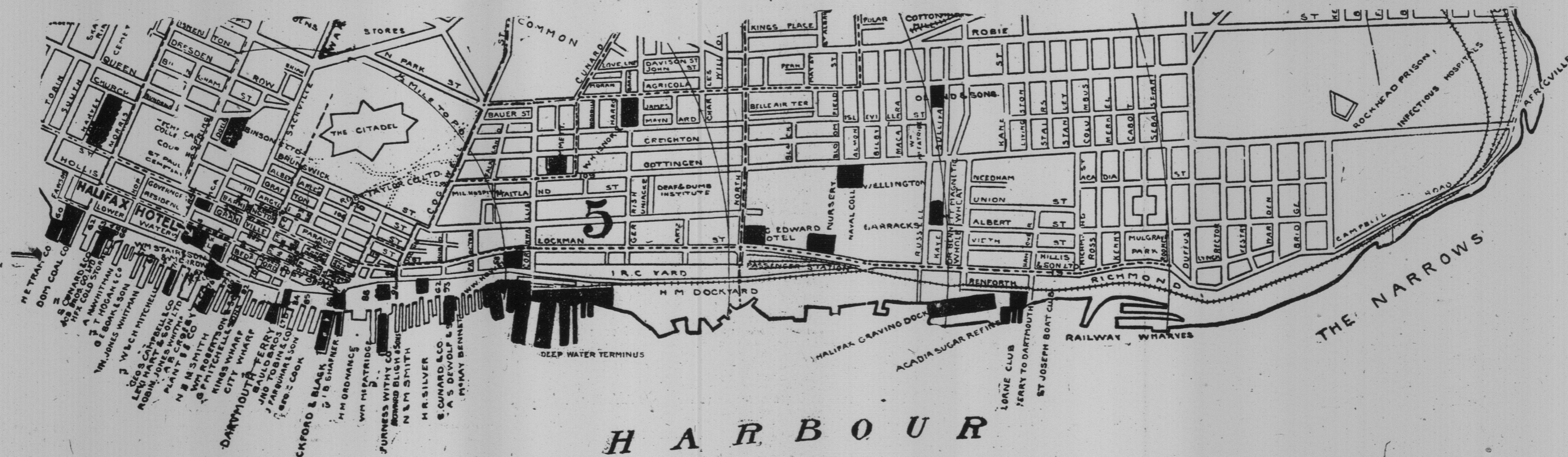
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ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1917

SIXTEEN PAGES

Estimate Late Last Night Was That Two Thousand Lives Were Lost in Halifax



The map shows that part of Halifax which suffered the greatest from the explosion which occurred near the Narrows, as shown on the plan of the harbor front at the reader's right. The Narrows form the passageway from the main harbor to the inner harbor which is known as Bedford Basin. It was in the north end where the greatest damage was done and the section known as Richmond was completely destroyed by fire. The buildings along the waterfront as far as the Queen hotel in Hollis street, were demolished by the force of the explosion. The Queen hotel is not marked on the map, but the Halifax hotel, the adjoining building, may be seen at the reader's left. The distance from the Queen hotel to Richmond is about two miles. The main business section of Halifax lies between the Citadel and the Halifax hotel as shown on the plan. The Halifax Ladies' College is not far from the Queen and Halifax hotels, but is further out of the danger zone. The Victoria General Hospital, the Dalhousie College buildings, the Convent of the Sacred Heart and a large part of the residential district are shown much further away. The new terminals begin at the reader's extreme left and therefore would not be seriously affected by the explosion. Mount St. Vincent, the Catholic institution at Rockingham, reported destroyed, is beyond the extreme right of the map.

Halifax, Dec. 6.—(Special)—With a death list of more than 2,000, with nearly half the population injured seriously or slightly, with only ten per cent. of its dead yet identified, with a great part of the city in ruins from explosion and fire, Halifax at midnight is a community of woe and death and devastation. It is feared that after a day and night of horror beyond description the coming of daylight again will but increase the sum of catastrophe. The dead increase in number as ruins and by-ways are explored. The property loss is tonight beyond reasonable estimate. The cry is for aid of all kinds, food and surgical, from every available source and with all speed.

HOW THE COLLISION OCCURRED.

The collision which occurred between the two steamers took place near the point of the harbor known as the Pier 1 and was between a French munition ship, the Mont Blanc and an unnamed Belgian relief ship.

The Mont Blanc lies in the narrows a battered smoke-laden wreck, while the Belgian relief boat is beached on the Dartmouth side of the harbor near what is known as Tuff's Cove.

At 9 o'clock the city was enjoying its usual period of calm and the streets were crowded with the usual number and gathering of people who were unconsciously wending their way to work little thinking of what was in a few minutes to befall them.

In the outskirts little children were running in streets under the calm autumn sunshine. Suddenly like a bolt from the blue there came an explosion. From one end of the city to the other glass fell and people were lifted from the sidewalks and thrown flat into the streets. In the downtown offices, just beginning to hum with the usual day's activity, clerks and heads alike covered under the shower of falling glass and plaster which fell about them.

COLLISION WAS TERRIFIC.

The collision was a terrific one, the munition boat being pierced on the port practically to the engine room. The relief vessel which was practically uninjured kept going ahead with the wounded craft—and when fire was seen to break out aboard her backed away as the crew started to abandon her.

The Mont Blanc drifted away a burning wreck, while the relief boat beached near Tuff's Cove on the Dartmouth side of the harbor. Seventeen minutes after the collision, the explosion occurred. Under the force of the explosion, houses crumpled like decks of cards, while the unfortunate residents were swept in the direction of the main portion of the city, where the buildings are more or less of stone or concrete, the damage was confined to the blowing in of windows and the injuries sustained by the citizens were due in the main to cuts owing to flying glass. Proceeding south to the extreme end of the city the same thing was observed.

Five minutes after the explosion occurred the streets were filled with a terror-stricken mob of people each one trying to make his or her way as best they thought to the outskirts in order to get away out of the range of what they thought to be a German raid.

Women rushed in terror-stricken mobs through the streets many of them with children clasped to their breasts. In their eyes was a look of terror as they struggled in mobs through the streets with blood-stained faces, horror-stricken, while they endeavored to get anywhere from the falling masonry and crumbling walls.

By the wire and lath-littered roadsides as they were passed there could be seen the remains of what had once been human beings, now horribly cut to pieces, but beyond realization of what had occurred. Here and there by a cracked and shattered telegraph pole was the cloth wrapped body of a tiny tot scattered and twisted in the force of the horrible explosion which had wrenched all in its path.

By the side of many of the burning ruins were women who watched with horror the flames as they consumed the houses which in many cases held the bodies of loved ones who would never more be seen.

They watched their homes perish in the flames and as others passed with inquiries as to whether they could render any aid they shook their heads in a dazed manner and turned their gaze once more to the funeral pyre of all those whom they held dear.

Among the hundreds who were killed by the explosion was one particularly sad case of a Canadian government employe named MacDonald, who on rushing to his home after the explosion, found that all his family, consisting of his wife and four children, had perished. Before him, on the roadway, was the mangled remains of a little two-year-old child which had met its death while playing on the roadside.

Many of the men composing the crews of ships in the harbor were killed and injured. The damage along the waterfront is very serious.

On one steamer, the Picton, it is reported that thirty-eight of the crew of forty-two have been killed. Many bodies of seamen have been picked up in the harbor and rescue parties are working among the ruins of buildings removing bodies of the dead.

Pilot Blames Relief Ship. Pilot Frank Mackie, who was on the

French munition ship, declares that the accident was due to a confusion of whistles sounded by the Norwegian relief steamer.

In addition to her cargo of munitions the Mont Blanc carried a deckload of benzene and this caught fire following the explosion.

The captain of the Mont Blanc ordered his crew to take to the boats. The men hastily left the ship in two boats and rowed for the Halifax side of the harbor, which they reached in safety.

The men ran for the woods as they felt that an explosion was inevitable. Twenty-five minutes afterwards the explosion occurred and the men were hurled flat on the ground.

The munition ship after the crew left her veered in toward the Halifax side of the harbor and the city received the full force of the explosion.

The rescuers who were early on the scene say that the sights in the public schools at the north end of the city were pitiable. They found the bodies of dozens of little children and scores of others with broken limbs and covered with blood.

The force of the explosion was felt seventy-five miles from Halifax, glass being broken in the Learmonth hotel at Truro.

