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PROBS—FAIR AND COLDER

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AUSTRIAN DEFEAT TURNING POINT IN BATTLE OF POLISH RIVERS; GERMANS DROP BOMBS ON DUNKIRK

SHOOTING OF AMERICANS AN ACCIDENT

Jury Returns Verdict in Case of Hunters Shot by Canadian Soldiers.

INTENDED ONLY TO FRIGHTEN THEM.

Provincial Police Officer Assumes Full Responsibility—Soldiers Still Held Pending Military Inquiry.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 30.—A coroner's jury at Port Erie, Ontario, empaneled to investigate the death of Walter Smith, the Buffalo man shot by Canadian soldiers on Monday, returned its verdict this evening, after hearing the testimony of the soldiers, Thomas Delaney, a provincial police officer, and several eye-witnesses.

The verdict was: "We find that the deceased, Walter Smith, met his death on Monday forenoon, December 28, while evading arrest for unlawfully shooting ducks out of season in Canadian waters, by a volley delivered accidentally from the rifles of three Canadian soldiers who were called upon by Provincial Officer Thomas Delaney to assist him."

Officer Delaney took the responsibility for the whole affair on his own shoulders. He called upon the soldiers to help make the arrests, he said, under the law that permits an officer of the law to call upon any citizen for help in an emergency, and ordered the rifle.

J. B. Curtis, United States Vice-Consul, questioned the officer's authority to call upon the soldiers, but he was assured by the "crowd" that Delaney had such authority under the laws of Ontario.

"I want to arrest those two fellows," Delaney testified he told the soldiers. "Throw a scare into them, but don't hit them."

When the bullets from the first and second volleys splashed near the hunters' boat, Delaney said, he again called the soldiers not to shoot so close.

The third and fatal volley, Delaney said, was fired after the hunters had headed toward the American shore. He had told the soldiers to let them go, when one of them said: "Let's give them another scare," and he consented. Only two of the British, struck by the bullets, were killed.

While the coroner's verdict releases the three soldiers as civilians, they are still prisoners at the barracks, pending the result of a military inquiry held simultaneously with the civil proceedings. All witnesses before the coroner testified at the military inquiry.

CREW STILL ABOARD THE NAVARRA

Steamer Aground Near Yarmouth a Total Loss—Carried Hay, Grain and Army Supplies.

Yarmouth, N. S., Dec. 30.—The steamer Navarra, from St. John, N. B., for a port in Sprink, with a full cargo of hay, oats, automobiles and army supplies for the British, struck on the Holmes ledges, Tusket Island, in the Bay of Fundy, last night and will probably be a total loss.

The steamer went on the ledges during fog, and the heavy sea pounded her hard on the rocks, which pierced the hull. The engine room is full of water and some of the holds are flooded. The government steamer Aberdeen and tug from Yarmouth are alongside salvaging some of the cargo. The crew was still on board when word came from the ship early this evening. The Navarra registers 2,848 tons and was under charter to the British government.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—In the wreck of the Navarra, the French government steamer, which is reported to the Marine Department as a complete loss, was laden with hay

Chief Fighting in East Now Taking Place on Nida River — Fifteen Killed in German Airship Attack on Dunkirk — Four Aeroplanes Took Part — Princess "Pat's" Regiment Within Sound of Guns Await Order to Go Into The Trenches — Given Great Welcome by French.

London, Dec. 30.—Since the Russian defeat of the Austrians in Galicia, which, while not irreparable, is likely to have a marked effect on the whole Austro-German campaign in the east, there has been no important development on either side. The Allies, although making no dramatic attacks on the German lines, are steadily hammering away with their artillery, and when occasion arises push their line a few yards forward. A French eye-witness, in a description of the battles from December 16 to 24, gives a good idea of the kind of fighting in progress and records gains, which, while by themselves are marked only in yards, amount in the aggregate to a considerable advance at many points.

A few hundred yards in Flanders were taken by primitive methods, for, having the breeches of their rifles choked with mud, they used the mas clubs, and in many cases fought the Germans with their fists.

In one little French village within sound of the guns, Princess Patricia's Light Infantry, the first of the Canadian contingent to go to the front, are billeted, waiting their turn to go into the trenches. They were accorded a splendid reception by their comrades in arms, and the French villagers.

With the defeat of the Austrians in Galicia and South Poland, and the retirement of the Germans across the Bzura, Petrograd believes that the turning point has been reached in the battle of the Polish rivers. The chief fighting is now taking place on the Plica, where the Germans are still on the offensive and have brought up big guns.

The losses in these battles have reached enormous figures in dead, wounded and prisoners, and must have been largely added to by disease, for the men fought under dreadful climatic conditions, and in mud, for which Poland is noted.

GERMAN AIRSHIPS DROP BOMBS ON DUNKIRK
London, Dec. 31.—Four German aeroplanes flew several times over the city of Dunkirk Wednesday, dropping bombs as they went, according to the Dunkirk correspondent of the Daily Mail. Soldiers in the streets fired on the machines, and one Taube seemed to be hit, but all got safely away.

The official return of the casualties shows that fifteen persons were killed and thirty-two wounded. The bombs were filled with shrapnel. Two bombs also were dropped on Furnes.

The attack on Furnes was evidently an effort to wipe out the Belgian headquarters, where King Albert is at present. No damage was done there.

It is probable that the German attack was made to discourage a movement of British troops from England to the battlefield.

FRANCE PLANS AERIAL INVASION OF GERMANY

Two Fleets of Aircraft Under Construction For Attack in Spring, Mexican Aviator Back from Europe Says.

New York, Dec. 30.—France is building two great fleets of aircraft, armed with cannon and bombs, with which to invade Germany in the spring, according to Pedro Chapa, a Mexican aviator who has been in Europe for the last four years and who arrived here tonight on the Cunard liner Carpathia. Hundreds of armored biplanes, each carrying a small cannon and

and grain, purchased in Canada for the purposes of the army of France. The Navarra was of four thousand tons, and registered in Glasgow. No lives were lost in the disaster.

WHITE AND WELSH SIGNED FOR BOUT ON JAN. 13
Chicago, Dec. 30.—Charley White, of Chicago, and Freddie Welsh, of England, lightweight champion, have been matched to fight ten rounds in New York, on January 13, according to word received here tonight from White's manager. The message said the fighters are to weigh in at 135 pounds at three o'clock on the day of the fight.

Died in the Hospital
James Holt of 145 Orange street, who has been in the General Public Hospital for a few days, passed away at that institution at an early hour this morning. Mr. Holt who was an iron moulder by trade was about fifty years of age.

PRISONERS AND CAPTORS SWAP "SMOKES"

German Captives and French Guards Work in Harmony Repairing Roads Back of Battlefield.

ALLIES SOLDIERS DREAD INACTIVITY.

British and French Troops Keen to be in the Thick of Battle.

Saint Pol, France, (Via Paris), Dec. 30.—German prisoners of war work cheerfully at the side of their armed French guardians in repairing the much damaged national highways in this region, just to the rear of the colossal battlefield. The prisoners are on the best terms with their captors, who snoop naturally after their cigarettes, whiffs from their pipes and other luxuries with their erstwhile foes.

The prisoners remain only a short time in this neighborhood. As soon as a sufficient number is taken to fill a train, the captives are dispatched to some town on the coast, or in the interior, or embarked for Algeria.

In this region there is much activity from morning till night on account of the passage of great supply convoys, interspersed with columns of troops proceeding daily to the front, to take their turns in the trenches. The soldiers march at a swiftness toward the firing line. Without exception they express a preference for work in the trenches, rather than remaining idly at their billets. While the frost set in to reserve a short distance to the rear they have nothing to occupy their time, which drags along. They say that, after the time when they are sleeping off fatigue, each minute seems to them like an hour.

The postal service is very uncertain, and they rarely receive news from the rest of the world.

While the men are in the trenches, sometimes only fifteen yards from the keen edge, with every faculty alert. Almost every day there is a change in the weather. Today it marked by a hard frost, turning the roads into long skating rinks, on which the heavy motor trucks are almost useless. The soldiers are obliged to take to the fields beside the roads. Thousands of men are engaged in throwing earth over the glassy surfaces in order to avoid interruption of the transportation of supplies. Before the frost set in the roads were like quagmires, owing to the frequent rains.

Under the extremely trying conditions which prevail, the men and their commanders are remarkably cheerful and confident, and never utter a word of complaint.

Along the battlefield, in the region of Arras and Saint Eloy, the position of the troops has scarcely varied a foot from the zigzag lines which have been occupied for three months. The possession of Arras is of greatest importance to the Allies, who are holding it with remarkable tenacity, although opposed by great forces of Germans under the command of General Count Von Armin, commander of the Four Army Corps, and the Crown Prince of Bavaria.

Every moment is a perilous one when Arras is approached, since the Germans have marked accurately the ranges along the highways. Any movement along these roads brings a salvo of artillery fire.

RIOTS AGAINST WAR IN DUAL MONARCHY

London, Dec. 31.—The Daily Chronicle's Basel, Switzerland, correspondent forwards despatches received from various parts of Austria-Hungary, purporting to show that rioting against the war is occurring in six provinces of the dual monarchy.

Even more emphatic disturbances are of daily occurrence in Budapest, according to the despatches, and similar reports have been received from Prague, Transylvania, Agram and Dalmatian coast towns.

BRITISH CABINET MEETS TO CONSIDER AMERICAN NOTE

Protest Received at Foreign Office and Special Session Called—Will Require Days of Careful Study Before Reply Can Be Drafted.

ADMIRALTY MUST BE HEARD FROM AND OPINIONS OF LAW EXPERTS OBTAINED

London Press Comment Most Pacific in Tenor—Plain Speaking, When Two Nations of Family Circle are Concerned, Pall Mall Gazette Says—Note III Advised, and a Dangerous Step, Glasgow Herald's Opinion.

London, Dec. 30.—The British cabinet held a special session this afternoon to consider the American government's note concerning the delay to American shipping, caused by the searching of vessels by the British fleet. The note reached the Foreign Office yesterday. The subject of American shipping continues to monopolize interest here.

It is not expected that a reply to the note will be drafted for some days, it being pointed out that a document which it took weeks to draft could hardly be digested by the cabinet at one meeting. Even Sir Edward Grey, the British Foreign Secretary, hardly had time to read, much less to consider it, before the meeting of his colleagues.

Admiralty Must Be Heard From.
Besides, information will have to be sought at the Admiralty, which department is responsible for the examining of ships' cargoes, and the permanent officials of the Foreign Office and the Law officers of the crown necessarily will be called upon for diplomatic and legal opinions on the case submitted by President Wilson.

When this procedure is adopted, Walter Hines Page, the American ambassador, will be asked to confer with Sir Edward Grey and discuss the whole question, and probably Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador at Washington, will be instructed to take up the matter with the State Department in the American capital. Mr. Page has not yet received any intimation as to the date for his conference with Sir Edward Grey.

While it has come as somewhat of a shock to the public that differences have arisen between the two governments on a subject that admittedly is a difficult one, the note generally is calmly discussed, except by those who declare that Great Britain should disregard American wishes and opinion, and follow entirely a policy which would be best calculated to assist the allies in their war on Germany and Austria.

British shipowners, who are almost as greatly concerned over the situation as the American shippers, today expressed the opinion that the matter would be amicably settled. The director of one large company, while admitting that inconvenience was inevitable in the searching of ships, said it was possible that some of this inconvenience might be obviated.

It was officially announced late tonight that the statement issued by the official press bureau today that the British Foreign Office only received the American note today is incorrect. Walter Hines Page, the American ambassador, on Monday told Lord Halifax, who was the head of the Foreign Office in the absence of Sir Edward Grey, the Foreign Secretary, of the arrival and the purpose of the note, which he added would require time to translate from code. The note was sent to the Foreign Office yesterday.

Mr. Page requested Sir Edward Grey to have the press bureau's statement corrected, saying it left the impression that the British government received the note only after a summary of it had been given the American papers.

Comment upon the note of the United States government in the British press is, on the whole, moderate and pacific in tone. The Pall Mall Gazette points out that the United States government has never adopted the silky tone which is traditional in diplomatic communications between European states. Moreover, two nations constituting a family circle can speak plainly to each other without misunderstanding.

A general argument advanced by both morning and evening papers is that some inconvenience to the neutral states in the present war is inevitable, and that stoppage of an enemy's trade is one of the means of curtailing the war, and therefore it is to the interest of the neutrals to bear the temporary inconvenience.

The Globe bluntly says: "The American demand is that we should renounce our most potent weapon against the enemy, to which our answer, in the friendliest spirit, is 'No'." The Glasgow Herald and the Daily Chronicle both hint that some success has apparently attended the pro-German campaign in the United States. The former considers that the note is not only ill-advised, but a conceivably dangerous step.

