

## PREMIER LLOYD-GEORGE ANNOUNCES COMPOSITION OF HIS NEW MINISTRY

To All Intents and Purposes Cabinet Will Consist of but Five Men, Lloyd-George, Lord Milner, Earl Curzon, Bonar Law and Arthur Henderson. These Will be Freed from Departmental Duties and Devote All Their Time to Work of War Council.

### STRIKING ARRAY OF NOTABLE BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL MEN IN CHARGE OF VARIOUS GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Many Surprises in Slate Chosen by Premier—New Government Head Practically a Dictator—Sir Edward Carson Heads Admiralty While Mr. Balfour Replaces Viscount Grey as Foreign Secretary—Twelve Liberals, Fifteen Unionists and Three Laborites Political Complexion of Government—Important Measures Expected to be Taken up at Once.

London, Dec. 10.—The official list of the new ministry issued tonight follows the unofficial forecasts with two or three minor changes. Mr. Lloyd George, Lord Milner, Earl Curzon, Andrew Bonar Law and Arthur Henderson form what is officially termed the war cabinet, while the others, who ordinarily have been designated as cabinet ministers, are called heads of departments.

An important point in this novel organization is that it concentrates far more power in the hands of the prime minister than British system has ever known before: Mr. Lloyd George's proposals to Premier Asquith were for a war council, of which the premier should not be a member, although he should have the power of passing on its work. Mr. Lloyd-George has not hesitated to place himself in a position more closely resembling a dictatorship than he was willing to give his predecessor.

The war cabinet will hold daily sessions, directing the prosecution of the war, and the freedom of Mr. Lloyd George, Lord Milner and Mr. Henderson from departmental duties will allow them to devote all their time to the war council. The work of the exchequer and the government leadership in the House of Commons will absorb most of Mr. Bonar Law's time, and attendance in the House of Lords will necessitate Earl Curzon's absence from the council frequently. So that, Mr. Lloyd George, Lord Milner and Mr. Henderson will be the chief directors of the war.

For practical purposes the government will be a cabinet of four. Whether there is any plan for meetings of all the heads of departments of cabinet rank is not yet known, but councils in which the ministers of foreign affairs, war and the admiralty participate with the others whose duties directly concern war measures will be certain.

A meeting of the privy council will be held tomorrow for the swearing in of the ministers. The prime minister will make a speech in the House of Commons Tuesday in which he will declare the policy of the new government and a bill will be introduced enabling the members to take their seats without going through the formality of a new election, which the law demands when a member accepts a position under the crown.

#### Unionists in Majority.

The complexion of the new government is twelve Liberals, fifteen Unionists, three Laborites and the presidents of the boards of trade and education and the shipping controller, who have been attached to no parties.

The most important new officials are the food and shipping controllers. Baron Devonport has been manager of the port of London, a post requiring business ability, and Sir first rate business ability, and Sir Joseph MacLay is one of the great Scottish shipowners. Business is further represented by Baron Rhondda, who is a coal mining magnate at the local government board; by Sir Albert Stanley, at the board of trade, and Sir Alfred Mond, a manufacturer, a commissioner of works, and also by Sir Frederick Cawley and Albert Illingworth.

There has been a strong demand for live, experienced men to direct agriculture and education. This has been met by the selection of Rowland E. Prothero, who is manager of the Duke of Bedford's enormous estates, and of Herbert A. L. Fisher, who has made a brilliant record as head of the Sheffield University as a progressive educator.

#### Renounces His Pension.

Sir Robert Finlay's renunciation of the pension attached to the office of lord high chancellor, will be a popular stroke. The lord chancellor draws £10,000 in office and a pension of £20,000 after his retirement. There has been much discussion over the cost of this largely ornamental office recently. Three retired chancellors are drawing pensions, and Lord Buckmaster will make the fourth, having seen two years' service.

T. P. O'Connor gives notice of a motion in the House of Commons for the formation of a series of commissions in parliament, on the French model, for co-operation with the ministers in conducting the war.

The measures of the new government for the control of supplies will be proceeded by one for the entire con-

trol of the liquor trade, according to well informed sources. Absolute prohibition of the consumption of spirits, except medicinally, and restrictions on the beer trade, are expected. The whole resources of the spirit trade, it is believed will be put under state control early in the new year, and the accumulated stocks diverted to other purposes than drink. The distillation of whiskey and gin will be prohibited.

#### Some Notable Men.

Of the less well known men in the new cabinet, the majority of them seemingly are well qualified from practical experience for their respective posts.

The new lord high chancellor, Sir Robert Bannatyne Finlay, has twice before held positions in the government, having been solicitor-general and attorney-general. He is a Unionist member of parliament.

Sir George Cave is a well known lawyer and Unionist member of parliament for the Kingston division of Surrey.

Baron Rhondda, before his elevation to the realm of noblemen in December 1915, was David A. Thomas, head of the Cambrian Coal Combination, and was known as "the British coal king." He sat twice in parliament as a Liberal member. He was one of the survivors of the steamer Lusitania when she was sunk in 1915. Later he was sent across the Atlantic to represent the munitions department of the British government in the United States and Canada. On his return to England he was created a baron by King George.

Sir Albert Stanley is general manager of the Underground Railway System of London. He was educated in American technical schools, and for a number of years was the manager of the street railways in Detroit and of the public service railways in New Jersey.

John Hodge is a Labor member of parliament. He is secretary of the Steel Smelting Amalgamated Association.

Dr. Christopher Addison is qualified

### THE NEW CABINET

London, Dec. 10.—Official announcement was made tonight that the new government had been constituted with a war cabinet comprising:

Premier David Lloyd George.  
Lord President of the Council, Earl Curzon, who also will be government leader in the House of Lords.  
Arthur Henderson, minister without portfolio.  
Lord Milner, minister without portfolio.

Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, who has been asked by the premier as leader in the House of Commons, and also as member of the war cabinet, without being expected to attend regularly.

#### Non-War Ministers.

President of the Board of Agriculture, Rowland E. Prothero.

President of the Board of Education, Herbert A. L. Fisher.

First Commissioner of Works, Sir Bannatyne Finlay.

Secretary of State for the Home Department, Sir George Cave.

Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Arthur J. Balfour.

Secretary of State for the Colonies, Walter Home Long.

Secretary of State for War, the Earl of Derby.

Secretary of State for India, Austen Chamberlain.

President of the Local Government Board, Baron Rhondda.

President of the Board of Trade, Sir Albert Stanley.

Minister of Labor, John Hodge.

First Lord of the Admiralty, Sir Edward Carson.

Minister of Munitions, Dr. Christopher Addison.

Minister of Blockade, Lord Robert Cecil.

Food Controller, Baron Devonport.

Shipping Controller, Sir Joseph Paton MacLay.

President of the Board of Education, Herbert A. L. Fisher.

First Commissioner of Works, Sir Bannatyne Finlay, in accepting the office of lord high chancellor, stipulated that his right to a pension be waived.

at the faculty of advocates since 1915. He is a Liberal Unionist, representing Edinburgh West in parliament.

Thomas B. Morison retains the post of solicitor-general for Scotland, which he has held since 1913.

The Right Hon. Henry E. Duke has been chairman of the royal commission on defense of the realm losses since 1915. He is the Unionist member of parliament for Exeter.

