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2 GERMAN DETACHMENTS DESTROYED BY RUSSIANS ON BANK OF VISTULA

(British Official Bulletin)

London, Dec. 21.—The French Government reports considerable activity along the front, and progress at various points.

The British troops lost on 19th some trenches taken on previous day. Indian troops advanced some hundred metres.

The Russian Government reports serious fighting on the left bank of the Vistula, two German detachments being annihilated.

A sortie in force from Przemysl entirely failed.—HARCOURT.

Two Million Britons Under Arms; 500,000 Fresh British Troops Ready For The Front In Spring

Britain, With Only a Small Army In The Field, Is Spending The Huge Sum Of \$250,000,000 per Month On Her Troops A Larger Sum Than France Is Spending On a Far Bigger Army—Britain's Excellent Financial Position

London, Dec. 22.—In an interview given to the London representative of the Paris newspaper Humanite, Lloyd George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, says that before spring half a million fresh British soldiers will join those already in France and Belgium.

England has at present more than two million men under arms. Although our army at the front is now scarcely one-sixth the size of the French army, our monthly war expenditure is \$250,000,000, which is a larger amount than France's total.

In addition to the enormous resources which we shall command through the new income tax we are turning into the War Treasury a loan amounting to the colossal sum of \$2,200,000,000.

FRANCE HAS 2,000,000 FRESH MEN NOW READY TO TAKE THE FIEL

Bar-le-Duc, Dec. 19.—Since the beginning of the war Germany has possessed one superiority over France—that of numbers. Germany, with peace, has an active army of 700,000 men, and passed each year 350,000 into the reserve, while France, with peace, has an active army of barely half a million and was able only to accumulate reserves at the rate of 250,000 men a year.

As a consequence Germany was able to put a large number of young reservists in the field. In order to put an army of equal numbers in the field the French Government would have to send to the front men four or five years older than the German contingents, men who had in that time lost to a corresponding degree. With the army these men are in no way inferior to the men of the active army. They, however, require a month or two of stiff training to bring back their military efficiency.

Austro-Germans Have Family Row

Von Hindenberg Wants Austrian Arch Dukes Kept Out of Sight.

Paris, Dec. 22.—Discontent with German domination is increasing rapidly in Austria where the people are saying the Austrians are being exposed to slaughter to save the Germans. Numerous duels have taken place between German and Austrian officers and the German staff is continually replacing Austrian officers with German non-commissioned officers.

Field Marshal Von Hindenberg is quoted as saying "I'll not continue to direct the campaign unless the Arch Dukes remain at the least three miles behind the firing line."

S.S. Fogota is due at 6 this evening. Prospero arrived at Herring Neck at 11 last night and left at 1 this a.m. Portia left Channel at 9.45 a.m., coming home.

Million and Half Territorials. A million and a half men of the territorials who have been in training since the declaration of war are now fit and ready to take their places in the fighting line. In addition to the younger element, men without family ties, as the middle aged territorials, who can be depended on for a bayonet charge and who bring into the grim work of war the enthusiasm of youth have been incorporated.

A contingent of 1914, 250,000 strong which should have joined the colors in November, but was prematurely called out in August, last week completed its training and left for the fighting line. Their places in the training depots were at once taken by a contingent of 1915, which has been called out one year before its time, as many men of that contingent volunteered for service as soon as war was declared. It so few death at Whitby, only three

German Cruisers In Coast Raid Displayed The British Naval Flag

Whitby, Dec. 19.—Through my visit, two important facts concerning the raid were brought to light. These are that two of the three ships which attacked Scarborough were the same that attacked Whitby and that one of the two was the battleship Von Moltke, sister ship of the Goeben. The other was a smaller armored cruiser.

They approached Whitby from the south at great speed, having left their companion ship to go southward past Pile and Flamborough for an unknown destination. The Von Moltke and her companion cruiser manoeuvred off Whitby for several minutes and came to a dead stop before proceeding to shell the Coast Guard Station, and a coast guard man who deciphered the Von Moltke's name told me they were both flying the British white ensign. He thought at first they were British cruisers in pursuit of the Germans who had been bombarding Hartlepool, of which he had been informed by telephone.

The first shell struck the cliff but the second shell fell in the middle of the Coast Guard Signal Station, instantly killing a Coast Guard who was rushing to warn his wife of the danger. A third shot wounded a boy scout so badly that he died. Having, as they evidently believed, wrecked the Coast Guard Station, the ships lengthened their range and demolished a corner of the Lodge Whitby Abbey, an ancient structure. Then, having finished that, they proceeded to land their shells over the hill, right in the centre of the residential part of the town.

Fired Shrapnel. Proof that they intended to deal death and destruction to non-combatants is afforded by the fact that now they began to fire shrapnel. I saw their places in the training depots were at once taken by a contingent of 1915, which has been called out one year before its time, as many men of that contingent volunteered for service as soon as war was declared. It so few death at Whitby, only three

in all, although many were injured by cut glass and small fragments of shells. The spirit of the people was astonishingly calm. Life went on after as usual though business had been interrupted. Strangely enough few complaints were heard of the immense damage to property, which in Whitby alone is estimated at \$200,000. A resident showed me to-day the head of a four-inch shell that had destroyed most of his home.

"What will you sell it for?" I asked. "Well," he said, "it cost me the best part of £1000, but I would not sell it for that."

A Defenceless Town. A great trade is being done in these fragments of shells and the people are very proud of their possession. A large number of school children passed along the path of the shell fire a few minutes before the bombardment began.

Whatever the Germans may say about Hartlepool being fortified or even Scarborough there can be no pretense that Whitby is anything but an absolutely defenceless town, for there are not even any trenches there. At these towns had not been darkened the bombardment undoubtedly have begun before eight o'clock, as the ships were waiting off shore for a couple of hours for daylight to enable them to take aim.

A curious feature of the people's attitude was that they are constantly repeating the question: "What will Americans do after this? Won't they feel like coming now?"

There is criticism of the Government only on one point—their failure to have given instructions as to what the civil population should have done in such conditions.

S.S. Earl of Devon sails northward again, Saturday.

Job's schr. Mildred arrived this morning from Pernambuco, after a run of 31 days.

GERMAN CRUISER SUNK OFF SCOTLAND SAYS RUMOR NOW CURRENT IN LONDON

London, Dec. 21.—Persistent rumors are current here that a German cruiser has been sunk off the coast of Scotland.

It is also rumored that two British destroyers have arrived at Leith, Scotland, badly damaged. There is no official confirmation of these reports.

French Official Report Outlines Much Progress all Along The Line

(French Official Bulletin.) Paris, Dec. 21.—The French War office gives an official communication this afternoon as follows: "Throughout the day of December 20th there was nothing of importance in Belgium if exception be made of some progress in the region of Lombartzyde and St. George's and at a point to the south-east of the Inn of Kortaker, which is south-east of Blixchoote, the occupation of some houses in Warteltem, south of Zillebeke, and the bombardment by the enemy of the Ypres hospital.

Between the Lys and the Aisne we have occupied a forest near the route between Noulettes and Souchez, and we also took possession of all the first line of German trenches between this highway and the first houses of Notre Dame De Lorete, south-west of Notre Dame De Liesse.

