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WEATHER—FAIR.

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THE GREAT BRITISH DRIVE BRINGS THEM NEAR BAPAUME

BRITISH GOVERNMENT MAY BE SUCCESSFUL

Belief in Parliamentary Lobby's Last Night was that Indian Cotton Duties Will Pass—Debate Begins Today.

Lancashire Members Will Move Amendment to Bill—Irish Nationalists May Abstain from Voting.

London, March 13.—The belief obtained in parliamentary lobbies tonight that the government would be successful in carrying the new Indian cotton duties. This belief was not due to any compromise on the question, either from the side of the government or the Lancashire members. Premier Lloyd George has supported J. Austen Chamberlain, secretary for India, in making a firm stand on the question.

On the other hand, the Lancashire members, after a meeting at the House of Commons tonight, decided to move an amendment to the government motion for tomorrow repudiating the imposition of the duties unless a countervailing excise duty was imposed.

Want to Avoid Election.

While the premier succeeded in impressing the deputation representing the Lancashire cotton interests, urging the government policy as a war measure, the real factor in bringing about a probable arrangement is general reluctance to precipitate a general election. It is stated that this reluctance has decided Ex-Premier Asquith and his followers to do nothing that might place the government in an embarrassing position. Hence they are unlikely to support the Lancashire amendment, should it be pressed to a division.

The attitude of the Nationalists is still uncertain. They desire to establish a tariff system under Irish home rules, and it would therefore be logical for them to oppose the Indian duties, much as they may wish to vote against the government. It is believed that they will abstain from voting.

WILL GERMANS ENDEAVOR TO TAKE CALAIS?

London, March 13.—Special despatches received here from Holland contain current reports of German preparations for an expected great offensive on the Western front. The latest rumor, which is attributed to Belgian sources, is that the Germans intend to try again to break through on the Yser with Calais their objective. The Belgian newspaper "Echo de Belge," which is now published at The Hague, hears that Field Marshal von Falkenhayn has passed through Tirmont on his way to the Flemish front. The writers say that the tight closing of the Dutch-Belgian frontier for several days past and the suspension of all sailings from Antwerp for Holland make it impossible to ascertain the exact value of these reports, but that the universal belief is that most important movements are in progress.

SASKATCHEWAN LIGNITE MAY SOLVE FUEL ISSUE

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, Mar. 13.—R. B. Bennett, M. P., Director General of National Service, who has just returned from a tour of the west, had a long conference today with Sir George Foster on matters relating to the work and findings of the advisory council, believes that Saskatchewan lignite can be treated in such a way that it will give it the fuel properties of both anthracite and steam coal.

There are other important matters under consideration which involve the application of national service, chief of these being the agricultural situation. There is a serious scarcity of farm help all over the country, and this occasioned Mr. Bennett's tour of the west where he consulted with the local authorities regarding the organization of labor for agricultural production.

GERMAN CRUISER IN INDIAN OCEAN

Tokio, March 13.—It is officially announced that a converted German cruiser has been sighted in the Indian Ocean, and that it is now being chased by Japanese and British warships. The German has sunk a Japanese freighter.

SIR ROBERT L. BORDEN AND HON. MR. HAZEN PLEASED WITH VISIT TO THE FRONT

London, Mar. 13.—(Montreal Gazette cable)—Sir Robert Borden and his colleagues were all highly pleased with their visit to the front, Sir Robert having the advantage of seeing the present advanced positions, as compared with what he saw when he visited the front last summer, prior to the Somme offensive. They all, however, emphasized the fact that the greatest task still lies before the Allies.

Canadians Cheerful.

Hon. J. D. Hazen, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, told the Gazette representative that everywhere he went he found the Canadians cheerful, even when under the most trying conditions. He was also deeply impressed with the efficiency of the hospitals, both in England and in France. Sir Robert Borden's appreciation of the work being done in the rear of the firing line by the forestry, the railway, and the construction units is supported by the Imperial government, and the cost of maintaining these units will now be shared by the Imperial and the Dominion governments. The Imperial government will bear the cost of rations, supplies, machinery, and plant, both in Britain and in France, and the Dominion government will bear the cost of the pay, the pensions, and the field allowance to the officers.

Will Leave London Soon.

Immediately after returning to London, Sir Robert and his colleagues made a personal call at Clarence House to inquire as to the health of the Duchess of Connaught. They will leave London again shortly for a tour of great interest.

CANADIAN MEASURES OF PROTECTION MAY FORCE U. S. FISH FLEET HERE

Washington, March 13.—Measures to keep the celebrated Gloucester fishing fleet of hundreds of small vessels, as well as the American fishing fleet in the Pacific, under the American flag were considered at a conference between Secretary Redfield and Commissioners Brent of the shipping board and Smith of the fisheries bureau. American fishing fleets on both oceans are said to be confronted with going under Canadian registry or forfeiting many privileges at Canadian ports. Seven vessels in the Pacific already have changed to Canadian registry and the shipping board is understood to have received many applications from the owners of other fishing craft in both the Atlantic and Pacific for authority to surrender American registry.

Acting Under Orders.

Canadian ports, reported to be acting under orders of the Dominion government have refused to sell bait, coal, other supplies and even food to crews of American fishing craft unless the catch were sold in Canada instead of the United States. The Gloucester fleet is reported also to have been harassed by British vessels on the Grand Banks. It is said here that the Canadian government wants the American boats to replace those sent to the war zone for submarine patrol and in addition needs the catch which otherwise would go to American ports and be understood to favor reintroduction of the Chamberlain amendment to the shipping bill, which failed at the last session, prohibiting the importation into the United States of fish from any foreign country unless under bond, as a retaliatory measure.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE MARCH 19

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, March 13.—A gathering that may have a far-reaching result will be held in Ottawa on Monday, March 19, when transportation and shipping men will confer with Sir George Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce and acting premier.

Heads of the great railways, including the C. P. R., the Grand Trunk and G. T. P., and directors of water transportation companies, will attend the conference, and the subjects under consideration will embrace the pressing and in some cases, acute problem of transportation of munition, grain and general supplies.

Owing to enormously increased traffic and failure on the part of some of the railways to adequately provide for it, a situation has arisen which if not properly dealt with, threatens a serious blockade.

Under the new orders manifests of incoming ships, including American coastwise, will be withheld as well as all other shipping information, with the exception of the monthly statistics on imports and exports.

SEVEN LIVES LOST ON CUNARDER

Washington, March 13.—Seven lives were lost and one American placed in jeopardy in the sinking without warning by a submarine of the Cunard freighter Folio off the Irish coast Sunday.

BRITISH WITHIN A MILE AND HALF OF HUN STRONGHOLD

Army of King George Sweeps Through Strong German Positions in Loupart Wood and Seize Village of Grevillers, West of Bapaume.

MAY BE BIG R.R. STRIKE SATURDAY

Complete Plans Made for Nation-wide Tie Up in United States.

Washington, March 13.—Complete plans of the four railroad brotherhoods for a nation-wide strike, to be inaugurated next Saturday, unless the railroads grant their eight-hour day demands, were ratified here today by local union leaders from southeastern territory, and by a similar conference of representatives of the southwest, held at St. Louis.

The brotherhood heads will tell the railroad conference in New York Thursday if an agreement is not reached this week for the establishment of an eight-hour basis day with time and a half for overtime, strike orders already issued to local organizations will become effective.

Same Demands.
The demands are just what they were last fall when President Wilson averted a strike after the call out by inducing congress to pass the Adamson law, which never has been put into effect, pending a decision on its constitutionality by the supreme court. There is every indication that the president is prepared to move again if it becomes apparent that the nation, facing the gravest international crisis of its history, is about to have transportation facilities paralyzed.

REPORT OF SINKING OF U-BOAT CONFIRMED

Amsterdam, March 13.—The report that a German submarine had been stranded near Hellevoetsluis, on the Dutch coast is confirmed by the Het Volk. Fifteen members of the crew, says the newspaper, have disembarked.

Although the Turks for more than two weeks before the fall of Baghdad, had been destroying or removing everything of value from the city, General Maude, commanding the British forces, reports the capture of large quantities of equipment, arms and ammunition.

Fighting Elsewhere.

Considerable fighting has again broken out in Galicia and in Macedonia, between Lakes Ochrida and Prespa, according to the German war office. In the former region, north of Zlochoff-Tarnopol railway, the Germans in a raid on Russian positions captured 323 Russians and thirteen of their machine guns, and near Brzezany and along the Narayvka river also made gains and took more than 250 prisoners.

In Macedonia, the French essayed an attack between Lake Ochrida and Lake Prespa, but were repulsed, says Berlin.

In the Austro-Italian theatre, the artillery of both sides continues to carry out bombardments against opposing positions and raiding parties are still active.

Another German submarine has been stranded on the Dutch coast. A German converted cruiser is being chased by Japanese and British warships in the Indian ocean.

British Statement.
London, March 13 (10.10 p. m.)—A further retirement of the Germans on a front of between 4,000 and 5,000 yards, and to an unknown depth, is reported by a Reuters despatch from the British front in France. The

Retirement of Teutons Follows Heavy British Bombardment—Army Also Makes Further Progress Northeast of Gommecourt Turks Being Pursued Near Bagdad.

Further notable gains have been made by the British forces against the Germans in the operations which have as their object the capture of Bapaume and a general bending back of the German line eastward in the Somme and Ancre regions of France.

According to the British war office communication, under another of the terrific bombardments, the Germans have abandoned another of their main defensive systems west of Bapaume, on a front of three and a half miles to a depth of a mile.

The advance gave King George's troops the village of Grevillers and the Loupart Wood, bringing the advanced British forces at the former place to a scant mile and a half to the northwestern outskirts of Bapaume.

North of the Ancre on the left wing, the British in this particular operation have bent back the German line on a front of about a mile east and northeast of Gommecourt and somewhat straightened out the curve extending from Es-sar-les-Bucquoy to the region northeast of Puisieux-Aumonts.

Germans Fall Everywhere.
To the north of this region, in the vicinity of Armentieres, Souchez and Neuville St. Vaast and northwest of Neuve Chapelle, the Germans threw forward raiding parties, but all of these met with repulse, according to London, except in the last named sector, where the Germans reached the British trenches and made prisoner some of the occupants.

Elsewhere on the line in France there have been only artillery engagements, which were particularly severe in Champagne on the sectors of Malson De Champagne and Massegos, and at various points on both sides of the Meuse, in the region of Verdun.

Turks Get No Rest.

The Turks evidently are being given no rest by the British operations against them northward from Bagdad, along the Tigris river. After the capture of Bagdad Sunday, the British cavalry kept on the heels of the retreating Turks and occupied the town of Kasimain, five miles to the north, taking more than 100 prisoners. Gumbots are proceeding up the river in pursuit of the Turks.

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Win Near Gommecourt.