Ignatius J. O'Brien is retained as lord chancellor of Ireland, a post he has held since 1913. He is a well known Irish lawyer.

Baron Devonport is chairman of port authority of London, and has also held the post of parliamentary secretary to the Board of Trade. He is well known as a sportsman, his recreations being shooting, boating and yachting. In the hands of Sir Joseph Paton MacLay the post of shipping controller is an experienced hands, Sir Joseph being a shipowner.

The cabinet, in Rowland Edmund Prothero, has a practical man as the president of agriculture, he having studied and written extensively on farming. He has been a member of the royal commission on home production on food since 1915.

Herbert A. L. Fisher, president of the board of education, is a well known educator. He is managing director of Sheffield University since 1912, and is a fellow in several British colleges. Mr. Fisher, in 1909, delivered the Lowell Institute lectures in Boston.

Sir Alfred M. Mond, first commissioner of works, is a Liberal member of parliament. He is managing director of several large firms, notably the Mond Power and Heating Gas Company and the Power Gas Corporation, Limited.

Sir Frederick Cawley is Liberal member of parliament from Lancashire.

Albert Illingworth is a partner in the firm of Daniel Illingworth & Sons, spinners. He also is a Liberal member of parliament from Lancashire.

Another Labor member of the government is George N. Barnes, from the Black Friars division of Glasgow. He has devoted much time to the promotion of old age pensions and better allowances to soldiers and sailors. He is on the government's committee for soldiers' and sailors' pensions and allowances.

Gordon Hewart, the solicitor-general, is a well known barrister. He holds the Liberal seat in parliament for Leicester.

Likewise the old advocate, James A. Clyde, is a lawyer. He has been deat-

### Little Fighting Yesterday On Any Front But Roumanian

#### ALARMING TALE FROM ATLANTIC

Heavily Armed Vessel Reported in Steamship Lane North of Azores.

Warning Flashed to New York by Allied War Vessels off Sandy Hook.

New York, Dec. 10.—A heavily armed steamship, fitted with torpedo tubes, has been sighted about 500 miles north of the Azores, in the middle of the steamship lane, according to a wireless warning flashed tonight to merchant vessels of the Entente Allies by a British or French cruiser lying off Sandy Hook.

The message which was sent first in English and then repeated in Italian said:

"Sighted, seven a.m., December 4, longitude 48.45 west, latitude 27.57 north, a steamer of about 4,000 tons, 350 feet long and 45 feet beam. Vessel well armed and fitted with torpedo tubes. Had one short, broad funnel and two masts. Steamer probably high speed. Take all precautions."

#### MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT TO RETURN

Empire will be Deprived of Services at Front Because Liberals Object to Pairs.

#### Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Dec. 10.—The return of members of parliament in overseas forces has been made necessary by the refusal of the Liberal leaders to permit pairs. This became known when Hon. Charles Murphy the other day intimated that he refused to continue any longer his pair with Sir George Perley. Sir George is acting as overseas minister without salary and at great personal sacrifice.

#### Liberals Refuse Pairs.

When Mr. Murphy intimated that he intended no longer to continue his pair with the chief Liberal whip was asked what the policy of the party in this regard was, and the reply was made that the present arrangements would not continue. The result is the most of the twenty Conservative members who are with the forces overseas will have to return in order that the government will have a good working majority.

Sir George Perley and those who are on active commands will of course be unable to return. These include Col. H. F. McLeod, Col. George W. Fowler, Col. Sam Sharp, Col. S. J. Donaldson and Col. Gerald White and there are others who may be called upon to go on active service immediately. Most of the rest will be ordered to return in time for the opening of parliament which is expected to be towards the end of January.

The refusal of the Liberals to agree with overseas members was decided upon at the same time as Sir Wilfrid Laurier refused to co-operate with Sir Robert Borden on a parliamentary appeal for recruits.

#### DEUTSCHLAND GETS ACROSS AGAIN

Berlin, Dec. 10, via Sayville.—The German commercial submarine

#### Conflicting Reports Concerning the Campaign in that Area—Vienna Claims Teutons Are Still Advancing While Petrograd Says Roumanians have Turned and are Driving Huns Back.

#### The Russian Report.

Petrograd, Dec. 10, via London.—The Roumanians who have been retreating in Eastern Wallachia before the Teutonic advance have made a stand to the east of Ploesti, the war office announced today. They assumed the offensive on the road from Ploesti to Buzeu, and drove the Austro-German forces back to the westward. On the Moldavian frontier the Russian advance is continuing in the river valleys, despite strong resistance. The official statement reads:

"In the Putna Valley and north of Dorna Watra fighting continues. Our detachments, during their advance, encountered strong resistance. We are continuing to advance in the Trotus, Sality and Chebobia (Cobainjos?) valleys.

"On the Roumanian front the Roumanians assumed the offensive along the Buzeu road, and drove back the enemy to a position behind the Grikovul river."

#### What Vienna Says.

London, Dec. 9, 9.45 p. m.—An official statement issued today by Austro-Hungarian headquarters, as received here from Vienna, says the Russians and Roumanians are in full flight before Field Marshal Von Mackensen's Danube army, and that the Roumanian army which was in front of Gen. Von Falkenhayn's right wing has been annihilated. The Russian forces which tried to join the Roumanians from the mountain region, it adds, are retreating.

### PREMIER MURRAY OF N. S. TO BE NEW LIBERAL LEADER

He is Favored by Faction which Regards it as Time for Sir Wilfrid Laurier to Step Aside—Present Leader is said to Have Favored Sir Lomer Gouin.

#### SPECIAL TO THE STANDARD.

Ottawa, Dec. 10.—Political circles in Ottawa are deeply interested and excited over the movement in the Liberal party for a change in the federal leadership. For some time it has been apparent that there was dissension and bickering in the inner circles of the Liberals, but the cause remained in doubt until recently when it was made known that an influential wing was determined to force the retirement of Sir Wilfrid.

His successor has been decided upon and all that remains before making the appointment is the creating of the vacancy. Premier George Murray of Nova Scotia is to be the new leader, if the old chief can be convinced that private life is preferable for him and in the interests of the Liberal party. Last spring when Sir Wilfrid Laurier resigned it was against the wishes of many in his party that the resignation was not accepted but the Graham-Pardee cottage by their acceptance of the bilingual resolution was out for Sir Wilfrid. Since that time Liberal leaders have become alarmed at the growing distrust of Sir Wilfrid in the rank and file of the party in English Canada, especially has this distrust manifested itself among Scotch Presbyterian Liberals who, in Ontario, are the chief asset of the party. When Sir Wilfrid refused to sign the recruiting appeal protests from all parts of English Canada reached the English Liberal leaders and prominent workers. They became seriously alarmed at the defections that threatened the complete downfall of the party in every province but one. But what precipitated immediate action is the open determination of Sir Wilfrid Laurier to name his successor from his own province and his own people. He would designate as his heir-apparent, Sir Lomer Gouin, premier of Quebec.

Previous to the outbreak of war it was thought by many that Sir Wilfrid would prefer N. W. Rowell as his successor. Since then the Rowell boom has faded and Gouin is now the chief adviser and councillor of the Liberal chief. Liberals know that within their parliamentary representation there is no leader. When Sir Wilfrid resigned last spring the party went so far as to ballot for his successor and of the rival candidates, Graham, Lemieux and Oliver, none succeeded in securing a majority of the votes of the Liberal members, but Lemieux headed the poll. This was done without Sir Wilfrid's consent and knowledge. Lemieux polled the Quebec vote. If the Liberal chieftain subst-

tuted Gouin for Lemieux and threw his influence into the fight, many English Liberals feel it would mean the perpetuation of a regime that would surely make of the Liberal party a party of and for Quebec only.