Special to The Standard.
Woodstock, Dec. 30.—F. B. Carvell, who has blatantly made insinuations against B. Frank Smith in connection with lumbering operations on the Tobique Reserve, will now have a chance of meeting Mr. Smith and making good on his insinuations, if he can. Mr. Smith has come out fearlessly in the matter of the insinuations, which the newspapers, supporting Mr. Carvell have been making. Mr. Smith in order to give Mr. Carvell a chance of pacifying before the public any facts, he may think he possesses in connection with the matter, has issued the following challenge to Mr. Carvell:

During the past year Mr. F. B. Carvell, his paper, the Carleton Standard, have been criticizing by way of insinuation my business in connection with my lumbering operations on the Tobique Reserve. He dare not do more than make insinuations, as is his usual custom. Now in order to give him an opportunity of presenting facts on which he and his supporting newspapers base their insinuations, I propose that Mr. Carvell meet me at the Hayden-Gibson Theatre, in Wood-

CONFIDENT OF AMICABLE SETTLEMENT

Official Washington Believes Trouble Over Delayed Commerce Will be Straightened Out Satisfactorily.

ALREADY DISCUSSING CO-OPERATIVE MEASURES

Considering How U. S. Could Help Britain in Order to Minimize Necessity for Extended Search on High Seas.

Washington, Dec. 30.—While the American note to Great Britain concerning interruptions of the commerce of this country continued today to absorb official Washington, there was manifested a tone of confidence that the numerous difficulties which had arisen in the last five months eventually would be amicably adjusted.

Already the discussion has turned to measures which the United States could properly take in co-operation with Great Britain to reduce to a minimum the necessity for extended search on the high seas. It became known that agents of the Treasury Department, acting in co-operation with the State Department in one case, already had inspected a cargo of cotton, which inspection had satisfied the British embassy, and facilitated the progress of the shipment to its destination.

Surprised Note Should be Considered as "Brusque."
The belief was held in official quarters that a mutual understanding might be reached, whereby legitimate cargoes could be certified before their departure from this country, and thereby made immune from detention.

High officials of the Washington government were somewhat surprised that the American note has been regarded as "brusque" in some London quarters. They said the British cabinet, which has it under consideration, after a single reading of the document must be convinced that the United States had spoken in the most friendly spirit, though none the less earnestly and emphatically on points on which it considers itself thoroughly justified, under the laws of nations.

There is nothing of a peremptory character in the note, nor is it phrased in tones of irritation, but those who are familiar with its contents say it is a matter of fact and frank statement of the difficulties experienced by American shippers, and the failure of the British government to meet the various protests which have been made.

Reimbursement Cannot Remedy Matters
In all, it became known today, thirty American ships and cargoes, their value totalling millions, have been detained. The American note points out specifically, however, that reimbursement for previous damages alone cannot cure the situation, as the activity of the British fleet has restrained many American exporters, whose business has become stagnant for fear of the numerous technicalities and risks involved in shipments.

With respect to cotton shipments, the case of one or two illegitimate cargoes, it is recognized, has caused the British government to suspect all shipments. The United States government has no evidence that there has been contraband concealed in cotton cargoes, but England has made two specific complaints of it. Although not vouching for, or confirming the charges, the American government has thought it advisable, nevertheless, to issue a warning that one fraudulent shipment must produce embarrassment to cargoes generally.

Secretary Bryan discussing the note with callers today, declined to give any details. He described it as a general statement, summarizing the American position in several specific cases. Those neutral diplomats who called to ask about it, but were informed that the first newspaper report of it was accurate. They were told that the State Department probably would not deliver the text of the communication to foreign governments generally, as it still regarded the note as confidential. The American government itself having not authorized its publication in part or whole.

ment of his marriage to Anna Gould, who is now the Duchess of Tallyrand, it was expected that the final decision of the Tribunal would be rendered, but this was again postponed pending further inquiry into the case.

DECISION IN COURT BONI DE CASTELLANE SUIT AGAIN POSTPONED

Rome, Dec. 31.—The Rota Tribunal met here yesterday to decide the suit of Count Boni De Castellane for annul-

ALLIES' ARTILLERY HAVING AT ENEMY IN WEST AND PUSHING BACK THE GERMAN LINE

BELGIAN MINISTER ENTERS PROTEST TO U. S. AGAINST GERMAN SPOILATION

Merchandise Worth 57 Million Francs, Property of Private Individuals, Requisitioned by Enemy — Not for Use of the Army — Constitutes Violation of Fourth Hague Convention.

Washington, Dec. 30.—The Belgian Minister today filed with the State Department a protest against the requisitioning by German military authorities in Belgium of merchandise worth about 57,000,000 francs. He asserted that the policy of the Germans meant "the ruin of industry in Belgium."

The protest set forth that the goods were not taken for the use of the German army, and that consequently the seizure was in violation of the fourth Hague convention. The merchandise included cotton, rubber, tools, canned goods and metals.

The Belgian legation issued the following statement in connection with the protest:

"According to the instructions of his government, the Belgian minister went today to the State Department and filed a protest against the following acts committed by the German authorities in Belgium:

"The German authorities have put into requisition, against a single receipt and without mentioning the value of same, the following merchandise, to be forwarded to Germany, and which belonged to private parties:

"In Antwerp: Cotton, to the value of 13,000,000 francs; rubber, 2,500,000; woollens, 6,000,000; leather, 10,000,000.

"In Ghent: Cotton nets, flax and other raw material, 8,500,000.

"In Charleroi: Copper, 1,500,000; tools, 12,000,000.

"In Duffel: Nickel, 1,000,000.

"In Malines: Canned goods, 2,500,000.

"These measures are in opposition to the Articles 46 and 52 of the Fourth Convention of The Hague, in accordance with which private property must be respected, and requisition cannot be claimed otherwise than for the needs of the army of occupation. These resources involve the ruin of the industry in Belgium."

"The Belgian minister wishes to recall attention to the fact that it has been said that the Belgian laboring people had refused to go back to work. No excuse can be given for this spoliation of private properties, which is expressly forbidden by the above mentioned articles of the Fourth Convention of The Hague."

BOY WITNESS IN MURDER CASE FANTS ON STAND

Coroner's Jury Brings in Verdict in Sydney Case—Orders for Arrest of Two Colored Men.

North Sydney, N. S., Dec. 30.—The inquest on the body of Miss K. C. Dunn, who was murdered in her house on Queen street on December 21 was continued before Coroner A. R. Forbes tonight. The verdict of the jury was as follows:

"We find that the deceased, Kathleen C. Dunn came to her death by blows inflicted on the back of the head by some blunt instrument between the hours of five and seven-thirty o'clock on the afternoon of Monday, December 21, 1914, in her residence on Queen street, in the town of North Sydney, county of Cape Breton, and that the said blows were inflicted by some person or persons unknown to us."

Only one new witness was sworn tonight, a boy named Ernest Sudbury, who was in the habit of visiting Wm. Connolly's house where the two blacks, under arrest, boarded.

Young Sudbury fainting while being cross-examined.

Mrs. Connolly, Alfred Willis and Geo. Taylor were also examined tonight. Taylor was questioned with reference to Willis' past.

The evidence of Dr. McLean and Rindress, who examined the body was submitted in writing. It was the effect that death was due to a blow on the back of the head.

Warrants have been issued for the arrest of Willis and West.

PRESENTATION TO HON. MR. MORRISSY

Town Council of Newcastle Shows Appreciation of His Services to the Community — Gold Headed Cane and Address.

Newcastle, Dec. 29.—At an enthusiastic meeting in Town Hall, last night, the Town Council, per Ald. Miller and McCabe, presented Hon. John Morrissey with a handsomely engraved address and a gold-headed cane, in appreciation of his services to Newcastle and the county in general.

Police Magistrate R. L. Maltby presided, and after a brief but highly appreciative speech, the chairman, Ald. Miller, presented the address and Ald. McCabe the cane.

The address was as follows:

To the Honorable John Morrissey, Minister of Public Works of the Province of New Brunswick.

Sir—We, the members of the Town Council of the Town of Newcastle, representative of said town, hereby wish to convey to you your heartfelt and most sincere appreciation for the magnificent public utility which you and you alone have been able to accomplish and carry to a successful completion.

This public highway is not only a credit to yourself and to the immediate surrounding communities, nor do we wish to confine its beauty and great service to the province, but must admit that it reflects credit on our Dominion of Canada.

It has been a long felt want and we might further add, a long promised one, but to you must be admitted credit of its accomplishment.

It is to be deplored that the many difficulties and obstructions you had to overcome in its erection at its particular location, but all fair minded persons will admit that the result was given to all matters in connection thereof. First, a good and proper foundation, second, where it would offer the least obstruction to navigation, these two features carefully considered; then thirdly, where it would best serve the towns and villages along both sides of our beautiful Miramichi river.

It is to be deplored that some of our prominent citizens in the different communities, and in fact in the immediate community in which we live, became so exercised over its erection that they saw fit to offer every opposition and obstruction within their means, instead of exercising their influence in the opposite extreme, but we are glad to see that the result was given to all matters in connection thereof. First, a good and proper foundation, second, where it would offer the least obstruction to navigation, these two features carefully considered; then thirdly, where it would best serve the towns and villages along both sides of our beautiful Miramichi river.

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AUSTRIAN DREADNOUGHT TORPEDOED BY FRENCH SUBMARINE AT POLA

London, Dec. 31.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Venice contains a report that a French submarine boat has torpedoed the Austrian dreadnought Viribus Unitis at Pola.

It is said the hull of the dreadnought was pierced, but that she succeeded in reaching her dock.

The Viribus Unitis is of 20,000 tons displacement, and has a complement of 1,000 men. She is one of the four ships constituting the largest type of the Austrian navy.

A London newspaper despatch from Venice in September said one side of the Viribus Unitis had been badly damaged in a fight in the Adriatic but that she escaped her pursuers.

OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS

FRANCE

Paris, Dec. 30.—The following official communication was issued by the War Office headquarters today:

"There are no important incidents to report, except bombardments in the region of Arras and on the heights of the Meuse, and some progress in Champagne, which seems to have been quite pronounced.

"The bad weather persists along the greater part of the front."

RUSSIA

Petrograd, Dec. 30.—The following official statement was issued from general headquarters today:

"Along the whole front of the armies operating on the left bank of the Vistula there has been a lull, except in the region of Belyov, Inowraz and south of Yalgesz, where fierce fighting persists.

"Taking the offensive from Belyov, the Germans, under a very intense fire from our guns, made an assault on Bourgade, Borjnow and our trenches near Gombino, but our troops, by an impetuous counter-attack, slaughtered with their bayonets all of the enemy, with the exception of a few who were prisoners.

"In this engagement we captured German machine guns, and inflicted enormous losses on the enemy, who brought into action successively in this region, regiments from divers army corps.

"Near Inowraz our troops took possession of German trenches south of Possade, which they entered and engaged in determined fighting."

"South of Malagosoz an attack which the enemy delivered after a lengthy cannonading was repulsed by our artillery. Near the village of Bokhinetz the enemy captured our entrenched position, but was dislodged and overthrown by our counter-attack.

"In West Galicia our troops are advancing victoriously.

"East of Zakliczyn we stormed several fortified works of the enemy, making prisoners of forty-four officers and 1,300 soldiers, and capturing eight machine guns.

"Southwest of Dukla our troops dislodged the Austrians from positions which they had strongly organized. They fled in a panic.

"We have realized also an important success south of Lieko, near Gorjanki.

"We have repulsed counter-attacks by the enemy in the Carpathians at Uzok Pass, and also new sorties by the Przemyel garison."

MEETING AT WOODSTOCK IN INTERESTS OF GOV'T CANDIDATE MONDAY

Special to The Standard.

Hartland, N. B., Dec. 30.—A meeting in the interests of B. F. Smith, the government candidate, will be held here on Monday evening. The speakers for the occasion will be Mr. Smith, J. K. Flemming and probably John A. Barry, of St. John.

The boys in khaki from the 26th Battalion at St. John and the 23rd Overseas Battery at Fredericton who have been spending their furlough here, as well as a number from farther up the line, were given a send-off on Monday night on their return to duty. The Hartland Band was at the station when the evening express for the south pulled in and played "Tipperary" and other pieces while the people turned out in force to cheer the departing soldiers.

Mr. H. H. Hatfield of this place met with a painful mishap at Woodstock on Christmas night. While waiting on the station platform for the train he and a train hand were good naturedly scuffling and Mr. Hatfield slipped on the ice, causing a couple of bad breaks in one of his legs. He was taken to the hospital where the injured member was attended to. He was able to be brought home on Monday afternoon, but will be confined to the house for some time.

COTTON SHIP FOR FERRANT AT ROTTERDAM

The Hague, Dec. 30 (via London).—The American steamer A. A. Raven, which arrived at Rotterdam December 24 from Wilmington, N. C., with 6,600 bales of cotton, was the first vessel since the outbreak of the war to reach a Dutch port with a cotton consignment for Germany.

The steamer was held up in the English Channel by British warships for an examination of her papers, which delayed her twenty-four hours. The freight charges for the Raven's cargo was \$10 per bale, which is five times the normal rate. This increase was due to the great war risks attending imports destined for Germany.

It was stated here today by an American agent that the alarmist reports concerning the dangers of navigation in the North Sea might have a tendency to drive the rates still higher.