"We have also made further progress east and northeast of Gommecourt, on a front of about a mile. Hostile raids were repulsed during the night in the neighborhood of Neuville-St. Vaast, Souer and Armentieres. In each case the enemy failed to reach our trenches. Another hostile raiding party succeeded in reaching our trenches southwest of Neuville-St. Vaast."

U. S. POTATO DEALERS TO BE IN COURT

Woodstock, Mar. 13.—Two Houlton potato dealers have been summoned to appear before the United States district attorney in Boston next Friday to tell what they know about the high price of potatoes.

A dozen or more up-country dealers have also been summoned.

The United States government authorities, it is said, have been gathering statistics on potatoes for the past few weeks.



THE GERMAN SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN IS A FAILURE

SIXTY HUN SUBMARINES CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

First Authoritative Word of Entente Success in Coping with Under-sea Boats—Average One and a Half a Day.

New York, Mar. 13.—The Evening Sun publishes the following: Washington, Mar. 13.—About sixty German submarines were captured and destroyed between January 1st and Feb. 15, according to reports reaching here today. This was the first authoritative word of the Entente success in coping with the under-sea boats. At this rate—an average of one and one-half submarines a day, the success of the German submarines, in the long run, is doubtful, it is believed here. No information is available as to the number of U-boats Germany has available, though unofficial reports have asserted that she had from 300 to 500. Experts here think, however, that if the Entente can continue at the rate shown between Jan. 1 and Feb. 15, and can improve thereon, Germany will soon feel the strain upon this weapon, and that ultimately she will be forced to give up its use.

EARLY WITHDRAWAL OF ALL AMERICANS IN BELGIAN RELIEF WORK PROBABLE

Official Report on Submarining of Relief Ship Storstad Intensified Situation—Americans Will be Replaced by Joint Dutch-Spanish Commission.

Washington, Mar. 13.—Probable early withdrawal of all American participation in Belgian relief, including the withdrawal of Brand Whitlock, American minister from Brussels, as a result of the pressure of the German submarine campaign was forecasted today at the state department. The official report on the submerging of the relief ship Storstad intensified the situation. Arrangements have been made for some time for the replacement of Americans by a joint Dutch-Spanish commission, but as there are practically no Spanish in Belgium it is possible that the Swiss will share in the work. Germany's unwillingness to guarantee safety of relief ships leads officials here to the belief that she is trying to break up the relief work.

WILL PROBABLY DEPRIVE ENEMY PRINCES OF TITLES

House of Lords Passes Second Reading of Bill to Deprive Duke of Albany, Duke of Cumberland and Prince Albert of Schleswig-Holstein of Dignities.

London, Mar. 13.—The House of Lords today passed the second reading of the bill to deprive enemy princes of British titles and dignities, after the government had promised to refer the bill to a special committee for further consideration. This promise was the outcome of differences between some of the peers who desired to shelve the bill on the ground that it was absurd to regard certain princes as traitors. Related to Royal Family. The Marquis of Lansdowne agreed that the bill was only intended to apply to the Duke of Albany, the Duke of Cumberland and Prince Albert of Schleswig-Holstein, all of whom are related to the British royal family and who, he agreed, could not possibly be regarded as traitors. The Marquis admitted that the bill was a mere concession to public opinion, and required more explanation than it has previously received, because, he added, if it was desirable to satisfy public opinion it would be needful to go much further and deprive large numbers of persons who were fighting against England of their orders and decorations.

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DELEHANTY DISMISSED IN BOSTON

Man once Arrested in St. John is Contesting Proceedings in Boston.

Boston, March 13.—Mrs. Mary A. Delehanty, who is contesting a divorce suit brought on the charge of cruelty, told Judge Raymond yesterday that she discovered her husband, William F. Delehanty, an attorney and assistant assessor of Boston, in a room in Malden with Miss Mary Wortman, formerly a waitress in Boston, and later trailed the couple to St. John, N. B.

She said her husband told her he was going on a yachting trip, but she became suspicious, talked with Miss Wortman's sister over the telephone and gave chase, stopping first at Moncton, where she got trace of the woman's baggage, calling upon Miss Wortman's father at Salisbury and proceeding then to St. John.

There, Mrs. Delehanty testified, she accosted the pair in a hotel, after she had found "W. A. King and wife" inscribed in the register and had recognized her husband's writing. Mrs. Delehanty said her husband had a habit of walking her about until she became tired and then leaving her, and this, she said, was the course he pursued when she discovered him in St. John.

After Miss Wortman was told to leave the hotel, she testified, she and her husband took a ferry and came finally to a park where there was a steep hill. Half way up, becoming weary, she sat down, and Delehanty left her. Mrs. Delehanty then hired an automobile and visited several hotels. She finally went to a police station and sought assistance.

This episode came to the police on the 10th and the judge said: "You've been married 13 years. Everybody makes a mistake in life. Perhaps this is Mr. Delehanty's one mistake. On the judge's advice she withdrew the complaint and she and her husband came home.

Sometime after her arrival from St. John she took out a private detective's license at City Hall. She said they never had any domestic trouble until "a woman came into the case."

Called Her "Libellee." Delehanty, a brother of Jane Delehanty, who married Charles H. Wilson, manager of the Yanderbilt stables, told his story at the morning session. He said he believed Mrs. Delehanty loves him still, but said he had never loved her since their marriage. He referred always to Mrs. Delehanty as "the libellee."

Once when he was talking of the baby girl orphan they had taken and had given up because it widened the gap between them, there were tears in his eyes, and Mrs. Delehanty leaned over the table at which she was sitting and sobbed.

Delehanty testified that he told his wife she had forced marriage upon him and she, when he demanded a divorce, he would not stipulate it. His allegations that she threw steak at him, poured tea in his lap, showed him poison with a dagger and turned the gas on in the room several times, were all denied by the wife.

Delehanty also testified that his wife threatened to cut his throat and that he slept on his stomach, with his hands over his neck as a precaution.

One witness, Joseph A. Bonner, who formerly lived in the same house with the Delehantys in East Boston, testified that they kept 11 dogs there. Mrs. Delehanty said she has the furniture and is now keeping house in East Boston.

ACID STOMACHS ARE DANGEROUS

Nine-tenths of All Stomach Trouble Said to be Due to Acidity. A Physician's Advice on Cause and Cure.

A famous physician whose successful researches into the cause and cure of stomach and intestinal diseases have earned for him an international reputation, said in the course of a recent lecture that nearly all intestinal troubles, as well as many diseases of the vital organs, were directly traceable to a deranged condition of the stomach which in turn was due nine times out of ten to excessive acidity, commonly termed sour stomach or heartburn, which not only irritated and inflamed the delicate lining of the stomach, but also set up gastritis and stomach ulcers. It is interesting to note that he condemns the use of patent medicines as well as of medical treatment for the stomach, stating that he and his colleagues have secured remarkable results by the use of ordinary blundered gastritis, which, by neutralizing the acidity of the food, removes the source of the trouble. He contends that it is foolish to treat the stomach itself as it would be for a man who stepped on a tack and the foot will heal itself—neutralize the acid and the stomach troubles will disappear. Irritating medicines and medical treatments are useless, so long as the contents of the stomach remain acid; remove the acidity and there will be no need for medicine—the inflamed lining of the stomach will then heal itself. Sufferers from acidity, sour stomach, or heartburn should get a small bottle of blundered gastritis from their druggist, and take a teaspoonful in a quarter of a glass of hot or cold water after meals, repeating in fifteen minutes, if necessary, this being the dose which the doctor has found most efficacious in all cases.

DOMINION COAL EMPLOYEES ASK WAGE RAISE

Ottawa, March 13.—Dominion Coal Company employees who are members of the United Mine Workers of Nova Scotia, have applied for a wage of conciliation. They are seeking a wage increase.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT PLEASSED WITH LOAN

Ottawa, Mar. 13.—Officials of the finance department are pleased with the reception accorded the new war loan, which was issued yesterday. The subscriptions the first day were far larger than on the initial days of the first two loans. It is figured that the total subscriptions on Monday were in the neighborhood of forty million dollars, so that there is good reason to anticipate that the loan will not only be subscribed but, like the first two, oversubscribed.

HUN RAIDER SINKS JAPANESE STEAMER

Vancouver, B. C., Mar. 12.—The Canadian News, a Japanese paper, has received a cable from Japan, dated today, stating that a German commerce raider has destroyed the Japanese steamer, Sakurao Maru, 3,815 tons, in the Indian Ocean.

These Are Facts

The Imperial Life has paid in profits to policyholders more than five times as large an amount as the total paid by all the thirteen other Canadian companies established during the last twenty years.

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THE IMPERIAL LIFE ASSURANCE Company of Canada HEAD OFFICE TORONTO, CANADA L. J. Lowe, Provincial Manager, Royal Bank Bldg., St. John

MANY ASK TO BE OFFICERS IN THE NAVY

Most Applicants Are Over Age—Cadets Between the Ages of 17 and 18 are Ones Desired.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Mar. 13.—Very many applications are being received by the Naval Service Department from men of all ages who are anxious to qualify as officers in the British navy. A few days ago it was announced that Canadians would now be eligible under the new regulations. However, most of the applicants are over age. The age limit is to get boys just as they leave school. When accepted they go to the naval school at Osborne or Dartmouth for two years.

GOVERNMENT STILL AFTER COMBINES

Cost of Living Commissioner Having His Troubles in Getting Correct Information.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Mar. 13.—W. F. O'Connor, the cost of living commissioner, has struck something new in way of questions. He sent to wholesale grocers in Ontario and Quebec and elsewhere, asking where they got their sugar and whether they had any agreement as to selling prices.

NOTHING YET HEARD FROM STEFANSSON

Believed Explorer Wintering at Melville Island—Ship Polar Bear is Well Provisioned.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Mar. 13.—It is now more than six months since Stefansson, the explorer, has broken the silence that enshrouds his movements in the frozen north. Late last summer Stefansson notified the Dominion government that he intended to winter his ship, the Polar Bear, at Melville Island, and

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236th Filling Up!

It is expected that the KILTIES BATTALION will be going overseas soon Here's Your Chance

Kilties' Headquarters King St., 2 Doors from Canterbury

New Raincoats

This is the particular time of year when a man should protect his clothes by a raincoat. He will find the right kind here—some of them at 25 per cent. less than regular prices because they were travellers' samples secured at a considerable reduction.

Others came in last week, increasing the selection of tweed surface coats.

Superior values from \$7.50. Gilmour's, 68 King St.

It is believed that he is now engaged in carrying out further explorations of the territory discovered by him last year.

His ship is said to be well provisioned, and little fear is entertained for Stefansson's safety. He plans to leave Melville Island in the spring, but it is not known whether he will go east or west. This will depend upon the ice movement.