All the telegraph wires were prostrated and when the explosion occurred the operators jumped from their keys and been brought to one of the morgues and then there were other cases who it was feared would breathe their last before morning.

Despite the fact that many of the devoted workers both ladies and gentlemen had relations of whose fortunes they knew nothing, they bravely responded to the call of duty and stood to their guns day and night. There will be many men and women in Halifax who will always be able to speak from experience of the wonderful care and attention which they received at the Victoria General Hospital.

Only One to Escape. Charles Prest, gasoline engineer on the small steamer Wasp B, at the drydock, tells the following story:

TERRIBLE SCENES AND TALES AS SURVIVORS ARE HURRIED TO TRURO

Truro, Dec. 6.—The town of Truro is one great hospital tonight with the overflow of wounded from stricken Halifax. The scenes and happenings here sixty miles from the great catastrophe exceed in horror and in suggested horror anything in Truro's history. First of all Truro distinctly heard the report of the mighty explosion sixty miles away. Home buildings were shaken and some glass broken.

There a little later word began to come concerning the frightful gravity of events at Halifax. Wild rumors as to the work of enemy agents which subsequently proved unfounded, were followed by real news as to what happened, followed by a call for doctors, nurses, harem and finally for food, wrecking apparatus, bandages, and all the requirements of disaster on a terrific scale.

Arrangements were made through Moncton for I. C. R. specials to carry relief and aid parties to Halifax and soon it became known that Truro was to receive returning trains of wounded who could be found at that time and who were in condition for removal.

By 3 o'clock the first train arrived, people of all ages, from children to aged, with every sort of injury, some of them blackened almost beyond recognition and having had only the most hurried kind of first aid owing to lack of sufficient doctors to undertake the tremendous amount of work which the list of casualties demanded.

At intervals up to late tonight other parties of wounded had been arriving, and it is almost impossible to estimate the number that Truro is now caring for.

Some died during the journey and some others have died since their arrival here.

The principal public buildings of Truro have been converted into emergency hospitals and are crowded to their mournful capacity. These include the assembly hall, the Academy, the court house, the fire houses, and even, tonight, the Agricultural College.

A party of Truro doctors and nurses had gone early to Halifax, but some had remained and a few doctors had come from outside points. The women of Truro produced hundreds of volunteer nurses, while women rendered aid of all sorts, preparing food and bandages.

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Both the wounded and homeless were in very many instances shocked and dazed. All who could talk connectedly told stories of horror, of dead lying in the streets, of demolished buildings, of personal adventures and mishaps, something like adventures in Flanders.

One man knew that his wife and ten children were dead and he himself was badly hurt.

One girl told of going to a third story window in her home in Halifax having heard that a steamer was on fire in the harbor. She just got there as the explosion occurred. When she recovered she found herself in the basement and she escaped from there.

The conductor said the train was four miles from Halifax when the explosion came and he told of the shock which almost derailed the train.

Hundreds of people in Truro are frantic over relatives in Halifax and do not yet know whether they are alive or dead.

From indications here, judging from the latest word from Halifax, the extent of the disaster is growing hourly.

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Despite the fact that many of the devoted workers both ladies and gentlemen had relations of whose fortunes they knew nothing, they bravely responded to the call of duty and stood to their guns day and night. There will be many men and women in Halifax who will always be able to speak from experience of the wonderful care and attention which they received at the Victoria General Hospital.

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Every available nook and cranny of the spacious building was made ready for those who had been injured. It was very shortly after the explosion occurred that the first cases were brought in and from then during the day and evening, in fact all night, the hospital workers were continually working their utmost, showing the most devoted attention to all the serious cases which came in, at all hours.

The slight casualties, those who suffered slight cuts from the falling glass in or out of the houses and buildings received prompt aid and were sent to their homes. But there were many very serious cases. Some of the women were seized with hemorrhage and others were frightfully gashed and among them people who were practically beyond recognition. In conversation with one of the nurses the Canadian Press was informed that the suffering of the badly wounded victims was intense. One man had been brought in who had no trace on his person of having been cut by glass and in her opinion, he was suffering from shock alone.

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Reporter Killed. Among the killed is John Roynane, a reporter on the staff of the Morning Chronicle.

Two men were killed and a number of the crew of the Niobe injured.

All the churches in the city were damaged, the glass being blown out and the interior wrecked.

There is not a whole pane of glass left in the newspaper offices. The presses are filled with broken glass and the typesetting machines cannot be operated on account of the gas supply being cut off.

One of the temporary morgues was situated in the basement of the Chebucto road school, where at an early hour Thursday evening almost a steady stream of vehicles of all sorts were conveying the dead and depositing them in the basement in long rows.

The bodies were carried into the building and placed in long silent sheet-covered cases. Practically none of them were recognizable in their blackened, and in many cases burned, condition.

Relief Tents Erected. Relief hands of military were covering the Common and the slopes of Camp Hill with a mushroom-like growth of bell tents, which sprung into being with the passing minutes as if some magical force was behind them.

Practically every building which could be got into condition to receive the wounded was pressed into service as temporary hospitals, and as soon as they came into being were rapidly filled.

While no definite word can be obtained as to the number of dead, from the ever-increasing numbers that are being taken to the relief stations and the size of the completely devastated area, Chief Hansman estimates the number of killed

ed as at least 2,000. The probability is, however, that there will be a very much larger list of killed when the total returns are gathered.

Burning Last Night.

In the darkness which threw its enveloping mantle over the city the bright reflection of the burning district could be plainly seen.

Military and police of all descriptions patrolled the streets and in orderly, grim-stained gatherings worked among the ruins and loaded the people they recovered into waiting vehicles.

Of those who were fortunate enough to escape with their lives practically every second person in the city was injured.

The merchants threw open their stores and placed their wares at the disposal of those who were in need of them. Frantically every drug store was an open supply station doing anything they could to aid. Medical men worked in an effort to render aid wherever it was needed and during the day must have relieved thousands who were not beyond their aid.

Fire Chief Killed.

In the early morning before the collision, fire broke out and the department apparatus was rushed to the scene. They were preceded by the fire chief, Edward Condon, Deputy Chief William Brant and Peter Broderick, in the chief's automobile.

While on their way, the explosion occurred, instantly killing all of the occupants.

The flame-swept belt begins at what is known as the North street bridge and extends northward to Pier 8, Richmond, on the waterfront, and backward to a point running practically parallel with "Gottling" street.

This embraces about two or two and a half square miles of territory.

In this portion of the city there is nothing recognizable.

Drydock Destroyed.

The big building of the Acadia Sugar Refinery was razed to the ground, and the only tangible sign that it ever existed is a pile of smouldering ruins.

The drydock and the buildings which surrounded it were all destroyed, while an unofficial rumor says that at the Richmond school, which housed hundreds of children, only three escaped alive.

Considerable relief was rushed to the city so soon as word of the disaster was communicated to the outside points; sixty doctors coming from nearby points and at once throwing themselves into the work of aiding and operating.

Sailor patrols marched through the streets and kept those of the terror-stricken population who were vainly searching for news of their missing relatives from congregating and thus hindering the work of relief.

"The most awful catastrophe which has befallen any city in the world." Such is the opinion of all officers and men who have returned from the front, who have been in the thick of the fighting since Canadians went into action. And they are right. The men from the trenches, the men behind the trenches or in the rear, and the man who has been through the times of distress in London and the southeast coast when Zeppelins and enemy aeroplanes bombed the capital of the empire and the coastal towns—they all know that they never met with such dire calamities as befell the city of Halifax yesterday.

The lists at the front have more than enough to bear in their every day grim and arduous task of fighting Fritz. They all know the fearfulness of shell fire. They have seen Belgian and French towns filled with women and children, and the artillery of the pitiless Hun. When their turn came to escape for a ten days leave from the horrors of warfare and they have landed in London to be greeted by Fritz in the air, bound on one of his inhuman air raids, perhaps they have been in the localities where the bombs fell and did their murderous work, and to cap it all, gone back to

BY JOVE!

said a well educated man the other day when he was asked this question:—"Why, when you have a cold, a cough or bronchitis (troubles, you will note, of throat and chest) do you persist in pouring cough syrups, lung tonics and the like into your stomach, which is perfectly sound?"

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their comrades and gone "over the top" and in open warfare faced grim death, every moment of the day.

And yet despite all these hair-raising experiences, the returned soldier in Halifax will tell you that today's experiences were unequalled by any overseas. The shock of the explosion, one hears some awful explosions in France and Belgium, but when that munition ship blew up in the harbor today the returned man said "this is the worst yet."