Since the war started the German imports of cotton are said to have amounted to fifty thousand bales, most of it going by way of Gothenburg, Sweden, to which port sixteen vessels are chartered. This increase is due to reach Gothenburg inside of two weeks. Their cargoes aggregate about 75,000 bales.

EMPRESS OF IRELAND FUND CLOSES TODAY

London, Dec. 30.—The Empress of Ireland fund, which closes tomorrow, now totals approximately \$427,000, of which \$240,000 passed through the hands of the Lord Mayor of London, \$125,000 through the hands of the Lord Mayor of Liverpool, and \$62,000 was forwarded by the Board of Trade of Montreal. In addition, the sum of \$2,878 has been forwarded by the Quebec Board of Trade to Col. Pelletier, agent general, this including a contribution of \$500 from H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught. The fund will be administered by two committees from the Public Trustee Office, one for the passengers, and the other for the crew and relatives. A committee will probably be appointed in Montreal to deal with Canadian claimants, although the English claimants are greatly in the majority.

Colder Weather.

After the thaw of the last few days the colder weather this morning was generally welcomed. The atmosphere became much cooler early last evening and the thermometer registered well below freezing at an early hour this morning, and it is expected that the colder conditions will prevail during the next few days. The snow that covered the city streets practically all disappeared, but enough was left to make walking rather disagreeable. The rain and moderate weather helped to clear much of the snow from the surface of the lakes in the vicinity of the city, and good skating should be available for the holiday.

VIENNA CLAIMS RUSSIANS HAVE BEEN CHECKED

Vienna, Dec. 30, via London, Dec. 31.—An official statement issued by the war office today gives the following summary of the war:

"In the Carpathians our troops delivered an attack north of Uzok Pass, and occupied several heights. Our counter-attacks to the north of Lupkow Pass, Galicia, have brought to a standstill the Russian advance.

"Further west the enemy attacked some of the passes with small forces. North of Garlice (Galicia), northwest of Zakliczyn and on the lower course of the Nida, the Russian attack failed. In the region to the east and southeast of Tomaszow (Poland), we and our allies have made progress.

"In the Balkan war theatre all is quiet on the Serbian frontier. Night attacks by the Montenegrins on Galtzar, near Arvovac and Hasva, near Trbinje (Horzegovina) have been repulsed."

IMPERIAL THEATRE

New Year's Eve, After the Regular Picture Show

The High School Alumnae Will Present a Splendid Local Company IN THE STIRRING BRITISH PLAY

"OURS"

Assisted by 200 Men from Our Splendid Overseas Regiment.

NOTE—The Imperial Theatre and St. John Globe are co-operating in this entertainment in appreciation of the splendid support given their serial story schemes by the school children of St. John.

TICKETS: Downstairs and 3 Rows Balcony 50c. Balance of Balcony 35c. Top Balcony 25c. Box Chairs, 75c.

Because We Give Way to the High School Theatricals We Will Have

ONLY ONE SHOW TONIGHT — CLOSE 8.45

IMPERIAL — FAMOUS PLAYERS IN GREAT PROBLEM PLAY

The Eminent Broadway Star, Mr. William Courtleigh IN DANIEL FROHMAN'S ORIGINAL PRODUCTION OF THE DRAMATIC ROMANCE

"The Better Man"

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TWENTY MILLIONS FOR EQUIPPING THE CANADIAN TROOPS

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—It is estimated that \$20,000,000 has been spent to date by the government for clothing, arms and equipment for the Canadian troops. This does not include the cost of feeding the men or their pay.

The pensions to be paid after the war are estimated to amount to about \$10,000,000 for every thousand men who leave for the war.

CLOSED DOOR POLICY IN BELGIUM AFTER FIRST OF THE YEAR

Rotterdam, Dec. 30 (via London).—Commencing January 1st the German administration in Belgium intends to close the Belgian borders against all comers. No more passports will be issued or recognized, except the special military passes.

The cause for this unusual precaution is not known here, but it is believed to have been ordered to prevent espionage.

DINNER FOR THE SOLDIERS

The women of the Women's Canadian Club, who, under the direction of Mrs. H. A. Powell, had charge of the Christmas Day dinner for the soldiers here, have offered their services to the city commissioners in connection with the dinner to be given the men of the 26th Battalion on New Year's Day here. It is expected that fully 1,000 men will be at the dinner provided by the city commissioners.

The dinner will be served in the Armory, and after the dinner there will be some form of entertainment provided. The full details of the scheme have not yet been fully arranged, but all arrangements will be completed today.

PAY AS YOU ENTER

It was said yesterday that after January 1, the St. John Street Railway will inaugurate the pay-as-you-enter system on all their cars here. Entrance to the cars will be made as at present and passengers will leave by the front doors.

FRASER—AN GARDNER'S CREEK ON SUNDAY, THE 27th INST. MISS JESSIE FRASER, LEAVING ONE SISTER TO MOURN.

Funeral from her late home on Wednesday, the 29th inst., at 2 o'clock.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1914.

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

THE PROVINCIAL FINANCES.

The annual financial statement of the Auditor General for the fiscal year ending Oct. 31st, is published this morning, and should prove eminently satisfactory to all interested in the success of the Province of New Brunswick. It shows the finances of the province to be in a very satisfactory shape. The close of the year showed a credit balance on all accounts of \$147,423, while the ordinary receipts exceeded the ordinary expenditures by almost \$1,500.

The fact that each year sees an increase in our ordinary revenues is excellent evidence that the country is prospering, as well as that public funds are being honestly collected, while the splendid attention being paid to the great public services, and the clear showing made in the accounts evidences the same honesty of administration in the provincial expenditures.

For the year just closed the ordinary revenue was the highest in the history of the province, and this despite the fact that in the item of succession duties alone there was a falling off of \$78,000. However, the province had an unexpected bonanza in the form of \$66,382 received from the Dominion Government, payment in the fisheries claim. New Brunswickers hardly require to be reminded that for years under the Liberal regime at Ottawa the Dominion Government claimed they had a right to the profits of the fishing privileges in the inland waters of this province, and collected such profits. The New Brunswick Government claimed that such collection by the Dominion authorities was not fair as the profits so obtained were, in reality, part of our territorial revenue and as such our property. Finally, the Dominion Government conceded that the claim was correct but for years afterwards it was impossible to get a refund of the amounts improperly collected. This was not accomplished until after the present Federal Government had taken office and Hon. J. D. Hazen had become Minister of Marine and Fisheries. As the result of Mr. Hazen's efforts the refund was obtained and the amount paid over.

A notable feature of the statement is that although the lumber cut has been rather below normal the returns from the territorial revenue are the largest in the history of the province. Comparison of the returns of today with the comparatively small sums received from this source during the regime of the Robinson-Pursley plunderbund will illustrate at once that since 1908 the crown land revenues have been honestly collected and turned in to the public treasury. The lumber cut on provincial crown lands was as large under former governments as it has been since 1908, yet the receipts from this source have been higher since the defeat of the Robinson-Pursley administration than ever before in provincial history.

A particularly interesting, though comparatively small, item of the provincial revenues is the return from the school books. The receipts from this source were \$17,242, a glance at the expenditures column will show that for the purchase of the books only \$15,793 was expended, thus giving a clear gain of nearly \$1,500 to the province.

The people of New Brunswick well know that they now secure the books necessary for their children's use in school for just about half what they cost before the Hazen Government smashed the iniquitous school book ring, which had the protection and support of Mr. Pursley and the gentleman who is now posing as the opposition leader. Despite the fact that the cost of school books has been reduced to the people, the Government is able to make the account show on the right side of the ledger. A profit on school books for which the people have to pay is not a desirable profit and the Government does not desire it; consequently, it would not be at all surprising if, as soon as it can be practically done, a further reduction in the price of these books might be made.

While the revenue showing of the provincial statement is gratifying, it is no more so than that made by the provincial expenditures, for perusal of the items will demonstrate that all the great public services have not been stinted during the year. On agriculture there is an increase of \$5,000 over 1913 and with such increase there will be none to find fault, for it must be generally realized that agriculture is the prime industry of this province and cannot be too liberally supported by the Government. The present Government has done particularly

good work in this regard and has thereby earned the warm approval of all classes of people.

On education the increased expenditure over 1913 is upwards of \$3,500. This is an expenditure which will also be highly endorsed, in fact if any criticism could be made it might be that the province can never spend as much money in this direction as the importance of the service merits. The present Government, however, has definitely improved the educational conditions, and as the revenues increase and the province prospers we may hope to possess the splendid technical schools and institutions of public instruction which mean so much to the ultimate prosperity of any country.

Taken altogether the statement is decidedly good. It shows the provincial finances to be in a perfectly healthy condition. Evidence to this effect, however, is already to hand in the readiness with which the small investors of the province responded to the invitation to take up provincial bonds without having recourse to the usual intermediary brokers. New Brunswick faces the New Year with the very brightest prospects.

MR. CARVELL'S RECORD.

The Times becomes almost frantic in the haste with which it rushes to the defence of Mr. Carvell and the ferocity with which it boldly declares that it is proud of his record. Well, the Dark Lantern Brigadier of Carleton County has some record, but we do not imagine he will devote much attention to it during the Carleton County campaign. If he did, and told the truth, he could furnish much interesting material regarding several transactions upon which the people of this province would almost with one accord be inclined to account him an authority. Mr. Carvell could, if he would, provide much interesting and important information regarding the gigantic Central Railway steals, in which the members of the Grit party, Grit politicians, Grit ward and district heelers and contractors had their hands and arms buried to the armpits in the public funds of this country. But Mr. Carvell won't.

Mr. Carvell could, if he would, relate the most interesting sort of stories regarding the good old days when two, and three, and even seven price bridges were so common as to cause little or no comment. But Mr. Carvell won't.

Mr. Carvell could, if he would, tear aside the curtain of mystery surrounding the graft and plundering in connection with the National Transcontinental Railway contracts in this province. But Mr. Carvell won't.

Mr. Carvell could, if he would, disclose interestingly regarding a certain contract for building an armory in this province. But Mr. Carvell won't.

Mr. Carvell knows he could tell about all these things; and Mr. Carvell knows he won't tell about them. And the Times knows Mr. Carvell could tell, and the Times also knows Mr. Carvell won't tell. And the Times does not dare to ask him for the information. In the face of all these things for the Times to say it is proud of Mr. Carvell's record is a joke, a ghastly one for the Times, perhaps, but a joke nevertheless.

SHOOTING HOLES IN THE FLAG OF TRUCE

The Grit newspapers in apologizing for the Carvell determination to secure a sacrifice in the county of Carleton, and the consequent violation of the political truce by the adherents of the Dark Lantern Brigadier, seek to show that the provincial opposition party had the right to name a candidate either in Carleton or St. John if they desired to do so. No one questions the right of any political party to contest an election to a vacant seat no matter where it may be located, but the action of the provincial opposition party in "plunging the country into party strife at a time when the thoughts of the people should be directed to other things," to quote the language one of the Grit newspapers in another province used when attempting to prevent a general election, has been productive of unfavorable newspaper comment in the sister province of Nova Scotia. The Halifax Herald, referring to the situation in New Brunswick, has this to say:

"As a result of the investigation into the so-called 'Dugal charges,' Hon. J. K. Flemming has resigned his position as premier of New Brunswick and been nominated to contest Carleton county against F. B. Carvell, his chief prosecutor—that Liberal leader who blackguarded the great British General French, now fighting Canada's battle in Flanders, and foily

standard twenty-five per cent. of the Canadian militia as a lot of 'boozers.' In consequence of Flemming's resignation the New Brunswick government has been reorganized. This reorganization by-elections in St. John and Carleton counties. Attorney-General Baxter is running in St. John.

"A few days ago the St. John Telegraph in a two-column report announced that the truce would be religiously observed and that no Liberal candidate would be nominated against Attorney-General Baxter. On Saturday, however, the Liberals of Carleton county decided to 'shoot holes through the flag of truce' as far as that county was concerned, hauled down the 'white flag' and forced all the horrors of political warfare at this season—in spite of their preaching of 'peace and good-will in politics during the war.' And so the Guehrilla Grits have fouted the 'flag of truce' and are going to 'undermine the foundations of the Nation and the Empire' by a bloody political contest for Carleton county!"

CANADIAN NATIONAL PORTS.

(Fredericton Gleaner.)
The visit of the members of the Harbor Commission of Montreal to St. John on the 14th inst. has been an incident of more than passing interest in the evolution of the policy of co-operation between the Canadian national ports, which the Minister of Marine and Fisheries has advocated and promoted ever since he went to Ottawa and took charge of the important department which he has administered so successfully. It is in the best interests of Montreal that St. John should have the most up-to-date and complete docks and other facilities for handling the trade of the port that can be provided, and it is also of at least indirect benefit to St. John that Montreal has what is declared to be the best port equipment on this side of the Atlantic, for with it the port of Montreal is properly taking care of the rapidly growing ocean traffic the trade can thus be held for Canadian routes throughout the entire year.

