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TO HOLD GERARD IN BERLIN GERMANS SINK MANY SHIPS; BIG MONCTON HOTEL BURNS

WASHINGTON STILL ON ANXIOUS SEAT

Important Cabinet Meeting Held Yesterday at Which International Situation Was Thoroughly Discussed---Holding of Ambassador Gerard at Berlin May Cause Some Feeling---Few Developments Yesterday.

MANY PROMINENT INTERESTS IN UNITED STATES OFFER AID TO NATION IN EVENT OF WAR — REPRESENTATIVES OF ENTENTE ALLIES AT CAPITAL NOT ENTHUSIASTIC OVER PROSPECT OF HOSTILITIES.

Bulletin—Copenhagen, Feb. 6, via London, Feb. 7.—It is officially stated that James W. Gerard, the American ambassador to Germany, will not be allowed to leave Berlin until the German government is satisfied as to the treatment of Count Von Bernstorff, the retiring German ambassador at Washington, by the American government.

CABINET MEETING.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Every phase of the situation which at any hour may bring the United States to war with Germany was discussed by President Wilson and his advisers at today's cabinet meeting. The faint hope that Germany, after all, might modify her new submarine campaign so to avoid making an active enemy of America was touched upon, as was the probable position of other neutrals. But most of the cabinet's attention was given to reports by each member upon the energetic efforts of his department of the government to prepare for war, if it is to come.

The Eavestone Case.

Preliminary reports of the sinking of the British steamer Eavestone and the killing of an American negro seaman, are not regarded as establishing such a case as should be the signal for hostilities. A brief despatch from Consul Frost at Queenstown, today, announced the destruction of the ship and the killing of the American sailor by the shells striking a boat which had just left the vessel.

A complete report will be awaited, but officials believe that circumstances surrounding this incident indicate an attempt on the part of the Eavestone to resist or escape from an attacking submarine. There also is involved the question of whether the ship was in the service of the British government. The consul's despatch referred to her as a "provisional collier."

The position of the government was said to bt still one of waiting, after the cabinet meeting. It was stated officially that there had been no developments to change that attitude. It also was explained authoritatively that the next step of the United States, if one is necessary, will be taken without addressing any inquiry to Germany. If American lives or ships are illegally destroyed by the Germans, action will follow as soon as the fact is established to the president's satisfaction.

Entente Not Enthusiastic.

Entente diplomatic representatives here allowed it to be known during the day that while highly gratified over the break with Germany, they were not at all anxious to see the United States actually drawn into the war. They frankly expressed a growing fear that Germany deliberately precipitated the rupture for the purpose of starting military preparations in America, and thereby cutting off munitions and supplies from the Allies.

Secretary Houston told the cabinet today that data in the hands of the department of agriculture show that the United States can be self-sustaining, whatever may happen to cut her off from the rest of the world.

Attorney-General Gregory reported on bills which will soon be pressed in congress strengthening the hands of the government in many directions. These include a measure for suppression of spying.

President Wilson devoted his entire day to the German situation. His only caller outside of the cabinet leaders was Henry Morgenthau, former ambassador to Turkey. He read, with gratification, offers from manufacturing and business concerns in all parts of the United States to assist the government in every way possible with their plants. These offers were forwarded to the war and navy departments, and many will be taken advantage of in case of war.

So far, it was indicated after the cabinet meeting, no definite word has been received by the state department that any other nation contemplates severing diplomatic relations with Germany.

GOVERNMENT PROSPECTS IN YORK BRIGHT

Opposition, Which was Buried by 2,300 in 1912, Making Frantic Effort to Find Victims.

Fredericton, Feb. 6.—The prospects for a sweeping government victory in York never looked better. The indications point to a large attendance at the county convention here on Thursday. The supporters of the government are very enthusiastic and are making extensive preparations for the campaign.

The government candidates in York in 1912 polled nearly 4,100 votes and the opposition less than 1,700, a majority of 2,300 or more.

The Weak Opposition.

The opposition is making frantic efforts to get a ticket together. Practically all of the old gang who supported the Pugsley-Tweedie-Robinson combination are in control of the party despite Dictator E. S. Carter's efforts to show that his outfit is brand new. The members of the opposition party do not hesitate to say that they are meeting with considerable difficulty to get standard-bearers.

Nelson W. Brown, of Southampton, Coun. James Douglas of Stanley and Coun. W. P. Lawson of McAdam are said to be three men who may be selected to make the sacrifice.

For fourth candidate no one knows who he will be, if one can be found. Peter Hughes, a Carvelite, has declined to permit the use of his name.

GERMAN SUBMARINE FIRES ON AMERICAN STEAMSHIP

Commander Seized Oil on Westwego, But Did Not Sink Ship —Many Vessels Torpedoed by Teuton Uundersea Piratical Craft.

London, Feb. 6.—Five shots were fired by the German submarine U-45 at the American steamship Westwego on January 31, it was announced officially here today. None of the shots took effect.

The announcement follows:

"The master of the United States steamer Westwego reports that on the 31st of January when 50 miles west of Fastnet, his ship was fired at from astern by the German submarine U-45. Five shots were fired, none of which however, took effect. The master accordingly stopped and sent a boat with his papers.

"The German submarine commander then demanded oil from the Westwego his demands being accompanied by threats to sink the ship if it refused.

"The claim to take the interests of neutrals into consideration, put forward in the German wireless of Feb. 5 is not strengthened by this report from the master of a neutral ship."

The Westwego, a tanker, sailed from Philadelphia January 17 for Barrow.

Port Adelaide Sunk.

London, Feb. 6.—Lloyd's reports that the British steamer Port Adelaide, carrying passengers, has been sunk. Ninety-six of the passengers and crew have been picked up at sea.

The captain of the Port Adelaide was captured.

The Russian steamer Cerera, of 3,512 tons gross, is believed to have been sunk, Lloyd's also reports.

The Port Adelaide was a steamer of 8,181 tons gross, built in 1911, and owned by the Commonwealth and Dominion Line.

Three More Torpedoed.

London, Feb. 7.—The Central News announces that the British steamers Palmieal, 3,206 tons, and California, 4,303 tons, have been torpedoed by a German submarine and that the Norwegian ship Thor II. has been torpedoed. The crews of the two steamers were landed.

Submarine Lost?

Copenhagen, via London, Feb. 6—The Politken says that the crew of the Danish steamer Klampenborg, which was sunk on January 23, declare that when the steamer went down a French warship was approaching. The submarine suddenly dived and they are convinced that, in sinking, the Klampenborg collided with and destroyed the submarine.

The crew of the Danish schooner Standard, also sunk on January 23, declare that the German submarine, which destroyed her, flew the French flag.

Three More Sunk.

London, Feb. 6—Lloyd's reports that the following vessels are "presumed to have been sunk:"

Norwegian steamer Rigel, twenty-two of her crew picked up at sea.

Norwegian bark Wasdale, nineteen of her crew picked up.

Norwegian bark Zongdal, twenty-five of her crew picked up.

The steamer Rigel, a vessel of 1,771 tons net, was last reported as having sailed from New York December 8 for Liverpool, where she arrived Dec. 28.

The Wasdale registered 1,856 tons. She left Buenos Aires November 16, and was last reported as having arrived at Fayal Azores Islands, Jan. 8.

The Zongdal was a vessel of 2,089 tons. She sailed from Buenos Aires, November 24, for the Azores.

Swede Sent Down.

London, Feb. 6—The Swedish steamer Bravalla, 1,553 tons, has been sunk by a submarine, according to an Exchange Telegraph despatch. The crew were landed. They were fired on by the submarine as they entered the boats.

Euphrates Crew Saved.

London, Feb. 6—The admiralty announces that the crew of the British steamer Euphrates has been landed at Gibraltar.

London, Feb. 6—The admiralty informs the Associated Press that there is only one survivor of the crew of the Lars Kruse, the Belgian relief ship sunk by a German submarine. No others are known to have been saved.

Two Perished.

Brest, Feb. 6—The captain and 12 men of the Spanish steamer Algerta, which was sunk by a submarine, have been landed here. Two sailors died from an exposure of forty-six hours in a boat.

More Piratical Work.

London, Feb. 6—The British sailing vessel Belfort, of 1,906 tons, has been sunk.

The Norwegian bark Tamana was also torpedoed.

LIBERAL SAYS CANADA SHOULD NOT SEND MEN OVERSEAS TO DO BATTLE

Roch Lanctot, M. P., of Laprairie-Napierville Delivers Himself of Remarkable Opinion in House of Commons — Thinks Men Should Be Kept at Home.

Sir Sam Hughes Considers Certain British Hospitals Matrimonial Bureaus Where Soldiers and English Girls Hold Hands—He wants Canadian Girls to Have a Chance Matrimonially.

Ottawa, Feb. 6—Sir Robert Borden announced that he had received a message from Hon. T. W. Crothers, Minister of Labor, to the effect that the striking miners had resumed work in all the coal mines in the west, except Coalhurst. They were to resume work at Coalhurst today. The Prime Minister was unable to tell Mr. Buchanan whether or not it was true that the miners had been promised a war bonus of $1.75 a day from November first. The terms of the settlement would be made public on the return of the Minister of Labor to Ottawa tomorrow.

Hon. A. E. Kemp informed Mr. E. M. MacDonald, Liberal, Pictou, as to the arrangements made for the employment of the Nova Scotia Highland Brigade. The 85th Battalion had been selected for service in France; the 185th Battalion had been attached to the 5th Division, and the other two units had been absorbed into the 17th Reserve Battalion to provide reinforcements for the 85th and other Nova Scotia units at the front.

Wants Four Liberals.

The Prime Minister asked Sir Wilfrid Laurier to name four Liberals to serve on the committee to be appointed to consider the question of the future care of the returned soldiers and their training for new vocations on their return to civil life. Sir Robert Borden also suggested that the house, and possibly also the senate, might name a committee to consider the manner in which the approaching 50th anniversary of Confederation should be celebrated in Canada.

Hon. C. J. Doherty referred to a question by Hon. Charles Marcil, Liberal, Bonaventure, some days ago as to the efforts made by the government to secure the release of Hon. Dr. Beland, Liberal, Beauce, from captivity in Germany. Mr. Marcil had remarked that Baron Mundheim and Baron Von Polen, two Germans, had been released from internment camps in Canada. The Minister of Justice said that Baron Mundheim had not been released but was still held at Fort Henry. Baron Von Polen had been released at a time when conditions made it impossible to arrange for an exchange of individuals. The government and the Imperial authorities had made every effort to have Dr. Beland released or exchanged by the Germans.

Another Grit "Patriot."

Mr. Roch Lanctot, Liberal, of Laprairie-Napierville, addressed the house when the motion was made for the consideration of the war appropriation bill in committee of the whole. Mr. Lanctot said he wished to protest against what he termed the extravagance and the ruinous policy of the government. It was folly, he asserted to send 300,000 men from Canada to fight in France in view of the fact that England had enough men for service at the front and Russia had an army of from 25,000,000 to 30,000,000 soldiers. Canada should conserve the men in order to manufacture munitions and to harvest the crops and thus to render true and effective service to the cause of the Allies.

Mr. Lanctot said that of 152,000 men enlisted in Ontario for overseas service 110,000 were British born. Yet some people were accusing Quebec, which had not received British immigrations, of not doing its duty. Mr. Lanctot hoped that the Prime Minister would make a statement before his departure for Europe to the effect that there would be no conscription to the end that young men of Ontario might remain at home and that migrations across the international border line might cease.

Pictou Man Again.

In committee Mr. E. M. MacDonald of Pictou discussed the report of Col. Herbert Bruce of Toronto upon the Canadian army medical services in England. That report, the Pictou member said, showed that there had been absolute lack of control of medical inspection of recruits. From five to fifteen per cent. of Canadian soldiers who went overseas were found to be medically unfit for service on their arrival in England.

Mr. MacDonald was inclined to agree with the suggestion that Canadian soldiers should be treated in Canadian hospitals. He held there was too much interference by British officers in matters pertaining to the Canadian forces. For instance, there was a "wet canteen" at Witley Camp whose proprietor absolutely refused to close it on orders from a Canadian officer, saying that he was operating under a contract with the British authorities.

Mr. McDonald said that of two Canadian hospitals in France with a capacity of 1,000 beds, one had three hundred patients, and the other none at all when Col. Bruce reported. The House should have an explanation before it adjourned of the disclosures made by Col. Bruce.

Sir Robert Replies.

Sir Robert Borden replying, said that the government was securing forty copies of the Bruce report from England, and was expediting the printing of the report of the board presided over by Sir William Baptie, directo-

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BRITISH MAKE MORE GAINS IN KUT-EL-AMARA REGION

London, Feb. 6.—The British offensive on the Tigris front has made further important gains, according to an official announcement given out here today. The statement follows:

"As a result of our successful assault on February 3 the enemy has evacuated the whole south bank of the Tigris east of the Hai-Tigris junction, which ground we now occupy. West of the Hai the enemy has evacuated his trenches to a line running due west from the Licorice factory which is situated north of the Tigris-Hai junction.

"Further evidence points to the enemy having suffered very severely in the recent fighting, 600 dead having been already counted as a result of our assault on the third. Our cavalry, returning from the raid, operated against Shumran, shelling enemy camps and trenches with good effects."

ST. JOHN SCHOONER IS WATERLOGGED.

Galveston, Texas, Feb. 6—The British schooner Irma Bentley, bound from Galveston to Port Au Prince with a cargo of lumber, was towed back to port today by the coast guard cutter Comanche, in a waterlogged condition. The crew of seven were safe. Heavy gales caused the schooner to begin leaking badly shortly after the vessel left port. Friday morning she filled suddenly.

The vessel is owned by R. C. Elkin, Limited, of St. John, N. B.

GLOUCESTER WILL SUPPORT GOVERNMENT

Convention Held on Thursday, Feb. 8—Strong Candidates will be Nominated and Victory Assured.

Special to The Standard.

Bathurst, Feb. 6.—The friends of good government will meet in convention at Caraquet on Thursday, February 8. The government supporters are most enthusiastic and many former supporters of the opposition who have become disgusted with the tactics of Messrs. Carter, Veniot and Co. will be found in the ranks of the supporters of the Murray government. The opposition in this county are thoroughly disorganized and know they are facing certain defeat in the coming battle of ballots. Committee rooms will be opened at once and the organization in the town completed. The opposition are using all kinds of canvasses, bringing in patriotic fund and Dominion politics but are making no headway in the face of the splendid work of the local nominee for the federal house, J. Bennett Hachey, who has been able to meet and refute every slander.

MINTO HOTEL, MONCTON BURNED THIS MORNING

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, Feb. 7.—A serious fire which started fifteen minutes before midnight destroyed the well-known Minto Hotel on Main street, entailing a loss estimated at $60,000. No one was injured, although there were several thrilling rescues.

The fire was discovered in the store of A. B. Belliveau, electrical fixtures being located in the hotel block. The flames rapidly spread from the store to the hotel, and within a short time the big four story wooden structure was aflame.

The firemen and hotel people rushed to rescue those of the guests and employes who had retired for the night. One of the bell boys, who was asleep narrowly escaped being burned to death, as did several guests.

The cause of the fire is unknown.

Patrick Gallagher, the owner of the hotel, carries an insurance of $22,000.

YORK AND SUNBURY POULTRY EXHIBITION

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Feb. 6.—York and Sunbury Stock and Poultry Association's annual show opened here tonight with over 600 entries. Entries from outside points are exceptionally large, while local poultry financiers are well represented.

Mr. J. B. Daggett, secretary for agriculture, was one of the principal speakers at the opening. Other men prominent in poultry industry in New Brunswick delivered addresses.

MANY CARS WRECKED IN BIG SMASH

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, Feb. 6.—A heavy loss to rolling stock was caused today by a head-on collision of freight trains on the northern division of the Canadian Government Railways at Barnaby River, twelve miles north of Rogersville, in Northumberland County. Two locomotives were badly smashed and many cars were derailed and piled up. A large number of them were badly damaged and several demolished.

The trains were in charge of Conductors Brown and Guthro. No one was injured.

The main line was blocked for hours.

CANADIANS RAID ON GERMANS BRILLIANT FEAT

TRIUMPH FOR MACHINE GUNNERS FROM CANADA

Germans Were Surprised By Daring Dash of Gallant Canadian Boys on Trenches Before Lens—Prisoners Captured.

London, Feb. 6.—The following communication is issued by the Canadian war records office:

The very successful raid of the Canadians upon the German trenches before Lens on the seventeenth instant, calls for more extended description than it has hitherto received. It was one of the most brilliantly planned and executed of these operations, of which the Canadians are the inventors and in which they peculiarly excel, and it possessed certain novel features in the manner in which the several forms of barrage smoke, gas, artillery and machine gun fire were worked in combination.

Barrage Continues.

This barrage was continuous and in tremendous volume, and it effectually walled up all the intervals between the bursting of shells.

It is perhaps not too much to say that the operation may be characterized as a special triumph for our machine gunners, though this, of course, in no way detracts from the praise due to all the other services involved.

For ten days immediately preceding the operations, our artillery and trench mortars had been steadily at work cutting the German wire in sections along a front of between 3,000 and 4,000 yards.

The actual raid was to be made on a front of some 750 or 800 yards, but the Germans were kept in tension all along the line, not knowing where the blow would fall. The wire here was very heavy and deep, but it was found everywhere completely blown to pieces, so well had our gunners done their work.

Darted Across Zone.

For all our precautions, however, the enemy was not caught napping. We exploded a mine and immediately put a furious barrage behind it. Immediately our raiding parties, which had been waiting in their trenches for the result of this manoeuvre, sprang out and darted across the zone of "No Man's Land" practically without opposition.

It was now 7.45 a. m., and broad daylight, but the Germans, who had been prevented from showing a head above their parapets by a continuous sheet of machine gun fire, were thoroughly taken by surprise.

Our men were into their trenches and around the doors of their dugouts with bayonet and hand grenade before they could organize any effective resistance. One hundred and one prisoners were gathered in and our parties set themselves to the work of blowing up the trenches, dugouts and machine gun emplacements. In this task they were not disturbed, as the area in which they were working was enclosed by the steady "carrumping" of our howitzers along the German communication trenches.

The time alloted them for the job was just one hour, and it was sufficient. At 8.56 our men were all back in our lines with their prisoners and their spoils.

Canadians Merciful.

The following incident of the raid will serve to illustrate how patient and indulgent our men can be toward ther enemies once they have them well beaten.

One of our officers with a handful of bombers stood at the mouth of a deep dugout crowded with Germans.

