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RESERVISTS TO FIGHT.  
BRITISH GOVERNMENT WILL CALL THEM OUT FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

Australia May Send More Contingents—Recruiting in Canada—Britain Upheld in Belgian Chamber of Deputies—Boer Leaders in Conference.

London, Dec. 11.—Additional drafts for the militia, yeomanry and the regulars are already being prepared for transportation to South Africa. The British government has decided to call out for the South African service all reservists who have not completed their twelve years of service.

The federal government of Australia is also considering the sending of further contingents to South Africa. Brussels, Dec. 10.—When the question of the concentration camps in South Africa was brought before the Chamber of Deputies today, M. Vander Velde, the Socialist leader, astonished the house by the moderate tone of his speech, which was greatly opposed to his usual treatment of Great Britain's conduct of the war. The deputy disclaimed all hostility to Great Britain, and that his wife was English and added that his brother-in-law was fighting under Lord Kitchener. He loved Great Britain because it was the chosen country of liberty, in economic interests and of exiles, and was the friend of Belgium. He appealed, however, to the sympathies of the chamber on behalf of the old men, women, and children in the concentration camps, and said he desired to know the attitude of the government of Belgium in the event of other governments uniting to apply to Britain for the purpose of obtaining better treatment for the people in the camps.

M. Vander Velde's remarks were greeted with warm applause from the Boer commandants among the occupants of which were Mrs. Steyn, the wife of President Steyn; Mrs. Louisa Moritz and Mrs. Botha. Bloemfontein, Dec. 10.—General De Wet is reported to be at the Yeats Kop farm, 12 miles from Heilbron. It is stated that a large commando is with him. It is also said that a meeting of the Boer commandants was held Sunday morning, among those attending being General De Wet, Steyn, Ross, Mentjes and Botha. Some Boer women on a farm near Heilbron were interrogated by General Rimmington in connection with regard to the meeting, which they said was held between Lindley and Heilbron. They added that the burghers intended to join Steyn and De Wet for information in reference to intervention, and also as to the chances for Boer success. They further intended to ask when the main promise made by the leaders were going to be carried out.

While General Rimmington was in the Lindley district, his outpost were sniped by some of De Wet's commandos. The attack was on Monday night. The following morning he moved toward Heilbron and captured 19 of Mentjes's commandos. The Boer forces are in small bands in the country surrounding Bloemfontein. Ottawa, Dec. 10.—(Special)—Col. Evans expressed to get the Ottawa quota of 12 men for the 10th regiment. He has all will proceed to Halifax not later than Monday next. Sgt. Major Church, the adjutant of the regiment, arrived last evening from Regina. He was very much pleased to see Col. Evans when the latter took over the R. C. M. R. from Lieut. Colonel Herchmer. Major Church, who will have the rank of captain in the regiment, has had over 19 years' service in the army. He was in the Royal Horse Guards. His first colonel was Col. Fred. Burnaby. Captain Church is a thorough disciplinarian. He is over six feet in height and a magnificent specimen of manhood. He has been in the mounted police since 1897. During the diamond jubilee, Commissioner Perry, of the mounted police, met Capt. Church in London and engaged him to be riding master for the mounted police. He was right hand man to Col. Evans with the Royal Canadian Mounted Regiment, and was one of the first men to be offered a commission when Col. Evans got the command of the present contingent.

Dr. Riddell, of Calgary, the veterinary surgeon, has also arrived here. He has also seen service in South Africa. He has a record of bringing over more horses alive and in good condition to South Africa than any of the other veterinarians. It is the reason why he has been offered the position of veterinary. Out of a horse he lost only four. He is a devotee of Hon. Thos. Greenway. Toronto, Dec. 10.—(Special)—Col. Dent has purchased in Canada for use in Africa, 7,500 horses and is authorizing \$40 more for the new mounted. Of the first mounted purchased, 3,500 were purchased in Ontario, the being nearly \$1,000,000.

British Board of Trade Award for Verkes. London, Dec. 11.—The British board of trade has officially issued its award of £100,000 to the Verkes system of electrification for London underground railroads.