The port of St. John is rapidly having its facilities added to as a result of the active work of Hon. Mr. Hazen and the progressive development policy of the Borden Government. The recent opening of the new dock on the West Side to provide the accommodations which were lacking last winter was an important step in this direction, while the expenditure of the millions of dollars in the Courtenay Bay section is one of the greatest public undertakings in the history of the Dominion; and the citizens of St. John and the people of the Brunswick know that Hon. Mr. Hazen is the man to whom credit is due for these works. The members of the Montreal Harbor Commission have recently inspected some of the most important European harbors, and they will now give St. John the benefit of the information which they derived by their tour on the other side of the Atlantic so that the development of the great Winter Port can be carried along in the most systematic and successful manner possible. Col. Labelle and Mr. Robertson have expressed themselves in interviews since their arrival as agreeably surprised at the extent and excellence of the facilities of St. John harbor.

Robinson Redivivus.

The Dubious Drams of the Doleful Dumps.

Carvell (disguised as Buster Brown) What have we here? A conference, it seems, and I was not invited. How is that? Is our field leader fixing up some schemes?

To keep the Hope of Carleton from the bat?

Sweet William, you're old and losing And a nuttous spirit is seizing our crew; If you'll hang on as master of the ship You'll have to fight with me till all is blue.

At Robinson's heels let the choice spirits tap, Trader and doctor, pharisee and scribe, But I've the swaggar and I'll have the swag.

For I've more cunning than all this dull tribe.

The Master Oh, blatant Carvell, thy discordant Croak The peace of many a gathering has broke.

Here all was concord, sweetest harmony, And gentle words of fragrant flattery. My henchman, tried and trusted, were to me Sweet homage doing with no thought of brewing.

Trouble for anybody but the Tories, Of whom we all believe the tallest stories.

And I, the master, who has labored long To build a party platform, new and strong, Was just proceeding to reveal the way Wherein lies victory on the appointed day.

When you burst in, demanding with a To know what this calm conclave was about.

Robinson A plague upon these interruptions. I Would know at once what is the battle cry.

Our master thinks will rally all the Grits, And give our Tory foes all kind of fits.

Proceed Sweet William. What is the nonfiction? With which you hope to win the next election?

The Master As I was saying what we need to get Our party on its mettle is a fret Work of all policies, shot thro' and thro' With promises, a savory ragout—

Carvell (interrupting) Sweet William, do you think I am a Head. With fierce zeal by methods of my own.

Greatly I've served you in foul fight or fair, And I demand: Why was I not asked here?

Robinson Cease Carvell, cease thy noisy bluster. If you want to know the essence

Little Benny's Note Book.

By LEE PAPE.

Me and pop was taking a walk yesterday afternoon, and we started to go past Mr. Wilkiness house, and Mr. Wilkiness was standing in the parlor window holding Winfield, Winfield being the Wilkiness baby.

Darn it, sed pop, lumm awn, Benny, lets wawk past as if we dident see him.

Wich we started to do, wawkingrite by, pretending we dident no Mr. Wilkiness was there waving his hand for us to stop.

Blast it awl, hes nacking awn the window pane now, we cant help but beer that, sed pop. And he stopped, and I stopped, and Mr. Wilkiness opened the window with the hand he wasent holding Winfield with, and pop sed, Heho, Wilkiness, are you there.

Yes, Ive bin trying to attract yure attentashn awl; the time you were kumng down the street, sed Mr. Wilkiness, wat do you think, Winfield nos you, he axully nos you, as soon as he saw you he started to jump up and down and point and make a grate fuss about it, thares no donubt about it, he axully nos you.

Nonsenss, he just took a noshin to jump up and down, that was awl, sed pop.

Noshin nothing, the child axully nos you, I tell you, sed Mr. Wilkiness, look at him now, wy, he wants to shake hands with you, reetch up and shake hands with him, Potts.

Is that necessary, sed pop, wat if he dus no me; lots of peepil no me. But hes ony 8 months old, sed Mr. Wilkiness, ony 8 months old and he nos you, go awn, shake hands with him, cant you see he wants you to.

Well, if he really wishes it, sed pop. And he put his hand up and the baby kwick grabbed a hold of it as if he thawt he was catching sumthing, and pop pulled his hand away agin and looked at it, saying, Confownd it, wat do you no about that, the brat axully scratched me, look at that mark, for the luv of Mike.

Wat, scratched you, did he really, sed Mr. Wilkiness, well wat do you think of that for a child of 8 month, an axull scratch, heh, weh, the Little devil, hes never dum that to me yet, I didnt think he cood.

I am honored, I assure you, sed pop, but the next time you sick that kid awn to me, kidly dont mask his vicious intenshiz behind a pretoshin of friendship. And pop started to wawk away rubbing his hand, and I followed him, saying, Lets see it, pop, and Mr. Wilkiness kissed Winfield and put down the windo.

Of the reason that your presence Was not wanted here, I can make it pretty clear: Peace was wanted at this muster. And if you came full well we knew Trouble galore you'd gladly brew. Now that you're here we all can see There'll be no further harmony. Of all the men our party owns You are the worst for picking bones. Stiff in opinions, always in the wrong, Most everything by starts, and nothing long.

Employing all your time and energies In raising caln with friends and enemies, Trying every silly ant, Driving everybody frantic, Oh, Carvell, You're a marvel, And for a blooming biscuit, I'd emite you in the brisquet.

The Master (agitated) Sweet Gentlemen! Dear comrades, tried and true! Why can't you see that this will never be used to drive our enemies to—well, the right about.

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"ACQUAINTANCE DAY" AN IDEA FOR ST. JOHN

The Buffalo "Live Wire" in its December issue says: "No undertaking launched by the Chamber of Commerce for the benefit of its members ever struck a more popular chord than the scheme of holding an 'Acquaintance Day' once a week. Thus far three such days have been observed, and as nearly as can be estimated fully 1500 members out of a total of 2200 have participated."

This is the way the idea was carried out. Each member upon entering the chamber dining room was given a tag, upon which he wrote his name and business. At the dining table, acting as host, was a member of the new acquaintance committee, whose duty it was to collect the cards and make everybody acquainted. Music and cream.

special songs were provided for each occasion. This fraternal idea is finding expression in other localities as well. The "Get Together" Maritime Forward Convention in Amherst was somewhat along this line, and the "Get Together Tours" and the "Get Together" conferences of Maritime Premiers which were recommended by the convention, were all designed for the purpose of making the maritime leaders and business men better acquainted with each other. In St. John, the Rotary Club carries out this idea in a most admirable manner. There should be more of this "get together" spirit manifested here. It would help to remove a great many misunderstandings and misconceptions, and would tend to secure more harmony of action in all our city affairs.

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PROVINCIAL FINANCES FOR YEAR

Auditor-General submits Balance Sheet to Provincial Secretary.

The balance sheet of the accounts of the Province of New Brunswick for the fiscal year to October 31, as submitted by the Auditor-General to the Provincial Secretary, was as follows:

Expenditure	
Balance from 1913	\$ 71,150.49
Administration of justice	21,954.51
Agriculture	46,982.34
Auditor-General's office	2,369.45
Boys' Industrial Home	2,000.00
Campbellton relief	5,000.00
Colonization roads	3,542.95
Contingencies, departments and legislatures	21,872.16
Crown land classification	2,717.15
Commission to investigate charges re timber limits and Valley Railway	666.25
Exhibitions	15,137.98
Executive government	45,344.61
Education	276,750.88
Engineers' services and expenses	1,720.34
Free grants	813.35
Free grants Valley Railway bridges (special warrant)	2,183.09
Factory inspection	1,745.27
Factory Inspection—Board examining engineers	222.75
Flah, forest and game	33,259.45
Farm Settlement Board	1,555.27
Free grants	992.37
Guarantee bonds, government officials	813.60
Interest	270,125.77
Immigration	16,596.68
Jordan Memorial Sanitarium	26,500.59
Liquor license fund	26,906.90
Legislative Assembly	29,984.20
Legislative Library	1,000.00
Mining	861.81
Moving picture censors	1,000.00
Monuments	3,000.00
N. B. Historical Society	125.00
N. B. Rifle Association	300.00
Natural History societies	600.00
Public health—smallpox	2,938.18
Public health—hospital	10,000.00
Public health—sanitary conveniences	2,169.16
Probate fee fund	14,296.59
Printing	16,531.01
Provincial hospital—insurance	93,724.99
Pensions—school teachers	6,587.19
Public works	390,950.98
Public works—Motor Vehicle law	1,458.56
Refunds	531.56
Revisors	1,846.64
Stampage collection	27,814.78
Succession duties collection	8,486.70
School books	15,739.26
Sinking funds—Farm Settlement Board	26,272.00
Surveys and inspection	1,825.00
Surveys, railway inspection	3,998.58
—Railway inspector	4,557.65
Superannuation etc.	2,590.00
Tourist Associations	125.00
Unforeseen expenses	3,657.80
Total ordinary expenditures	\$1,489,774.23
Permanent bridge	\$78,136.54
Normal School annex	41,204.25
Jordan Memorial Sanitarium	5,425.01
Wharves, St. John	1,000.00
Debitures (smallpox) redeemed	3,500.00
Debitures (46 Vic. Cap. 12), redeemed	226,000.00
Agriculture—Dominion subsidy	57,500.51
Contractors' deposits—funded	10,610.82
Commutated pensions withdrawn	558.38
Supreme Court withdrawals	256.02
Probate Court withdrawals	643.03
Fredericton and Grand Lake Railway deposit withdrawn	9,300.00
Canadian Surety Co. deposit withdrawn	10,000.00
N. B. Masonic Hall Co. deposit withdrawn	100.00
Crown Land Dept.—Temporary deposits withdrawn	504.07
Farm Settlement Board—Proceeds of bonds and treasury bills	147,314.85
Contribution to Imperial government	90,630.62
Grand total	\$2,747,638.82

BRITAIN NOT WORRIED OVER WOOD SUPPLY

Not seriously affected, experts say, by Germany's declaration making product contraband.

London, Dec. 29.—As mentioned in the cable despatch to the Monitor, the declaration by Germany that wood will be considered contraband in the future, has naturally caused great indignation in Swedish circles. A Monitor representative has had an opportunity of discussing the question with experts, who view the matter both from the Swedish and from the British point of view.

As far as Sweden is concerned, when the war broke out her exports were seriously interfered with, and the general rise in the freight market and extra costs due to war risk insurance, among other items, have made her exports of coal for her industries very much more expensive. The result is reflected in the exchange, which in normal times is about kroner 18.20 to the pound, and is now about 19.20.

Strenuous efforts have been made to increase exports, with a view to improving the exchange, but this latest blow to Swedish exports will naturally affect the exchange detrimentally.

Swedish Export of Wood. In normal years, the export of wood from Sweden is between 900,000 and 1,000,000 standards. It is estimated that the quantity ready for shipment to Great Britain, British dominions and to France, which is now held up by the German declaration, is about 100,000 standards, the free on board value of which approaches £1,000,000 sterling. Part of this quantity will doubt be brought forward by rail and shipped through Norwegian ports, but the extra cost of transport resulting from such an operation would be about £2 per standard, and the capacity of the railways is limited.

So far Great Britain can view the situation with equanimity. There is no doubt that there are large stocks in this country, and that probably the regular course of trade is not interfered with, when April and May of 1915 comes round, there is no fear of a wood famine here.

The building trade, which absorbs such a large quantity of the wood in normal times, is very quiet, and the cause of the recent rise in price of timber in this country is solely due to government requirements for building wood and also to the large demand for wood for making packing cases for military stores. It can hardly be doubted that the demand will be reduced somewhat as soon as the building of huts is finished.

Large Quantities Purchased.

The opinion of the timber trade generally in Great Britain is perhaps best reflected in the attitude of importers here, who have bought large quantities of wood for shipment in December of this year. They now have the option of getting this wood transported via Norway at an extra cost of £2 per standard or of cancelling their contract. Nearly all those importers who supply the normal trade have preferred to cancel, only those who deliver to the government have elected to pay the extra cost.

It can therefore be seen that the position is viewed with absolute equanimity by all those who are not looking forward to a prolonged war, and such people feel that if Germany had really desired to aim a blow at Great Britain by bringing about a wood famine, they should have taken the step several months ago, whereas now the blow will not be effective, unless the war should be a prolonged one.

It is believed that during the winter months, endeavours will be made to ship as large quantities as possible from Sweden through Norwegian ports in order to mitigate shortages next spring, all the difficulties have not been removed by that time.

YEAR'S END GIVES MUCH EVIDENCE OF GOOD-WILL

Schools and Organizations Observe the Festive Season—Some of Yesterday's Activities.

Yesterday there were seasonable gatherings in a few of the Sunday schools and institutions of the city. More such incidents of the closing year will be present today, and it is noticeable that the greatest interest is being taken by the citizens to cheer and encourage all the folk, young and old, who at this time look for the smile and the general welcome that old Santa Claus has for a very long time extended to those who will take him, without any plea, as a really good fellow.