Melville Island is where Capt. Bernier wintered in 1907 with the Canadian ship Arctic, and this trip and the supplies purchased occasioned a violent controversy in parliament. Captain Bernier is in the north now on private business, dealing in furs and ivory with the Eskimos.

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CANADA IS AN IMPORTANT SHIPBUILDING COUNTRY

SIXTY MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF SHIPPING NOW UNDER CONTRACT IN CANADA

Total Includes Shipbuilding Contracts For \$25,000,000 Placed by Imperial Munitions Board on Behalf of British Government and More Than 100 Sailing Ships Under Construction.

Ottawa, Mar. 13.—Sixty million dollars worth of shipping is now under contract in Canadian yards, according to information obtained from official sources. This includes shipbuilding contracts for twenty-five million dollars placed by the Imperial Munitions Board on behalf of the British government, more than one hundred sailing ships under construction in various points throughout the country and certain other vessels of which, for obvious reasons details cannot be made public. There is also reason to expect that before many weeks have passed contracts for a great deal of extra tonnage will be let.

General Co-operation.

In carrying out this big shipbuilding programme there is the greatest possible co-operation between the British controller of shipping, the Imperial Munitions Board, the Dominion government, the large shipbuilding plants and many small buildings of ocean going or coastwise craft.

While the large number of contracts for all kinds of craft is based chiefly upon the serious shortage of tonnage that exists, it is the confident expectation in official circles that the foundation of a great permanent Canadian shipbuilding industry is being created. With that end in view the coming session of parliament will likely see proposals for some measure of government assistance in addition to the aid now granted in the form of graving dock subsidies.

Another Development.

With this great advance in the shipbuilding industry another development of national importance is promised in the adoption of the large steel plants to the fabrication of structural steel and steel plates. Some of the Canadian steel plants are lacking in such equipment. Others which have rolling mills are not doing anything with them. Their present activities are chiefly confined to steel for munitions. The end of the war, however, will terminate this line of production and it is learned that already negotiations are under way to induce the steel companies to roll plates for use in construction of ships. This plan, with the establishment of a permanent Canadian shipbuilding industry, will greatly increase the field of possible development for the Dominion steel production.

GERMAN SECRET AGENTS TRIAL JAMES W. GERARD

New York, March 13.—A despatch to the Herald from Havana dated last night, says:

Secret agents of Germany trailed James W. Gerard from the moment he landed at Havana until the time of his leaving here on board the steamer Governor Cobb this morning. When the vessel started, one of the German agents occupied a stateroom near that of the returning American diplomatist. A high officer of the company informed me that this agent will be turned over to the authorities at Key West when the Governor Cobb arrives there.

Hastened Up To Man.

While talking in the lobby of the Plaza Hotel this morning Mr. Gerard hastened up to the man, who was a

typical German. The spy taking alarm fled.

The former ambassador's trail was taken up immediately by another German, who followed him to the steamship, aboard which the spy had reserved a stateroom. Through an authority close to Mr. Gerard I was informed of the persistent efforts made by Germany to stop the American diplomatist from reaching Washington. I am in a position to say that Mr. Gerard carries papers containing information which will place Germany in a more unfavorable position than she has yet occupied.

According to men close to Mr. Gerard, important developments are expected in the German situation soon after his conference with Mr. Wilson. The Gerard train is expected to reach Washington at half past twelve o'clock on Wednesday afternoon.

BRITISH GOV'T HAS ISSUE WITH DUTCH COMMISSIONER RUSSELL PRESENTS ANNUAL REPORT

Deals With Activities of Department for Last Year—Ferry Shows Big Deficit—Harbor and Lands Increase Over Previous Year.

Question Arose Over Defensively armed British Steamer Being Forced to Leave Hook of Holland.

London, March 13.—The experience of the defensively armed British steamer Princess Melita, which was forced by the Dutch government to leave the Hook of Holland because of her armament, has raised an issue which it is believed will assume the nature of a test case. It is stated that the British government will insist upon defensively armed ships being permitted to enter Dutch ports. Negotiations between Great Britain and Holland regarding the retention of ships in Dutch harbors is still proceeding. The British government is unbending in its determination not to acquiesce in the policy of the Dutch in keeping their ships in their harbors because of the German threat. It is hoped that a compromise may be reached under which Holland can procure guarantees from both belligerents for a safe route for her vessels.

To His Worship the Mayor and Commissioners: The importance of our harbor, not only to our city, but also as the principal gateway for the Dominion at large, has been fully demonstrated the past year, the exports amounting to the very large figures of \$120,042,590, and imports \$14,165,463, as against \$43,872,332 exports, and \$9,113,916 imports in the previous fiscal year.

Harbor Department.

The receipts for Union and South Rodney wharves, the principal winter port's piers, were \$86,218.87, an increase of over \$30,000 of previous year. The total receipts of the harbor from all sources was \$140,594.05, a record.

The wharves under the supervision of Messrs. James McAnley and Thomas Thompson have been kept in first class condition. This has been done at a very high cost, as the two essentials of the upkeep of wooden wharves, viz: labor and lumber, have advanced so in price that the costs have run beyond my expectation. I can only repeat what I said in my report of 1915, that I firmly believe that the wharves should not be permitted to decay, and a careful watchfulness will prevent the expenditure of very large sums in the future, and would lead to a bond issue for repair work.

A revision of our rates is under consideration, as with the steamers producing large dividends it seems to me that the city could well demand its proportionate share. The protection of the wharves cost the city a large sum, but I believe with the record of not a fire, or other accident, the money was well spent. Immediately after the close of the war I would advise the taking of steps to nationalize the port, as far as the winter port business is concerned.

Mr. Frank D. Alward has proved to be a most careful harbor master, alert to protect the city's interests.

Ferry Department.

The Ferry Department cost \$59,234.28, not including interest and Sinking Fund, several accidents with increased cost of labor and machinery contributing to the increase. The receipts from all sources, including Harbor account, were \$40,612.33, leaving a deficit of \$18,621.95, not including \$7,420.45.

The service has been excellent, and

our citizens who are compelled to cross the harbor have had an uninterrupted service. The future of the ferry with increase in cost of maintenance on all sides does not look very cheerful.

Lands Department.

The sale of lands amounted to \$1,070.00. The revenue as compared with 1915 is as follows:

	1915	1916
East lands	\$ 5,563.78	\$ 6,100.86
West lands	6,152.24	6,523.98
Launceston lands	2,651.15	2,418.98
Launceston houses	2,190.81	1,997.96
	\$16,947.98	\$17,040.97

A very creditable showing when it is remembered that the city collected this amount with little or no cost since Mr. James Seston's death, no collector being employed. I shall, during the year, at the most opportune time, endeavor to dispose of the Lancaster house, if terms can be arranged favorable to the city.

Respectfully submitted, JAMES RUSSELL, Commissioner.

The expenditures for the year were:

Union Wharf	\$57,207.80
South Rodney Wharf	28,638.43
C. P. R. Steamship Co., per Union Wharf	\$1,623.22
C. P. R. Steamship Co., per S. Rodney Wharf	711.20
	\$ 2,334.42
C. P. R. Service, Union Wharf	\$728.43
C. P. R. Service, S. Rodney Wharf	406.70
Dominion Government, S. Rodney	1,412.74
	\$4,882.29
McLeod Wharf	4,190.72
New Pier	4,287.74
Pettingill Wharf	6,158.86
Sydney Market Wharf	1,981.32
Quinn Wharf	2,270.11
Nelson Wharf	1,503.04
Wellington Wharf	2,937.69
North and South Wharves	4,746.88
North Rodney Wharf	571.86
Holding Account	410.15
Harbor account	9,326.54
Charlotte Street Extension	333.70
C. P. Railway	1,684.39
Special Account	1,725.77

ROYAL BLACK KNIGHTS MAKE PROTEST TO THE PREMIER OF ENGLAND

Stratford, Ont., March 13.—Three hundred delegates in attendance at the convention of the Royal Black Knights of Ireland, Provincial Lodge of Ontario, West, unanimously endorsed the sending of cables to Premier Lloyd George and Sir Robert Borden protesting against granting any measure of government that may tend not to keep Ireland within the empire.

The Grand Master referred to John Redmond as playing to the gallery when he said Ireland would assist in the war but was opposed to the government waging it. "That 60,000 Black Knights and Orangemen are in the Canadian army is the best practical evidence that our members today are as loyal as their forefathers were at the Boyne," said he.

HARRY THAW, INSANE, ADJUDGES THE COURT

Philadelphia, March 13.—Harry K. Thaw was today adjudged a lunatic and under the law cannot be taken to New York on requisition to stand trial on charges of assassinating Frederick Gump, Jr. He will be placed in an asylum. The court's action was based on the report presented by a lunacy commission, which took the testimony of Thaw and his mother.

BRITISH HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH LANGUAGES IN FAR EAST

Basrah, Mesopotamia, March 13.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—The difficulties which the ancient builders of the Tower of Babel experienced with the language difficulty may be easily understood by anyone who has spent a little time in Basrah. Not the least of the many problems presented for solution by the British authorities in their operations against the Turks has been this same problem which the contractors for the old Tower wrestled with many centuries ago.

The dialects in common use at Basrah are said to be over forty in number. The most popular is Arabic, but it is not the Arabic of Egypt or Morocco. It is a distinct tongue, with which the Egyptian or Moroccan experiences the greatest difficulty. Then there is Persian, with variations known as Bagdad-Persian, Naji-Persian, and Basrah-Persian. Turkish is frequently heard, while Armenian and Chaldean are the languages of the native Christian population. Kurdish is used by another section of the inhabitants, while Hindustani is the language of the Indian troops forming part of the British forces.

It is obvious that in such a situation hundreds of interpreters are needed. A small squad of them is attached to every office and almost every officer. Some of them were obtained in Egypt, some from India, others from Aden, and the remainder were recruited locally. Those from India have in most cases acquired their knowledge of Arabic and Persian from classical works, with the result that their high-fown, archaic conversations sounds amusing when applied to everyday affairs.

The interpreters drawn from Basrah are undoubtedly generally useful, although not always entirely trustworthy. Most of them are natives of Iraq and familiar with numerous local dialects too numerous to even have a name. These native interpreters, too, are less susceptible to the weather than men from outside, and therefore the proportion of their time spent in illness or semi-illness is small.

But the native Mesopotamian has many of the failings of the American negro. He is inclined to prolonged spells of laziness; when he has earned a few shillings, he is disinclined to continue his labors; at times he is overcome with a longing for the delights of his own freside, and at such times he simply drops tools and goes home. The fact that he has contracted to give his services for a fixed period he regards as quite unimportant. Such an event as the date-picking season, is as irresistible an attraction for him as the odor of cooking chicken or cat-fish for the Mississippi negro.