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In five years, 550,000 people have accepted this offer; and 39 in each 40 paid for no druggist accepts a penny otherwise. The decision is left with you. Note that if my Restorative cures the book is a trifle. If it fails, it is free. Can you neglect such an offer when 39 out of 40 who write me are cured. Simply state which book you want and name of your dealer, and address in full. Restorative, 4c. Book No. 1 on Dyspepsia. Book No. 2 on the Heart. Book No. 3 on the Kidneys. Book No. 4 for Women. Book No. 5 for Men (sealed). Book No. 6 on Rheumatism.

COAL FAMINE EXISTS AT PHILADELPHIA.

Scarcity of Cars to Transport at Mines Makes Most Serious Condition in Years.

Philadelphia, Dec. 10.—A coal famine such as had not prevailed for years now exists here by reason of which both the coal trade and West India commerce is almost entirely crippled. Orders for coal both throughout New England and the West Indies are pouring in but the merchants find themselves unable to make shipments owing to the scarcity of coal at tidewater. This is a great misfortune due to a scarcity of cars. Anchored in the Delaware river are a large number of steamers, schooners and barges, all chartered, but unable to get their cargoes from New England ports because of the serious and vexed owners are sending their vessels to Newport News and Baltimore from New England ports, hoping to get return cargoes in better time. At Port From New England ports, hoping to get return cargoes in better time. The daily output seldom falls short of 10,000 tons, only one 100-ton car is supplied today, that being by the barge Kohlsaat.

SUNDAY SALOON IN NEW YORK.

District Attorney Philbin Opposed to Their Being Open—Can't See How Problem Will Be Solved.

New York, Dec. 11.—In a formal statement today, District Attorney Philbin said, relative to the proposition to legalize the opening of drinking places during certain hours on Sundays, that he was opposed to the opening of the saloons on Sundays, either for the whole or any part of the day.

"The problem, it seems to me," he continued, "is to arrange so that the interests and the elements of the community opposed to the violation of the Sunday law are both pleased and I am of the opinion that there is no possibility of the solution of such a proposition."

IN PERILOUS POSITION.

Skiff With Three Men Jammed in Ice—Vain Endeavors All Day to Rescue Them.

Quebec, Dec. 11.—(Special)—A despatch from Village Des Aulnais, county of L'Islet, says three men of Quebec, in a skiff, were jammed in the ice and carried up stream. The day was spent in vain endeavoring to effect a landing, but no canoe is available here and it is impossible to render any assistance. The marine department at Quebec wired for a canoe at St. Andre, and it is expected here after midnight, when a searching party will go to the rescue.

Incendiarism in Nova Scotia. Amherst, N. S., Dec. 11.—(Special)—About six weeks ago a large barn filled with hay at Black Point, near Amherst, belonging to Richard Beatty, was destroyed by fire. The origin was a mystery. The police have now arrested Harry Palmer, David Murray and Arthur Fraser, three boys. Fraser is held simply as a witness. He and Murray are out on bail. The examination will be tomorrow.

Disappointed at Population Increase. Sir Christopher Furness Talks in London About Canada and Conditions.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—(Special)—The Telegram's special cable from London says: "Sir Christopher Furness, who has just returned from America, in an interview today expressed great disappointment at the small increase in Canada's population as exhibited by the last census. This, he said, 'must be largely due to want of individual energy in development of the country's natural resources, and establishment of manufactures of all kinds.'"

Baltimore and Ohio R. R. Earnings. Baltimore, Dec. 11.—The statement of earnings and expenses of the Baltimore & O. Southwestern road, for the five months ended in November, 1901, show: Gross earnings, \$1,762,804; increase, \$2,292,453; expenses, \$1,511,906; increase, \$2,030,333; net earnings, \$250,898; increase, \$2,062,140.

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KILLED WIFE'S LOVER.

Haverhill Man, in Jealous Frenzy, Commits Murder.

