

## A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

### ITALY'S SENATE HEARS RESULT OF CONFERENCE

Hopeful of Satisfactory Solution of Question of Fiume as Some Changes Will be Made Favoring Italy.

### FOREIGN MINISTER LOUDLY CHEERED

When He Declared It Was the Wish of Fiume to be Annexed to Italy—Italy Did not Ask for Fiume.

Rome, Monday, Dec. 27.—The Senate, today, has addresses from both Premier Nitti and Foreign Minister Scialoja, who gave assurances that nothing had been compromised concerning the Adriatic settlement. Both statesmen declared that they would go to London and Paris hopeful of a satisfactory solution of the question of Fiume, as both Great Britain and France had agreed to some changes in Italy's favor in modification of the last proposals of President Wilson, put forward after the rejection of the propositions made by former Foreign Minister Tittoni. Neither of the speakers stated specifically what President Wilson's proposals were, or gave an idea of what the possible modifications might be.

The memorandum handed to him in London by Premier Lloyd George, Premier Clemenceau and Mr. Davis, the United States Ambassador, Signor Scialoja continued, went into both sides of the question and showed a certain leaning toward the American proposal. "This would be grave," Signor Scialoja continued, "if verbally they had not declared to me that the memorandum did not contain any character of pressure to be exercised over Italy, but must be considered simply as a means of re-opening the discussion and not as an attempt to close it. Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Clemenceau told me that if France, England and Italy agreed, even going beyond the terms of President Wilson, they believed they could present the agreement to President Wilson and induce him to accept it in the interest of European peace."

The approach made against Italy, Signor Scialoja continued, was that she asked for Dalmatia and also Fiume, although Fiume has been awarded to Croatia under the terms of the pact of London, which would make the pact contradictory, "in reality," said Signor Scialoja, "there was no contradiction, as Italy has already a treaty with France and Great Britain, which unfortunately is not recognized by the United States, granting her Dalmatia. Italy asked for the fulfillment of that Treaty, but did not ask for Fiume. It was Fiume which asked to be annexed to Italy."

Applause greeted the words of the speaker.

"According to the principles of nationality and self-determination," Signor Scialoja proceeded, "we could not help supporting the claims of Fiume, which had the right to decide its own fate. We may renounce a part of what was promised us, but this must be done spontaneously. So far no renunciation has been made. There have been several compromises suggested, but no renunciation.

"Concerning a direct agreement with the Jugos-Slavs we are ready to try it, but on condition that the Jugoslav Government be free and not guarantee the minimum of its claims by some power."

The object of Italy, said the Foreign Minister, was two-fold, the question Continued on Page 2.

### Hammond Lands In Prison

Son of the Dean of Cornell University Led the Swift Pace Through the States and Canada.

### ENLISTED WITH CANADIANS IN 1914

Was Wounded at Ypres, Returned Home to Recuperate and Went Back as Member of Royal Air Force

New York, Dec. 30.—Charged with violating his parole by forging cheques committing thefts and getting drunk, Donald Hammond, 24 years of age, son of William Hammond, dean of Cornell University, was sentenced today to a term of three and a half to seven years in State prison. Hammond was placed on probation under a suspended sentence last August after he had pleaded guilty to forging a cheque for \$2,000 in the name of Norman Bradford, Jr., a wealthy Newport, Rhode Island, clubman.

"You have been living by your wits," declared Judge Wadhams imposing sentence, "and your wits have kept you out of jail up to the present time. It has aided you in your crooked work, but there is nothing further that can be hoped for you by lenient measures."

Many Escapes.

Hammond's escapades since being placed on probation took him to Atlantic City, Maine and New Hampshire. Finally his friends virtually deported him to Canada in an effort to make him "go straight." The life in Montreal proved too tame for him, however, and he went to Boston where he stole \$15,000 worth of bonds, pleaded guilty in the name of an alleged murderer he met in the Tombs prison and succeeded in obtaining a suspended sentence.

Hammond has a long war record. He enlisted in the Canadian army in 1914 and was wounded at Ypres. He came back to this country without being discharged and later returned to England where he joined the Royal Air Force and was again wounded. His victims are said to include a number of society people in this city, Newport, and Atlantic City.

### 'Hip-pocket' Parties Will Be Held Up

Chicago Police Spoil Plans for Distilled Hilarity on New Year's Eve.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Plans for "hip-pocket parties" to relieve the dryness of New Year's Eve in Chicago, have gone the way of the other dear departed hopes for ushering in the New Year on a tide of vinous, distilled or brewed hilarity.

Police Captain Morgan Collins, in charge of the police who are active in the loop district, has heard that invitations were being extended rather openly by cafes, bidding patrons to come and "bring your own." Whereupon that officer today issued an order stationing policemen in all hotels and cafes New Year's Eve to greet each incoming patron with the request that he stand and deliver any liquor he may have in his immediate possession. The State search and seizure law gives the police that right—and the law was not recently upheld by the Supreme Court.

And as for the hotels and cafes, whatever liquor they have had on hand in anticipation of an open season for rollickers at the birth of the New Year has been seized by Federal agents, who locked it up and took the keys away.

### Forces Operating Against Kolchak Are His Deserters

Paris, Dec. 30.—The latest advices received in French official circles from Siberia indicate that the forces operating against Admiral Kolchak in the region of Irkutsk are not Soviet troops, but revolutionary socialists and deserters from the Kolchak armies.

The Japanese, who have had a battalion at Irkutsk, are sending reinforcements in preparation for the eventual advance of the Bolsheviks, who are supposed to be still a considerable distance west of Irkutsk.

### LORD JELlicoe COMPLETES HIS WORK IN CANADA

His Report, Regarded as a Profound Secret, Will be Placed in the Hands of Naval Minister Today.

### PROBABLY FAVORS CANADIAN NAVY

His Visit Was Result of Decision of Imperial Conference to Ascertain Most Effective Naval Defence Scheme.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Admiral Jellicoe, having completed his report and communications with regard to the Canadian Naval Policy, will leave for New York tomorrow afternoon. It is understood that the report will be placed in the hands of Hon. C. C. Bannister, Minister of Marine and Naval Affairs, tomorrow, but its contents are still a profound secret. In the best informed circles, it is believed that Admiral Jellicoe's report will favor the establishment of a Canadian navy.

Lord Jellicoe goes to New York, Washington and Florida, proceeding to Baltimore, Cuba, where he meets his flagship, the *New Zealand*, from there he will go to South Africa.

It is generally understood here that an invitation has been extended by Admiral Jellicoe to take the trip to South Africa with him. No definite statement is forthcoming however, as to whether the prime minister will take the trip.

Object of Visit.

Admiral Jellicoe's visit to Canada and other overseas Dominions was due to the decision of the Imperial Conference in March, 1917, to ask the Admiralty there to work out, immediately after the war, what they considered the most effective scheme of naval defence of the Empire. The Admiralty made a report to the Imperial Conference in May, 1918. The scheme proposed was that all the naval forces of the Empire should form a single navy under the control of the Imperial Admiralty in Peace and War, and that this Imperial authority should deal with all questions of strategy, administration, appointments, types of ships, etc.

The proposal was criticized in July 1918, when it came up for consideration. The Premiers of Canada, Australia, South Africa and New Zealand submitted a counter memorandum declaring emphatically against a common navy and in favor of Dominion navies. Objection was also taken to a statement in the naval memorandum to the effect that an officers' navy could only be secured under common control. The navy of the Australian commonwealth and its war achievements was put forward in support of their view. After long discussion the Dominion's point of view was accepted, and it was agreed that the overseas Dominions would take advice upon the matter from a high naval official, and that is why Lord Jellicoe is visiting the overseas Dominions.

### ST. GEORGE MASONS INSTALL OFFICERS

Special to The Standard.

St. George, Dec. 30.—The following list of officers installed in St. George Lodge, F. and A. M., on December 27th, 1919:

W. M., G. W. McKay; S. W., Thomas R. McIntyre; J. W., Enos C. Justason; Chap., Rev. H. E. DeWolfe; Secretary, Arthur Stewart; Treasurer, Alvah C. Toy; S. D., Audubon Hatt; J. D., Frank Chaffey; S. S., William Barry; J. O., James L. Watt; D. of C., John B. Spear; Organist, James Brydon; I. L., Colin Spear; Tyler, Samuel Austin.

### FORMER ST. JOHN GIRL KILLED BY JILTED LOVER

Prominent Boston Business Man Shoots and Kills Bertha Dorothy McLeod, Then Commits Suicide.

### JEALOUSY CAUSE OF RASH ACTS

Murderer Had Been a Lodger at the McLeod Home, Shortly After the Family Moved from Here.

### THREE SAVED FROM VON DRIEL CREW OF 29

Rescued Men Relate a Tale of Unimaginable Hardships as They Clung to the Bridge of the Steamer.

### STMR. INGRAHAM MAKES RESCUE

The Rescue Made After Many Attempts at the Risk of Life, Despite Odds of Wind, Sea and Reefs.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 30.—The steamer *Ingraham* has just returned to Trepassay Port after rescuing three of the men of the Belgian steamer *Antonia Van Driel*, which went ashore at St. John's Sunday night ship carried a complement of twenty, during a terrific gale. The wrecked ship carried a complement of twenty-nine men, most of whom lost their lives within a few minutes after their craft struck the reefs that make the coast-line a nightmare to mariners.