#### Murray Selected.

They are for this reason, forcing the issue and have selected Premier Murray, a successful politician, a Scotch Presbyterian, at present without the federal party with its jealousies and prejudices—to succeed Sir Wilfrid and at once if the party is to be rescued from its present position of representative of the sentiment of but one province.

The wing of the Liberal party behind the movement is, strongly represented on the committee of one hundred. They would, with the passing of Sir Wilfrid, also send along with him into private life, Hon. Geo. F. Graham and Hon. W. L. MacKenzie King. The former's subservient to Sir Wilfrid's racial propaganda last session has weakened his position and impaired his usefulness as a party leader. The latter's Rockefeller affiliation and his pro-German speeches in North Waterloo in 1911, have made him a dangerous political associate. There are men in the Liberal party who believe that a Laurier victory during the war would be more disastrous to Canadian Liberalism than ten more years of opposition. These men are urging reconstruction in preference to an election and reconstruction under English leadership.

#### Had Successful Career.

Hon. George Murray, the man they have selected to organize the party, has had a successful career in Nova Scotia politics. He would not be an aggressive leader, as Nova Scotia under his rule has had the least progressive government of any province in Canada, but he has a pleasing personality and would it be believed, reconcile all the party factions. What is very important is that he would probably be more acceptable to French-Canadian Liberals than any other man not of their own race.

ICE IS STILL HOLDING IN THE RIVER

Fredericton Methodists Celebrate 65th Anniversary of Their Church.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Dec. 10.—The Methodists of Fredericton today celebrated the 65th anniversary of the building of their present church in this city.

Ice is still holding between Fredericton and the bridge here although the river is clear for a short distance below the railway bridge. The water has fallen off as a result of cool weather of last night and today and there is little likelihood of the ice starting for a few days.

SPAGHETTI IS TASTY, SATISFYING FOOD

Spaghetti is a tube-like paste made not only of starch, as some mistakenly believe, but of wheat, and, at that, the best gluten of the wheat Spaghetti macaroni, etc., contain the following values:

Macaroni—Protein, 13.4; starch, 74.1; fat, 3; water, 10.3; waste, 0. Spaghetti—Protein, 13.1; starch, 76; fat, 4; water, 10.6; waste, 0.

It will be seen that spaghetti contains only 3 per cent. less protein than the most expensive steak; that it has no waste, as against 12 per cent. in porthouse steak, and that in addition to an almost equal protein value it has 70 per cent. starch in addition.

The criticism that it is "pasty" and tasteless is due wholly to poor seasonings and serving. These are the points to be remembered in cooking any flour product.

1—Throw into rapidly boiling and salted water. 2—Continue the rapid cooking only for 10 minutes, and then let it slowly simmer for about 40 minutes, to swell the tubes to the fullest.

3—Cook with plenty of water, but only enough so that all is absorbed by the end of the cooking. 4—Never throw away a great quantity of water, as this is wasting the food value.

Macaroni is the largest of the tubes and much coarser in quality than spaghetti, which can be as fine as knitting needles in size. "Elbows" of macaroni and vermicelli, "alphabets," etc., are other products of the paste group. Because spaghetti and macaroni are in themselves so neutral in taste they lend themselves to strong flavors.

It is best to weigh the tubes and estimate how much is needed to make sufficient for a meal, as the tendency is to use too much, so that they "pack" in cooking and are not thoroughly cooked. Three-quarters of a pound is about sufficient to make a meal for six people.

Recipe 1—Macaroni Milanese:—One pound fine macaroni broken in inch lengths, half pound slice of ham, cut into finger strips; one can tomato soup, two whole onions, sliced; one-quarter cup grated Gorgonzola cheese, half pound button mushrooms (may be omitted), thyme, two tablespoons butter. Boil tubes until tender and all water absorbed. Melt butter, add onions and ham strips and fry gently. Remove ham and garnish on spaghetti mound. Add tomato soup to fat, thyme and mushrooms. Heat through, mix well and pour over ham and spaghetti. Sprinkle with cheese. Cost, about 40 cents; serves six amply.

Recipe 2—Three-quarters pound fine spaghetti, cooked glibets, and liver from two fowls, two quart fowl stock, well seasoned, two tablespoons butter, two tablespoonsful butter, salt, two tablespoonsful butter, salt, two tablespoonsful butter, salt.

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CONSTANTINE THREATENS TO JOIN THE GERMAN NATION

Troops Pouring Into Athens Where Crisis Said to Exist—Paris Greeks Indignant at King of Greece—Entente Allies May Deliver Ultimatum.

London, Dec. 10.—King Constantine has informed one of the legations at Athens that he would join with Germany if the Entente Allies break off diplomatic relations with him, according to a despatch from Piraeus, by way of Syra Island, Friday, to Lloyd's Weekly News.

Troops in Athens. London, Dec. 10.—News despatches to the Weekly Despatch from Syra Island, dated Friday, say that reports from Athens state that troops are arriving there continuously and that twenty thousand have gathered in and around the capital.

The allied ministers, it is added, asked for an explanation of this concentration, and Premier Lambros replied that it was for the preservation of order.

Crisis Approaching. Athens, Saturday, Dec. 9, via London, Dec. 10.—The situation here is believed to be approaching a critical moment. Garret Droppers, the American minister, was in conference with King Constantine more than an hour today. The Spanish minister has left Valencia, ostensibly on leave of absence, placing the legation in the hands of the charge d'affaires.

SIX N. B. MEN ON CASUALTY LISTS

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—The midnight casualty list contains the following names:

Infantry. Previously Reported Missing, now Missing, Believed Killed—H. B. McDonald, Sydney, N. S. Wounded—H. D. D. Fraser, Springhill, N. S. Previously Reported Missing, now Missing, Believed Killed—E. D. A. Dempsey, Jacquet River, N. B.

Previously Reported Missing, Believed Killed, now Admitted to Hospital—C. B. Lanette, Halifax, N. S. Seriously Ill—J. A. Kain, Campbellton, N. B. Wounded—J. A. Buckley, Bathurst, N. B. D. McArthur, Trenton, N. S. J. Spellman, St. John, N. B. Artillery.

Wounded—Gunner H. W. Taylor, Trinity Bay, Nfld. Mounted Rifles. Wounded—W. H. Graham, Windsor, N. S. Infantry.

Died of Wounds—L. J. McKinnon, 8 Elm street, Montreal, N. B. Missing—W. H. Henderson, 8 Richmond street, St. John, N. B. Wounded—C. L. Burlock, Sussex, N. B.