Haverhill, Mass., Dec. 10.—A self-confessed murderer, John D. Mitchel, 44 years old, of this city, is locked up in the local jail tonight, having shot and killed James Oakes, 51 years old, a shoemaker, with a revolver this evening. The tragedy occurred at 6:30 o'clock, at the corner of Oak and Emerson streets, and there was only one witness so far as is known, that one being Mrs. Mitchel, wife of the prisoner. The act is supposed to have been committed in a fit of jealous frenzy caused by Oakes' attentions to Mrs. Mitchel. The details as given out by the police are as follows: Mitchel had heard, from many sources, of the attentions paid his wife by Oakes, and had been taunted with the fact that such a degree that several times he had become jealously enraged. This evening he went to the boarding house where Mrs. Mitchel boarded, and looking in through a window, he saw his wife in company with Oakes. He waited until they came out together and then stepped out in front of them in the full light of a lamp above a fire alarm box. A few hasty words were spoken by the men. Mrs. Mitchel not taking part in the conversation. Suddenly Mitchel drew a revolver and fired at Oakes, the bullet taking effect in the chest, slightly to the right of the breast bone and near the lower sternum. At the sound of the shot a crowd quickly gathered, and a police ambulance was summoned. In haste the wounded man was conveyed to the Hale Hospital. When the ambulance arrived there, however, Oakes was dead.

Mitchel was taken to the police station, where he gave a very meagre account of the crime. He was held in custody and a preliminary hearing tomorrow morning. Rufus P. Tapley has been engaged to defend the prisoner.

Recruiting Results. Strict Examination Makes Quebec Quota Doubtful—Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton and Others Ready.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—(Special)—Col. Evans enlisted his 12 men here today and they will leave tomorrow, under charge of Capt. Church, for Halifax. Major Biggar, of the 10th regiment, is in charge of them. Col. Evans has applied to the war office to be allowed to use pack saddles for one of the troops. He has secured some good pack saddles from the city.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—(Special)—There have been 51 men sworn in, while six others will be sworn in tomorrow morning. Col. Oter will examine a few men over the quota so as to be prepared in case extra men are needed from this point. In all 68 men have been passed as medically fit at the close of the day. Toronto, Hamilton, London and Guelph men leave tomorrow night.

Robert Bell, ex-M. P., inspected 220 horses bought here and found them an exceptionally fine lot.

Quebec, Dec. 11.—(Special)—Only five applicants were accepted out of 30 today. An official report was made with these results: Salt, 8 per cent.; annatto, 10 per cent.; rennet and organic matter, 2 per cent. The value of the 2-oz. box, which sold at retail for \$2.50, was \$2.

An analysis on one pound of "Red Albumen" showed it to be cayenne pepper. A teaspoonful in soft food was to be distributed among 12 horses, who are retailing at 60c. a pound.

Orders for the prepared "Red Albumen" are still forthcoming from the vicinity of Rochester.

Four Bodies Washed Ashore. First Officer and Three Seamen of Steamer Ella—The Latter Towed to North Sydney.

Halifax, Dec. 11.—(Special)—The disabled steamer Ella was towed into North Sydney this afternoon. The bodies of the four sailors who were drowned were washed ashore at Scattered Island today. The names of the dead are: First officer, O. Broderick, Norway; S. Teran, Norway; Martin McGrath and A. Anderson, Newfoundland.

Fire in Spencerwood. Conservatory of Quebec Governor's Official Residence Badly Damaged.

Quebec, Dec. 11.—(Special)—Shortly after 6 o'clock tonight fire broke out in the conservatory of Spencerwood, the official residence of the Governor of Quebec. The fire brigade responded promptly and the fire was under control in about two hours. The conservatory was completely destroyed. It is not known how the fire started. It is covered by insurance.

I. C. R. Conductor Has Foot Amputated. Toronto, N. S., Dec. 11.—(Special)—Conductor Joe Weatherbe, of this town, jumped on a moving dromble, cut his foot off and the stake which broke, thrown under the car and then passed over one foot, just as it did. Dr. Pratt amputated the foot. The conductor was in bed this morning.

Monument to Memory of Mr. Davin. Ottawa, Dec. 11.—(Special)—Mr. Morgan has taken the lead in the operation of a committee to erect a monument to the late N. F. Davin, a. c. s. c. has already been promised.

Chinese Honors Bestowed. Ottawa, Dec. 11.—(Special)—La Patrie has an article published in which exception is taken to the fact that the Chinese flag in Canada. La Patrie says the flag is the national emblem of French-Canadians and has a right to be hoisted beside the English flag.

Woodstock Epidemic Hospital. Woodstock, Dec. 12.—(Special)—Following the instructions of the town council the Preston house today was fitted with stove and boiler preparatory to receiving smallpox and other disease enters the town.

Yokohama's Fine Hotel Burned. Victoria, B. C., Dec. 11.—Advice from Japan tell of the destruction by fire of the Oriental Hotel at Yokohama, accounted the handsomest in Japan. A number of guests escaped with nothing but their night clothes. One Japanese nurse was burned to death. The funeral of the late Princess Yamashina took place at Tokio Nov. 7. All princes and princesses of the blood were present and, with the military and police, the cortege presented an imposing appearance.

Need of a "Sunshine" Furnace. When the price of coal goes this high the need of an economical furnace is felt. The "SUNSHINE" is the result of half a century of furnace-study, and embodies every fuel-saving device that long experience and modern ingenuity can think out. Every square-inch from bottom of fire pot to top of dome is a direct radiator surface. Made in three sizes. Burns coal, coke or wood. Our local agent or nearest house send descriptive pamphlets free to address.

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Commanding Officer of New British Force Was Born in Halifax—C. A. Duff-Miller Chairman of Organization Committee.

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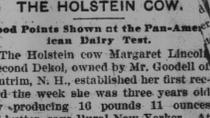
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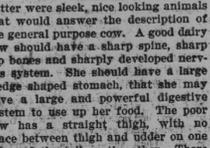
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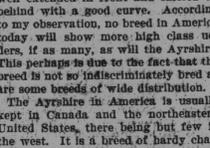
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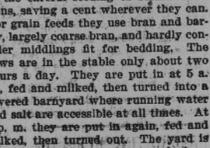
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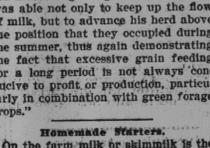
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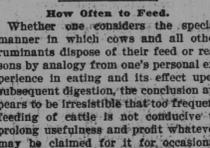
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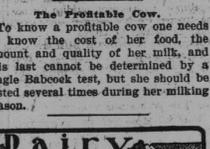
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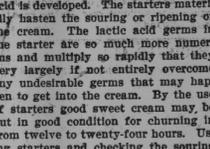
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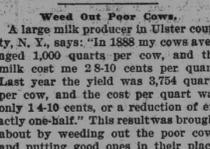
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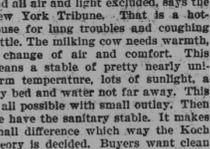
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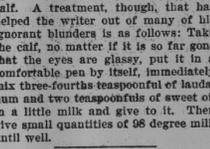
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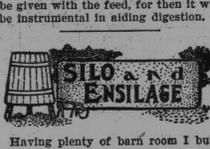
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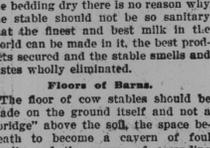
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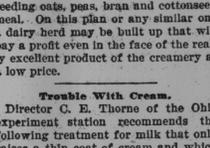
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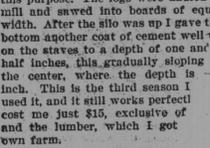
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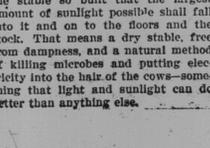
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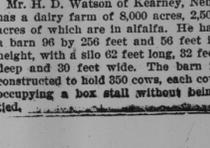
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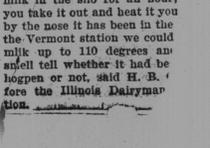
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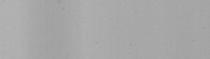
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SPECIAL NOTICE.

As a great number of our subscribers are interested in the Census Gauging Competition, for which prizes were offered to the persons coming nearest to the correct enumeration of the population for the Dominion of Canada, a given out by the Minister of Agriculture from the results of the recent census, we wish to advise the readers of THE TELEGRAPH that no announcement had yet been made by the Minister of Agriculture.

As soon as the Hon. Mr. Fisher has made the official statement showing the results of the Census, the coupons will be sorted out by the Press Publishing Association of Detroit, and the announcement made of the prize winners in the SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH for several issues, so that all may know who the successful competitors were.

This will save our readers and ourselves any trouble of correspondence in regard to the competition.

THE TELEGRAPH PUBLISHING CO. OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 16. PRES PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION, TORONTO: Official figures are Five Million, one Hundred and Thirty-eight thousand, Eight Hundred and thirty-three, but they are not A. BLUE, Director of Census.

As soon as final figures can be ascertained, the awards will be made. PRESS PUB. ASS'N. DR. McLEOD IN YORK.

Dr. McLeod has issued a card to the editors of York which has a strong resemblance to the first political manifesto distinguished relative, Hon. George Foster. Dr. McLeod says he has no ground and this is probably true, at least in the case of the Hon. George E. Foster, held the office of this country, and as a member of the Prohibition Commission he received the treasury some \$10,000. It is also strongly in favor of a re-election and in this he agrees with the illustrious cousin, who would sit for Kings county if money or a glass of rum were in his behalf. Yet Mr. George is unseated for corrupt practices. That Dr. McLeod, like his cousin, Foster, should start his active career as a Prohibition candidate, is a county re-elected with the name of Prof. George E. Foster, and it is quite probable that he will be the favorite of the voters. Dr. McLeod on the same score Mr. Foster was many times in Ottawa he was compelled to advocate prohibition in "talks." Seeing the electoral card of Dr.

McLeod that of Mr. Foster, one would almost be inclined to attribute to heredity and wonder if Mr. Foster's weaknesses are also characteristic of his cousin, Dr. McLeod. But why does Dr. McLeod, as an ardent Prohibitionist, enter the arena of politics? According to the recent decision in the Manitoba case, the sphere for an active Prohibitionist is in the local arena, and the fact that he is entering the domain house work almost indicate that he was not serious in his professions.

Dr. McLeod also states that "no political machine" is working for him. We do not know what he considers a "political machine," but we would imagine that there is a good deal of machine about the Sun estate. Messrs. J. D. Hays, M. P. P.; H. H. Pitts, J. Kidd Fleming, Pinder, Howe, McLeod, Jr., and other of the faithful who are gathering and assisting in the campaign. Of course, Dr. McLeod knows nothing of these people or what they are doing; The Tory-Prohibition candidate for York has taken a sudden stand for purity and prohibition. Where was he in 1897? In this latter year he had a splendid opportunity of showing his sincerity in both these respects by appealing to the electors of York. He could then have fought the champion of the most corrupt government Canada has ever seen, a man who was only elected in Kings county in 1891 through the use of large sums of money and a member of parliament who was elected to carry the prohibition banner to the front, but who for his own selfish ends deserted the temperance cause. There was Dr. McLeod's opportunity. Did he embrace it? No. He supported in 1898 the candidate of a corrupt government and a man who had been unfaithful to the prohibition cause. These facts would almost indicate that Dr. McLeod is not sincere in his declarations for purity and prohibition. There are other points which would also go to show the insincerity of Dr. McLeod's present position, but of these more anon.

CANADA'S POSTAL ATTAINMENTS.

The summary of the Canadian Postmaster General's report printed in these columns the other day presented statistics that must be highly satisfactory to the public. There has been a steady increase of facilities for mail communication afforded, and in spite of the two cent letter rate, as compared with the old three cent rate, the deficit in operating the department has been only \$416,184 the past year, compared with \$781,182 five years ago. It is, of course, not the aim of a wise government to make the post office department a source of revenue. It is, on the contrary, a great encouragement to general prosperity that the public charges on mail communication should be made as light as possible, and it is an undoubted fact that the expansion of trade and commerce in the present age has been vastly augmented by cheap and reliable postal facilities. It is a logical deduction from this demonstration that wire communication would additionally facilitate business if cheapened to the greatest possible degree, and it may be a matter for hope that science will yet still further bring within the reach of the masses the ability to "instantaneously" communicate with distant points at the minimum cost of actual operation.

The guaranteeing of the integrity of the mails is a matter equally important with promptness and reliability of transportation and enterprise in management, and in all these respects Canada is to be congratulated. Not only are our domestic rates of postage now equally as cheap as those of any other country, but our foreign rates within the empire are very much cheaper than the rates levied in the United States and European nations, the fact of our being a constituent part of the larger empire resulting that much more greatly to our advantage. Our money order service has been extended, as well as the facilities for postal delivery, and an arrangement has been effected with the United States materially augmenting this branch of the post office work by providing that all postal notes and money orders issued in one country will be cashed in the other.

Another thing in which our government provides for the well being of the public, and in which they have a satisfactory advantage over the people of the United States, is the system of the post office savings banks. The excellent arrangements of this institution, whereby money deposited in the most trivial amounts is absolutely safe and constantly drawing compound interest, while the account is accessible wherever there is a post office in the dominion, make it a feature of our modern civilization that any citizen may be justly proud of. The Americans have nothing of this sort, but are compelled to patronize private savings banks that, although subject to governmental inspection, have not proved always safe. That this feature is appreciated by Canadians is evidenced by the fact that, although our banks also maintain savings departments, generally offering higher rates of interest than does the government, the number of post office savings banks depositors last year increased by 6,381, and the aggregate deposits attained the record-breaking figure of nearly forty millions of dollars.

There may be a hint to business men in the fact that at the expiration of two years from the time the letter postage rate was reduced from three to two cents, the monthly revenue had grown to exceed what it had been under the higher previous rates, while the revenues at the same time came much more near to meeting the expenditures than had previously been the case. It is an old maxim that facilities for business stimulate business,

and it is very possible to find that our post office department under the existing regime at Ottawa has been able to attain such an excellent record as that now presented.

DOCKS.

The local committee which has left for a trip to the United States to inspect docks will see possibly little that will prove of value to them, for the reason that tidal and other conditions at St. John are different than those which prevail along the American seaboard. They will find the largest dock at Newport News, Va., a timber structure more than 600 feet long, in an earth excavation beside the harbor front and owned by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, whose extensive yards and works adjoin the dock. The construction of this dock was easy, as the excavation was simple, and the workers had every facility and material close at hand. If the committee go a little farther south, to Port Royal, they will find another timber drydock, which is owned by the United States government and was constructed for naval purposes, but has proved a failure because the contractor was not an experienced builder and because the location was wrongly selected. At neither Philadelphia nor Baltimore will the committee find as large or as efficient docking facilities as at Newport News. In New York and Boston they will find a number of smaller docks and various marine railways and similar devices, such as balance dry docks, but among them all only two or three stone docks, those at the Brooklyn navy yard and at the Charleston navy yard in Boston. These stone docks are all small and old fashioned. At the Brooklyn navy yard they will also find a timber dry dock which has been constructed by several successive contractors in a disadvantageous swampy place at very great expense on account of the inexperience of the men who undertook the work. They will find at the Erie Basin in Brooklyn, N. Y., the three timber dry docks that do more commercial work than any others in the United States, and at East Boston they will find marine slips similar to those at Dartmouth and Lunenburg, Nova Scotia. If they wish to see the best stone masonry dry docks in North America they will have to go to Halifax and to Esquimaux, B. C., while at St. John's, Nfld., they will find a timber dry dock constructed with equal skill and by the same firm as has produced the best work in that line in the United States. The best floating dock they will find in Bermuda. Of wet docks the committee will find none on this side of the Atlantic, because there are no places excepting St. John particularly demanding such accommodation. When the committee return home, however, they will find that a natural pond formation at Charlottetown affords very superior facilities for the construction of a minimum size of a dry dock which could be made to afford ample accommodation for our winter port traffic and via with Liverpool, England, in facilities for either wet dock or dry dock use.

GLOWING PROSPECTS FOR OUR MILLS.

It is certainly very gratifying that our new cotton mills company has been launched upon such an eminently substantial basis, in such a short space of time since the inception of the movement, and entirely with local capital, as is now recorded in our news columns. The success of such an undertaking speaks volumes for the business ability of St. John, and in view of the great benefits that must inevitably accrue to our city from the operation of this industry in our midst, it will be the wish of everyone that such practical profits may be attained as to amply reward the investors for their risk and encourage them to still further develop the enterprise. To successfully promote such an enterprise was decidedly no small task, and that the promoter in this instance has been one of our foremost citizens, ready to shoulder responsibilities which many men would shrink from, and finally to hand over the business to the new organization without any cost for promotion, has been a feature of good fortune with which few new corporations have been blessed, and guaranteeing the heartiness and thoroughness with which the work has been done.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

The unsettled condition of the copper market is closely interesting investors and speculators, and the situation is held to be critical.

It is gratifying to find that the suggestion of Sir Wilfrid Laurier for a conference with Australian representatives has been accepted.

The Frederick Gleason (Conservative) says the St. John Sun "is a public nuisance." The Board of Health should take cognizance of this fact.

The Tory press is busy announcing the unseating of Mr. Loy in Beaubarnois, but is silent about Col. Prior, ex-M. P. in Victoria, B. C.

Our Tory contemporary of Fredericton says that the St. John Sun "has been fed at the public crib to the extent of a quarter of a million dollars," and "though its sources, created by the loss of that patronage," wants to wreck the party. The source has made our morning contemporary despatch.

Colonel Tucker, M. P., has accomplished his mission to Ottawa and secured for the benefit of St. John county fishermen an arrangement that the legal size of lobsters here shall be cut less than 104 inches, and that the fishery shall begin on December 15, instead of January 15.

That the cheerful whirl of wheels and the resulting distribution of earnings to several hundreds of hands will very soon be resumed in the too-long-idle buildings is particularly glad news at this season of the year, and the realization of all that is promised will do more than almost anything else which could happen to give St. John a merry Christmas.

THE CONTEST IN YORK.

The electorate of York county will on the 23rd inst. register its opinion of the Laurier administration in the selection of a member to represent that important constituency in the House of Commons for the balance of the present parliament. The election of a year ago last month resulted in the return of Mr. Alex. Gibson, Jr., the government candidate, over the opposition candidate, Dr. McLeod. In the present contest, the same issues are presented and the same candidates are nominated. The only difference today is that the Laurier administration is firmly seated in power by the will of the majority of the Canadian electorate, and the decision has not resulted in any of the dangers or evils which many well-meaning citizens predicted must follow a Liberal victory. On the contrary the people of Canada have viewed with satisfaction the continued success which has met the efforts of the present administration. The prosperity of all classes has continued and increased. At home peace and plenty have replaced the hard times with which in former years all trades were but too familiar; dissensions and race jealousies have slowly but surely given place to a unity of interests and a community of feeling. Canada has taken her proper place in the forefront of a sane imperialism, which has strengthened the empire in its hour of trial. Abroad this nation has inspired a new respect, a respect not born of foolish vapors or hysterical bragadoos, but of the determination of purpose which a united people have shown by act and word to maintain unshaken the best traditions of the home land in this greater Britain beyond the seas.

And so the electorate of York may, with greater assurance than was possible even a short twelve months ago, vote their confidence in a government which has fulfilled the brightest hopes of its most optimistic admirer. It has given Canada a clean, honest and efficient administration, and has met the grave difficulties raised by extended dominion and the empire's trials in a manner which has caused Canadians to be proud of their nationality. The verdict of the 23rd instant cannot in fairness be sought else than an expression of confidence in the Laurier administration.

AMERICAN NAVAL OFFICERS.

The United States navy is short of officers. It is likely to continue short as long as the fleets continue to be augmented without a corresponding supply. The officers of the American navy under existing conditions, have to be graduated from the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., and every student at the academy must be the nominee of a member of congress or the executive before admission, the number of nominees being limited to a certain number from each section of the country. There is no possibility of an enlisted sailor rising to higher rank than that of a warrant officer, under existing conditions, although during the civil war a few volunteer marines from the merchant service were granted full commissions in the navy and attained regular promotion. They, however, were not popular with the naval academy men, and in fact were rather ostracized, although their records did not show lack of efficiency in comparison. If the Americans wish to make their navy a popular service and efficient as well, they can do no better than by affording facility for a man to rise from the ranks through his own efforts, instead of requiring, as at present, that all naval officers should be the creatures of political preference.

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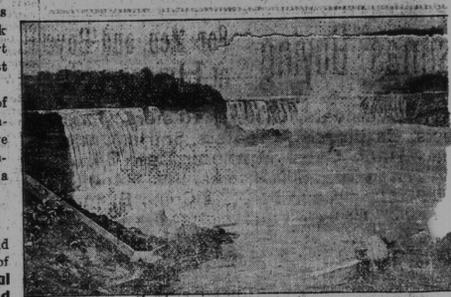
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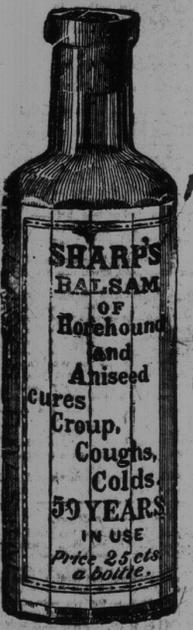
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SUN'S LIGHT FADING. FREDERICKTON GLEANER DEALS WITH THE ST. JOHN LUMINARY.

'Journal of the Finside' Gets Hard Knocks - Selfishness Its Policy Before Loyalty to Party - Reprimand for Interference in York.

The Fredericton Gleaner (Conservative), in a column and a half editorial last evening, under the caption of 'The St. John Sun,' deals with the history of its Conservative contemporary. The following are a few extracts:

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MURDER IN NEW BEDFORD, MASS. New Bedford, Mass., Dec. 12.—John Moray, alias 'Jimmy the Rag,' an Italian...

LORD KITCHENER HAS PERSONALLY TAKEN THE FIELD

General Ian Hamilton's Arrival Leaves Commander Free to Direct Troops.

THE BOER ATROCITIES. Twenty-seven Cases Instanced-- Concentration Camps--Speech by Mr. Brodrick--The War Secretary at Glasgow--No Half Measures Will Be Taken.

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London, Dec. 11.—Lord Kitchener's promised statement specifying 27 separate instances in which natives have been shot by the Boers, and which involve the loss of 84 lives, was issued by the war office tonight.

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Buenos Ayres, Dec. 12 (via Galveston).—The relations between Chili and the Argentine Republic are strained. Chili has not yet replied to the demand for the construction of strategic roads in the litigated territory.

London, Dec. 12.—The leaders of the English musical world, including Sir Frederick Bridge, Alberto Randegger, Paolo Tosti, Albert Visetti, Alfred Rothchild, Sir Arthur Tremell, and others, were present tonight at a farewell dinner to Hermann Klein, a singing teacher and musical critic who will sail for the United States next Saturday.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The Schley court of inquiry is nearing the end of its labors and while it is impossible to secure a statement as to when the report will be submitted, it is believed that it will be delayed much longer than twenty-four days.

New York, Dec. 13.—The riders are 88 miles and 8 laps behind the record. The 1 o'clock start was won by Butler and McLean, 1812; Newkirk and Munro, 1827; McEachern and Walkover, 1812; Mays and Wilson, 1812; Babcock and Turelle, 1812; King and Samsen, 1813; Hall and McLean, 1813; Lawson and Julius, 1812; Fredericks and Jack, 1813.

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AGAINST NEW MACHINERY. English Shoe Operatives Make Demonstration and Threaten Strike.

London, Dec. 13.—Without notice and at Northampton yesterday when lunch shoe operatives demonstrated against the use of the new shoe laster machine. The strike was held up to last week and the shoe manufacturers were in a state of emergency.

FELL INTO STEAMING. Employe of Lime Company Slips in Scalding Water, and May Die.

Rockland, Me., Dec. 12.—Henry Isaacs, 24, employed in the cooperage mill of the Rockland & Boston Lumber Co., fell into a steaming vat of lime water yesterday morning and was scalded to death.

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