Reported Dead.

- Some of those who are reported dead are:
 - Isaac Creighton.
 - Dr. Murdoch Chisholm.
 - Hogan, boiler maker.
 - John Harris, son of George Harris, who is also missing.
 - David Whiston, West Young street.
 - William McPartridge.
 - Mrs. Charles Stockhall, wife of the foreman of the Dominion Atlantic Railway at North street and child.
 - Mrs. W. J. Sweatman, wife of Rev. W. J. Sweatman, of Kaye street Methodist church and child.
 - Mrs. Myers, 56 Union street.
 - Mrs. Williams-Beures, 56 Union street.
 - Hazel and Muriel Beures, 56 Union street.
 - E. H. Rost, next of kin Mrs. S. E. Rost, Mahone Bay (N. S.).
 - Thomas Murphy, C. N. V. R., H. M. C. S. Niobe.
 - John Maloney, I. C. R. watchman, Richmond station.
 - Miss Gladys Kennedy, stenographer Gunns Mills, daughter of John Kennedy.
 - LeBaron Coleman, Canadian Express Company.
 - I. C. R. Policeman Purcell, North street station.
 - Edward Condon, chief of the Halifax fire department.
 - William Brant, deputy fire chief.
 - Peter Broderick, captain Halifax fire department.
 - Theodore Burgess, inspector Nova Scotia Trains & Power Co.
 - Alexander Bond.
 - John R. Ronayne, reportorial staff Echo.
 - Thomas Wrightway.
- Among the Missing.
- Among the missing are:
- Frank D. Hillis.
 - Mrs. Lewis Cann.
 - Miss Alma Cann.

WITHDRAWS TO BETTER POSITIONS

The carefully laid plans of General Byng to withdraw his troops on various points on the Cambrai salient to more tenable positions have been carried out in perfect order and apparently without the Germans even having knowledge of the movement.

The falling back was made necessary by wedges, driven into the salient last week by the Germans, which on several sectors threatened disaster to the British should they continue to hold their positions.

From an arc extending before Cambrai a distance of about eighteen miles the new British front has been lessened to a length of about ten miles with the bases resting in the north in the region of Moeuvres and in the south near Gonnelieu.

As a result of the backward movement, the Germans claim the re-occupation of Graincourt, Ameyus, Noyelles and the woods and heights north of Marceling, and that their unopposed gain has been to a depth of about two and a half miles over the front of six and a quarter miles.

The Berlin war office asserts that since the German offensive in the Cambrai region began British prisoners in excess of 9,000 and 148 guns have been taken.

On the Italian front the Austro-Germans are making attempts to break through the Italian positions and debouch upon the plain of Venetia. In the Asiago Plateau region, battles of almost unprecedented violence are taking place, the Teutonic allies using a great array of guns and countless thousands of men in their efforts to overcome the Italian resistance. On the Meletta sector the enemy made some slight advances, but only through the sacrifice of large numbers of men, the

- Cyril Cann.
- William Hinch.
- Mrs. J. F. Farrell and baby.
- Mrs. M. F. Campbell.
- Geo. Godwin, aged three years.
- H. Inch (entire family).
- Stockholm (family).
- Gladys Bennett.
- Ellen Cooper.
- Joe Cooper.
- Madeline Elliott.
- Agnes Elliott.
- Irene Elliott.
- Grace Elliott.
- Harriett Elliott.
- John Elliott.
- Mrs. R. Donnelly and two children.
- Mr. and Mrs. William Lovett and two children.
- Exald Constant Upham.
- Levi Dauphinee, Queenstand.
- Mrs. John Campbell.
- Mrs. W. J. Moody.
- Mrs. A. W. Moody.
- William Moody (two years old).
- Ruth Moody (four years old).
- Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Thomson and four children.
- Mrs. Michael Flavin, Kaye street.
- Charles Short, King street, Dartmouth.
- Geo. F. Harris, ex-controller.
- Mrs. Petter.
- Mrs. Thompson and three children, North Albert street.
- Mrs. S. M. Mooney.
- Miss S. M. Mooney.
- Jim Mooney.
- Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hillis.

Italians resisting determinedly, foot by foot. To the east an enemy attempt to carry the Italian line of defence in the upper Brenta Valley met with repulse and heavy casualties.

The Berlin war office in a communication announcing the taking of the Meletta positions says that in the new

offensive of the Teutonic allies 11,000 Italians have been made prisoner and that more than sixty of their guns have been captured.

From Berlin comes the announcement that an armistice of ten days to begin Friday at noon, has been arranged for the entire Russian front.

DIVORCE COURT.

Fredericton, Dec. 6—Before the divorce court this afternoon M. G. Teed, K. C., proctor in the suit of Arthur L. Philips vs. Evelyn Chapman Philips read the evidence taken by a commission in England and also the evidence taken by a

commission in Vancouver (B. C.).

The plaintiff is a lieutenant in the 29th Battalion, C.E.F., and the defendant is living in England. They formerly resided in St. John. The co-respondent named is Samuel A. Wallace, of London, England. Judgment in this suit will be given before the end of the sitting.

Can Russian Anarchists Make Peace With German Autocrats?

Just what word has passed between Berlin and Petrograd may never be known, nor are we advised as to the German Government's precise attitude toward the Bolsheviks and their peace advances. The Springfield Republican recalls the German propaganda for a "negotiated" peace; Lemine and Trotzky, it says "are merely going on where German diplomacy left off. They are welcome Allies, and the only doubt entertained in Germany is as to whether they can 'deliver the goods.'"

For a full description of the complications in the Russian situation, you should read THE LITERARY DIGEST for December 8th. In this article the view-points of American and English editors are presented, and after reading it, you will be in a position to either agree or disagree with the Houston Chronicle when it says "God knows the Bolsheviks are as dangerous to organized Government as are the Hohenzollerns and Hapsburgs, and probably more so."

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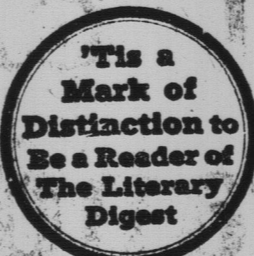
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Women Who Have Votes

Some deceitful canvassers and fraudulent enumerators are telling a number of women who have soldier relatives overseas that the woman suffrage law has been changed and there is no need to bother any more about their vote.

The law has not been changed and all women who come under the following classes can vote in the coming elections:

1.—Of a Canadian soldier now overseas; 2.—Of a Canadian soldier who has died overseas; 3.—Of a returned Canadian soldier; 4.—Of a Canadian army nurse in the forces of Canada or of Great Britain; 5.—Of a person who during the present war has been on active service in the Imperial Army or the British Navy; 6.—Of a member of the Canadian naval forces.

For the benefit of women who are entitled to have a vote there has been opened at 94 Charlotte street a Women's Central Committee, where information will be given. T.F.

peals or application for exemption where the ground of appeal or application is that the party seeking exemption should in the national interest be retained in food production rather than enrolled in the expeditionary force.

PREVENT ENGLISHMEN FROM LEAVING RUSSIA

Trotsky Carrying Out Threat to Secure Release of Countrymen Interned in England.

Stockholm, Dec. 6.—Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik foreign minister, apparently is carrying out his threat to detain English subjects in Russia until the Russian prisoners in England have been released. Passengers arriving at Haparanda, Sweden, report that several Englishmen have been turned back at the Finnish border although possessed of Bolshevik passes.

The Russian commandant at the Finnish seaport of Tornaa, opposite Haparanda, has committed suicide.

This is a striking interpretation of a commentary on the attitude of mind of the old officials of Tornaa, telegraphs the informant of the Associated Press.

Some pretty and impressive statistics could be piled up on the cost of the sugar shortage to the cranberry producers and dealers.—Rochester Post-Express.

THE LAW ABOUT FEMALE VOTERS

To the Editor of The Telegraph: Sir,—In answer to your request for a statement as to the residence qualification necessary for female voters, I may say that the law is as follows:

Section 38 (a) of the present Elections Act provides that a woman must be a British subject and qualified as to age, race and residence, as required in the case of a male person in the province.

This means that a woman to vote must be a British subject, at least twenty-one years of age, and must have resided in this province since the twenty-fourth day of February last.

The statement which has appeared in some literature to the effect that twelve months' residence is required, is based upon the law of another province and has absolutely no application to New Brunswick where the residence qualification is that the voter shall have resided

in the province six months before the twenty-fourth day of August in any year.