In his best German, such as it was, he ordered them to come out and surrender, as he was going to blow up the dugout.

A voice replied in excellent English: "Yes, we're coming."

He waited, but no one appeared and he repeated the order more emphatically. He got the answer: "Yes, yes, one minute, please."

Again he waited and still no one came forth, but time was short and he had more work to do. Once again he summoned them, adding that his next summons would be a bomb in their midst. Then at last and just in time the Bosches came clambering out, obviously much relieved and in a great hurry to surrender. Finally appeared their officer with dignity and deliberation.

"I had to wait to burn my papers," he explained apologetically.

The Canadian glared at him indignantly, then his face relaxed in approval.

"All right," he said, "we'll call it square, but two seconds more and you'd have been in kingdom come."

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NORTHUMBERLAND TO NOMINATE ON SATURDAY

R. A. Murdoch, ex-Mayor of Chatham, a Likely Candidate—Opposition Looking for Share of Grit Boodle Fund.

Special to The Standard.

Chatham, Feb. 6.—J. L. Stewart, M. L. A., president of the Government Association in Northumberland county has issued a call for the convention of Government supporters to nominate candidates to take place at Newcastle on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

The Government supporters were never in better shape than they are at the present time. Present indications are that ex-Mayor R. A. Murdoch will be one of the running mates for J. L. Stewart, M. L. A., and Frank D. Swim, M. L. A.

Mr. Murdoch is generally regarded as a strong candidate. He has been actively associated with all movements for the advancement of Northumberland and the North Shore generally.

A Newcastle politician it is said will not run himself on this occasion, but he is endeavoring to make arrangements to bring out a ticket. The name of Thomas Parker of Doaktown is mentioned as a possible candidate on this gentleman's ticket.

The Liberal Parish Association in session here last evening decided after considerable discussion to contest the provincial election on strict party lines. That would seem to indicate that Northumberland opposition leaders are anxious to get a share of the boodle fund which it is expected Ottawa leaders will put into the approaching contest.

Coughlan-Ashment.

The marriage of Pte. Walter Coughlan, returned hero, to Miss Margaret Ashment of Rye, Sussex, England, was solemnized at 8.30 on Monday morning in Chatham at the Cathedral by the Rt. Rev. M. A. O'Keeffe, in the presence of a large number of friends. Miss May Coughlan, daughter of Chief Coughlan, and niece of the groom, was bridesmaid, and Charles McEachern supported the groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Coughlan will reside in St. John, Mr. Coughlan having accepted a position on the police force.

Hon. J. A. Murray, premier of New Brunswick, was in the city yesterday, a guest at the Victoria Hotel.

Hon. B. Frank Smith, Minister of Public Works, was in the city yesterday, a guest at the Victoria Hotel.

DR. BRIDGES ADDRESSES SENIOR Y.M.C.A. BOYS

Boys' Work Committee Holds Annual Meeting and Highly Pleased With Progress Made.

At the regular Tuesday night supper of the High School and Senior Business Boys at the Y. M. C. A. last evening Dr. W. S. Bridges gave an interesting lecture on "The Life of Isaac Newson." An exceptionally large attendance profited by the lecture.

At 8 p. m. the regular monthly meeting of the boys' work committee was held, Chairman W. C. Cross presiding. Very encouraging reports were given of the work. The membership, 302, at the end of January, is the highest in the history of the association.

The annual Father and Son banquet will be held on February 15. Rev. S. S. Poole will deliver the address of the evening, and a strong toast list has been prepared. The committee is well satisfied with the work of the department, which is in a flourishing condition.

COL. FOWLER SENDS THANKS FOR XMAS GIFT

Letter Recently Received from Him on Behalf of Band of the 104th.

The following letter was received by F. T. Belyea from Lieutenant-Colonel George Fowler, acknowledging the receipt of £24 which was sent to the band of the 104th Battalion. The money was subscribed by relatives and friends of the members of the battalion:

Witley Camp, Surrey,
Jan. 12th, 1917.

F. T. Belyea, Esq., Sec.-Treas. 104th Battalion Band Fund, West St. John, N. B.,

Dear Sir,—On behalf of the 104th Battalion Band, I have been asked to reply to your very kind Christmas letter, acknowledging receipt of the bill of exchange enclosed therein.

It is certainly very gratifying, not only to the band, but to the battalion, to know that though gone, our band is not forgotten, and to know also that the memory of the good work performed by the band is still so green in the memories of the people of West St. John, that they are willing to contribute so handsomely to a Christmas present for the organization. You can rest assured that the money will be put to good use along the lines indicated in your letter.

Our band has had many pleasant experiences on this side. In the first place, coming over there were a number of other bands, yet ours was so far superior to the rest that they were selected to play every night at dinner, and previous to leaving the ship, the colonel of one of the other battalions, who had a band himself, presented our band with $104 as a slight recognition for the splendid entertainment the band had given during the voyage. At Shorncliffe, on the Leas at Folkestone, the band likewise won golden opinions, and since we have come to this camp, the same thing has been true. They have filled many outside engagements, and always with credit to themselves and the battalion to which they belong.

I may say to you that since coming to England the band has been outfitted with a magnificent set of new instruments, and is now second to no Canadian band on this side of the water, or the other side either for that matter. The battalion has spent a large amount of money on the band, and is very proud of the manner in which it is able to acquit itself.

Again repeating my expressions of gratitude toward yourself and committee, and the subscribers, I am, on behalf of the 104th Battalion Band,

Very sincerely yours,
GEO. W. FOWLER, Lt.-Col.,
O. C. 104th Battalion, Can. Inf.

Social Evening at Exmouth Street.

A splendid concert and social evening was held at the Exmouth street Methodist church last night, the occasion being a continuation of the celebrations being carried on this week in connection with the 60th anniversary of the church. A large number were present and very much enjoyed the following programme under the chairmanship of John Myles: Song by Geo. Currie, address by the Rev. R. Crisp, an amusing reading by Wm. Thompson, Miss Minnie Myles rendered two solos, and the Rev. G. F. Dawson gave a short address. W. Brock sang and refreshments were served.

Hon. A. R. Slipp, Minister of Lands and Mines, was in the city yesterday, a guest at the Royal Hotel.

Hon. H. I. Taylor of St. George was in the city yesterday.

INQUEST INTO DEATH OF FRED LIGHTS

Inquiry Begun Last Night and Will Be Continued on Monday, February 19.

The second session of the coroner's inquest into the death of Fred E. Lights, was held last night at the court house. The jury had previously viewed the body and last night the taking of evidence was begun. The jury is composed of the following: H. R. Roberts, foreman; J. D. Mitchell, Joseph Corkery, E. W. Rowley, W. W. Chase, C. A. Donald and W. P. Harrington.

Urban J. Sweeney appeared on behalf of the family of the deceased, and J. M. Brady was present in the interests of the C. P. R.

After a number of witnesses had been heard it was decided to adjourn until the evening of Monday, February 19 at eight o'clock.

The first witness was John R. Moores, who was acting as slingman on the day of the accident. He told of putting the parcels of oil cake in the sling and said he used every care that it was in solid. He had seen a sling with a board bottom and netting on the sides but did not know that it was any safer then the rope sling.

George H. Macaulay was hatchman on the day in question. Before starting this sling he had called out, under below, which was the usual warning when goods were coming down. He saw deceased when he called out the warning and considered that he had plenty of time to get out of danger. He placed the time of the accident at about 5.45.

William A. Ferris was winchman. He took his orders from the hatchman. None of the witnesses could give any reason for the accident. It might have been caused by the sling not being tight enough but they could not say such was the case.

Arthur J. Springer, George Steele, Joseph A. Arseneau, Charles S. Brown and William Gray who were in the hold at the time of the accident, had heard the warning called out and got out of the way. They heard the sling strike the bottom of the hatch and when they came out found that Mr. Lights had been struck. He was picked up by Messrs. Springer and Gray and was unconscious when they found him.

As the hour was getting late it was decided to adjourn until Monday evening, February 19, at eight o'clock when further evidence wil be taken.

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CENTENARY BROTHERHOOD.

There was a well attended meeting of the Centenary Brotherhood, held in the parlors of Centenary church last evening, at which E. J. Fleetwood presided. The speaker of the evening was A. M. Belding, who spoke on "Some Things the Social Service Council Must Aim to Do."

After the address J. Hunter White moved the following resolution:

"Resolved that this body of Centenary men desires to express its approval of the objects and aims of the Social Service Council, and pledges itself to support in every way possible all efforts of that organization for the social and moral betterment of the city and county of St. John. Especially would they emphasize the work on behalf of the children as being undertaken by the Children's Aid Society."

The resolution was seconded by Rev. W. H. Barracluogh and unanimously adopted.

A Good word for a Good Typewriter — "Remington." A. Mitchie Fraser, Jas. A. Little, Mgr., 37 Dock street, St. John, N. B.

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BISHOP SPEAKS OF CANADA'S DUTY IN WORLD WAR

BISHOP RICHARDSON ASKS IF CANADA HAS DONE ENOUGH TOWARDS AIDING EMPIRE IN MOMENTOUS STRUGGLE

Head of Anglican Diocese, of Fredericton, at Annual Session of Synod, Warmly Praises Canadians for What They Have Done and Are Doing, But "We Shall Have Not Done Enough Until Last Man Been Enrolled and Last Dollar Paid"—Of Total Enrollment in Canada Up to October 45 Per Cent. Were Anglicans.

The great world war and Canada's part in it were subjects yesterday by one of the most important addresses ever delivered by Rt. Rev. Dr. John Richardson, Lord Bishop of Fredericton. In an exhaustive summary of the suituation as it exists in the old land and in Canada, Bishop Richardson spoke plainly to the members of the 48th annual Synod of the diocese which assembled yesterday at Trinity Church.

The role which the Dominion has played in the conduct of the war was dealt with extensively. Reference was made to the fact that 400,000 men had been enlisted for military service and an eloquent tribute paid to the soldiers of the Dominion and to those who have fallen in battle. Credit was given also to those at home who had contributed to the success of the cause. The question was raised as to whether we have done enough. Reference was made to falling off in recruiting and to the lack of adequate efforts to correct this situation.

His Lordship questioned whether the 500,000 promised would be Canada's share, and said that we shall not have done enough until the last man has been enrolled and the last dollar paid. He would not suggest that the voluntary system had been a failure, but added that it must be evident that the system is not satisfactory today. Unless the Dominion is prepared to accept the responsibility for failure in this respect, he said, we are compelled to consider the question of conscription.

Anglicans 45 Per Cent.

The Bishop stated that up to last October out of the 370,000 who enlisted in Canada, 165,000 claimed to hold allegiance to the Anglican Church. In other words, the Anglican community in Canada had given up to that time 45 per cent. of the entire enlistment, or 15.81 per cent. of its total membership.

Abstract of Address.

Bishop Richardson's address in part follows:

"For the third year in succession, the thoughts uppermost in the minds of all of us as we come together are thoughts of war. When twelve months ago, I addressed you upon the subject, it seemed impossible to think that another year would find the war still going on, with ever increasing bitterness and with the end apparently still far off. It has been a sad year, and most of all sad for those of us whose lives have been lived under the shadow of an ever impending sorrow, and to whom there has come at length a message of sudden death. There are some such here, and many others in the Diocese. We can only pray for them, and assure them of our deepest sympathy. Yet we can do something more than that. We can thank God that the darkness that has settled down upon their lives is not all darkness—that it is illumined by the light of an heroic sacrifice. For if, in the providence of God, they have been called upon to surrender someone very dear to them—a father, a husband, or a brother, or a son—it will, at least, always be their glory to remember that the call of duty was willingly obeyed, that it was no grudgingly, or beneath the pressure of some stern compulsion, that those brave young souls made the sacrifice supreme, but in the splendid spirit of a noble offering. The things that were gain to them, like St. Paul—may it not be said?—these they counted loss for Christ. They found upon the battlefield the coronation of their manhood, and through death they entered into

HIS LORDSHIP BISHOP RICHARDSON.

life. It was revealed to them, we trust that

". . . the toppling crags of duty scaled
Are close upon the shining tablelands
To which our God Himself is moon and sun."

"Some of you will remember reading a short time ago the thrilling words written in farewell to his parents by a young English soldier, as with a foreboding of his coming fate, he went into the trenches. They seem to speak to us with a solemn message from the dead. * * *

"But for this war, I and all the others would have passed into oblivion like the countless myriads before us. We should have gone about our trifling business, eating, drinking, sleeping, hoping, marrying, giving in marriage, and finally dying, with no more achieved than when we were born, with the world no different for our lives. Even the cattle in the fields fare no worse than this. They too eat, drink, sleep, bring forth young, and die, leaving the world no different from what they found it.

"But we shall live forever in the results of our efforts. We shall live as those who by their efforts won the great war. Our spirits and our memories shall endure in the proud position Britain shall hold in the future. The measure of life is not its span, but the use made of it. I did not make much use of my life before the war, but I think I have done so now." (Lt. Eric L. Townsend.)

Those Who Sleep

"It is not given to many men to write for themselves an epitaph so noble and inspiring, but in its eloquence there is made articulate, we may well believe, the voiceless silence of many souls that sleep in France and Flanders.

"There is little that I can hope to say about the war, that is not known to all of you, yet I cannot bring myself to pass the subject by. It concerns us all too closely to make that possible. The past year has been in some respects a disappointing one, although, as we look back upon it, there is much to make us thankful. It is, however, not of the successes that I desire to speak to you today.

"We have not accomplished all that we hoped would be accomplished, and some of our most confident expectations even have not been realized. It has been a bitter disappointment to see Roumania overrun, and to find in that country a liability rather than an asset. The only gain for the Allies in that respect, indeed, would seem to have been a lengthening of the German lines, which, with their rapidly diminishing of men, they could ill afford. It has been lamentable, again, to see how apparently futile the efforts of the Allies have been in Greece, although there have been, no doubt, difficulties in that connection of which the world at large knows very little. It may well be, too, that more has been accomplished than we can hope yet to understand. Yet, when all has been said, candour compels us to admit that the Balkan war-map registers a substantial gain for Germany, and the situation for the Allies in that respect is very serious.

Serious Situation

"It is much more serious, indeed, I think, than is generally recognized. For too many of us are incurable optimists as regards the war. It is assumed that, because Germany has failed to attain the immediate aims with which so callously and cruelly she plunged the world into this war, her ultimate triumph is no longer possible, and that, therefore, all that the Allies have to do is to hold on a little longer, and their safety will be assured. It is taken for granted that the obvious meaning of Germany's peace proposals—if such they can be called—is the overwhelming sense of her own desperate need, the conviction that she must have peace. That idea, no doubt, accounts in part for the clamour from certain neutral quarters that the time has come for conference, and that the Allies ought to be willing to meet Germany half-way in the matter. If, as would seem to be the case, it is being urged, Germany is ready to make generous concessions in regard to occupied territory in Belgium, France, and Russia, what more can be reasonably expected of her? Let the fighting stop. The world is weary of the war.

In the Balkans

"But the danger of all this lies in the fact that it takes no account of what has happened in the Balkan Countries, and it is with that in mind that the Allies have characterized Germany's proposals as insincere. Is it not possible that these proposals emanate not so much from Germany's sense of weakness on the Western front as from her conviction of strength in the Balkan Countries? It will certainly not do to ignore the tremendous bearings of the Balkan situation upon the entire question of the war. It is quite true that Germany has failed in her immediate aims. Her armies have proved impotent to crush France and Russia, and, instead of an almost defenceless England, the rude challenge of Germany has conjured into being a new military power, whose prowess even Teuton arrogance has learned no longer to despise. In this respect, at least, the vast machine which Germany built up so carefully, and with such extraordinary skill, has broken down. But all this is to look only upon the surface of the war. The crushing of France and Russia were Germany's immediate aims, but behind them there was concealed another purpose—a purpose almost as devilish in audacity as it is colossal in conception—Pan-Germanism, or the policy of world supremacy for the House of Hohenzollern. It was this ruthless purpose, you remember, which was the subject of Professor Usher's startling book, published only just before the outbreak of the war, and whose statements seemed so difficult to credit. It is a policy that has been since repudiated by official Germany, but, in the light of the revelations which the war has brought, it is being more and more accepted by neutral thinkers.

"There has recently appeared, however, upon the same subject another book—this time by a distinguished Frenchman, M. Cheradame—amplifying Usher's arguments, and throwing an illuminating light upon the policy. So important at this stage of the war is an understanding of the subject, that I venture to put before you a summarized statement of M. Cheradame's conclusions.

Pan-Germanism

"Pan-Germanism, M. Cheradame points out, is not, as was suggested by Professor Usher, merely the mad dream of a few influential men, but a definite idea that has literally dominated the most powerful elements of German life for the past twenty-five years. It looks for the establishment under German rule of a vast confederation of Central Europe—not simply a group of allied nations, but a confederation, comprising in the west Holland, Belgium, Luxemburg, Switzerland, and portions of Northern France; and in the east Russian Poland, Esthonia, Livonia, Courland, and the three Russian governments of Kovno, Vilna, and Grodno; in the southeast all of Austria-Hungary. This would mean a confederation under German rule of 1,722,000 square kilometers, with 162,000,000 inhabitants, as against the German Empire before the war of 540,000 square kilometers, and 68,000,000 inhabitants. It would mean 85,000,000 non-German subjects in the new Empire. In addition to this, the Pan-German plan contemplates the absolute subordination of the Balkan countries, with 499,000 square kilometers, and 22,000,000 non-German inhabitants, to the Great Central European Confederation ruled from Berlin, and the political and military seizure of Turkey, with 1,792,000 square kilometers and 22,000,000 inhabitants, afterwards to be enlarged by the annexation of Egypt and Persia. Thus, by the union of Central Europe, the Balkans, and Turkey, Germany would have under her sovereignty or control 4,015,000 square kilometers, and 204,000,000 inhabitants, of whom 127,000,000 would be non-Germans, and only 77,000,000 Germans. In addition to this, Pan-Germanism, as both Usher and Cheradame see it, contemplates a vast colonial empire.

Huns' Colossal Scheme.