Arras Bombarded. The enemy has bombarded Arras. Our heavy artillery silenced on repeated occasions the artillery of the enemy to north of Carnoy, which is to the east of Albert. This artillery also demolished the German trenches and sent held over heels two cannon of battery established near Hom which is to the south-east of Carnoy.

Heavy artillery also secured distinct advantages on the Aisne and in a section of Rheims.

In Champagne in the region of Proches, Perthes and Beausejour as well as in the Argonne, we made along the entire front appreciable advances. This is particularly so to north-east of Beausejour where we won and occupied 1,200 yards of the enemy's trenches.

In the forest of LaGrurie we blew up four mined trenches and we established ourselves in positions thus made.

Can Safely Come Into The Fight. London, Dec. 22.—Following on the categorical assurances of the Bulgarian Government of its intention to maintain a strict neutrality in the war, the Entente Powers, Great Britain, France and Russia have given guarantees to both Athens and Bucharest that Bulgaria will not attack Greece in event of the latter country assisting Serbia and will not attack Roumania should that State actively participate in the war.

This is taken to foreshadow the approaching participation of Roumania and Greece.

German Forces Leave Middlekeke

Amsterdam, Dec. 22.—According to newspapers here the Germans have evacuated Middlekeke. There has been no considerable movement among German troops in West Flan-

Allied Offensive Gains Impetus Gradually Pushing Germans Back

London, Dec. 22.—It can be said with every confidence that the general offensive movement on the part of the Allies which began nearly a week ago has met with striking success although they have not gained any sweeping victories.

The extraordinary conditions that govern the battle in Flanders preclude any possibility of a quick and decisive victory. Successes here are measured in yards but are developing gradually into miles and the battle can be decided only on points.

The advantage is all with the Allies. They are driving Germans from the trenches and consolidating the positions gained.

To the North East of Ypres the progress is even more marked, one by one, villages and important defensive positions are being taken and the Germans are gradually retreating in the direction of Ghent.

If progress is slow it is deadly sure. The advance is general and is confined to no particular area.

One Hundred German Survivors Of Naval Fight Sent To England

Monte Video, Dec. 22.—German sailors to the number of about 100, saved during the fighting off the Falkland Islands on Dec. 8th when a British squadron under Admiral Sturdee defeated and sent to the bottom a German squadron composed of the cruisers Scharnhorst, Gneisenau, Niernburg and Leipzig, sailed from here for England to-day by the steamer Crown of Galicia.

They were brought into port yesterday by the British cruiser Invincible with Sir Frederick Sturdee aboard. It was learned to-day that the Invincible showed signs of having been struck by six different shells. Nine men aboard are wounded, including Commander Richard Townsend.

Address of Welcome.

In the course of a reception tendered the British officers at Victoria Hall, an address of welcome was made by the British Minister.

In response Admiral Sturdee spoke as follows: "I thank you for your reception. I hope our little victory will improve conditions for British, French, Russian, and probably Japanese commerce during this titanic struggle which has just begun.

We may suffer some reverses but our sailors will maintain high reputation. "All will go well with our army now with our French allies.

"Lord Roberts recommended military preparation. Had he been listened to war would have been avoided.

Forgot True Interests. "English business men forgetful of their true interest employ Germans for reasons of economy but I hope our merchants and British steamship companies will profit from this lesson."

Continuing, the Admiral said the Germans fought well, were excellent

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### Austrian Casualties Totalled 13,000 In Series of Fights Around Cracow

London, Dec. 22.—The Morning Post prints the translation of a letter sent out of it, he added, was seventy of a Hungarian newspaper, in which the writer, under date of Budapest, November 30, says:

"Some of the wounded who arrived yesterday have pitiful tales to tell of their sufferings on the way. They were stopped for hours at every large town in an endeavor to see whether they could be admitted to hospitals there. They were travelling for four days without medical attendance. Only the worst cases which could not be subjected to another day's travelling were left in Vienna.

#### Almost Decimated.

"Most of these wounded had taken part in a sortie from Cracow, but encountered formidable Russian forces that they resisted gallantly. A lieutenant told one of our men that the force which took part in the sortie was fifteen thousand strong and though they inflicted heavy loss on the enemy, not two thousand of them got back. They marched out of Cracow in the evening at 7 o'clock and encountered Russians at two in the morning and charged them three times on a front of three kilometres around the outer fortifications.

"He says he took part in half a dozen furious battles, besides smaller engagements, but never saw a more

terrible massacre than the one that night, the twenty-fourth. All we got out of it, he added, was seventy prisoners, and we lost 33,000 men in killed and wounded. In his opinion, the fortress will be able to hold out for at least another two months, if they refrain for these 'unfortunate sorties.

#### Bellegared on Three Sides.

"Another officer gave an account of the state of affairs in Cracow and said that the city was surrounded on three sides. The besieging force is no stronger than 80,000 at present. He attributed the failure of the sortie in which he was wounded, to the Russians having been informed of it before hand so that they could concentrate a much greater number of troops at the point from which the attack was to come.

"Prisoners we took told us," he continued, "that they had been expecting the attack for two days and that on the night of the 24th everybody was ready to receive us. The Russians have spies not only in the city, but in the fortress. They are informed of every movement going on within our lines. It is no wonder, of course, for there are at least two hundred officers of Slav origin and ten thousand men in the garrison who are Czechs, Serbs or Ruthenians. If the fortress itself were not as strong as it is, it would have fallen long ago."

### Belgian Aviator Looped the Loop While Germans Vainly Shot at Him

Rotterdam, Dec. 15.—All Antwerp is secretly laughing over the recent discomfiture of a large portion of the German garrison in that town on Saturday. An aeroplane of the Allies was seen approaching the city, dropping souvenirs of a bomb variety and also cheery messages. Bombs were dropped with such skill that the pontoon bridge across the Scheldt, which demanded all the ingenuity and skill of the German engineers to keep it in anything like order, was once more smashed.

The Germans opened fire both in volleys and independently, but the daring aviator seemed to possess a charmed life, for he flew gaily over the city, waving to those below and dropping messages which, my informant says, told the inhabitants to be of good cheer, for their friends would be coming soon.

Suddenly the aviator turned his

course and the machine began to describe weird evolutions. The German marksmen, sure that their fire had at last taken effect, burst into cheers. But somehow the machine refused to come down as they had expected, and continued its evolutions. Then it gradually dawned upon them what was happening. For sheer devilment and to show his contempt for the poor shooting of the Germans, the aviator was looping-the-loop.

In great rage at this insult, the Germans once more opened fire, but their efforts were hopeless against the ever-changing target of the looping aeroplane. To their disgust and to the great joy of the Belgian populace, the aviator, having completed his frolic, flew off unharmed.

It is not safe now to mention aeroplanes in Antwerp, nor to be caught smiling.

### Planned To Use Cholera Germs Against Russians

Austrian General Wanted to Put Them in Drinking Water.  
—Chancellor Refused.

Petrograd, Dec. 19.—The Army Messenger, a newspaper issued by the staff of the armies at the front, has learned that the use of cholera cultures as a weapon of modern warfare was proposed officially by Gen. von Hertzendorf, for use against the Russians and Servians.

Gen. von Hertzendorf's proposal was presented to the supreme military council of Austria and warmly opposed by Count Berchtold, who threatened that he, if such a measure were formally sanctioned, would resign his official post.

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### Fearful Weather At Front, Writes Alec. Jackson

Mr. John Jackson has received an other letter from his son Alec, who is at the front.