Roll. Chickens, per lb. 0.33 0.25 Potatoes, bbl. 0.00 2.50

Fish. Hlosters, boxes 0.75 0.95 Cod—Medium 0.00 7.50 Small 5.50 5.75 Finnan haddies 0.08 0.10 Herring—Gr. Manan, bbls. 6.00 6.75 Kippered, boxes 0.00 0.90

Fruits, Etc. Almonds 0.21 0.22 Bananas 2.00 3.00 Walnuts 0.15 0.17 Dates, new 0.07 0.12 Lemons 0.00 6.00 Calif. Oranges 0.00 6.50 Canadian Onions 3.00 3.25 American Onions 4.35 4.50 Peanuts, roasted 0.10 0.15

Oats, Feed, Etc. Oats, per bushel 0.78 0.80 Oats, car lots, bush. 0.78 0.78 Bran, car lots, bags 34.00 35.00 Hay, car lots, ton 14.00 14.50 Hay, per ton, sm. lots 16.00 17.00 Middlings, sm. lots 38.00 39.00

Oil, Etc. Lard Oil 0.00 1.20 "Royalite" 0.00 0.13 1/2 Premier motor gas 0.00 0.29 1/2 line 0.00 0.21 1/2 Palacine 0.00 0.16 Turpentine 0.00 0.71

Hides, Skins, Etc. Hides 0.21 0.23 Calfskins 0.30 0.32 Lambskins 1.25 1.75 Wool, washed 0.47 0.50 Wool, unwashed 0.32 0.34 Tallow 0.06 0.06 1/2

SUSSEX.

Sussex, Dec. 9.—Mr. George E. O'Brien, director of agriculture, Ottawa, was in town this week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Keith have returned from a trip to Boston. Miss Helen Jack, who has been the guest of Mrs. L. R. Murray for two weeks, returned the 2nd of the week to her home in St. John.

Mrs. Clarence Flewelling was hostess at a delightful bridge on Wednesday afternoon, in honor of Miss Helen Jack. Among those present were Mrs. George H. White, Mrs. Andrew Forsythe, Mrs. S. A. McLeod, Mrs. W. H. McLeod, Mrs. Harry B. Clarke, Mrs. Frank Landowne, Miss Carrie Roach and Miss Helen Jack. Mrs. Forsythe won the prize.

Mrs. Connelly and Mrs. Ora King were visitors to St. John on Friday. Mrs. G. L. Wetmore returned home Monday, after a pleasant visit with Montreal friends.

Lieut. Ralph Murray returned on Monday from the front and is on leave for a couple of months. He went with the 5th to England, and was transferred to the 15th Mounted Highlanders. Lieut. Murray was in the thick of the fighting on the Somme, and was badly wounded in the thigh.

Lieut. Murray was given a warm welcome by his many friends. Private Robert Gebble of the 236th Battalion, Fredericton, was in Sussex this week.

Private Seymour Gambin is here on a visit to his mother, Mrs. Duncan Gambin. He is a member of the 18th Battalion, which is at present at Amherst.

The Chancel Guild of Trinity church held its annual meeting on St. Andrew's Day. The officers for the ensuing year were Mrs. Alice Howes, president; Mrs. Geo. Hoyt, vice-president, and Miss Katherine White, sec-treasurer.

There was a pleasant reunion of Sussex citizens in London recently, when Hon. J. A. Murray, Major Dr. L. R. Murray and Major Guy S. Kinneer, dined together.

Major Murray was in England on leave after being for weeks in the thick of the fighting on the Somme. He is a member of the 18th Battalion, which is at present at Amherst.

ALLES MUST WIN PRESENT STRUGGLE

Sir George E. Foster Guest of Honor at Dinner of Pennsylvania Society, New York

New York, Dec. 10.—Sir George E. Foster, Canadian minister of trade and commerce, despite an expressed desire to hasten back to Ottawa, remained in New York last night to attend the annual dinner of the Pennsylvania Society, of which he was the guest of honor.

In the course of his speech Sir George said that there could be no peace while the Entente Allies are not victorious. Canada, Australia, and "every British dependency," he asserted, "are opposed to any discontinuance of the war until there is a guarantee that the cause which led to the conflict is abolished. It is an interesting thing," asserted Sir George, "that men of Canada and Australia should take the trouble to go to the plains of Europe and give their lives on the battlefield, and yet not so remarkable when you consider that those liberty-loving people, at peace for four generations are standing for the ideal that the Allied cause stands for."

UNITED STATES H'S MADE NO SUGGESTION OF PEACE TO EUROPE

Washington, Dec. 10.—Offers of mediation or suggestions of peace to the European nations have not been made by the United States, they are not now being borne across seas by Ambassador Gerard, and will not be broached by this government in the near future, unless there is some quite unexpected turn in world events.

SIR GEORGE FOSTER MAY SUCCEED SIR GEORGE PERLEY

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Dec. 10.—There is no confirmation here of the report cabled from London this morning that Sir Geo. Foster would succeed Sir Geo. Perley as Canadian High Commissioner.

ENGAGEMENT OF EARL GURZON OF KEDDLESTON.

London, Dec. 10.—The engagement is announced of Earl Gurzon of Kedleston, former viceroy of India, and Mrs. Grace Elvina Dugan, widow of Alfred Dugan, of Buenos Aires. Mrs. Dugan is the eldest daughter of the late J. Mupree Hinds, formerly An-

GERMAN WARSHIP ESCAPES

Light Cruiser Said to Have Succeeded in Getting Through British Cordon.

London, Dec. 9.—A German warship has succeeded in running the British cordon in the North Sea according to the report of a ship captain who says his vessel was held up and examined in the Atlantic. The vessel is not a converted merchantman, the captain said on his arrival here, but is a regular light cruiser. The report from the log of this captain has become widely known in local shipping circles, and has caused widespread agitation for the convoying of merchantmen.

The British Admiralty announced last night a report had been received that a disguised armed German vessel of mercantile type was sighted in the North Atlantic on December 4.

Bella Bruce will be seen with the new Metro Quality Serial, starring Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne.

LIVE WIRE BURNS AND KILLS HORSE

Special to The Standard. New Glasgow, N. S., Dec. 10.—A milk cow's horse was instantly killed last night about nine o'clock near Humphrey's Coal Depot, at Trenton. Two boys were sitting in the front of the wagon and a man named Woodin was standing on behind. When near Humphrey's coal shed the horse stepped on a live electric light wire and was instantly electrocuted. The volt-ages must have been very high for the animal only lived a few moments. Just a minute or two before this happened a little girl was going home when she came in contact with the same wire. She was burned about the arms and hands but miraculously escaped instant death. As a result of the accident to the horse the three towns of New Glasgow, Stellarton and Trenton were plunged into complete darkness, it being necessary to shut off all electric power for about twenty minutes in order to get the horse disentangled from the wire.

RECEPTION TENDER COL.

Special to The Standard. Victoria, B. C., Dec. 10.—The reception of officers of the 23rd Battalion, on Ft. Col. Guthrie and gave a magnificent reception. Theatre in this the province. Premier himself a New Brunswicker, and those on platform were representative army and naval units. Duff Stuart, district inspector, and Rear Adm-

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London, Dec. 10.—Reuter's Athens correspondent, telegraphing Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock says: "According to Greek statements a friendly spirit prevailed at the audience King Constantine gave the British and Russian ministers yesterday. The king, as a sign that he entertains no hostile intentions, offered to withdraw two regiments from Thessaly and entrust the guarding of the Corinth Canal and the Chalcid bridge to French torpedo boat destroyers.

"While the Greek government announces that the situation has improved the diplomatic body is reserved."

Robert Kerr. Montreal, Dec. 10.—Robert Kerr, formerly passenger traffic manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., passed away quietly at his home, 63 Madison avenue, Toronto, on Saturday morning.