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ording to his ability and reliability, but the appointment is always a lucrative one. A first-class native can earn as much as \$75 a month, which is a fair-sized fortune to the native in Mesopotamia.

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A meeting of the directors of the New Brunswick Tourist Association was held in the Board of Trade rooms last night. Messrs. A. C. Currie, Allan R. Kennedy, W. E. Raymond, R. E. Armstrong and R. S. Orchard, were elected members of the board, making a total of fifteen directors. The following officers of the association were elected: J. E. Secord, president; E. A. Schofield, 1st vice-president; H. G. Marr, 2nd vice-president; A. C. Currie, treasurer; H. W. Hising, auditor. There was a general discussion regarding a travelling secretary, but no decision was arrived at. The committee still has the matter in hand.

OBITUARY

Miss Caroline Joyce.

After an illness of a few months, the death of Miss Caroline C. Joyce occurred on the evening of 12th inst., at the residence of Mr. E. R. Machum, 237 Sanda, Westfield, where she had made her home for the past fourteen years. Miss Joyce was a sister of the late Mrs. Robert Stevenson of Douglas Avenue, North End, and will be remembered by a large circle of friends amongst the older residents in that section of the city. She was a lady of very bright and cheerful disposition and held in high esteem by all who had the pleasure of knowing her.

Funeral service will be held at her residence on Wednesday morning at 10.30 o'clock and burial will be at Fernhill on arrival of the Boston train tomorrow. James Robinson. Newcastle, March 13.—The funeral of late James Robinson of South Nelson Road, who died on Thursday at the age of 88 years less two months, was held at St. James' Presbyterian church, Nelson, Sunday afternoon, the pastor, Rev. Alex. Pirih, conducting services.

Mrs. Dennis Ryan. Newcastle, March 13.—The death of Mrs. Dennis Ryan, formerly Miss Margaret Scully of Chatham, occurred Friday night at the age of 88. The funeral was held at St. Mary's church, Newcastle, Sunday afternoon, Rev. P. W. Dixon officiating. Deceased leaves her aged husband and nine children.

Tobias Peterson. The death took place on Thursday last, March 8th, of a well known Western Union lineman named Tobias Peterson of Andover, after a few days' illness. Toby, as he was generally called, was a faithful servant of the company, having worked for them over 25 years. His body was taken to Fredericton Junction on Saturday, the 10th, for interment.

George F. McKay. New Glasgow, March 13.—George Forest McKay died today at the age of eighty-two. He was one of New Glasgow's capitalists of industry and most estimable citizens. He assisted in the founding of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, and was its oldest director. He was probably the most beloved man in the town and his death removes one for whom everyone had the deepest respect and admiration. He leaves his wife, daughter of the late Rev. George Walker, D. D., and two daughters and one son. The former are Mrs. F. N. C. Starr and Mrs. W. D. Ross, both of Toronto. The son, George W. McKay, M. E., has been at home during the last few months.

The remains of Joseph R. Mullin arrived in the city on the Boston express from Portland, Me., yesterday, accompanied by Walter Mullin, of Boston, brother of the unfortunate young man, and also Mr. and Mrs. William Burke of Boston. Mrs. Burke is a sister of Mr. Mullin. The funeral will take place this afternoon from his mother's residence, 97 Main street.

DIED.

LYNCH—In this city on the 12th inst., John Lynch, leaving two sons and five daughters to mourn.

Funeral from his late residence, 26 Clarence street, Wednesday, at 2.30 p. m. Friends invited to attend.

JOYCE—At Hilldale Westfield, on the 12th inst., Miss Caroline C. Joyce, formerly of this city.

Funeral at 10.30 a. m., Wednesday, from residence of Mr. E. R. Machum, Hilldale, interment at Fernhill cemetery, St. John, on arrival of Boston train.

CHEYNE—On March 11th, at the Military Hospital, Halifax, N. S., of pneumonia, Corporal Fred McL. Cheyne, of the 24th Battalion, in the 19th year of his age, son of J. F. and Rebecca M. Cheyne.

Funeral was held yesterday afternoon. Interment in Fernhill cemetery.

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The Belfast plant is comparatively new, having been built in 1911, is well equipped and the Penobscot bay catch of herring has been satisfactory for the most of the time. It is also announced that the Booth company will probably build a cold-storage plant here, which will mean an expenditure of \$50,000 or more.

Manager Peacock and others connected with the Lubec company, will be retained by the Booth company, it is stated.

THREE WORTHY OBJECTS.

A special meeting of the Royal Standard Chapter, I. O. D. E., was held on Monday evening, which plans were made for the Self-Denial Day Canvass. This canvass is for three most worthy objects: The suffering, homeless and starving Belgians; the Navy; and the Returned Soldiers. The

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funds received will be equally divided for these three objects. The self-denial canvass will probably be held on Saturday, April 7th.

RETURNING TO ENGLAND.

J. Concannon arrived in the city a couple of days ago from South Africa, and has left for England, his native country. Mr. Concannon said that he left England sixteen years ago, and this is his first visit to the old country during that period.

Since the commencing of the war Mr. Concannon says, that he has been working hard at recruiting in South Africa, and was responsible in having six hundred men join the colors.

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"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H. M. The King.
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

FACTS VS. PARTISAN FICTION.

Just when the Dominion Department of Agriculture is launching its 1917 campaign to increase production of all farm products in Canada, in other words to make every acre produce, Hon. Sydney Fisher, former Minister of Agriculture in the Laurier government, breaks into the limelight with an attack on the Borden administration for not doing something along this line.

Mr. Fisher's attack is a peculiar one to those who read the Montreal newspapers, for that gentleman was reported not more than ten days ago as telling the Westmount Canadian Club that under the last ten years of Liberal rule "agriculture was crushed out" in Canada. Yet, after this confession, he breaks out in a new spot with an attack on the Borden Government, in which he charges that at a time when increased supplies of food are absolutely essential to the winning of the war nothing is being done to encourage or stimulate production.

Such a statement from a man not in a position to get at the true facts of the case might be ascribed to ignorance. Mr. Fisher, however, cannot hide behind that cloak, for he knows differently and his present position can only be set down as that of a man who is deliberately attempting to deceive for partisan purposes. What are the facts?

In 1913 the wheat yield in the three western provinces was 309,262,000 bushels. These figures are obtained from the official reports and are strictly accurate; in 1914 the same provinces produced 140,558,000 bushels, a falling off of practically 50 per cent. This falling off could not be controlled or prevented by any government under the sun, but the fact that there was a partial crop failure in that year rendered assistance necessary, the outbreak of war made it more necessary. The situation was an extraordinary one and the Government was forced to take extraordinary means to meet it. For the supply of food and fodder, as well as seed grain on an unprecedented scale, the Government advanced the sum of \$12,309,000. This was certainly generous assistance in the direction of adding to production and to stocks of necessary foodstuffs.

The Department of Agriculture, in the winter and spring of 1915, carried out a wide campaign of "Patriotism and Production." As a result of the sentiment aroused, and of the fortunate climatic conditions, we witnessed the greatest harvest in the history of the western country—342,948,000 bushels. Another campaign of "Production and Thrift" was made in the winter and spring of 1916. A large staff of special speakers was employed, and the co-operation of the provinces readily secured. Unfortunately, the climatic conditions of 1916 were the reverse of favorable. An excess of moisture in many parts of the country, wide-spread outbreaks of rust, and other difficulties, resulted in a wheat crop in the three western provinces of approximately 199,900,000 bushels, and a shortage of most crops throughout the country, with the exception of hay.

Owing to the labor question, as related to production on the farms, becoming acute, the farmers, who had responded splendidly under the spur, not only of high prices, but of a fine patriotism, were faced in the present year with a situation more difficult than in the past. It seemed desirable, therefore, that the Government should meet the new situation in a new way. England, whose average crop of wheat is 61,000,000 bushels, and whose yearly import of wheat is approximately 210,000,000 bushels, should no longer look to Russia. Supplies from Australia and India, and even supplies from Canada and the United States, were rendered more difficult and more costly by shortage of transportation and by the submarine menace. Munitions were vital; foodstuffs vital. Restriction of unessential imports was bound to come. In face of the conditions touched on above, it seemed clear that Canada should not only increase her productive efforts, and direct them along the right lines, but should also enlist all available forces in the task.

This was the condition which called for the appeal made two weeks ago for increased production. Citizens not only in the rural but in the urban centres were urged to do all they could to make every acre produce. A personal letter was written to every mayor in Canada setting

forth the situation and asking for co-operation. Every provincial Minister of Agriculture, every Director of National Service, and others were written to and an advertising campaign was launched through the press. The first of these advertisements will be published in The Standard this week.

Attention is being specifically directed to those features of food production directly related to the Empire's need under existing conditions, and special regard is paid to the recent pronouncement of the British Government in respect to the restriction of imports.

Amongst the products upon which special stress is laid are wheat, oats, peas, beans, beef, bacon, poultry, eggs, butter, cheese, flax, fibre, and dried vegetables. As the campaign proceeds, new features will be introduced for the stimulation and encouragement of production, and, judging from the response which has already been received the results obtained will be such as to stamp the campaign as a decided success.

It has been held that in this time there should be a general effort to aid the Government in all the measures it may find it necessary to enact with the idea of improving or strengthening the Empire. If we do not mistake that was one of the chief principles enunciated at the recent provincial convention held in this city to stimulate a win-the-war spirit and may be expected to predominate at the convention to be held in Montreal. Such utterances as those of Hon. Sydney Fisher are prompted by a desire to hinder rather than help. It is easy to indulge in loose talk about government apathy. It is less easy to show evidence that that apathy exists. The Borden Government is doing all any government could do to aid in winning the war and in protecting the interests of our own people. The situation is admittedly one to cause anxiety but it is being met with courage and resource. Surely no form of partisanship should blind Canadians to the evil of weakening the national effort by such silly, unfair and untrue statements as those in which Mr. Fisher indulges.

THE WAR LOAN.
"Let everyone at home picture to himself the sacrifice, courage and endurance of the sailors on the sea and the soldiers in the trenches, who are preserving us and our homes from ruin, starvation and devastation, and then let him ask himself, 'What am I doing to help?' Can I by some self-denial hasten the end by my contribution, however small?"
The man who contributes is doing his bit, and the man who makes no effort to contribute is a shirker."

The above quotation is from an appeal by Sir Edward Carson to the British public in support of the latest British war loan. The words, so powerful and direct, so nobly responded to by the men of Britain, splendidly put forward the case for the new loan about to be raised in Canada. Every dollar subscribed by the humblest citizen of the Dominion to the nation's latest appeal will be an encouragement for our soldiers suffering hardships and perils in the trenches.