The name of the place is censored. The weather conditions are fearful, the writer says.

Heavy rains have fallen with the result that mud in the trenches was knee deep. The frost is very keen at night.

In spite of the drawbacks the men are in splendid condition. They get the best food and sufficient warm clothing.

Mr. Jackson says that two of his college chums, who were working on either side of him have met their deaths at the hands of the Germans. So far he has escaped uninjured.

#### Glad To Visit Us

Franklyn and Hiatt, the popular European novelty change artists, will play a brief engagement in this city, commencing Christmas afternoon.

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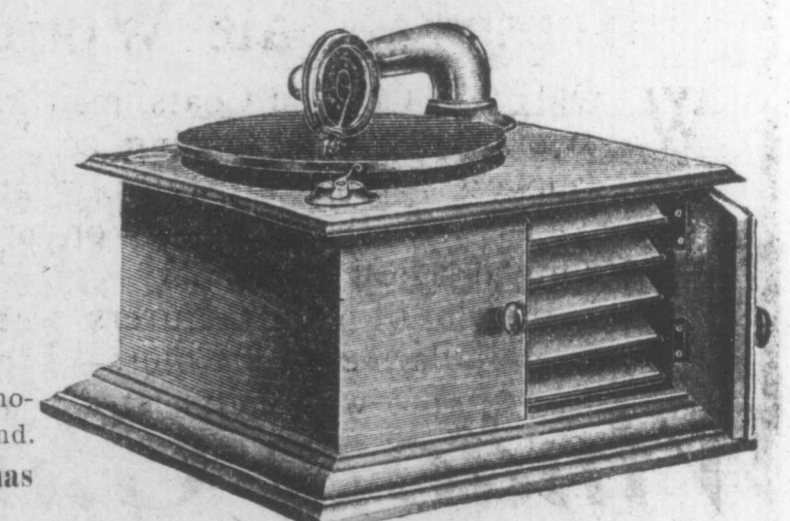
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### DARING FEAT OF AN AMATEUR BELGIAN AIRMAN

With the Recklessness of Youth and Inexperience, He Flew Low and Dropped Bombs on Enemy

Paris, Dec. 18.—A German convoy and a detachment of cavalry have suffered considerable damage at the hands of a 20-year-old Belgian, who only six weeks ago volunteered for flying work. The hero of this daring exploit has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant and will probably be decorated.

On Tuesday afternoon, though a stiff wind was blowing, he set off in the direction of Ostend, but subsequently turned south on catching sight of a German column in motion. With the recklessness of inexperience and youth, he flew very low over the German line, so low that it was not until he dropped his first bomb that the Germans grasped the fact that this was not one of their own aeroplanes. Before they could open fire on the youngster the mischief was done. Three motor trucks were destroyed, and the whole transport column, which was hurrying to the front, was thrown into confusion. Having made his escape by rising to about five thousand feet, the aviator flew in the direction of Bruges.

South of that town, he observed a detachment of cavalry taking cover behind a cluster of farm houses. The first bomb he dropped went wide, but the second fell in the midst of the squadron. The airman was not able to observe accurately the amount of damage he did, for the Germans opened fire with an anti-aeroplane gun, and a shot severed his control wire. He thought he would just manage to volplane to safety but he landed in the flooded area near Ramscapele, directly in the line of fire from both sides. However, he was able to wade

### Preparing Zeebrugge As a Base For An Attack on Great Britain

London, Dec. 18.—That the Germans consider Zeebrugge the key for an attack upon the shore of Great Britain is told by a German officer whose story was repeated to a correspondent of the Daily News. The German is reported to have said that not until the Kaiser's troops have evacuated Zeebrugge will the idea of the invasion of England be abandoned.

The correspondent goes on to say: "A neutral who has been living for some time at Heystand and has had opportunities of gossiping with marines from the Zeebrugge parishes tells me that one of the chief functions of the place in the German plan of campaign is to serve as a submarine base for the destruction of transports which in early spring are expected to be streaming across the Channel with reinforcements for the British Army in France."

Von Tripitz Plans.

"Admiral von Tripitz believes that suitable craft for the work will be able to make their way from Wilhelmshafen to Zeebrugge undeterred by the British Navy, and that even after they reach the port he will be able to conceal a considerable proportion of them from the air scouts of the Allies. "Exactly how he proposes to do this I cannot pretend to say, but gossip among engineers is to the effect that a plan has been devised for keeping the vessels submerged for one or two days."

One Submarine Damaged.

The Daily Mail has received the following despatch from its correspondent at Rotterdam:

An informant who has been travelling through Belgium tells me the Germans are most astonished and impressed by the reports of the British soldiers getting home for short holidays to rest.

There is now only one submarine ashore and get to his own lines. Even the aeroplane was ultimately brought in.

### GERMANS SNEER AT CONVENTIONS AND TREATIES

General Tells Belgians They Are "Children" to Place Any Faith in International Agreements

Among the phrases which will go down to history after this war is over, Herr Bethmann-Hollweg's "scrap of paper" will probably take rank with his Imperial master's "contemptible little army." And the ruthless cynicism that inspired both phrases receives significant illustration in a series of episodes which one of the "Figaro's" special correspondents records. The "scrap of paper" idea, it will be seen, pervades them all.

Two leading Belgian citizens approached the German military authorities in order to entreat them to stop the carnage and destruction they were wreaking upon the civil population of an open and unarmed city. "Civil population!" sneered the representatives of the Kaiser. "Do you believe that they count for anything in time of war?"

"But," meekly persisted the petitioners, "there are the Conventions of Geneva and The Hague." "Conventions!" quoth the German staff officer. "You are children in Belgium—children, nothing but children."

There was a Burgomaster of another important locality in Belgium who refused to guarantee the payment of the fantastic war-contribution levied by the insatiable invader. The German staff officer simply asked him this question, "Do you prefer to be shot?"

"Yes," replied the heroic Burgomaster, "if by doing so I could liberate my city from this exaction."

"You will be shot later, when it pleases us," was the ruthless rejoinder, "but that would not put us in possession of the funds we require. But

### Turks Hanged Many Christians In Public Streets

Armenians Executed Without Trial Because They Sympathised With Russia.

London, Dec. 18.—A Petrograd despatch to The Times says: "Advices from the front at Erzerum, Turkish Armenia, describe the position of 20,000 Christians there as precarious because of their Russian sympathies. Three hundred thousand and Turkish troops are mobilized at Erzerum."

"Hundreds of Armenians have been imprisoned and many hanged in the streets without trial as examples. Nevertheless remarkable anti-war demonstrations have been held in Erzerum, on one occasion the rioting lasting several hours."

### Brutal Germans Repaid in Own Coin

Melbourne, Aus., Dec. 19.—The authorities have dealt expeditiously with the six Germans who flogged a British Methodist missionary in New Ireland a few days ago.

The Germans, who included a doctor and magistrate were arrested and taken to Rabaul, where they were flogged in the presence of the Australian and the German residents.

look here. You have a museum full of works of great value. They will furnish the ransom we wish. We shall send your pictures to Berlin, and summon the American millionaires to the sale."

"But, general," protested the Burgomaster, "that would be expressly contrary to The Hague Convention."

"Enough, sir!" growled the general. "Cease this pleasantry. Talk of Conventions, at your age! Have you not learned yet that we are making war upon you?"