In St. Luke's. The committee in charge of an entertainment consisted of Miss Mary Harrison, Miss Emma Roberts and Ralph S. Crawford. The carol, "Birth-day Bells," sung by the junior members of the choir, was of what was composed by the organist of the church, R. S. Crawford, was beautifully rendered. It included a solo, "Santa Claus," by Miss Constance Murray; chorus, "Our Hero," by members of the A. Y. P. A., soloist Fred Irvine; chorus, "Glorious England," by members of the junior members.

Christmas dolls, Misses Helen Beasley, Annie Adams, M. Ramsay, Muriel Thomson, Isabel Gaskin, Dorothy Williams, Agnes Hughson, Frances Beresford, Sketch, "Sunshine Girls," with wide-awake boys and four ropes, including drills and chorus. Santa Claus being introduced with his gifts, Misses Constance Kincaid, Reta Belyea, Jennie Scott and Muriel McMillan were the ropes.

Fairville Presbyterian.

The annual Christmas tree entertainment of Columbia Presbyterian church was held last evening. The schoolroom was decorated with greenery and a large Christmas tree, prettily trimmed with lights and ornaments. A prominent place on the platform. A suitable programme by the children, under the direction of Mrs. Fred Duff and Mrs. A. Cox, was carried out in a delightful way, after which Santa Claus made his appearance and distributed to the happy youngsters many good things, fruit and candies being, of course, amongst them. Rev. C. W. Townsend then took the chair during a good evening's programme, as follows:

Chorus, Christmas Greetings; recitation, Gertrude Tove; dialogue, eight little girls; recitations, Jean Campbell, Marge-et Galley, Ethel Rose, Wilbur Armstrong, Alberta Galbraith, Hatie Bogle, Wallace Burns, Allen Rose, Willie Waters, Lillian Cox, Beatrice Stinson, Dorothy Armstrong, Rita Armstrong; solo, "We'll Never Let the Old Flag Fall," Miss Alice Duff; descriptive reading, Florence Bell; song, Dora Cox; reading, Bessie Myles; chorus, fifteen girls.

A silver collection was made at the door. Presentations were made in the form of cheques to Mrs. James Spence, the church organist, and to Miss Viola Leggett, organist for the Sunday school.

Boys' Industrial Home

The festivities began at 3.30 at the Boys' Industrial Home, East St. John. A large Christmas tree was provided, laden with good things. The boys had a good programme of entertainment, consisting of dialogues, recita-

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A RUSSIAN PRAYER.

It will doubtless be a surprise to many to know that the liturgy of the Russian Church contains the following, prepared especially for times of war, and for those also, O Lord, the humble beasts, who with us bear the burden and heat of the day, and offer their guileless lives for the well-being of their countries, we supplicate Thy great tenderness of heart, for Thou has promised to save both man and beast, and great is Thy loving kindness, O Master, Savior of the world. Lord have mercy. F. H. R.

UPPER CANADA HOCKEY GAMES LAST NIGHT

Ottawa, 4; Ontario, 1

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Five thousand people turned out tonight to witness the local opening of the National Hockey Association here. The Ottawa and Ontario teams formed the attraction, and after a sensational match the Senators won, four to one, and thus tied the Wanderers for first place in the championship race.

The line-up: Ottawa Goal Ontario Benedict Lesueur Merrill Point C. McNamara Shore Cover H. McNamara Centre Gerard Ronan Broadbent Right Wing Skinner Darragh Left Wing Smith Quebec, B; Canadiens, 7 Montreal, Dec. 30.—By a score of eight to seven, Quebec defeated the Canadiens on the ice here tonight.

The line-up: Quebec—Goal, Moran; defence, Munnery and Hall; forwards, Malone, Ritchie and Crawford. Canadiens—Goal, Vezius; defence, Dubeau and Laviolette; forwards, Smith, Berlanquette and Pitre.

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INTELLIGENT MANAGEMENT FACTOR IN FOX INDUSTRY

Dr. T. E. Bishop in recent issue of The Silver Black Fox, tells of Proper Control in Dealing with Foxes.

To what extent intelligent management is essential to the success of the fox industry, few outside of those who are intimately associated with it have but a faint conception. Possibly no other business exists where efficient management is more of a necessity than in dealing with foxes. When it is realized that the life of an animal that has cost from \$5,000 to \$15,000 is absolutely dependent upon the care that is exercised in looking after it, some idea of the intelligence and efficiency required of those in whose care it is placed may be gained. When it was first learned that the fox could be raised in captivity, very little care was thought to be required, and we hear of cases where valuable foxes were kept in barns, out-buildings and boxes, with hardly enough room to exercise in. The results in almost every instance were the same—the foxes died, and it has only been within the past few years that really intelligent study of the fox has taken place. Wonderful advances have been made in a short time, but there is still much to learn, and I believe the advance made in the future along this line will be far greater than in the past. We know today that in order to keep our foxes healthy, plenty of room for exercise is necessary, absolute sanitary conditions must prevail, and the pens and houses must be constructed with a view towards making them as similar as possible to the wild state. Then again the feeding of the fox is a study in itself and requires great care to be exercised at all times so as to give the fox not only the right kind of food but the proper quantity. The loss of foxes throughout the Maritime Provinces during the last two years has not been many; those who have taken the necessary precautions have suffered but little, but some have learned to their sorrow that the best of care is none too good to be applied. The time is fast approaching when the directors of companies must realize that in order to obtain the best results and guard against any loss of any kind it will be necessary to employ the very best skill obtainable. I believe that every company should have on their staff or in their employ the best fox man to be had, whose duty it would be to visit the ranch at stated periods, carefully examine the foxes, the ranch and everything pertaining to it. He should make a report in detail of his findings and submit same to the Board of Directors for their guidance. The directors should see that his instructions are carried out to the letter, and if the caretaker through ignorance or for any other reason does not adhere to the instructions laid down, the sooner he is removed the better for that individual company. Records should be kept of every individual fox, and much care and study given to it. I am aware many companies are doing this at the present time, and these are the companies that are getting the best results, but I believe that every company should do it.

ITALIAN PREMIER MAY NOW CALL HIMSELF COUSIN OF KING

Order of Annunciation, which gives this privilege, conferred on him by King Emmanuel.

Rome, Dec. 30.—King Victor Emmanuel has decorated Premier Salandra with the Order of the Annunciation, the highest Italian decoration, which entitles the bearer to call himself a cousin of the king. The king decorated the premier during the ceremony of baptism of the newly born Princess Maria. He spoke warmly of the services rendered to the state by the premier.

WEDDINGS.

Walker-Turnbull.

A pretty wedding was celebrated yesterday at the home of George Turnbull, Millidge Avenue, when Miss Elsie Myrtle Turnbull was married to Geo. Wellington Walker, of Hampstead, Queens County, Rev. Dr. Hutchinson officiated. The bride, who wore white silk dress, with veil and orange blossoms, was unattended. After the ceremony supper was served. The happy couple will remain in the city for a few days before going to Queen's County.

HIGH PRICES FOR GOOD FURS

Prices in the United States maintain a high level and good demand.

A prominent business man of Prince Edward Island, who is interested to a large extent in the fox industry, while on a recent trip to the large cities of the United States, made it his business to enquire regarding the prices at which good furs were being held. He found that on the whole the general fur market is very strong, "hills" in price of really good furs is high. The silver black fox, of course being so very rare is almost unobtainable, and only the largest fur houses, have any at all in stock. Some choice skins are being held at prices as high as \$3,000 to \$5,000. Furs of all kinds are in demand, mink has advanced, so has raccoon, as well as the ordinary red fox.

GLOVE BOOTS TAKE PLACE OF BULL FIGHTS

San Francisco, Dec. 29.—Now that the eternal kibosh has been put on professional exhibitions of the art of self-defence in this state, the promoters of such exhibitions for whom California has been a generous harvest-field for twenty years or more—are casting about for new worlds to conquer, as it were.

"Long Tom" McCarry, the Los Angeles impresario, has already announced his intention of combining forces with Tortorich, his New Orleans contemporary, with a view to annexing a few more honest dollars before Gabriel plays his final trump.

Today it was rumored that the Indoor Yacht Club that "Sunshine Jim" Coffroth, who has staged more championship glove contests than any living promoter (save, possibly, Gypsy Ed McCook or Asia Bill Boetta) is about to move his entire menagerie to the fertile isthmus through which Uncle Sam has lately carved a waterway. In other words, the population of the Zone is still large enough to warrant such a venture.

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THE WANDERERS WON.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—The Wanderers won tonight and won decisively from Toronto, the N.H.A. champions, by five to two. The victory of the Wanderers, their second on the opponents list, gives the Wanderers the call for the championship.

Wanderers	Position	Toronto
Wanderers	Goal	Holmes
McCarty	Point	Point
Progers	Point	Marshall
S. Clegliora	Cover	Cameron
Centre	Centre	Centre
Hyland	Left Wing	Foyston
Roberts	Right Wing	Walker
O. Clegliora	Right Wing	Walker
O. Clegliora	Right Wing	Wilson

LATE SPORT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD

PRINCIPAL SPORTING RECORDS OF YEAR 1914

Baseball Doings
 Minneapolis, April 22—In a game between the University of Minnesota and Hamline University, Pitcher Robn of the former team, pitched a no-hit game.
 Iowa City, Ia., May 2—"Shorty" Deo Jardin of Chicago team pitched a no-hit game against Iowa, winning eight to none.
 Chicago, May 31—Joe Benz, pitching for the White Sox against Cleveland, let the Naps down without a hit, winning six to one.
 Green Bay, Wis., May 31—Joe Benz pitched a no-hit game for Green Bay against Appleton.
 Minneapolis, June 9—Minneapolis and Louisville established a new association record when they played a twenty-inning game, that was won by Minneapolis three to two.
 Cedar Rapids, Ia., June 26—Gould pitched a no-hit game for Muscatine against Cedar Rapids.
 Waco, Tex., July 9—The Austin club of the Texas league, defeated eleven to five by Waco, established what is believed to be a new world's record of thirty consecutive defeats.
 Cedar Rapids, Ia., July 10—"Lefty" Mellinger pitched a no-hit game for Cedar Rapids against Burlington.
 New Haven, Conn., July 14—After a pitching duel of twenty-three innings, Hartford won from New Haven two to one. Gelst pitched for Hartford and Jensen for New Haven.
 Duluth, Minn., July 17—James Withers pitched a no-hit no-run game for Duluth against Virginia.
 Sioux City, Ia., July 19—Sioux City and Wichita of the Western league battled twenty-two innings—a new record for the league. Clemons, pitcher for Wichita, won the game with a score of three to two.
 Pittsburgh, Pa., July 17—New York defeated Pittsburgh 3 to 1 in a 21-inning game. Marquard pitched for New York; Adams for Pittsburgh.
 New York, July 19—Jose Acosta, the younger Cuban pitcher of the Long Branch (N. J.) team, shut out the St. Louis Americans at Long Branch, without a run or hit.
 Detroit, July 23.—Walsh, Collins, Melness and Schang, of the world's champion Athletics, pulled a sensational triple play in the fourth inning of a game against Detroit.
 Saginaw, Mich., Aug. 21.—Russell Robbins hurled a nine-inning, no-hit, 1 to 0 game for Saginaw against Jackson, of the Southern Michigan league.
 Mt. Clemens, Mich., Aug. 21.—Pitcher Bravert, of the Mount Clemens club, went 11, hitless innings against Battle Creek.
 Waterloo, Ia., Sept. 5.—In a game against Keokuk, Tom Drohan, the Waterloo twirler, pitched a no hit no-run game.
 Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 16.—During a game of field events between the Brooklyn and Buffalo teams, Olie Anderson of the Brookfields made the punt and run to first in 3.15 seconds, equaling the world's record.
 Miss Broome and W. T. Tilden, Jr., won in the mixed doubles national championship from Miss Marion Myers and J. S. Rowland.
 Forest Hills, L. I., Aug. 15.—American lost the Davis cup in the international tennis matches. Norman E. Brookes, of Australia, defeated R. Norris Williams in the first single matches.
 Newport, R. I., Sept. 1.—Maurice E. McLoughlin, of San Francisco, 1913, national tennis champion, lost his title to R. Norris Williams II, of Philadelphia and Harvard, who won the all comers' championship in singles. From the champion, in straight sets. The scores were: 6-3, 8-6, 10-8.
 Niagara on the Lake, Ont., Sept. 5.—C. J. Griffin of California, the title holder, defeated G. M. Church of Princeton in the finals of the men's international lawn tennis championship singles. Scores: 3-6, 6-1, 6-2, and 6-2.
 Pigeon Flight—Boston Mass. April 28.—A flight of 110 miles in 110 minutes was made by a carrier pigeon that flew from Amherst to the loft of his owner, G. F. Richardson, Jr., of Newton Center.
 Dog Race—Nome, Alaska, April 17.—The all-Alaska sweepstakes dog team race of 412 miles was won by John Johnson's team of Siberian wolves, in eighty-one hours and three minutes. The Allan-Darling team of malamutes came in ten hours behind the winning team.
 Ski-Jumping—Virginia, Minn., Feb. 15.—With two great leaps of 153 and 161 feet to his credit, Ragnar Omtved, Chicago ski-jumper, retained his title of national champion in the competition here.
 Chippewa Falls, Wis., March 8.—In the ninth annual ski tournament held here first honors were carried off by Lars Haugen for the professionals with 295 points in the long distance events. Long standing—Axel Hendrickson, 132 feet. Mr. Hendrickson also turned a perfect somersault whirly, making 119 feet standing.