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## Kilties Head and Party Given Glad Hand in Victoria—At Vancouver Today.

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Met St. John People. Major C. G. Gessie, medical officer of the Kilties, who joined the party at Calgary, outlined the formation of the MacLean Battalion, and was followed by Colonel Guthrie whose address of more than an hour's duration electrified the big audience. His Lordship Bishop Schofield, formerly dean of Fredericton, was on the platform, and Mrs. Fisher of St. John was one of the soloists. Yesterday Col. Guthrie and party were entertained at luncheon by the European War Veterans' Association, when the formation of both provincial and Dominion leagues of veterans was discussed. Last night the party left for Vancouver, where on Monday Col. Guthrie will address the Vancouver Canadian Club at luncheon and will meet the European War Veterans' Association in the evening. That night the party will leave for Prince Rupert en route home via Edmonton, Red Deer and Calgary, where public meetings will be held. On their arrival in British Columbia the party en route to Victoria were entertained by the Vancouver Gaelic Society when the officers spoke and received assurances of assistance in recruiting and every possible support from members of Clan MacLean.

# SIR THOMAS WHITE SURPRISED AT CANADA'S GOOD STANDING

## Returns Home After Seven Weeks Trip to Europe—Canadian Soldiers Cheerful Under Trying Conditions.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 10.—Sir Thomas White, Minister of Finance, has returned to Canada after an absence of seven weeks. During his visit to England which was upon the invitation of the Imperial government, Sir Thomas was continuously engaged in official and other business. He discussed with the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the chief of the treasury problems of Imperial finance arising out of the war and more particularly relating to the exchange and the situation on this side of the Atlantic.

Favorable Impression. The minister said he was surprised to find the extraordinarily favorable impression which has been created in official and business circles in London by the strength and stability of Canadian finance as revealed by the Dominion's successful loan operations and the establishment of credits for the Imperial government towards meeting its commitments for munitions and supplies purchased in Canada. The greatest appreciation is also expressed of the great and growing part which is being played by Canadian industrial establishments in furnishing shells, explosives and other munitions so vitally necessary to success in the operations of this war. As for the Canadian forces there is nothing but admiration. It is recognized that they are fighting far from home. Everywhere the Canadian soldier speaks of the great kindness which he receives at the hands of the British people. Especially is this the case with our wounded in hospitals and convalescent officers and men. "Undoubtedly one of the greatest surprises of the war to the British people has been the spirit, efficiency and scale of the participation by the overseas dominions generally in the great struggle. The fighting men of Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa have written an immortal page in the annals of British valor."

Visited Camps. While abroad the Minister of Finance visited several of the Canadian camps and hospitals and in company with Sir George Perley paid a visit to the grand fleet, where they were the guests of Admiral Jellicoe, and to the Canadian divisions in France, where they met Sir Julian Byng, commander of the Canadian corps, and all the divisional commanders and their chief officers. The minister said he had been deeply impressed and affected by the uncomplaining cheerfulness, courage and devotion of the men on the firing line and the fine quality of their commanders and of their officers generally. "As I saw the conditions under which their arduous duties are carried on from day to day, noted the cheerfulness of their demeanor in the face of every present danger and hardship, conversed with them as to their daily life, their outlook and homes, friends and acquaintances they have left behind, it seemed to me that they were the very flower of Canadian manhood, the noblest and the worthiest men that I had ever been privileged to meet. When we were coming away Sir Julian Byng, who is beloved and respected by all for his fine qualities both as a soldier and as a man, said to me: 'The Canadian corps is thoroughly sound in every way.' He is proud to command the Canadian forces, at the front and they are proud in turn to be commanded by him."

Met Sir Douglas. While at the front the two Canadian

# LT. FRANK COURTENAY QUITE ILL IN LONDON

## Popular Officer of 140th Suffering from Influenza and Bronchitis.

Friends of Lt. Frank Courtenay will regret to hear that he is quite seriously ill in a London hospital suffering from influenza and bronchitis. Lt. Courtenay has been taking a course at the Canadian Military School at Crowborough Camp at Sussex along with several other New Brunswick officers and is expected to proceed to France at an early date. Lt. Courtenay was formerly attached to the 140th Battalion under Lt. Col. Beer. He has been in England for about two months. His friends trust that he will make a rapid recovery.

MILITARY NOTES. One of the most successful entertainments in the military Y. M. C. A. this season took place on Saturday night. There was a large attendance and the men thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Steve Matthews was heard in several smile producers, and was obliged to respond to each number. Several accordion selections by Private E. Hamare, a member of the 16th Battalion, helped to pass a pleasant evening. Prof. D. Arnold Fox was the accompanist for the evening. Besides the musical programme an address by Magistrate R. J. Ritchie was greatly enjoyed. Yesterday the 16th attended divine service at St. John the Baptist church, where the battalion chaplain, Father Gaudet, preached the sermon. Yesterday the draft from the Field Ambulance Training Depot received their final examination before sailing for England. Fifty men underwent a stringent medical examination by the officers of the unit. It is not known just what officers will accompany the draft, but it is understood one will be a St. John man. The unit did not attend divine service in a body yesterday, but each man had the privilege of attending the church of his choice. Fifty men of the Siege Battery came across to attend divine service at Trinity church yesterday morning. The party was officiated by Lieutenant Price. No recruits reported to the Siege Battery for the week-end.

Private W. H. Henderson Missing. Word was received from Ottawa, yesterday, by Mrs. M. Henderson, of Richmond street, that her son, Private William H. Henderson, has been missing since September 29. Before enlisting with the 26th Battalion he was an engineer on the C.P.R. and was very popular with his fellow employees. Two other sons also enlisted for service, Alfred and Herbert D., and they are now at the front. A large number of friends will sympathize with Mrs. Henderson in her anxiety concerning the missing son, and will join in expressing the hope that good news will soon

be forthcoming. There are few mothers who have given three sons for the cause, and Mrs. Henderson is ever concerned respecting the welfare of the brave boys who are ready understood by all.

Salvation Army Junior Congress. The junior members of the Salvation Army held a very enthusiastic congress yesterday in Orange hall, Germain street. Commissioner Richards conducted the meetings and was

assisted by Colonel McMillan, Brigadier Morris and Major Barr. Delegates from all over the province were in attendance, sixty-four coming from points outside the city and one hundred and forty from the city proper. A large number of the life saving boy scouts and the girl guards were present in uniform. At the morning session Commissioner Richards spoke from First Chronicle, 11, 22, "And Benaiah slew a lion in a pit." At the afternoon session he spoke further on the same subject. He gave another interesting address

in the evening that stirred his audience deeply. Commissioner Richards will make a divisional inspection of the Salvation Army work in St. John today and will leave for Montreal tonight. Famous collections of war trophies at the Union Club Tuesday. Club-women throughout the United States are taking great interest in the Thanhouer production of "King Lear," starring Frederick Ward, which is to be released through the Pathé exchanges on December 17.

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### DIED.

MARVEN—In this city, on the 8th inst., in her 89th year, Eliza, Georgiana, widow of W. S. Marven. Funeral on Monday, the 11th inst., at 2:30 p. m., from the residence of her son-in-law, W. F. Halberway, 71 St. James St. Service at three p. m., from St. John (Stone) Church. No flowers.