I may also add that a woman must be the wife, mother, sister or daughter of a soldier who is serving or has served without Canada in the present war.

If the soldier is outside of Canada it is sufficient to entitle such female relative to vote, even though the soldier may be in the United States or any other place on this side of the Atlantic. It is sufficient if he is in service.

If a soldier has died on service or has been honorably discharged, the female relatives mentioned above are equally entitled to vote.

Trusting this explanation may be of some utility, I remain, Yours very truly, JOHN B. M. BAXTER. St. John, Dec. 6, 1917.

GUARD NATIONAL FOOD INTERESTS AT TRIBUNALS

Government Arranges for Attendance of Representative of Agriculture Department—Appeal Where Necessary.

The following copy of an order-in-council has been received from Hon. F. B. Carvell:

After considering cases represented as hardships by reason of action of tribunals under Military Service Act, council has passed the following order-in-council.

His excellency the governor-general in council on recommendation of the acting minister of agriculture, and under and in virtue of the provisions of the War Measures Act, 1914, and the Military Service Act, 1917, is pleased to authorize, and doth authorize the minister of agriculture to appoint a representative of the department of agriculture in such counties or districts in any province of Canada as he may determine.

1. To attend the sitting of the tribunals appointed under the Military Service Act to guard the national interests in connection with the production of foodstuffs;

2. To appeal from the decision of the tribunals in any case where, in his opinion, the tribunal has not given due weight to the urgency of maintaining our food supplies;

3. To investigate and report upon appeals or application for exemption where the ground of appeal or application is that the party seeking exemption should in the national interest be retained in food production rather than enrolled in the expeditionary force.

CARVELL AND BORDEN SPEAK IN P. E. ISLAND

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 6.—Premier Borden and Hon. F. B. Carvell landed at Point Borden this morning, crossing by the car ferry Prince Edward Island. They addressed 700 people at Point Borden, 2,000 at Summerside and 3,000 in Charlottetown, speaking at two meetings in each of the two last named places.

On landing at the point they were met by a delegation headed by Premier Arsenault and presided with an address.

The premier made reference to the Halifax disaster in his speech here tonight. He also dwelt on the acts of the new government, prosecution of the war and military service act.

Mr. Carvell also spoke on conscription and explained his reasons for joining the union government.

Both left here tonight on a special trip of the Annapolis to Pictou enroute to Halifax by special train. Several doctors and twelve nurses left here tonight for Halifax.

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maintains a general store of civilian clothing at the discharge depots from which a man is fitted when he receives his discharge. This means an outfit from head to foot.

Unionist Party Ward Headquarters

Executive Headquarters, Moose Rooms, Furlong Building. Phone M. 2472. Kings, Dukes and Sidney Wards, Market Bldg., South Market St. entrance. Wellington and Prince Wards, Christie Bld., 38 Charlotte St. Queens Ward, Seaton Bldg., 72 Charlotte St. Dufferin Ward, McLeod Building, 702 Main street. Victoria Ward, Victoria Rink. Lansdowne Ward, 471 Main street. Lorne Ward, 318 Main street, opposite D. J. Purdy. Stanley Ward, Kincaid's, 153 Millidge Ave. Guys Ward, 'Prentice Boys' Hall, West End. Brooks Ward, 22 St. John street, West End. Meetings every evening.

J. A. SINCLAIR, L. P. D. TILLEY, Joint Chairmen.

Liberal Ward Meetings

HEADQUARTERS—57 Dock street, Phone M. 623. All supporters of the Laurier Liberal Candidates are invited to their various ward headquarters each evening during the campaign. Make a note of your own ward.

QUEENS—Walker Building, Prince William Street. DUKES—McLaughlin Building, Corner Germain and Princess Streets. KINGS—Late Recruiting Office, 97 Prince William Street. PRINCE—Lelacheur Building, head of Brussels Street, near Union. DUFFERIN—Corner Main and Mill, over Young's Hardware Store. VICTORIA—257 City Road, old office of J. C. Dalzell. WELLINGTON—I. O. O. F. Hall, No. 12 Coburg Street. STANLEY-LANSDOWNE-LORNE—St. Michael's Hall, Main Street, opposite Adelaide Road. SYDNEY—Mechanics' Hall, St. James Street. BROOKS-GUYS—Oddfellows' Hall, Duke Street, West End. VICTORIA—2 Haymarket Square. PARISH OF LANCASTER—Pink's Bldg., Fairville. PARISH OF BEACONSFIELD—Mrs. Burns' Store.

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LAST CALL TO Wilcox's Grand Clearing Sale That Ends Saturday, December 8 This has been the greatest sale we ever held. We feel pleased over the way the public have taken advantage of This Great Money-Saving Event, knowing that the public must have been satisfied with our bargains or we could not have done the business we did, and hoping that you all take advantage of the short time left for you will never again for the next two years get goods at such low prices. Read On! It Will Pay You To Get Here Before We Close Saturday. LADIES' DEPARTMENT Ladies' Plush Coats—Worth \$40.00... For \$33.00 Ladies' Plush Coats—Worth \$30.00... For \$23.00 Ladies' Plush Coats—Worth \$25.00... For \$19.00 Ladies' Cloth Coats—Worth \$40.00... For \$33.00 Ladies' Cloth Coats—Worth \$26.00... For \$20.00 Ladies' Cloth Coats—Worth \$22.00... For \$18.00 Ladies' Cloth Coats—Worth \$18.00... For \$14.00 Also a Small Lot of Last Season's Ladies' Coats—Worth from \$15.00 to \$18.00... For \$ 7.98 LADIES' SUITS Ladies' Suits—Worth \$35.00... For \$26.00 Ladies' Suits—Worth \$30.00... For \$22.00 Ladies' Suits—Worth \$25.00... For \$16.00 Ladies' Suits—Worth \$22.00... For \$15.00 Ladies' Suits—Worth \$16.00... For \$11.98 LADIES' UNDERWEAR OF ALL KINDS AT SPECIAL CUT PRICES Girls' Raincoats—Worth \$5.50... For \$3.79 Ladies' Shaker Nightgowns—Worth \$1.25... For 89c Ladies' Serge Dresses—Worth \$7.50 to \$8.50... For \$4.98 Ladies' Underskirts—All Colors, Worth \$1.50... For \$1.10 Ladies' Shirtrwaists—Worth \$1.25... For 79c Ladies' House Dresses—Worth \$1.25... For 89c Ladies' House Dresses—Worth \$2.25... For \$1.75 Girls' and Boys' Flannellette Rompers—Worth 60c... For 43c Ladies' Corsets—From 1.0c to \$4.50... At Special Cut Prices Ladies' Flannellette Shirtrwaists—Worth \$1.25... For 89c LADIES' RAINCOATS Ladies' Raincoats—Worth \$15.00... For \$12.00 Ladies' Raincoats—Worth \$12.00... For \$ 8.00 Ladies' Raincoats—Worth \$ 9.50... For \$ 6.98 Ladies' Raincoats—Worth \$ 6.50... For \$ 4.48 Ladies' Raincoats—Worth \$ 5.50... For \$ 3.49 BOYS' OVERCOATS Boys' Overcoats—Worth \$ 6.50... For \$ 4.98 Boys' Overcoats—Worth \$ 7.50... For \$ 5.98 Boys' Overcoats—Worth \$ 9.50... For \$ 6.98 Boys' Overcoats—Worth \$10.50... For \$ 8.98 Boys' Overcoats—Worth \$12.50... For \$ 9.98 Boys' Overcoats—Worth \$13.00... For \$10.98 Boys' Overcoats—Worth \$15.00... For \$11.48 Men's Working Pants—Worth \$2.00... For \$ 1.69 Men's Pants—Worth \$2.75... For \$ 2.29 Men's Pants—Worth \$3.75... For \$ 3.29 Men's Overalls and Jumpers—Worth \$1.75... For \$1.29 Men's Working Shirts—Worth 90c... For 89c Men's Working Shirts—Worth 75c... For 89c Men's Heavy Working Shirts—Worth \$1.25... For 98c Boys' Sweaters—Worth 60c... For 39c Boys' Sweaters—Worth 75c... For 49c Boys' Sweaters—Worth \$1.25... For 98c Boys' Sweaters—Worth \$1.65... For \$1.19 Men's Caps—From 89c to \$1.50... At Special Cut Prices Special Cut Prices in Men's Sweaters at \$1.19, \$1.98, \$2.98, \$3.39, \$3.98 \$4.39 and \$4.98, all at last season's prices. Men's Fall and Spring Overcoats—Worth \$15.00... For \$10.48 Men's Fall and Spring Overcoats—Worth \$16.50... For \$11.48 Men's Fall and Winter Overcoats—Worth \$18.00... For \$12.48 And a Few Special. Men's Negligee Shirts—Worth \$1.00... For 79c Men's Negligee Shirts—Worth \$1.25... For 98c Men's Negligee Shirts—Worth \$1.75... For \$1.29 Police Braces—Worth 35c... For 25c Dress Braces—Worth 35c... For 22c Men's Wool Sox—Worth 35c... For 22c Men's Wool Sox—Worth 45c... For 33c Men's Wool Sox—Worth 60c... For 45c Men's Wool Sox—Worth 75c... For 54c Men's Heavy Wool Underwear—Worth \$1.25... For 89c Men's Heavy Wool Underwear—Worth \$1.50... For 98c MEN'S DEPARTMENT Men's Overcoats—Worth \$15.00... For \$10.98 Men's Overcoats—Worth \$16.00... For \$11.98 Men's Overcoats—Worth \$17.00... For \$12.98 Men's Overcoats—Worth \$18.00... For \$13.98 Men's Overcoats—Worth \$20.00... For \$15.98 Men's Overcoats—Worth \$22.00... For \$17.98 Men's Overcoats—Worth \$24.00... For \$18.98 Men's Overcoats—Worth \$26.00... For \$19.98 Small Lot of Men's Overcoats Left From Last Season... Only \$ 7.98 MEN'S SUITS Must Go Regardless of Cost Men's Suits—Worth \$12.00... For \$ 8.48 Men's Suits—Worth \$14.00... For \$ 9.48 Men's Suits—Worth \$15.00... For \$11.98 Men's Suits—Worth \$16.50... For \$12.98 Men's Suits—Worth \$18.00... For \$13.98 Men's Suits—Worth \$20.00... For \$15.98 Men's Suits—Worth \$24.00... For \$19.98 Men's Suits—Worth \$28.00... For \$24.00 Small Lot of Odd Sizes in Men's Suits to Clear... At \$ 5.98 BOYS' SUITS Boys' Suits—Worth \$ 6.50... For \$ 4.98 Boys' Suits—Worth \$ 7.50... For \$ 5.98 Boys' Suits—Worth \$ 9.50... For \$ 7.48 Boys' Suits—Worth \$10.50... For \$ 8.48 Boys' Suits—Worth \$12.50... For \$ 9.48 Boys' Suits—Worth \$13.50... For \$10.48 WILCOX Charlotte St. Cor. Union