Failure of a Canadian war loan at this juncture would bring comfort and renewed hope to Berlin. It would be as a sign of wavering Canadian resolution when faced with the final test. Let every man, then, prepare to do his utmost to make the loan the greatest possible success. Let us serve notice to the world that we are in this fight to the end. If we cannot, in this noblest of causes, offer our lives, let us at least prove that we gladly give our treasure. It is a privilege which, to use Sir Edward Carson's words, none but the "shirker" will miss.

ALLIED SUCCESS IN THE WEST.
The last three or four days have been auspicious ones for the Allied armies in the West. Following the capture of Iries it was expected that the British would make progress in the direction of Bapaume and that expectation has been realized. Despatches last night told of another German retreat on a front of 4,000 to 5,000 yards and to an unknown depth as a result of which the British went through the German lines and occupied a number of their positions. At present the British hold a network of important positions forming the key to Bapaume and also occupy the heights dominating that city. The city itself may hold out for some days

but its capture, as the capture of Bapaume, is assured and when it falls a considerable portion of the surrounding territory will fall with it.
Equal to the strategical value of the Allied success of the past few days is the moral effect of the gain. The Germans held the positions so long and so stubbornly that the impression had gone abroad that their capture was impossible. The Allies have demonstrated by these successes that they possess the power to go through the German lines practically whenever they want to and this knowledge generally given to the public should be of material value in the future.

The capture of the Bapaume heights following so closely on the success at Bapaume comes as most cheering news, and also brings home to those who have been thinking of doing the khaki the fact that if they delay long they may be too late to get into action. It requires at least eight months to train a soldier to the point where he is fit to take his place in the trenches and do effective work. Eight months from now the war may well be over, so young New Brunswickers who have any thought of getting in while their services will be of real value cannot afford to delay longer. The opportunity may not again present itself.

OPPOSITION LEADERS WERE IN CONFERENCE WITH W. E. FOSTER

State of the New Cabinet was Practically Decided upon at a Meeting in the City Yesterday.

It is understood that the make-up of the Foster cabinet has been practically decided upon. The leader of the victorious opposition party, Mr. F. B. Carvell and C. W. Robinson to the city yesterday and the three gentlemen had a prolonged conference when the slate was definitely decided upon. Mr. A. D. Dymally, one of the successful candidates in Kent county, was also in the city yesterday on business pertaining to the formation of the new cabinet. There is every indication that Mr. Dymally will enter the cabinet, probably as forestry minister. Mr. Robinson is not pressing his claims too strongly and is willing to resign his seat to Mr. Foster. Mr. Foster has an opportunity of testing the views of the electors of Kent county. Mr. Robinson is certain of a position in the new government and will be either provincial secretary or attorney general. Mr. Carvell has abandoned all hope of entering the provincial arena of politics and comes to the gathering of the leaders merely in an advisory capacity.

LABOR QUESTION IS GROWING MORE SERIOUS

Coal Industry Likely to be Imperilled unless more can be Secured.

Unless the labor situation in New Brunswick shows a vast improvement the future of the coal industry in that province is likely to be seriously imperilled. Great difficulty is being experienced by the coal operators in the Queens county to getting a sufficiently large quantity mined to meet the increasing demands. The foreign labor who are employed at the mines are a very difficult class of men to properly handle and the situation from the standpoint of labor is not at all satisfactory.

A PLEASANT REUNION.

A reunion of the class, and the young ladies who put on the specialties in the recent performance of the "Private Secretary," took place in the Y. M. C. A. last night, there being a large attendance. After a few remarks by Secretary Smith, F. A. Dykeman, the president of the Association, was introduced, and spoke on the work of the association.

A reading was given by A. C. D. Wilson, which was followed by an instrumental diet by Miss Leonard and H. R. Knowles.

The meeting was then taken charge

Little Benny's Note Book

By LEE PAPE.
Kumpny B was having a drill with new guns and new uniforms this afternoon, the new uniforms consisting of broomsacks saved off before they got to the brooms and the new uniforms consisting of our caps turned around backwards, and all of a sudden Sargent Hunt saluted and said, G. Genrel, I spy a spy, look at him delivering bumps to the enemy.
Meaning a tuff looking kid with a red sweater, stung front door-bells and handing people sum kind of a sample in a box wen they came to the door.
Darn if he aint, Sargent, sed Genrel Martin.
Down with the spy, yelled Lieutenant Wernick, and the rest of Kumpny B all yelled, Down with the spy.
"Atten-shun! Forward march!" sed Genrel Martin. And we all put our broomsacks on our shoulders and marched past the spy just as he was ringing another door bell, the spy saying, O, procons, look at the tin soldiers. Kumpny B not saying anything, jest turning around wen they got past and marching back agen, the spy saying, O, pennuz, I got a good aim to lick the hole army with one hand. Kumpny B jest marching past without saying anything, and wen we got a little ways up the street Genrel Martin sed, Men, who will step forward and volunteer to tell the spy he is going to be shot at sus rise?
Volunteers, volunteers, yelled Kumpny B. Gray nobody volunteered, and Kernal Stinking sed to Privata Weever, Persey, youre only a private, you dont you volunteer, you mite be promoted to a officer for your brave ackshin.
No sir, Kernal, it wood be a heck of a kumpny if it lost its only private, sed Privata Weever. And everybody kept on calling for volunteers and nobody kept on volunteering, and the kumpny started a game of tagger and the spy kept ringing door bells looking tuffer than ever.

BASKETBALL.
In the Every Day Boy's Club basketball contest in the Y. M. C. A. gym, last evening the Giants lost to the Maple Leafs by a score of 14 to 0.
WASTE OF NATURAL GAS.
It seems strange that though natural gas is said to have been used on a considerable scale by the Chinese thousands of years ago, only within the last thirty-five years have the great developments of this resource in the United States, Hungary, Roumania and Russia taken place, and it appears that a vast quantity still escapes unutilized into the air. The importance of the British loss was emphasized in a paper read in the Society of Petroleum Technologists. It is in the coal fields that many tens of millions of cubic feet are lost daily. That no attempt has been made to save this seems deplorable, as natural gas is the ideal industrial and domestic fuel, and has twice the heating power of ordinary gas.

BETTER FARMING TRAIN ON GRAND TRUNK HAS SIXTY-FIVE DAY TOUR.
Toronto, Mar. 13—Great success has attended the tour over the Grand Trunk lines in western Ontario of the special demonstration train containing agricultural exhibits. Over more than fifty agricultural centres have been visited and it is expected that the "better farming" lectures delivered in connection with the tour will result in a material increase in the production of farm products throughout the territory.

Six hundred people have visited the train each day. The tour will be brought to a close on Tuesday next, and a visit to the demonstration train to Toronto will be visited by the members of the Ontario Legislature who are kindly interested in this co-operative work between the agricultural authorities and the Grand Trunk.

LOCAL BOWLING

The first match of the fourth series in the City League was rolled on Black's alleys last night, and resulted in a tie, each team taking two points. The individual scores follow:
Nationals.
McNamara . . . 88 71 97 252 84 1-3
Gilmore . . . 102 89 85 253 86-3
McDonald . . . 96 105 90 291 97
Cosgrove . . . 88 84 89 261 87
Moore . . . 98 85 91 274 90 1-3
Beavers.
452 411 444 1387
Scott . . . 93 103 102 298 99 1-3
Plover . . . 84 81 106 271 90-3
Smith . . . 102 89 85 253 89 1-3
Bailie . . . 78 83 114 275 91 2-3
Carleton . . . 89 84 98 266 88 2-3

LADIES' BOWLING LEAGUE.

In the Ladies' Bowling League on the Y. M. C. A. alleys last evening Miss Staples' team won three points from the team captained by Miss Thompson. The scores follow:
Staples Team.
Mrs. Treat . . . 70 71 68 210
Miss F. Dick . . . 102 89 85 253 89-3
Miss M. Staples . . . 77 61 72 210
Mrs. Smith . . . 65 77 55 197
222 253 255 810
Thompson Team.
Miss K. Bates . . . 63 70 61 194
Miss W. Dunlop . . . 64 68 58 190
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NEWS AND COMMENT FROM THE FINANCIAL WORLD

RAILS BELIEVE IN WALL ST. YESTERDAY

Threatened Strike Affects Market, Railways Falling From One to Two Points.

New York, March 13.—Tendencies recently manifested by the stock market in the direction of higher levels were halted today by the turn of events in the controversy between the railway brotherhoods and railway managers. The reported attitude of the labor unions was the more surprising and disconcerting from the fact that the financial community had been led to believe of the existence of a temporary working agreement between the opposing interests.

Gradual Recoveries.

Later, when dealings dwindled to insignificant proportions, prices made gradual, but very complete recoveries, including a few noteworthy gains, due chiefly to short covering. Not a few traders acted upon a time worn proverb of the street that it is most often hazardous to "sell" a market on strike developments.

Foreign Exchange Dull.

General news had little direct bearing upon the market, the offering of New York City bonds attracting little attention. The average of bids was regarded as only fair, in view of the present ease of money.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

As usual, United States Steel, which closed at a slight fractional advance, furnished a very large proportion of the day's business, with copper, shipwreck, Central Leather and a few other war and semi-war specialties. Reading was the only active stock in the railway division and utilities were conspicuously absent. Sales amounted to 339,000 shares.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

International bonds moved within extremely narrow limits on light offerings, and most domestic issues were irregular. Total sales, par value, aggregated \$1,235,000.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

United States bonds were unchanged on call, but the coupon 4 1/2 per cent. and registered 4 1/2 per cent. on actual sales.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

Montreal, Tuesday, Mar. 13th.—Can. Loco.—50 @ 54 1/2, 10 @ 54 1/2, Steamships Com.—100 @ 58 1/2, 135 @ 58 1/2.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

Canadian Cement—10 @ 92 1/2, Can. Cement—2 @ 63 1/2, Steel Canada—25 @ 67 1/2, 25 @ 67 1/2, 175 @ 67 1/2, 25 @ 67 1/2, Dom. Iron Com.—55 @ 67, 25 @ 67 1/2.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

Civ. Power—36 @ 81 1/2, 1 @ 82, Dom. War Loan—100 @ 97 1/2, 1,100 @ 97, New War Loan—2,400 @ 96 1/2, 1,000 @ 95 1/2.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

Can. Car Com.—10 @ 29, Toronto Ry.—2 @ 90 1/2, 20 @ 90, Detroit United—50 @ 114 1/2, 80 @ 115, 400 @ 115 1/2, 75 @ 115 1/2, Can. Car Pfd.—35 @ 71, Smelting—10 @ 21 1/2, McDonalds—15 @ 15 1/2, Maple Milling Co.—65 @ 108, 10 @ 109, 50 @ 109 1/2, 25 @ 110, Scotia—10 @ 100, 30 @ 101, 25 @ 101 1/2.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

Quebec Ry.—10 @ 25, Brompton—10 @ 64, Ames Holden Com.—10 @ 19, Steamship Com.—10 @ 28 1/2, Steamships Pfd.—25 @ 84 1/2, 25 @ 85, 10 @ 85 1/2.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

Tram Debentures—1,500 @ 76, Brazilian—125 @ 43, 75 @ 43 1/2, Textile—5 @ 32 1/2, Can. Cement Pfd.—22 @ 62, Can. Cement Com.—2 @ 64, Steel Canada—25 @ 67 1/2, 25 @ 67 1/2, 175 @ 67 1/2, 25 @ 67 1/2, Dom. Iron Pfd.—5 @ 94, Dom. Iron Com.—150 @ 67 1/2, 50 @ 67 1/2.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

Shawinigan—3 @ 127, 1 @ 126 1/2, Civ. Power—61 @ 81 1/2, Dom. War Loan—1,000 @ 97, New War Loan—300 @ 96 1/2, Toronto Ry.—10 @ 90 1/2, Detroit United—10 @ 115 1/2, General Electric—10 @ 110 1/2, 10 @ 110 1/2, McDonalds—25 @ 15 1/2, Maple Milling Co.—50 @ 110, Scotia—26 @ 102, 25 @ 102 1/2, 50 @ 103, Quebec Ry.—75 @ 24, 50 @ 24 1/2, Tram Power—10 @ 28 1/2, Penmans—127 @ 70 1/2.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

WINNIPEG WHEAT CLOSE. (McDOUGALL & COWANS.) May 184 1/2, July 182 1/2.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

NEW YORK COTTON. (McDOUGALL & COWANS.) High. Low. Close. Mar. 18.25 17.90 18.05, July 18.00 17.68 18.97, Oct. 17.32 17.45 17.50, May 16.92 16.72 16.89, Dec. 17.02 16.82 17.01.

ACTION OF U. S. RESERVE BOARD WELL RECEIVED

Effects of Rescinding of Washington Order Aided Britain to Float Huge \$5,000,000, 000 War Loan.

Special to The Standard. London, Mar. 13.—Action of the Federal Reserve Board withdrawing its warning against American banks buying certain securities of foreign governments has produced a highly favorable feeling here and in France. Well informed Entente publicists always have doubted if their cause would be helped by the United States entering the war. They have had no doubt that the economic and financial capacity of the United States would be required to expand the navy, build up the army and handle other American problems leaving no capacity to help the Entente while the United States could hardly make herself a serious military and naval factor for a year.

When the reserve board objected last November to American banks buying certain foreign commitments, it was felt keenly that a blow had been dealt the interests of the Entente. The withdrawal of the order now causes the feeling that the Washington administration proposed to encourage American credit and lending money helpful to the Entente in short, pooling industrial capabilities most advantageously.

The effects of the rescinding of the order are seen in increasing financial confidence, making easier the huge task of gathering in the \$5,000,000,000 of subscriptions to the war loan without dislocating business. The financial authorities marvel at the success marking this greatest financial transaction ever executed.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

Special to The Standard. New York, Mar. 13.—The sugar market is firmer, there being reports of more burning of cane in Cuba. It is stated that Canadian refineries have sold 20,000 tons of granulated sugar to the British commission at six cents f. o. b. Local interests are not quoting for export, though it is likely they might have received the above orders were they inclined to sell.

U. S. Bonds Unchanged.

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Official Announcement Likely to be Made Soon is General Belief.

Special to The Standard. New York, Mar. 13.—Inquiries for participation in the proposed new French \$100,000,000 secured loan are being received by investment houses in such volume that it is likely the date set for the official announcement will be advanced considerably. According to some bankers this announcement will be made within ten days at the latest.

The loan itself will be one of the most attractive foreign government offerings to be made in this market. It will be secured by high-grade collateral deposited in this country by French government and will be a direct obligation of that government. It will run for either two or three years, bearing interest at 5 1/2 per cent.

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GERMANS PUZZLING HOW TO REPOPULATE THEIR COUNTRY

Many and Various Plans Proposed—Earlier Marriages and Assistance Financially to Young Men Among Schemes.

Berlin, March 13.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—How to solve the problem of repopulating Germany after the war, probably will be one of the big issues under discussion by the Reichstag, this month.

During its final regular session in 1916 it appointed a large committee of 23 members to look into the matter during the recess, and a small committee of this large committee has been industriously going over the field with the assistance and cooperation of the ministry of the interior, the large powerful though unofficial "Association for Repopulation Policy" and other similar organizations.

First among the concrete plans for increasing the population comes of course the task of decreasing the death rate which naturally can proceed effectively only when peace time conditions prevail again.

The more complex problem lies in increasing the birth-rate. Interest in the question has increased to such an extent that all manner of radical proposals have had to be weighed and studied, and will all come up for decision by the Reichstag, this month.

The more conservative of the proposals include economic steps that will make earlier marriage possible, higher wages, regulation of vice and limitation of divorce, making marriage easier, protection in greater degree for mothers and children.

The more radical proposals, on the other hand, include such things as the adoption of some of which may include bachelor taxes, a reorganization of existing vice laws which shall perhaps bring vice more and more under official control and thereby rob it of some of the dangers arising from

secrecy, plural voting rights for men with large families, money premiums for mothers bearing say children.

Higher wages and shorter apprenticeships, enabling working men to achieve independence at an earlier age, as well as shorter courses of education for professional men, so that they may be able to marry before they are in the late twenties or the early thirties as at present, are means of increasing the birth-rate that have been under discussion for a long time, and that are becoming increasingly popular as the importance of the entire problem becomes more and more appreciated.

Particularly since the war there has grown up a strong current in public opinion which favors vice and disease laws that a few years ago would have been denounced instantly as too radical, and that even today find decided opposition in some quarters. How far the Reichstag will be able to will have been, under discussion for a long time, and that are becoming increasingly popular as the importance of the entire problem becomes more and more appreciated.

Already, however, bills are pending which release physicians from their professional secrecy if they, in the public interest, make known to the authorities the names of patients suffering from dangerous diseases, and which provide for better training along certain lines for all physicians.

Still another resolution which becomes a law creates a public health department for the exclusive cure and treatment of sexual diseases, and there are in addition numerous resolutions pending for the creation of insurance bureaus for the sick, the enrollment of the interest of life insurance companies, and the maintenance of exact statistics.

ACID ON STOMACH SOURS THE FOOD

Says Excess of Hydrochloric Acid is Cause of Indigestion

A well-known authority states that stomach trouble and indigestion is nearly always due to acidity—acid stomach—and not, as most folks believe, from a lack of digestive juices.

He states that an excess of hydrochloric acid in the stomach retards digestion and starts food fermenting, then our meals sour like garbage in a can, forming acrid fluids and gases which inflame the stomach like a toy balloon. We then get that heavy, lumpy feeling in the chest, we eructate sour food, belch gas, or have heartburn, flatulence, waterbrash, or nausea.

He tells us to lay aside all digestive aids and instead, get from any pharmacy four ounces of Jad Salts and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast which it is effective, and furthermore, to continue this for one week. While relief follows the first dose, it is important to neutralize the acidity, to get rid of the acid, to start the liver, stimulate the kidneys and thus promote a free flow of pure digestive juices.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia and sodium phosphate. This harmless salt is used by thousands of people for stomach trouble with excellent results.

SHIPPING NEWS

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

March—Phases of the Moon.
Full moon . . . 8th—5 hr. 53 m. p.m.
Last quarter . . . 16th—5 hr. 25 m. a.m.
New moon . . . 23rd—0 hr. 5 m. a.m.
First quarter . . . 30th—6 hr. 36 m. a.m.

PORT OF ST. JOHN, N. B.

Arrived Tuesday, March 13, 1917.
Starrs John L. Cann, Westport; Granville, Annapolis; G. K. King, St. Martins.
Schr. Edna Maud, St. Martins; R. P. S. St. Martins; Nellie Dixon, Digby, cleared.
Simsrs Granville, Annapolis; John L. Cann, Westport.
Schr. Walter C. Chance Harbor; Edna Maud, St. Martins.
FOREIGN PORTS.
Boston, March 10.—Arr. sch. Edna F. Crowell, Rockport.

Charleston, March 9.—814 sch. Horace M. Bickford, Martinique.
Chatham, Mass., March 10.—Passed tug Plymouth, towing sch. M. D. Crosby and barge Savannah, from Portland for New York.
Mobile, March 9.—814 sch. Mary M. Gruener, Pensacola.
New York, March 9.—814 sch. Irene E. Messervy, Bucksport; Moonlight, Eastport.
Old March 9, schs. A. H. Willis, Para; Harwood Palmer, Portland.
Pascagoula, March 10.—814 sch. Harold B. Cousens, Havana.
Philadelphia, March 10.—814 sch. Frances M., New York.
Rockland, March 10.—814 sch. William Cobb, New York.
St. Andrews, Fla., March 9.—Arr. sch. Mar F. Barrett, Port Spain.
814 March 8, schs. Hugh de Bayens, Aquadilla; Annie F. Conlon, San Domingo.
Turks Island, March 2.—Arr. sch. John A. Beckerman, New York.
Tampa, March 9.—814 sch. Horace A. Stone, Baltimore.

IN TREATING A COLD

You must first clean out the whole alimentary tract and remove the existing congestion of the mucous membrane, then a cure will be easy.

"RIGA"

Aperient, Laxative or Purgative Water.
According to Dose.
Taken early will clean out the alimentary tract, remove congestion and will abort the disease. On sale everywhere.
National Drug and Chemical Company of Canada, Ltd., St. John, N.B.
Distributors for the Maritime Provinces.

ARRIVED AT HAVANA.
Tera schooner Margaret May Riley, from Pascagoula with hard pine arrived at Havana.
Schr. Allanwide, March 10, 1.30 p.m. from the m., lat 28, 30 N, lon 75, 40 W.
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NO R. R. STRIKE THINKS THE FINANCIAL BULLETIN

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
New York, Mar. 13.—The astounding report this morning of a great railroad strike to begin March 17th following the publication yesterday morning of a promise to the president by unions that no such thing would occur in war time, will probably shock and cause liquidation of the stocks and cause liquidation of an extension of natural reaction of Monday afternoon. Barring a declaration of war by Germany as an answer to the United States arming of ships to fire on submarines without warning we think that any strike decline will offer buying opportunities. There will be no strike in the best place it would amount to treating the country in a no mood to war with traitors. In the second place it bears the earmarks of a German plot bluff foredoomed to failure like other such like it. In the third place the president has authority to commandeer the trains, and private information indicates that Washington is determined to go to extremes in national defense measures. We believe, standard issues should be bought on breaks. The fact that it is war market with attendant uncertainties of course indicates conservative action just as it suggests acceptance of reasonable profits at all times.

THE CUNARD LINE MAY BUILD BOATS IN CANADA

New York, Mar. 13.—According to the best information available the Cunard Steamship Company has let contracts to American yards for the construction of twenty steel freighters ranging from 7,500 to 15,000 tons each; has ordered two similar boats from a Canadian builder, and has purchased six ships now building at the plant of the Northwest Steel Co. at Portland, Oregon, making a total of twenty-eight freight-carrying steamships to be added to the company's fleet.

TOUGH OAKES GOLD MINES LIMITED REPORT.

Special to The Standard.
Toronto, Mar. 13.—The Tough Oakes Gold Mines Limited has just issued its annual report for the year ended Dec. 31, 1916, in which it is shown that the deficit of \$38,807 in existence at the first of the year has been further increased until now it stands at \$104,567.

In explanation of the unsatisfactory phase of the report, it is pointed out that mine development was curtailed very much during the year owing to the insufficient supply of electric power and also that, in order to keep the mill in operation continuously during the year mine operation was sacrificed.

The Canadian Kirkland Gold Mines Ltd. has been incorporated to take over and develop a group of claims south of the McCann owned by George Tough and his associates in Tack township. Geological conditions are similar to those in the producing district. Several veins have been uncovered from which very good assays have been received. The capital of the company is \$2,000,000.

FINANCIAL BULLETIN.

NEWS SUMMARY.
(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
New York, Mar. 13.—Montreal Power year ending Dec. 31st surplus for year increased \$1,465,350, equivalent to 8.18 per cent. on \$17,907,500 of dividend bearing stock after payment of preferred dividends of \$677,200.
Southern Railway, all lines, first week March, increase to \$3,030,000.
A dispatch to London from Tokyo reported that China has broken off diplomatic relations with Germany because of submarine warfare.
So far China legation have received no confirmation of this report from Peking.
Nation-wide railroad strike probable Saturday unless compromise is reached here today at conference between brotherhood leaders and representatives of railroads.
D. J. & CO.

NOW FREE FROM PAIN

Woman Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound after Three Years Suffering.

"I am the mother of five children, and for nearly three years I suffered from a general weakness, and professional attendance most of that time but did not seem to get well. At last resort I decided to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound which I had seen advertised in the newspapers, and two weeks noticed a marked improvement. I continued its use and am now free from pain and able to do all my household work."—Mrs. B. B. ZIELINSKA, 294 Woltz Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

Women who recover their health naturally tell others who help them. Some write and allow their names and photographs to be published with testimonials. Many more tell their friends. If you need a medicine for women's ailments, try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Write Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (consultant) for something you need to know about these troubles.

DOMINION OF CANADA THIRD WAR LOAN

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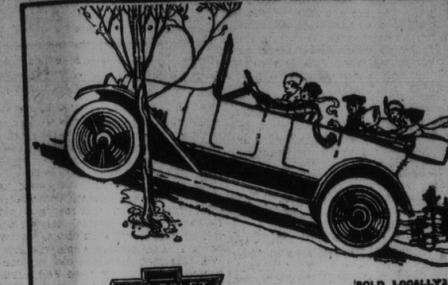
If Belgium Were "Next-Door" To Canada

- if the heavily-charged electric wires, that pen the people into a workless and almost foodless land, ran along our frontier
- if instead of reading of Belgian sufferings we heard the pitiful tales from the lips of escaped victims
- if we could see the long and hungry bread-lines of people as intelligent and once as prosperous and comfortable as ourselves
- if we could watch the thousands of emaciated children who are fed at the schools by the Belgian Relief Commission
- if what they are enduring, and their desperate need, were clear and vivid to us, instead of unreal and overseas
- then the great hearts of Canadians would be moved, and there would be no trouble in raising several times our present contributions to the Belgian Relief Fund.

Can we bring the urgent need of the hungry Belgian mothers and children home to YOU? Can we enlist YOUR active sympathy for those whose very lives depend on the prompt and continued help of people like yourself? Send your subscriptions weekly, monthly or in one lump sum to Local or Provincial Committees, or SEND CHEQUES PAYABLE TO TREASURER.

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The power furnished by the valve-in-head motor enables the driver of a Chevrolet to take on high gear, hills which baffle other makes of cars.
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WAR LOAN

DOMINION OF CANADA

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THE MINISTER OF FINANCE offers herewith, on behalf of the Government, the above-named Bonds for Subscription at 96, payable as follows:—

- 10 per cent on application;
- 30 " 16th April, 1917;
- 30 " 15th May, 1917;
- 26 " 15th June, 1917.

The total allotment of bonds of this issue will be limited to one hundred and fifty million dollars, exclusive of the amount (if any) paid for by the surrender of bonds as the equivalent of cash under the terms of the War Loan prospectus of 22nd November, 1915.

The instalments may be paid in full on the 16th day of April, 1917, or on any instalment due date thereafter, under discount at the rate of four per cent per annum. All payments are to be made to a chartered bank for the credit of the Minister of Finance. Failure to pay any instalment when due will render previous payments liable to forfeiture and the allotment to cancellation.

Subscriptions, accompanied by a deposit of ten per cent of the amount subscribed, must be forwarded through the medium of a chartered bank. Any branch in Canada of any chartered bank will receive subscriptions and issue provisional receipts.

This loan is authorized under Act of the Parliament of Canada, and both principal and interest will be a charge upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Forms of application may be obtained from any branch in Canada of any chartered bank and at the office of any Assistant Receiver General in Canada.

Subscriptions must be for even hundreds of dollars. In case of partial allotments the surplus deposit will be applied towards payment of the amount due on the April instalment.

Scrip certificates, non-negotiable or payable to bearer in accordance with the choice of the applicant for registered or bearer bonds, will be issued, after allotment, in exchange for the provisional receipts.

When the scrip certificates have been paid in full and payment endorsed thereon by the bank receiving the money, they may be exchanged for bonds, when prepared, with coupons attached, payable to bearer or registered as to principal, or for fully registered bonds, when prepared, without coupons, in accordance with the application.

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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, OTTAWA, March 12th, 1917.

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THE WEATHER.

Forecasts. Maritime—Fresh northerly winds, fair, not much change in temperature. Washington, March 13.—Northern New England—Increasing cloudiness Wednesday followed by snow at night; Thursday snow, moderate north and northeast; winds becoming fresh Wednesday night. Toronto, March 13.—The depression which was in Texas last night is now centered in Iowa, accompanied by heavy rains and numerous thunderstorms. In Canada the weather has been fair and for the most part moderately cold.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Rows include Dawson, Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Moose Jaw, Port Nelson, Parry Sound, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Around the City

Y. M. C. A. Notes. The regular Tuesday night supper and talk was held at the Y. M. C. A. last evening. Mr. Gunter, principal of the manual training school, gave an instructive address to the boys on "Craftsmanship."

R. M. A. Convention. The third annual convention of the Retail Merchants' Association will be held here today and tomorrow. Four business sessions will be held and the visiting members will be tendered a banquet at Bond's tonight.

Collision on Main Street. Yesterday morning a sloven driven with a man named McCormick collided with a street car on Main street. With the exception of a broken shaft no damage was done. The accident occurred at 10:45 a.m.

Soldiers Entertained. The Badminton Club No. 1 of St. James church on Monday evening entertained the Machine Gun Section of the 198th Battalion in the schoolroom of the cathedral. A programme was carried out and the evening was greatly enjoyed.

C. M. B. A. Will Celebrate Sunday. At a meeting of the C. M. B. A. held last night in their rooms it was decided to celebrate St. Patrick's Day on Sunday. A grand parade will be held on Sunday afternoon to the cathedral where the different Catholic societies will be addressed by one of the clergymen.

C. P. R. and St. John. Owing to the absence from the city of H. C. Groat, general manager of the eastern division, it was impossible yesterday to obtain any confirmation of the report that the C. P. R. would cut out the St. Lawrence calls this coming summer and ship their freight through the port of St. John. Capt. Walsh made the statement in Montreal yesterday that the steamers would use that port as usual this summer.

A Pleasant Evening. An enjoyable dinner was held in Bond's last evening when Messrs. L. P. D. Tilley, Philip Grannan, F. L. Potts and Dr. J. Roy Campbell entertained the ward chairmen, vice-chairmen and secretaries of the Conservative organization in the city. About 40 guests were in attendance and after an excellent menu had been thoroughly discussed, there were several informal speeches. The party broke up about 11 o'clock with the National Anthem.

A Quiet Wedding. A quiet wedding took place last evening at 8:30 o'clock in the residence of Stephen Logan, Albert street, North End, when Miss Annie May McNeil and Charles Duncan Ducey were united in marriage by Rev. B. H. Nobles. The couple are residents of the city, and the wedding was witnessed by a few relatives and friends. The bride received a number of beautiful presents. Mr. and Mrs. Ducey will reside in the city.

The Teachers' Meeting. The bi-monthly meeting of the Sunday School Teachers' Association was held in the St. James church school rooms last evening and was largely attended than usual. The programme opened with devotional address by the rector, Rev. H. A. Coady. Papers were read on Sunday school problems as follows: The Interest of Home by A. N. Gregg, secretary of the Y. M. C. A.; Regular Attendance by J. J. Dunlop; Paper on Prizes by Miss Maud Willis; Order and Discipline, Miss Constance Oester. A lengthy discussion followed the reading of the papers and the next meeting will be held in St. John's church school rooms on May 8th.

BOYS' CLUB ENTERTAINMENT. The Young Ladies' Class of the Victoria Street Church, under the direction of Mrs. Flewelling, delightfully entertained the members of the Boys' Club in the hall, Union street, last night. The programme consisted of choruses by the young ladies, readings by the Misses Florence Johnston, Ivy Campbell, Beulah Totten and Mabel Starkey, a pantomime by Miss Lizzie Bartlett, and a solo by Miss Mabel Starkey. The accompanists were Miss Beulah Totten and Miss Beulah Wain. In addition to the above numbers, Peter Berry, a member of the club, entertained with step dancing and there was also athletic exercises by members of the club. The ladies provided refreshments for the boys and the evening was greatly enjoyed. Before leaving the young ladies stated that they would provide another entertainment at a future date.

WARRANT GOVERNMENT TO TAKE OVER WEST SIDE WHARVES

Claims That no Further Expenditure Should be Made Until Some Arrangement Has Been Made With Them—Mayor Says That Estimates of Harbor and Water Departments Should be Brought in at Beginning of Year.

Quite a lively discussion developed at the city council meeting yesterday afternoon over the calling for tenders for repairs to the west side wharves. The mayor expressed the opinion that before any vote was passed the commissioner should submit a plan and estimates for the work, and Commissioner McLellan thought that the time had come for the city to approach the government and try and make a deal with them for the taking over of the wharves and wharfage. The mayor said that he had been given the money which had been spent on them, as he claimed that with the completion of the concrete wharves of the government steamers would patronize them rather than the wooden docks belonging to the city.