REID—On December the 10th, at the residence of her brother-in-law, Dr. N. G. Trueman, Salem, Mass., Edna Gertrude, daughter of the late David and Mary Reid. Funeral notice later.

KELLEY—At the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. H. Gale, 46 Adelaide Street, on Sunday evening, the 10th inst., Bernard Kelley, aged 79 years. Funeral on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. The body will be taken to Mill Cove, Queens County, for interment.

FLEWELLING—At Clinton, December 10th, after four months illness, Hannah Augusta, aged 74, wife of Hon. G. Hudson Flewelling, leaving besides her husband one daughter. Funeral on Wednesday, Dec. 13th, at 11 a. m., at All Saints' Church, Clinton.



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**SAFE BLOWN**

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Announcement Made by Motography. The report has gained considerable circulation in the last week that Motography might possibly be sold to the "Exhibitors' Trade Review," the new paper about to be published by Lee A. Ochs and his associates under the auspices of the Motion Picture Exhibitors' League of America. Motography has not been sold and is not for sale.

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# WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN WHEN THE BOTTOM DROPS OUT

### Edward A. Filene Predicts Serious Labor Troubles After the War, When Europe Will Stop Buying and Wages Must Come Down—Must Have a Tariff to Meet Abnormal Conditions.

Edward A. Filene, in an article in the New York Times, presents a comprehensive forecast of the probable effects of the European war and its conclusion upon American business in its various phases. Particularly interesting is his discussion of the labor question and the probable increase of the number of women drawn into the labor field. His article, in part, follows:

#### Fail of Prices

In general, the ending of the war will mark the beginning of a return from the abnormal to the normal, a process that will be slow in regard to some matters and swift in regard to others. Out of this prospect certain questions arise, the answering of which is today one of the fundamental problems of business administration: questions that involve the future political and social progress as much as they do that of business success. At the first definite move toward peace our inflated prices will tend to fall. I do not look for any disastrously sudden fall in prices, because certain forces will operate toward a temporary steadying of prices. For instance, it may take from six to 18 months to complete the diplomatic negotiations on terms of settlement, and that will be a period of feverish business activity during which all the now belligerent nations will make a strenuous effort to prepare themselves against the possibility of an unsatisfactory settlement. There will be a stocking up on raw materials of which war has caused a shortage and on supplies that would be needed in case the war had to be resumed.

This hurried attempt at restoration will be both economic and military. The military preparation may be limited, somewhat, by the fact that a too evident military preparation would react unfavorably upon the diplomatic deliberations; but the economic preparation that underlies military preparation will proceed at full tilt.

#### Widespread Readjustments.

This period of buying will temporarily tend to keep prices more steady. But eventually prices must go to normal, and in going require widespread readjustments. But, while there may be wide fluctuations in speculative stocks, the federal reserve act, by making credit available under almost any conceivable circumstance to the man who needs and deserves it, has removed any serious danger of a general panic.

Our increased export business at the beginning of the war, aside from ammunition sales, was a stimulus to our entire business life, and started going with renewed vigor those business activities that have resulted in a prosperity that is by no means the exclusive result of war orders, although it did receive help therefrom. The business development of our nation was headed toward an era of prosperity.

This additional export stimulus, however, must be left out of our reckoning for the future. Even before the war more than 77 per cent. of all our exports went to the nations now fighting. If, as now seems probable, the international trade policies of these nations after the war are governed by political rather than economic principles, our foreign trade may be limited to a serious extent.

The definite outlook is that our exports to European markets will be seriously restricted after the war. This restriction will probably not assume its real importance until one or two years after the end of the war, because Europe will be obliged to make heavy purchases of raw materials and goods for further manufacturing with which to set the process of reconstruction under way. But it must not be overlooked that the European demand for raw materials will raise their price not only for European manufacturers, but for American manufacturers as well, for the price will adjust itself to practically the same level for both. This may result in a situation from which the few will profit and the many suffer.

#### Tariff Policy Important

The administration of our tariff problem for the next 10 or 15 years will demand superlative statesmanship marked by rare insight, ready recognition of changing conditions, and a flexibility of mind that can bend theories to fit facts. A rigid low tariff policy and an uncompromising prohibitory policy will prove equally futile. Our two bodies of tariff opinion, with high protection at one extreme and free trade at the other, were based upon normal conditions. But after the war our tariff policy will deal with abnormal conditions.

I am convinced that the quickest way to universally low tariff may be through universally high tariff, for as soon as all nations have high tariffs the benefit of high tariffs for any one nation will disappear; the system of abnormally high tariffs will break down under the weight of its own absurdity and the nations will gradually bargain their way to a sane tariff system.

#### Severe Labor Troubles.

In the general return from the abnormal to the normal, American wages will be involved. When the heavy buying from abroad is reduced after the war there will naturally be a tendency to reduce wages that have been raised during the abnormal business

activity of the war period. Any such attempt will be vigorously resisted by American labor and the resistance of American labor will be more difficult to meet than ever before. While the war may result in a diminishing of the power of trade unionism in Europe, the organized labor of America will come to the end of the war stronger than ever.

Out of the pressure on capital to lower wages and the counter-interest of labor to keep wages up, severe labor troubles will be born. And in addition to these direct causes of conflict, the collective tendencies that the war will induce in European industry, and the entire body of industrial reforms that will follow the war in Europe, will have the indirect effect of increasing industrial unrest in the United States.

#### Women in Labor Ranks

In the wage struggle between labor and capital it is probable that women will be drawn increasingly into the ranks of labor—and, with the aid of improved machinery, to do the heavier labor which American women have not formerly done. Certain American manufacturers already have experts in Europe studying the concrete results of the widespread entrance of women into industries formerly operated solely by men, the extent of female endurance under the heavier demands of industry, the conditions under which woman labor is most efficient, and related questions. The war has at least demonstrated a labor versatility and labor availability in women that was not suspected; and that knowledge will be taken advantage of throughout the world.

Especially will Europe take advantage of that knowledge after the war. Careful estimate indicates that the enormous influx of women into European industry and their future availability that it has proved, will keep the ranks of labor full after the war. There is no indication that the losses of war will produce a labor shortage and high wages in Europe after the war. On the contrary, it is probable that the tapping of this new source of supply—woman labor—will mean that more laborers will be available after the war than before.

#### Servant Problem Involved

Should women be drawn, to any marked extent, into the heavier industries of America there would result an exodus in large numbers from our domestic service, the present compensation and attraction of which could not compete with the wages in many industries that might open to woman labor.

Our domestic servant problem is already a vexing one, and if it should be further aggravated by large withdrawals from its ranks there might result an attempt to repeal the Chinese and Japanese exclusion acts. Such an attempt might be for the primary purpose of securing domestic servants, but once this immigration were unrestricted an attempt would probably be made to use it in our entire labor market as a weapon of advantage in the stress of labor difficulties.

Out of this analysis it seems to me that certain policies take shape—policies that we must adopt if we are to reach the double result of protection of American interests and of helpful contribution to the process of reconstruction.

We must make a scientific and sympathetic approach to the labor problem. Cheap platitudes aside, the fact is that the economic interests of labor and capital, under our present system, are not, nor will they be in the near future, identical. There is a

#### WOMEN'S AILMENTS.

### Come From The Heart And Nerves.

Young girls budding into womanhood who suffer with pains and headaches, and whose face is pale and blood watery, will find Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills build them up.