LOCAL BOWLING YESTERDAY

FIVE MEN LEAGUE.
 In one of the closest and most exciting games ever seen on the Victoria alleys, No. 3 team and No. 6 team broke even last night each taking two points. All the way from start to finish it was a close struggle, the second and last string being very close. No. 5 team won the second string by one pin and the third was tie. Four men from each team rolled off and No. 5 team again showed their superiority, winning out by one pin again 47 to 46, a very good score for four men. Great enthusiasm prevailed and player after player was roundly applauded for his excellent work. Ferguson had the highest single (129), McDonald and Hill each had an average of 100. The individual scores follow:

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Lewis	77 95 84 256-85-1-3
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Teed	79 89 94 262-87-1-3
Hill	100 108 92 300-100
439 468 462 1369	

No. 6 Team.	
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Thurston	85 93 79 267-89
B. Stevens	83 90 93 266-88-2-3
McDonald	109 106 85 300-100
Ferguson	76 90 120 286-95-1-3
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Toronto, Dec. 30.—Hon. W. J. Hanna, provincial secretary, announces that the Ontario Government has decided to tax motor cars according to their horsepower. The license year of 1914 has been extended until January 31, 1915, to give the Provincial Secretary's department time to get out the new schedule of rates. It is expected that the new tax will supply an additional revenue of over \$100,000, which will be used for the improvement of the roads.

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Toronto, Dec. 30.—Hon. W. J. Hanna, provincial secretary, announces that the Ontario Government has decided to tax motor cars according to their horsepower. The license year of 1914 has been extended until January 31, 1915, to give the Provincial Secretary's department time to get out the new schedule of rates. It is expected that the new tax will supply an additional revenue of over \$100,000, which will be used for the improvement of the roads.

Bringing Up Father



London (by mail) change scheme is respecting. Trans-Atlantic for cash. The ultimate business, must be made at principle of Linn... ended. This... shares, and deman... of shares of a B... United Kingdom the... scientific at the... provision is more... in the breath than... so far as the Stock... earned. But the p... to fix minimum pri... ties outside the g... occasion arise.

Exchange next... Strong action... in the matter of... with German stamp... late Dutch stamp... attention has been... cases which appea... instances of attempt... securities in London... of alien enemies. I... the committee has... buy back the bonds... attention of the... called to the matter.

December Phase... Full Moon, 2nd... East Quarter, 10th... New Moon, 18th... First Quarter, 24th.

STEAMERS... The Str Manchester... to arrive from Halifax... CABOTIA... The Donaldson... from Glasgow yeste... St. John.

SAILS FOR... The steamer Char... cargo and left... Havre this morning... SICILIAN... The Allan Limer... cargo and a hundre... for London today.

BLOWN OFF... The four-masted... which left Boston... Bridgewater, N. S... at Mayaguez, Port... a cablegram receive... er's agents at Boston... credited that his vess... 2,000 miles off her... gales but was unda...

AMERICAN SHIP... The American ship... ney, Australia, partly... and is held there by... the export of wool, t... British government... to export it having... who was almost lo... was the last wood... launched in the Uni... been built in 1833 a... measures 2,123 gros... from Boston.

CHAMBER OF... (Shipping Illustr... The documentary... number of Shipping... ed in framing a... timber business... representatives... ned that the res... ns will be a con... reasonably fr... and free iron... abounded in... shippers folst...

PORT OF ST... Sailed Wednesday... St. John's, 2... to save cargo... Natarra.

Financial And Commercial News And Notes

TRADING WILL BE VIRTUALLY FOR CASH

No speculative business on London change and cash payments must be made at settlement.

London (by mail)—The Stock Exchange scheme is for severely limited reopening. Transactions will be virtually for cash.

The greatest precautions will be taken against German and other "alien" selling, and it is said that part of the bargain with the Treasury will be dealt with. The position is regarded as unsatisfactory.

TO BE GOVERNOR'S SECRETARY



WILLIAM A. ORR

QUOTATIONS ON GRAIN MARKETS

Table with columns for Wheat, Corn, Oats, and Pork, listing prices for various grades and quantities.

GOSSIP FROM WORLD'S MARKETS

Shareholders of corporations fared much better last week in dividends than in the preceding week.

Some Dutch Liquidation of Stocks. The selling which followed the first enthusiasm of the New York Stock Exchange reopening has been carefully watched in order to determine whether the bulk of the business was domestic in origin, or whether, under the guise of domestic selling, agents for European stockholders have been artfully feeding out to the American market in homeopathic doses the shares that could not be disposed of in the first.

SMALLEST AMOUNT OF STOCK QUOTATIONS TRADING IN 26 YRS.

Volume of business yesterday scarcely 50,000 shares—Record for full session—Narrow movement and lower trend.

New York, Dec. 30.—Operations on the Stock Exchange today were marked by the smallest amount of business for a full session, since February, 1888.

STOCK QUOTATIONS ON N.Y. EXCHANGE

Table of stock quotations including Amal Cop, Am Beet Sug, Am Car Fy, Anaconda, Am Telo, Atchison, Am Can, Balt and O Co, Brook Rap T, Cons Gas, Can Pac, Erie Com, Gr Nor Pfd, Lehigh Val, NY NH and H, Nor Pac, Penn, Reading Com, St Paul, Sou Pac, Un Pac Com, U S Steel Com, U S Rub Com, and Westing Elec.

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STEAMSHIPS

EASTERN STEAMSHIP CORPORATION INTERNATIONAL LINE. Reduced Fares. Schedule in Effect November 28. St. John to Boston, St. John to Portland, etc.

ELDER-DEMPSTER LINE

South African Service. S. S. "KIVARRA," sailing from St. John about January 25th for Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, East London, Durban and Delagoa Bay.

MANCHESTER LINE

From Manchester, Nov. 14 Man. Citizen, Nov. 21 Man. Miller, Nov. 28 Man. Corporation, Dec. 5 Man. Merchant, Dec. 12 Man. Spinner, Dec. 19 Man. Exchange, Dec. 26 Man. Shipper.

FURNESS LINE

From London, Dec. 15 Graclana, Dec. 20 Start Point, Jan. 8 Sagamore.

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World's Shipping News

MINIATURE ALMANAC

December Phases of the Moon. Full Moon, 2nd, 2h. 21m. p.m. Last Quarter, 10th, 7h. 32m. a.m. New Moon, 16th, 10h. 35m. p.m. First Quarter, 24th, 4h. 25m. a.m.

STEAMER DUE

The Str Manchester Merchant is due to arrive from Halifax this morning.

CABOTIA SAILS

The Donaldson Liner Cabotia sailed from Glasgow yesterday morning for St. John.

SAILS FOR HAVRE

The steamer Charterhouse, with a cargo of hay and oats, will sail for Havre this morning.

SICILIAN SAILS

The Allan Liner Sicilian with a good cargo and a hundred passengers, sails for London today.

BLOWN OFF COURSE

The four-masted schooner Lewiston, which left Boston three weeks ago for Bridgewater, N.S., arrived for business at Mayaguez, Porto Rico, according to a cablegram received by the schooner's agents at Boston.

AMERICAN SHIP HELD

The American ship Aryan is at Sydney, Australia, partly loaded with wool and is held there by the embargo on the export of wool, the refusal of the British government to grant a license to export it having been made when she was almost loaded.

CHAMBER OF SHIPPING

(Shipping Illustrated, Dec. 26.) The documentary committee of the chamber of shipping is at present engaged in framing a new charter for the timber business, in conjunction with representatives of the trade. It is hoped that the result of these deliberations will be a completely new document, reasonably fair to steamship owners and free from pit falls which have hitherto troubled shippers and owners.

PORT OF ST. JOHN, N. B.

Sailed Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1914. Str Glamorgan, 2365, for Tusket Island, to save cargo wrecked steamer Navarra.

BRITISH PORTS

London, Dec 29—Ahd: Str Anglian, Boston. Liverpool, Dec 29—Ard: Str Canadian, Boston. Hull, Dec 29—Ard: Str Appennine, Montreal. Liverpool, Dec 25—Ard: Strs Nicolson, Manning, Galveston; Queen Wilhelmina, Dickinson, Halifax and St John's, N.B. Manchester, Dec 24—Ard: Str Manchester Mariner, Cabot, Philadelphia. London, Dec 28—Ard: Str Parthenia, Whimster, Botwood via Avonmouth.

FOREIGN PORTS

New York, Dec 28—Old: Sch W N Zwicker, Publicover, Liverpool, N.S. Gulfport, Dec 28—Ard: Sch Persis A Colwell, Havana. Havre, Dec 22—Ard: Str Grange-wood, Hartwell, St John, N.B. Mobile, Dec 28—Ard: Sch C W Mills, Cape Francis. Sid Dec 28: Sch Strathcona, Nipe, Cuba. Boston, Dec 28—Ard: Str Saxon Monarch, Liverpool. Cld Dec 28: Sch Florence M, Liverpool, N.S. Norfolk, Dec 28—Sid: Ship Timandra, Rio Janeiro. Gloucester, Dec 28—Ard: Sch Chas C Lister, Lelang, N.B. New London, Dec 28—Ard: Sch Ninetta M Porcella, Bridgewater, N.S. Peticilla, Port Clyde, N.S. Rockland, Dec 28—Ard: Sch Warner, Moore, Desert Ferry. Vineyard Haven, Dec 28—Sid: Sch Normandy, New York. Portland, Dec 28—Ard: Sch H H Chamberlain, Wasson, Stockton for New York.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

Portland, Dec. 29, 1914. Isles of Shoals Light Station, N. B. Siren fog signal reported disabled December 26, will be replaced in commission as soon as practicable.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Wheat, No. 2 red, 1.25 1/4 to 1.27 1/4; No. 2 hard, 1.15 1/4 to 1.17 1/4. Corn—No. 2 yellow, 68 to 68 1/2; No. 3 yellow, 66 1/2 to 68. Oats—No. 3 white, 49 1/2; standard, 50 1/2 to 50 3/4. Rye—No. 2, 1.12. Barley—61 to 74. Timothy—5.50 to 7.00. Clover—12.50 to 15.00. Pork—17.00. Lard—10.35. Hides—6.2 to 10.25.

INSURANCE AGAINST WAR RISKS REDUCED

London, Dec. 30.—The government rate of insurance of cargo against war risks will be reduced, it was announced today, from one and one-half guineas to one guinea per cent. The new rate takes effect December 31.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS

Shipping interests will please take notice that the Norton Griffiths Company have been allowed the privilege of placing two (2) gas buoys showing a fixed white light, on the western side of the channel leading into Courtenay Bay, St. John Harbor, these buoys being for their own use.

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POLICE COURT.

Frederick Keefe, who broke into the licensed bar of Wm. O'Keefe, Union street, about a month ago, and for whom the police have been looking for some time, gave himself up yesterday morning. He was brought into court and formally charged with the offence. Officer Jeffrey testified concerning the circumstances under which he came upon a man under the name of the prisoner in the bar. The prisoner managed to escape from him and was not seen until he surrendered himself yesterday morning. E. S. Ritchie appeared for the prisoner, who was remanded.

James H. Moore and Lewis Newman, two boys who were arrested some time ago on a charge of breaking and entering Williams' second-hand store on Mill street, and the store of Thomas Dean, 30 Mill street, were again before the court and some further evidence taken. Thomas Dean testified this morning and the prisoners were remanded.

John Best, charged with assaulting Regina Walsh in the hall of her home, 15 Drury Lane, pleaded guilty and was remanded. She testified that he struck her on the head.

Further evidence in the case of Carl Kemp, charged with breaking and entering the store of Hugh McGuire, Mill street, was taken yesterday morning. Mrs. Moore, mother of Wm. Moore, who was arrested along with Kemp, testified that Kemp called for him on the night in question and that her boy was partly drunk. Kemp appeared for the court and the prisoners were remanded until Saturday morning, when the case will likely be disposed of.

BELGIAN RELIEF FUND.

The following subscriptions to the Belgian Relief Fund were received yesterday by Mayor Pritchard:

Concert and basket social, Armstrong Hall, French Lake, Sunbury County, per Miss Viva Wood and Mr. and Mrs. George Armstrong, \$70.00

Redbank Sunday School, Chipman, N. B., concert, per Frank Darrah, 62.00

Fordis Mills and Beersville Branch, Women's Institute, per Mrs. James Beers, president, and Mrs. John Call, secretary, 33.00

Day school children, district No. 15, Green Mountain, North Lake, York Co., per Charles F. Boone, 10.00

H. W. Schofield, 25.00

Proceeds drawing for doll, per Mrs. Wm. Vassie, 50.00

James Dickie, Moncton, 1.00

Order Railway Telegraphers, Moncton, per Mrs. A. M. Purdy, Daughters of the Empire, 15.00

Star Hall Theatre, Edmundston, per Messrs. Stevens and Lawson, 10.05

Methodist Young Men's Association, Sackville, per Herbert M. Jones, 2.75

Young People's Guild, Knox Church, Logville, per A. L. Babrick, 25.00

Miss Annie Maxwell, 5.00

Dudley Brunstrom, 5.00

Rev. W. H. Barracough, B. A., 5.00

A contribution made by Mrs. E. C. Hickson, Amherst, was through a mistake credited to Mrs. E. C. Hickman.