ROUSING MEETING FOR UNION

Candidates and Others Make Stirring Appeal to West Side Audience—Plea to Sink Politics While War is On.

One of the most enthusiastic meetings which have been held in the campaign was addressed last evening by the Union candidates and other speakers in the City Hall, West End, last evening. There were about 500 people present and the spirit of the audience was decidedly in favor of Union government. In the audience, the women voters were largely represented and gave the appearance of taking the greatest interest in what was told them by the win-the-war candidates. The speakers impressed upon the audience the fact that there is only one issue in this campaign, that of winning the war. They told how much the boys in the trenches are in need of reinforcements, that the Canadian divisions at the front can only be kept up to strength for three months at the outside by the reserves in England, and if support is not sent within that time, the four divisions on the firing line will be reduced to three, and so on till the Canadians are all gone. The speakers affirmed that the policy of Laurier means that no reinforcements will be sent to the boys in the trenches for at least eighteen months and perhaps not at all.

Dr. F. L. Kenney was in the chair and the speakers were Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, Major Johnson, late of the 29th Battalion, and the candidates. Stirring appeals were made by all the speakers to forget party in this crisis and to unite in a nationwide effort for the winning of the war and relieving the boys on the firing line. The issue of the campaign was explained to mean, "Shall Canada

stay in the war or will she let up?" One of the speakers said that the man who talks about a referendum, wants to get out of the war. It was impressed upon the people that Union government can do much more for the country than can any mere party government, not only in war matters but in others as well. The things that have already been accomplished by Union government were reviewed and gave convincing evidence of what Union government is capable of with the mandate of the people.

The attitude of the women in the campaign was given great praise, and the speakers declared that in this election, right will be might just as is the case on the battlefields of Flanders. The people were told that the fight in Flanders is for the very existence of the country and to vote for the Laurier candidates means delay in sending aid to the boys who are fighting for the existence of their country.

The Candidates.
Mr. Wignmore said that the principal canvass used by the Laurier Liberals is criticism and condemnation of the Military Service bill. He said that if they are asked if they have anything better

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to suggest to take its place they will give none. Their policy must then be that of letting the boys in the trenches look after themselves. He made an eloquent and direct appeal to the people to get together for the winning of the war, to forget party and sacrifice everything for the boys in the trenches. He said that there was no referendum taken in

the city council yesterday as to whether or not aid would be sent to Halifax. It was sent and there was no discussion. Mr. Wignmore contended that it is just as absurd to take a referendum on the question of sending men to France.

Mr. Elkin said that no Liberal who knows the first principals of Liberalism could be on any side but that of Union

government. He said that he believed in having not only conscription of men but conscription of everything. He would like to kill two birds with one stone. He said that there would be no election in this constituency if some of the people were not against conscription and could bury party politics.

Major Johnson was greeted with cheers when he made his appearance. He said that Quebec was not in favor of conscription because she wants to rule Canada some day.

At the conclusion of the meeting, three cheers were given for the King and then three more for the candidates.

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IRISH AFTERNOON IN N. H. S. MUSEUM

Under the auspices of the ladies' association of the Natural History Society, the junior associate members gave a very interesting Irish afternoon at the Museum on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. J. A. McAvity was in the chair and read the following programme:

Recitation.....Miss Marjorie Manning Solo, "When I Dream of Old Erin,"
Miss Greta Love
Paper.....Miss Marion Bustin Irish Characteristics.
Dance.....Miss Edith Paterson Irish Jig.
Solo.....Miss Celia Amdur Paper, Irish Humor.....Miss Ruth Green
Piano solo.....Miss Hilda Beateay
Miss Green came from McAdam, especially to be present at this lecture yesterday afternoon, and in the even-

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ing she was the guest of honor at a theatre party at the Imperial, given by the girl campers of the Natural History Society. After the theatre the party went to the residence of William H. McQuade, Elliot row, where the remainder of the evening was most enjoyably spent.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the juniors, which was moved by Mrs. Geo. F. Matthew and seconded by Mrs. Davidson.

The entertainment was brought to a close by the singing of the national anthem, which was followed by "God Save Our Splendid Men," by the juniors.

Closing the remaining frontiers merely an enlarged Swiss watch.—Boston Advertiser.

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Pocket Knives with pearl, stag-horn and celluloid handles; also Hunting Knives in leather cases.

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When the lads of New Brunswick marched away to fight for the cause of freedom their mothers, wives, sisters and sweethearts united to back their boys to the limit.

Three years New Brunswick boys have fought and won undying fame. Three years the "little mothers" at home have sewn and stitched and knit—bandages, garments and socks. The women of New Brunswick have sent to the front no less than 400,000 comforts for their fighting boys, including four motor ambulances.

To these women, united in Red Cross works of mercy, the appeal is made.

Now is the Time to Crown Their Work

New Brunswick women have now the opportunity to crown their work of mercy. They have sent socks and garments and bandages to the boys "over there." Those lads need something greater even than those things, they need men to help them. Send reinforcements to help the boys to whom you have sent your bandages.

Vote for Union Candidates

Vote for the Union Candidates because they have united to back your boys to the limit. Vote for the men who believe there is nothing too good for our lads "over there." You have sent exactly the same number of garments that all Canada has sent in men—400,000. If the call came for 100,000 more garments, would you answer? The call has come for 100,000 more men from Canada, will you answer?

"Election means just one thing—you are either going to send men to back up the Canadians, or you are not."

Hon. F. B. Carvell
New Brunswick Union Committee

DYSPEPTIC FOR SIX YEARS

Halifax, N. S., Sergeant Tried Everything on the Market, But Only Cure Was Dr. Cassell's Tablets.