### Magistrate's Levee

Three laborers were arrested at 3 o'clock Monday morning, having been found in T. Wall's Store by the police.

They were a sorry looking trio as they heard the story of the police. The Judge promised to sentence them later.

A couple of children who were coasting over Carnell Street had to pay costs.

The Inspector General summoned three boys for setting off cannon crackers; the defendants had to pay costs.

A 22 year old laborer of Field St. gave bonds to appear when called on.

### READ THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE.

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SOME Bargains here that will make thoughtful Women sit up and reason, and tell their friends that our Removal Sale is in full swing.

It started last week with great vigor and thousands have already made their purchase, and are thoroughly pleased with our splendid offerings.

We mentioned last week that we would soon be going to our

NEW MODERN STORE in the WEST—can you wonder then, why we are giving—not a few cents off, but liberally cut prices, can you wonder why we are offering such excellent Bargains—before that great Removal day comes.

We invite you to come, write, or send a friend, and derive the Full benefits of this great Removal Sale.

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\$1.25 for \$2 values. handsome, White Silk Blouses, richly, embroidered fronts, long sleeves, good values—truly a wonderful bargain.

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See them and lay in a stock at Sale Prices.



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Some of the daintiest Blouses that you have ever seen, are amongst our manufacturers' latest style Samples.

You will surely aim to buy three, or four, because it is not every day that we remove to a New Modern Store and cut the prices like now. Come now.

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made of various fabrics such as Serge, Velvet, Corduroy, etc., prices about half the original. Length 20 and 24 inches. Also White Serge Pelisses. Original \$2.00. Sale price \$1.00.

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WOMEN'S Colored Coats, manufacturers' Samples no two alike, all the leading colors, some with straps, belts, pockets. Newest Styles, neatly trimmed. Worth from five to six dollars each—Wonderful bargains.

Removal Sale Price \$3.25.

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All our Black Coats for Women are at Sale Prices.

We have Handsome Fur like Coats at greatly reduced prices. You'll find Coats here to suit every figure and every purse.

Come and see them to-day. Electric Seal Fur Coats \$25.00 and \$30.00 each.

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Each are trimmed by expert foreign milliners that know how to twist, turn, bend, and shape the fabrics to give an artistic appearance.

For Women we have Silk Velvet, Colored Felts, etc. For Children we have similar fabrics, including Teddy Bear and Plush.

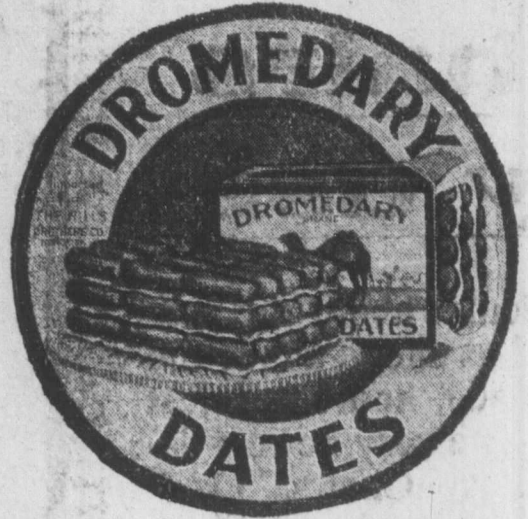
Here are a few prices: Regular prices, \$1.20. Sale price, 95c. Regular price, \$2.30. Sale price, \$1.75. And many at HALF PRICE.

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**OUR POINT OF VIEW**

**Well Done, Hodge's Cove**

THE little settlement of Hodge's Cove, T.B., which consists of about one hundred and sixty persons, have nine of its young men serving in the Naval Reserve. Out of a possible twenty men between the age of 19 and 30, nine have enrolled and is now serving the King. Now, what place in Newfoundland, or Canada, can show an equal record? Surely the little settlement must indeed feel proud over this grand showing. Most of the men are Smith's and four of them are the sons of one mother. Noble woman she must be. Noble sons they surely are. Let all the country acclaim little Hodge's Cove, for its record in relation to its devotion to King and Empire cannot be beaten anywhere in British North America. The Hodge's Cove boys are Union men, loyal and true, and possess a Local Council. Well done Hodge's Cove; your countrymen are indeed proud of you.

**Another Blunder**

IT is announced that the S.S. Bonaventure is to be commanded by Captain Bob Bartlett the coming Spring and prosecuting the seal fishery in the Gulf. We unhesitatingly condemn the proposal and ask the Government to convene the Legislature in January to prevent any of the steel ships from engaging in the Gulf seal-fishery. Let the steel ships be confined to the East Coast seal fishery and preserve the Gulf exclusively for the wooden ships until their number is reduced sufficiently to permit the ban against steel ships to be raised. If the Bonaventure engages in the Gulf seal fishery and meets with success next year will find more steel ships added to the Gulf fleet. There remains a fleet of seven wooden ships suitable for the Gulf fishery, which is as large a fleet of steamers as ever engaged in that fishery. In addition two ships belonging to Halifax will engage in the same fishery. We therefore contend that the day of the wooden ships is passed so far as seeking seals along the East Coast is concerned, and in order to give them a half chance the Gulf fishery should be open only to the wooden fleet. For at least five years more no steel ships should be permitted to clear from a Newfoundland port for the Gulf seal fishery. Let the Government act promptly and open the Legislature and prevent this grabbing proposal of the Bonaventure Sealing Co., or secure a guarantee from the owners that the ships will not be sent to the Gulf to prosecute the seal fishery. The Legislature should also be convened in order to pass the Sealing Legislation proposal by the F. P. U. Convention or anything suitable which may be proposed by the Sealing or Fishery Commissions. Then again, if the peoples wishes a consulted Legislature may have been introduced in reference to Abraham Kean's conduct last spring. This proposal to send the Bonaventure to the Gulf must be nipped in the bud and it now devolves upon the Government to do so. They should move immediately. No time must be lost.

READ THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE.

**Our Christmas Number**

THE demand for advertising space and the large volume of reading matter offering have caused us to make our Thursday issue a 24 page paper; 10,000 copies will be printed, which will require a strip of paper eighteen miles long—the distance between St. John's and Cape St. Francis—and eight feet wide.

There will be very few papers of this issue for disposal outside of the regular circulation, for the regular and steady circulation of the daily and weekly issues now reach more than 9,000 and is read by at least 50,000 persons.

The Christmas Number will be sent to all weekly subscribers in lieu of the regular Saturday issue.

Advertisers should note the great opportunity to reach the whole country's readers by our issue of Friday's, for if they advertise in Friday's daily they can arrange special rates to have the same advt. inserted in the Weekly which is printed Saturday morning, thus placing their advertisement in the hands of over nine thousand regular subscribers and read by over 50,000 persons throughout every portion of the Colony.

The weekly issue of the paper is not sold on the streets here, since the Daily Mail and Advocate became one paper, but the usual Advocate subscribers still continue to adore the weekly issue of the Mail and Advocate, and the weekly edition is just as popular and as largely subscribed for as at any time since the appearance of the Union paper.

The yearly subscription is but 50c. to any part of Canada or Newfoundland and as the edition is well worth \$1.00 per year all our old subscribers continue to subscribe while new subscribers are always being added to our mailing list.

The Christmas Eve issue, which will be the Christmas Number, will contain several photos taken by Mr. Coaker at the seal fishery last spring, and would be just the thing to send abroad to friends at this season to remind them of Terra Nova and her rugged sea washed shores.

The paper will be sold for the usual price—One Cent—and those who are desirous of securing a copy should do so promptly on Thursday afternoon when it appears on the street, for the issue will be brought up within an hour after its appearance.

**WORLD'S PRESS ON THE BIG WAR**

**LIKE A WOUNDED BEAST.**

London Standard.—The savage fury with which the Germans are snatching at the chance of a victory in the West is probably due in part to a conviction that they will soon be compelled to divert a great body of troops from that region. The wounded wild beast is throwing itself from side to side of its cage.

**A RACE GONE CRAZY.**

London Express.—Immense victories by Austria, Turkey, and Germany are promulgated on the authority of German agencies in the Balkan States, and the sole object of this orgy lies in the extension of the fires of war. Such an extension would not, we think, serve Germany's military or political ends in any event. But the fact of the attempt is enough to shatter every claim to civilization in a presumably Christian Power. It is only possible to conclude that the Kaiser is the true representative of a race gone quite crazy.

**THE NAVY WELL LED.**

Westminster Gazette.—And, what is of vital importance, so far as the way has given opportunities . . . the leadership of British squadrons and flotillas has shown a mastery and control equal to the fighting skill and gallantry that have always marked officers and men. The opportunities for leadership have not included any great fleet action, but it is at any rate encouraging to know that each in their field . . . has shown that the Admiralty has not failed in the leaders it has chosen. In putting them where they are, the Admiralty undoubtedly acted with the support of the best instructed service judgment.

**TWO TO ONE.**

London Telegraph.—Let us note a fact which will probably not be emphasized in Germany: that after all these weeks and months of bluster about a devastating raid upon England by air, the record of our country is two successful raids into the heart of Germany, while the record of Germany is one raid upon our Channel coast which never took place; Dover was surprised and amused some days ago to hear that a German flight-lieutenant had passed over the town and dropped bombs there, without any one noting the circumstance.

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"HEARST-SELIG NEWS PICTORIAL."  
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**DON'T MISS THE NICKEL XMAS DAY. A GREAT SHOW.**

**VON KLUCK LEFT HIS DOG BEHIND**

During the advance of the German armies, writes the Paris correspondent of the London Daily Mail, Gen. von Kluck made himself the guest of an old Frenchman who has a pretty little chateau and some excellent shooting near the Marne. For once he showed himself polite and agreeable, invited his unwilling host to dinner—an honor which the old man courteously refused—and then inquired with the manner of a welcome guest, "Have you not some good shooting here?"

His host expressed surprise at his knowledge of the fact and also at his desire to spend a day in sport.

"And why not?" said von Kluck. "The battle is over. The French retreat has been transformed into a rout. In a few days we shall be in Paris. I do not say that boastfully, but because it is the truth. Nothing can save you now."

The old man remained silent. "Well," said von Kluck, "will you shoot with us to-morrow?" "Thank you," replied the Frenchman, "I shall content myself with showing you the way; all my servants have gone to the front."

The next day von Kluck left the chateau with a lieutenant. Both were armed with sporting guns of excellent make, and a dog which had been brought to the chateau by an orderly the night before accompanied them. About one o'clock they returned for lunch with three hares and seventeen partridges, the morning's bag.

Twenty-four hours later von Kluck left the chateau. In taking leave of his host he said: "I leave you my dog. I do not wish to take him to Paris. Don't worry; when everything is finished, and that will not be very long, I will come back and have another word with your partridges."

The dog was kept. Some days afterwards the French Army again took the offensive and the victory of the Marne followed. The general did not keep his word. He did not return either for the dog or the partridges. Does he ever think of the dog he left behind him? It is still in the possession of the old Frenchman. It now understands some words of French and its new master has rechristened it "Mitralle."

Anyone can repair a roof with Elastic Roofing Cement Paint. It is easy and ready to apply. No heating required. You can do the work yourself with an ordinary whitewash brush. P. H. COWAN, Agent.

**TO LET**

The office lately occupied by Mr. John Syme, Commission Merchant, situate on Water Street West, next to premises occupied by J. J. Mullaly, Coal Merchant. Apply to BAINE JOHNSTON & CO., Agents.—nov14

**HOW THE GERMAN PRESS SEES IT**

The Belgians, it seems, are going from bad to worse. First they resisted the German army of invasion, and now they will not go back to their work when ordered! The German Government is really losing patience with them. The Hamburger Fremdenblatt says the German Government has now issued the following proclamation:

"The German Government in Belgium has recently advised the Belgians to resume their occupations, which have been so long neglected, as the German Government wishes to prevent unemployment and the distress and starvation which arise from it. Headless of all these efforts of the Government, the Belgian people refuse to resume work. There are even cases where the direct commands of the German Government for certain tasks to be performed have not been carried out by the people. The German Government hereby repeat the command for the resumption of work, which is by this time possible, since the railway and telephone services are almost normal again."

"If this order is not complied with the distribution of the means of livelihood by charitable institutions will be forbidden so far as those are concerned who are out of employment through refusing to do the work offered to them."

On which the Hamburg paper brutally comments: "Hunger will soon drive the Belgians to work."

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Its no use waiting till somebody else gets ahead of you. Now is the time to advertise in **The Mail and Advocate.**

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**WOMEN ENGAGE IN ACTIVE WAR**

London, Nov. 15 (by mail to New York).—The bravery of a 16-year old French girl, who was found wounded while acting as a vivandiere for stricken British soldiers on the firing line along the Aisne, is lauded by corporal S. Healy, of the Royal Irish Regiment, in a letter home.

It was after one of the hardest fights of the war, and dozens of wounded soldiers were lying out in the open with little prospects of relief until the next day. Most of the poor fellows were nearly mad with thirst. Many were delirious and others were just sensible enough to keep murmuring for water.

**Came to the Rescue.**

"Then we heard a gentlefootfall," the corporal added, "and looking up, we saw a charming girl of sixteen picking her way through the piles of dead and wounded. She had brought milk and wine to relieve our thirst."

"We learned that she was from a farm nearby, just out of the line of fire, and she had risked her life in coming there to give us something to drink because she was grateful to the British troops for helping to drive the German invaders back. She seemed to be without fear and tripped briskly along in spite of the shells and rifle fire."

"We were all stricken with grief when she was carried into hospital next day. She had been shot on the way back. It was a nasty wound, but after an operation the doctors hoped she would pull through. Every soldier who saw her prays for her every night."

**Have Their Troubles.**

The Russian army authorities are having their troubles discovering and sending back to their homes women who have volunteered in the ranks, disguised as men. There have been numerous instances of the kind since the war started, especially among the masculine-looking peasant women of the northern provinces.

One of these was Nadezhda Ornat-skiy, a muscular, well-educated peasant woman from the province of Archangel. She had posed as a man through the second part of the Manchurian campaign, and was praised for her courage by Gen. Grippenberg. Early in the present war she re-enlisted and fought in South Poland and it was not until after the battle of Lublin-Krasnick that her sex was discovered and she was discharged.

A girl named Liuba Uglicki was present at four engagements in East Prussia and West Poland, and was wounded slightly. She says that during long range fighting she had no fear, but had a horror of crossing bayonets with the enemy.