SONS OF ENGLAND OFFICERS.

New Brunswick Lodge No. 353, Sons of England Benefit Society, has elected:

R. H. Irwin, Past President.
H. H. Barker, President.
V. Thomas, Vice-President.
E. J. Potter, Chaplain.
J. Hardy, Treasurer.
H. Taylor, Secretary.
H. Ricketts, First Guide.
J. R. Clayton, Second Guide.
C. Harding, Third Guide.
C. Phinney, Fourth Guide.
C. W. Morrell, Fifth Guide.
R. Roy Devine, Inner Guard.
G. Almon, Outer Guard.
A. Edward Loebe, M. D., Physician.
C. Harding, C. Phinney and J. Almon, Auditors.
A. Cook, R. H. Irwin and E. J. Potter, Trustees.

HOTEL ARRIVALS

Royal
T. N. Burns, Bathurst; A. D. Richard, Dorchester; L. M. Fortier, Annapolis Royal; A. T. Hill, Quebec; L. J. McLean, Medicine Hat; J. E. Patis, Montreal; E. B. Short, Digby; E. W. Blair, Woodstock; C. K. Palmer, J. K. Mackay, Fredericton; W. Denholm, Prince Rupert; W. J. Chisholm, Toronto; W. E. Farrell, Fredericton; E. Warren, Boston; N. V. Ball, Montreal; Norman Hambeck, Winnipeg; Hugh Dwyer, Toronto; W. E. Williams, Picton; F. J. Crosson, W. F. Knox, Sydney; C. Chesland, Amherst.

OPERATION OF VALLEY RY. BY INTERCOLONIAL BEGINS TOMORROW

Supt. Price making Inspection Trip prior to inauguration of line—S. B. Wass named Ass't Supt—Fredericton to Centreville five hour trip under new schedule.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Dec. 30.—Evan Price, Superintendent of the I. C. R., with headquarters at Campbellton, arrived today in his private car, and went to Centreville over the St. John Valley Railway tonight on an inspection tour prior to inauguration of operations of the road as a part of the Intercolonial Railway on Friday.

The Valley Railway will be a part of Mr. Price's division and the appointment of Mr. S. B. Wass, lately chief engineer of the Quebec Railway Company, as assistant superintendent in charge of the operation of the Valley Railway is announced.

Five hours is the running time, under schedule for I. C. R. operations on the Valley Railway between Fredericton and Centreville. This includes a stop of about half an hour at Woodstock. The distance from Fredericton to Centreville over the Valley line is 82.2 miles, while from Fredericton to Woodstock it is 63.2 miles. The running time between Fredericton and Woodstock will be three hours, the train going north leaving here at 4:30 o'clock and reaching Woodstock at 7:30 p. m.

Between Fredericton and Meductic there is now a tri-weekly mail service carried by stage, but with the operation of the Valley Railway by the I. C. R. it is expected that mail for the entire district served by the line will be carried on the train. Between Fredericton and Meductic there will doubtless be a daily mail service with free rural delivery routes established.

Mr. S. B. Wass, who has been in the Valley, here today engaged in departmental business.

George M. McDade arrived here this evening from St. John to visit friends for a few days and is being heartily welcomed.

FORMER RESIDENT OF ST. JOHN DIES AT F'CTON

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Dec. 30.—Mr. Clifford Heskin, a well known and highly respected resident of this city, passed away at his home on Union street shortly after 3 o'clock this afternoon. He was a former resident of St. John for the past 27 years having resided in this city. Deceased was 77 years of age and is survived by his widow and one daughter, Miss Carrie Heskin. The funeral will take place on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock at St. Dunstan's church.

PRESIDENTS WIN FIRST MATCH OF SEASON IN NEWCASTLE RINK

Newcastle, Dec. 30.—The first curling match of the season took place in the Newcastle rink yesterday in the series of president and vice-president.

President: C. J. Morrissy, Bryan Hennessy, Skip, W. J. Jardine, J. R. Lawlor, J. H. Sargeant, John Robinson, J. E. T. Lindon.

Vice-President: J. R. Lawlor, John Robinson, J. E. T. Lindon.

WEDDINGS

Simpson-Deming. Woodstock, Dec. 30.—A wedding of interest to many took place this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the United Baptist church when George Simpson was united to Miss Tot Deming. The church was beautifully decorated by the friends of the young couple. A very impressive ceremony was performed by Rev. Frank Orchard. Miss Simpson, sister of the groom, was bridesmaid, while Harold Deming, brother of the bride, was best man. The choir, under the direction of Dr. F. W. Baker, sang "The Voice That Breathed O'er Eden." The organist, Mrs. S. Pugsley, rendered Lohengrin's Wedding March on the entrance of the young couple and Mendelssohn's Wedding March on their departure from the church. Miss Carrie Munro also sang an appropriate solo.

The many friends of the young couple join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Simpson a happy married life.

OBITUARY

James Randies. Newcastle, Dec. 30.—The death of James Randies occurred on Monday at the age of eighty-six. Deceased leaves a widow, formerly Miss O'Brien of Beaver Brook, and following children: James, at home; Miss Eileen, Portland, Me.; May, married in Portland, Me.; Miss Beatrice, Samuel, Patrick, Max and Rosie, all at home. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon, interment in St. Mary's cemetery. Rev. Father Dixon conducting services. The pallbearers were James Major, Alex. McFarlane, Wm. McEachern and Wm. Penelon, Jr.

Jack Logan. Jack Logan, aged twenty-eight years, died at Shediac on Tuesday. He leaves a wife and one child.

Mrs. W. A. Kierstead. The death of Mrs. Lottie Kierstead, wife of Mr. Walter A. Kierstead of Advocate, N. S., took place on Monday. The deceased, who formerly resided in Sussex, besides her parents, leaves her husband and two children. She is also survived by six sisters and four brothers, Mrs. Frank Coleman and Mrs. H. B. Gordon of Moncton, being sisters.

MGR. CHAPMAN PAID TO REST AT ST. STEPHEN

Last rites for St. John priest yesterday — Many people in attendance.

The remains of the late Rt. Rev. Monsignor Chapman were removed at six o'clock yesterday morning from the Cathedral to the I. C. R. Railway station, for interment at St. Stephen. Among the passengers to the border town were His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc, Rt. Rev. Monsignor Doyle, D.P., Milltown; Revs. J. J. Ryan, St. Mary's, York County; A. Poirier, St. Mary's, John; Rev. S. J. Grogan, C. S. S. R.; Rev. F. J. McMurray, Woodstock; J. J. McDermott, Sussex; C. P. Carleton, Petersville; R. J. Coughlan, Johnville; Rev. Walter Donahue, South End, St. John; Rev. S. J. Grogan, C. S. S. R.; North End, St. John, and Rev. J. J. Walsh of Holy Trinity church, St. John.

Among the Knights of Columbus representatives were Grand Knight W. J. Mahoney, Deputy Grand Knight M. T. Coholan and Financial Secretary P. J. Fitzpatrick.

Messrs. Thomas Gorman, James H. Dooly of St. John the Baptist congregation, and others, also accompanied the remains.

At the station in St. Stephen, the Bishop of Moncton, Monsignor Doyle, D.P., the visiting delegation of priests and laymen, and many prominent people followed the body to its last resting place.

CONCERT AT AVONMORE BY S. S. CHILBREN

Avonmore, Dec. 29.—The Sunday school held a concert in the Public Hall, Wednesday evening, December 23. The following programme was carried out:

Chorus, Christmas Bells, by school; opening piece, by Nelson Kay; recitation, New Santa Claus, by Mary Cairns; Christmas Morning, by Ethel Halsman; The Old-fashioned Way, by Aurrie Schofield; chorus, Glad Christmas Day, by primary class; recitation, The Sun was Sinking in the West, by Agnes Hulsman; dialogue, The Christmas Stocking, by four little girls; recitation, The Two Little Stockings, by Elva Parks; A Visit from St. Nicholas, by Nelson Kay; chorus, O Mistress of the Mighty Sea, by four girls; recitation, A Christmas Thought, by Agnes Hulsman; dialogue, First Cooking Lesson, by Elva Parks and Mary Cairns; recitation, The Tea Party, by Elizabeth Cairns; solo, Is This the Train for Heaven, by Mary Cairns; tableau, Getting ready for Christmas, by four small girls; chorus, Jingle Bells, by primary class; recitation, The Happy Day, by Thelma Kay; dialogue, God Who Made the Sun and Moon, by Aurrie Schofield; Ethel Halsman; duet, Little Sowers, by Thelma and Nelson Kay; dialogue, The New Telephone, by Dora Parks and Aurrie Schofield; recitation, Santa Claus, by Hedley Schofield; solo, by Dora Parks, "Star of the East." God Save the King by all.

Mr. John Hickson, St. John, is spending his vacation with his uncle James Hickson.

Mrs. F. B. Kay and Miss Fannie Kay spent a few days in Sussex last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Howe spent Christmas morning at St. John.

Mr. G. J. Kay spent the week end in Moncton.

MONTREAL SOLDIERS ARE DISAPPOINTED

128 expected to go as reinforcements for Princess Pat's Rgt., but draft to be raised in Quebec.

Montreal, Dec. 30.—There are in Montreal today one hundred and twenty-eight very disappointed soldiers. These men had been selected on a hurry call from the Militia Department at Ottawa, to go as the first draft of reinforcements for the Princess Patricia Canadian Light Infantry, which regiment is now at the front.

This morning the whole thing was changed by later orders from the Militia Department which stated that the draft was to be raised not in Montreal, but at Quebec City.

FUNERALS.

The funeral of Mrs. Catherine Leonard took place yesterday morning at 8:45 from her late residence, 9 Clarence street, to St. Peter's church, where solemn High Mass was celebrated by the deceased's nephew, Rev. Charles McCormick, C. S. S. R., assisted by Rev. W. P. Haignan of St. Martin's as deacon, Rev. J. Jackman, C. S. S. R., as master of ceremonies. Interment was in the new Catholic cemetery. Prayers at the grave were said by Fathers McCormick and Haignan. A very large number of friends attended the funeral and the relatives of the deceased acted as pall-bearers.

I. C. R. EXCURSIONS

The Intercolonial Railway is offering the following excursion rates for the holidays: Single fare, going Dec. 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, return limit Dec. 26th; single fare, going Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st, return limit, Jan. 2nd, 1915. Single fare and a third, going Dec. 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th, return limit, Jan. 4th; going Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st, return limit, Jan. 4th.

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Acknowledgment. The following donations to the Victorian Order of Nurses are acknowledged by the treasurer, C. W. Hallam: Mrs. J. H. Thomson, \$10; Mrs. M. Woodman, \$10; Mrs. Joseph Finley, \$5; Mrs. George F. Smith, \$5; Senator Daniel, \$5.

Cream Salad Dressing. Cook one-third cup of cream, two slightly-beaten yolks of eggs, two tablespoonsful of sugar and two tablespoonsful of lemon juice in a double boiler until as thick as soft custard. Add a pinch of salt and strain.

The Northern Dredging & Construction Co. Stock By Auction

I am instructed to sell at Chubb's Corner, so-called, on Saturday, the second day of January, 1915, at 12 o'clock noon, twenty-five (25) shares par value \$2,000.00, of this stock. This offers an exceptionally good investment for any investor, as the company has just closed its most successful year in business, and the dividend that they will pay within thirty (30) days will amount at least five (5) times what any investor is receiving for his money in any bank or on bonds.

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We pay our canvassers \$1.00 for each new subscription they send us. Instead of keeping canvassers on the road for the next few weeks, we propose giving the benefit of this commission to all who care to send us new subscriptions. Therefore new subscribers instead of paying \$3.00 for this first year's subscription will receive The Daily Standard for \$2.00 paid in advance.

The St. John Standard stands at the head of the list of Maritime Province papers. It prints every day the full Canadian Press news report, which includes the Associated Press and a supplementary cable service, as well as a large proportion of telegraphic news from all parts of Canada. The Standard enjoys too, the services of a large circle of special correspondents who provide that class of matter of local or provincial interest. It carries the New York Herald picture service consisting of the very best selection of photographic reproductions of subjects treated in the daily news. It publishes each day the ever popular Mutt and Jeff cartoons, as well as many other features which add to the value of the paper from the standpoint of the average reader. The Standard too, is noted for the excellence of its sporting and financial news, and while, owing to outside conditions, these departments do not now contain so much of interest as formerly, there will no doubt be a resumption of activity in these spheres of life before very long. In short The Standard is in every respect an ideal paper, catering to the needs of all classes and giving better value for the money than any other newspaper in the Maritime Provinces.