Sergt. Duncan MacNeil (home address 116 Pleasant street, Halifax, N. S.), writing from Europe, says: "For six years I suffered from frequent attacks of Dyspepsia, and though I tried all the remedies on the market I obtained little or no relief. I had not been long with the C. F. P. when my old trouble returned. Then a friend told me about Dr. Cassell's Tablets. The first box brought such pronounced relief that I continued, and to make a long story short complete cure was effected.

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The boys of the 9th Siege Battery, who are leaving the city in the next draft, were given a rousing time at Partridge Island last night by about 150 young ladies and men of the city. The merry party left the Eastern steamship wharf at 7:30 o'clock in the evening on the government boat, and after arriving at the island they were taken to the recreation rooms. The Y. M. C. A. orchestra provided excellent music and the evening was most enjoyably spent in dancing and cards. Between the dances, musical selections, readings and vocal solos were given by members of the party. Miss Grant sang very acceptably, while Miss Gibbons and Miss Teed gave most enjoyable readings. Refreshments were served by the ladies' auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A., and also by the Young Ladies' League. Mrs. Ralph Fowler was in charge of the party, while the programme was in the hands of Mr. Smith, of the Y. M. C. A. The party left the island at about 11 o'clock.

NINE BOILS

Kept Coming on Neck One After The Other

Anyone who has ever suffered from boils knows how sick and miserable they make you feel.

When you think you are about cured of one, another seems ready to take its place and prolong your wretchedness. All the poulticing and lancing you may do will not cure them and stop more coming.

Boils are simply bad blood bursting out, and the bad blood must be made pure before the boils disappear. Burdock Blood Bitters is the greatest blood purifier known. It cleanses the system and removes every particle of foul material from the blood, then never another boil comes and the cure is permanent.

Mr. Geo. Ayers, 302 Gloucester street, Ottawa, Ont., writes: "I wish to tell you what I know about your wonderful Burdock Blood Bitters. In the spring I suppose my system needed cleansing out, for I had nine boils come on my neck one after the other. I quickly got a bottle of B.B.B., and before it was half finished I felt a great change, and it certainly put an end to my boils, otherwise I might have had a lot more. I recommend B.B.B. to all I can, for I know it to be a great remedy."

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Advertisement for Nuxated Iron Pills, featuring a small illustration of a woman and child and text describing the benefits of the medicine.

GIANT TASK OF THE RAILWAYS WAS WELL DONE

Washington, Dec. 7.—The part America's railroads have played in preparing the nation for war was related to congress today in the annual report of the Interstate Commerce Commission. While struggling under unusual commercial demands, the commission explained, the railroads were forced suddenly to transport great numbers of troops and quantities of cantment materials. The giant task was accomplished successfully, but only by co-operation of the roads among themselves and with the commerce commission.

The commission gave no specific words of praise for the railroads, but commendation was implied.

Looking ahead, the commission sees that it is necessary to develop to a greater extent the principle of priority for transportation of commodities essential to the conduct of the war, and predicts "broader action of this sort in the near future."

No hint is given of the commission's attitude toward the eastern and western railroads' pending application for increased freight rates to meet extraordinary expenses.

Mainly through new powers over car service, says the commission, it has been able to develop traffic co-operation between the roads in the most economic use of freight cars. Attention is called to the Esch car service act of last May which some commissioners have said they believe conveys adequate power to the commission virtually to assume management of the roads.

This law gives authority "whenever the commission shall be of the opinion that necessity exists for immediate action" to suspend the operation of any or all rules, regulations or practices then established with respect to car service for such time as may be determined by the commission, and also authority to make such just and reasonable directions with respect to car service during such time as in its opinion will best promote car service in the interest of the public and the commerce of the people.

Freight Cars.

Commenting on the need for better utilization of freight cars, the commission said:

"The co-operation of the shippers and carriers is worthy of especial note. The volume of business being offered to the carriers for transportation materially exceeds the assimilating ability of the transportation instrumentalities. Owing to the demand upon car and locomotive building plants for equipment for use abroad, both by our own forces and by our Allies, and to the unprecedented difficulty of securing labor and material, it is impossible at the present time for these plants to do much more than replace the equipment worn out in the service in the United States. It is apparent that the solution of the car service problem until such time as additional equipment and facilities can be provided lies in securing the maximum use of those already existing."

Recommendations for legislation were submitted as follows:—"That appropriate provision be made for punishment of any attempt, by intimidation, threats, inducements, or otherwise, to influence the testimony of any witness before the commission or to deter him from testifying; also for punishment of misbehavior, disorderly conduct, or contumacy, in or about any proceeding before the commission." "That Congress fix a limit of three years within which a carrier subject to the act to regulate commerce may bring action for recovery of any part of its charges, and amend section 16 of the act so as to provide that if the carrier begins such action after expiration of the two-year limit now prescribed in that section, or within ninety days before such expiration, complaint against the carrier for the recovery of damages

Always Had Headaches

Liver Was Torpid and Bilious Spells Brought Sick Headaches—Last Month Time, But is Now Completely Cured.

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"I purchased a box of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills from G. M. Fairweather, Druggist, of Sussex, N. B., and after taking one box I was so much relieved that I continued to take them until I am now completely cured. My advice to anyone suffering from sick headaches is to try Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills and be completely cured."

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eral authority finally to control questions affecting interstate and foreign commerce, the commission be expressly authorized to co-operate with state commissions in efforts to reconcile upon a single record the conflicts between the state and the interstate rates.

"That the portion of section 20 of the act which accords the commission right of access to the accounts, records and memoranda kept by carriers be amended so as also to accord right of access to the carriers' correspondence files.

"That there should be appropriate and adequate legislation upon the subject of control over railway capitalization.

"That the use of steel cars in passenger train service be required, and that the use, in passenger trains, of wooden cars between or in front of steel cars be prohibited.

"That under the Panama Canal Act the commission be empowered to permit, subject to further order of the commission, continued operation by a railway

or under railway control of water lines or vessels where it will be in the interest of the people and of convenience to the public, even though such operation may reduce competition on the route by water.

"That legislation requiring standardization of railroad operating rules be enacted.

"That congress consider the advisability of prohibiting by statute, under appropriate penalty, trespasses on the tracks of interstate carriers and on the tracks of such carriers at places where there are two or more tracks, or within the limits of incorporated towns, or at places where the carrier by appropriate sign or warning gives notice that trespassing on its tracks is prohibited, providing that nothing therein is to be considered as making lawful any trespass which would be unlawful under state laws; and further consider the advisability of conferring concurrent jurisdiction upon federal and state courts for the enforcement of such statute."

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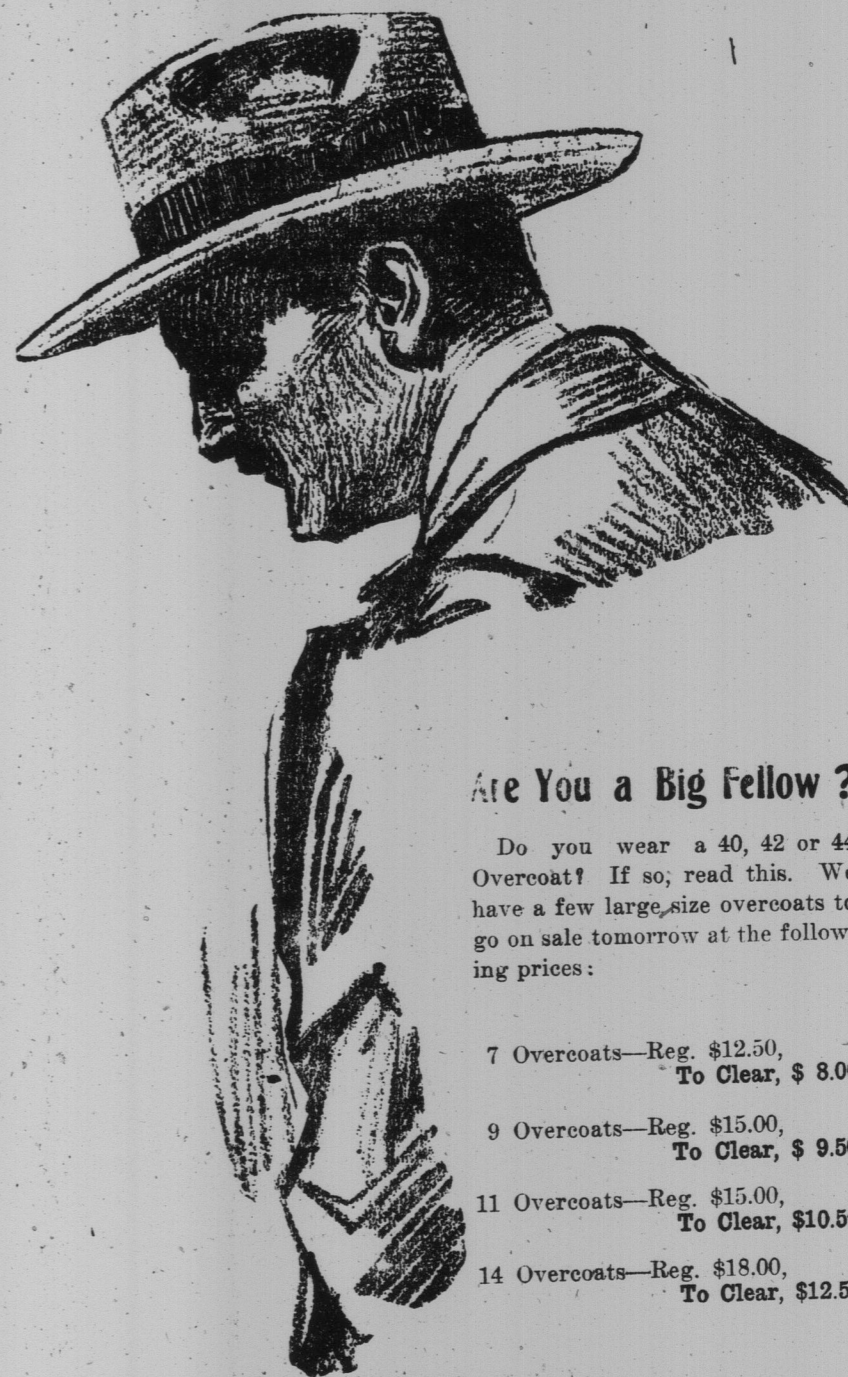
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ATHLETIC
Ted Meredith in France.
New York, Dec. 4.—It was learned last night on unquestionable authority that

Ted Meredith, the Olympic 800-meter champion and world's record holder for the quarter and half-mile runs, and Tommy Lennon, the University of Pennsylvania and New York A. C. sprinter, both are serving on the French front as full fledged aviators. It had been understood here that Meredith and Lennon still were undergoing instruction at the aviation training camp at Mount Clemens, Mich.

Seven weeks ago both Meredith and Lennon came East and put on finishing



20c each, 3 for 50c.

touches at Mineola. A month ago they accompanied a detachment of aviators to France and despatches since then have been received showing them to have arrived at the base in France a fortnight ago. One of their instructors said last night that both athletes showed special aptitude for flying and that their progress had been much faster than the average recruit.

MAY NEVER PLAY BASEBALL AGAIN

Judge, Washington First Baseman, In Hard Luck.
Washington, Dec. 4.—First Baseman Joe Judge of the Washingtons, formerly of the Bisons, is in hard luck. Last summer Judge broke his leg during a ball game, and when he recovered the use of it he discovered that he was lame. Judge, therefore, decided to submit to another operation. It was found that a ligament had been caught in the break.
The young player, who is in the Maine General Hospital, Portland, Maine, is said to be recovering slowly, and has been assured by the surgeons that he will be able to walk without limping some time after the first of the year. Judge fears that he will never be able to play ball again.

RENEW AGITATION TO CURB PITCHERS

President Toner To Propose Reducing Size of Plate—Yankees' Chances

New York, Dec. 5.—The fact that only half a dozen pitchers of the National League were able to get into the 300 class during the past season has again kindled agitation to change the rules in some way so that the power which the pitchers now hold in the national game can be curbed. All the baseball officials admit that the pitcher nowadays has too great an advantage over the batsman and that the game would be more of a popular attraction if there was more hitting. Pitchers' battles do not excite much enthusiasm for baseball fans; they would rather see lots of hitting and more runs scored.
President Toner of the National League is among those who favor curbing the privileges of the pitchers. Last season President Toner and the National League went on record against the use of the moist ball, the emery ball, the talcum powder ball, and all the other tricks used by pitchers to make their flinging more effective. When only six batsmen in a major league can bat at a 300 level in a season, baseball men realize that something should be done to increase the hitting. Manager McGraw of the Giants is in favor of some change in the rules which will increase the hitting.
Captain Charley Herzog of the Giants suggests that the pitchers be prohibited from using a windup before throwing to the batter. He says that if this practice of preliminary gymnastics by the pitchers was abolished, the batting would immediately improve. He says that he knows any number of players, who are normally good hitters, whose value is annulled because they become rattled when a pitcher whirls his arm around his head two or three times before throwing the ball.
The American League took no action on the moist ball last season, while the National League referred it to the Rules Committee. The Rules Committee, which includes members of both leagues, did not meet, so no action was taken on the question. At both major league meetings next week, however, the subject will come up again, and it is likely that radical action may be taken against this style of pitching.
Among the suggestions which will be made to the Rules Committee will be one from President Toner to reduce the size of the plate. By shaving off both sides of the plate, President Toner believes that the batsman would be given a far greater advantage than he now has. The home plate is now seventeen inches wide, and by cutting it down an inch or two, the pitcher would have a more difficult mark to shoot at than the plate in its present size.
Roger Peckinpaugh, the Yankee shortstop, announces that he believes that the Yanks have a good chance to finish at least in third place next season. Peck says, "I don't think we will win the pennant next season, but we are likely to finish considerably higher than we did the past season, if we can keep our fellows out of the hospital. If Huggins succeeds in adding Derrill Pratt to our infield we will be sure to run not lower than third."
"I know New York wants a pennant winner," says Peckinpaugh, "and Colonel Ruppert would give a lot of money to have one, but facts are facts, and facts will have to strengthen more than one spot before he can win a championship. If we get Pratt we will be stronger at second than we were. We have picked up another good catcher in Ruel of Memphis, while some of the outfielders tried out during the last few weeks of the season may come through. We were handicapped last year by our outfielders failing to throw runners out at the plate, and from what I have heard, I think Huggins will try to land some gardeners who can throw. We have

some good pitchers—very good, in fact. Give us a better throwing outfield and bolster up our hitting a trifle and we will be right up with the leaders."

McGRAW TEAMS LEAD IN GAMES

Connie Mack has won more pennants than John McGraw, but no big league commander can compete with the Little Napoleon in the number of victories his teams have turned in. Clubs handled by McGraw have won 1596 battles, teams directed by the Philadelphian have captured 1,446. Clark Griffith is the other

major league leader with a record of having piloted his teams to more than 1,000 triumphs. The Old Fox has seen the four clubs he has directed—White Sox, Yankees, Reds and Nationals—procure 1228 decisions. It will take Hugh Jennings a couple of years to climb into the McGraw-Mack-Griffith class, the Tigers, since Hugh became their captain, having been successful in 87 of their engagements.
Mack's teams have dropped 1,495 contests, Griffith's 1998 and McGraw's 1087. Jennings' clubs have been worsted in 678 controversies and Stallings' in 571.
W. H. Veno, chairman of the Column Club, Manchester, offers £1,000 to the British aviator who drops the first bomb on Berlin.

FIVE ATHLETICS CALLED IN DRAFT

New York, Dec. 4.—Harry Selbold, the Athletics' right handed pitcher, who made an excellent record this year, has gone into the National Army, Connie Mack's youngest son, Roy, has enlisted as a yeoman at the Charlestown Navy Yard.
The Athletics have lost five men in the army draft—Pitchers Selbold, Naves and Naylor; Thirdbaseman Ray Bates, and Outfielder Ralph Sherman. Mack says that he will not be surprised if the government selects four or five more in the next draft, which means that he will have to get out and hustle for a dozen recruits.