"That is the plan towards which the present war was intended, probably to be only the preparatory step. The important thing for us, however, at the present moment, is to understand that relation to this colossal scheme of Germany's victories in the Balkan States. It is not too much to say that the end of the war at the present stage would mean that almost nine-tenths of this supreme purpose had been attained. Northern France and Belgium might be evacuated as the price of peace, Russian territory might be restored. Alsace-Lorraine might be surrendered, Italy's ambitions might be satisfied in part at the expense of Austria, a vast indemnity, even, might be paid, and Germany would still have in her hands nearly ninety per cent. of that which she set herself to win. She would have acquired complete control of Austria-Hungary; Bulgaria, Serbia, Roumania, and Turkey would be beneath her thumb; a bridge would have been constructed to the Orient, so that, by means of an exclusively German highway of commerce from Hamburg to the Persian Gulf, the entire east would be laid under tribute to German trade. There would have been absorbed into the German Empire more than 3,000,000 square kilometers of new territory, covering an enormous additional population, which could readily be exploited in the interests of the future wars which would inevitably follow.

"It is not difficult to understand the terrible menace to the peace and safety of the world which Germany would become under these conditions. To quote once more from M. Cheradame, the Pan-German confederation would place at Germany's disposal armies aggregating between 15,000,000 and 21,000,000 men, all officered by Germans, and controlled from Berlin. These would soon not only reconquer Alsace-Lorraine, but hack their way to Calais on the west, into Russia on the east and southeastward, pouring into Egypt and India, eventually disrupt the British Empire, and bring the British colonies under German control. From this position of surpassing supremacy and power, does anyone doubt that it would be comparatively easy for Germany to extend the sphere of operations into the United States, substituting for the present policy of a so-called peaceful penetration a campaign of intrigue and treachery, which, as in the case of luckless Serbia, could only end in an appeal to arms, with a result which can be readily foreseen?

Nothing Impossible

"This is all very startling, but there is nothing impossible, or even unlikely about such an extension of the war. On the contrary, it is the logical outcome of the Pan-German movement if carried to a successful conclusion, and it is with that in mind that those amongst the allied leaders most competent to judge—as, indeed, some well-informed Americans—have repeatedly declared that, amongst other objects, this war is being waged in defence of the United States. To many, no doubt, that statement will sound absurd, but not more absurd, perhaps, than a similar statement sounded to multitudes of sober-minded men, when made with reference to the British Empire in the uncertain days that ushered in the war. Then it was almost everywhere assumed that the principles of right and wrong, of truth and justice, would play their proper part in German policy and German practice, but such an assumption, alas, is no longer possible. By the resistless logic of a sad experience during thirty months of war, we have been taught our lesson—a lesson that we shall not soon forget.

Germany's Anxiety

"In the light of all this, it is not difficult to understand Germany's anxiety for an immediate peace. It is possible that it does not betoken so much the fear of what may happen on the western front, as the understanding of what has happened in the Balkan States. Because of the ineptitude of allied diplomacy in that theatre of the war, the coming of peace at this time would mean for Germany a sweeping victory—the realization, at least, in prospect, of almost nine tenths of that for which she has been planning—whilst the prolongation of the war until military pressure and economic ruin had done their inevitable work would turn the frenzied dream into a hideous nightmare. It is the sense of that situation, which underlies Germany's peace proposals. One can understand, too, the irony with which a certain section of our neutral neighbors to the south are frantically applauding the mischievous efforts of a peace-at-any-price party (blind to the handwriting upon the Balkan wall, and eager only to secure their own immediate safety) to end the war upon the basis of such concessions as Germany might well be glad to make in Belgium, France and Russia.

"All this helps one to understand, too, the meaning of those adequate guarantees, upon which the Allies, collectively and individually, are so sternly insisting as one indispensable condition of peace. Such guarantees mean more than any process of proportionate disarmament, and more, even, than a radical change in the political complexion of German life, important as those things may be. The real guarantee for safety in the future is rather this—and again I give you M. Cheradame's conclusions—the creation in the Balkan countries of a new nation, composed of Serbs, Hungarians, Croatians, and other kindred peoples now subject to Austria-Hungary—a nation containing a population of more than 30,000,000, and set squarely across Germany's projected bridge from Hamburg to the Orient, sufficiently strong to more than offset the gain to German strength from the absorption of some 8,000,000 Austrians of German blood, and interposing an impenetrable barrier to the realization of German hopes as regards the East. That is the supreme task to which the Allies must set their hands, affording, as it does, the only adequate guarantee of future safety, and accepting, you will notice, that principle of respect for nationality upon which President Wilson laid such stress in his recent utterance.

Must Put Forth Strength

"I need not apologize for dwelling at such length upon this single aspect of the war. The circumstances of the moment seem to call for it. There is a tendency among us to assume that all is well with us and with the war—that we can afford to accept the situation as it stands—that all we have to do in Canada is to await events—that a substantial victory is now assured. I can see no warrant for that assumption. The truth is, as General Sir William Robertson said the other day, the Allies will only win this war by putting forth all their strength. Anything less than that may well mean defeat.

That is the chanllenge that has come to us in Canada. What is to be our answer to it We know something of the answer that the Motherland has made to it. We have watched with admiration the astounding stream of men and money that has been poured forth from England's shores. Never

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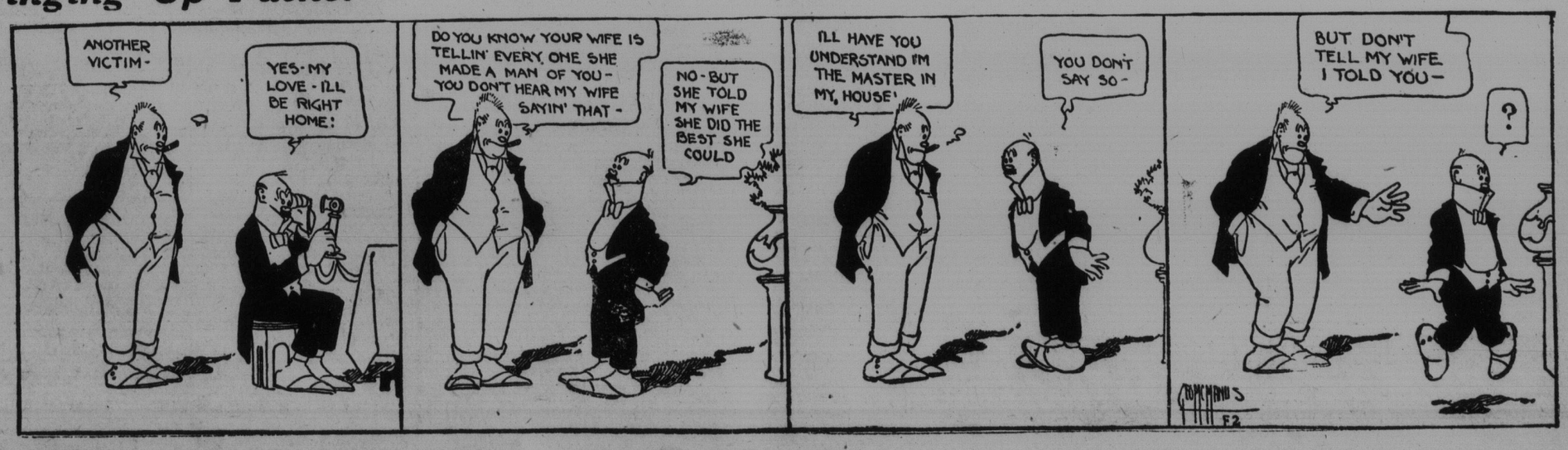

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in all history was there such an answer to such a challenge. Never did free men more splendidly vindicate their right to freedom. Never did the women of a nation more triumphantly affirm the worth of womanhood. Upwards of 5,000,000 men offered themselves for service, and then, to make sacrifice complete, the entire manhood of the nation accepted without demur the principle and practice absolute alien to all its history, and bowed the neck of liberty beneath the conscript yoke. It was a splendid spectacle. Nothing in all the history of the war up to that moment could have so convinced Germany of England's unwavering will to fight on to the very end as this surrender. Nothing could have given more cheer and encouragement to England's Allies.

Canada's Part.

"So much for the Motherland. But what about ourselves? What have we done? What part has been paid by the Dominion in this great conflict between principle and passion? How far has our sacrifice as a nation measured up to the standard set us by the Mother Country? We have enlisted for active service 387,000 men. That is no small accomplishment, and in our eager desire for an even greater record we must never undervalue it. To have found in Canada nearly 400,000 men ready to throw their lives into this maelstrom of conflicting forces, knowing full well the sternness of the test to which their manhood would be put, is a magnificent achievement. As a Synod, too, we rejoice to know that in this great response to King and Country, our own dear Church of England has been foremost. I have no official figures later than those given to a deputation of the House of Bishops at the end of last October, but at that time, out of 370,000 enlisted men, no less than 165,000 had recorded their allegiance to the Church of England.

Anglicans Strong

"In other words, the Anglican communion in Canada had given at that time about forty-five per cent of the entire enlistment, or 15.81 per cent of her total membership according to the latest census. This is a record of which we may well feel proud. An unworthy attempt has here and there been made, I know, to cast doubt upon the accuracy of these figures, but it is enough to say that they are official, and as little likely to be misleading as any others that are compiled by a Government Bureau. Mistakes in emmuneration have, no doubt, been made but it would be an entirely gratuitous assumption to suggest that such inevitable blunders have favored one religious body more than any other.

"In round figures, then, upwards of 400,000 men have been enlisted, and of these almost half have already seen active service at the front. Of the record that they have made, the Dominion is justly proud. They have inscribed the name of Canada large upon the honor roll of fame. They have done deeds of bravery that challenge comparison with anything in history. They have lived, they have fought, and some of them, alas, have died, like men. Like England's great Duke, "Whatever record leap to life," they "Never shall be shamed." We thank God for the splendid courage and devotion of the men who have gone forth to fight for Canada and freedom.

Home Folks Praised

"We rejoice, too, in the magnificent service rendered by multitudes of men and women, who could only serve at home? It has been an inspiration to see how from East and West, and from North to South, the heart of the nation has been stirred as it was never stirred before. Did time permit, it would be intensely interesting to review the untiring labors of the various societies that have done such noble work in connection with the war—the Red Cross Society, the Daughters of the Empire, the Patriotic Fund Committees, the Soldiers' Wives Leagues, and many others that will readily suggest themselves. But all this is well-known to you, and I need not dwell upon it now.

"We rejoice, then, in what has been accomplished, but have we done enough? That is the question to which I want to come. Have we done enough? We have enlisted 400,000 men and pledged ourselves to send to the front [illegible]00 more. It is no small contribu[illegible] but is it large enough? Is it the adequate expression of our duty? I press the point upon you, and through you upon the province.

Duty of Canadians

"Have we done our duty? That would seem to be the impression upon the minds of some. Recruiting has fallen off alarmingly during the last nine months, yet, so far as I am aware, no plan has been proposed by those in power that is at all likely to correct the weakness. I am not forgetting the National Service Scheme, and we shall all be ready, I hope, to support it to the utmost of our power, but, whatever other good it may effect, it is difficult to understand in what real way it will stimulate recruiting. It will, no doubt, put the Government in possession of valuable information as to the man-power of the nation, but I am unable to see any suggested way in which that man-power is to be applied to the problem that is most of all pressing upon our hearts and consciences—the problem of recruiting. I have followed more or less closely the response of the various meetings in which the details and expectations of the plan have been expounded to the public—and they seem to have been expounded with extraordinary eloquence and skill—but there has been very little to reasure me. It is, at least, clear to my own mind that, whatever else the scheme may accomplish—and it may accomplish very much—there is little likelihood that it will materially increase our contribution of fighting men to the Empire in this day of its direst need. Nay, I am almost afraid that the contrary is true. I have been asking myself the question whether there is not at least some danger lest the stress that is being laid upon the economic contribution should serve to salve the conscience of multitudes of men who have been halting between two opinions, and so make it all too easy to stay at home. It may be that I am wrong in my judgment on this question. I hope so with all my heart. At least, however, I can see nothing in the scheme that seems to be calculated to greatly stimulate recruiting, and that is to my mind the most urgent duty of the hour. It is important, of course, to maintain "the agricultural and other basic industries of the Dominion" at the highest possible pitch of production and efficiency. That is an axiom of war-time thought. It is most of all important in the present crisis, to reinforce and strengthen to the utmost of our power the armies that are serving at the front. To fail in that respect is to fail in the first thing of all. There ought, then, to go out to the Government from every source and centre of influence a strong challenge, yes, even a peremptory demand, that nothing be left undone to secure from Canada the largest possible contingent of fighting men.

Dominion's Part

But what does that imply? It would seem to be in the minds of some that the duty of the Dominion in this regard is confined within the limits of the 500,000 men, who have been promised. Yet even so, it might be pointed out in passing that we have so far failed to implement our promise, that the Empire is still waiting for 120,000 men although we are well into the third year of the war. It is to be expected that we shall implement that promise, but if ever there was a time for the warning of the old adage—Bis dat, qui cito dat—that time is now. A hundred thousand men at the front today may be worth 500,000 later on.

Fighting For Canada

"But let that pass. It is the main question with which I am most of all concerned—whether, when 500,000 men have been raised, equipped, and sent forward to the front, Canada will have done her duty. I cannot think so. If we are fighting for the Mother Country only, if it is only a case of intervening in England's wars, if our relationship to this great war is only that of a daughter sending help to her mother in distress, then it may be that we have done as much as, and, perhaps, more than might well have been expected. But is that our real relationship? Are we merely fighting for the Mother Land? Or are we fighting for ourselves? That is the crucial question, for if we are indeed fighting for ourselves, if it is our own hearths and homes that are in danger—nay, more than that, if, on the battlefields of stricken Europe the eternal principles of youth and honor and justice are being defended against the unscrupulous attacks of moral anarchy, if the Allies are enlisted in the sacred service of humanity itself, then, I submit, we have not done enough, and we shall not have done enough until the last man has been enrolled, and the last dollar paid.

"But is there any doubt as to what our relationship to the war really is? Whatever may have been in the minds of most of us at the beginning of the conflict, we know just where we stand today. Whatever our reluctance then to believe of Germany what we would not believe about ourselves, our eyes have long since been opened to the truth. We know that we are fighting for ourselves, and in defence of those fundamental principles upon which our civilization stands. But if that be true, and that is the question to which I have been coming—then how can we be satisfied with a standard lower and less arduous than that which has been so willingly accepted by the Motherland? We know what has been done in England, and I ask you this—if England has been content to accept such a condition of sacrifice and service, of tribute and taxation, of suffering and sorrow, then how can Canada be content with less? It is a question of common self-respect.

Conscription Issue

What is involved in this conclusion? Two things, at least, seem to necessarily follow. There is involved, first of all, the question of conscription. I do not suggest that the voluntary system has been from the first a failure. On the contrary, up to a certain point it was a magnificent success. It was subject, of course, to certain drawbacks and disabilities, whic I need not now discuss, but within those limits it proved effective to a marked degree. It produced men for the first year of the war, and perhaps for a longer period, as fast probably as they could well be trained and equipped, and gave a guarantee of more than ordinary excellence as regards the material enlisted. So far, then, the system was a pronounced success. It must be evident, however, to any impartial person that the system is not satisfactory today, that the limit of effective recruiting in this regard has long since been reached, just as in the long run it was reached in the Motherland. For many months past, it has been said enough men have not come forward to make up even the terrible wastage that belongs to such a war. (Is it only a coincidence, one is prompted to ask, that last year 16,000 more persons left Canada for the United States than in 1915, or is there here any sinister connection with the problem of recruiting?) It is a grave question, then, whether, under the ordinary system we can hope to complete our promised contribution of half a million men in time to be of much service to the Empire, much less increase that contribution as it ought to be increased. Unless, therefore, we are prepared as a people to accept the responsibility of failure to this extent, we are compelled in self-respect, I think, to consider the question of conscription, or, at least, of some form of compulsory military service.

Grave Difficulties

It is a question that ought long ago to have been bravely faced by Canada. I do not ignore the grave difficulties that belong to it, and I am not at all sure that it would prove to be a practicable plan, but we should at least be able to face the world with more self-respect if the question had been formally and officially discussed. I do not suggest that the question has not been considered by the Cabinet, but it has never been discussed, I think, in the frank, open way, which alone could determine the practicability of such a plan. There has certainly been no real attempt to ascertain the mind of the country upon the question, much less a systematic effort to educate public opinion in that regard. Primarily, I suppose, the responsibility for this failure rests upon the Government and I desire to make the statement with all due respect—but it belongs also to the opposition. The gravamen of my charge, then, is this—that the political leaders of the land, on both sides of the house, have, to all intents and purposes pursued a policy of acquiescence in the (to them) seeming insuperability of difficulties that do undoubtedly exist, and have done little or nothing to remove or even modify them. The line of least resistance has been followed. References have been made upon public platforms to the question of conscription, that were most distinctly calculated to increase the difficulties that surround the subject. To suggest to the forces from which opposition might be expected that riot and rebellion would almost certainly follow the introduction of any measure of compulsion could only have one result—the accentuating of the difficulties, and the stiffening of the opposition. It has been a deplorable mistake. I venture to say that if a similar policy had been pursued in England, if, in this regard, there has been the same timidity of plan and purpose, if, at the first suggestion of this plan, the pulse of popular approval had been consulted and obeyed, there would be no such splendid army as that with which the Germans, to their sorrow, find themselves today confronted, and the Empire itself would be in deadly danger. It was the bold, statesmanlike way in which the absolute necessity of extreme measures was pressed home upon the people that drew from the democracy of England so magnificent an answer and smothered all sectional and selfish opposition.

Difficulties in England

"I do not imply that the difficulties of the Motherland in this respect were as formidable as those which obtain in Canada, although they were at the outset far more serious than we have been allowed to understand. My point is this—that we have no right to assume that our difficulties are insuperable until the mind of the people has been definitely and distinctly ascertained. But I go farther than that. I am convinced that, in view of the vital importance of enlisting every possible man in the service of the Empire, there ought to have been a steady and systematic effort to prepare the nation for the possibility, yes, and the probability of some measure of compulsion. Such an effort, indeed, is being made in this scheme of National Service, but it has come, I fear, eighteen months too late. We are sowing the seed, when the harvest should have been ready for the reaping.

Most Arrant Nonsense

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Switzerland Declines to Depart From Lines of Strict Neutrality—Mexico Pro-German?—Excited Scene in Berlin—German Diplomats in Madrid Try to Influence Spanish Government—Serious Situation in Canaries.

New York, Feb. 6.—The engines in every German and Austrian ship interned in New York harbor, including the largest steamer in the world, the Vaterland, have been deliberately wrecked by their crews on orders from Berlin or Von Bernstorff. It is estimated by informants of the New York Sun that $30,000,000 worth of irreplaceable marine machinery was smashed or made useless in the few hours before Count Bernstorff delivered the defiant U-boat announcement by the Kaiser.