Women, between the ages of 40 and 50, who are nervous, subject to hot flushes, feeling of pins and needles, smothering feeling, shortness of breath, palpitation of the heart, etc., are tired over this trying time of their life by the use of this remedy.

Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills have a wonderful effect on a woman's system, making pains and aches vanish, bringing color to the pale cheek and sparkle to the eye.

The old, worn out, tired out, languid feelings give place to strength and vitality, and life again seems like living.

Mrs. Alfred Winter, Castor, Alta., writes: "I would like every woman who is suffering from nerves or heart trouble to know how much Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills have helped me. For two years I kept a hired girl, and was doctoring all the time. After having taken four boxes of your pills I am able to do all my own work. I would especially recommend them to women between 40 and 50, as at that time they are more liable to be far from well. One of my neighbors knows how they helped me, and she is now using them."

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fundamental difference of interests in the division of profits that calls for almost constant adjustment. But the present method of labor fighting with armaments of force to raise wages and capital fighting with instruments of advantage to keep wages down is unscientific and wasteful.

If American employers are far-sighted they will begin to put as much hard thinkers into the problem of men as they have put into the problem of machinery, for, finally, that contentment of labor which is based upon a welfare that springs from justice and frank dealing is the only soil from which permanently prosperous business can spring.

All of the initiative in solving the labor problem must not in the future come from the employer. If the employers of America do not solve the labor problems by business statesmanship the employees of America will determine the outcome by force; and what labor cannot get in the future by the physical force of strikes it may be able to get through the legal force of legislation and the income taxing power.

#### Costs of Preparedness

The point at which all thinking for the future must begin is this: If, at the end of the war, nothing but war is left as a method for dealing with the disputes that are bound to arise between nations in the future, then every nation in Europe must add to the outlay—enormous in itself—for in-

terest on the greatest war debt of history, for the rebuilding and readjustment of demoralized industries, and for material, social and educational reconstruction, the continuing expense of rival armaments upon a scale hitherto undreamed of. It is not improbable that, in the event of a peace that does not reduce hazard of war, the "costs of preparedness" will equal "the costs of civilization" for the nations of Europe.

It is conceivable that the nations of Europe might discharge their interest debts, maintain their credit, and effect the necessary industrial and social reconstruction by fairly normal processes of world trade. But if to all other charges they must add the greatest military and naval appropriations of history, then, inevitably, they will turn normal trade processes into a cut-throat race for markets that will complicate the entire business life of the planet. Therefore, as never before, that more lasting peace which has been the dream of idealism has become the practical necessity of business and industry.

#### Certain Things Impossible

Certain things, in international affairs, will be clearly impossible at the end of this war. Disarmament will not be practically possible. A tightly organized international government, under which the nations would give up very much of their sovereignty, will not be practically possible, even if it were advisable. Nor is it probable that an international court, with pro-

vision to enforce its decision, can be established.

But certain rapid developments in opinion and affairs within the last 18 months give ground for the conviction that it will be possible to take one decided step forward in the substitution of law or way, by creating a League of Nations that will institute compulsory investigation of every dispute between members before resorting to war.


The United States stands under a peculiar responsibility in this matter.

We should stand as a nation committed to the principle that in the future a trial of opinion shall precede a trial of arms in every international dispute. Such a programme, under which we would dedicate our economic and military power, along with the nations of Europe, to a joint guarantee that force shall not be resorted to till opinion and legal procedure has had a chance, seems to me to offer the one proposal upon which the varied elements for our national life can most nearly agree, and the one that will best safeguard our business future.

#### Soldier's Will Probated.

The will of Frank William Skinner, formerly of the Bank of British North America of this city, and at the time of his death on active service with the Canadian Divisional Signal Company, was admitted to probate on Saturday and is believed to be the first soldier's will ever admitted to probate

The greatest strength of the world's best wheat is in the bread baked from



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In New Brunswick without the usual proof of the execution. The Eastern Trust Company is appointed executor under the will. Mr. Skinner was killed on May 5th last. His estate consists of entirely personal property, value \$1,422.50, including life insurance. Fifty dollars was left to the London Homeopathic Hospital and the remainder to his father, William Radnell Skinner of Westcliff, England.

At Chubb's Corner. Auctioneer F. L. Potts sold on Saturday at Chubb's Corner the book debts of W. H. Dunham, grocer. They amounted to \$2,300 and were sold to Francis Kerr for \$325.

Births and Marriages. During the past week there were seventeen births in the city, eleven males and six females. The marriages were eight in number.

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Who's Who and Say

LETTER FROM

A letter received of the 52nd, written Canadian Club Command to wounded soldiers:

Dear Lady:

Just a line to thank you the Women's Club, St. John, for your kind letter received some time ago.

As for my wound, scratch, and after a base hospital I am my battalion fine and well.

What is the best? Some say one place but the original men New Ontario Battalion "St. John." A year were there, little we were stationed carried away with us tude and admiration France and Flanders. Our battalion posed largely of dr battalions, but one a few man is told we came from New fortunate enough to St. John for two weeks there we had we ever had.

Again thanking you come letter, and wish the ladies of St. John Yours re

ST. STEPHEN'S C

THE young ladies church mission b sale at Pedersen's Princes and Ch Saturday. It is be for people to visit there purchase call for Sunday. Early all the wares had and a good sum of to carry on the w band. The follow Misses Lillian Mc strons, Eileen Morr Florrie Roden. Al Mrs. Edwards, M and Mrs. Hastie.

AN INTEREST

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LETTER FROM FRANCE. A letter received from a member of the 52nd, written to the Women's Canadian Club Committee for writing to wounded soldiers: France, Nov. 15th.

Dear Lady: Just a line to thank you and through you the Women's Canadian Club of St. John, for your kind and thoughtful letter received some time ago.

As for my wound it was only a scratch, and after six weeks at the base hospital I am again back with my battalion fine and fit.

What is the best city in Canada? Some say one place some another, but the original members of the 52nd New Ontario Battalion cry altogether, "St. John." A year ago tonight we were there. A little over two weeks we were stationed there, but we carried away with us a sense of gratitude and admiration that England, France and Flanders has failed to lessen.

Again thanking you for your welcome letter, and with best wishes to the ladies of St. John, I am, Yours respectfully, A. V. HALEY.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH MISSION BAND.

The young ladies of St. Stephen's church mission band held a pantry sale at Pedersen's Flower Store, corner Princess and Charlotte streets, on Saturday. It is becoming the custom for people to wait for these sales and there purchase cakes and delicacies for Sunday.

AN INTERESTING VISITOR.

An interesting visitor to St. John is Mrs. Maxwell, of Montreal, who is giving talks upon "A Universal Religion" or Bahalism, the teachings of Abdul Baha, a Persian philosopher. Mrs. Maxwell spoke before the Suffrage Club at the residence of Miss Clara O. McGivern, on Friday evening.

VIVIAN MARTIN'S COOKING CHATTER.

Salads. Chicken Salad--I really do not believe that a more popular salad exists than chicken salad. In fact, we have it so much at home that we call it our old standby. Whenever any of my studio friends drop in--my bunghole is situated right near the studio--I often fall back on the old standby for a light lunch. It is simple to make and very tasty.

Wonderful for the Blood!

Cures Sallow Skin, Headache, Languor and Tiredness.