The rescued men, although almost paralyzed by the horrors and the exposure of these terrible two days and two nights on the ship of death, tell tales of desperate struggling with the storm in their coal-burned ship, culminating in the stranding of the steamer on one of the most inhospitable sections of the coast of Newfoundland.

Shortly after the ship was stranded, the lifeboats were launched in an effort to get to the shore, which was only a few yards away. The frail craft were speedily hammered to pieces against the hull of the ship, or swamped by the mountainous waves, practically all their complement meeting sudden death in the icy waters.

One of the men who was rescued, was actually one of these boats, but was swept back to the deck of the ship, caught hold on some projection and lived to be rescued by the men of the *Ingraham*, which was despatched to the scene of the wreck by the Minister of Shipping as soon as the tidings were received here.

### Rescuers Handicapped.

The *Ingraham* had a hard time battling to the scene of the disaster, against the storm that still raged, and the rescue of the trio of survivors from a stranded bulk, away in amongst the breakers, was accomplished after many attempts, at the risk of the lives of the rescuers, and despite the terrific odds of wind and sea and jagged reefs.

The plight of the shipwrecked mariners was witnessed for hours by the watchers on the cliffs, who were powerless to effect or to attempt a rescue. It was impossible to launch a boat from the precipitous strand, even could such a small craft have lived amongst the breakers.

There were no life-saving appliances available, and even had the contrary been the case, the howling gale would have made it impossible to get a line to the wreck. So one of the fishermen hastened over the eight miles that separate St. John's from the nearest telegraph office and summoned help from St. John's and the rescue effected by the *Ingraham* of the pitifully few men who survived the horrors of the shipwreck resulted.

Tomorrow—New Year's Day—The Standard will not be published.

### Methodists Favor Greater Freedom of Speech and Press

Toronto, Dec. 30.—The Methodist Ministerial Association of this city has passed a resolution requesting the Dominion government "to consider carefully whether pre-war freedom of speech and press ought now to be restored." The association does not go so far as to endorse the view that one of the chief causes for the prevailing unrest is the restriction upon freedom of speech and press, but expresses recognition of the need of a spirit of mutual confidence and good will among all classes in this reconstruction period.

### Object To Ministers On Board

Manufacturers' Association Call Upon All Commercial Clubs to Oppose Cabinet Members of Tariff Commission.

### FAVORABLE TO PERMANENT BOARD

Urges Advisability of Permanent Board and Advises Gov't to Abandon Proposal to Hold Cabinet Com. Hearings.

Montreal, Dec. 30.—Opposition to the proposed Government Tariff Commission, in so far as it is to be composed of Cabinet Ministers is expressed by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association in a communication which is being addressed to all local Associations, Board of Trade and other Commercial bodies. The letter, after pointing out that the Association at its annual meeting passed a resolution asking the Government to create a permanent tariff board, states, in conclusion, that, tariff investigation, by means of a committee of Cabinet Ministers, "seems especially inadvisable because such investigation cannot possibly take cognizance of such important factors" as:

Differences in labor and other costs of production in competing with foreign countries.

Origin and cost of raw material.

Specific and ad valorem duties.

Preferential tariff within the empire.

Bargaining features of tariffs of all great trading nations which are used to open new markets which would remain otherwise closed.

The letter suggests arrangements of deputations by all branches of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association to proceed to Ottawa to urge the government to abandon its proposal to hold cabinet committee hearings, and instead to appoint a permanent Tariff board.

### Disputes To Be Ended On January 6th

Exchange of Ratifications of the Treaty of Versailles Will Take Place at the Quai D'Orsay on That Date.

Paris, Dec. 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—Exchange of ratifications of the Treaty of Versailles will take place January 6 at the Quai D'Orsay, Baron Von Lersner, head of the German delegation, and Paul Dutasta, Secretary of the Peace Conference, tonight settled all points in connection with the signature, except that relating to naval material, which, it is expected, will be solved shortly.

The Germans will sign the protocol, and at the same time the Allies will hand a letter to them agreeing to reduce their demands to 400,000 tons if the total available tonnage has been over-estimated, or Germany is gravely menaced economically. In any case, after the signature, the Allies will get 242,000 tons of material and the balance based upon the report of experts who are now checking up at Danzig, Hamburg and Bremen.

The British Prime Minister, David Lloyd George, will be present at the ceremony, which will be carried out without any display.

Diplomatic relations with Germany will be resumed the following day, when the French Charge d'Affaires will go to Berlin and French consuls will resume their posts.

Allied troops will proceed on January 12 to the territories which must be evacuated by the Germans or otherwise liberated are to be held. It is estimated that 100 trains will be needed for this purpose.

### IRON MOULDERS STRIKE CAUSING GREAT CONCERN

Trade Unionists Now Sharpening With Manufacturers the Burning Anxiety Regarding Strike's Continuance.

### OVER 300,000 MEN OUT OF EMPLOYMENT

The Drain on the Unions for Maintenance of Strikers More Than They Can Stand and Premier is Appealed to.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—The Star today prints the following despatch from its London correspondent regarding the strike of iron moulders.

London, Dec. 29.—The burning anxiety felt by manufacturers regarding the continuance of the iron moulders' strike is shared by trade unionists in every industry. The drain on union funds, occasioned by contributions to the support of the strikers in their fight, and the sums required to provide unemployment allowances to their own men, thrown idle in consequence of the dispute, is so heavy, that leaders of the Allied Engineering Organizations see the day approaching when their own unions will be compelled to beg assistance from wealthier bodies. These financial considerations alone are making the strike a less popular duty.

Three engineering unions today urged the Premier from Newcastle expressing the opinion that the dispute is now a matter for his own immediate attention, and this action may herald the formation of a conciliation committee of trades unionists similar to that which was instituted in ending the railway strike.

350,000 Men Affected.

In addition to the 50,000 moulders directly concerned, the number of workmen without employment or on short time on account of this paralyzing strike, is 300,000. It is probable that the majority of the strikers are now willing to accept the five shilling increase awarded to all engineering workmen by the arbitration court in October. The employers, however, insist that the executive's order to resume work must apply to the strikers of two West-Bromwich firms, who downed tools two weeks before the National strike began because certain moulders refused to join their craft organization, preferring an attachment to the general workers' union, which gathers its membership from any industry.

### Executive Balks.

Arthur Henderson regards the stipulation of the employers as an attempt to humiliate the moulders organization and drive a permanent wedge between the two unions concerned. The executive, therefore, refuses to resume negotiations with the employers unless the West-Bromwich dispute is excluded from the discussion. At this point there is a deadlock and unless outside influence is speedily brought to bear to get the parties together again the country must suffer heavy and permanent loss.

### RETURNS AFTER 16 YEARS AND THEN BEATS UP WIFE

Guelph, Ont., Dec. 30.—After having been away from home for sixteen years without his wife knowing whether he was living or dead, Robert McKown returned two weeks ago very much alive; so much, indeed, that he began to beat his wife. She had him arrested and today he was sentenced to ten days' imprisonment and ten lashes. He denied having beaten her.

100 trains will be needed for this purpose.

### Orders In Council Born Under War Measures Act Pass Out At Midnight

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 30.—Tomorrow at midnight all orders-in-council passed and enforced by virtue of the war measures act become ineffective, some hundreds of orders being numbered in those which are no longer law after midnight on December 31. Commenting on this, a member of the cabinet stated today that contrary to the interpretations of the rescinding order-in-council which had been published, the order-in-council relating to censorship is among those rescinded from January 1st and only nine orders, relating to trade and financial matters and dealing with the enemy, remain in effect until the end of the forthcoming session of parliament.

### No Agreement Reached Between U. S. and Japan Re Siberian Policy

London, Dec. 30.—It was learned today from Japanese sources in London that no decision has yet been reached between Japan and the United States regarding the future policy to be carried out in Siberia, consequent on Admiral Kolchak's retreat.

Japan, it was stated, is determined to arrest the blow of the Bolsheviks toward Japan and must, therefore, review the whole situation in Siberia. She is prepared, if necessary, to increase her forces in Siberia, but will act only in co-operation with her allies.

OUR OWN MOVIES



Tried Robbery Merely On Wager

Stewards on France Allowed Out on Suspended Sentence — French Stowaway May be Allowed to Go Free.

A notable feature at the police court yesterday was the total absence of prisoners charged with drunkenness.

For assaulting Conductor Rutherford C. Moore while in charge of a street car early Friday morning, Charles Kennedy and his son Lewis were each fined \$20.

The two stewards of the Empress of France who were arrested last Monday night charged with an attempt to rob Spragg's store on Brussels street, were allowed to go on a suspended sentence of nine months.

The stowaway who came over from France on the S. Canadian Italian was handed over to the French Consul and arrangements will probably be made with the immigration authorities to permit his remaining in Canada.

The afternoon session of the police court was very quiet, the case against George and John Peeney, William Perry and Lawrence Pemberton charged with wandering and being unable to give a satisfactory account of themselves came up at 3:30.

The case in which an official of the county jail and one of the police force were involved, was postponed until Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock, on the petition of J. M. Barry who is appearing on behalf of Police Sergeant

ON THE KNEE TO A WIFE

Man With "Black Eye" Appears Before English Court and Asks for Separation.

A man with a conspicuous black eye complained to the Willedeen magistrate that his wife had "brutally attacked" him, and he asked for a separation order.

The magistrate: Why did she do it? The man: I left work at five, and went home at ten, and she asked me to account for the intervening five hours.

The man: Then she threw a looking-glass at me, and followed it up with a candle-stick. She afterwards beat me with a hand brush.

The magistrate: What is the cause of the trouble? The man (in a dramatic whisper): She drinks beer.

The magistrate: Where does the beer money come from? The husband: I have to give it to her. I go down on my knees and scrub the floors, hoping to please her, but it only seems to make her worse.

A summons for assault was granted against the woman—London Express.

NO NEW LIGHT ON PHOENIX PARK SHOOTING AFFAIR

Dublin, Dec. 30.—There is no new light on the Phoenix Park affair. There will be an ordinary military inquiry, but as far as is known no public investigation of the recent shooting which resulted in the death of an officer of the army, Lieut. Beest and a civilian.

John Dillon, chairman of the Nationalist Party, in the course of an interview, said he was convinced that the affair would have no influence whatever on the political situation. He pointed out that the evidence at the inquest was so contradictory that it was impossible to form any opinion.

Thomas, additional witnesses will be called.



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Executive of N. B. Teachers' Institute Recommends Changes in Curriculum — Supt. Carter and Dr. Bridges to Consult With N. S. Teachers.

Dr. W. S. Carter, superintendent of Education, and Dr. H. S. Bridges, superintendent of Education at St. John, were selected at the meeting of the New Brunswick Teachers' Institute yesterday to go to Halifax to consult with the Nova Scotia teachers on the subject of the revision of school text books.

Owing to the war the teachers in the Maritime Provinces desire to recommend various revisions of school text books. At the meeting last evening a number of changes were discussed, but in view of the importance of the subject discussed the delegates suggested were sent on to Nova Scotia.

Among those present at the meeting were Mr. Oulton, of Moncton; Mr. Hagerman, of Fredericton; Miss Herbert, Principal Bridges, of Fredericton; Mr. Gorham, of Sussex; Dr. Bridges, of St. John; J. Harrington, secretary, and Miss Thorne, of Fredericton.

FORMER ST. JOHN GIRL KILLED BY JILTED LOVER

(Continued from page one.) and he told her she ought to have the man arrested. He said Ceverly was dangerous.

"The shock of this will kill my son, Percy. He is twenty-one and has heart trouble, for which he is being treated all the time. He works in the American Woollen Company offices on Summer street. He won't be able to stand it."

"I have another son, Raymond, who is an orderly at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital. He is twenty-one. My third son, William, Dot's favorite, was killed at the Battle of the Somme while fighting with the Canadian army. Dot was sick for three months when we learned of his death."

"We left Bill behind us when we left St. John and he enlisted. He came here shortly before he went overseas and we never saw him after that. That's why Dot left so badly over his death. Ceverly boarded at our house on Chesapeake avenue for quite a while, and began bothering Dorothy. He fell in love with her, and I didn't like it because he had married twice and has a wife and child living some where in Boston."

Room 367 on the scene of the murder of Violet C. Moore, also a maidservant, employed by Miss Haines, who was shot and killed in a manner by Irving B. Olmstead in March, 1918.

ITALY'S SENATE HEARS RESULT OF CONFERENCE

(Continued from page one.) of the Italian nationality of Fiume and Dalmatia, and military defence of the Adriatic. He said that Secretary of State Lansing proposed neutralities of the same nature as in the late war.

"This is intolerable," exclaimed Signor Scialoja. "We do not want any protection which allows us to attack an opposite coast, of which attack there is no thought, but we wish to be sure that cannot be attacked."

The Foreign Minister again was applauded when he asserted that in Asia Minor and the Eastern Mediterranean, Italy asked for influence proportionate to her economic and commercial interests.

Premier Nitti began his speech by declaring that the statements of Signor Scialoja represented the ideas of the entire Cabinet.

Visitor—My good man, you keep your pigs much too near the house. Cottager—That's just what the doctor said, mum. But I don't see how it's a-go'in' to hurt 'em.

Common Council Meeting Yesterday

Provided for Interest on Back Taxes—Protest from W. H. Thorne & Co.—Other Matters Transacted.

The City Council met yesterday, passed the resolution providing for interest on back taxes, decided to secure a report on the advisability of widening the street intersection at Paradise Row and Mill street, received a protest from W. H. Thorne and Co. against paying rent to the city for vaults under the sidewalks, and referred to the police magistrate.

The committee of the whole recommended that interest at the rate of one half per centum per month or part of a month shall be paid on all city taxes and water rates for the present year or on such part thereof as was unpaid after the days which were fixed by resolution of the common council as the days on which such taxes and water rates shall be payable, that is to say, the 10th day of September next for the taxes of the last day of October last for water rates.

Com. Fisher thought the regulation should not apply to real estate.

Com. Jones—If we get interest we should extend the time when we sell property to receive taxes.

The Mayor said most other cities collected interest on the taxes. The recommendation was adopted.

W. H. Thorne and Co. wrote, protesting against the expropriation of vaults under King street sidewalk, of which they had occupancy for forty years. The letter said the vaults were a convenience in taking in coal and keeping the sidewalk clear of piles of coal. If the vaults were wanted for public purposes, the city could have them free.

Com. Fisher said all the owners of vaults under the sidewalks had been given an opportunity to take their case to the Legislature. Most, however, had decided to acknowledge the city's right to the vaults under the sidewalk and to pay rent.

The Mayor said the Common Council had apparently never given permission for the use of the vaults under the sidewalks, and the object of the legislation asserting the city's rights was to secure additional revenue and provide for the laying of sidewalks if necessary.

Com. Bullock said the sidewalks belonged to the city, and land owners put vaults under them for their own benefit. But Senator Thorne was a reasonable man. They should go into the matter more thoroughly in committee with the city solicitor present.

Com. Jones—Does the occupancy of these vaults cause loss or inconvenience to the city? If not why should we ask money for their use.

It was decided to take up the matter on committee.

The Y. M. C. A. wrote petitioning the city to ask the provincial government to establish a juvenile court, and request the city to provide for the expenses.

Com. Jones—Are they aware the School Board wants \$50,000 for an increase in the salaries next year.

The letter was referred to the committee on estimates.

Hon. W. E. Foster, chairman of the St. John Agricultural Society wrote asking that the usual grant of \$250 be made to the society next year; referred to the committee on estimates.

A. M. Sharwood applied to be appointed a city constable.

John Gallagher tendered his resignation as city constable.

Secretary Frame, G. W. V. A., wrote asking a grant of \$15,000 to pay off the mortgage on the Veterans' Club House. The matter will be dealt with when the estimates for next year come up.

The Mayor brought up the matter of receiving a slice of land at the corner of Mill and Paradise Row to provide more street room. He said the Bank of Nova Scotia owned the corner, and when rebuilding might follow the example of the Bank of N. B. A. at the corner of Dook street and Market Square. The city, however, should see what could be done to widen the street intersection.

Com. Fisher was instructed to bring in a report on that matter as soon as possible.

Com. Jones said he had been at the police court, and there he heard that a new Court of Appeal was to be established with the Mayor and four Commissioners as Judges. He also

DEMAND FOR STEEL UNPRECEDENTED SAYS E. H. GARY

Demand is Such That Prospective Purchasers Are Actually Offering Materially Larger Prices.

New York, Dec. 30.—Demand for steel is so keen that buyers are willing to pay materially increased prices for it, E. H. Gary, chairman of the Board of U. S. Steel Corporation, declared today after a meeting of the directors here. There is no disposition to advance prices, however, Judge Gary said, and the corporation's policy is to adhere as closely as possible to the selling prices agreed upon by the Federal Industrial Board last March.

"This is a time for moderation, even at the risk of some sacrifice," Judge Gary stated. "Demand is such that prospective purchasers, we are informed, are actually paying materially larger prices, but, we think, taking everything into consideration, we would not be justified in insisting up on our accepting advances at this time. If we did I fear it would have an influence in increasing the general high cost of living."

The steel strike has been ended for a long time as far as the steel corporation is concerned, Judge Gary said.

"We are now operating at a rate of slightly better than 80 per cent. of capacity," he expressed. "Common labor is a little scarce, and this results largely from the fact that certain elements will not be received back into the mills."

Richard V. Lindabury, of New Jersey, general counsel of the corporation and W. J. Filbert, comptroller, were elected to the directorate vacancies left by the deaths of Robert Bacon and Henry C. Frick.

MANITOBA M.D.'S TOO GENEROUS TO THIRSTY PATIENTS

Legislature Will be Asked to Limit Quantity of Liquor to Eight Ounces on M. D.'s Prescription.

Delhi, India, Monday, Dec. 15.—Peace celebrations on an elaborate scale commenced on December 13 and continued for three days throughout India. The native states generally joined in the functions, but the Moslems and Hindus in several centres held aloof from them on account of the situation on Turkey.

ADM. JELlicoe TO BE GUEST OF UNITED STATES

Washington, D. C., Dec. 30.—Admiral Viscount Jellicoe, of the British Navy, who is making a trip around the world, will arrive here Sunday from Canada to spend several days at the guest of the United States navy.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 30.—Enactment of legislation which will prohibit physicians from prescribing over eight ounces of liquor at one time is under consideration by the provincial government along with other marked changes in the Manitoba Temperance Act. Among the most drastic of the amendments to the act now under consideration is the prohibition of the sale of liquor in drug stores in which soda fountains are installed.

Legislation is also under consideration which will place druggists and doctors in a more responsible position towards the government for liquor which is prescribed and disposed of.

Several applications have been received by J. N. MacLennan, administrator of the act, from Winnipeggers for the opening of export houses. He stated today that he was confident that the provisions of the Manitoba Act will prevent any export houses from operating in Manitoba.

heard some other remarks that were apparently intended to have a personal application.

Com. Bullock—Will we receive an increase in salary? The Mayor—I'm afraid some things are said in the police court which do not add to the dignity of the bench.

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WHISKEY, NOT LOVE, CAUSE OF RASH ACT OF COOMBS

Coroner's Inquest Into Suicide of Canadian Officer Reveals Pitiful State of Affairs.

London, Dec. 30.—(By C. A. F.)—The real cause of the downfall of Captain Charles Vesta Coombs was not love, but whiskey declared the coroner when a verdict of suicide was pronounced today. The deceased, an already cabled, shot himself on Friday in the Grosvenor Hotel here in the presence of his friend, Mrs. Moon and her young nephew. Coombs was 34 years of age and his next of kin resides at Riverdale Avenue, Toronto. The evidence at the inquest shows that he was gassed, and also blown up by shell fire in France in July, 1917. Recently he had been working in the air force section at Canadian Headquarters. Mrs. Moon told the coroner that she and her husband had given the deceased officer hospitality, and attempted to stop him from drinking whiskey. The deceased had recently said that he had shot everything in speculation. Mrs. Moon then related how she went to the Grosvenor Hotel in consequence of Coombs' decision over the phone that he was passing out. She found him waving his arms about, and incoherent in his speech. He then pulled a revolver from under his pillow and shot himself. The hotel chambermaid told the coroner that Coombs told her that he loved a girl. Another witness, an agent, living in a London suburb, said Coombs, about two months back, had asked his consent to his engagement with his daughter. Witness did not give it. There was, however, no breach of friendship. The daughter had in fact never expressed any special wish to marry Coombs.

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ADM. JELlicoe TO BE GUEST OF UNITED STATES

Washington, D. C., Dec. 30.—Admiral Viscount Jellicoe, of the British Navy, who is making a trip around the world, will arrive here Sunday from Canada to spend several days at the guest of the United States navy.

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PROTECTOR

Many Visits Comfortable Made

Yesterday a large number of Protestant on West Side an parade of this of the building, in which it is large, airy, well-lit, clean, marked Baby or rows of sun-lane ones tucked land of dream.

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Dr. Charles Orlm and as certainly Toronto. Sample paper and enclosure

### PROTESTANT ORPHANS' ANNEX OFFICIALLY OPENED YESTERDAY

Many Visitors Yesterday Expressed Their Delight at the Comfortable Convenient Home Established on the West Side—Speeches of Congratulation and Good Wishes Made Last Evening—Children Happy and Contented.

Yesterday afternoon and evening a large number of persons visited the Protestant Orphans' Annex on the West Side and all are loud in their praise of the comfort and convenience of the building and the homelike way in which it is managed. The rooms are large, airy, well furnished and spotlessly clean. A peep into the room marked Baby Land showed the visitors rows of snowy white beds with little ones tucked snugly away in the land of dreams.

Last evening with C. H. Peters as chairman a number of visitors listened to well delivered addresses. The proceedings opened with prayer by Rev. W. H. Sampson, after which Mayor Hayes spoke. The Mayor said that the sight of the well cared for children was a moving and touching one. He told of the appeal made to him some time ago by a woman with children and how the mother had found employment and the children were happy and comfortable in the institution.

Walter Golding spoke on the budget saying that \$15,000 would be needed for the two institutions and of this sum \$10,000 was already in hand. He said that the Commercial Travellers had undertaken to get some of the outstanding subscriptions today. He thought it a strange thing that people would willingly pay \$2 for a theatre ticket but would only give one dollar towards Orphans.

Dr. Morison read the form of entrance into the Home pointing out that while the institution had been accused of possessing Red Tape it was necessary to have regulations in regard to health to safeguard the children.

Other speakers who made congratulatory remarks with good wishes for the success of the Home were Rev. J. Heaney, Gershon Mayes, W. M. Campbell.

A vote of thanks to Mrs. James Stirling who fitted up the Baby's Room was moved by Mrs. McLellan, seconded by Miss Rannin and passed. Mrs. Stirling referred the credit to her husband in thanking those present for the vote.

Besides considerable carpentry work and alterations in the plumbing and lighting, the three floors of the large building have been thoroughly renovated in attractive decorative schemes. This work has met with the full approval of medical men, the health authorities and Public Safety department.

On the ground floor of the building are located the executive offices, parlors, reception rooms, large hallway, schoolroom and playroom, dining hall and kitchen. The second floor contains a two-room infants' ward, or nursery, the matron's apartments and several dormitories, with white enameled furnishings, sufficient to sleep upwards of fifty children. This floor is divided that the little ones may be set apart in age groups and according to sex.

The third floor is not being furnished at present, except for two large adjoining rooms, with bath, to be held ready as a hospital in case of an outbreak of some child infectious disease. The new orphanage has received quite a number of gifts in the way of furnishings, notably a complete nursery equipment for twelve babies from Mrs. James Stirling, consisting of coats, cribs, baby baskets, bedding for same, floor coverings and other necessities.

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**JAPAN AND SIBERIA**  
The Agency learns from Japanese sources that notwithstanding the change in the Russian situation Japan has no intention of withdrawing any of her troops from Siberia. That it is pointed out is no new development of policy, for Japan realizes that to remove her troops from the Siberian railway would necessarily mean that an important and strategic line of communication would fall into the hands of the Bolsheviks and that therefore no relaxation of her effort in regard to the protection of the railway is to be recommended.

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**PASSAIC POLICE RAID SALOONS FOR WOOD ALCOHOL**  
Gather in a Large Quantity of the Stuff Which Has Been Causing So Many Deaths.  
Passaic, N. J., Dec. 30.—A city-wide raid on the saloons of Passaic was made by the police tonight after six deaths had been reported during the day from wood alcohol poisoning. City Commissioner Abram Preiste ordered the police to raid every place in the city where alcoholic beverages might be found and confiscate all liquor discovered.

**BRITISH PROTESTS FAILED TO CHECK THE EXECUTION**  
Nine Additional Communists Were Executed at Budapest Monday Despite British and Italian Objections.  
Berlin, Dec. 30.—(Via London).—Nine additional communists were executed at Budapest on Monday, despite protests by the British ambassador and the Italian representatives, according to advices received here from the Hungarian capital. The men upon whom death sentences were carried out included Dr. Eugene Laszle, author, journalist and lawyer, who with a number of others, was condemned last week.

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**VOCATIONAL CLASSES TO OPEN**  
Meeting of Committee Held Last Evening—Progress Reported and Dates Set for Beginning of Several Classes.  
Good progress towards the starting of the Vocational School classes was reported at a meeting of the Vocational School Committee held last evening at the office of the chairman, Dr. A. F. Emery. Several committees reported as to preparations which had been made, showing that a great deal of preliminary work had been accomplished.

**BRITISH GOV'TS FREIGHT INCREASE IS NO SURPRISE**  
Expected by the Public Act Has Stimulated Trade in Home Rail Share Market.  
London, Dec. 30.—(C. A. P.)—Increases in railway freight rates, intended to produce fifty millions yearly and thereby make the railways self-supporting, create little surprise for they have long been anticipated. Early in 1917 the Government increased passenger fares fully fifty per cent, primarily as a war measure to reduce unnecessary travelling, but which failed to achieve the main purpose, although it did maintain railway revenue.

**ITALY GOING AFTER THE TOURIST TRADE**  
Will be One of the Methods Employed to Assist the Nation's Industries.  
Rome, Dec. 30.—In a speech in the Senate Senator Schanzler, the Minister of the Treasury, expressed the hope that within six months internal conditions would be such as to permit of Italy's getting on a real peace footing. He promised to follow a policy of the strictest economy and said that as one way of assisting the nation's industries...

**WRESTLING**  
The school boys wrestling bout have got down to the semi-finals, the finals are to be held Friday afternoon at 2.30.

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## THE YEAR ABROAD.

Abroad the retrospect is far from cheerful. The Mother Country, with indomitable spirit, has tackled the task of reconstruction with characteristic foresight and energy, and in the circumstances has made remarkable progress towards recovery; but she has many and grave problems to solve from which this country is happily free. British industry and commerce have shown a really astonishing capacity of readjustment to the new conditions bequeathed by the war; but difficulties in respect to raw materials, to plant equipment, to the failure to keep railway and dock equipment up to the mark, have put a heavy tax upon British energy. The cessation of house-building for four years, and the demand of a working class that has realized its power for a larger share in the wealth of the nation, present other serious problems. But the spirit displayed by capital and labor during the year gives promise of a satisfactory solution of the many difficulties which confront the nation. Even during the paralyzing railway strike good temper prevailed.

In the United States the year has been marked by great activity; American trade has been extended towards the south though to Europe it has fallen off, mainly perhaps because of exchange conditions. The Republic has been afflicted by disastrous strikes and race riots; in spite of an apparent prosperity the sinister seed of Bolshevism has found root in the land; the relations between capital and labor have been marred by unseemly displays of bad temper and intolerance on both sides; the ground has been prepared for a gigantic struggle between capital and labor, complicated by the possibility of racial conflicts of an ugly character. Unfortunately the United States did not have the vision to see that acceptance of her world responsibilities under the League of Nations would have had a tendency to lift the national outlook above the plane of harsh selfishness and narrow prejudice which is now the fighting ground of the internal political and social forces engaged in promoting civil discord. Her astonishing failure to accept her international obligations is likely to have the effect of intensifying her internal troubles, as it has already had the effect of increasing more difficult the establishment of peace in distracted Europe.

In Europe the year has not lifted the burden of terror under which millions have groined since Germany unleashed the madness of war. Valiant France, with habitual sanity and industry, has made progress in healing her many wounds, but her difficulties are many—the condition of many of her people deplorable. Italy has had a year of political turmoil; her economic life is still at sixes and sevens, and her future is gloomy with forebodings of civil strife.

Germany, though her incompetent Government occasionally exhibits a pre-war arrogance and insolence, is in desperate straits, and in Eastern Europe war, famine and pestilence have taken toll of millions of human lives. New States, forged in the blood and welter of war, have been more concerned to prey upon their neighbors than set their economic house in order and settle down to the pursuit of the arts of peace. In the background the sinister spectre of Bolshevism still towers over Europe. On the military side the year has been full of accomplishments for the multitude of mixed idealists and rascals led by those astonishing adventurers Lenin and Trotsky; but according to various accounts their economic difficulties have greatly increased. Apparently the adventurers who have seized power in Russia believe peace has more perils for their grim dictatorship than war; at any rate they are continually intriguing to widen the area of conflict, and may soon be at war with Japan, which has become more at loggerheads with the new nationalist spirit in China. The Young Turks have plucked up courage enough during the year to flout the Allies, believing they have too many preoccupations elsewhere to deal with the ancient Empire of tyranny and corruption as it should be dealt with. In the British Empire itself the year has been marked by the growing strength of new forces which will tax the wisdom and ingenuity of British statesmanship to guide in channels of peaceful progress. Sinn Fein in Ireland has developed an irreconcilable spirit, which has already led to many outrages and threatens civil war in the Distressed Isle. In Egypt the Nationalists have been responsible for many scenes of tumult and bloodshed, and are impatiently clamoring for a measure of self-government which even the liberal spirit of Great Britain can hardly be expected to grant until the Allies arrive at a settlement which will determine the future position of Turkey and rob it of capacity to intrigue in Egypt. On

the borders of India there have been various troubles, but on the whole there has been a measure of quietness in the big dependency, and the granting of a measure of self-government to its swarming millions may have the effects desired, and make India even more loyal to the Empire.

## THE YEAR IN CANADA.

Without being parasitical Canadians may contemplate their work during the past year with a considerable measure of satisfaction. Probably no country has shown equal power of recovery from the shock of war; the end of the year finds Canada on a flood tide of industrial and commercial activity, and with a remarkable degree of prosperity apparent east and west. Reconstruction of the economic life of the nation has proceeded at a pace unparalleled elsewhere; the readiness of the soldiers in civil life has been effected in evidence of the broad field of opportunity; and the future is envisaged with an optimism that is full of inspiration for further effort in building up this young nation.

No doubt the Union Government which met the demands of the time of reconstruction with broad, bold policies some credit is due for the splendid manner in which the country has recovered its stride, and resumed its forward march; but much also is due to the favored position of the country and its wealth of natural resources, and more to the cheerful self-confidence, the hopeful enterprise, and eager industry of the people. During the year manufacturing industries in Canada have shown considerable expansion, and though wheat production fell off a little in the west owing to the drought, field crops as a whole were greater than ever. Our foreign commerce appears to have fallen off slightly, owing to the cutting out of munitions of war, but the export of profit-yielding products has considerably increased. And agriculture and manufacturing have found a much better home market, due to the reaction towards greater prodigality on the part of the people, and the return of hundreds of thousands of soldiers and their dependents. Probably business was never better in Canada than it has been during the past year. The great problem of manufacturers has been to fill orders, wholesalers east and west have been complaining that they cannot procure stocks, and retailers of all kinds have been obliged to be content with small allotments on their orders for goods. Labor has received substantial advances in wages, and there has been only one serious strike in Canada during the year. The people have an air of prosperity; money seems to be plentiful, and it is being spent freely and even extravagantly. It is worth reflecting that on the average conditions in the east have been much better than in the west—which would indicate a change from pre-war days.

## ADVOCATES CANADIAN SYSTEM.

Although the Canadian Board of Commerce don't appear to have many friends in this country, Senator Capper, down in Washington, is arguing the adoption of the Canadian system of dealing with profiteering. The Senator does not think much of the law which Attorney-General Palmer is endeavoring to apply to the situation in the United States, but believes the Canadian system is proving a success. He thinks the fundamental difference between the Canadian system and the American Food Control Act is that Canada fixes a limit on gross profits, but does not try to limit net profits. The situation in the United States appears to be complicated by the excess profits tax which is added to the price of an article as it passes from hand to hand. Senator Capper says prices of meats to producers in the States have been reduced 40 per cent. In some cases with out any appreciable reduction to consumers. One thing the excess profits tax does is to make the Government a party in any profiteering.

"Montreal, Dec. 30.—Members of the Quebec Legislative Assembly said yesterday that important matters are before the Cabinet, notably the question of the retirement of Sir Lomer Gouin. There was recently held in Montreal a caucus of Montreal members at which this question was taken up. It was then mentioned that Hon. J. E. Caron, Minister of Agriculture, might become Quebec Premier, and Hon. J. L. Perron, Minister of the Legislative Council, might enter the Cabinet as President of the Council, representing Montreal interests. Further, Hon. Walter Mitchell, Provincial Treasurer, is said to have ambitions to enter Federal politics as Liberal leader of the English-speaking people of Quebec." If all this is correct it is in line with Ernest Lapointe's movement to sidetrack the United Farmers in Quebec. Hon. Ed. Caron is a farmer, all

wood and a yard wide, and might be able to persuade Hon. Mr. Crear that he is the bell-wether of the Quebec flock.

## WHAT THEY SAY

**History in Cycles.**  
(Huntington (W. V.) Advertiser.)  
History moves in cycles. So with the corned pipe. It is coming back to popularity. One finds it on the street, in the workshop, behind the polished doors of bank directors' rooms. It is an old friend, returning to its old dress.

**The Expression of the People.**  
(Providence Journal.)  
Carranza is having so much trouble about naming his successor for the presidency that it would not be surprising if he should prudently conclude to have a spontaneous uprising of the people urging him to take another term.

**Krupps Today and Yesterday.**  
(Springfield Republican.)  
The Krupps, who made great fortunes turning out war munitions, are now losing money constructing locomotives, freight trucks, agricultural machinery and moving picture apparatus; but they are adding vastly more to the world's real wealth.

## A BIT OF VERSE

### A NEW POEM FOR "O CANADA."

The January number of the "Canadian Bookman" contains the following from the pen of the Hon. W. S. Fielding:—  
"O Canada!" heath Northland's bright-est skies,  
From loving hearts our songs of praise arise,  
What grandeur in the rugged heights,  
What charm in wood and stream,  
What beauty in the myriad lights  
That in thy heavens gleam!

Refrain:  
O Canada! let heart and hand  
Yield loyal service in this freemen's land!  
For freemen's rights and freemen's  
duties stand!

O Canada! where health and wealth  
intwine,  
Where Northern blasts bear fragrance  
of the pine!

From soil and mine and lake and sea  
Come riches for thy dower,  
Cascade and river joyously  
Bring wondrous gift of power.

O Canada! thy page in story glow  
With civility of fleur de lis and rose,  
Adown the vista of the years  
Heroic forms advance,  
In light and shadow, smiles and tears,  
The flower of Albion-France.

O Canada! thy sons will proudly share  
Service that links with Empire's world-  
wide care,  
Britannia's fat dung lands are bound  
With slender silken cord,  
Yet strong as steel the tie is found  
When foes take up the sword.

O Canada! thy sons will proudly share  
Youth visions see and elders dream  
their dreams,  
An Empire's splendor thou canst share,  
Thy wealth is labor's crown,  
Shall not a land so rich and fair  
Win honor and renown?

O Canada! may we our trust uphold!  
Life's minor things must not our hearts  
enfold,  
Not all the wealth of earth and sea  
Can win thee worthy fame,  
It service of our God and thee  
Be not our highest aim.

\*For adaptation to the music, the French form of the exclamation "O Canada!" is retained, the accent falling on the last syllable.

## Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE

Me and Puds Simkins and Mary Watkins was wawking along taking a wawk last Sunday, and Puds was saying things and Mary Watkins was laffing at them as if they was about twice as funny as wut they really was, and I thawt, O, that guy must think he's sumboddy grate. Meaning Puds, and I sed, Hay Puds did you ever get that big hole fixed you tore in your pants climing over your back fence?

O, Puds, for shame, for shame, sed Mary Watkins.  
Aw, he's krazy, sed Puds, it was sutch a little hole I would-ent of had to have it fixed at all if I hadent of wanted to, it wasent hardly a hole at all, I dont bleeve it was a hole enyways. And he started to blash and wawk along without saying any more, me thinking, I gess thattll show him he sint so darn mutch. And I started to say some funny things myself, making Mary Watkins laff like enything, and all of a suddin Puds sed, I dont see wat youre cawking so mutch about, if I had a picture of me in my house like I saw of you in your house, I wouldnt tawk for a week.

Wat picture, wat picture, Puds? sed Mary Watkins, and Puds sed, O, I wouldnt even mention it, Im glad it sint a picture of me, thats all.

He's jest making it up, I sed, and Mary Watkins sed, Now Puds dont be meen, tell me wat picture, I think your aokting awill meen, Puds, and Puds sed, All rite Ill tell you, its a picture of him setting on a cushion wen he was a baby, and so you want to know wat he's got on?

Wat? sed Mary Watkins.  
He's making it up, I sed.  
He aint got a single thing on, and he's setting there as if he's proud of it, sed Puds.

O, Benny, for shame Im shocked O, Benny, sed Mary Watkins and I sed, Could I help it?—I coincident even tawk yet, how could I help it?

And I kept on wawking without saying enything more, and Puds started to say things agen that was supposed to be funny, and Mary Watkins kept on laffing at them as if they really was.

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**OBITUARY**

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**MILITARY NOTES.**

The undermentioned officers are struck off the strength of the C. E. P. on general demobilization, unless otherwise stated:

Major Douglas King Hazen, 28th October, 1919.

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Hon. Lt.-Col. H. R. Murray, 8th Hussars, has been granted the Colonial Auxiliary Forces officers' decoration.

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**Miss Gross who has been the guest of friends in the city for the last few days left for her home in Petitedoune last evening.**

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# THE STANDARD'S SPORTING SECTION

## Local Bowling Results Yesterday

**G. W. V. A. VICTORS**  
In a game in the Wellington League last evening the G. W. V. A. won three points from the Schofield Paper Company.

The score follows:

G. W. V. A.	Schofield Paper Co.
Logan 75 75 79 229 76 1-3	
Woods 80 84 76 240 83 1-3	
Harding 85 92 82 259 83 2-3	
Angel 79 79 98 256 81 2-3	
Gibbons 84 84 68 236 78 2-3	

**THE CITY LEAGUE.**  
In the City League last evening the Nationals and the Tigers broke even.

The scores follow:

Nationals	Tigers
Galbraith 81 88 78 247 83 2-3	
Winchester 83 88 90 277 93 1-3	
Somerville 74 83 94 251 82 2-3	
Brantford 80 83 85 248 81 2-3	
Ward 83 82 82 247 81 2-3	

The alleys will be open tomorrow night, as no league games are scheduled for that night.

**COMMERCIAL LEAGUE.**  
On Black's Alley last night, the C. P. R. took three points from the Ames-Holden Co.

The scores follow:

Ames-Holden Co.	C. P. R.
Clark 91 88 78 257 85 2-3	
Treston 88 80 95 263 87 2-3	
Marshall 77 81 81 239 82 2-3	
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## President Versus Vice-President

**Rinks Are Chosen to Curl on New Year's Day, Which is Practically the Opening of the Curling Season.**

The following are the rinks chosen for the President vs. the Vice-President in the matches to be curling on New Year's Day in the Thistle Club:

10 O'clock	President	Vice-President
P. B. Holman	E. M. Olive	H. G. Young
W. H. Gumbin	H. W. Glick	J. S. G. Young
A. E. McLukin	R. E. Smith	H. C. Olive
L. A. Langstroth	W. A. Shaw	H. G. Barnes

11:30 O'clock	President	Vice-President
W. R. White	H. Kinsman	H. G. Barnes
F. E. Cameron	R. S. Orchard	H. G. Barnes
W. J. Currie	Dr. Malcolm	H. G. Barnes

11:30 O'clock	President	Vice-President
G. M. Ross	R. C. Gilmour	H. G. Barnes
J. S. G. Young	J. M. M. Reid	H. G. Barnes
W. J. S. Myles	S. W. Palmer	H. G. Barnes
Dr. M. MacLaren	H. M. McAlpine	H. G. Barnes

11:30 O'clock	President	Vice-President
G. P. Murray	G. A. Gumbin	H. G. Barnes
J. C. Mitchell	W. A. Reade	H. G. Barnes
J. S. Malcolm	A. D. Malcolm	H. G. Barnes
J. L. McAvity	J. M. Pendrigh	H. G. Barnes

11:30 O'clock	President	Vice-President
Gordon Johnston	W. G. Gunn	H. G. Barnes
D. Currie	R. Reid	H. G. Barnes
F. P. Burpee	R. M. Fowler	H. G. Barnes
J. A. Sinclair	J. W. Cameron	H. G. Barnes

2 O'clock	President	Vice-President
J. B. Stephenson	C. M. Murray	H. G. Barnes
F. Likely	W. G. Milliean	H. G. Barnes
A. J. Machum	T. A. Armour	H. G. Barnes
F. Shaw	P. W. Watson	H. G. Barnes

2 O'clock	President	Vice-President
L. Allen	G. A. Stubbs	H. G. Barnes
G. B. Rivers	R. S. Ritchie	H. G. Barnes
G. S. Bishop	I. F. Archibald	H. G. Barnes
G. L. Warwick	E. P. Howard	H. G. Barnes

2 O'clock	President	Vice-President
L. B. Ester	R. H. McKendrick	H. G. Barnes
F. White	C. J. Warwick	H. G. Barnes
H. Sullivan	W. E. Demings	H. G. Barnes
A. W. Estey	H. W. Stubbs	H. G. Barnes

4 O'clock	President	Vice-President
J. A. Likely	W. L. Robson	H. G. Barnes
S. Jones	T. A. Linton	H. G. Barnes
H. C. Vanwart	G. B. McPherson	H. G. Barnes
T. C. Ledingham	L. S. Linsley	H. G. Barnes

4 O'clock	President	Vice-President
A. H. Stanton	C. M. Murray	H. G. Barnes
P. Kinsman	W. G. Milliean	H. G. Barnes
A. E. Prince	T. A. Armour	H. G. Barnes
W. Barnes	P. W. Watson	H. G. Barnes

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## New Brunswick Hockey League

**Four Team League Organized Composed of Chatham, Marysville, Bathurst and Fredericton—First Games January 15.**

**Special to The Standard**  
Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 30.—The New Brunswick Hockey League with a membership of four clubs was formed at a meeting at Chatham last evening.

Fredericton, Marysville, Chatham, and Bathurst are the members of the league, which has arranged a schedule opening on January 15th, at Fredericton and concluding on February 10th, after which it is expected the champions will play off with the winners of any league that is formed in the southern part of the Province and Nova Scotia.

It was decided to play under the N. H. A. rules for six-man hockey but with the number of players on any club's roster limited to fifteen, all of whom must be named by January 15. This rule is expected to prevent clubs bringing on "ringers" and importing players to bolster their playing strength.

The following officers were named: Honorary President—Angus McLean, President of the Bathurst Lumber Co. Bathurst; President—Noonan J. MacNeil, Chatham; Vice-President, Harry Macdonald, Bathurst; Secretary, Leo Troy, Chatham.

The following schedule was agreed upon: January 15—Marysville at Fredericton. January 22—Chatham at Bathurst. January 29—Fredericton at Bathurst. February 5—Fredericton at Marysville. February 12—Marysville at Chatham. February 19—Chatham at Fredericton. February 26—Chatham at Fredericton.

The Fredericton and Marysville delegates to the meeting were Messrs. Sterling and Beatty of Fredericton and Messrs. Wade and Harrison of Marysville, who returned home today.

**BASKETBALL.**  
The Y. M. C. A. Intermediates are in a trim to meet the Moncton team in the big Basketball game New Year's night. The game between St. Andrew's and the Old High school team is creating much interest.

Montreal, Dec. 30.—All United States ships, unless owned by the United States Government, are at full liberty to be "out" outside the three mile limit is the statement made by Leo S. Tobin, passenger agent of the White Star-Dominion Line, who has discussed the question with headquarters in New York. Mr. Tobin admitted that much interest had been displayed in the matter by intending passengers.

**THE CHURCH C.S.E.T. Swimming Meeting**  
All Events Were Keenly Contested in the Y.M.C.A. Tank Last Evening—Kerr of St. David's All-Round Champion.

The Church C. S. E. T. swimming meet held at the Y. M. C. A. last night proved of much interest. The events were all keenly contested and good form was shown by the boys in the diving and speed events.

The all-round championship went to Kerr of St. David's who was the winner of four events and was on St. David's winning relay team.

The church standings were: St. David's 41 points; St. Mary's, 22 points; Central, 17 points; Centenary 16 points; Trinity 12 points; St. Andrew's 1 point.

**Senior Events**  
25 yards speed—1st, Kerr, St. David's; 2nd, Malcolm, St. David's; 3rd, Patterson, Trinity.

One length back stroke—1st, Malcolm, St. David's; 2nd, Kerr, St. David's; 3rd, Patterson, Trinity.

Long plunge—1st, Kerr, St. David's; 2nd, Patterson, Trinity.

75 yards speed—1st, Kerr, St. David's; 2nd, Patterson, Trinity; 3rd, Peer, St. David's.

Relay—1st, St. David's; 2nd, Trinity.

**Junior Events**  
25 yards speed—1st, Conley, St. Mary's; 2nd, Jones, Central; 3rd, Innis, St. Andrew's.

One length back stroke—1st, Conley, St. Mary's; 2nd, Holden, Trinity; 3rd, Bond, Central.

25 yards breast stroke—1st, Barbour, Central; 2nd, Conley, St. Mary's; 3rd, Curran, Centenary.

Long plunge—1st, Curran, Centenary; 2nd, Barbour, Central; 3rd, Holden, Trinity.

## New Trophy For Figure Skating

**Has Been Donated by His Excellency the Governor General for Lady Championship of Canada—It's for Annual Competition.**

Montreal, Dec. 30.—A new trophy for figure skating has been donated by His Excellency, the Governor General, as a challenge cup to be put up for annual competition among the lady figure skaters for the championship of Canada. The new cup will be competed for for the first time at the Montreal Winter Club on the 20th of February which is the date originally set for the Dominion championship competitions for figure skating.

At this meet all other trophies now existing will also be competed for. The new trophy will be known as the Devonshire Cup.

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## Yale's Team At Hamilton

**Were Defeated Last Night in Arena by Score of Nine to Five—Fair Crowd Witnessed Exhibition.**

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 30.—Yale's touring hockey team got its first taste of the Canadian six man game at the local arena tonight, when the Tigers took them into camp by a score of nine to five. A fair sized crowd witnessed the exhibition, which was closer than the score would indicate. Yale was ahead 2 to 1 at the end of the first period, but Tigers went to the front in the second period, which closed five to three in their favor. In the last period the Tigers banged in four more counters, while the students were registering twice.

**THE LITTLE HOUSE.**  
(Grace Noll Crowell.)  
Ah, it's home, dearie, home, that my heart turns to forever—  
A little house, a lot of green upon a quiet street;  
While curtains at the windows, and a red bloom peering outward;  
And the clinking of the kitchen tiles to my own happy feet.

Ah, it's home, dearie, home, and the singing of the kettle,  
And a little sense of loving, like the south wind to the roses—  
The early lamp all lighted, and the fire burning cheery;  
And a soft wind blowing inward from the sweet world wet of dew.

And listen, dearie, close beside, a baby in a cradle,  
Ae-swinging lok—a-swinging low  
I'm singing for him, dear,  
Just a little sense of loving, like the south wind to the roses—  
"It's evening time, and home time, and he will soon be here."

**PROGRAMME ENJOYED IN PORTLAND CHURCH**  
Primary Classes of Portland Methodist Church Gave Supper and Enjoyable Programme Last Evening.

The teachers of the Primary classes of the Portland Methodist Church gave an enjoyable supper last evening to all the primary classes of the Sunday School. After the supper an interesting address was made by Mayor Hayes superintendent of the Sunday School.

The following is the programme for the evening: Recitations, Marion Fox, Gladys Gordon, Thomas Corbett, V. King, Willard McConnell, Hazel Wright, Nellie Raymond. After the programme gifts of fruit and candy were distributed among the members of the primary class. The following are those in charge of the Primary Department:

Mrs. C. McIntyre, Mrs. E. M. Rowley, R. C. Thomas, Miss Alice Hayes, Mrs. A. J. Myles, Mrs. H. Green, Mrs. S. Kirk, Mrs. McCullum, Mrs. Ferguson and Mrs. A. McGinnis.

Neat dive—1st, Curran, Centenary; 2nd, Conley, St. Mary's; 3rd, Bond, Central.

**Christie Comedy: "There's Many A Slip"**  
Kinograms and Ford Monthly.

Bryant Washburn on Friday  
"WHY SMITH LEFT HOME"  
Serial, Chap. 2 "The Invisible Hand"

## Jas. Robertson Co. Entertain Their Many Employees

**Delicious Turkey Dinner Served at Bond's Last Evening, When Good Fellowship Was Everywhere in Evidence—Pleasant Surprise to Employees.**

That the old proverb, "Corporations have no souls," is not altogether based on facts, and that the interests of the firm's employees are of very personal interest to the firm itself was marked last night, when the members of the staff of the James Robertson Company of this city were the guests of the firm at a very appetizing turkey dinner served at Bond's last evening.

The large dining room, bright with colored stringers and flags, was attractively decorated in keeping with the holiday season, and the excellent menu was a credit to the city's leading caterers. Bond's orchestra rendered a very pleasing programme of music during the course of the dinner.

After due justice had been rendered the tempting array of viands set before the guests, a programme of toasts was carried out as follows: The King, proposed by the manager of the James Robertson Co., E. J. Terry, responded to by all rising and singing the National Anthem.

The firm, proposed by George Keffey, responded to by Mr. Terry, the manager.

In rising to reply to the toast of the firm, Mr. Terry said that the dinner at which all were present marked a new departure, as it was the first given by the company to its employees since the founding of the firm, and it was his hope and desire that the Maritime branch of the James Robertson Company should be ever in the forefront and lead all the other branches in Canada.

The James Robertson Company was the largest plumbing supply company in the Dominion, and, with the possible exception of one or two others, the largest concern of its kind in the whole British Empire.

Mr. Terry paid a high tribute to the head of the firm, C. M. Robertson, who was, he said, the biggest man in any firm in America, and many of the firm were already aware of his goodness of heart and the interest which he had for all the employees of the company.

The firm had been fortunate in its representatives in the past, whose worthy example was being followed by their successors today. All should endeavor to keep the name of the firm above the eyes of the trade in the sailing place it now held and should continue to occupy, and this could only be secured by a loyal staff working always in the best interests of the firm.

The competition in the Maritime Provinces was growing greater each year. One of the firm's leading competitors was establishing a branch at

## SEDATE HALIFAX HAS HOLD-UP MEN

**Bold, Bad Men, With Loaded Revolvers**

### PINK PYJAMAS AND CORK LEG

Clues Instrumental in Condemning a Colonel.

A little party at which two of the guests were pyjamas was described to Mr. Justice Horridge in the Divorce Court recently, when Mrs. Elise Watt was granted a decree on the ground of the desertion and misconduct of her husband, Colonel Disney Younger Watt.

Colonel Watt was co-respondent in the divorce case of Berlyn vs. Berlyn in February.

Mrs. Watt said that the marriage was at Christ Church, Fiddington, and afterwards they lived at Warrington. There had been one child, in consequence of her husband having declined to live with her, she obtained a restitution decree in June.

Frank Williamson, a private detective of Manchester, said that he was instructed by Mr. Berlyn to watch his wife and Colonel Watt. He watched outside a house in Clifton Ave., Fallowfield, and saw Colonel Watt and Mrs. Berlyn and another couple there during the evening. It was a hot night, and though the blind of the drawing-room was drawn, the window was open and he could hear the conversation within.

After the window was closed at midnight the position of the curtain was altered, and he could see inside the room until the lights were turned out. He saw Mrs. Berlyn and Colonel Watt inside the room and another lady and gentleman. Mrs. Berlyn wore a light figured covering. The other woman was dressed in pink pyjamas. Colonel Watt was wearing a lounge suit and the other man blue and white striped pyjamas. After the light went out he saw Mrs. Berlyn and Colonel Watt in the bedroom alone.

Mr. Williamson said that on another occasion he saw the quartet similarly attired. This time he kept his observation through gaps in the curtain. After Mrs. Berlyn retired, Colonel Watt followed her into the bedroom. "It was quite easy to distinguish him, because he had an artificial leg and stumped about a little, though it was not very pronounced."—London Express.

### WILL BOYCOTT BUILDERS' DOLE

Feeling Against Subsidy for Private Firms Running High in England.

(Daily Express Labor Correspondent.) The controversy raising round the £150 house dole for builders is now further complicated by a "boycott" threat by some of the organized building trades operatives. Feeling against the subsidy for private firms is running high in the building unions, and the latest proposal is that labor shall be withheld from all building employers who accept the dole. This would mean, of course, that no private firms would be able to erect houses under the Government's subsidy scheme.

Definite union instructions are being held over for two or three days until after a conference with the Prime Minister, which, it is understood, has been arranged to take place early next week. Mr. Lloyd George intends to deal at this conference with the difficulties with which the Government are beset, especially in connection with shortage and high cost of materials. His main object will be to secure the co-operation of builders and operatives.

"As far as building schemes by local authorities go, he can have the full measure of co-operation by the unions immediately," said Mr. J. Murray, general secretary of the London Operatives' Federation, yesterday. "We are only too anxious to see these schemes going ahead, and we are ready to do our share, even to the extent of considerably modifying our stringent overtime restrictions." The unions, however, regard "dole-building" by private employers in a different light.

There is certainly no lack of "When you are wide awake as can't keep your eyes open in the daytime you need BEECHAM'S PILLS"

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schemes. According to a statement issued yesterday by the Ministry of Health, plans of 7,150 sites, covering 22,228 acres, had been submitted up to November 29, while approval had been given to 2,664 plans covering an area of 25,915 acres. The Ministry has authorized 877 schemes to provide for 53,268 houses.

### RAFFLES APPEARS IN REAL LIFE

Commits Series of Daring Thefts Because He Craved for Thrills.

A remarkable story of a young man who said he committed a series of daring thefts "because his spirit craved for thrills" was told at the Old Bailey recently, when James Walter Evers, aged twenty-six, formerly a clerk at the Admiralty, pleaded guilty to forging and uttering naval postal drafts, and was sent to prison in the second division for eight months.

Str Richard Muir, for the prosecution, said Evers had pleaded guilty to stealing from the Admiralty office in Newgate street eight books, each containing sixty naval postal drafts. Some of the drafts he filled up for £10 each, and obtained £1,420. He was first employed by the Government in the Proc Bureau, and afterwards at the office in Newgate street.

In that office he made the acquaintance of a single young woman. In a letter to her he wrote:—"My theory of life for a man—at any rate, for a man of my disposition—is that it is only possible to live happily so long as you have perfect freedom. . . . I have enough money to enjoy myself; in fact, it seems to me I have the whole world at my command to do as I wish, and no one to please but myself."

Evers in pleading for leniency, said: "During the greater part of my life I have been afflicted with an extraordinary lust for excitement and thrills. 'I swear when I conceived this scheme my main thought was the excitement I should get out of it, and I left off going to post offices because I found myself going into them mechanically and getting no thrill of excitement in handing forged drafts over the counter.'"

Mr. Bonar Law has announced that one of the subjects to be discussed by M. Clemenceau, who started work directly he arrived yesterday, with Mr. Lloyd George and the Italian Foreign Minister, is Russia. It is indeed important that the Allies should pursue together a settled and identical Russian policy. In our view that policy is clear. It should be one of genuine non-interference in Russian internal affairs.

1,500,000 Germans.  
Berlin, Dec. 30.—Official statistics made public today place the number of Germans killed in battle at 1,500,000. These figures do not include those who died in prison camps.

### HOPE FOR EUROPE LIES IN HARMONY SAYS GEN. BLISS

All Nations, He Declares, Should Pool Necessities and Give Aid to Germany.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—The fate of Europe is so closely interwoven with that of Germany that the other European nations should lend her every assistance in the organization and maintenance of a stable government, General Tasker H. Bliss, American representative on the Supreme War Council, said today in a talk with newspaper men.

Present unrest in Europe is due almost entirely to unfavorable economic conditions, General Bliss said, but this could be rapidly and wholly corrected if all Europe combined resources in the effort.

General Bliss suggested the pooling of necessities and raw materials under one man, who would be designated "Director General of Distribution," to see that supplies were apportioned where most urgently needed. Declaring that food production in Europe this year would be from eighty to eight-three per cent of normal, General Bliss expressed the conviction that there would be enough for all properly distributed and therefore there was no real reason for famine in any part of Europe.

No Chance for Junkers.

General Bliss said the fear of a revival of German militarism had been greatly exaggerated, but he reports which had reached him indicated the return of Junker domination, and, moreover, under the terms of the peace treaty, the German army and munition facilities were so reduced as to make her comeback as a combatant hopeless.

Discussing the operations of the War Council, General Bliss expressed the opinion that the successful outcome of the war was directly attributable to the adoption of a unified command. If this had been done in 1914, he said, the war would have been materially shortened, the Russian revolution probably prevented and millions of lives saved in unsuccessful military operations undertaken by each of the Allies acting alone.

The pooling arrangement suggested by General Bliss, he said, would remove discontent, strengthen morale and aid over their formative period the new governments which have been created as a result of the war. Germany should be included in the economic coalition, he added. With Germany excluded there would be an inevitable reaction on the other countries.

General Bliss saw no possibility of including Russia in the distribution plan, but if the present so-called government of that country would play fair with the rest of the world for thirty days, and during that time the general distribution of necessities could be worked to include Russia, he believed the present situation in that country would be completely changed.

Fault in Distribution.

The General likened the various nations to individual units of a family which separated by a quarrel, are holding all the "joint stock" of food and transportation utilities formerly owned in common. The result, he said, is that one unit has coal, another oil, and another wheat in excess, but each is lacking in one or more essentials.

The present government of Germany, weak as it is, represents the only hope of the world for the early reconstruction of that country, in the opinion of the peace commissioner. "If that government fails," he said, "there can arise only one of two extremes—either an absolutely reactionary government or what would amount to rule by soviet."

"Europe as a whole is so tired of war," he said, "that incidents which ordinarily might lead to hostilities will be long overlooked. France is so near to Germany that a condition which to us might appear as trivial to her takes the aspect of a threatened invasion."

On the other hand, General Bliss said, there had as yet been no decline in militarism in Europe since the war. Evers' nation is overarmed, he said, largely because of the unstable situation of their governments and the fear of Bolshevism. If the latter was removed and the general distribution of supplies undertaken, the "common sense of the people" would soon force a material reduction in military establishments.

"Personally," General Bliss added, "I believe that it were possible to so put clothes on the backs of the people, to fill their bellies and warm their homes, Bolshevism would disappear in a month."

Foch Ready to Resign.

Reviewing the developments which led finally to the organization of the Supreme War Council, with General Foch as generalissimo, General Bliss disclosed that because proper authority was at first withheld from Marshal Foch, the latter had called a council at Beauvais, April 3, 1918, and offered to resign. His position, General Bliss said, was simply another element of discord; he could "co-ordinate" the efforts of the various group leaders under the authority previously given him, but no orders he issued were held to be binding on the other commanders. Instead of accepting the resignation, the Council voted to give Foch full authority.

"Foch, Clemenceau and Lloyd George won the war for the Allies," General Bliss declared. "They were the thunderbolts of war, ready to throw any and everything over in the determination to defeat the common enemy. Nothing was permitted by them to interfere in the slightest degree with this great object."

"I have deliberately left any reference of the American effort out of that statement," the General added. "The United States was absolutely necessary to overturn the balance which had been established in the war. It

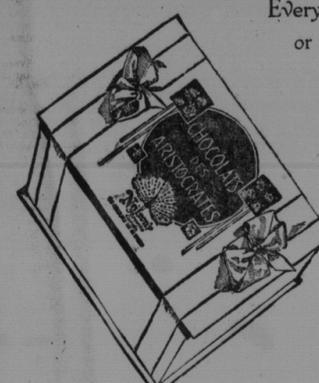


### On the Amiable Vanity of Chocolates

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would have been impossible for the Allies, regardless of their efforts, to overturn the balance without American aid. So they won the war and we won the war."

### AMERICAN VIRTUES

Elinor Glyn on The Power of The Dollar Princess.

What is the secret of the power of the American woman in English society? The cynic would reply, "Dollars." But he would be wrong. Elinor Glyn, the novelist, discusses the American woman and her English cousin in the "Ladies Field." Mrs. Glyn declares that the American woman's power is due to a self-assertiveness born of treatment she receives in the States. She is treated as a queen by her men-folk, and if she has money she can become a queen of society here. In other words, the American woman's power is due to her good conceit of herself.

Of men Mrs. Glyn says: "No other nation can compare in absolute all-round attraction with an English gentleman. . . . But if I wanted generosity, kindness, and consideration, and the absence of disturbing thrills, I should choose an American man."

### Enniskillen

Enniskillen, N. B., Dec. 27.—The Baptist Sunday School held a very successful concert and basket sale on Christmas eve. An excellent program was prepared and enjoyed by a crowded hall. The sum of \$95.00 was taken to be used for the Sunday School. Much credit is due the young people in preparing such a pleasing entertainment. Miss Ruby Kirkpatrick, who officiated as organist, was agreeably surprised to receive a purse of \$10.00 for her assistance.

Mr. David Kelly and his cousin, Ruby Kirkpatrick left on Saturday for a trip to Moncton to visit friends and on their return will spend a few days in St. John. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Patterson, have taken their son, Harry, to St.

John for treatment for tonsillitis. The Mission Band of the Methodist Church are to have a concert on New Year's eve, under the management of Mrs. Eddy Duplisa.

Mrs. Alex Harran of Juvenile Settlement, died this morning, having been sick for only a few weeks. The funeral was held yesterday at the 30th.

**WEDDINGS.**  
Wright-Middleton.  
Anagance, Dec. 30.—A very pleasant Christmas happening was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Middleton, Anagance, N. B., on the evening of December 24th, when their eldest daughter, Nellie M., was married to Charles Walter Wright, of Centre Millstream, N. B. The house was tastefully decorated with evergreen and Christmas trimming, among which was a prettily trimmed Christmas tree. The bride was becomingly dressed in a suit of navy blue serge with picture hat to match. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. S. Grogg, of Littleton, in the presence of a number of invited guests and relatives of the happy couple. A number of pretty and useful presents were received by the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Wright will reside in Anagance for the present where Mr. Wright is one of B. A. Kellie's valued teamsters.

Judge Chandler of Moncton was in the city yesterday. W. R. Devish, District Superintendent of C. N. R. District No. 3, was here yesterday on a tour of inspection. Miss Donohoe of Montreal is the guest of Major and Madame Ammond, Douglas Avenue.

### OUR OWN MOVIES

By NATE COLLIER

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KISSING SHACK (WE BIG YEAR BARDON)  
FISHING SHACK SINKS OFF SEASIDE CALIFORNIA.  
IT IS THOUGHT BY SURVIVORS THAT THE EXTREME COLDNESS OF THE WATER IN THIS CLIMATE WATER LOGGED THE CRAFT

**CHICAGO**  
NORMOUS CROWDS VIEW CHRISTMAS TOY DISPLAY  
PASTURE FIELDS DEPARTMENT STORE  
COLD SLAW - COL. HEAVY SNOWSTORM BLOCKADES TRAFFIC IN CARGLE GULCH

**GIANT SNOW-FALL IN OPERATION**  
VENUE OFFICERS FEEL MOONSHINER IN THE HEART OF THE CUMBER MOUNTAINS TENN.  
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