Two daughters of a land proprietor at Kursk have been arrested on their way to join the colors, one of them posing as "Prince Adrianoff," and the other as her servant.

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**500 Sacks**  
**Black Oats**

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85 Water Street.

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Sausages, Savory, Sage, etc.  
Olives, Queens, large btl. Ginger Wine, 35c. per btl.  
Olives, Stuffed, 45c. btl. Morton's Syrups, Ho-gathi's Syrups, pts. & qts.  
Olives, French, 20c. btl.

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East India Chutney . . . . . 35c. btl.  
India Relish . . . . . 35c. btl.  
Sweet Mixed Pickles . . . . . 35c. btl.  
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Tomato Chutney, Chili Sauce, Tomato Ketchup, Mustard Dressing . . . . . 20 cents.

**Prepared Mustard.**

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Lemon Cheese, 1 lb. Jar.  
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**20c. ADMISSION 20c.**

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The services at Gower St. Church on Sunday were of a very interesting character, it being Sunday School Anniversary Day.

In the afternoon a special programme had been arranged with Arthur Mews, Esq., as the principal speaker, Miss Woods as the soloist; and several of the children taking a pleasing part.

At night the Church had an attractive appearance.

The pulpit and choir were draped with the grand old Union Jack, whilst in front was a goodly store of apples, flour, boots, dolls and other articles. They were the gifts of the school children to the Poor Fund to aid the Deaconess in her meritorious and difficult work during the present winter.

The preacher at the morning and evening services was the pastor, Rev.

#### Excellent Skating At Bowling Park

There is now a magnificent sheet of ice on the open air rink at Bowling Park, and if the present fine weather continues there will be a large number of visitors on Christmas Day.

No charge is made for skating. Several large electric lights have been placed for the convenience of night skaters.

Mr. Cochius intends keeping the rink clear of snow during the winter.

#### Masonic Honors

We note by The Glasgow News, that at the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Scotland (Free Masons) Charles R. Duder, D.G.M., and H. E. Cowan, D. Grand Secretary, were appointed to honorary grand rank.

Douglas Hemmeon, B.A. Miss Curtis was the soloist at night.

#### Gaumont Specials At Nickel Theatre

The feature film is "The Brother Counts" by the Pathe artists, a delightful story it is and one which everyone should make an effort to see.

"Seven Years' Bad Luck" and "Mrs. Manly's Baby" are both comedies which will keep the audiences in roars of laughter.

"The Shriners Daughter" is a melodrama in two parts.

A special shipment of Gaumont masterpieces has just been received by the Nickel. The first—"The Vengeance of Egypt" in three reels will be given on Wednesday. Look out for it.

There will be three sessions on Christmas Day—morning, afternoon and night.

Miss Margaret Ayer, the new soloist will be heard for the first time on Christmas Day.

#### STEBAURMAN'S OINTMENT

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Insurance Agent.

#### OBITUARY SAMUEL TETFORD.

Once again we have to chronicle the death of one of our F. P. U. members in the person of Samuel TETFORD. The deceased had been ill for about a year, having been compelled to leave his schooner while on the Labrador and go to Indian Hr. Hospital.

Nothing could be done for him there, however, and in July he came home. He lingered until the 6th of December and on that day the Messenger of Death came and took him. He was laid to rest on the 8th.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the mourning relatives.

SIDNEY LEDREW,  
Secy. F.P.U. Laurenceton.  
Burnt Arm, Dec. 16, '14.

#### NEWFOUNDLAND'S CONTRIBUTIONS

Montreal, Dec. 16.—Newfoundland has given over 2,000 men to Great Britain for war service, said F. J. Jackman at a meeting of the Newfoundland Society last night in its rooms in the St. George's Society Building. The Colony started by sending 112 men to help Wolfe at Quebec, and had rendered many a faithful service since. Most of the Newfoundlanders now with the colors were Naval Reserve men, while 600 were at Salisbury Plain.

E. W. Mudge, Vice-President of the Society, referred to the 30 Newfoundlanders who left Montreal with the first contingent, and completed arrangements to send them tobacco and other comforts. W. C. Gaden was Chairman. Lieut.-Col. E. M. Renour, Dr. C. A. Peters, and F. Collins were among those present.

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### White Table Damask

Reg. Price 40c.	Now 32c.	Reg. Price 95c.	Now 75c.
Reg. Price 50c.	Now 40c.	Reg. Price \$1.00.	Now 80c.
Reg. Price 55c.	Now 48c.	Reg. Price \$1.20.	Now \$1.00.
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### A Lot of White Twilled Sheeting

Reg. 35c. yard.	Now 28c.	Regular 60c. yard.	Now 50c.
Reg. 50c. yard.	Now 40c.	Regular 65c. yard.	Now 55c.

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### U.S. Opinion Condemns Raid On East Coast

No Excuse, Says New York Papers for Bombardment of Unfortified Cities.

New York, Dec. 18.—Commenting editorially on the German raid on the east coast of England The Tribune this morning says:

"Civilized opinion everywhere will share the indignation of the British public at the bombardment of undefended English coast towns by German cruisers. As is usual in such wanton attacks, made without any discernible military purpose, civilians are the only sufferers. There may be some military palliation for the bombardment of Hartlepool, which was defended by a fort. At that point British soldiers were killed and wounded in the trenches along the coast. But at Scarborough and Whitby there was no defence made and the only victims of the German gunfire were non-combatants, including women and children.

"Such ruthlessness will come home to roost. In wantonly killing these non-combatants in undefended British coast towns, Germany cannot escape responsibility for having taken the first step toward restoring barbarities which the world had fondly hoped to see eliminated from the practice of war."

The New York Times says: "The ruthless bombardment of unfortified towns and the utterly useless massacre of non-combatants have not only shocked the people of other nations, but have aroused a world wide feeling of angry resentment which cannot fail to be prejudicial to Germany."

### Closing Day Central School

Children Put on Creditable Program And Prizes Distributed.

The Central School closed yesterday at noon the closing exercises having been conducted in the presence of Canons White and Bolt Revs. Brinton and Stamp, Messrs. Blackall, Thompson and others.

The children showed excellent talent in their performances and special mention ought to be made of a tiny tot, a niece of Miss Purchase, who recited charmingly, and Master Dicks, who recited with expression and vim, a fine and very patriotic recitation of his own composition.

Too much praise cannot be given to the Headmaster, Mr. Brett, and Miss Purchase, who have worked so faithfully and well to bring their schools up to the high standard of efficiency which it has reached.

**Prizes Distributed.**  
The prizes were distributed by Mr. Blackall, Supt. of Education, and it was delightful to see the signs of pleasure and satisfaction on each child's face as each marched back to the seat with a prize.

The most pleasing feature of the day was the way in which the boys applauded the girls in the performance of their drill and in return the enthusiastic manner in which the girls returned the applause. The boys like to see the girls doing well and the girls like to see the boys doing better.

**Holiday Time.**  
After the headmaster had made his report and several of the gentlemen present had expressed their pleasure to be there the children were dismissed to enjoy the Christmas holidays which they have so well earned; and those of us who are older left with a feeling that greater interest is being taken in the cause of education, and filled with gratitude for the little ones who gave us such a pleasing example of what children can do.

### LOST STEAMER THE TRITONIA

In reporting the loss of the Tritonia yesterday, we noted that it was feared it might be the Tritonia, which has been plying between Botwood and the Old Country for several years.

Just before press hour Messrs A. Harvey & Co. received a cablegram from the Donaldson Co. that they regretted to say it was the Tritonia that had met her fate.

Capt. Murray and crew were all saved.

### Little Mystery Arrives

The schr. Little Mystery, Capt. Greete, arrived at 4 p.m. yesterday from Grand Bank to load fish.

The Captain has not visited the port for several years. His friends will be delighted to see him again.

Lady Outerbridge returned from a visit to Canada by the Stephano last evening.

### Chili Protests Against Breaches Of Neutrality

Government Makes Formal Protest to Germany and to Great Britain.

Washington, Dec. 22.—After a searching investigation of the activities of the German fleet in the Southern Pacific recently, the Government of Chile has made a formal protest to Germany against alleged violations of neutrality by the German navy in Chilean waters.

The protest was transmitted by the Chilean Minister of Marine at Berlin. He sets forth that the German ships prior to their engagement with Admiral Craddock's British squadron stayed as long as five days at one island owned by Chile and transferred supplies at another small island after a stay of seven days.

The protest is understood to be couched in vigorous language, demanding reparation of Germany. At the same time, the Chilean Government has protested to Great Britain, charging that the British cruiser Glasgow recently took mail from vessels in Chilean waters.

### Annual Speech Day At Bishop Feild College

Splendid Programme for Closing Exercises—His Excellency the Governor Present.

Bishop Feild College Annual Speech Day took place at the Casino Theatre last evening and was largely attended by parents and friends, among them being His Excellency the Governor and Lady Davidson.

Rev. Canon Bolt occupied the chair and on the platform with him were the College Masters and several members of the Directorate.

The programme, which was under the direction of Mr. H. W. Stirling, was splendidly carried out. At the request of the Chairman, His Excellency the Governor presented the prizes. Principal Wood's report was highly interesting and showed that the year had been a very successful one.

Capt. of Education Blackall, also spoke. His Excellency, in a very complimentary speech commended the College on its excellent year.

W. B. Grieve, Esq., proposed and Rev. R. Watson seconded a vote of thanks to His Excellency, which was carried by acclamation.

In tendering the vote of thanks Rev. Canon Bolt referred to an Old Feildian, Rev. G. H. Hewitt, who is now on one of the battleships in the North Sea and who he hoped would return safely, covered with glory. The singing of the National Anthem closed the proceedings.

### No Recruiting During Holidays

List Closed Till New Year, With Name of William Gorman.

William Gorman, of Hr. Breton, enlisted yesterday.

Recruiting has now ceased until the New Year, when it is hoped there will be another good response.

Medical examination is also discontinued until after the holidays.

### "KING'S" BIRTHDAY

This is the "King's" Birthday—we mean our well known citizen Mr. M. Chaplin, "King of Tailors," and he is receiving the congratulations of numerous friends.

His age is problematical, but no matter what the number of his years may be he is still young.

Rev. Dr. Robertson, formerly Pastor of the Presbyterian Church, this city, when asked his age always replied that he was "twenty-nine," and we do not believe Mr. Chaplin is much older than the popular doctor.

We wish him every future happiness, with the hope that he will see as many more, which will not be too many for his friends.

### STEPHANO HERE

The S.S. Stephano arrived last evening from New York via Halifax with a full cargo and the following passengers:

From New York—K. Penney and 11 steerage.  
From Halifax—Lady Outerbridge, J. Weir, L. Kennedy and 1 steerage.  
Capt. Smith is off for Christmas and Chief Officer H. C. Mitchell is in command.  
Chief Steward Jones is also at home for a holiday, and his able assistant Mr. Charles Snow is acting as Purser. Both are well known young men and the travelling public have every confidence in them.

### German Raid Gives Impetus To Recruiting

Number of Volunteers Immediately Increases—German Cruisers Almost Nabbed.

New York, Dec. 18.—A cable to the Herald from London this morning says: "The latest details of the raid on the north-east coast of England show that the German cruisers had a narrow escape from the pursuing British warships. The German were sighted by a British patrolling squadron, but by immediately racing at full speed were able to escape in the mist."

"According to the admiralty statement, the warships taking part in the bombardment were two battle cruisers and one armored cruiser at Hartlepool, two battle cruisers and one armored cruiser at Whitby, two battle cruisers shelling the first two towns simultaneously, commencing soon after 8 o'clock in the morning of Wednesday and continuing about half an hour."

"At Whitby the bombardment began about 9 o'clock, so it is considered possible that one battle cruiser engaged there had come on from Scarborough. Even if this is so at least four battle cruisers and two armored cruisers were engaged. Germany possesses six battle cruisers, including the Goeben in the Black Sea."

"The death roll is heavy, but it is considered surprising that it was not greater, having regard to the number of shells which were fired. The approximate number of the casualties is 82 killed and 250 wounded at Hartlepool, 17 killed at Scarborough and 2 dead and 2 wounded at Whitby, making a total of 101 killed and 282 wounded."

These figures are the latest officially given to the public. One effect of the raid is the striking impetus which has been given to recruiting. In Scotland the number wishing to enlist yesterday was greatly in excess of anything seen heretofore."

### SAGONA ARRIVES

Crosbie & Co's steamer Sagona, Capt. Kennedy, arrived at 9 a.m. from Sydney with a cargo of coal.

The Sagona was off the coast last night and received a bad drubbing in the storm, but she came through without mishap.

On the way to Sydney she broke her main steam pipe, but repairs were made at the coal port.

Rev. J. Ashley, P.P., Argentina, arrived by last night's train.

S.S. Stephano sails again at noon, Thursday.

A three-masted schooner was off the arrows at 1 p.m.

### Garrison Sorties From Przemysl Unsuccessful

Russians Defeat All Attempts of beleaguered Troops to Break Their Lines.

Petrograd, Dec. 21.—In the region of Mlawa the German have fallen back towards the line of Lantenburg across the border into East Prussia. On the left bank of the Vistula there is no incident of importance to report.

In Galicia the Austrian offensive is being greatly hindered by our troops and the operations in this region have taken on a character favourable to us.

One Austrian division operating in the vicinity of Dukla Pass was easily defeated by bayonet charges made by our troops. The enemy left on the battlefield five hundred killed and we captured ten officers and more than a thousand soldiers.

Attempts by the Przemysl garrison of break through our lines have been defeated, the garrison being forced back into the line of fortifications with great losses.

### Thaw Goes Back To The Asylum

Court Sends Him Again to Institution He Escaped From.

New York, Dec. 22.—The decision of the United States Supreme Court in the case of Harry K. Thaw, ordering him back to New York marks the end of 16 months of litigation in the efforts of the authorities of the State of New York to get Thaw back again as a prisoner of Matteawan Hospital for the criminal insane from which he escaped on Aug. 17, 1913.

Mr. J. Weir, Asst. Supt. of the Halifax School for the Blind, arrived last night by the Stephano on a visit to relatives.  
Mr. Weir is a native of St. John's and his many friends here will be delighted to see him again and trust that his vacation will be a pleasant one.


### WANTED—A Young Man to take charge of a Manufacturers' Agents' Office.

Must possess initiative; be an experienced book-keeper, and be able to handle correspondence. Apply in own handwriting to "C.T." P.O. Box 922.—dec22,14

### WEATHER REPORT

Toronto (noon)—Fair and moderately cold today, followed by E. to S. gales, with snow or rain.