Only bona fide new subscriptions will be entitled to this rate

We realize perfectly well that at the present time there is a tendency towards economy. People are not inclined to spend money which they cannot well afford, and in some lines of business it is perhaps true that there are good reasons for retrenchment. But the greater mass of people of New Brunswick are just as well off as they have ever been, and have not felt the effect of the war in the slightest degree. Yet realizing that such a tendency exists, we are making a special offer to all the people of this province, and one which they cannot well overlook.

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THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Northwesterly to westerly winds, strong during the day, fair and colder.

Washington, Dec. 30—Forecast: Northern New England—Fair and colder Thursday; Friday fair. Winds, North Atlantic, Thursday and Friday, fresh, west.

Toronto, Dec. 30—The weather has been for the most part fair today in all portions of the Dominion, except that local snow flurries have occurred in Ontario and Quebec, and a few light local showers in the Maritime Provinces.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes entries for Prince Rupert, Victoria, Vancouver, Edmonton, Battleford, St. John, etc.

Around the City

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BY-ELECTION.

W. B. Tennant, Chairman 'Phone Main 484. G. Earle Logan, Secretary, 'Phone Main 1399.

Snowballers Reported

The police have reported Edward O'Brien and George Green for throwing snowballs on Erin street and striking Charles E. Wright.

Man's Glove Found

A man's glove was found in front of the Police Station King street east, yesterday afternoon. The owner can receive it on application at the station.

Deserter Arrested

Ivan Frank Park, a soldier, was taken to the Police Station last evening and given in charge by a guard on the charge of being a deserter from the Royal Canadian Regiment.

Struck by a Horse.

Last evening, while crossing Paradise Row, Mrs. Robert Johnston was struck by a horse and thrown down in front of a street car. She sustained a severe cut on the face and was carried to her home where she was attended by Dr. Pratt.

Home Guards Drilling.

No. 1 company of the Home Guards, under the command of David Waterbury, had their evening drill at the Customs House last evening. Members of the company were out in force and made an excellent showing.

Court Frederick Officers.

Court Frederick No. 268, I. O. F., at its last meeting elected the following officers for the ensuing term:—Court Deputy, J. Starr Tait, Chief Ranger, E. J. Neeve; Vice-Chief Ranger, Capt. Carter; Treasurer, John Lister; Financial Secretary, C. E. Beynes; Recording Secretary, J. A. Kindred; Orator, Jas. Alston, S. Woodman, Samuel Earle, Trustees, W. H. Alingham and Samuel Earle; Doctors, R. G. Day and F. L. Kenny.

Year-End Gatherings.

Watch-night services will begin in many of the city churches tonight as usual, and it is anticipated that they will be specially impressive in view of the disturbed conditions amongst the world nations. Outside of church circles there will be celebrations by some of the societies and organizations of the city as incidents of the year now near its end.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. John Allingham.

The many friends of Mrs. John Allingham will be grieved to learn of her death which took place last night at her home, 113 Galford street, West St. John. The deceased, who was 54 years of age, had been ill for more than a year past and on Tuesday night was stricken with paralysis which caused her death. Besides leaving her husband, who is an engineer in the ferry service, four sons and one daughter survive. The sons are Walker, P. of this city; Harry, who is a member of the Princess Patricia Regiment; John E. and Albert, at home. The deceased was a daughter of the late William Cooley of the West End. She was a staunch member of the Carlton Presbyterian Church, and leaves a very large circle of friends to mourn her death.

Save Time and Money.

Children's warm winter dresses can be had at P. A. Dykeman & Co.'s store at a great discount. Besides having bought a clearing lot from a large manufacturer, they have reduced the prices of their regular stock, and now these beautiful, comfortable dresses can be had almost for the cost of the best material alone in them. They are in all sizes, from one year to 15 years, and the prices run from 75 cents up to \$7.50 each.

AS PORT FACILITIES INCREASE TRAFFIC IS DOWN TO COME

Montreal Harbor Commissioners Express Opinion That When the War is Over There Will Be Rapid Increase of Traffic Through St. John—Think G.T.P. Will Bring Big Business to Courtenay Bay.

After completing their inspection of the harbor of St. John and Courtenay Bay, the Montreal Harbor Commissioners, who were asked to come here by Hon. J. D. Hazen, in order that they might know what facilities were at present available and form an opinion as to the possibilities of the winter port, expressed the opinion that the facilities here would assure a good business this winter, and that at the conclusion of the war this port could look forward to a steady and rapid increase in business, if the present programme for the development of harbor facilities was adhered to.

"In Courtenay Bay St. John will have a fine new harbor, capable of taking care of any amount of traffic," said the commissioners.

"As I said before there is room on the West Side of the harbor to build wharves to take care of traffic coming to St. John for a good many years," said Esquart Robertson to a reporter of The Standard. "But for all that I think it was good policy to start development work at Courtenay Bay. It is going to be rather expensive, I should judge, to construct a harbor at Courtenay Bay, and such a work could not be carried out in a day or two. No doubt by the time this harbor is opened there will be traffic enough to keep the docks, which will be built at the outset, busy, at least in the winter season. The Grand Trunk Pacific Railway will have its winter terminus there, and this company is bound to bring a large amount of traffic to St. John. It is opening a new territory, developing, one might say, a new Empire. Necessarily it is bound to do everything in its power to create new traffic, new business, winter and summer, and in any case it will bring its winter business to Courtenay Bay."

"For the most part the C. P. R. and the G. T. P. carry on their main operations in different territories. The G. T. P. will and must increase its business to the great advantage of the port of St. John in winter time. At the same time the C. P. R. will be increasing its traffic and bringing more business to the West Side. The C. P. R. does not leave anything lying around loose. Between these two railways, and with the possibility of the Canadian Northern seeking a winter port here, St. John's future as a shipping port is assured. In summer you can't do as much business as Montreal; we are almost up into the heart of the country; but the winter traffic through this port must constantly increase. At the same time your summer business is bound to increase."

"After this war is over you are going to see an enormous expansion in both Canada and the States. More and more Canadian traffic will follow Canadian channels, and we may also expect to handle an increasing share of the growing traffic of the American west. As a matter of fact both Canadian and American traffic has come to us in recent years as fast as we have provided facilities to handle it, and this tendency will continue."

"Both in Montreal and St. John recently every effort has been made to enlarge the harbor facilities as fast as possible, and from the information I have gathered the facilities here have been as much taxed by the expanding traffic as they have been in Montreal. Our idea of the solution of the problem of developing Canadian trade in Canadian channels is to provide the facilities. Given the facilities the trade will come. The biggest

SALORS FROM SHIPS IN PORT MADE HAPPY

Entertained at Seamen's Institute Last Night—Christmas Tree and Presentation of Comfort Bags

About 350 sailors from the steamships now in port were in attendance at the Seamen's Institute last night when the annual Christmas treat was given. An efficient committee of ladies was in charge, and besides receiving a treat of cake and coffee each seaman received a comfort bag. These bags were donated not only by women in the city but have been received from different parts of the province and contain socks, needles, pins, buttons, and many other useful articles to the men.

R. Morton Smith presided and the evening's entertainment was opened by the singing of the National Anthem. Mr. Smith then addressed the men and in the course of his remarks he stated that owing to the large mail boats not coming here this winter the institute would have to be assisted from outside sources. Rev. Gordon Dickie gave a very interesting address to the men after which Miss Thompson rendered a piano solo entitled "Song of Canada." The young ladies of the St. John Girls' Association then presented a tableau, "The Moving of the Nations." Mrs. Bruce Weston presided at the piano and as each young lady appeared on the stage representing a particular nation the anthem of that nation was sung by the members of the association. Those who took part were: England, Miss Grace Nichol; Scotland, Miss Nettie Nichol; Ireland, Miss Minnie McDevitt; Russia, Miss Nina Brown; France, Miss Edith Hefter; Belgium, Miss Stella Earle; Japan, Miss Winona Steeves; Canada, Miss Jennie Boyd.

Recitations were given by Miss Marion Harding and Miss Tillie McDevitt, and solos were rendered by Hew Walker. The affair was a great success and was enjoyed by all present.

MARITIME FISH DEALERS SHOULD ADVERTISE FOOD VALUE OF FISH

Mayor Short of Digby Thinks That Fish Merchants Would Find it Profitable to Advertise Their Products.

"Bad weather has interfered with the fishing recently," said H. B. Short, Mayor of Digby, and manager of the Maritime Fish Corporation who was at the Royal yesterday.

"We are not independent of the weather, but otherwise we are doing business as usual," added Mr. Short. Speaking of fish market conditions, Mr. Short said they were looking much better, although there might still be some improvements in rates of exchange. This, however, was a matter in which improvements were being made daily. Nova Scotia was now shipping fish to Brazil under the usual conditions, and Newfoundland was able to resume shipping fish to the Mediterranean. These facts indicated that Great Britain had mastered the usual conditions, and Newfoundland was returning to the normal.

Speaking of the setback given the lobster canning industry by the war, Mr. Short expressed the view that the canners might improve the outlook if they advertised their wares in Canada, where there was a fair home market which they had not attempted to tap. He thought that fish merchants generally might to their own advantage start a campaign to advertise the importance of fish as a food product to the Canadian people, who in spite of the fact that they own the best fishing grounds in the world are very small consumers of fish compared with peoples of other countries.

ST. JOHN PRESBYTERIAN SUNDAY SCHOOL GIVES XMAS ENTERTAINMENT

The St. John Presbyterian church Sunday school held a Christmas tree festival last evening which proved very enjoyable, and gave a lot of enjoyment to all who attended. The programme was opened by an anthem by the girls of Miss Annie Storms' class.

Recitations were given by Marion Irwin, Freda McFarlane, Margaret Woods, Phillis Charlton and Mary Anderson.

A feature of the entertainment was a Christmas Acrostic, in which Hazel Dibble, Edna Dibble, Eveline Manning, Robt. McDavid, Phillis Charlton, Grace Anderson, George Cummings, Jean Charlton and Jean Andersop took part.

Gifts for the Athletic Lad. Food, healthy exercise is the making of the boy or girl of any age, and, presents that make for strong, robust bodies are both practical and sensible. Here are a few suggestions, but call at our Sporting Department and let us help you make selections: Dumb Bells, 30 to 80 cents the pair. Indian Clubs, 50 cents to \$1.35 the pair. Punching Bags, \$1.95 to \$9.00 each. Punching Bags, with Platforms, \$11.50 each. Boxing Gloves, \$2.15, \$2.70, \$3.25, \$4.00, \$4.25, \$4.30, \$4.50, \$4.80, \$5.00, and \$6.50 the pair. Exercisers, light, \$2.00; heavy, \$2.50 each.

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COMMENCING JANUARY 2, M.R.A. STORES WILL CLOSE EACH SATURDAY DURING JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH AT 6 P. M.

The Free Hemming Sale of Household Linens and Cottons Will Start on Monday, January 4. EVENING DRESSES For Ladies and Misses

The festivities of the holiday season will now include dances, bridge parties and other functions at which it will be an opportunity to wear some of these handsome evening dresses we offer. Evening Dresses for ladies and misses in Satin, Silk, Chiffon, Crepe de Chine, Taffeta, Lace and Net in cream, yellow, pink, blue, white, black. Trimmings are of fancy net, lace, ribbon, some with diminutive flowers, beading and rhinestone effects, gold lace, etc. 34, 36, 38 bust measurement. Prices from \$20.00 to \$37.00. Beaded Tunics for Evening Wear. These tunics are exceptionally rich and dainty in appearance and are the rage in New York at the present time. Come in and see them. Beaded Tunics in black, blue, grey, yellow, rose, tango, turquoise, purple, etc. Prices from \$7.75 to \$22.00. COSTUME SECTION—SECOND FLOOR.

MANY WILL MAKE HANDKERCHIEF GIFTS AT NEW YEAR'S. Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs—1-3 to 1-4 inch hem. Dozen \$1.65 to \$4.10. Ea. 15c. Colored Bordered Glove Handkerchiefs—Each 15c. Colored Bordered Crepe de Chine Handkerchiefs—Each 35c. Armenian Lace Handkerchiefs—Each 25c. to \$2.25. Maltese Lace Handkerchiefs—Each 85c. to \$4.35. Cluny Lace Handkerchiefs—Each \$1.95 to \$1.85. Real Duchesse Lace Handkerchiefs—Each \$6.50 to \$8.50. English Thread Handkerchiefs Each \$2.65 to \$5.00. Carrick-Ma-Cross Handkerchiefs—Each \$2.10. Baby Irish Lace Handkerchiefs—Each 25c. to 80c. Children's Colored Handkerchiefs—Embroidered corners. Each 12c. to 30c. Children's Colored Bordered Handkerchiefs—Ea 5c to 25c. Children's Linen Handkerchiefs—Each 20c. to 25c. Odd Lots from 5c. each. HANDKERCHIEF DEPT.—FRONT STORE. Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited