

GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

IMPERIAL'S SPLENDID WEEK-END BILL

The Imperial's week-end and holiday programme offers an international drama of intrigue and theft among Russian, Japanese and German government spies, under the title, "The Clue".

Saturday afternoon the Imperial will commence its shows at 1.45, so as to give its earlier patrons an opportunity of seeing the big military parade as it passes the theatre between 8.30 and 4 o'clock.

THEATRE TONIGHT AND NEW YEAR'S DAY

Ruth Roland in the splendid "Girl Detective" series will again appear at Star Theatre tonight and at two sessions on the holiday in the mystifying story of "Jared Fairfax's Millions".

TONIGHT AND NEW YEAR'S AT OPERA HOUSE

The W. S. Hawkins Players will present at the Opera House tonight "Baby Mine, one of the funniest comedies ever written. From start to finish Baby Mine is nothing but a succession of laughs.

FINE HOLIDAY SHOW AT GEM

A fine holiday programme has been arranged for the Theatre for the week-end, the New Year's bill. A glance on the amusement page of this issue will show the good things in store for patrons.

WHAT YOUR BIRTHDAY MEANS TO SCIENCE

St. John People Will Have a Daily Horoscope of Their Lives—Today's Reading

Readers of the Times will do well to take particular note of the Imperial Theatre space commencing on the New Year. Arrangements have been made with an American bureau for a daily service of fortune telling and character reading.

WE HAVE YOUR NUMBER

All sizes ladies' Merchant, best quality rubbers. Regular value, 80c, reduced to 48c.

THE VALLEY RAILWAY

The intimation that the operation of the Valley Railway will be continued during the winter is contained in a despatch from Ottawa.

A New Discovery

Father Morley's Remedy for Rheumatism and all Kidney troubles, purely vegetable. No Cure—No Pay. All drug stores. Price 60c.

FARMER DIES SUDDENLY

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 31.—W. W. Herring, aged fifty-five, a farmer of Murray Harbor, while hauling seaweed from the shore yesterday, fell from his cart dead.

LOCAL NEWS

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Sunday, Jan. 2, feast of the Holy Name of Jesus, will be the quarterly Communion Sunday for the Holy Name Society. The men will attend the 7 o'clock mass in the Cathedral.

WILL WED TOMORROW

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Beatrice M. Smye, only daughter of Conductor A. E. Smye, of Alma, N.B., to Clarence C. Carson of St. Martins, at the home of the bride's father on Saturday evening, January 1, at eight o'clock.

HERE'S VALUE FOR YOU

Men's Merchant rubbers, best quality. Worth 81c, 78c only, at the True Fit Shoe Store, 383 Main street.

MEETING SUNDAY

January 2, 1916, Brass Band hall, Main street, 2.30 p.m.

AT THE HOSPITAL

Vernon Pitt, a machinist in Cornwall cotton mill who was caught in a shaft yesterday and badly shaken up, is reported to be resting comfortably in the hospital today.

EDITOR PAISELY TO WED

The marriage of Miss Beatrice E. Magurn, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arnott J. Magurn, to Herbert F. S. Paisley of the Amherst Guardian, will take place in Ottawa next month.

INSURANCE PARTNERSHIP

Notice has been given of the formation of a partnership by Frank R. Fairweather, Leland W. Nickerson and Ella L. Fairweather, to do business under the name of F. R. Fairweather & Co., St. John.

MORNING AND EVENING SERVICE NOW FOR CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS

Commencing January 2, and continuing each week, the Christian Scientists church, First Church of Christ, Scientist, will hold two services on Sunday in their hall at 15 Germain street.

MAKES THEM HAPPY

R. J. Armstrong, following a time honored custom, again this year has presented to each boy in the W. M. O. a season ticket for the Queen's rink.

DEATHS

OLSEN.—At Brooklyn, New York, on Dec. 30, Margret, wife of Christian Olsen, leaving her husband, four sons and one daughter to mourn.

MARRIAGES

STEPHENS-CANTY.—At St. John, N. B., Dec. 30, by Rev. W. G. Lane, Gardiel Hayes Stephens to Elizabeth J. Cauty, both of St. John.

BIRTHS

MULLIN.—To Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Mullin, 26 Charles street, a daughter.

NOTICES OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS, 50c.

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KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS FUNERAL

St. John, N. B., Dec. 30, 1915. The officers and members of New Brunswick Lodge No. 1, Union Lodge No. 2, and Saint John's Lodge No. 30, Knights of Pythias, are requested to assemble at 60 Mecklenburg street on Saturday, Jan. 1, at 8.15 o'clock sharp for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, Burpee E. Brown, of New Brunswick Lodge No. 1.

PURE BLOOD MAKES HEALTHY PEOPLE

Hood's Sarsaparilla removes scrofula sores, boils and other eruptions, because it drives out of the blood the humors that cause them. Eruptions cannot be successfully treated with external applications, because these cannot purify the blood.

SIGNALS OF DISTRESS FROM THE THESSALONKI

New York, Dec. 31.—The crippled steamer Thessalonki, which has been slowly nearing this port since last Wednesday, was burning signals of distress early today, and the steamer Frontal was searching for her in the harbor of the Thessalonki. She was then in doubt, but one message had reported her 100 miles east of Sandy Hook.

PERSONALS

Sir Robert Borden's attack of influenza became complicated today with lungbug. His condition is not serious, but he is confined to his bed. Miss E. I. Heffer entertained several girls from the city at a twilight party in her home, 201 West Main street.

MORE OFFICERS FOR CANADA'S DENTAL SERVICE

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—The policy of having dentists appointed for each unit at the front in place of being at field headquarters is receiving its full endorsement. The enlistment of many extra officers for the dental service.

To Seek New Trial

Los Angeles, Dec. 31.—Matthew A. Schmidt, convicted of murder in the first degree, as an accomplice of James B. McManara, in the murder of a woman in Los Angeles, is seeking a new trial.

FOR THE SAILORS

A lady deeply interested in the welfare of sailors said to the Times this morning that she was desirous of doing something to assist them.

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ESTABLISHED 1894.

THE TIME

to save your eyes, is before you lose them.

We are here to help you save them.

D. BOYANER

TWO STORES 38 Dock Street, 151 Charlotte Street.

NEW YEAR MORN MAJ OUT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Tomorrow, New Year's morning, the Sunday schools of the city, West End, East End, Park, Brookville and Silver Falls of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational churches will start the new year without rallies.

RE-UNION OF ST. JOHN CATHOLIC GIRLS' GUILD

The second annual reunion of the St. John Catholic Girls' Guild was held in the rooms in Cliff street, last evening. Some fifty members with the officers of the guild enjoyed a programme of music and interesting games.

FOR THE ORPHANS

The following subscriptions for the St. John Protestant Orphans' Home are gratefully acknowledged: Friend, \$5; C. W. Hope Grant, \$15; Dr. Thos. and Mrs. Walker, \$10; Rev. Gilbert Earle, \$5; Lavudie, \$2.

ZEMACURA

Cures Piles. We are certain that it cures every case, or such as require the surgeon's knife, but we have such evidence in its efficacy that we willingly refund the price to dissatisfied purchasers.

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Buy a Diamond With Your Christmas Money

Buy a Diamond at Sharpe's is a real investment, for we do not only in the better grade stones, for which there is always a ready market and prices are constantly increasing—the average for the past years being about 17 1/2 per cent a year.

L. L. Sharpe & Son

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Provincial Convention OF THE Local Opposition Party

A convention of those opposed to the local government of New Brunswick will be held Monday and Tuesday, January 10 and 11, 1916, at 101-107 Germain street, St. John.

A representative delegation from every county is desired because the time has arrived when, in spite of the earnest attention demanded by the whole empire in the war and its problems, our provincial affairs must have the consideration of thinking men, and the discussion and preparation of policies best calculated to advance the interests and promote the prosperity of our province must be the first business of the convention.

Resolutions touching upon many questions of importance have been considered and prepared by our executive committee and will be submitted for approval. The convention will open Monday evening, January 10, at 8 o'clock. Such railway arrangements as are made will be announced later.

W. E. FOSTER, Chairman of Executive Committee. C. W. ROBINSON, Opposition Leader.

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MAGIC BAKING POWDER advertisement with illustration of a woman and product packaging.

British Green Cooking Ware advertisement featuring a teapot and text: 'ARE YOU USING British Green Cooking Ware? IT HOLDS THE FLAVOR'.

Winter Candy Specialties advertisement for Emery Bros. listing various candies and their location at 82 Germain St.

A Happy New Year To All advertisement for H. N. DeMille & Co. at 199 to 201 Union St.

We wish our numerous customers and friends A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR advertisement for Amland Bros., Ltd. at 19 Waterloo Street.

FLOUR advertisement for Yerca Grocery Co. listing various flour products and prices.

FLOUR! advertisement for The 2 Barkers Limited listing flour products and prices.

BRITISH WAR CYCLISTS LEAVE SALONIKA IN SNOWSTORM

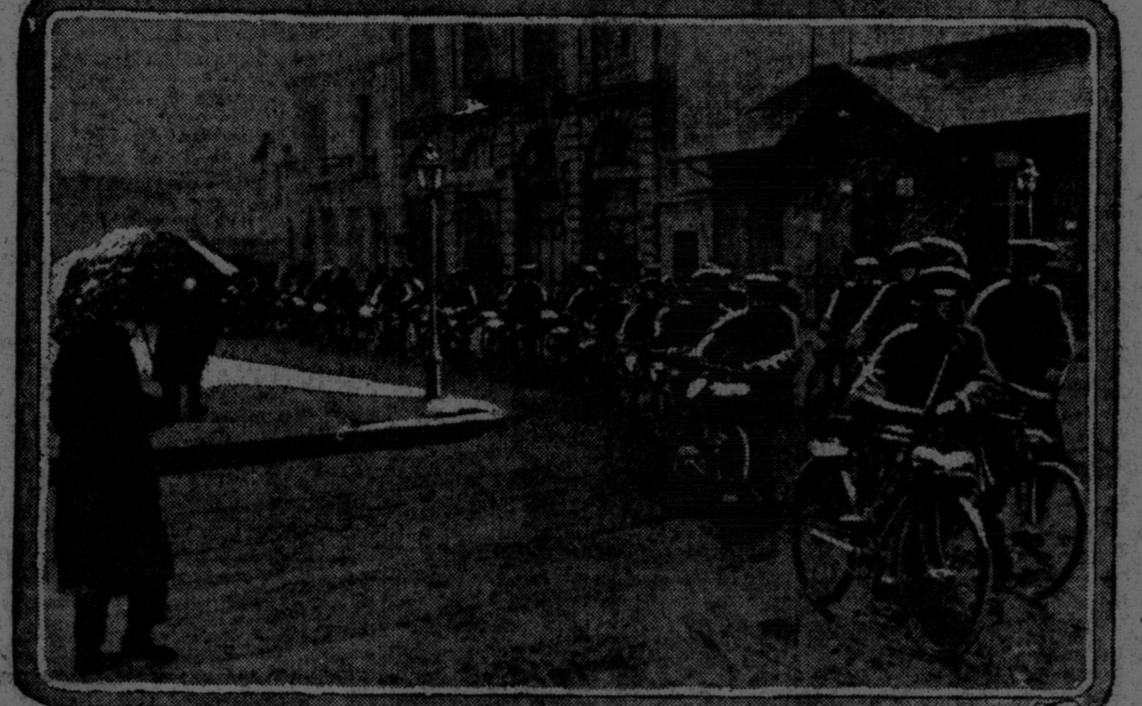


Photo shows the conditions in Salonika, where the theatre of war holds most attention, at the present time. The weather is so severe that the cycle squad have been compelled to dismount and push their wheels.

IN UNIFORM AT HOME AND ABROAD Sergeant of 26th Makes Some Comparisons - Western Soldier Dies in Hospital Here - Presentation to Hotel Clerk

An interesting letter has been received by Mrs. J. F. Gregory from Sgt. A. G. Gunn, 26th battalion, describing life at the front, and contrasting the opinions and expressions of St. John people today with what they said of the unit a year ago.

The second picture: Out in Belgium in the trenches, it's well known battle-front. A man peers at regular intervals over the parapet of a trench. He is the sentry on one of the "bags."

LOCAL NEWS Chalet beginners' class opens Wednesday, 5th. CUT PRICES ON RUBBER BOOTS

THE SEIGE BATTERY The field studio will be open for sittings on New Year's Day. This will be a good opportunity to have your picture taken.

ALMANAC FOR ST JOHN, DEC 31 High Tide... Low Tide... Sun Rises... Sun Sets... Time used is Atlantic standard.

able condition and were excellently packed, and I have no words in which to express my admiration for the magnificent quality of the gifts in this assignment, which it was really a great pleasure to register and check.

BE SURE AND COME TO OUR GREAT CLOTHING SALE! This is your chance - Don't you miss it if you want to save some money!

OVERCOAT for the small sum of \$4.69 and a strong pair of PANTS as low as 98 Cts.

ANOTHER BOX SENT BY THE SOLDIERS' COMFORT ASSOCIATION REACHES DESTINATION SAFELY The following letter received from the Canadian War Contingent Association by Mrs. John LeLachur is self-explanatory.

FOR NEW YEARS KODAKS, BROWNIES FILMS FOR ALL CAMERAS advertisement listing various film products and prices.

SOLDIERS' COMFORT ASSOCIATION IN SPECIAL APPEAL advertisement for the association's efforts to provide comfort for soldiers.

Given Away Free of Charge! 1 LB. OF TEA TO ALL PURCHASERS OF \$4 WORTH OF GOODS advertisement for Parkinson's Cash Stores.

Special Prices on STANDARD GROCERIES advertisement listing various grocery items and their prices.

J. E. GIBBONS CASH STORE advertisement listing various grocery items and their prices.

Big Drawing! advertisement for Boston Dental Parlors offering a chance to win a trip to Europe.

DIAMONDS advertisement for W. Tremaine Card & Son offering a rare and beautiful collection.

When You Bake Your New Years Cake advertisement for LaTour Flour.

LILLEY & CO. Special Prices on Provisions For This Week advertisement listing various food items.

Get Wise advertisement for S. Goldfeather Graduate Optician offering eye examinations.

The Evening Times and Star

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 31, 1915

The St. John Evening Times is printed at 27 and 29 Castanbury Street every evening (Sunday excepted) by the St. John Times Printing and Publishing Co. Ltd., a company incorporated under the Joint Stock Companies Act.

THE YEAR 1915.

Reviewing the year 1915 in relation to St. John and the province of New Brunswick, the first thing to be noted is that the people responded well to the call of patriotism...

THE WAR NEWS

Austria has decided not to break with the United States, and apparently will make the reparation for the Ancona murders. Last night's cables brought rumors of coming co-operation by Roumania with Russia...

THE PATRIOTIC FUND.

The Times prints today the appeal made by His Royal Highness the Governor-General in behalf of the Patriotic Fund. This is a fund that must be made adequate to meet all demands.

The people could well afford to make contributions in money, for the province has been very prosperous. Business has not declined to any appreciable extent.

A happy new year to all who deserve it.

A good New Year resolution for a young man—to join the 116th Battalion.

Perhaps the new year will bring us the winter weather the lovers of sleating and sleighing have been looking for.

Be sure to see the great military parade tomorrow afternoon and go with it to hear the speeches at the Armory.

Socks sent forward by the Soldiers' Comforts Association reach the soldiers in the trenches. The proof is found in a letter in this issue of the Times.

Rev. John E. Burke, of Toronto, who may speak at the Armory tomorrow afternoon, and will be chief speaker at the Imperial on Sunday evening, is one of the most eloquent clergymen of the Roman Catholic church in Canada, and is, moreover, a native of St. John.

The dinner for Major W. R. Brown of the 26th Battalion was a deserved compliment to a gallant officer and a recognition also of the splendid courage and the fighting qualities of the New Brunswick battalion which so distinguished itself in the famous crater affair.

The Ottawa Journal says:—"Christmas, 1915, may seem on the surface a blank negation of the existence of good will on earth; it may not be a merry Christmas but nevertheless it is a noble and great Christmas that under our British flag sees five million men in arms, not for greed or malevolence or self-interest or pride, but at the behest of any kaiser or bureaucracy, not for any will of war, but of our own free wills for the sake to at least a considerable extent of right and pity, and the maintenance of that spirit which in the English-speaking races has led the world for individual liberty without license, and for generous public ideals."

MISS CANNON INDICTED

Woman Charged With Killing Little Thomas Girl With Drugs Nov. 11 Last at Russell.

Springfield, Dec. 31.—Elizabeth B. Cannon was indicted by the Grand Jury charged with the murder of her 5-year-old ward, Lucie M. Thomas, on Nov. 11.

It is charged that Miss Cannon killed the little girl by drugs and then set the house on fire in an effort to conceal the crime.

Looking backward there is ground for satisfaction, and looking forward there is reason for confident anticipation of

An Immense Showing of Diamonds

To one not familiar with our rapidly growing stock, our showing of Diamonds would come as a surprise.

When we consider it in comparison with other years, it surprises even ourselves.

In the lower prices we are having very special value in the following prices: \$10.00, \$15.00, \$20.00, \$25.00 and \$40.00.

These are the best values we have ever offered.

A cordial invitation is extended to you to inspect our stock and compare it with others.

TRY THEM!

McRobbie FOOT FITTERS - KING ST.

FRIEND OF H. L. SPENCER IN FAR OFF LAND OF JAPAN

Letter From Rev. C. K. Harrington on Hearing of Death of Poet

Writing from No. 29 Sanai, Ushigome, Tokyo, Japan, on Nov. 29, Rev. C. K. Harrington, acknowledging receipt of copies of the Evening Times, telling of the death and burial of the late H. L. Spencer, writes:—"I am very glad that Mr. Spencer, during his declining years had about him friends who could appreciate him, and to whom it was a pleasure to do what friends might do for his comfort. I am glad that Mr. Spencer published a volume of his verses and in such an attractive form as 'The Fugitives.' This must have given much satisfaction to the author as well as made permanent his contribution to Canadian poetry. I consider myself fortunate in having a copy of my shives, along with the copy of Laumann and of Wilfrid Scott & Son's, Toronto, Ont. 15-34

Telephone Your Order to Fenwick D. Foley Main 1601 or Main 1817-11

You Are Invited to Inspect VAN GUILDER HOLLOW WALL DWELLING (Built Like a Thermos Bottle) Now Being Constructed By Us on Lancaster Avenue.

Gandy & Allison

TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS: It has often been said that there is no friendship in business. If we do not get business from those who are friendly toward us, from whom shall we get it? Our enemies will not buy from us if they can buy elsewhere, and they usually can.

LIGHTER VEIN. At a Theatrical Lodgings. Servant—Oh! Mum! The Zeppelins 'ave come. Old Lady—Well, tell 'em that we've already let the rooms to the Brothers Egbert.

YOUR HOME SHOULD HAVE AN Alumino Oil Heater. For a room where heat is wanted for a few hours, it is cheaper to use an Aluminum Oil Heater than start a fire in an ordinary stove.

NOW IS THE TIME TO CHANGE YOUR RANGE! Don't wait till spring to change your range. Do it now and get the full benefit of your kitchen. You will have satisfaction in baking, save on your fuel bill and have pleasure in cooking.

Allan Gundry 79 KING ST. The House for Diamonds

WOMEN'S Black Felt JULIETS Price \$1.25. Juliets are an extremely comfortable and neat style of slippers for home wear. They have flexible leather soles and broad, sensible heels with black fur trimming.

AS WE GROW OLDER our minds are quite as active as in former years but our strength does not respond when we need it most; perhaps the kidneys are weak, the liver torpid, rheumatic pains or stiffened joints beset us, and we cannot easily throw off the colds that winter brings.

This is The Weather for Thick Sole Damp-Proof Boots. Men's Galf-lined and Canvas-lined Casual Sole Laced Boots, \$6.00, \$6.50.

DOLLS, TOYS, SLEDS AT SPECIAL DISCOUNTS FOR THIS WEEK. 20 Per Cent. Discount on All Iron Toys and Sleds.

COAL and WOOD Directory of the Leading Fuel Dealers in St. John.

COAL! FOR GRATES Old Mine Sydney and Cannel FOR RANGES AND STOVES Reserve and Springhill FOR BLACKSMITH PURPOSES George's Creek, Sydney Shack

Best Quality Free Burning AMERICAN ANTHRACITE COAL in Egg, Nut and Chestnut Sizes. Delivered Promptly.

\$5.75 A TON IN BIN Well screened Minnie Coal, great value. Heavy, Dry, Softwood Kindling and choice Hardwood. Goods promptly delivered.

Mince Meat Extra Quality 12c a lb. New Mixed Nuts 20c a lb. Jas. Collins 210 Union St. Opp. Opera House

Any man who has reached the age where he needs double vision lenses, makes himself ridiculous in an effort to make the old glasses "do." Peeking over the glasses, sliding glasses to end of nose, etc., are "symptoms" that YOU need double vision lenses. Consult me.

Laban C. Sharpe Oculometrist and Optician 53 1/2 Dock Street - St. John, N. B. ago, when I was at home on my last furlough, I heard nothing more of Mr. Spencer, but at that time some account of his life and writings appeared in the papers, and I was able to learn his address, and since then we have exchanged letters occasionally, and I have ventured to send selections from my more recent poems for his perusal. Whatever poetry there might be in them I could trust to his poetical instinct, and kindly feeling to recognize and appreciate. I write thus fully to you, as to one who knew Mr. Spencer somewhat intimately and was interested in his behalf during the closing years of his life, and who may be glad to know that there are those far away from the tides of Fundy who think of the dead poet in terms of friendship and esteem."

EDWARD L. RISING, PRESIDENT
Waterbury & Rising, Limited
St. John, N. B.

EXECUTIVE OFFICES

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Yours respectfully, Edward L. Rising

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NOVA SCOTIANS AMONG THE BELIEVED LOST
The owners of the Gloucester schooner, Ella M. Doughty of this port, believed to have foundered early in November, have given out her crew list as follows: Capt. Robert Digging, Gloucester, aged fifty-four, leaves a wife and daughter; Nels Johnson, mate, Gloucester, aged thirty-three, unmarried; Joseph Beaton of East Boston, aged eighteen, native of Ingouish, N. S., unmarried; Pius McPhee, cook, Gloucester, aged forty-seven, unmarried; Oliveira Fernandes Pent, aged twenty-five, unmarried; Manuel Silva, aged thirty-eight, unmarried.

The Doughty was engaged in the Newfoundland salted herring business. Capt. Digging, a native of Nova Scotia, had followed the fisheries from Gloucester from boyhood. He was known as an intrepid mariner.

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To England

By C. K. HARRINGTON

Many friends in the maritime provinces will read with interest and pleasure the following noble poem by Rev. C. K. Harrington, now of Tokyo, Japan. It is included in a book of verse which comes with Christmas greetings from Mr. Harrington, who each year at this season sends a poetic reminder across the Pacific and across Canada to old friends in the provinces by the sea, where he once preached, and where he was born.

TO ENGLAND. If thou hadst failed! If in that hour supreme, That ending and beginning of a world, That day of fate when Heaven cried down on thee And bade thee choose twixt truth and falsehood, Twixt ease and travail, thou hadst said farewell farwell.

Hadst thou not said farewell farwell, Hadst thou not said farewell farwell, Hadst thou not said farewell farwell, Hadst thou not said farewell farwell.

Oh, age-long leader of men, Up Freedom's shining heights, all free men's friends, And savior of the shackled and oppressed; Who, taught of old the song of the free, That fenced thee from the tyrant, hast achieved Ever some new and fairer liberty, Wherewith to light the world! If thou hadst failed!

Grey Mistress of the realm, That girds the globe! Mother revered and Queen, By our hearts' choice, to all thy daughter states, The free young nations of the west and south, Which yearn to thee across the severing sea, That yet do bind us to thee, Motherland,— With loving hearts and loyal, proud to wear Thy name upon us!

Hadst thou forsaken thyself, hadst made a mock Of truth and honor, hadst betrayed thy trust, And them that trusted thee; hadst left thy friend In peril's hour unaided; hadst put shame On all on whom thy once proud name was called; Hadst to all earth been false, and hadst denied That Heaven which for this time had strengthened thee To smile or succor!

In a baleful hour Hadst thou thy birthright bartered for O' the devil's pottage; with a craven heart, Hadst thou debating by the water-brooks, Far from the conflict; hadst unheeding ears, When called the summons through the farthest east, And farthest west, Up! to Jehovah's help, Against the mighty! and hadst disobeyed The heavenly vision! Ah, if thou hadst failed!

What words might paint thy fall! What tears beseech thee! to the shame of it, What crimson blush be equal! Thou hadst been The scorn unwasting of all noble souls Within the circuit of the Seven Seas. The very Megasthenes who lived Thee to thy ruin had mocked thee. Thou wouldst lie Victim of thine own sin, unloved, un-sung, Thy brightness vanished, thy white glory stained, Thy name obscured, thy kingdom reft from thee, Thy scepter given to thy neighbor's hand. The future ages would account thy place With Babylon and Tyre. Their scribes would write the story of an ancient world: Then England rose, and God was good to her, And dowered her with beauty and with strength, And wide dominion passing Caesar's dream, But when her day of visitation came, She loved herself too well, and lost herself, And fell to the dead nations.

Hadst thou failed, Then had thy fall been ours, thy shame our shame. We had been worse than orphaned, With such grief And horror as a mother's children know When she whom they have crowned with filial love, Dreaming her holier than a haloed saint, Stoops to dishonor, had we witnessed thee, Thine infinite disgrace, had shrunk from thee, Had loathed thee, had disowned and spurned thee, Who in thy falshood hadst been false to us, And soiled us with thy foulness, dragging down

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The unspotted beauty of our happy realm Into thy mire. Our souls had cursed the day That gave us such a mother.

Hadst thou failed, Then on the glory of thy thousand years Had Ichabod been writ. The plan of God Had found another leader for the world 'T the great white day that's breaking. Satan's power Had not prevailed against Him. From the east had His anointed risen. To bring the nations to the Golden Age For which creation groans. But in that age, Its joy, its triumph, thine nor part nor lot, Who knewest not for such a time as this Thou camest to thy kingdom. Hadst thou failed!

Thou didst not fail, thank God! Thou couldst not fail! Thy great past called. The prophets of thy land Who wrought for truth and freedom The voices of thy future called to thee, Thine unborn sons and daughters, heirs Of all thy greatness. Duty called to thee, The Angel of Jehovah stern and strong Which spelt before thee. Wrote thy poet not, Thy poet and ours, In our brave island story duty's path Hath been the way to glory?

Yes, the voice, Crying and spurring not of thine own soul, Came as the Voice of God. Thou couldst not fail! Thou didst not fail, thank God! Thou couldst not fail! Thy name hath still Its fragrant beauty. Thou dost wear undimmed The crown which God had set upon thy brow.

Thy every enemy that seeks thy life, Chanting her fierce unholy hymn of hate, Deep in her bitter heart doth honor thee, By thy just deed-condemned. Some happier day Her nobler bards in love shall make thy place With the world's saviors, who from her Didst save thy foe, e'en when thou smotest her, Thy hand the hand of God to bring her back To God and greatness.

By thy happy choice, Brave, righteous, noble, hast thou made us thine In new, glad fealty. Henceforth do we love And honor thee beyond the scope of In passion of joy and pride our souls leap forth To render him by about 100 of his friends, Which duty sets thee, way of tears and blood.

To whatsoever God wills for thee, Our tears with thine, and thine our blood commit, Shall be God's chime on awful fields of war, To blossom to strange splendors by and by, See! all our eager hearts lean forth to thee, The seas are foam beneath a thousand Of far-sailed fleets that bring our sons to share Thy grief and glory. From the Austral Land, The veil of Africa, India's ancient shores, Canadian prairies, the uncounted isles And coasts remote which thy great name defends, Our flags stream forth to battle.

We had loved White, smiling, beautiful Peace. With thee we watched while thou adventuredst thy soul Into the almost verge of what man may To follow her fair feet. Now God for Peace Gaiest them that would her, sends us To suffer on a thousand gory fields, For thy sake, and the world's, and His High Name, That war through war may perish, nay, through Love, The love that leads us up this Golgotha; That war may cease from out the heart of man, The hand had order pass, a new world shine, The age of earth-wide brotherhood, Hailed from the dawn of time, and poets sang, Leaned across the future. Such our faith! The morning breaks! Thank God, thou didst not fail! KANAWA, July 31st, 1915.

Secretary of Board of Trade Points Way at Start of New Year

In a New Year greetings to the members of the St. John Board of Trade, Secretary R. E. Armstrong writes:—"Another year is drawing to a close—a year never to be forgotten in the world's history. It has been a year of stress and strife and sacrifice. Old ideals and old methods have been swept off their feet. New ideals and new methods are taking their place. Never has the British Empire been so firmly impressed with the necessity of a thorough organization of its economic forces, both at home and in its overseas possessions. In Canada we do much towards strengthening the arms of Britain in the mighty struggle which is before her—a struggle that will only have begun when the war is ended.

To St. John particularly the appeal is most urgent. Its situation as a world port and as a supply depot for the United Kingdom and Europe has thrust upon the business men and the citizens of St. John a great responsibility as well as a great opportunity. St. John must be developed as an efficient ally to the empire, alike with respect to its port equipment, its railway and ocean connections and its industrial forces. As the commercial capital of the province it is the duty of its citizens to lead the way in all matters of provincial development."

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Table Cloths, Sheets, Pillow Cases, Towels and Quilts All Neatly Hemmed Free Of Charge During This Sale

THIS great annual event is of much interest to householders and hotel keepers, and our stock represents the best to be found in the British, Foreign and Canadian markets.

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MAJOR BROWN THE GUEST OF HONOR

Complimentary Dinner at Royal Hotel—The Major Pays Tribute to His Men and Has a Word for Their Former Critics

The Royal Hotel dining room last night was the scene of a complimentary banquet in honor of Major W. R. Brown, wounded in action with the 26th battalion, ordered him by about 100 of his friends. It was an enjoyable event and entirely successful in every way. Mayor Frink presided, the guest of honor, invited guests included Lieut.-Col. Dansecreau, Lieut.-Col. Gunning, Lieut.-Col. Wedderburn, who was unable to be present, Lieut.-Col. Armstrong, Major Barker, Lieut. Gardner, R.N., and Sub-Lieut. Adams, R.N.

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Peer in Overall

England's most musical peer, Lord Howard de Walden, is now filling a role in a striking contrast to that of the "angel" of productions of Joseph Holbrooke operas, for which he supplies the librettos. "The Children of Don," produced by Oscar Hammerstein at the London Opera House and "Dylan" staged by the Beechams at Drury Lane last year were both well received. A message received in London from a recent arrival at Galopoli contained this sentence: "The first person I met on landing—a man in a dirty shirt and trousers, no coat filthy and begrimed, heading sacks of corn about—was Lord Howard de Walden."

A Soldier's Letter. "I want to say that the spirit of your boys is wonderful. To demonstrate their spirit this is a letter from a boy of the 26th to his mother. 'Dear Mother—I am trying to write a letter. I will write a longer one tomorrow. It is hell out here but I am enjoying myself immensely.' That's the spirit that animates the boys of the 26th Battalion. 'He then told of a man of the 26th whom he had seen under fire in the crater light who was very much disappointed when the retreat was ordered. 'He cried, 'Look, look we are going back. Why is it? I replied, 'Go back man, it would be folly to stay here,' and do you know that although that man went back, he went into his trench sorry that he had not stayed, when he would be almost certain to have been killed.' 'I thank you for the way you have received me and whenever I am called upon to carry out my little part I will do my utmost to bring honor and credit to the city of St. John.' Lieutenant A. D. Carter, another 26th man present, was called upon and he stated that although Major Brown had belittled his own efforts that he was very much of a hero and so recognized by all the men of the 26th and those who had seen him under fire. Lieutenant Adams of H. M. S. Seagull were present and said a few words assuring the audience that the navy was always ready to do what they could and would be proud of the opportunity, should the

can assure you that your young boys are the men who have done something. Colonel Gunning of the 104th proposed the toast to the "City of St. John," which was responded to by Major Frink. He reviewed the days when the older regiments were in St. John and said that the city was sympathetic to soldiers and was not unused to military manoeuvres and tactics and they always welcomed the boys in khaki. He said that the city was willing to do its utmost to assist the empire in this time of stress and trial. The mayor then proposed the toast to the ladies which was responded to in a very able manner by Dr. T. D. Walker. During the course of the evening songs were rendered by A. C. Skelton, Mr. Guy, Dr. Hogan, Walter Pidgeon, DeWitt Cairns, and R. G. Carson. Next followed a toast to Lieut. Carter, 26th battalion, home on sick leave, after which DeWitt Cairns sang "Heroes and Gentlemen." Lieutenants Gardner and Adams replied to toasts in their honor, and Thomas Guy sang a solo. Col. Gunning proposed "The City," to which the mayor replied. R. G. Carson sang and then Dr. T. D. Walker proposed "The Ladies," coupling with it Mr. Guy's name. A. C. Skelton sang, and then followed the National Anthem. The dinner was a particularly enjoyable occasion and was appreciated by those present as one means to show the 26th overseas that the thoughts of those at home were in sympathy with them by honoring one of their officers.

Major Brown, who in replying, said:—"This is a great honor to me to be given this banquet. First of all I want you to get it into your heads that there is nothing of a hero about me, but I am glad to be here."

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RECENT DEATHS

Mrs. Margaret T., wife of Captain C. Olson, died suddenly in Brooklyn (N. Y.), Thursday, Dec. 23. The deceased was a native of St. John but removed to the States several years ago.

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WANTED—Strong boy to drive team and deliver wood and coal. Apply O'Brien's Wood Yard, Chesley street or 218 Union street, city. 35374-1-3

TWO LITTLE ONES SUFFOCATED

Taunton, Dec. 31—Left alone in their home at 22 Wales street, while their parents were attending a wake, James and Hilda Murphy, six and four years old, children of Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Murphy, in some way set fire to the bed in which they were lying and were suffocated by the smoke.

AUCTIONS

We are now prepared to receive Furniture at our Sale Room, 96 Galloway street, for our next sale.

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11.00 a.m.—Covenant and Communion Service.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Sunday Evening Rev. Mr. Haughton Will Take for His Theme: "WHY DOESN'T GOD STOP THE WAR?"

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REV. B. H. NOBLES, Minister.
11.00 a.m.—Service of Special Prayer.

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When you "ask a few in" for a game of "Bridge," just phone for a brick of Country Club Ice Cream.

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LOCAL NEWS
Band at the Victoria tonight, Saturday afternoon and evening.

RECENT WEDDINGS
Peter Cairns Murray and Angelina N. Steves were united in marriage at the parsonage of the Victoria Street Baptist church by Rev. B. H. Nobles last evening.

RACING IN ENGLAND WILL BE CONTINUED
London, Dec. 30.—Steeplechase racing will not be discontinued in this country, despite all reports to the contrary.

WILL MISS SHEVLIN; WAS HEAVILY INSURED
Walter Camp, noted Yale football authority on Wednesday night made the following statement concerning Thos. L. Shevlin's death.

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HAS MADE THIS A LAND WAR

Nothing Germany Can Gain Can Make up For Loss of Use of the Sea—Navy Can Dictate Peace Terms

In entering the war Germany hoped and expected to defeat France and Russia with ease. Her statement counted not perhaps upon permanent British neutrality, but upon a temporary paralysis of British statesmanship which would permit her generals to repeat the success of 1870 and enable her to confront Great Britain with a stupendous accomplishment. The prompt entrance of Great Britain into the war wholly transformed the situation, says the New York Tribune, and, despite the military failure of the British to the present moment, has been the dominant factor in the defeat of Germany that is, in the falling and thwarting of what were the main purposes of German statesmanship at the beginning. In losing control of the sea, or rather, in losing the ability to use the sea, Germany lost a decisive battle far more serious than that at the Marne. The final suppression of the submarine campaign, which survives now only as sporadic raids, success in sinking an occasional ship of relatively small importance, ended the naval phase of the war and brought what is, so far, the only decision in any campaign that has been opened. The German Disaster.

Here one strikes at the heart of the real disaster that this war has already foreshadowed for Germany. Before the war Germany dominated Russia, and she was able, through the terms of the Treaty of Commerce, to sell advantageously in France. But both Russia and France have taken back their economic freedom and both have strongly indicated their purpose to decimate hereafter against German manufactures. Unquestionably British products, and those of the United States conceivably, will receive more favorable tariff treatment than German when the war is over. Again, up to the present moment Great Britain has competed with Germany on a party in her home markets and those of her colonies. Nothing is more certain than that after the war there will be imperial preference and probably international preference between France and Great Britain and their respective colonies.

What Germany Has Lost. Now, taking the war as a contest between France and Great Britain on the one hand and Germany on the other, what has happened? First of all, Germany has occupied some 8,400 square miles of French territory and she has had a population of some 2,000,000 more in the war, but all the men were cleared out before Germany came, by the method of the British. It contained the richest coal and iron mines. The possession of both has been of great advantage to Germany, and France has suffered severely by the loss of them. But, on the other hand, Germany has lost all her colonies; most of them have been actually conquered, only German East Africa is still practically intact, and even here the British have occupied the coast. All German colonial investments have been swept away. This is, however, only a relatively minor loss compared with the loss of the use of the sea. Germany is above all else a country highly industrialized, which lives by exporting its products of German efficiency to all parts of the world. She is not self-supporting in the sense that France is, like Great Britain, she is primarily a factory, her national income depends on the return she gets for her manufactures, plus the freight her great merchant marine earns in transporting these products and bringing back raw materials from abroad. The right to use the sea, Germany can only retain in two ways—by compelling Great Britain to relinquish command of the sea or by complying with the terms fixed by Great Britain as the price of the use of the sea. One would be the consequence of victory, the other of defeat. But up to the present moment Germany has not been able in the smallest way to exert any force upon Great Britain to compel her to give up the mastery of the sea. Every effort made by the Germans has ended in decisive defeat. If you set against the German occupation of 8,400 square miles of French territory the British control of the sea, you have measured the exact condition between the contending powers of the west. It is plain that no hand of Germany, because France, thanks to British sea power, is able to get coal and iron from abroad. She has now been able to reorganize her industrial establishments in such fashion that what used to be made at Lille and at Roubaix, at St. Quentin and Tourcoing—that is, the things essential to national life and comfort—are made elsewhere.

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all the seas, and she has no present means of compelling such British consent. But this would be to restore things to their exact status before the war. It would mean that for her tremendous sacrifices Germany had gained nothing from France or from Great Britain. It would mean that she had lost her colonies, but had lost her colonies, conceivably the British would not make such a bargain. Then what? Either Germany would have to offer more or the world would have to continue in a condition which meant paralysis of her industrial establishments. She might see peace with France, with Russia, with all her continental enemies, but she would not be one step nearer the freedom of the sea than was Napoleon after he had conquered the Continent. She could, to be sure, send her manufactures to the United States, but if they were prepared to resume friendly relations, but would they be?

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TOMMIES LIKE BETHUNE

Most Popular Town in France For British

Boulogne, France, Dec. 10—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—The most popular town in France, so far as the opinion of the British soldier goes, is Bethune. Located not far behind the lines, it has become the great pleasure resort for officers and soldiers who get only a day or two of leave. Bethune escaped the horrors of actual warfare in the early days of the fighting across France, although a small body of German troops actually entered the town on one occasion. In the months that followed, the sound of the guns was frequently heard, and occasionally shells fell within the municipal limits, but never with serious results. The town centres around a hill and a square, from which radiate a few narrow streets and boulevards. At the foot of the hill runs the now famous La Bassée Canal. Around the square there are bright shops, cheerful cafes, picturesque restaurants, and amiable rustic population—all of which will be remembered with tender feelings by thousands of British soldiers who have spent days of comparative ease and luxury there. The needs of the soldier are few and his pleasures simple. Bethune supplies all he wants. He has good lodging places, capable barbers, and warm baths, for which the man from the trenches especially longs. There is a fair theatre and there is a band-stand in the square where frequently a long street of British soldiers who have spent days of comparative ease and luxury there. The needs of the soldier are few and his pleasures simple. Bethune supplies all he wants. He has good lodging places, capable barbers, and warm baths, for which the man from the trenches especially longs. There is a fair theatre and there is a band-stand in the square where frequently a long street of British soldiers who have spent days of comparative ease and luxury there.

Before the war, Bethune was a dull little place, centre of a farming community, and strangers were uncommon, and automobiles were rare enough to be regarded as a curiosity. The town was as quiet as a churchyard except on weekly market days, and occasional church fetes days. Now, however, every day must seem a superlative fete day to the old inhabitants. Automobiles of all varieties crowd the narrow streets and overflow onto the sidewalks; the square is a mass of military men, horses, and motor lorries; at the street corners head-clad policemen stand directing the traffic; the pavements are crowded with soldiers of every rank and variety.

TRENCH ATTACKS IN MODERN WAR

Bloody Beyond Comparison With Former Days

MACHINE GUNS DOMINANT

An Attack Which Fails Will Leave Eighty Per Cent of the Attackers on the Ground

What is a modern trench attack really like? It is a question asked and answered by the Paris correspondent of the Brooklyn Eagle. How does it differ from the old-time battles that have been painted by the great masters? It is bloody beyond comparison with the encounters of former days. The machine guns used as the principal weapon of defence now men down like grass. These machine guns are hidden in well-protected pits, which show only a narrow slit towards the enemy, a slit through which the slender barrel swings from side to side as the bullets make a fan in front that cuts like a scythe. A rifle is helpless against a machine gun, and the longest bombardment will not destroy all the pits. "When you read in a magazine that an attack has failed," says Lieut. Secretary of the Foreign Legion, while recovering from wounds received in the Champagne battle, "you must always estimate that 80 per cent of the attacking force are left on the ground."

A Notable Attack. The German attack against the Franco-British lines on October 9, which was renewed with less violence than the 9th, was one of the most important operations that had ever taken place in this region. Field Marshal French has mentioned in his recent report that the French troops had, at this request, occupied the front between what had been the left wing of the French army to the south and Loos to the north. The German attack of October 9 was made with the intention of reoccupying the ground that had been won by the British army, which extended from the Hohenzollern road to the town of, and including Loos. It appears from the interrogation of the German prisoners that while the primary object of the attack was the recovery of the lost ground everything had been prepared in order to follow up the anticipated success, and take the French in the rear, thus imperiling their gains of last May and September.

The Artillery Prelude. This attack differed somewhat from the preceding, and indeed was a feature that it is interesting to note. A fairly violent bombardment had been carried out by the enemy for some days. This bombardment, although intermittent, had continued without any very long period of inactivity, and was principally directed against the trenches and the batteries. The latter, especially, were the object of violent volleys of shrapnel fire. This bombardment, which was a demoralizing effect. Our batteries on the contrary received a very small number of shells, and only one was destroyed. This firing comprised shells of unusual calibre. Loos itself received 12 shells of 380 mm. (15 ins.) and 87 of 203 mm. (8 ins.). The death toll of these projectiles was not heavy, but the smaller calibres such as 210 mm. was considerably less than the enemy had hoped for, but of Loos all that remained was a mass of calcinated ruins.

Towards 3 30 o'clock in the afternoon the bombardment assumed a really extraordinary intensity. No better example could be applied to it than "Ironclad" or "drum-roll fire" by which the Germans themselves refer to it. Meanwhile our second line, our batteries, and those villages situated nearest to the firing line were subjected to a hail of shrapnel shells in order to prevent the artillery from returning their fire, and to keep reinforcements from reaching the trenches. Indeed, so furious was this bombardment that the effects were felt five and one-half miles behind the point where the German shells fell and the shrapnel gales persisted for more than 88 hours.

The Germans Destroyed. At 4.10 the first German attacking line appeared above the trenches specially constructed by the enemy during the preceding night. It was the digging of these trenches and the opening of passages through the barbed wire entanglements that had warned the defenders of Loos of a probable attack. A somewhat hasty and nervous rifle-fire broke out from the French and English trenches and until the men had been calmed by their officers, the first wave

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GERMAN SPIES INFEST STATES

Revelations Have Aroused Country to Realize Danger

MANY ARE IN THE ARMY

Probably Germany Knew All About Inner Workings Long Ago—Berlin's System Started in 1850

Revelations of the activities of German secret agents in the United States have aroused that country to a realization of a grave danger which she has done nothing to avert and to the inadequacy of the existing machinery whereby foreign spies may be detected. The United States secret service is the smallest and weakest maintained by any great power, although it is supposed that within the last year it has been greatly increased. However the sentiment of American people has been opposed to it, and a few years ago when it was charged that President Roosevelt had been using the secret service to discover discreditable facts about some of the congressmen and senators who opposed him a law was passed strictly limiting the activities of the secret service. There were some representatives who wanted to do away with altogether.

Helped By British Agents. It is safe to say that the present congress will not hesitate to vote any additional money asked by the president for the secret service. Since the beginning of the war it has been greatly assisted by private investigators employed by such newspapers as the Providence Journal and the New York World, which have gone up by the thousands into the German and Austrian machinations in the United States. Its work has been aided, too, by the numerous British and other secret service men who have been carrying on a work of counter espionage against the Germans. Left to the United States secret service as it was at the beginning of the war would have been absolutely helpless to discover the trail that has led to the offices of the German and Austrian ambassadors, and could have given no substantial protection to the manufacturers of munitions.

A RED CROSS HOSPITAL TRAIN

How it is Made up, How Equipped and the Work it Does

The Red Cross hospital train has played a great part in France in lessening the discomfort of the wounded. Thanks to this means of transportation, the wounded have been transferred to base hospitals with a minimum of suffering. The following is an interesting description of one of these trains which has appeared in an English publication. One of these special trains was equipped by the Canadian Red Cross at the outbreak of the war, and is now on active service. The first coach of the train is the office of the quartermaster-sergeant, then come the hospital coaches, which are like hospital wards, with clean bed linen and the small comforts of a well organized institution. The beds are supported on brackets in three tiers, and these brackets are so constructed that the bed can be taken out and carried into the ward, and the unloading of the patient from his stretcher is rendered an easy process. The beds can be turned into couches, when the cases are not serious ones. The ward cars have both gas and electric light, and the light can be lowered so that those desiring to sleep are not inconvenienced. After the ward coaches come coaches for nurses and orderlies and a kitchen coach that might awaken the envy of a housewife. Everything that is necessary for the comfort of the patients is here in its right place, easy of access. The sleeping quarters of the medical and nursing staff are in the next coach, and these are curtained off from the passage, which runs the whole length of the train. Here, too, are dining-rooms, and a kitchen which is actually being equipped with a full complement of patients, more orderlies, a kit store, and a second kitchen, and coaches for fifty sitting-up patients. Every train carries a dispenser, which has a completely equipped dispensary. The train has in all fourteen coaches. It has a most ample supply of hot water (each kitchen has ninety gallons of cold and sixty gallons of hot water; each hospital coach has fifty gallons cold and six gallons of drinking water in a separate tank). The train is steam-heated and has extra slow-combustion stoves. It is painted a light grey color outside and white inside, and so is exceedingly clean. The Princess Christian train was collected for by its donor and was then handed over to the War Office. Then the four millers of the United Kingdom, who had raised a large sum of money for the Red Cross work, decided to devote about \$24,000 to provide two complete hospital trains for the Red Cross. Loading the Trains. The "front" for a hospital train means one or other of a score of town-mentioned as "railheads" situated behind the firing line, within sound of the guns, where casualty clearing stations have been erected for the purpose of concentrating the wounded brought off the field. When the train reaches the railhead the ambulance coaches come to it with their wounded men. Instantly the train becomes the scene of great activity, and activity ordered and controlled. The officer commanding sorts out patients, filling some coaches with stretchers cases others with sitting cases. Orderlies are busy along the side of the line. Some are carrying stretchers, others helping men to walk, and others carrying men pick-a-back fashion. Doctors and sisters in the wards are directing the placing of patients. Every one is busy. Then the work ends, the cars disappear, and the journey to the base is begun.

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GERMANY HAS SHOT HER BOLT; WAR TO END IN 1916, SAYS REED

War Correspondent Says That The Kaiser Must Lose Because The Allies Have an Overwhelming Superiority in Ships, in Men and in Money

(By John Reed in New York World.) John Reed, recently returned to New York, after a sojourn with the Russian armies on the eastern war front, and a tour through the Balkan States. Earlier in 1915 he had been with the German armies in the west and was convinced of their invincibility. He was correspondent of The World during the Mexican revolution. Otherwise Mr. Reed's war correspondences have been done for the Metropolitan Magazine.

Observations made during a year of travel in Europe, where I visited England, France, Germany, Belgium, Serbia, Bulgaria, Turkey, Greece, Russia, and Italy—all the belligerents except Austria—have convinced me that Germany is already beaten and that the war will be ended by next autumn with the withdrawal of the German armies from the conquered lands.

I don't see how there was ever a possibility of Germany's winning the war, unless she managed somehow to smash one of the three great allies—France, Russia or England. Any one of these three out of it she could easily have triumphed. Italy I don't consider one of the vital factors in the struggle; she would have been vital only if she had thrown her lot with the central powers, and hung like a snapping dog on the flanks of France. Had she remained neutral, the ultimate result must have been the same—victory for the Triple Entente.

To my mind it is a question of ships, men and money. Almost all the bulletin board strategists at the outbreak of the war calculated on that basis. But the great German drive on Paris and the first few desperate weeks of the fighting on the Aisne—when on the map which hung against the wall of my room in Paris I followed the official communique and watched the apparently inevitable Teuton advance—then the monstrous crumbling of the Russian front and finally the annihilation of Serbia, made us feel that perhaps superior organization, speed and mobility of forces were the determining factors.

By a miracle of organization the French and British got themselves together in the west so that German superiority in that regard was cancelled. On the eastern front the Russians were pressed as far as Russians can be pressed, and the line reached beyond which an invading army becomes too heavy, and every mile of conquest costs of defensive fighting-power; on account of the difficulties of provisioning in a vast and terrible plain where everything has been destroyed by the retreating host.

The necessity of constructing mighty lines of communications, where every mile of road and road impossible and the attitude of the civilian population, who become wild beasts the moment the foreigner puts foot on the soil of Holy Russia.

Finally, down in the Balkans, where every day registers a new German victory, the armies of the central powers, Bulgaria and Turkey—have an overwhelming preponderance of force. As long as they have their feet on the ground, their numbers are offset by the numbers of the enemy, they will lose, no matter what their strategic superiority. However, I shall speak of the Near Eastern situation in another paragraph. What I want to indicate here is that the bulletin-board strategists were right. It is a question of ships, men and money—and the greatest of these is men.

Last Night's War Cables

London, Dec. 30.—Two new landings by the Allies in the near east are reported today. The British have transferred some troops from Saloniki to Orfano, a small Greek port sixty miles east of Saloniki, with the intention of checking any possibility of a hostile advance from this quarter. The second landing was made by the French on the Greek island of Castellorizo, off the southeast coast of Asia Minor, not far from the important seaport of Adalia.

An Athens despatch says that the occupation of Adalia is the object of the landing. A railway runs north of Adalia, and the presence there of a strong Allied force would menace the communications of any hostile force operating against Egypt or the Lower Tigris region.

These movements indicate that the Allies' positions around Saloniki are now considered secure, and indicate that the campaign around Saloniki will develop into a long drawn out warfare, as on other fronts.

Rome reports that the Central Powers have begun a general withdrawal from the entire Macedonian front, owing to the serious Russian campaign in Bessarabia, but this lacks confirmation. In the Entente capitals, however, there is a general opinion that the Russian campaign in Bessarabia, which has been undertaken in the face of unfavorable weather conditions, is likely to have an important bearing on the forerunner of the impending Romanian entry into the war on the side of the Entente.

The Pall Mall's Russian correspondent writes: "Russian joint operations with Rumania are on the point of beginning. Rumania will fight with us, although not for us. Her siding with the Entente is not the result of French or English sympathies, but an endeavor to realize the Rumanian dream of sovereignty over Bukovina and Transylvania."

As preparation for Rumania's entry into the war, Russia's aim is to reconquer Bukovina for the benefit of her new ally. This task can be accomplished in a few weeks.

"The Rumanians will then fortify the new province, and march with the Russians through Bulgaria and Transylvania, while simultaneously the Italians, French, British and Serbians will deal blows on other fronts."

Successful British Air Raid. A few Germans entered one of our front trenches, but were immediately driven out.

The weather has been fine. Our artillery has been active at several places on the front. North of Ypres there has been activity on both sides.

Petrograd, via London, Dec. 30.—The German and Russian official bulletins regarding the operations south of the Pieter river are completely at variance. The German bulletins declare that the battles are proceeding. The importance of the engagements seems to be considered by the Russian military critics as great.

It is unanimously agreed among the Allies that the eastern front will be changed within three or four days.

Geneva, via London, Dec. 30.—It is reported here on good authority that Italian troops have occupied the Albanian seaport of Durazzo.

During the night the enemy heavily shelled our trenches south of Fricourt.

Austria's Reply To United States

London, Dec. 31.—The reply of the Austrian government to the second American note on the sinking of the steamer Ancona, with the loss of American lives, is forwarded to Reuters' Telegram Company from Vienna by way of Amsterdam. The note says:

"In reply to the second American Ancona note, the Austro-Hungarian government fully agrees with the Washington cabinet that the sacred laws of humanity should be taken into account in war, and emphasizes that it, in the course of this war, has given numerous proofs of the most humane feelings."

"The Austro-Hungarian government, too, can positively oppose in the principle that any private vessels, so long as they do not fly the colors of any belligerent, should be destroyed before the persons aboard are secured."

"The assurance that the United States government attaches value to the maintenance of the existing friendly relations between Austria-Hungary and the United States is warmly reciprocated by the Austro-Hungarian government, which now, as heretofore, is anxious to render these relations still more cordial."

"The Austro-Hungarian government commends to the consideration of the United States the sinking of the Ancona, which was recently captured, and dropped several boats filled with people, which at once capsized."

"The commander of the submarine, the note continues, allowed the steamer to escape, and the boats were allowed to take to the sea. The vessel in question was sunk in a manner that it would remain afloat as long as possible, in order to enable the passengers to disembark—an object which would have been obtained if the passengers had not been rescued."

"The Austrian note, while announcing the willingness of the Austro-Hungarian government to pay an indemnity to the American victims of the Ancona, declares that the government cannot admit responsibility for damage caused by

make her shrinking battle line smaller, then I think the German common sense will face candidly the knowledge that a private who in peace times is a professor at Gottingen, read a Christmas message from the gospel, while the Landsturm men with heads bowed over large beakers of their favorite brew. Then a half grey choir of twenty voices sang an anthem after which the stage was cleared for their captain, who made a short address in peace time this grey-haired reserve officer is a book-seller and publisher."

His only son having just fallen in battle his voice quivered a bit as he led off with "My dear brave Landsturm company." But his audience was with him and he had the happy faculty of expressing the thoughts in every man's mind there.

"If anyone had told us a year ago," he said, "that we should spend our second Christmas in the enemy's lands we should have thought him mad."

The Landsturm nodded in solemn assent. The captain then painted a picture of their families about the home Christmas trees and the bearded veterans brushed away futile tears with their heavy hands. The tears ceased to be futile when the captain spoke of dead comrades and of fatherless and husbandless ones where this Christmas was one of heavy hearts. The Landsturm men swallowed hard, particularly the huskiest of them all a six foot five musketer built proportionately. He was the right wing man and the pride of the company, rejoicing in the nickname of "Chicken," because of his prowess in

disposing of poultry. He too, sat with his face buried in his hands, for the German is not only intensely sentimental, but makes no attempt to hide his feelings.

But the "Chicken" and his comrades straightened out rigidly and their relaxed features hardened grimly as their captain, having worked the vox humana to the limit, sounded the stern call for duty.

"Germany is fighting for her existence against a world of enemies," he said, "against four continents—some say five (this being a veiled reference to American ammunition which courtesy to the poets prevented being put more specifically and pugnatly)."

Then the captain snapping his words like a flash, pictured the war ravaged countryside, mentioning the neighboring village where they have fought and bled in the past year.

"Thank God," he says, "that German homes, and German women have been spared this fate. Continue to do your duty and hold out no matter how long this terrible useless bloodshed may last."

His peroration is greeted with hearty "bravos," which ring to the rafters. NEARLY 500,000 NEW YEAR PARCELS FOR SOLDIERS Paris, Dec. 31.—The Central Military Postoffice handled 460,000 parcels containing New Year's gifts for soldiers. One hundred and eighty thousand of the parcels were carried free. This is believed to be a record.

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This Commission has for months been the sole means of providing food for the Belgian people—for the Germans positively refuse to feed their victims. Some 5,000,000 are still able to pay for the food, while nearly 2,000,000, absolutely destitute, must be fed free.

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FOUND FROZEN AT THEIR POSTS

Troops at Dardanelles Suffered More From Cold Than the Enemy—All Trenches Flooded

London, Dec. 31.—The correspondent of the Standard at Constantinople, writing under date of December 8, records an increase in the quality and quantity of the Turkish artillery since the opening of the supply route from Germany.

"Nevertheless," he says, "the damage hitherto has been only slightly increased, and is not in proportion to the dimensions of the weapons it is believed the Turks are receiving."

"The beaches at Cape Helles are regularly bombarded every day at six miles range with high explosive shells from a battery on the Asiatic side between Erenkuei village and Kum Kale point, and in addition by guns which fire black powder, in the same neighborhood. Yet when one considers how for a mile the long, stark, open plateau that we hold between Krithia and the top of the peninsula can be bombarded from three sides with absolute precision, it is surprising how little damage is done. Ninety per cent of the shells merely raise harmless dust clouds."

"With the men in dug-outs solidly built to resist anything but a direct hit, there seems to be no reason to fear the effect of the new German guns and gunners."

"The troops have suffered more from the weather than the enemy. The terrible cold rains at the end of November flooded the trenches thigh high, and it was impossible to light fires. There was nothing to eat, but cold, bulky and damp rations were served. Sentries were frozen dead at their posts. It probably was the worst winter that British troops have faced since the Crimea. The officers were astonished at the uncomplaining endurance of the men."



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Mutt and Jeff--Mutt Thought He Wasn't on Speaking Terms With the Colonel. By "Bud" Fisher

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THE STAGE IN THE NEW YEAR; ITS PROSPECTS

Competition of the "Movies" Against the Spoken Play

NOTES OF SCREEN AND FOOTLIGHTS

Canadian Stars Score Success—English Peer in Overall—An Appreciation of Lauder—The Harkins Engagement—Varied Gossip of Green-Room

Theatrical speaking the dawn of the New Year in St. John does not cause a feeling with local play-follower that it will be much of an improvement on the dying twelve-month so far as their being privileged to see some of "the best that's going" is concerned. By far the most noted productions of 1915 in St. John play houses have been in motion pictures. With the camera and screen still the idols and steadily increasing in popularity through the province as a whole, it may well be expected that the speaking stage will be compelled to contend for a time with the ordinary traveling attractions, with at rare intervals a stellar production.

pictures will so affect the spoken drama as to cause its annihilation, any more than the art of printing has abolished preaching or lecturing. True, at present the "movies" are the rage, but the real beauty of expression, the natural desire of humanity to view the whimsical notions and fancies of mankind in real life are to be found in the spoken drama, and though the screen is now the vogue, the footlights must again come into their own, and the competition between the two branches of theatrical art be lessened.

The motion picture has come to stay, but while now it occupies in these parts a more prominent place with theatre goers than the stage, the reaction must follow when the objections previously noted are overcome, and then will the spoken play rank on even terms with the silent drama in the power to draw a throng.

The presentation of the well-known comedy drama, "The House Next Door" which was so successfully given here a few weeks ago by local amateurs, is to be repeated in Fredericton tomorrow with performances afternoon and evening at the Opera House. The proceeds will be in aid of the Red Cross Society.

Old Shiner plays an actor in the new play called "Cook of the Walk" by Henry Arthur Jones, which has been successfully produced both in Washington and Baltimore. He is an actor of the old school, ambitious, but unsuccessful, and when he gets the chance to act "O'Dell" to the "stage" of a famous actor-manager it is the fulfillment of his greatest ambition. But in order to obtain this distinction he has to come to the rescue of the famous actor, who has become involved in an intrigue with a young girl, who persuaded him to give her a rendezvous.

Mrs. Edvina, Canadian soprano, recently made her debut in New York where she was called in hurriedly by the management of the Metropolitan Opera House to take the place of Mme. Corelli who was too ill to sing in "La Tosca". She made a distinct impression upon several of the leading critics of New York and upon the attitude of those who were not so favorable a paragraph by Mephisto in Musical America may throw some light. He says "And here is a question I would like to put to some of the critics, a few of whom have notoriously strong Teutonic sympathies. Why, when German artists come to make a debut should they be subjected to such a hostile reception? It is not as if they are suffering from cold or from nervousness at a first appearance, and the same sympathy and consideration should be shown to the English singer who is suddenly called from Chicago and asked, with little or no rehearsal, to sing a very difficult and exacting role, and thus virtually make her debut at the great Metropolitan Opera House in New York City under conditions which could not possibly be more adverse."

The return of W. S. Harkins with a talented company to the Opera House has proved popular with local play-follower and the productions given have been well received. There is every reason to believe that the engagement will be a success from all view-points. The leading members of the company (Mr. Selman and Miss Lotus have particularly won favor with stage-goers here, as have some of the other members of the company. On the whole it may be said that the company is balanced well and seems equally at home in comedy or drama. "Baby Mine," a noted farce comedy success which had a long run in the States and in which Benedict McQuarrie scored a hit in St. John a few seasons ago, will be the bill for the close of this week, while other productions coming will probably include "Kick in," "Marmelle," and other successes.

today, but her name was not even known to the "fans" who idolized her. Strangely enough, it was the spectacle of the theatrical producers entering the moving picture field, bent upon changing the conditions therein, that brought about a new era in which "utility" methods characteristic of the theatre created the most lucrative outlet for the actor in amusement since immediately salaries were doubled, trebled and in some cases increased tenfold. Directors of theatres, managers of theatre stage managers, not one of whom had ever earned more than \$100 a week, were granted contracts for fifty-two weeks in the year. Scores of these now earn from \$250 to \$500 a week, while three erstwhile actors, all of whom were penniless when in desperation they applied for "work" in the studios, are now veritable pillars of the industry itself. All three (D. W. Griffith, Mack Sennett and Thomas Ince) now earn \$100,000 a year. Each is a millionaire, and they are the artistic heads of a mighty film organization capitalised at \$4,000,000, specializing in photo spectacles, to see which the public is paying the highest prices which obtain for the spoken play.

Billy Sunday's friend Dodson Mitchell who plays the role of Elijah Bradshaw in "The Eternal Magdalene," has received a somewhat unusual request from a man in Syracuse, N. Y., who signed himself V. E. Simpson. The request has already been complied with. Mr. Simpson wrote:

"Dear Mr. Mitchell—I heard the admirable address you delivered the other night when attending a performance of "The Eternal Magdalene" and I approved heartily of the sentiments expressed in it. I suppose it was necessary for the purpose of the play for you to tear it up at the end of the last act, but if you have a copy of it and will be so good as to lend to me, I should like to make use of it here. As you may know we have just enjoyed a wonderful series of them. That address of yours is directly to the point and the agitation that is now going on here and I think it would do a world of good could it be printed. The speech to which Mr. Simpson referred is one that is prepared by Elijah Bradshaw to be printed in the daily papers following a visit of a gangster to the city in which he lives. In it he refers to the silly sentimentality that is rampant in certain quarters of the women who live in segregated districts are under discussion. He gives it as his firm conviction that the women who are under discussion, and that the community would be better off were they banished from it.

In the play, of course, Bradshaw sees great light and eventually is moved to change his attitude on the question and tears up his prepared statement. A copy of it, however, has been sent to the Syracuse correspondent.

NOT SO EASY NOW FOR WALLINGFORD

Honest Advertising Campaigns in Co-operation With Government Are Killing "Get-Rich-Quick" Schemes

Washington, Dec. 30.—Honest advertising campaigns undertaken by business organizations, publishers and advertising men in co-operation with the post office department are sounding the knell of "get rich quick" and other fraudulent enterprises, according to the annual report of the solicitor of the department.

"It is clear," says the solicitor, "that the strict enforcement of the law is having a deterrent effect upon many promoters who have hitherto relied for a livelihood on the conduct of schemes to defraud through the mails. The scheme now being brought to the attention of the office are, generally speaking, not so flagrant as those of the past, but during the preceding years of this administration, and it is now the exception rather than the rule to find the promoter of a business against which a fraud order has been issued attempting to resume such business under another name."

The decay of this once thriving industry, the report continues, has been brought about not only by the post office department but by the newspaper and magazine publishers, advertising organizations and other agencies which have co-operated with the federal authorities and made the fraudulent schemes dangerous and unprofitable.

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TO our many patrons we extend our every good wish for the coming year.

GEO. A. SLATER, Limited MONTREAL MAKER OF INVICTUS SHOES

provided for the distribution of \$300,000 came stealthily on the stage, and knelt in prayer. In another the first grand prize was alleged to amount to \$125,000. The solicitor also calls attention to the fact that the law prohibits the mailing of him twice and sank half-conscious into a red institution, the postcard, still a very handsome allegory. This may sound a trifle queer, but the lady in front of me came in late for the performance and became so intensely interested that she forgot to remove her hat, and that's how it looked to me."

"Yes, I am inclined to think it was very good," he replied without any marked degree of enthusiasm. "Can't you describe it to me?" she continued, beaming radiantly. "Why," explained he, "the heroine likes it."

This Beverage For the New Year's Toasts

Drink to the health of your By the Barrel or Cases. Beverage for the New Year's Festivities. Sold in Pints only. guests in this the most appropriate READY'S LAGER BEER is flavored with surprise — nothing else. It decorates the sideboard and initiates you into the cheerful life. READY'S BEERIES, LTD. St. John, N. B.

KEEP HALF OF SOLDIER'S PAY FOR HIM AT OTTAWA

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Action has been taken by the government to secure for each Canadian soldier at the front a nest egg in the way of accumulated pay on his return to Canada at the conclusion of the war. It is understood that an order-in-council has been passed retaining a considerable portion of the monthly pay of the soldiers who have not assigned their pay to relatives in Canada, and who are now overseas, where there is no need for any immediate expenditure, and practically no opportunity for the expenditure of their whole monthly pay.

Advertisement for John Haig & Co. Ltd. featuring a bottle of whisky and a glass. Text includes: 'On a Gentleman's Buffet THE ORIGINAL HAIG WHISKY JOHN HAIG & CO. LTD. MARKINCH SCOTLAND THE OLDEST DISTILLERS IN THE WORLD DO ROBBLIN TORONTO AGENT IN CANADA'.

SPORT NEWS OF A DAY, HOME AND ABROAD

CURLING

New Year's Day Matches
If weather conditions remain favorable the local "knights of the broom" will have an opportunity tomorrow to indulge in their favorite pastime—curling.

BOWLING

City League
The Tigers won three points from the Specials in the City League fixture on Black's Alley last evening.

Table with columns: Name, Score, Total. Lists bowling scores for various players.

Kelly's New Records
On the Victoria alleys Thursday Vincent Kelly added more fame to reputation as being one of the best bowlers in this city when he hung up new five, ten and fifteen string records.

Chas' Owner After Magee
Charles Weeghman says he will be a bidder for Lee Magee. He wants him to play second base for the Cubs.

Training for Umpires
Chicago, Dec. 30.—Spring training for umpires will be advocated at the meeting of the National League Club owners in Cincinnati next week.

Happy New Year to your Feet, Sir! May they always wear—"The Best Good Shoe" INVICTUS

to have the umpires accompany the clubs to the spring training camps. The plan was tried in the Federal League last season and was declared to be a success.

Kauf a Free Agent
New York, Dec. 29.—Benny Kauf is a free agent. He had no contract with Brooklyn, when he jumped to Brooklyn.

Giants Will Play Tigers
New York, Dec. 29.—Six games with American League clubs, three of them against the Tigers, are included in John McGraw's spring tour en route home from Marlin Springs, where the Giants will train.

St. Louis, Dec. 29.—It is said that the owners of the St. Louis Federalists paid \$425,000 for the St. Louis Americans. This included \$25,000 commission to certain stockholders in the St. Louis Americans who swung the deal.

May Return to Baltimore
Baltimore, Md., Dec. 28.—Arrangements are now in progress here to have Manager Jack Dunn bring his Richmond team to this city. A definite announcement is expected within the course of a few days.

Ulrich Let Out
The only dead-mute who has ever appeared in professional hockey, drew his release today when the Wanderers unconditionally let out "Silent" Ulrich.

Wanderers and Quebec Win
Montreal, Dec. 29.—The expected happened in last night's National Hockey League game.

WHITE HORSE Scotch Whisky advertisement with bottle image and text: "Superb in flavor, smooth in body, most delicious bouquet."

The Ford Runabout Price \$480 advertisement with image of the car and text: "A fine harvest—of pleasures and profits is reaped by the man who drives a Ford."

OUR SALE PRICES —ON— Overboots

Cannot Be Beaten
Men's 1-Buckle. \$1.95, \$1.55
Best Quality 2-Buckle. \$2.15
Ladies' Overboots—Best Qualities, \$1.55, \$1.80, \$1.95

Percy J. Steel BETTER FOOTWEAR 519 Main St.

OHNNY SCHIFF

American boy, who has enlisted in the N.C.O. has with the 148th, and expects to come, a sergeant.

Association games. The Wanderers triumphed over the Ottawa champions of last season before the biggest crowd of the season at the Arena here.

Seattle, Dec. 28.—Play in the Coast Hockey League was resumed here tonight, when Vancouver played a scheduled match with the local team.

Portland, Dec. 28.—The professional hockey season was resumed here tonight when the Victoria and Seattle teams met.

New York, Dec. 28.—New York is ever ready to pay tribute to any honest and worthy idol of athletic endeavor.

Wearing a smile that has been battered hard many times but was never reduced the "Kid" leaped into the ring and was formally introduced.

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GEM: Great Holiday Bill! A Bumper Programme For The Week-End. Open Tomorrow 1.30 P. M. Coming Next Week: Mon., Tue., War Views in Pathé Gazette.

A HOLIDAY PROGRAM WHICH WE THINK WILL PLEASE. LYRIC THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY. THE WALLINGFORD PICTURES.

Today and The Holiday IMPERIAL THEATRE. One of America's Foremost Film Stars BLANCHE SWEET and STAR CAST.

WINNER OR SINGLAR MAY PURCHASE NAPS. Despite the fact that American League magnates, assembled in Cleveland, in special session offered to advance \$100,000 to help finance the Cleveland American Baseball Club through next season.

OPERA HOUSE. The W. S. HARKINS PLAYERS. TONIGHT AND NEW YEARS NIGHT First Time at Less Than \$1.50 Prices.

EMPIRESS. CHAPTER TWELVE OF THE DIAMOND FROM THE SKY. IF you missed the last chapter, don't fail to see this one.

AMUSEMENTS. "The Baby and the Boss" UNIQUE. A TWO CHAPTER STORY of exceptional interest, introducing the inimitable Thanehouse Kid!

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHT! NEW ATTRACTIONS PALACE THEATRE Lillian Duncan. In Her Weird and Wonderful Posing—Representing Beasts, Birds and Flowers—With Colored Calcium, Light Accompaniment.

THE REXALL STORE

At the Fountain
Hot Butterscotch Sundae, Caramel Sundae,
Cocoanut Fudge — All New and Good!

The Ross Drug Company, Ltd.
100 KING STREET

Before Stock Taking

ALL HATS MUST GO

Marr Millinery Company, Ltd.

Sale of Ladies' Coats at 30 to 45 Per Cent. Reduction

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| Regular \$10.00 COAT | Out Down to \$6.99 |
| Regular 12.00 COAT | Out Down to 8.99 |
| Regular 15.00 COAT | Out Down to 9.99 |
| Regular 18.00 COAT | Out Down to 10.99 |
| Regular 21.00 COAT | Out Down to 11.99 |
| Regular 24.00 COAT | Out Down to 13.99 |
| Regular 27.00 COAT | Out Down to 14.99 |

If we have not your size, we will make it for you in two days. Call and see for yourself at the

THE AMERICAN CLOAK MFG. CO.
32 DOCK STREET
TELEPHONE — MAIN 833

Genuine Reductions on Mink Furs

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| Three Only—\$125.00 Stoles | \$75.00 |
| One Only—\$100.00 Muff | 75.00 |
| One Only—\$90.00 Muff | 70.00 |
| Three Only—\$25.00 Crossovers | \$18.00 |
| Two Only—\$25.00 Muffs | \$15.00 |

Do Not Miss These Bargains

F. S. THOMAS
539 to 545 Main St.

Our Variety of Men's Underwear is at high-water mark. So is the value

The extra value is chiefly in the superior of make. The garments are strongest where strength is most needed, and one can fit stout men as well as average men.

Fluoco-lined Shirts and Drawers, Per garment, 50c.
Wool Shirts and Drawers, Per garment, 50c. and 75c.
Lambs' Wool Shirts and Drawers, Per garment, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.35
Wool Combinations, Per garment, \$1.50 and \$3.00
Stanfield's Shirts and Drawers, Per garment, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00

S. W. McMackin
335 Main St.

Tomorrow being New Year's Day
Our store will be closed
OPEN TONIGHT
GILBERT'S GROCERY

Advertise in our Classified Section

The Man in The Street

The Man in the Street wishes every one a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

This goes for both friends and others, if there are others.

No, we have nothing to say at present about New Year's resolutions that is too painful a subject to contemplate on the eve of a holiday.

But we venture the prediction that the man who received three boxes of cigars and a handsome case of pipes at Christmas time is not swearing off smoking this year.

Evidently Santa Claus does not belong to a union; just think of the way he has been overworked at the Christmas time! He has been working such a strenuous time on Christmas eve.

Those who criticized the soldiers last year are hearing the other side of the story these days.

Well, if they are properly repentant, there is opportunity to make it up to the men who are here this winter.

If doing without a grain elevator at St. John is the government's idea of saving money, why don't they stop hauling grain at all and save a whole lot more? St. John does not want an elevator for a Christmas tree ornament; it wants one because the business of the empire needs shipping facilities.

"Keep away from those who cough and sneeze," the advice in an article on how to avoid influenza, may be perfectly good advice, but it should be accompanied by a diagram showing how about ten per cent. of the population can successfully dodge the other ninety per cent.

Apparently that announcement that the Valley Railway would cease operations at the end of the year was just someone's idea of a little joke.

The method of the Ferry government in building and operating that road may be amusing, but the lack of a service for those now depending on the road would not be their idea of a really good joke.

No, Dear Reader, we have no inside information regarding the date when those members of the legislature, who received prominent, but not honorable, mention in the Chandler report, will present their resignations.

Morning papers tell of a "boom" for Fairbanks as a presidential candidate. Sounds more like the pop of a blank cartridge.

THROUGH CARS OVER BRIDGE TOMORROW

Announcement of the Schedule Made by Manager

CAR EVERY TEN MINUTES

Eight and Half Miles Fr Foot of King Street to Carleton Ferry and Back and Will be in in About an Hour

The through service of the set railway line connecting the capital west side by way of the new bridge will be in operation tomorrow. This announcement, which will be led with joy by a great number of citizens, was made this morning by H. Hopper, manager of the company.

The first direct car from the city to West St. John will leave the foot of King street at 6:30 o'clock tomorrow morning and will be followed by other cars at intervals of ten minutes throughout the day. These cars will run to Douglas avenue, across the bridge, through Lancaster Heights and West St. John to the ferry terminals, making no connections at that end, with each of the ferry boats. A new car of has been adapted for the new service and the cars will bear the legend "West St. John."

Under the new service a Fairville schedule will be extended to the cars leaving Fairville will cross the bridge and run through to the foot of Douglas avenue and Main street and return. The first car will leave Fairville at 6:05 a.m. and others will follow each ten minutes.

All other sections of the street car service will continue under present arrangements without change.

The round trip from foot of King street to the West St. John ferry landing will take a run of eight and a half miles, and it is estimated that it will be made in one hour.

The new service will be of great benefit to the constantly increasing number of people who make their homes on the west side and work in the city, and will do away with the cold alk across the bridge and the consequent delays which have made winter trips unattractive in the past.

Under the new service a continuous trip, interrupted only by a couple of transfers, almost wherever in length can be made for the price of one ticket, the modest sum of four cents when purchased in quantities.

CONGRATULATIONS IN ORDER TODAY TO DR. J. D. MAHER

Eight in List of Successful Ones in Staff Examinations of Massachusetts Board — Of 127 Who Tried Only 39 Passed

Dr. J. D. Maher is today receiving congratulations on having successfully passed the Massachusetts Dental State Board examinations during the month of November.

The results were made public in Boston only on Wednesday. It appears that out of 127 applicants for registration, eighty-eight were rejected after examination by the state board, and only thirty-nine able to pass the requirements.

The standard of these examinations has recently been made very high, making the honor all the more precious. Eight in the list of successful ones mentioned is the name of Dr. J. D. Maher of this city. The examinations were held at Harvard college.

CHEERY LETTER FROM PTE. LARIN OF THE 26TH

A letter received recently by John Caney, chief engineer with the St. John Railway Company, from Pte. Edward Larin, 26th Battalion, France, told of his being well and asked that he be remembered to his friends. The weather, he said, was not very cold, but there was continual rain. The boys were well equipped, however, with clothing, and had nothing to complain of on this score. Besides other "toys" they were supplied with long-legged rubber boots. Their food was substantial and plentiful, and they were well provided with warm baths, clean underclothing and socks on their return from the trenches. Socks were issued with their underwear and towels every four or six days.

Pte. Larin spoke with regret of the illness of Pte. "Bob" Turner of the C. A. S. C. who, he said, was in hospital in England.

THE RIFLE RANGE

While the city rifle range in the Schofield building in Chipman Hill has been open informally this month the season has hardly started and the formal opening is announced for the first of the year. Already some of the patrons have been putting on good scores and showing the result of their practice. It has been suggested that the range offers an excellent opportunity to the many soldiers now stationed here to learn marksmanship under favorable conditions. Last winter the 26th used the range quite extensively and found the work of great value in training the eye and hand for shooting.

ST. ANDREW'S CURLERS

While the members of St. Andrew's Curling Club anticipate an opportunity of enjoying their favorite sport tomorrow, no set programme of matches has been arranged. Members will form sides and indulge in private contests which will undoubtedly afford good entertainment during the day.

UNPRECEDENTED CONDITIONS

A well known shipping man this morning said that deal chartering for next season was at a standstill owing to no tonnage offering even at 165 shillings for sailing vessels and 175 shillings for steamers.

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SECOND APPEAL FOR CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND

Duke of Connaught, Governor-General, Asks for Further Generous Contributions

Somewhat over a year ago, as president of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, I made an appeal to the people of the Dominion for funds to assist the families of the gallant men who were going to the front. Through participating a generous response, I was hardly prepared for the magnificent sum in which the call was met. More has poured into the treasury of the fund until the total contributions have reached and exceeded six million dollars.

Largely, however, if this sum appears, it has not greatly exceeded current demands and, if peace were declared in the immediate future, the entire surplus on hand would be required before all the men of the expeditionary force could again return home.

Today there are 25,000 families, comprising, it is estimated, 90,000 individuals dependent upon the Patriotic Fund. With further recruiting the demands upon the fund will, with each succeeding month, continue to grow, so that it is estimated that should the war be continued during 1916, a sum amounting to some \$8,000,000, and probably more, will be required. This would, however, mean \$1 per head of the population for the people of Canada, and it is little indeed to ask of those who remain at home in comparison with the sacrifice in life and limb of those who are fighting in defense of the nation.

In spite of all the various calls that have been made for funds to aid our soldiers and sailors, and the magnificent response that has been made in each and every case, I still feel assured that the warm hearts of all Canadians will respond to this further appeal to enable the Patriotic Fund to continue its splendid work during 1916, and take care of the families of those who are fighting for their sovereignty, the empire, and the dominion, on the battlefields of Europe and on the high seas.

(Signed) ARTHUR, President Canadian Patriotic Fund, Government House, Ottawa, January 1, 1916.

Old 1915

One of the most significant things about the latter part of 1915 has been the trend of general advertising towards the newspapers. As one keen observer recently put it:

"Manufacturers are beginning to realize that they must have the loyal support of the local dealers if their advertising campaigns are to win."

"They are learning that dealers are keenly alive to the advantages of newspaper advertising and they support newspaper advertised goods."

"It is logical that the advertising should follow the line of greatest return."

Watch 1916 for larger developments in the same direction.

Macaulay Bros. & Co., King Street, St. John, N. B.

Saturdays Our Stores Will be Open Until 10 p.m.; Open at 8 a.m.; Close 6 p.m., Excepting Saturday 10 p.m.

Men, Be on Hand Monday
FOR THE
GREATEST REDUCTION SALE OF SHIRTS
EVER MADE IN ST. JOHN

Sale Commences Monday, Jan. 3rd

When we shall place on sale Fine Outing Shirts, Lounge Shirts, etc., \$1.85, \$2.00, \$2.25 to \$2.60 each, regular value, at \$1.00 for choice of every one of this lot. They are best English make of Fine Ceylon Flannels, Criman Flannels, Zipper Shirts and High-class Cambric; all sizes, 14 to 17 1/2 inch neck; soft collars, soft cuffs; others without collars. No shirt in this lot worth less than \$1.85, and many at \$2.60 value; all now \$1.00 each.

MACAULAY BROS. & CO.

Here is Your Chance to Buy a DAISY OAK at a Sacrifice Price

The DAISY OAK is one of the most popular Oak Heaters on the market, it is neat and attractive in appearance, light on fuel and an excellent heater.

For the next ten days we are giving a SPECIAL 10 p.c. DISCOUNT.

If you need a new heater, this is your opportunity to buy.

We also have a full line of Secondhand Heaters in good condition AT LOWEST PRICES.

Glenwood Ranges, Heaters and Furnaces, Kitchen Furnishings
D. J. BARRETT 155 Union Street, Phone 1545 St. John, N. B.

How Are You Going to Be Dressed for the New Year Reception?

Is January 1 going to be for you simply a date on the calendar—or will it be New Year's Day—

and would you rather go into the New Year with all the Old Year's shabby old ideas—or with something new—

and with the old year's clothes—or a new suit and overcoat—

with dusty hat and a stubby beard, with a hang-back bearing and a drooping mouth—

or will you turn your joyous face to the morning, stepping out with clothes correct, with shoulders squared, with a flower in your button-hole and "the corners of your mouth turned up?"

There were never better stocks of clothing than we have now.

Every good kind of suit for the winter—every good kind of overcoat.

MEN'S SUITS, \$10.00 to \$30.00
MEN'S OVERCOATS - \$10.00 to 35.00

KING STREET COR. GERMAIN SCOVIL BROS., LIMITED, St. John, N. B.

HERE'S A CHANCE TO SAVE BIG MONEY
GREAT NEW YEAR'S SALE
Of Men's Winter Overcoatings and Suitings

This is just the time of year when you welcome every chance to "Save a Dollar," and our Big New Year's Sale gives you a rare opportunity to secure a Snappy Winter Suit and Stylish, Comfortable Overcoat at Prices so Low that you wonder how we do it. Yet every Sale is backed by our unchanging guarantee, SATISFACTION OR YOUR MONEY BACK. WHAT MORE CAN WE DO!

Starting, then, on January 3, 1916, we will sell our select line of worthy overcoatings for winter wear at

20 PER CENT. BELOW REGULAR PRICES

Our Splendid line of Suitings, composed of Fine Tweeds and Worsteads, will be made up at our regular popular value prices, but, with every suit made to measure during this sale, we will give A PAIR OF TROUSERS ABSOLUTELY FREE in addition to those belonging to the suit, the extra pants being "Taken from Stock" and worth anywhere from \$6.00 to \$8.00.

REMEMBER, SALE STARTS JANUARY 3, 1916. DON'T MISS THIS GREAT DOLLAR-SAVING EVENT

PIDGEON'S Cor. Main & Bridge St.

OUR YEAR-END CLEARING

Fur Coats, Fur Sets, Scarfs, Ties, Muffs, Children's Sets
20 to 50 per cent. Discounts and some specials

Grey Fox Set was \$75.00, now \$40.00.
Pointed Fox Set, was \$85.00, now \$40.00.
Beautiful Persian Lamb Coat, was \$275.00, now \$190.00
Sable Set, was \$70.00, now \$36.00

These Are All Exceptional Bargains

Hats and Furs **D. MAGEE'S SONS, LIMITED** 63 King Street