George Carvill wrote asking that the council reconsider his application for permit to build a garage on Cliff street as he claimed that the chapel was not a public place of worship, and several matters of routine business were dealt with.

All the council members were present when the mayor called the meeting to order. The committee of the whole recommended that additional fire insurance to the amount of \$5,000 be placed on the exhibition buildings, in the Home Underwriters Agency of New York. E. Percy Howard, agent, that he be given to Wilfred P. Guthrie of the northwestern half of lot No. 5, Navy island, for 7 years from 1st May next at \$5.00 per annum, subject, however, to termination at the end of any quarter upon receiving three months previous notice. No payment for improvements at the end of the term; that the commissioner of harbors, ferries and public lands be authorized to offer for sale at public auction the fee simple in the portions of lots 695, 697, 698 and 699 in Brooks' Ward; that the commissioner of water and sewerage be authorized to call for tenders for the supply of 10 tons of No. 1 pig lead; that the offer of A. R. C. Clark to sell the city his land fronting on the southern shore of Spruce Lake, together with the summer cottage thereon for the sum of \$1,200, be accepted, upon the title being satisfactory to the city solicitor; that, as part of a plan of re-organizing the Public Works Department, Albert Winchester be relieved of his duties as superintendent of streets, the office thereby being made vacant, and that Clifford G. Price, construction foreman in that department, be appointed street superintendent, the salary to be for present at the rate of \$1,100 per year, the same as is being paid to the present superintendent. Adopted.

The commissioner of harbors, ferries and public lands recommended that he be granted authority to call for tenders for 200,000 superficial feet of Bay Shore merchantable spruce for use in repairing the wharves and warehouses during the coming season. Adopted. Quite a discussion developed before the vote was taken on this recommendation. The mayor said he was not in sympathy and claimed that the commissioner should bring in an estimate of the work to be done. The safety, public works and finance departments had to bring in their estimates at the first of the year but the harbors and water departments did not do this and he was strongly of the opinion that they should. For instance the water department had bought last year a lot of pipe which had not been used. Commissioner Wigmore—"Don't you think it was good business to buy that pipe last year? I saved enough to pay the salaries of all the commissioners and more, and consider that good business." Commissioner McLellan thought that the time had come for the city to look over the whole situation on the west side and before spending any more money have an understanding with the government regarding the taking over of the wharves. He was sure that the government was disposed to treat the city fairly and now was the time to make some deal and relieve the city of the burden of caring for this property.

Commissioner Russell explained that the reason he was calling for tenders just now was because he had been told that he could buy cheaper than he could later. The motion was carried, the mayor and Commissioner McLellan voting against it. The annual report of the commissioner of harbors, ferries and public lands was presented and ordered printed. George Carvill wrote in answer to the objection of the Sisters of Charity re the erection of a garage on Cliff street, and asked to have his application re-considered as he claimed that the chapel was only for private worship and did not come within the provisions of the act. It was decided to ask the city solicitor for a ruling on the matter. A communication was received from No. 2 Salvage Corps notifying the council that W. H. White and H. G. Harrison had resigned and their warrants were ordered cancelled. Letters were read from the Sisters of the Holy Shepherd Social Service Council expressing thanks for grants. The mayor referred to a letter from Architect Meit to the building inspector regarding permit for garage on Charlotte street and Commissioner McLellan said that until he was satisfied that the trustees of the building would not object the permit would not be issued. While the trustees had not objected at first they might now as the parties building the garage were trying to obtain an entrance from Sydney street which would be within the prescribed distance. The comptroller wrote asking that he be instructed whether the chief of the dock police was to be included in the total of thirty men or not as if he were included one more watchman would have to be discharged. On motion of Commissioner Russell he was instructed that the chief was not to be included in the total, Commissioner McLellan and the mayor voting against it. Commissioner McLellan brought up the matter of placing the new ambulance and was given authority to make the best possible arrangements.

IMPERIAL SOLDIERS ANOTHER RETURNED

GOING TO N.B. WHEN THE WAR HAS BEEN WON. CAPT. REV. E. D. HOOPER. Lance Corporal C. Bishop refers to the Gallant Work Being Carried on by the Famous 26th Battalion.

Lance Corporal Bishop, a returned hero, formerly in business in this city, is on a visit to friends here. He was with the 26th Battalion in the famous engagements to which the New Brunswick regiment took part. Mr. Bishop speaks enthusiastically of the work of the battalion and gives a large measure of praise to Lt. Col. J. L. McAvity and Lt. Col. A. E. G. Mackenzie. He declined to say anything with respect to his own experiences, stating that he had been only too pleased to do his duty. Mr. Bishop was particularly loud in his appreciation of the noble work being carried on by Capt. Rev. E. D. Hooper. "He is like father to the boys," said Mr. Bishop, and is always willing to give the boys money and cigarettes. His place would certainly be hard to fill. I cannot speak too highly of his great kindness."

Will Meet Next Week. Nothing of definite character was decided at the meeting held last night by the members of St. George's Society to prepare plans for the celebration of St. George's Day, April 23rd. The meeting adjourned until next week. It is the intention of the society to hold an entertainment of some kind for the purpose of raising funds for one of the patriotic associations in the city.

Spring Suits and Coats. F. A. Dykeman & Co. are showing their complete spring importations of the above goods, and those who have seen them pronounce the styles the nearest that have been shown in many seasons. Very few extreme models, but many of them have a touch of the creator's art that pronounces them among the first in popularity. The coats shown are the medium length with a little more fullness in the skirt, and the skirts are a little longer than last season's. Make your choice now while the stock is unbroken.

SIX MEN ON HONOR ROLL YESTERDAY

Recruiting Keeps Up Well—General Notes of the Local Military Units—Kilties to Start Campaign Today.

- HONOR ROLL. Andrew Haley, Post, Felix, N.S. 216th Battalion. F. L. Ross, St. John, Skilled Railway Employees. Fred Gaine, St. John, Machine Gun Section. George d'Alga, Sussex, N. B. A. B. Bruce, St. John, Canadian Army Service Corps. Peter Johnson, Sweden, 19th Field Ambulance Corps.

Six men made application yesterday and were accepted for overseas service. The Second Section Skilled Railway Employees secured a man for their unit yesterday. Today Sergeant Snodgrass, who has been here for the past month in the interest of the railway unit, will leave for Montreal to join the headquarters staff. He will take with him three men, secured by him last week. No announcement has been made as to who will fill the vacancy by his promotion, another N. C. O. is expected in St. John. Kilties Commence Today.

The first gun in the new campaign to fill the Kilties Battalion will be fired today. There are no less than fifteen members of the battalion in the city, and each has his work mapped out for him. The scheme will take in the entire city. Every house, shop and business place will be visited and a personal canvass made therein. The recruiting officers will each be given a certain section to canvass. They will be supplied with cards bearing their occupation and address of each individual in that particular section. The recruiting officer will be obliged to write down the reason given by the person solicited why he is not in khaki. It was impossible to start the campaign yesterday as some of the officers were not in St. John. However, this morning the men will commence upon one of the most thorough recruiting campaigns yet attempted in the city. This system has been tried out in Toronto, Hamilton and other Canadian cities, and in some places has been very favorable. In their opinion it was only a waste of energy. This week will give the recruiting men an opportunity to see what the results are to be in the city.

Will Arrive in Sussex. The Serbian government have made arrangements to send one of their most efficient military officers to Canada for the purpose of training the Dominion recruits at Sussex. At present there are twenty-eight Serbians at camp Sussex, but this number will be augmented by the end of the week. It is reported that the American-Serbian recruiting campaign will be carried on by the Canadian border and are making their way to Sussex to join their brothers in arms. An appeal will be made to all the Serbians in the Dominion by Serbian recruiting officers. New Instructors Arrive. Lieutenant Rycroft, R. G. and Sergeant-Major Wetfield of the instructing staff of Halifax arrived in the city yesterday and will be attached to the Siege Battery on Partridge Island for instructing purposes. They will be in the city for at least a month, which time will be devoted to the Siege Battery.

16th Ambulance Train Inoculated. Several members of the 16th Field Ambulance Train were inoculated yesterday. Nearly every member has now been medically inspected and inoculated, and are now ready for the command to proceed overseas. One man was secured for the unit yesterday.

Will Celebrate Ypres Anniversary. The European War Veterans Association will celebrate the anniversary of the Battle of Ypres, which falls on Sunday, April 22. It is the intention of the association to observe the day in honor and memory of the brave Canadian boys who have made the supreme sacrifice at the first battle of Ypres. It is likely that the association will hold a grand church parade on that day, possibly to Trinity.

Corporal Thomas Arrived Home. Another member of the original 26th Battalion, in the person of Corporal William Thomas, arrived back from the front yesterday after two years absence. He is one of the many of that battalion who has seen heavy fighting. He was wounded in several places by shrapnel at the battle of Courcellette.

Killed in Action. That Lieut. K. B. Hawkins was killed at the front on Friday, March 9th, was the laconic cable to his wife announcing the sad news Monday morning. Lieut. Hawkins commenced work for the C. P. R. at Aroostook Junction May 1st, 1910; was appointed locomotive fireman August 31st, 1911, and locomotive engineer September 1st, 1914, shortly after war broke out, and on December 18th, 1914, went into military service at the Detachment Camp, Amherst. After making repeated applications for overseas service his persistence was finally rewarded, and he sailed for England with the 24th Battalion, 2nd B. E. F.

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Funerals. The funeral of Martin Sullivan took place yesterday morning from the residence of his uncle, Charles O'Brien, 52 Brussels street, to the Cathedral, where high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. Francis Walker. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery. The funeral of Mrs. Sarah Stevens took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, Charlotte street, to St. John the Baptist church, where burial services were conducted by Rev. F. J. McMurray. Interment was made in the old Catholic cemetery. The funeral of Corporal Cheyne, who died in Halifax, took place yesterday afternoon from Messrs. Chamberlain's undertaking rooms. Services were conducted by Rev. Hammond Johnson, and interment was made in Fernhill. The Lucky Winner. Lottery ticket No. 113, held by F. H. Barry, of the Dominion Express Co. was the lucky winner of a table near jotted by the Rockwood Comfort Club.

City Boy Scouts. The Boy Scouts of St. John continue to do splendid work, and like the fishermen, if they are "not fishing they are mending their nets." During the past few months they have assisted at concerts for patriotic purposes, proved themselves most useful at the Discharge Depot, and in other ways showed themselves to be "prepared" for all kinds of work. Last week the Waterloo street troop gave a splendid entertainment to members of the Boys' Club. Then last night they met at their headquarters, and besides receiving instructions in scoutcraft, planned for a concert to be held in the near future. Both the St. Paul's and Mission church troops also gathered in their respective quarters yesterday, and continued to study the master work for which they joined, and took the scout oath.