## Christmas Gift Suggestions




**NECKWEAR.**  
All the most popular Styles; some in pretty Gift Boxes.  
Prices from 20c. to 85c.

**For Men.**  
In our Men's New Store we show many articles suitable for Gifts. Here are a few of the suggestions:

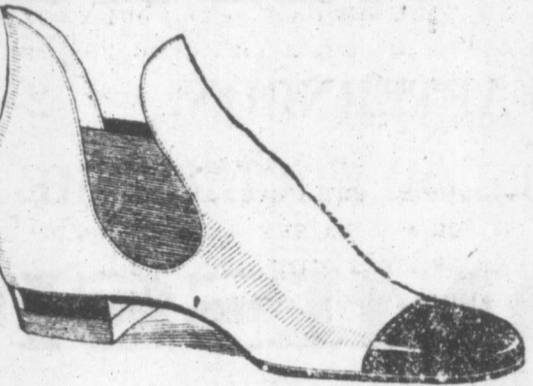
**GLOVES.**  
Gloves are always acceptable. Our stock is in good shape.

**LINED KID—**  
\$1.20, \$1.40, \$1.80 to \$4.30.  
And other makes.



**President Suspenders.**  
SUSPENDERS.  
The popular President at 55c. & 95c.

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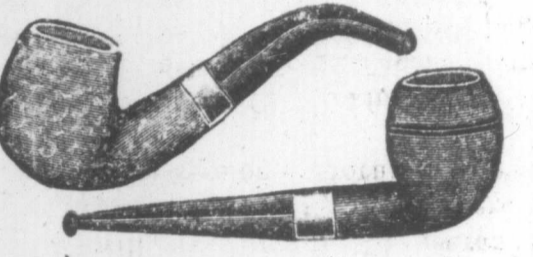


**SLIPPERS.**  
Romeo in Black and Tan . . . . . \$1.90.  
Everett . . . . . \$1.50.  
Camel Hair, \$1.10 to \$1.50.

**UMBRELLAS**  
Useful and Serviceable  
Umbrella, from \$2.00 to \$6.70.  
Some in Gift Boxes.

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\$6.60, \$8.80, \$10.80, \$12.50.

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We show a good assortment of Pipes, Tobacco Pouches, Cigar and Cigarette Cases, and Smokers' Requisites of all kinds.

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### Shooting Drill Has Commenced

Members of Second Contingent Do Fairly Well at Ranges.

The second contingent of volunteers commenced shooting at the south side range yesterday.

In the morning section one and two of No. 1 Platoon had their first shot over the two hundred yard range and finished at one thirty. In the afternoon sections 3 and 4 of No. 1 Platoon arrived and spent the afternoon shooting over the same range. Some good shots were made considering it was the first time some of the volunteers ever shot and with little practice will improve them. It was very windy on the range and probably that would account for some weak shots.

In the afternoon No. 2 and 3 Platoon were put through Platoon and section marching under command of Lieut. Ayre on the Parade grounds until four o'clock when they marched to the armory and the remainder of the afternoon was occupied in instructing the sections in manual exercises.

Last night a squad of 18 volunteers were instructed in target shooting at the Highlander's Armory. This morning sections 1 and 2 of No. 2 Platoon spent the morning on the range and sections 3 and 4 of the same Platoon spent the afternoon firing over the two hundred yards range. The volunteers are making great improvement in their drill, but shooting is a little backward owing to the lack of practice, but now that the range is ready the lads will be able to make improvement.

### Crew of Victim Of Leipsig Lands

Men of the Drummie put Ashore at San Antonio From Seydlitz.

London, Dec. 21.—A telegram received here from Buenos Ayres informs the Foreign Office that the crew of the ship Drummie, sunk at sea by the German cruiser Leipsig, have been landed at Port San Antonio, in the Argentine Republic, by the German ship Seydlitz.

The Leipsig was one of the German ships destroyed in the naval engagement off the Falkland Islands on December 8th.

### British Make Gains; Repulse Attacks

Recapture Trenches Taken by Enemy And Hold All Captured.

(French Official Bulletin.)  
Paris, Dec. 22.—British troops have attacked and this morning regained most of the trenches previously lost before Liéons.

The enemy delivered four successive attacks for the purpose of recapturing the trenches which we had previously gained in that region but all of them were repulsed. In an attack to the Northwest of Puisseulieu, South of Nozon, we have gained a foothold in the enemy's trenches of the first line and have made progress in the wood of St. Mars.

### GETS AGENCY FOR CALENDARS

Mr. P. E. Outerbridge has secured the exclusive agency for Newfoundland for The Thos. D. Murphy Co., of Red Oak, Iowa, the well known manufacturers of calendars.

This Company is well known all over British North America for the excellence of its work, and no matter what the subject is the quality is certain to be there.  
Mr. Outerbridge is to be complimented on securing such a high class agency and we wish them every success.

The attention of our readers is called to THE ROYAL FUR COMPANY'S advertisement on another page of this issue. This will be a genuine slaughter sale, and no reasonable offer will be refused for the Ladies' Ties, Scarfs and Sets.

The special offer to Cabmen is a Snap, as the goods are of excellent quality, both as to material and finish, and no more suitable Xmas present could be found in the city.

### TALK IS CHEAP—

Advertising is also very cheap, if carried in the right medium. The Mail and Advocate is the Can't Lose paper now. Must be true. Everybody's talking. It's not the price you pay but the returns you get.

### Nickel's Fine Bill

The pictures at the Nickel Theatre yesterday were excellent and were enjoyed by large audiences.

The Pathe feature film "The Brother Counts" which is in two reels is one of the finest stories ever presented on canvas. The photography was exquisite.

"The Shriner's Daughter" also was favorably commented on. Everyone should make an effort to see these two beautiful films. The entire program will be repeated this evening.

To-morrow, the first of the latest shipment of Gaumont specials just received. "The Vengeance of Egypt" in three reels will be given.

Miss Margaret Ayer, the new vocalist will make her first appearance on Christmas Day. As usual there will be three sessions—morning, afternoon and night.

### Every Inch a Soldier

We were shown some photographs of Reginald Crane, son of Mr. F. Crane, who has volunteered with the Second Canadian Contingent and he looks every inch a soldier.

He is at Wolsey Barracks, London, Ontario, and his regiment are already making a name for themselves as soldiers.  
Three years ago when he left home, Reg. was a mere lad, now he has grown into a tall strapping specimen of manhood, and, judging by his photograph, may be taken for a soldier with a dozen years of experience.

### St. John's Municipal Board.


PUBLIC NOTICE.

All persons having claims against the St. John's Municipal Board are requested to furnish same to the undersigned not later than the 31st day of December.

By order,  
JNO. L. SLATTERY,  
Secretary-Treasurer.

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WOMEN'S GAITERS, \$1.60, \$1.95, \$2.25 to \$2.65  
MEN'S GAITERS . . . . . \$2.50, \$2.80, \$2.90  
WOMEN'S LONG RUBBERS . . . . . \$2.25  
MEN'S LONG RUBBERS, . . . . . \$3.60, \$4.20, \$4.90 to \$6.00  
GIRLS' LONG RUBBERS, . . . . . \$1.50, \$1.60, \$1.70 to \$2.05  
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