SHORT TALKS WITH THE ELECTORS UNION MEETINGS



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- UPPER GOLDEN GROVE, Saturday, Dec. 8 S. E. Elkin and Others
- LOCH LOMOND, Monday, Dec. 10 Candidates and Others
- SILVER FALLS, Monday, Dec. 10 Candidates and Others
- FAIRVILLE, Wednesday, Dec. 12 Candidates and Others
- ST. MARTINS, Thursday, Dec. 13 Candidates and Others

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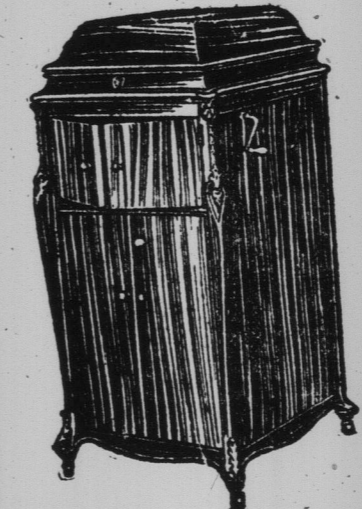
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AT THE FRIDAY GAIETY IN FAIRVILLE SATURDAY FINAL EPISODE OF "THE VOICE ON THE WIRE" Entitled "THE LIVING DEATH"

KERENSKY HEARD FROM Re-entry into Russian Politics is Predicted Petrograd, Dec. 6.—The social revolutionary newspaper Dyonasoda (The People's Work) publishes a letter from Kerensky, former premier, in which the following passages occur: "Do you not see that your frankness is being made use of and that you are being deceived? You were promised peace with the Germans within three days. Where is it? Where is the liberty which was promised you? It is dishonorable, infamous, foolish! It is I, Kerensky, who tell you this. For eight months I safeguarded the liberty of the people and the future happiness of the masses of workers. Now they realize that when I was in power liberty was, and democracy really existed."

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NO VOTES IN ENGLAND FOR CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTOR London, Dec. 6.—The House of Commons has agreed to the disfranchisement of conscientious objectors. This will continue for the duration of the war and for five years thereafter.

lation of the neutrality of the United States, testified in the United States district court today that a proposed holy war of all the followers of Islam in various British and French colonies formed a salient part in the plans of the conspiracy to foment revolution against British rule in India. Dekker linked the name of the Swedish consul in Bangkok with the alleged conspiracy when he said he had carried a letter to this man, which directed him to furnish Dekker with finances.

HOLY WAR WAS PART OF PLOT San Francisco, Dec. 6.—Douglas Dekker, a government witness in the trial of thirty-four persons charged with vio-

Why "Drug Store"? Why do they call that modern institution a drug store? Merely because it doesn't carry a line of shoes, side-meats and harness?—Houston Post.

High School League. The first bowling match of the High School League was rolled off at the Y. M. C. A. yesterday afternoon between the Maple Leaves and the Chippewas. The Maple Leaves defeated the Chippewas by two points.

USE THE WANT AD. WAY

Missouri Frankness. From the Centralita Messenger—The couple were married at the home of the bride's parents, where they will remain until the groom gets a position.

Fri. PALACE THEATRE Sat. "THE RAILROAD RAIDERS" No. 8 Entitled "THE KNOTTED CORD" Two Acts "EL DIABLA"—Two-Part Western Play Billie Rhodes in a Bright Strand Comedy, Entitled "AND ALONG CAME MARY" Prices 5 and 10 cents : Doors Open 6.30—First Show 7

MUTT AND JEFF—JEFF MUSTN'T THINK SO LOUD (COPYRIGHT, 1917, BY H. C. FISHER, TRADE MARK REGISTERED.) BY "BUD" FISHER. A cartoon strip with six panels showing a man playing a banjo and a woman talking to him. The dialogue includes: "MUTT, I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU A QUESTION. MAY I?" "SHOOT!" "IF I WERE TO TELL YOU THAT I THINK YOU ARE A LOW DOWN BUM AND A CHEAP SPORT, WHAT WOULD YOU DO?" "I'D BUST THIS BANJO OVER YOUR HEAD!" "BUT IF I ONLY THOUGHT IT?" "THAT WOULD BE DIFFERENT—I CAN'T HELP WHAT YOU THINK!" "WELL THEN, I THINK IT!"

A Graded Out-Door Prison

If It Were Sought To Devise an Institution Which Should Effectively Prevent The Growth of The Power of Self Control in Men No Better Contrivance Than a Modern Prison Could be Found

(By J. W. MacMillan, in Montreal Journal of Commerce.)

William R. George, founder of the famous George Junior Republic, has just published, in outline, a new proposal for reformatory treatment of offenders. The success which has attended the penal village which he invented and supervised has earned a hearing for anything he has to say upon the punishment of crime. His proposal relates to adult offenders, and is mainly an extension of the principles of the George Junior Republic. There are many such respected citizens in the United States. The model of the Republic has been copied till there are now seven such institutions in the United States and one in England.

Every one who directs a glance at the typical prisons of the world sees that they fail, and must continue to fail, in their efforts to reform prisoners because they do not develop in them any power of self-control. A man in possession of his liberty, moving among his fellows, with chances constantly before him to advantage himself at their expense, must, unless within his nature power to restrain anti-social tendencies, the honest man is tempted, no less than the thief. But the honest man overcomes the temptation, whereas the thief does not. Frequently the thief does not wish to maim or kill his foe. But their wishes are frail obstacles to the torrents of cupidity or rage which

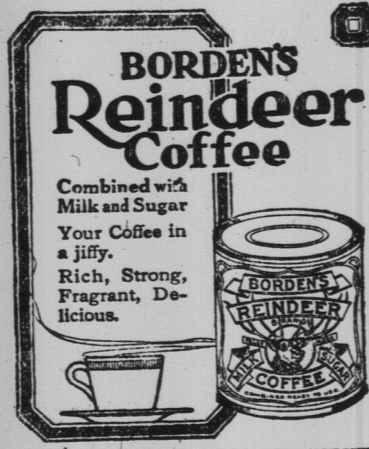
the temptation releases. They are unable to restrain their passions. In a word they lack self-control.

Self-Control.

Now, self-control never comes without practice. The child learns it slowly, during years of training, where the progressive awakening and growth of his faculties, his economic dependence, and his timidity assist the process of education. Gradually the region of his self-directing activities is enlarged, until after a score or so of years, he is fit to be trusted alone in the midst of the world. Fortunately the adult offender, for various reasons, does not usually require so universal or so prolonged control by others. But his attainment of the power to restrain the lower impulses of his being must come after the same fashion, if it comes at all.

If it were sought to devise an institution which should effectively prevent the growth of the power of self-control in men no better contrivance than a modern prison could be invented. The iron discipline, the fixed schedule, the steady repression, the lack of chance of initiating things or of carrying any vestige of self-control which may linger in the men subjected to its rule. Prisons are indeed effective for restraint, but never for reformation. They do succeed in protecting society against malefactors, but only while the malefactors are shut within them. They afford no protection after the sentence has been completed and the offender set free.

Mr. George knew that, of course, as



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to live with them. They would be allowed to acquire property, though the land would naturally be incapable of estrangement from the state. If they had business interests outside they could keep in touch with them. They would be required to support themselves, on the penalty of starving if they did not. They would be required to support their dependent relatives, wherever they were. They would be required to make restitution for injuries they had committed, and they would be unable to leave till the penological experts decided that they had reached such a stage of improvement as made it possible for them to be trusted with their liberty.

Many a misdemeanant would never enter any other village but the first. Some, however, would not obey the laws operative there. They would then be created and tried by their fellows resident in the village. For lesser offenses there would be jail sentences in the village jail. For more serious or repeated offenses the punishment would be banishment to the second village.

This second village would be similar to the first. The only difference would be that they would find themselves further removed from the outer world. If they were well-behaved they would be readmitted to the first village after a lapse into crime can succeed unless it first village. Then would begin anew

the probationary period looking to release at the hands of the experts. If, however, the offender continued to break the laws he would be liable to banishment to the third village, where he would be still further from freedom in the outer world. And, again, if he still persisted in his criminal career he might be sent to the fourth and, in turn, to the fifth and last of the villages. By this time he might fairly be considered an incorrigible offender, and the discipline of this last village might be administered by guards. Or, the offender, having proven obdurate, might be taken to some permanent prison, to be there restrained for life. He should have demonstrated, by this time, his complete unfitness for liberty.

It is to be hoped that Mr. George may procure the same chance to try this penological experiment that he obtained in the case of juvenile offenders. It would be an immense gain to the cause of reform in the treatment of criminals if it should prove to possess the rehabilitating power which the George Junior Republic has displayed. Certainly it does provide for responsibility, which, in the case of law-breakers who are mentally sound, is one of the indispensable factors of reform. No scheme for calling to integrity those who have lapsed into crime can succeed unless it contains this element.

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pany of friends these two souls melted into each other under the words of union spoken by the officiating clergyman.

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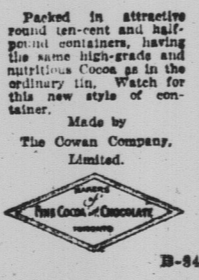
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