Immigration officials at Ellis Island today continued the examination of German seamen from the German merchant ships in this port who sought permission to enter the country as immigrants. Eighteen members of these crews were allowed to enter yesterday.

The German ships are still under heavy guard. Federal officials say that the ships are the property of the German owners and that the United States government has no power to interfere with them as long as the men aboard do not violate the laws of the country.

Heavy Damage in Hawaii.

Honolulu, Feb. 6.—Engines and boilers of all nine German merchant vessels tied up on the Hawaiian Islands, have been disabled by the crews. The crews of the North German Lloyd steamers Pommern and Prinz Waldemar have been formally taken into custody and crews of the other seven vessels are detained at the immigration station.

Territorial authorities have requested their removal to the naval base at Pearl Harbor. The request was referred to Washington.

German Effronttry.

Madrid, Feb. 5, via Paris, Feb. 6.—Prince Max von Ratiber, German ambassador to Spain, personally called yesterday on former premiers Maura and Dato and former Minister of the Interior Juan De La Cierva and explained to them Germany's submarine note, with the object of convincing them of Germany's good intentions, says El Pais.

"This direct intervention by the German ambassador with the leaders of the opposition," says the newspaper, "is a lack of respect both to the government, which alone is qualified to judge the German note and reply to it, and to the opinion of the country, which has given to the government its full confidence.

"The situation in the Canaries, which was grave before the declaration of the blockade, is now desperate. The port of Las Palmas is paralyzed. Certain articles of first necessity are entirely lacking, and the prices of kerosene, soap and flour have increased 150 per cent. The population is without resources or work and is reduced to begging alms. The government has been approached with a view of having transatlantic liners going to America call at Las Palmas and complete their cargoes with local produce."

Swiss Still Neutral.

Berne, via Paris, Feb. 6.—It is semi-officially stated that Switzerland, in reply to President Wilson's note, will decline to depart from the line of strict neutrality, which is a vital principle of Swiss policy.

Mexico Wants Fight?

London, Feb. 6.—A Reuter's despatch from Amsterdam quotes the Telegraaf as saying that a wireless telegram has appeared in the German papers stating that General Carranza has sent his best wishes to the German Emperor from Queretaro.

Count von Bernstorff has been granted the Iron Cross with the white ribbon by the German Emperor, according to an Amsterdam despatch to the Exchange Telegram Company, quoting a report from German headquarters. This decoration is one conferred on civilians for services rendered in time of war.

Wild Scene in Berlin.

Berlin, Feb. 5, via London, Feb. 6.—The scene at the United States embassy this morning recalled the memorable days of August, 1914. Crowns of anxious Americans blocked the corridors and secretarial rooms seeking the renewal of passports and above all advice for their future course and in regard to the possible routes back home.

Several secretaries and attaches of the embassy were stationed in the corridors to answer questions, and the passport department worked at full speed extending and renewing passports without resorting to the hitherto prescribed reference to Washington.

Hun Wireless Station.

Dijon, France, Feb. 6.—The newspaper Noroeste today prints a transcript of a telephone message alleged to have been sent from here to the German consul at Madrid advising him of the departure of a ship for Bilbao to load iron ore for a foreign port. The newspaper also alleges the existence of a concealed wireless station to supply information to German submarines regarding the movements of ships.

BISHOP RICHARDSON ASKS IF CANADA HAS DONE ENOUGH TOWARDS AIDING

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public life without a moment's mutiny or murmur. The payment of taxes is compulsory, obedience to the laws of health and sanitation is compulsory, respect for law—not merely moral—but even sumptuary law—is compulsory. Who would defend the voluntary principle in these respects? Then why in the name of logic and common sense, should there be the expression of protesting horror at the idea of compulsory military service for the safety of the State? The only explanation, I suppose, is this—the conviction has not yet come home to us that the safety of the State requires this sacrifice. Let me quote to you a statement recently made at a public meeting in Montreal. "I do not believe that conscription would be wise, necessary, or right, at the present time, but I do not bind myself to any doctrine that would keep me from work to save the State, if I thought it was in jeopardy." That statement does not stand alone. It is typical of others that have been made officially during the past few months, and it is worthy of a close examination. Expanded, it might be stated thus, "I recognize that there are peculiar difficulties in regard to conscription at the present time, and therefore, I am not ready to advocate it now. I am prepared to put my trust in the magnificent armies which Great Britain and her Allies have raised and equipped by this very method which so offends the susceptibilities of many in our midst. There is, thank God, every reason to suppose that they will prove equal to the task. If, however, it should unhappily be proved by the inexorable logic of events," a logic, be it remembered that would have been expressed in terms of fearful slaughter—"that all their sacrifice of blood and treasure had been poured out in vain, then I should feel constrained to accept conscription as necessary to save the State," but then, it might well be added, it would be too late, for the State would not merely be in jeopardy; it would be lost.

Praises Political Leaders

"There comes to my mind in this connection a saying of Solomon, "The slothful man saith, There is a lion in the way; a lion is in the streets." I would not suggest that there has been sloth in the administration of affairs, for it is a pleasure to stand here and express my firm conviction that there has been an unparalleled expenditure of energy and effort, an absolutely unselfish devotion to duty upon the part of our political leaders, a splendid sacrifice of self upon the altar of the nation's need. So far however, as the question of conscription is concerned, the knowledge that "there is a lion in the way" has been responsible for a policy of procrastination, that is, in my judgment, deplorable. Once more let me say it, I am not sure that conscription, as the term is ordinarily understood, is practicable under present Canadian conditions, but infinite good might have been accomplished by a campaign of popular education in that respect. We certainly ought not to shrink from putting the question to the test.

One thing more let me say in this connection. It is simply this—if, in regard to this war, there rests upon us in Canada the same responsibility of sacrifice as rests upon the people of the Motherland, then, apart altogether from any question of military service, ought there not to be the enactment of legislation to compel the country to accept such sacrifice? There is being rightly urged upon us the duty of economy in every department of public and private life in order that the resources of the Empire may be as far as possible conserved. It is a policy of prudence that will commend itself to the reasoned pudgment of every one of us.

"Certain steps have, indeed, been taken by the Government of Canada to eliminate the unnecessary expenditure of public money.

Train Service

"Train service is everywhere being reduced to the very minimum of comfort and convenience. These are steps in the right direction, and will doubtless be accepted uncomplainingly.

"Let me plead with the clergy not to allow the lure of the United to tempt them to desert the Diocese. It seems to me, indeed, almost an unpatriotic thing for a priest at this time and juncture in the history of the Empire, and knowing the tremendous need of men in Canada, to seek work other than under the British flag.

Minor Matters

There are one or two minor matters to which I deem it necessary to call your attention at this time. It does not seem to be clearly understood in certain quarters that it is unlawful for priests in charge of a cure of souls to permit any unauthorized person to officiate in the church. This regulation, be it remembered, is not the arbitrary expression of an individual Bishop's will, but is a matter of canon law.

"There is another matter of a somewhat similar character to which I must refer. It has been brought to my notice that in certain parishes it has become customary for the clergyman to shorten the ordinary services of the church in an entirely unauthorized manner, and I must ask that this practice be discontinued.

Marriage Within Prohibited Degrees

Upon several occasions during the past few years, I have been called upon to define the position of the church in regard to certain marriages contracted in contravention of the "Table of Kindred and Affinity," printed at the end of the Book of Common Prayer. Such occasions have been usually concerned with two such infractions—the case of a man marrying his deceased wife's sister, and that of a woman marrying her deceased husband's brother. I cannot take time now to treat the question at any length, but there are certain things that ought to be made quite clear. The first is this. No act of parliament passed in Canada, or elsewhere, can alter or affect the law of the church upon this important question.

MARRIAGES

Tait-Smart.

In the Brockville Methodist church, yesterday afternoon, at 4.15 o'clock, Miss Lillie Jameson Tait, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Tait, was united in marriage to Rev. Robert Smart, who is at present stationed at Canterbury, N. B. The bride was given away by her father, and wore a becoming tailored suit of navy blue with hat to match. She was unattended. Rev. George Somers officiated at the ceremony.

Rev. Mr. Smart and bride left on a honeymoon trip to Montreal. Returning they will reside for the winter at Brookville. They were the recipients of a large number of magnificent presents.

Double Wedding.

The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception was the scene of a double wedding yesterday morning. Miss Josephine Hache was married to Paul Brown, and Miss Beatrice Hache to Frank Davidson, with nuptial mass, by Rev. M. P. Howland. The brides are sisters and were unattended. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the brides' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hache, 19 Brunswick street. Mr. and Mrs. Davidson will take up their residence on King street east, while Mr. and Mrs. Brown will reside at the home of her parents.

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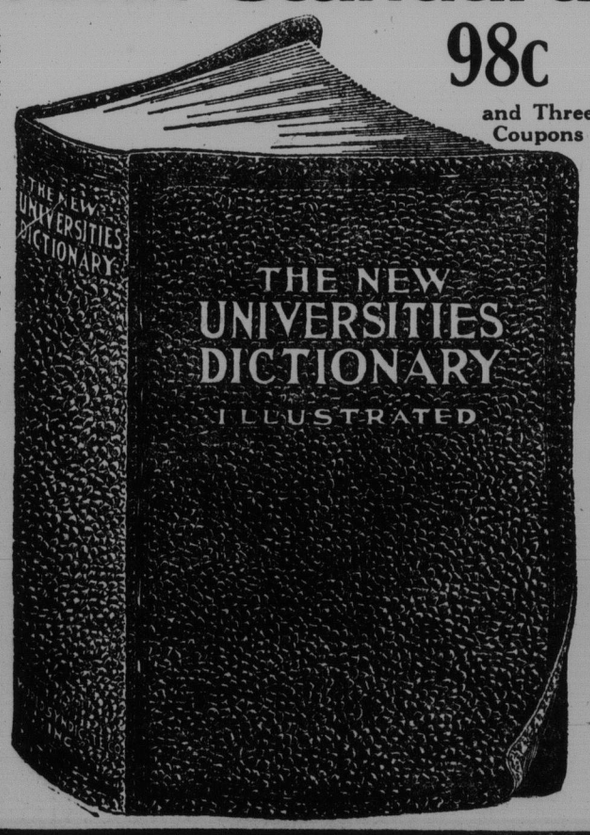

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No. 24. 5.15 p.m. Sussex Express.

No. 10. 11.30. Moncton, Halifax, The Sydneys.

Arrive St. John.

No. 9. 6.10 a.m. Halifax, Moncton, The Sydneys.

No. 23. 9.00 a.m. Sussex Express.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1917.

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THE TWO ROAD POLICIES.

In the present provincial campaign the Government and opposition are directing particular attention to their road policies, so it is certain the subject of good roads will be freely discussed from both viewpoints between this and polling day on February 24th.

The plan of the opposition was prepared at the convention held in this city in January, 1916, and contains two very indefinite propositions. The first is that the roads shall be taken out of the control of the provincial department of public works and administered by a non-partizan commission to be selected, of course, by the administration which the now opposition hope to form out of such material as E. S. Carter, David W. Mersereau, Walter E. Foster, Francis J. Sweeney, and the other shining lights of that leaderless party. New Brunswick voters know some of these gentlemen, if not personally, then by association and repute—at any rate, well enough to be able to form a fairly correct idea of the sort of "non-partizan" commission they would appoint if given the power to do so.

The money to be expended on the roads under the opposition plan is to be secured by issuing bonds—increasing the public debt—and making provision for the interest on these bonds by appropriating the fees from automobile and other vehicle licenses, together with an equal sum to be taken each year from the general revenues of the province. This policy will involve an increase in the public debt, and will be regarded with scant favor by those who have regard for economical administration. It will also tend to waste and extravagance and must add to the burden of every taxpayer in the province. For that reason it cannot but be regarded as most objectionable, even if we discard the fact that road administration by commission instead of under direct governmental control will make it much more difficult to place direct responsibility for failure upon the members of the opposition who are now seeking the suffrages of the electors.

In direct contrast to the opposition proposal is that of the Government as announced by Hon. B. Frank Smith. The Government plan does not seek to evade responsibility for its administration. It is direct and comprehensive; the Minister of Public Works states plainly and definitely what he proposes to do, how he will do it, and how it will be paid for.

Under Hon. Mr. Smith's plan there will be no addition to the burdens of the people. He will use the revenue from vehicles which, this year, is expected to approximate $50,000, in an issue of fifteen-year bonds, providing for the retirement of principal and interest in the time stated. Under this plan the amount of money for permanent work will be something more than $500,000, of which $100,000 will be available this year. With the money so raised the Minister plans to purchase improved and modern road making machinery, to provide materials, to construct concrete and arch culverts where necessary in each county, the work to be done under the supervision of competent inspectors. These officials will be selected by and answerable to the Minister of Public Works, upon whose shoulders will rest the responsibility for the success of the undertaking.

It is well that electors should give attention to this, the first essential difference between the Government's business-like proposals and the shadowy suggestions of the opposition. Hon. Mr. Smith's plan makes for direct control and direct responsibility. If a county superintendent fails to perform his duties satisfactorily he will be dismissed. Supervisors are responsible to the Minister and he must answer to the people. This is the business-like procedure and as such will be generally approved.

The roads to be constructed under the Government policy will be as good as can be obtained in a province as sparsely settled as New Brunswick, but there will be no extravagance, nothing which will tend to hand down to posterity a burden of debt for the advantages enjoyed by the people of the present age. New Brunswick's future will not be mortgaged, as would be the case if the Carter party scheme were to be adopted.

To build good roads requires good and modern machinery and it is fitting that the provision of such plant is one of the outstanding features of the Government plan. Construction gangs of competent men will operate continuously during the summer months, a plan which will tend to proficient labor and good service.

Having undertaken to build good roads, the Government plans to properly maintain them, and for this the patrol system, which has worked so successfully in England, where the roads are the best in the world, will be employed. Patrolmen will be established all through the province and it shall be their duty to have constant supervision over the roads so that work well done will not suffer from lack of maintaining care.

Summed up the Government policy can be expressed under three heads:

JUDICIOUS EXPENDITURE with equal regard to the importance of the service and the money available for it.

STABLE BUT NOT EXTRAVAGANT CONSTRUCTION—to give the province the very best roads its resources will permit.

EFFICIENT MAINTENANCE—to see to it that work once done is kept in good repair until, eventually, New Brunswick shall have a system of roads not to be surpassed by those of any province of equal population and resource.

This is the Government's policy. It is sound, business-like up-to-date. It is framed to produce results in the way of good service, not as a vote-catching plank, to be forgotten after the electors have pronounced upon it. In all its characteristics it differs from the uncertain proposals adopted without consideration by Mr. E. S. Carter and his associates of the leaderless opposition. It is the business proposition of a business Government and merits the hearty approval of every voter in this province who realizes the value of good roads to his community and to the province as a whole.

THE CENTRAL RAILWAY STEAL.

(Extract from the Report of the Royal Commission, written by the late Sir P. A. Landry.)

"On October 4th, 1895, a contract "was entered into by the New Brunswick Government with the Central "Railway Company for the construction of the fifteen mile section and "the granting of the subsidy of $3,000 "per mile. THE FOLLOWING DAY "$7,000 OF THIS SUBSIDY WAS "ASSIGNED BY DR. DEBERTRAM "TO THE HONORABLE WILLIAM "PUGSLEY AND MR. SKINNER, ON "NOVEMBER 1ST, 1895, $36,500 OF "THE SUBSIDY WAS ASSIGNED TO "JAMES BARNES FOR THE BUILDING OF THE FIFTEEN MILE SECTION, AND, ON THE 4TH OF THE "SAME MONTH, $1,000 WAS ASSIGNED TO MR. W. T. WHITEHEAD. The Colonial Iron, Coal & "Railway Company, having failed to "proceed with the construction of the "unconstructed section, a contract "was entered into on the 21st of May "1899, between the Provincial Government and the Central Railway Company, reviving the agreement of the "8th of August, 1883, the Government "to pay the subsidy, not on progress "estimates, but on completion from "time to time of sections of 10 miles. "So far as the records show, the work "done by the Central Railway Company on the fifteen mile section "amounted to $23,000, and, on account "of this outlay, $8,000 of subsidy was "paid by the Government and distributed as follows: $2,200 on the orders "given as aforesaid to the Honorable "William Pugsley and Mr. Skinner, "$300 on the order given to Mr. "Whitehead, and the balance apparently on the order given to James "Barnes."

The men who are offering today as nominees of the opposition party defend the Central Railway steal and appear as apologists for those who were condemned in it.

New Brunswick has had one experience with those men. It desires no further business with their political heirs and assigns.

NORTH END LIBRARY USEFUL TO SCHOLARS

Report of Librarian Shows Successful Year — Union Hall Accounts Show Balance on Right Side.

The annual meeting of the North End W. C. T. U. Corporation was held yesterday afternoon in the library room, Union Hall. The reports submitted showed a successful year. The Union Hall account showed receipts of $1,276.31, expenditures of $1,160.37, leaving a balance of $115.94. The library account showed receipts of $1,116.01 and expenditures of the same amount.

The report of the librarian, Miss Florence E. Edwards, was as follows:

"We are pleased to report that the library has maintained its standard of growth, usefulness and general appreciation.

"Our library is extensively used by those attending the public schools. The increasing use of the cyclopaedias, dictionaries and other books of reference shows what an aid it is to the scholars in their school work. There were 132 books purchased of which 39 were books replaced. Four volumes of the "Portrait Gallery" were donated by Mrs. W. E. McIntyre. Had bound Harpers, Century and Needlecraft magazines, also 20 volumes rebound.

"The usual reports, pamphlets, etc., were received from Ottawa.

"Number of new applicants for cards 59, an increase of 9. Increase in circulation 153. Our subscription list includes 16 monthlies, 5 daily, 2 weekly papers. Number of books now catalogued 4,724. Owing to lack of room it has been necessary to debar children under twelve years of age from the use of the library in the evening.

"During the summer we issued a new supplementary catalogue of 31 pages.

"Respectively submitted,
"FLORENCE E. EDWARDS,
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Financial Statement.

Feb. 1, 1916. Bal on hand		$35.59
Catalogues	$14.10	
Fines	15.75	
Second readings	12.35	
Non-residents	3.50	
Old papers	3.57	49.27
		$84.86

Expenditure.

By Sec. Treas. A.B.Farmer	$35.00	
Charwoman	13.50	
Sundries	2.84	51.34
Bal on hand		35.52
		$84.86

THE POLICE COURT.

In the police court yesterday a case in which ten seamen are charged with broaching cargo on board ship was continued. Four asked to be tried in the police court and were remanded, the other six were committed to trial in the higher court. Harry R. Russell, who was picked out of a crowd as being the man who assaulted Frederick Howe, proved an alibi and the case was dismissed. Five drunks received the usual sentence.

Little Benny's Note Book

By LEE PAPE.

Granpop was erround at our house for suppir the nite before last, and wen he went home me and pop startid to wawk to the trolley car with him, and it was cold as the dickins, pop saying, If enybody wunts to tel me its not cold tonite, Im reddy to put up a pritty stiff argewment.

Wy, Willyum, do you call this cold, Im ashamed of you, sed granpop, you awt to of bin throo sum of the winters I went throo wen I was your age if you wunt to know wat cold weather is, look at me, Willyum, you dont see me shivering, do you?

I dident say I was shivering, myself, sed pop.

Nonsents, cant I see you shivering? sed granpop, hah, thats a grate note, you shivering at your age and me not shivering at mine.

I gess Im no colder than enybody elts, Ive got a pritty husky constitooshin, sed pop.

Look at me, Im opening my overcoat, Im warm, thats wat I am, sed granpop. And he unbuttoned his overcoat and wawked along that way, and pop sed, I dont say Im warm, but Im perfeckly comfortable. I think Ill unbutton my overcoat, to.

Wich he did, and I sed, Shell I unbutton mine, pop?

No, sed pop. Wich I dont think I wood of enyhow, on account of it getting colder and colder, and after granpop got on the car pop buttoned his overcoat agen quick as enything and terned the coller up and we ran all the way home, and last nite granpop came erround agen and pop had sutch a fearse cold he coodent hardly tawk, granpop saying, Ah hah, Willyum, I know how you cawt that cold, I know.

How, father? sed ma.

Hes jest joaking, have a segar, dad, have a segar, sed pop. And he held out his box of segars to granpop and granpop took one and put it in his mouth, saying, Jest the same, I know how you cawt that cold.

Have a segar, sed pop. And he stuck the box out agen, saying, Stick one in your pocket for future referents, stick a lot in. Wich granpop did, sticking about 4 in, and ma sed, Wats the grate secret.

No secret, sed pop.

No secret, sed granpop.

And they both startid to smoak.

FREDERICTON TEAM WON.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Feb. 6.—The Fredericton Hockey team defeated the 236th Battalion boys, 5 to 2, tonight. Fredericton is now in the lead of the local teams.

Wade was the individual star, scoring four goals.

Mersereau was responsible for both of the soldiers' scores.

City Cornet Reception.

The members of the City Cornet Band will be the hosts at a social gathering tomorrow night to those who assisted in making the "Around the World Fair" such a grand success. A very neatly arranged invitation has been issued, and in addition to the invitation there is given a financial statement of the fair, showing that the total receipts amounted to $7,800.28, and the total expenses $2,394.41, leaving a net total of $5,405.87. A cheque was given to the Patriotic Fund for $2,702.94, while the band received $2,702.93. On another page are the names of the ladies' committee, also the names of the gentlemen. There are also given the names of the band members, and the City Cornet honor roll, showing that thirteen members have enlisted for overseas duty.

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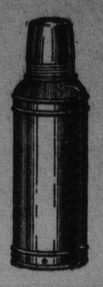

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FORTY-EIGHTTH SESSION OF ANGLICAN SYNOD OPENED IN THIS CITY YESTERDAY

Bishop Courtney Charms Audience by Message on Growth of Church in the United States—First Service of Day Holy Communion at 10.30 A. M.

In the presence of clerical and lay representatives from various parts of New Brunswick, His Lordship Bishop Richardson opened the forty-eighth session of the Diocesan Synod of Fredericton, in Trinity Church, this city, yesterday.

Following a celebration of holy communion in the church at 10.30 o'clock the delegates repaired to the schoolroom. Bishop Richardson officiated, assisted by Ven. Dr. Courtney, of New York, Dean Neales, of Fredericton, Archdeacon O. S. Newnham of St. Stephen, secretary of the Synod, Archdeacon Forsyth of Chatham, Archdeacon Crowfoot of Hampton, Canon Smithers of Fredericton, and Canon Sisam of Moncton.

After the Rev. M. LeT. Thompson had been appointed assistant secretary of the Synod meetings, and the roll called by Archdeacon Newnham, Bishop Richardson introduced Rev. Dr. Courtney who gave a most interesting address on Church and Social Work, in the course of which he said that the church in the United States was getting stronger, especially in two distinct directions; first in the fact that there was a decided increase in attendance on the part of the city folk in the east, and secondly in the development of what in olden days was called the high church in the west. The church in the United States was alive to the questions of the day. Social service of all kinds was receiving attention and there was a presence of real religion on the part of the people. The outside public was greatly interested through the press, which gave liberal accounts of the church work in conventions held from time to time.

When the Rev. Dr. Courtney came forward, all present arose and welcomed him. He humorously said, as Bishop Richardson was to make his charge to the Synod soon, he would not like to say anything that might trench on that interesting paper. There was the danger, too, that his views might not coincide with those of the bishop.

At 2.30 o'clock the delegates again met, and following the opening prayer Bishop Richardson delivered his charge to the Synod as given in another part of this issue, at the conclusion of which various routine business, including the receiving of reports from the different clergy, etc., was carried out.

As the time drew near for the evening service it was soon evident that the capacity of the church would be taxed, as crowds passed through the doors, including as it did members of the clergy from all parts of the Maritime Provinces, as well as a most representative number of citizens.

A most impressive section of the service was the procession of the clergy of the diocese and choir boys as they passed down the aisle, as also was the beautifully rendered anthem sung by the boys.

After the service had been opened by prayer, the first lesson was read by Archdeacon Forsyth, and the second lesson by Dean Neales, followed by the Rev. Dr. Courtney in a most powerful and impressive sermon.

February 7 1917.

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James Walsh, St. John, N. B.
Robert Lovely, Perth, N. B.
257th Railway Con. Battalion.
Francis Moran, St. John, N. B.
236th Battalion.
William Pendleton, Fredericton, N. B.
216th Bantam Battalion

The voluntary system is gaining impetus daily in St. John. Yesterday sixteen more offered for service and were accepted. The 216th Battalion secured its first recruits in St. John yesterday. Two men signed on for this unit.

Active recruiting for the 216th Bantam Battalion in St. John will commence today. Lieut. G. F. Walsh, who is in charge of recruiting for the Maritime Provinces was here yesterday and made the preliminary arrangements for securing the men. Sergeant P. J. O'Rourke, a former resident of this city will be in charge of the work in the absence of Lieut. Walsh. It is the desire of the recruiting officer to sign on at least 100 men. As this is the only bantam battalion in Eastern Canada, there is every reason to believe that the number of men required will be secured in a very short time.

This is the first and only opportunity for the short men to go overseas.

Recruits joining in this district will draw full subsistence until placed in barracks (which will be centrally and conveniently located between Nova Scotia and New Brunswick) and will be trained here until embarking for overseas.

Off for Grand Manan.

Sergeant-Major Beattey and acting Sergeant Enos, of the Canadian Engineers are leaving this morning for Grand Manan where they will hold several week-end meetings in the interest of the Canadian Engineers. They will be away until the first of next week.

Campaign for Kilties.

Preparations have been completed for an elaborate recruiting campaign for the 236th Kilties Battalion. The officers of the unit in company with the 115th Battalion Band which is attached to the battalion, and several artists from the 236th will visit the different cities in the province and give a band concert and vaudeville entertainment. The opening performance will be given about the 16th inst. at Fredericton.

Soon to Leave.

It is reported in military circles that the company of the 257th Battalion, which has been practically secured in the city, will be leaving about the 14th of the month for new training quarters. This unit has met with signal success in the province, and it is doubtful if any other unit has been recruited in Eastern Canada within the last year as fast as the Railway Battalion.

Sergeant Colpitt, of Moncton, arrived in the city last night to look after the interests of the Canadian Engineers at the central recruiting depot in the absence of Sergeant-Major Beattey.

Lieutenant-Col. P. A. Guthrie arrived in the city yesterday. He is here to arrange for a series of recruiting meetings in the interest of the Kilties' campaign soon to be inaugurated.

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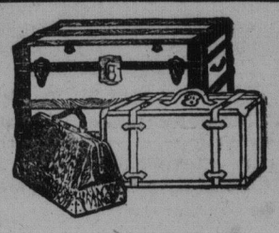

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FUNERALS.

The funeral of the late District Fire Chief John P. McAndrews, took place yesterday afternoon from his home 102 Guilford street, and was largely attended. Preceding the hearse was a squad of police, who were followed by members of the Orange Order, then came the 165th band, and members of the fire department. Firemen of the West Side department acted as pall-bearers. Mayor Hayes, the city commissioners, and members of the Longshoremen's Association also attended. A large number of beautiful floral tributes showed the esteem in which the late chief was held. The services were conducted in St. George's church by Rev. W. H. Sampson, and the church was filled with sorrowing friends of the deceased. Interment was in Cedar Hill cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Hannah Coleman, Metcalf street, took place yesterday morning to St. Peter's church, where requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. P. Costello, C. SS. R.; Rev. D. McDougall, C. SS. R., deacon, and Rev. F. Coughlan, C. SS. R., subdeacon. Interment in old Catholic cemetery.

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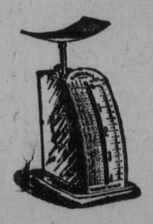

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LOCAL BOWLING

THE CITY LEAGUE.

In the City League match last night, on Black's alleys, the Sweeps took three points from the Wanderers. The scores follow:

Sweeps.

Jenkins . . .	89	100	88	277	92 1-3
Gamblin . .	112	92	85	289	96 1-3
Foshay . . .	97	92	90	279	93
Ferguson . .	96	109	84	289	96 1-3
Sullivan . .	107	87	79	273	91
	501	480	426	1407	

Wanderers.

Wright . . .	75	104	86	265	88 1-3
Cromwell . .	94	106	90	290	96 2-3
Bartsch . . .	83	91	80	254	84 2-3
McLeod . . .	91	81	104	276	92
Logan . . .	75	93	104	272	90 2-3
	418	474	464	1357	

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NEWS AND COMMENT FROM THE FINANCIAL WORLD

THINK BULL MARKET WOULD FOLLOW WAR

Wall Street Authorities Sees Higher Prices if Neutrals Enter Great World Conflict

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

New York, Feb. 6—Should the United States enter the war against Germany followed by other neutrals, after the shock has passed itwould be followed by the beginning of the greatest bull market in history, according to certain speculative investment circles of standing. They take this attitude because of the belief that such entrance would guarantee that the end of the war would result in practical disarmament. It is rumored that President Wilson may announce that as the chief aim of this county. Inquiries among large banking interests suggest that institutional buying will be found during declines in these issues: Amn. Car, Amn. Smelting, Atch., C. and O., Crucible, U. S., L. K., P. R. S., I. N. S., S. P., U. P., Wabash "A" and Westinghouse Electric. It is expected that this absorption will be chiefly of a scale rown character. These securities seem to be preferred because of exceptionally strong financial and physical positions.

"We are arriving at a time where all the bad news would be behind us" remarks a prominent and very active stock exchange institution which is taking the attiude that the worst is not likely to mean much more to the market than that which has already happened. It is evident that a secondary decline to last week's news on war developments will find ready investment absorption of large proportions.

A factor of considerable weight has been inspiring ultra-conservatism in investment channels. Liquidation appears pressing from time to time in the railroad list. It is traced largely to German sources in the U. S. according to sources which have been investigating exhaustively. The spectacle of heaviness in the rails however has caused some home selling in circles where the high costs have been responsible for apprehension. A careful investigation indicates that the short interest in the general active list has been heavily reduced because of the big recovery from Saturday's low. According to sources which placed the list about the middle of last week in an extremely oversold position the reduction has cut the outstanding bear commitments down four-fifths. On account of evidence to this effect found in private borrowing channels professionals are selling short on rallies.

N. Y. F. B.

MONTREAL SALES

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

Morning.

Montreal, Tuesday, Feb. 6th—
Steel Canada Pfd.—15 @ 94.
Steamships Pfd.—31 @ 93¼, 25 @ 93, 26 @ 93½, 25 @ 92½.
Paint Com.—3 @ 59.
Brazilian—3 @ 43½, 110 @ 44.
Can. Cement Pfd.—10 @ 92.
Can. Cement Com.—150 @ 50½.
Steel Canada—1490 @ 60, 125 @ 59¾, 115 @ 60¼, 100 @ 59⅞.
Shawinigan—5 @ 126, 9 @ 127.
Dom. Iron Com.—150 @ 61¼, 125 @ 61½, 155 @ 61, 225 @ 60¾, 25 @ 60⅞, 100 @ 60⅜.
Dom. War Loan—200 @ 98½, 2,000 @ 97¾.
New War Loan—100 @ 98½.
Bell Telephone—4 @ 149.
Can. Car Com.—35 @ 30.
Toronto Ry.—50 @ 79, 10 @ 79½, 40 @ 80½, 50 @ 80, 5 @ 80¼, 25 @ 80⅛.
Detroit United—75 @ 122, 55 @ 121½, 25 @ 121¼, 25 @ 121, 300 @ 120, 4 @ 119.
Smelting—300 @ 31, 17 @ 31½, 75 @ 31¼, 17 @ 31½.
Laurentide Pulp—100 @ 182¾, 100 @ 184.
Riordon—50 @ 119½.
Ontario Steel—125 @ 25.
Montreal Cotton—25 @ 50¼, 10 @ 50½.
McDonalds—5 @ 10.
General Electric—15 @ 109.
Scotia—60 @ 105, 10 @ 105½, 15 @ 106.
Quebec Ry.—560 @ 27, 50 @ 26¾, 50 @ 26½, 95 @ 26½, 280 @ 26¼, 500 @ 26.
Spanish River Com.—106 @ 16.
Brompton—103 @ 54, 85 @ 55, 10 @ 55½.
Tram Power—700 @ 39, 35 @ 39, 75 @ 39¼.
Can. Cotton—50 @ 51½.

Afternoon.

Steamships Pfd.—50 @ 92½, 20 @ 93.
Paint Com.—3 @ 59.
Can. Cement Pfd.—10 @ 93.
Steel Canada—385 @ 60, 110 @ 60¼, 50 @ 60½, 50 @ 60⅝.
Dom. Iron Com.—25 @ 60, 80 @ 60½, 25 @ 61¼, 185 @ 61, 50 @ 61½, 175 @ 62.
Civic Power—105 @ 81.
Dom. War Loan—1,000 @ 97⅜, 100 @ 98½.
New War Loan—13,000 @ 98.
Can. Car Com.—15 @ 30.
Can. Car Pfd.—30 @ 72.
Detroit United—60 @ 31, 2 @ 32.
General Electric—5 @ 109, 30 @ 108¾.
Scotia—25 @ 103, 50 @ 104, 5 @ 106.
Quebec Ry.—125 @ 26, 25 @ 26¼, 500 @ 26.
Spanish River Com.—25 @ 16½, 50 @ 17, 25 @ 16¾.
Dom. Bridge—20 @ 142.
Brompton—15 @ 55, 25 @ 54, 10 @ 54¼.
Tram Power—73 @ 39⅛.

PORCUPINE OUTLOOK MOST ENCOURAGING

President Bicknell Returns to Toronto From Inspection and Brings Cheerful Report.

Special to The Standard.

Toronto, Feb. 6—J. P. Bickell of J. P. Bickell & Co., brokers, of this city, has just returned from Porcupine, where he inspected the properties which are now comprised in the MacIntyre Mines. The situation, he said, was never more encouraging than it is at the present time, and that so soon as the new crushing machinery is installed which should be in the course of a few weeks the outside, the capacity of the mine will be largely increased.

While Mr. Bickell would not venture into the realm of figures in this connection, it is understood that the expectation is that the net earnings after the improvements mentioned are made, will run at the rate of approximately $100,000 per month. There is talk of increasing the capacity of the mill to 150 tons a day. Should this be done there would be added to the output another 4,500 tons monthly, making the earnings of the company nearly $400,000 quarterly.

C.P.R. STOCK DECLINES TO 153 1-3 IN WALL STREET

Cause of Drop Weakness of Rails in General Due to German Manipulation and Threatened Chicago Strike.

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, Feb. 6—Some surprise was created here today by the weakness in C. P. R. in New York, where it dropped from 155⅜ to 153⅛, the lowest for some time.

There was no reason known where the stock should weaken apart from the fact that when the general railway list in Wall street is heavy, C. P. R. is generally an object of bear attack, especially by German interests, while on the other hand there appears to be little or no support for it.

The railway list was weak, partly the result of a threat of a switchmen's strike on lines converging at Chicago.

When the railway list rallied to around the level of yesterday's close. C. P. R. had a partial recovery to 154¾, and this afternoon stood at 154¼.

N. Y. QUOTATIONS

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

	Open	High	Low	Close
Am Beet Sug	97¼	99	97	98¼
Am Car Fy	64	65⅜	63¼	65
Am Loco	70½	72⅜	68⅜	27⅜
Am Sugar	107	107½	106⅞	106⅞
Am Smelt	99¼	99½	97¾	99
Am Steel Fy	62	62⅛	60⅝	61⅛
Am Woolen	44½	48⅛	44½	48⅛
Am Zinc	35¼	37	35¼	36⅞
Am Tele	125	125¾	125	125
Anaconda	77	77⅜	75¼	76½
Am Can	43⅞	45⅜	43	44½
Atchison	102¾	103	102¾	103
Balt and Ohio	76	76	75	75½
Bald Loco	51¼	52¾	49⅜	52½
Brook Rap Tr	66½	68	66	68
Butte and Sup	43⅝	46	43⅝	45⅞
C F I	44	44⅜	43	44⅛
Ches and Ohio	59¼	59⅝	59¼	59½
Chino	54	54⅜	52⅞	54⅜
Cent Leath	81½	84	81	83
Can Pac	155⅜	155⅜	153¼	155
Cons Gas	125⅛	125¼	125	125¼
Cruc Steel	61¼	68⅛	60½	68
Erie Com	27⅜	27⅜	26½	27
Erie 1st Pfd	40	40	39¾	40
Good Rub	54¾	55¼	54¼	55¼
Gen Elect	165	165½	165	165½
Gr Nor Ore	32½	32¾	32	32
Indus Alcohol	125	127	123	126¼
Inspira Cop	55¾	56⅜	55½	56¼
Kans City Sou	21½	21¾	21½	21¾
Kenne Cop	44½	45	43¾	44¾
Lehigh Val	74¼	74¼	74⅛	74⅛
Mer Mar Pfd	68	68⅜	65	66
Mex Petrol	89	91¼	87	89
Miami Cop	37⅛	37¼	36½	36¾
N Y Cent	95⅛	95½	94⅜	95
Nor and West	129	129¼	128⅞	128⅞
Nevada Cons	23⅝	24¼	23⅝	24⅛
Penn	54¾	54¾	54⅛	54⅛
Press Stl Car	77½	77½	77	77
Reading Com	93	93	90¾	91¾
Repub Steel	77⅛	77½	75½	77⅛
St Paul xd	82½	82½	79⅞	81⅞
Sou Pac	93¼	93¼	92½	92¾
Sou Rail	29⅛	29⅛	28	28½
Sloss	59	62	58½	62
Studebaker	99¾	103½	99	103½
Union Pac	135⅞	135⅞	133¾	134¾
U S Stl Com	108	108⅜	106	107⅜
U S Rub	55¼	55½	54½	55½
Utah Cop	110½	111	107½	108⅞
Westinghouse	51¼	52½	50¾	52⅜
U S Steel Pfd	118¼	118¼	118	118

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NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND OF TWO-AND-ONE-HALF PER CENT., upon the paid up Capital Stock of this Institution, has been declared for the current quarter, payable on and after Thursday, the FIRST DAY OF MARCH next, to Shareholders of record of 31st January, 1917.

By order of the Board.

FREDERICK WILLIAMS-TAYLOR,
General Manager

Montreal, 23rd January, 1917.

TEUTONS SOLD RAIL SHARES YESTERDAY

C.P.R. and Other Stocks Decline—Market Highly Irregular and Erratic Throughout Day.

New York, Feb. 6.—Strength in special stocks at the opening, heaviness in all divisions at midday and recoveries in all, except rails and shippings, in the later dealings summarized the highly irregular and erratic course of today's operations.

Initial advances, some of which attained impressive proportions, were altogether wiped out during the noon hour, when disturbing rumors touching upon the international situation were current throughout the district.

In the final hour, which proved to be the most active of the session, equipments and other issues more or less directly associated with the war group rose three to six points from lowest levels, but rails and shippings hung back.

Government Contracts.

The belated movement in industrials was simultaneous with reports that many large contracts with the federal government were under negotiation. It is understood that sales of copper and other raw materials to important home interests are in process of consummation. Manufacturers of explosives and ammunition reports have it are about to submit estimates to the authorities at Washington.

Selling by foreign interests, presumably of Teutonic origin, was again put forward in explanation of the heaviness of rails, but this was scouted in high banking quarters.

C. P. R. Weakness.

Canadian Pacific was once more an element of weakness, with St. Paul at an extreme decline of three points, and one to two for other international shares. New Haven was under renewed pressure at the new low record of 37½, and Louisville and Nashville and Illinois Central were heaviest of the southern and sauthwestern rails. Total sales aggregated 980,00 shares.

Trading in bonds was limited. foreign issues hardening after an early decline to new minimums.

Total sales, par value, amounted to $3,575,000.

Unusual activity prevailed in the morning for United States government bonds at declines ranging from 3-4 to 1½ per cent. Panama issues were similarly affected, the recession being ascribed to selling by banks in anticipation of a new government flotation to meet impending emergencies

MONTREAL MARKETS

(McDOUGALL & COWANS,)

	Bid.	Ask.
Ames Holden Com	17½	..
Ames Holden Pfd	50	52
Brazilian L .H. and P.	43¾	44
Canada Car	29¾	30
Canada Cement	60¾	..
Canada Cement Pfd.	..	93
Can. Cotton	52	52¾
Civic Power	81	82
Crown Reserve	35	..
Detroit United	120	121
Dom. Bridge	140	142
Dom. Iron Pfd.	..	93
Dom. Iron Com.	61½	61¾
Dom. Tex. Com.	80	80½
Laurentide Paper Co.	185	187
MacDonald Com.	..	10
N. Scotia Steel and C.	106	108
Ogilvies	140	..
Quebec Railway	26	26¼
Shaw W. and P. Co.	126	130
Spanish River Com.	16¾	17
Steel Co. Can. Com.	60⅜	60½
Steel Co. Can. Pfd.	94	..
Toronto Rails	79¾	80

MONTREAL PRODUCE.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

Montreal, Feb. 6.—Oats—Canadian western ,No. 2, 70; No. 3, 67; extra No. 1 feed, 66.

Barley—Man. feed, 97½; malting, 1.30.

Flour—Man. spring wheat patents, firsts, 9.60; seconds, 9.10; strong bakers, 8.90; winter patents, choice, 9.25; straight rollers, 8.50 to 8.80; straight rollers, bags, 4.10 to 4.25.

Rolled oats—Barrels, 6.95 to 7.15; bags, 90 lbs., 3.35 to 3.45.

Millfeed—Bran, 33 to 34; shorts, 36 to 37; middlings, 38 to 40; moullie, 43 to 48.

Hay—No. 2, per ton, car lots, 13.

Potatoes—Per bag, car lots, 2.75 to 3.00.

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TORONTO RAILWAY HAS GOOD FINANCIAL YEAR

Company Has Surplus of Over $381,000 and Total Balance of $5,408,875.

Special to The Standard.

Toronto, Feb. 6—The twenty-fifth annual statement of the Toronto Railway Company which goes forward to shareholders today, is one of the most satisfactory ever issued by the company. With the improvement in industrial and commercial conditions in the Queen City, as compared with the previous year, the company is able to report a substantial increase in gross earnings for the fiscal period of December 31st, 1916. Careful management had, on the other hand, kept down the increase in operating expenses notwithstanding the steady advance in the cost of cars and equipment as well as generally higher costs on all materials.

A review of the statement indicates that advantage has been taken of the larger earnings to place the company in an increasingly strong position, rebected by a surplus from the year's operating of over $381,000, and a total balance, at the reassuring level of $5,408,875.

The gross earnings for the twelve months amounted to $5,973,161, as compared with $5,694,136 in the previous year.

SUGAR DECLINES TEN CENTS PER HUNDRED

Further Declines Expected—Flour Also Lower—Molasses Firm and Early Advance Expected.

The Canadian Grocer Says:

Sugar declined 10c. per hundred during the week and is still in a weak market. Further declines are anticipated in this commodity within the next two months, when production of raw sugar on the Island of Cuba will reach its maximum. Conditions in Cuba continue favorable for a big crop. Flour also recorded a decline of 40c. per barrel for Manitoba during the week. Demand for flour is still light. Molasses is in firm market and advances have taken place on all case goods with a strong probability that the bulk molasses will also record an advance in the near future.

Dressed hogs were firmer in price and advances were made effective. Meat products were accordingly in firm market with advances recorded in some lines. Butter and eggs are still in weak tone. Supplies of storage eggs are being rapidly depleted and prices are firmer. Cheese advanced in price owing to the continued heavy export demand. Fish products in many lines recorded advances owing to the increased demand for fish as a food for armies. Potatoes are still in firm market with higher prices recorded. Seed potatoes from all appearances will be a scarce article in the spring.

CHICAGO PRODUCE.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

Chicago, Feb. 6.—Wheat—No. 2 red, nominal; No. 3 red, 1.72 to 1.77½; No. 2 hard, nominal; No. 3 hard, 1.78.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, 1.01¼; No. 4 yellow, 98 to 1.00½; No. 4 white, 98½ to 1.00¼.

Oats—No. 3 white, 55 to ½; standard, 55 to 56.

Pork—24.62.

Lard—16.30.

Ribs—14.87 to 15.37.

	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat.			
May	176⅛	170¾	173¾
July	150¾	146	147¾
Sept.	139½	135¾	137
Corn			
May	101⅞	99⅝	101
July	100¼	98⅝	99⅜
Oats.			
May	55½	53⅜	54⅝
July	54⅜	52½	53½
Pork.			
Jan.	29.97	29.60	29.62
Mar.	29.55	29.25	29.27

FORGET WILL RETIRE FROM TORONTO RY.

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, Feb. 6—Sir Rodolphe Forget, who has for years been the only director for this province on the Toronto Railway Co., stated today that he would not go to the meeting tomorrow as he had intended retiring from the board. In fact, he said his resignation had been in the hands of the board for some time, but had not been acted upon.

MONTREAL MARKET FIRM YESTERDAY

Trading Not So Active As Day Before, But Advance of Monday Well Held.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

Montreal, Feb. 6.—Trading today was not so active as during the past few days, but the advance since the low prices of Saturday, was well held throughout the day with higher quotations during the last half hour, the closing ones being generally the best on this movement. Dominion Iron advanced to 62 and Steel of Canada to 60½, while Scotia closed at 106. The paper stocks were better with offerings light, Laurentide was 185 bid, and Spanish sold up to 17.

There was more demand for the inactive securities although with recessions from the last sales. Ontario Steel sold at 25 and Montreal Cottons at 50½. Detroit United opened very strong at 122, but reacted to 120. A meeting of the company is taking place today and there is some talk of the dividend being increased. They will show the best statement they have ever shown.

Toronto Railway also firmed up, due to the figures being published and earnings will be shown at their meeting tomorrow. It is expected that a change will be made on the directorate, more representation given Montreal and the Province of Quebec. Dominion Bridge was better at 142 bid, and Civic Power was firm at 81. There was a good demand for securities.

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NEW YORK COTTON

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	High.	Low.	Close.
Mar.	15.80	15.40	15.46
May	15.99	15.40	15.65
July	16.05	15.50	15.68
Oct.	15.60	15.20	15.33

WINNIPEG WHEAT CLOSE.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

May	173
July	171⅛

WALL ST. SCARED BY GERMAN WAR RUMOR

Underlying Soundness of Market Position Demonstrated in Striking Manner During Market Session.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

New York, Feb. 6.—In the afternoon the market gave striking testimony to the underlying soundness of its position. Rumors of declaration of war by Germany produced some hesitation and moderate profit-taking reactions but in the last two hours of trading prices moved vigorously upward under the lead of the war munition stocks, notably Cru. and B. L. The uncertainties of the international situation and the ease with which rumors start, has greatly reduced outside participation but it has had no effect upon confidence in important financial quarters.

The rails did not participate in the strength of the market probably because of some fear that stocks held for German account in this country might come upon the market. Apparently trustworthy estimates put the amount of such holdings of all classes of stock at $50,000,000, a negligible amount in comparison with liquidation from the Allied countries which the New York market has already absorbed. While special operations, such as payments on the new British loan increased the day's bank clearings they nevertheless testify to the continued business activities.

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Rheumatism is caused by uric acid which is generated in the bowels and absorbed into the blood. It is the function of the kidneys to filter this acid from the blood and cast it out in the urine; the pores of the skin are also a means of freeing the blood of this impurity. In damp and chilly, cold weather the skin pores are closed thus forcing the kidneys to do double work, they become weak and sluggish and fail to eliminate this uric acid which keeps accumulating and circulating through the system, eventually settling in the joints and muscles causing stiffness, soreness and pain called rheumatism.

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LIBERAL SAYS CANADA SHOULD NOT SEND MEN OVER-SEAS TO DO BATTLE

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of medical services for the war office. The House could not very well discuss those reports intelligently until it had them before them. Mr. McDonald had spoken as if the medical services in both Canadian and British hospitals were of a very inferior character. Such an idea should not be disseminated. The prime minister had, during his last trip to England, visited some 43 British and Canadian hospitals and had found them well conducted, and in charge of men keenly alive to their responsibilities and anxious to ensure the comfort of the patients.

The Bruce report was purely critical in tone and had nothing good to say of the Canadian hospitals abroad.

Sir Robert turning to the question of the rejection of Canadian soldiers after arriving overseas as medically unfit said he did not personally hold the opinion that because a man was minus a finger or was flat footed he should be considered useless for military purposes. He stated that in 1915, 2,701, and in 1916, 3,651 Canadian soldiers had been reported as medically unfit, this number, however, including many who had been fit when they left. Many of those thus reported on had been retained for light duty or had joined construction battalions.

Sir Robert took up the question of the segregation of Canadian wounded. He did not think there should be a policy either for or against it, but that the matter should be determined by military exigencies. He had never found any complaint on the part of Canadians in British or any other hospitals, or any expressed desire on their part to be kept in Canadian institutions only. As regards the complaint made that British contractors were maintaining the open canteen at Witley Camp, Sir Robert said he would have the matter investigated and that the wishes of the Canadian officer should have been respected.

Mr. E. M. MacDonald asked why the Bruce and Baptie reports were not laid before parliament, since the former had been presented to the minister of militia last fall and published. He stated he did not propose to be lectured as to the desirability or not of discussing matters affecting the interests of the boys at the front, and as for the Bapte report, there was no use talking about what a lot of K. C. M. G.'s said about Dr. Bruce. The question was, how long was parliament to wait for the Bruce report?

Sir Sam Hughes.

Sir Sam Hughes said that, profiting by experience at Valcartier, where one contractor had been found to have made $33,000 profit in three weeks, he had instituted the regimental dry canteen system in Canada and desired to follow suit in England. But in 1914 when he had gone to the Old Country he had been told that this matter was in General Alderson's hands alone. General Alderson had told the Canadian soldiers he was going to make free men of them with the wet canteen.

The Rum Ration.

Hon. Charles Marcil interjected to inquire as to the issuing of rum to the troops in the trenches as a daily ration. Many people in Montreal were objecting to their sons running such risks.

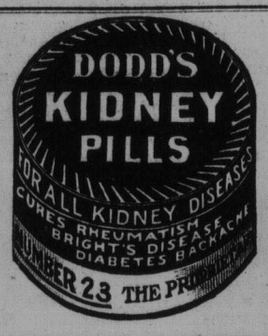
Sir Robert Borden said he had never heard that rum was given to the men before going into action. It was merely a medicine.

Sir Sam Hughes confirmed this with the statement that rum was allowed in the front line trenches as a stimulant for troops who often had to stand waist deep in cold water. Sir Sam said he took second rank to no man as a temperance advocate but did not want to hear any nonsense talked against this practice. The ex-minister then went on to discuss the matter of Canadian hospital accommodation in England.

Girls Held Hands.

"My objection to the scattering of Canadian wounded is this," he stated, "I cannot see why we leave our men in V.A.D. hospitals presided over by women—charming women I will grant you, the dearest little girls in the world when it comes to smoothing brows and holding hands—but with a total hospital training of some five or six weeks in some St. Johns Ambulance Association while on the other hand British soldiers get the services of our own highly trained and highly paid Canadian nurses."

He continued that the trouble with Dr. Baptie and Sir George Perley was that they favored the V.A.D. hospitals, were labelled, they were ticketed 'Matrimonial Bureau No. 1,' or Matrimonial Bureau No. 2,' by those who had the task of sending the wounded there," said General Hughes. "As a result we are today paying separation allowances to scores of girls who picked up with our Canadian boys through all the brow-rubbing and hand-holding I have talked about. I have no objection to that but I want our good Canadian girls to get the preference." (Cheers.)



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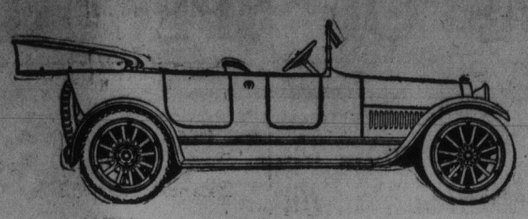

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All friends of the Provincial Government Party in Queens County are invited to gather in convention at the

COURT HOUSE
—IN—
GAGETOWN
—ON—
Saturday,
the 10th Day of February, inst.

at 1 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick.

Delegates from the eastern end of the county as well as from the western end will be able to go to Gagetown and return on that day, via Fredericton, at one fare. It is important that all districts be represented and committees organized.

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Then shall they answer him, saying—"Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? ....or naked, and clothed thee?"

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LUNCHEON AT CLIFF CLUB.

General McLean gave a luncheon at the Cliff Club yesterday to Mr. J. S. Dennis and to members of the Royal Standard Chapter, I. O. D. E. The guests included Lady Ashburnham, Colonel Guthrie and several members of the Cliff Club. The decorations were of red geraniums and white narcissi. The list of toasts included the King and Mr. Dennis, the guest. Mrs. E. Atherton Smith moved a vote of thanks to General McLean and this was seconded by the Countess of Ashburnham in a graceful speech. Mr. Dennis gave a fine address on women's work and position in the west, voicing his approval of women's suffrage.

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Y. W. P. A.

The Young Women's Patriotic Association will hold their regular meeting in the Loyal Order of Moose rooms on Thursday evening at 8.15.

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FRIDAY'S ATTRACTION.

The young ladies who are to present the Comedy of Errors in the High School Assembly Hall on Friday evening, 16th inst., are sparing no pains to make it an artistic success. The costuming of the fair young performers will be not the least among the attractions of the evening. The comedy is being put on for the benefit of the Playgrounds Association.

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ANNUAL MEETINGS.

Brunswick Chapter, I. O. D. E.

The annual meeting of the Brunswick Chapter I. O. D. E., was held on Monday and the following officers elected:—Honorary Regents, Mrs. C. P. Baker, Mrs. W. E. Earle; Regent, Mrs. J. Boyle Travers; 1st vice-regent, Mrs. W. I. Fenton; 2nd vice-regent, Mrs. Gershon Mayes; secretary, Mrs. Guy Fitz-Randolph; treasurer, Mrs. H. Mayes; echoes secretary, Mrs. G. Dawes; standard bearer, Miss Valde Fenton; councillors, Mrs. Duval, Mrs. Hetherington, Mrs. Cowan.

Loyalist Chapter, I. O. D. E.

The Loyalist Chapter, I. O. D. E., held their annual meeting in their rooms on Monday evening. A report of the proceeds of the Revue held lately was given, and it was announced that the splendid sum of $1,500 had been made. The following officers were elected:—Regent, Mrs. Hugh MacKay; vice-regent, Miss C. Schofield; 2nd vice-regent, Miss Mary Blizzard; secretary, Mrs. Maurice White; treasurer, Miss Gladys Hegan; standard bearer, Mrs. Gordon Sancton; echoes secretary, Miss Kerr.

A beautiful spread, donated by Mrs. Crosby, is to be raffled for. It will be on exhibition later.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CENTENARY CHURCH.

On Monday afternoon the Women's Missionary Society of Centenary church met in the schoolhouse. Mrs. C. Sanford, the president, was in the chair and led the opening service. The devotional exercises given by Mrs. Clarke had for their subject, "Christ the Healer," and two appropriate poems were read by Mrs. Horton.

The Watch Tower reports were given by Mrs. Tennant, Mrs. Seely and Miss Seely.

A letter was read from a missionary in Japan, a domestic science teacher in a school in Tokio. This letter was written on Japanese paper and in Japanese style gave interesting facts about the work there. An enjoyable solo was sung by Miss Bertie Turner accompanied by Eddy Sherwood, on India's Awakening, showing how that land is awaking politically, socially, industrially and religiously. Touching on all these points a paper full of instruction was written.

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VALCARTIER CHAPTER I.O.D.E. CONCERT.

Though there were many other attractions a large audience gathered last evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Sayre for a drawing room concert given by the Valcartier Chapter, I. O. D. E.

A very delightful programme was carried out by our fine local talent, including songs by Capt. Pidgeon, Miss Louise Anderson, Miss Ermine Climo, Miss Valde Fenton, Mr. Arch. Mason and a quartette including Misses Climo, Brown, Carmichael and Thomson; Piano selections by Miss Dorothy Bayard, Miss Marion Cruikshank; French recitations by Miss Mary White and a violin solo by Mrs. T. Gunn.

The evening was a great success and the audience most appreciative. Supper was served to the performers and members of the Valcartier Chapter.

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MR. DENNIS' LECTURE.

Under Auspices of Royal Standard Chapter, I. O. D. E.

"If men had done their share in Canada today as the women have, there would be no need to ask for recruits." Such were the words of the tribute paid by Mr. J. S. Dennis to the women of Canada and the share which they have taken in the war relief work. There was a magnificent audience at the Knights of Columbus hall to hear the lecture delivered by Mr. Dennis under the auspices of the Royal Standard Chapter, I. O. D. E.

On the platform were Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, regent, the Countess of Ashburnham, General McLean, Colonel Guthrie and His Worship Mayor Hayes.

After Mrs. Smith had welcomed the assemblage, Captain Pidgeon sang Rule Britannia, D. Arnold Fox accompanying. Later in the evening Capt. Pidgeon sang Glorious England. He was loudly applauded for both songs.

General McLean in introducing Mr. Dennis made a fine appeal for more men to help end the war and fill up the ranks of those who have gone. He spoke of Col. Dennis' right to that title on account of his work in the west, where he was in command of Dennis' Scouts and eloquently pleaded for men to go to the front where they are needed.

Two selections were then played by two of the pipers of the 236th whose pipes had been presented to them by citizens of St. John.

Colonel Dennis on rising to speak was greeted with applause. In his opening address he spoke of the magnificent response which the women of the Empire have made. "We men of Canada should thank God for the women and resolve to start out with a fuller determination to do more for their country and be worthy of the sacrifice women have made for the Empire. This was the first time Mr. Dennis had spoken under the auspices of a women's organization and he took this opportunity of expressing his admiration of their efforts and earnest work. He referred to the fact of the meeting taking place in the Knights of Columbus rooms and the unity of purpose which pervaded all Canadians.

After speaking briefly of some of Canada's problems in the days before the war and the era of prosperity, followed by a period of unemployment in the west, the conditions of the present prosperity were pointed out and it was shown that the present prosperity is fictitious in a country whose very existence is at stake.

The war has brought to Canada her nationhood, her position as "senior partner in the firm of the British Empire," said Mr. Dennis. "St. John should bend every effort to keep for the Empire their great harbor, the harbor of Canada as the C. P. R. has shown is their opinion by the amount of money they have spent here."

The greatest problem of today is the problem of the returned soldier. When the man who has been risking his life comes home he will say, and he will have a right to say, to the men who stayed at home, "You stayed at home, now it is my turn, make room for me. Did you give to the Patriotic Fund to help my family while I was away. What are you doing now?"

It is proposed to put some of the men on the land, but the percentage of men who will go on the land is a small one and will consist of the farming population who went from the country with a small additional number. The land will be there for them and every advantage will be offered. Even now demands have come from the trenches to the C. P. R. for land upon which to settle.

Mr. Dennis offers as his plan a central camp where soldiers will be kept until suitable employment is found for them. These camps will be maintained by the government, but all provincial and municipal governments will have their part in this arrangement. A labor survey should also be made and a labor bureau established through which labor could be supplied upon demand.

Mrs. Smith then called upon Mrs. Daniel Mullin, who, in a charming speech, voiced the sentiments of the Royal Standard Chapter and of the audience in thanking Mr. Dennis for his thoughtful, earnest address. The Countess of Ashburnham seconded vote of thanks which was tendered Mr. Dennis by Mrs. E. Atherton Smith.

Col. Guthrie was then called upon for a speech and he heartily endorsed the sentiments of Mr. Dennis and Gen. McLean in regard both to recruiting and to work and sacrifice of the women. The mayor made a few remarks of congratulation for the lecturer. The meeting closed with the National Anthem.

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She Suffered for Two Years, but Three Boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills Made Her a New Woman.

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"I felt heavy and sleepy after meals and had attacks of neuralgia. Heart flutterings and rheumatism were soon added to my troubles. I took just three boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills. I cannot be too glad that I did so."

Every one of Mrs. Williams' symptoms was a symptom of kidney disease. That is why Dodd's Kidney Pills cured her.

Who's Who and What's What in the Picture World and on the Stage---Favorites and What They Say and Do.

OPERA HOUSE.

A scene of transformation has been effected in the Opera House and when Saturday of this week comes visitors will be more than surprised to see what has taken place there. Workmen have been busy since Jan. 27 working both day and night. Last evening I was permitted to view the progress made so far and to tell what I saw.

Well, the whole interior has been so torn up and changed that it is hard to know where to begin to describe it. I think the first thing which impressed me as I stepped upon it was the fine new hardwood floor. The side boxes have been removed and a whole slanting floor put in. Next I realized the beauty of the new curtain. It is of a soft shade of green, edged with a fringe of gold tassels. In the centre is an oval with a scene of local beauty, a view of the Martello Tower. The drop is of the same shade of green with ornaments of gold in a classic design. The smiling maiden of former days has walked down her roadway and disappeared.

The whole color scheme is of terra cotta but not the very bright shade, remember, and a restful green. All extra ornamentation has been eliminated and the brown of the woodwork tones in very well with the other colors. The electric light shades are particularly lovely and so arranged that they can burn all through the performance. All the scenery is new also and in fact the whole Opera House has been renovated. J. M. Franklin in speaking of the way the work has been done said: "I felt St. John could do it in the short time and they have done it well." Saturday the house will open with a bill which Mr. Franklin thinks will give every satisfaction.

Mr. McKay has been busy superintending all arrangements these days and the result justifies all the efforts.

The work was done by the following local men:

Scenic painting by J. T. Brennin.

General contractor and floor laying, Wm. Munro and Son.

Plumbing and heating, W. J. Crawford & Co.

Painting and decorating, A. G. Staples and Wm. Vincent.

Electrical work, Jones Electric Co.

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Mr. W. H. Golding, manager of the Imperial Theatre, has returned from Montreal. While there Mr. Golding booked the super-Vitagraph serial, The Secret Kingdom, featuring Charles Richman and Dorothy Kelly.

We have come to know now what Vitagraph means and this serial is said by all who have seen it to come up to the very best.

Mr. J. Beaman of Halifax is in the city.

A meeting of the executive of the Motion Picture League of the Maritime Provinces will be held shortly. Messrs. R. J. McAdam of Sydney; N. Guastonquay and G. Metzler, of Halifax, and F. Winter of Moncton will attend.

W. H. Golding is the president; S. Hurley the secretary, and F. Spencer a vice-president.

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Anna Little Plays Lead With Robert Warwick

An engagement of unusual interest to all exhibitors is that of Anna Little, the former American and Universal star, to play opposite Robert Warwick in the Selznick-Picture production of E. Phillips Oppenheim's stirring novel, "The Court of St. Simon."

Although only on the screen four years, Miss Little numbers her followers by the millions and has achieved a reputation as one of the prettiest and most talented of the younger leading women of the films.

Miss Little is a typical product of California's balmy clime although many of her early years were spent in Chicago. Four years ago she returned to the coast with a travelling operatic stock company and visited the studios at Hollywood. It happened that Thomas Ince was looking for a girl whose type of beauty would lend itself to the presentation of a lovely Indian maiden and Miss Little is passing through the noted director's offices attracted his attention. For the next year she played leading roles in all of Ince's famous Indian productions after which she played the leads in other western pictures under the direction of Charles Giblyn, now producing Clara Kimball Young features for Selznick-Pictures.

Miss Little's next engagement was in the Universal's serial, "The Black Box," after which she starred for the American company in a number of western features as "Immediate Lee," and "Land o' Lizards."

Harry Rapf, president of the Robert Warwick Film Corporation, was attracted by Miss Little's work on the screen and engaged her by telegram to play the role of the French "Apache" girl in "The Court of St. Simon." It is Miss Little's first picture in the east and although she finds the indoor studio work rather irksome, she expresses herself as "delighted" with New York and is ambitious to remain here and become a star for one of the big east producing companies. Her work in "The Court of St. Simon" has so delighted Messrs. Warwick, Rapf and Selznick that it is more than possible that Miss Little will find her ambitions realized sooner than she expects.

The Fat Man's Burden.

By Hughie Mack

(Hughie Mack of Vitagraph appears in short length pictures released through General Film Service.)

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Fat is like a love affair. It's funny to everyone except the man who's in it; and to him it's a darn serious affair.

It reminds me of a story that O. Henry, I believe it was, wrote, about two girls. Both of them were fat but one had the soul of a fat girl, and was happy and comfortable in her fatness; the other had the soul of a slender, beautiful girl, and to her, fat was a curse and a lifelong tragedy.

Upon that basis, I believe that all fat people may be divided into two classes; those who have fat souls, and those who have slender ones.

For myself, I confess that though it may sound odd coming from a man whose advoirdupois has a distinct market value, I would give almost anything in the world I possess if I could only be thin again. For I was thin once; not a human skelton, but thin, nevertheless. That is to say, I didn't tip the scales at a pound over two hundred.

I love to be active, yet I am forced to be slothful. Mentally, I am by nature wide awake; yet I amuse my fellows because I am continually falling sound asleep, while sitting waiting for a scene. I would that I had the wings of a swallow, to fly—and I am forced to trundle along like a moving van. It is funny to look at, yes; but it is not far from a tragedy, after all, to be fat.

No one takes a fat man seriously. Imagine a fat "Hamlet!" He would be absurdity to the tenth degree. One always has to get used to Caruso in his tragic parts. To the novice at the opera, nothing is funnier than a fat "Canio" in his harlequin costume, puffing and strutting across the stage, and ultimately weeping fatly when his bride is false. The average person sympathizes with the bride for being inconstant, and the whole of Pagliacci loses its power. As "Don Jose," a fat tenor is insufferable. Caruso has gotten so that he sings most of it three quarter turned away from the audience. And imagine me, as Romeo weping under Juliet's balcony. Yet it was the ambition of my young life to play Romeo.

Well, c'est la vie, as the French say. I wanted to be a tragedian, but Nature cast me for a clown, and I make the best of it.

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'In "A Modern Monte Cristo," a Pathe Gold Hunter Play featuring Vincent Serrano, little Helen Badgley, the famous "Thanhouser kidlet," comes back to pictures again. The "kidlet" has had an enforced vacation of several months. She was "waiting for her teeth to come," she lisps.

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Miss Pearl White recommends the movie treatment for neurasthenic patients. She says that one hour before the camera, trying to follow the script of an over imaginative writer, will surely work a cure.

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"A woman's talking capacity is in direct relation to the number of illnesses that her family has had," Glen White, the William Fox actor, contends.

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Virginia Pearson, the William Fox star, was talking about the spacious excuses some persons make for coming late to an appointment.

"Reminds me of the young negro lad who didn't want to join the army. "Strong fellows like you ought to go and fight for their country," said the recruiting sargeant, trying to induce him to enlist.

"Dat's all right talk fo' farmers," the boy answered. "Let 'em fight fo' dey country. But I ain't."

"Why not?" asked the sargeant.

"Ain't got no country. Ah was raised in the city."

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DOORKEEPERS' CIRCLE OF THE KING'S DAUGHTERS.

The annual meeting of the Doorkeepers' Circle of the King's Daughters was held at the residence of Mrs. Geo. Polly, Riverside last night. The members went to Riverside on the noon train and spent the afternoon sewing for the poor, fourteen finished garments being the result of the afternoon's work. At five o'clock several guests came in for tea and a pleasant social time was spent.

In the evening the annual meeting was held and a fine year's report of many charitable enterprises carried out was given by the secretary, Mrs. A. Pierce Crocket.

Officers for this year were elected as follows: President, Miss Gertie Campbell; vice-president, Mrs. George Polly; secretary, Mrs. Byron Lingley; assistant secretary, Mrs. Frank Likely; treasurer, Mrs. Max McCarty.

The members returned by the evening train voting it an unusually pleasant annual meeting.

This circle meets every other week and does Red Cross work as well as sewing for the poor.

Horse Racing Today.

The track at Moosepath has been cleared and put in good condition for horse racing this afternoon. The big event is a match between Dr. Clarke, owned by L. Dryden, and Pearl Peck, owned by W. J. Alexander, and this race is for $200 aside. In addition to the match, there is a named race with the following horses entered: P. K., Ed. Sprague; Priscilla, A. Kindred; Greenwood Prince, A. Cook; Annie Ross, W. Brickley. The first heat will be started at 2.30 o'clock.

Miss Mildred Akerley, Bridge street, who a short time ago returned from the Dr. Grenfell Mission in Labrador, has been appointed assistant superintendent at the General Public Hospital.

Thomas Feeney, G. T. Feeney and Miss Marie Feeney of Fredericton are in the city.

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THE COUNCIL RETAINED STREET SUPT.

Expresses Disapproval of Dismissal and He Still Holds Job — Matters of Routine Business Transacted.

Is Albert Winchester still superintendent of streets for the city of St. John is the question following the action of the council yesterday in expressing its disapproval of his dismissal by the commissioner of public works.

It was decided to fix the license fee for outside concerns coming into the city to conduct bankrupt sales at $500.

The reduction of watchmen on the city wharves did not come up.

The mayor called the council together at 11.30 and all the commissioners were in attendance.

The commissioner of finance and public affairs reported recommending the payment of the following accounts: Harbors, ferries and public lands department, $8,365.20; public works department, $1,731.01; water and sewerage, $3,184.41; public safety, $765.08; treasury department, $408.91.

He reported payments for the month of January amounting to $63,946.91. The report was adopted.

The commissioner of public works recommended:

That he be authorized to sell three of the department horses and to purchase three others to take their places, payments for the same to be made out of the appropriation for street plant, repairs and renewals.

That he be authorized to sell the old steam engine at the asphalt plant and to purchase and install a new horizontal steam engine, to be paid for out of appropriation for street plant additions.

That the bill approved of by the committee of the whole, intitled "an act respecting public streets in the city of St. John," be approved and that it be printed and forwarded to the legislature for enactment at the coming session thereof.

The report was adopted.

The commissioner of public works moved the adoption of the following report: That the street superintendent, Albert Winchester, was dismissed on January for reasons given to the council on January 23, and your commissioner recommends that Clifford G. Price, who has been acting as superintendent since January 13, be now appointed to the office, the salary to be the same for the present as paid to the late superintendent ($45.84 per half month, or $1,100 per annum) and to date from the middle of January.

Nobody seemed to be inclined to second the recommendation, but finally the mayor in order to get it before the council, did so.

Commissioner McLellan moved in amendment that the council express its disapproval of the dismissal, and after some considerable discussion in which all the commissioners except Commissioner Fisher declared that Mr. Winchester should be, in view of his long service with the city, given some position, the amendment was carried, and Commissioner Fisher said: "Then Mr. Winchester is still superintendent of streets."

The salary of Road Engineer Hatfield was increased from $1,600 to $1,800.

Commissioner Fisher then moved that the pay of the workmen's staff in the public works department, dating from January 1 be fixed by the commissioner from time to time in his discretion, the pay of the foremen and of those engaged as assistants in engineering and draughting not to exceed $3.50 a day, and the pay of the men not to exceed $2.75 a day.

An objection was taken by Commissioner McLellan to the principle of giving the commissioner power to increase salaries without specifying the men.

The motion carried, Commissioner McLellan dissenting.

H. L. McLoon and J. K. Jones were authorized as lumber surveyors for the port of St. John.

A communication was recieved from the Trades and Labor Council asking for information regarding the progress of the taxation commission and the licensing of boarding houses.

The mayor explained that he is awaiting a reply from Dr. Campbell regarding the assessment report and that the boarding house matter had been referred to the city solicitor.

A letter from J. A. Barry asking for damages for his client, Miss Mary McDonald for unjustified arrest was referred to the commissioner of safety and city solicitor.

On motion of the mayor the salary of the second clerk in the assessors' office was placed at $950.

A letter was received from Weldon & McLean to the effect that the Bishop of St. John had withdrawn his objection to the erection of a garage on Cliff street and the common clerk was asked to inquire of the Bishop if this were correcet.

The annual reports of H. E. Gould, civic forester and the city road engineer, were presented by Commissioner Fisher and received.

The mayor drew attention to a communication from the Retail Merchants' Association in reference to the announcement of a "bankrupt sale" to be held in the city and asking that no license should be issued.

An amendment to the license law was given its first and second reading and passed, providing a special license of $500 for outside concerns coming in to put on such sales.

The city solicitor asked that the Trades and Labor Council be requested to send a representative to him to discuss the proposed boarding house law.

Tenders for steam engine and asphalt supplies were referred to the commissioner of public works, with power to act.

OBITUARY

J. Campbell.

James Campbell, a well-known resident of the North End, died yesterday morning at his residence, Main street. Mr. Campbell was about fifty years of age and had been in the employ of the Charles Miller mill for several years. He is survived by three sisters Mrs. James Robertson, Mrs. Charles Beers and Miss Esther Campbell, all of this city. The funeral will be held this afternoon from his late residence 149 Main street.

Alfred Thompson.

The death of Alfred Thompson, son of Mrs. Hannah Thompson, occurred yesterday morning. He was forty-two years old, and is survived by his mother, four small children, a brother, John, and two sisters. The sisters are: Mrs. George A. Thompson, of Victoria street, city, and Edith, married and now living in Montreal. The funeral will take place on Thursday from 154 Rockland road. Mr. Thompson was a longshoreman. Many friends will regret his death.

Harold B. McLeod.

The death of Harold B. McLeod, eldest son of F. Bruce and Rachel McLeod, of Central Hampstead, Queens county, occurred at the home of his parents on February 6, at the early age of 24 years. Besides his parents he leaves four brothers, Duncan and Fred, of Cornhill, Kings county, and Henry and Walter, at home; one sister, Miss Alta, of Cornhill, to mourn. The funeral will be held on Thursday, February 8, at Cornhill, Kings county.

Moncton Subway Cases.

Judgment has been given in the Exchequer Court in the Moncton subway cases. Awards have been granted as follows: M. Francis Hogan, $1,800; Geo. V. Steeves, $300; Edward O. Steeves, $2,700; James B. LeBlanc, $2,500.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that there will be sold by Public Auction, at Chubb's Corner, corner of Princess and Prince William streets, in the City of Saint John, in the Province of New Brunswick, on Wednesday, the twenty-eighth day of March, A. D., 1917, at the hour of twelve o'clock noon, pursuant to the directions of a certain decree for Foreclosure and Sale, made in the Supreme Court, on the sixteenth day of January, A. D., 1917, in an action wherein Robert Matthew, executor and trustee of the Estate of James D. Fowler, deceased, is Plaintiff, and Union Investments Limited, is Defendant, with the approbation of the undersigned Master of the Supreme Court and pursuant to the provisions of the Judicature Act, 1909, the following described freehold property, lands and premises mentioned and described in said Decree for Foreclosure and Sale, as "All those four several lots and parcels of land situate in Victoria Ward, in the City of the City and County of Saint John, described in the Deed or Conveyance thereof from the late Ward Chipman to Stephen Whittaker, recorded in the office of the Registrar of Deeds in and for the City and County of Saint John, in Book S., No. 3 of Records, pages 427, 428 and 429, bounded and described as follows:—That is to say, commencing at the angle formed by the intersection of the Northern line of the City Road with the Eastern line of the road leading towards Gilbert's Mills as now laid out, thence from the said angle running Easterly on the said Northern line of the City Road one hundred and thirty-six (136) feet to Marsh street; thence at right angles Northerly on the Western line of Marsh street one hundred and forty (140) feet; thence at right angles Westerly one hundred and twenty-two (122) feet, or to the road leading to Gilbert's Mills, and thence Southerly on the Eastern side of the said road to the place of beginning, the said lot of land hereby conveyed known and distinguished on the plan of building lots in the City of Saint John and Parish of Portland, on the North and South sides of the City Road near the Aboideau belonging to the estate of the late Honorable William Hazen by the number one (1), two (2), three (3) and six (6), the said four lots of land having been subsequently conveyed by William Jack, Esquire, as Barrister, to Catherine Ranney, since deceased, Executrix and Trustee of the last will of William Parker Ranney, by Deed recorded in the office of the said Registrar by the No. 56157, Libro 15 of Records, folio 566, 567, 568 and 569. Save and except so much and such portion of the said four several lots of land and premises hereinbefore described as was heretofore sold and conveyed by Lewis J. Almon as Trustee of the estate of the late William Parker Ranney to John Murray, by Indenture bearing date the twelfth day of March, A. D., 1894, and recorded in the office of the said Registrar of Deeds, Libro 50, folio 297, the said portion so conveyed being a lot situate on the corner of the said City Road and Marsh street, having a front of thirty feet on the said City Road and extending back therefrom Northwardly preserving the same width and along Marsh street one hundred (100) feet. Also save and except the other portion of the said four (4) several lots of land hereinbefore described, heretofore demised and leased by the said Catherine Ranney, as such surviving Executrix and Trustee, to Charles Scribner by Indenture of Lease bearing date the fourteenth day of December, A. D., 1887, and recorded in the office of the said Registrar of Deeds by the Number 59240 Libro 26, folio 484, 485, 486 and 487, the said portion so demised and leased being a lot situate on the corner of the said City Road and the said Road leading towards Gilbert's Mills, having a front of thirty (30) feet on the said City Road and extending back therefrom Northwardly preserving the same width and along the Eastern line of the said road to Gilbert's Mills one hundred (100) feet."

At which sale all parties have leave to bid. For further particulars apply to the undersigned Master, or Plaintiff's Solicitor.

Dated January twenty-third, A. D., 1917.

GEORGE H. V. BELYEA,
Master of Supreme Court.

H. A. PORTER,
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W 224-42 Carr, John, residence 230 St. James street, W. E.
M 370-31 Coleman, Miss Gladys, residence Pokick road, number changed from M 155-31.
M 120-41 Crawford, Carl M., residence Y. M. C. A. building, Hazen avenue, number changed from M 1875-12, address from 119 Princess street.
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M 2927-21 Dugay, Joseph, residence 217 Charlotte street.
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M 1239-12 Heans, E. Osborne, residence 78 Paradise Row.
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M 2488-12 Knox, Miss Edna, residence Silver Falls.
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M 2439-41 Ritchie, Albert, residence 14 Acadia street.
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THE WEATHER.

Forecasts.

Maritime—Moderate to fresh westerly winds, fair and moderately cold.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Forecast: Northern New England—Fair with rising temperature Wednesday; Thursday probably snow flurries; moderate to fresh west winds.

Toronto, Feb. 6.—Fair weather has prevailed today in nearly all parts of the Dominion and in the western provinces it has been quite mild.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Prince Rupert	42	50
Victoria	40	42
Vancouver	38	40
Kamloops	26	32
Calgary	16	54
Edmonton	24	44
Battleford	16	40
Moose Jaw	22	38
Port Nelson	*14	2
Port Arthur	10	22
Parry Sound	*12	22
Toronto	16	26
Kingston	4	22
Ottawa	4	12
Montreal	10	12
Quebec	6	14
St. John	10	20
Halifax	18	26

*—Below zero.

Around the City

REMEMBER.

Remember the grand musicale event in the Exmouth street church tonight by D. Arnold Fox, assisted by Mrs. W. S. Harrison, Miss E. Climo, Miss M. Myles, Mr. W. Pidgeon, Dr. Percival Bonnell and Bayard Stilwell; silver collection.

Seamen's Mission.

A large number of sailors attended the weekly temperance meeting held in the institute last night. The meeting was held under the auspices of the St. John W. C. T. U. with Mrs. J. Seymour presiding. An admirable address was given by the Rev. Neil McLaughlin and Miss Comber played several pianoforte selections which were much enjoyed. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

Waterloo Street Boy Scouts.

Members of the Waterloo street Baptist church troop of Boy Scouts met at their headquarters last evening and after receiving valuable instructions in scoutcraft, listened with great attention to the secretary-treasurer of the local association, as he gave them a short address on the subject of "Observation and Obedience." The officers in charge were the Rev. F. H. Wentworth and Scoutmaster Galley.

Main Street Red Cross Circle.

The entertainment to be given on Thursday night in the Main street church under the auspices of the Red Cross Circle promises to be one of exceptional merit. An address on glimpses of life at the front will be given by a returned officer, the orchestra of the 165th will be present and music and readings will be contributed by the best local talent. The proceeds will be devoted to Red Cross work.

Victoria Rink Carnival.

The fancy dress carnival held last night in the Victoria rink was an unqualified success. The attendance reached the 700 mark. Of this number about 350 were on the ice. The prizes were awarded as follows: Harold and Beatrice Marshall., combination prize; Miss Jessie Ougler, as "Cameron," 1st prize; Miss Hughes in Highland costume, second; Miss T. Baynton, as "Angel of Peace," third; W. Thorne, as "Napoleon," 1st gentlemen's prize; Charles Nixon, "Business Agent," second; Roy Kerr, "Russian Cossack," third.

St. David's Brotherhood.

The Brotherhood of St. David's church, last night, heard a very impressive address by Rev. Alex. Grant, who enlisted with the "Princess Pats" and fought with them until wounded and invalided home. In the course of his remarks he said that he thought the churches had not done all they might for the returned soldiers and felt that they were missing a splendid opportunity to win these men for the Kingdom of Christ. The following committee were appointed to consider the suggestion of Rev. Mr. Grant along these lines and they will report at a meeting of the Brotherhood on Sunday night: Rev. J. A. MacKeigan, R. Reid and Mr. McMulkin. R. E. Armstrong presided at the meeting and all present felt that it had been most helpful.

Clearance Sale of Cloth Coats.

F. A. Dykeman & Co. are clearing out cloth coats in all the latest styles at great reductions. There is two months of cold weather yet and any lady needing a good warm comfortable garment will have a splendid opportunity to get one at a low price.

Tweed coats, regular price $16.95, are selling for $11.95.

Corduroy coats, regular price $19.95, for $10.00.

Velour cloth coats regular price $17.50, for $9.50.

Blue Chinchilla coats, regular price $11.50, for $8.75.

Brown cloth coats, regular price $9.95 for $6.75.

These are a few samples of the great values that can be had at this sale.

ALL RECORDS BROKEN BY THE 257TH BATTALION WHICH HAS RECEIVED CALL FOR OVERSEAS

Last Chance for New Brunswickers to Join a Construction Battalion—Announcement Made Yesterday That Construction Unit Would Proceed Overseas Within Next Fortnight—Want 100 Men Within the Next Four Days—Lt. Col. Martin, O. C., of 257th in the City Yesterday

The official announcement was made last evening that the 257th Railway Construction Battalion would proceed overseas this month. Authorized for recruiting purposes less than a month ago, the 257th has broken all records for quick departure overseas. Not one Canadian battalion which has been authorized since the commencement of the war has received a call for overseas service in such a short time.

Lt.-Col. L. T. Martin of Ottawa, officer commanding the 257th, was in the city yesterday, a guest at the Royal Hotel. He was in consultation yesterday afternoon with Major Hannington, officer commanding the New Brunswick company, with headquarters in St. John.

The 257th Battalion are desirous of recruiting 100 men in New Brunswick in the remaining four days of this week. This battalion which has set a new pace for recruiting throughout the province and the Dominion should prove attractive to the recruit who is looking for an immediate chance to go overseas. Upwards of 700 men have already been secured for the battalion of which number 115 have been enlisted in this province.

The local recruits of the battalion are rejoicing over the announcement that they are to go overseas at once. This has prove a big factor in inducing men to enlist and it is confidently expected that the aim of the officers of the battalion to get 100 men during the week will be fully realized. Last evening messages were forwarded to the various recruiting officers throughout the province urging them to make renewed efforts to secure recruits for this unit and each section is expected to co-operate with the provincial recruiting officer in getting the required number of men.

The New Brunswick company, whilst rapidly filling up is as yet somewhat behind the strength of the companies in the other provinces owing to the fact that recruiting for this company was started after those in the other provinces. Now that this hurry-up call has come Major Hannington feels that the men of New Brunswick will be glad to respond quickly and place the record for this province on a par with Upper Canada.

It is officially stated that the 257th is the last railway construction battalion to be authorized for overseas service from Canada.

ST. JOHN MEN SUCCESSFUL AT M'GILL

F. J. Scully, of This City, Medical Class Valedictorian — Majority of Young M.D's. Volunteer for Overseas Service.

A class of over forty young men who received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from McGill includes four St. John men. They are: Francis J. Scully, John R. Nugent, Edmund W. Lunney and Harold St. C. Clarke.

The results of the final examinations held in January have just been announced, and the degrees were conferred at a special convocation yesterday afternoon.

The majority of the class have volunteered for overseas service.

The class valedictorian is F. J. Sculley, one of the successful St. John men.

GOVERNMENT PRIMARIES THIS EVENING

Indications point to a large attendance at the primaries in the various wards in the city to elect officers and delegates to the nominating convention. The ward meetings will be held tonight. The convention, it is announced, will take place in the immediate future.

The places of meeting for tonight's meetings are as follows:

Sydney and Dukes wards—Market building, entrance South Market street, near Charlotte street.

Kings, Queens, Prince and Wellington wards—Semi-Ready building, corner of King and Germain streets, entrance from Germain street.

Victoria ward—Victoria Rink, City Road.

Dufferin ward—Beatty & Giggey's store, 687 Main street.

Lansdowne, Lorne and Stanley wards — Tipperary Hall, Victoria street.

Guys and Brooks ward—'Prentice Boys' Hall, Guilford street, West End.

A special edition of the Royal Gazette announces that the new house will assemble at Fredericton on March 15th.

Owing to the war many articles are being given to a greater extent than formerly. Gundry's experience shows a strong demand existing for Cigarette Cases, Signet Rings and Military Brushes. A grand selection of these articles is always kept in stock. The famous Wrist Watch is also shown in many styles.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Elizabeth Freeze of Penobsquis, who has been spending the last three months in Boston, the guest of friends, is slowly recovering from her serious illness and hopes to be able to return to her home in the near future.

2 NEW MINES NOW BEING DEVELOPED

Rev. Mr. Robinson, of Stanley, Announces Opening of Tungsten and Silver Mines Near That Place.

Rev. R. A. Robinson, sector of the Church of England at Stanley, and Rev. C. H. Fullerton, rector at Prince William, are in the city, guests at the Dufferin Hotel. They are here to attend the sessions of the Anglican Synod.

Rev. Mr. Robinson is enthusiastic over the prospects for big mineral development in the vicinity of Stanley. Upwards of twenty-five men are now at work in experimental work at the new tungsten mine near Maple Grove Station, on the Transcontinental Railway, while a new silver lead mine on the Taxis ,a branch of the Miramichi River, is also being opened up. It is understood that Montreal capital is interested in these enterprises and the prospects are for big development.

Rev. Mr. Fullerton said that while nothing definite had been arrived at there was a prospect of the renewed operation of the antimony mine at Lake George.

Both the visiting clergymen referred to the dearth of students for the ministry due to the large numbers who had gone to the front. Many clergymen had also volunteered for service which had served to increase the duties of those remaining. Both clergymen said, however, they were only too pleased to attend to all the mission work which they were given.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY LAST NIGHT

Fur Bearing Animals of New Brunswick Discussed—Several New Members Elected

At the regular monthly meeting of the Natural History Society held last night in their building with the president. James A. Estey, in the chair, the following new members were admitted to the society: Mrs. T. J. Dean, Misses Edna Anderson, Margaret Barrett, Christie Higgins, E. Leonard, Marjorie Manning, Estelle Montgomery, Helen Murdoch, Elsie Nevins, Mary Robertson, Gertrude Sullivan, Dorothy Till.

The following donations were also acknowledged: Colored window glass from one of the French cathedrals, which was bombarded by the Germans, gift of Miss Leslie Pickett, also a German emergency dressing band; an arrow head from the old Indian battlefields near Ottawa, gift of H. R. Hooper; a German bullet by Private Renaud, 99th Battalion, Ottawa; and a steel shaving thirty feet long from a local shell plant and a carving out of the old post office, the gift of Mr. Wetmore.

The paper for the evening by W. L. MacDiarmid was greatly enjoyed. The subject, fur-bearing animals of New Brunswick, proving a topic of much interest. Pictures of the different animals of the province were thrown on the screen and their habits and living described by the lecturer. Exhibits of the fur were also shown.

THE LAST OF SIX BROTHERS DONS UNIFORM

William Pendleton Joins the 26th in the City Yesterday—Three Brothers Now in Hospital Recuperating.

William Pendleton, the last of six brothers to join the colors, offered his services to the Allied cause in this city yesterday. Pendleton, who is a Lakeside, Kings County, youth, joined the Bantams' Battalion. Lieut. Geo. T. Walsh and Sergt. P. J. O'Rourke signed the young man on yesterday for the 216th, along with four others who embraced the opportunity to do service overseas.

The Pendleton family has a remarkable war record. Three of the boys are now in hospitals in France recuperating from wounds which they received at the front. The others are prepared to do their bit just as gallantly as did their wounded brothers.

The 216th, which is the only bantam battalion in Eastern Canada, is meeting with much success in securing recruits in this province. Both Messrs. Walsh and O'Rourke are enthusiastic recruiting officers and expect to have the genuine support of the men of New Brunswick who are small from the standpoint of size but big in their earnestness to fight for the cause of civilization.

MANIFESTO IS WELL RECEIVED IN QUEENS CO.

Hon. Mr. Slipp Refers to Fact That Mr. Farris' Previous Predictions Were Not Fully Realized.

Hon. A. R. Slipp, minister of lands and mines, is in the city a guest at the Royal Hotel.

A reporter asked the new minister if he had anything to say in regard to the prediction of the Hon. L. P. Farris in yesterday's Telegraph that the Government would be overthrown?

"I have the same opinion of Mr. Farris' prediction as I had of his prophecies of 1908 and 1912. It is a matter of history that Mr. Farris made the same prediction at the nominating conventions in Queens county on the past two elections. The people of Queens and other counties of the province know the result of the polling.

"I am not given to predictions myself, but I can tell you candidly that the people of Queens are pleased with the gift of the portfolio of lands and mines to their county, and that the business-like manifesto of Premier Murray is being heartily endorsed."

Hon. Mr. Slipp returns to Queens county today to resume the duties of the campaign.

ANNUAL MEETING R.K.Y.C. LAST NIGHT

Club in Flourishing Condition—Will Raise Money to Send Table Luxuries to Men of Grand Fleet.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the Kennebecasis Yacht Club was held last night in the club's rooms on Charlotte street. It was the annual meeting of the society and several members were present. It was decided to raise a sum of money to be used for the purpose of sending table luxuries to the men of the North Sea fleet. This movement was recently inaugurated by the St. Lawrence Yacht Club and has since been taken up by the different clubs in the Dominion. It is probable that the sum will be raised by means of a lottery although no definite plan was decided upon last night.

The secretary's report showed the club numerically strong, while that of the treasurer showed a balance of $700 to the club's credit.

The following officers were elected: F. P. Starr, commodore; Walter Logan, vice-commodore; Dr. A. P. Crocket, rear-commodore; G. A. Hilyard, secretary; W. H. Turner, treasurer; Dr. Rowley, fleet surgeon; Rev. G. M. Campbell, fleet chaplain; and J. W. Barnes, captain.

No Inquest.

Coroner Roberts has decided that no inquest will be held on the death of Mrs. John Leah.

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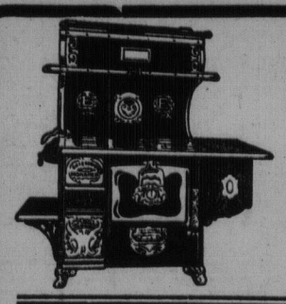

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