You don't need to be told how you feel--blue, sore, or sickly, poor appetite, vague pains, tired in the morning. This condition is common at this season.

Fortunately there is prompt relief in Dr. Hamilton's Pills which immediately relieve the system of all poisons and disease-producing matter.

Thousands have been so utterly depressed, so worn out as to be dependent, but Dr. Hamilton's Pills always cured them. "I can speak feelingly on the power of Dr. Hamilton's Pills," writes C. T. Fearman, of Kingston. "Last spring my blood was thin and weak. I was terribly run down, had awful headaches and a burning, empty feeling about the stomach. I couldn't sleep or work until I used Dr. Hamilton's Pills--they did me a world of good." At all dealers in 25c. boxes.

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A Few Favorites--Cereals, Almonds, Almond Crispettes, Nougatines, Burnt Almonds, Maple Walnuts, Caramels, Cream Drops, Milk Chocolate, Creams, Fruit Creams, etc. Display Cards With Goods. EMERY BROS. 82 Germain Street Selling Agents for Ganong Bros., Ltd.

THINK OF LILLE AND BELGIUM.

Peace! When have we prayed for peace? Here there no wrong to fight. Wrong crying to God on high. Here, where the weak and helpless die, And the homeless hordes of the city go by? The ranks are rallied tonight. --Alfred Noyes.

THE KHAKI KLUB

The Khaki Klub held their first annual meeting at the residence of the vice-president, Mrs. Willard Mahoney, in October. Owing to the absence of the secretary, reports and election of officers for the coming year were deferred until November, when the vice-president was unanimously elected president; Mrs. Wm. Taylor for vice, and Miss M. Burton, re-elected secretary and treasurer.

The report of the greater part of the work for the past year is as follows: Made for Red Cross--30 garments, 19 pairs slippers, 72 small articles. Donated--36 garments, 12 Christmas stockings, total 169.

Convalescent Home--11 garments. Soldiers' Club--1 ton of coal. Soldiers' Comfort Tobacco Fund \$10.00.

Soldiers' Comfort Sock Day--25 pairs socks. Forwarded to Dr. Corbett for men at front--24 pairs socks, 65 shirts, 3 scarfs, 3 pairs mitts.

Forwarded to Capt. Gambin for men--45 pairs socks, 22 shirts. Donated for bed in Princess Patricia C. R. C. Hospital, Ramsgate \$50.00.

To individual home soldiers--36 parcels. The Club's membership is 16. Meeting one evening each week in Red Cross depot.

NEW IDEAS SEEN IN NEW YORK STORES

A coat of fur that would thrill the soul of the most indifferent, is an evening wrap of mole and snowy ermine. It falls in generous folds about the wearer and the lack of sleeves is remedied by two large silts outlined with ermine. The collar is also of ermine in cap effect tasseled with innumerable tails.

The newest of shoe arrivals repose elegantly in shop windows despite the scarcity of leather. One pair was recently observed made of alligator and ther in faced effect. Another is an evening boot of silver cloth and still another is "sport shoe" of gray suede, with the low heel and sole made of a white rubber composition.

Two waist that were particularly noted, were rather remarkable in that they were made of satin in a gorgeous, iridescent Persian design. Of course only the bravest and most beautiful could wear them successfully.

Hats, large and small, are made completely of thick beaver fur and are offset with gay designs embroidered on the fur with silk. A set was seen consisting of hat and bag. They were made of tan felt and fringe blue ribbon and each had a deep fringe cut from the felt.

Suits seem to have very little trimming of fur, probably due to the mode of fur capes. Judging by the large number of cloaks shown in shop windows, suits are being pushed a little into the background. Cloaks are made generously wide with huge collars and cuffs of fur and gay in all the favored Autumn shades.

Dresses of Georgette, black satin and jersey, generously trimmed with fur, are still favored and will probably be so throughout the winter season.

The daintiest of garters conceivable is a confection of lacey frills and a cluster of rosebuds nestling in a narrow band of dark fur.

A thing of joy and airiness is a beautiful camisole of Irish crochet lace.

A corsage bouquet to complete the evening toilette is a huge flower of gold, or silver cloth and pasted shaded petals, tied with a thick cord of gold or silver.

A sweater of silk had the portion above the waist of rose color, below of white, and the sash of black and white stripe.

Japan sends us bags made of silk and velvet for our opera glasses--they are remarkable for their exotic color designs.

To add to the daintiness of the evening slipper are buckles large and small, studded with brilliants and imitation pearls. One particularly noted recently was shaped like a crown. And it is the very acute of gorgeousness when one is heeled in aluminum or silver, sparkling with rhinestones.

Vests present a bewildering array. They are elaborately decorated with mysterious scrolls or complicated borders, and some are two toned, as one that was seen which is shaded from brown to dull gray, or another, from blue to purple.

A novel bag observed had a design of acroplines in black and steel beads on a ground of blue silk jersey.

Bewitchingly pretty is a nightgown of pink crepe de chine, topped by Georgette crepe with diminutive sleeves of net, as its odd feature.

The latest evening coats are more than usually stunning. There is a lavishness displayed in the selection of beautiful velvets and furs that combine to make them worthy of note.

Uncle Dick's Corner.

TODAY'S LITTLE JOKE

Why the Lecture Ended

A certain professor was giving his pupils a lecture on "Scotland and the Scots."

"These hardy men," he said, "think nothing of swimming across the Tay three times every morning before breakfast."

Suddenly a loud burst of laughter came from the center of the hall, and the professor, amazed at the idea of anyone daring to interrupt him in the middle of his lecture, angrily asked the offender what he meant by such conduct.

"I was just thinking, sir," replied the lad, "that the poor Scotch chaps would find themselves on the wrong side for their clothes when they landed."

BOY SCOUT NOTES

The Duke of Devonshire--Chief Scout For Canada

To His Excellency's many titles may now be added that of Chief Scout for Canada. The Duke of Devonshire accepted this office on Saturday, November 25th, 1916, in succession to His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught thus becoming Canada's third Chief Scout.

The Duke of Devonshire is no stranger to the principles and ideals of the Boy Scout movement, as prior to his coming to Canada to occupy the Vice-Regal office, he was associated with many other prominent men of position in Great Britain with the Boy Scout Association. His interest here particularly evinced in County matters in Derbyshire. His Excellency was the president of the association in Derbyshire which includes the local associations of Alfreton, Ashbourne, Bakewell, Burton, Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chesterfield, Duffield, Derby, Ilkeston, Glossop, Matlock and Hathor.

His Excellency the Chief Scout, in accepting office with the Canadian General Council of the Boy Scout Association, expressed to the gentlemen representing the Scouts in Canada, his desire to help this splendid boys' movement along, and Canadian Boy Scouts will, no doubt, have opportunities in the future of meeting His Excellency as they did His Royal predecessor.

Progress in Quebec Province

"It is most gratifying to be able to report that despite the difficulties of the day, difficulties which are patent to all, our association is in a position to maintain its members and to make many important strides."

"The foregoing is from the 5th annual report of the Quebec Provincial Council of the Boy Scout Association, by the Provincial Secretary, H. A. Lordy. The report shows that while there are less scoutmasters in the province this year than last, there are more scouts. It is to the credit of the scoutmasters that many of them have risen to the occasion by taking care of two or more troops. In 1915 there were 1,872 scouts and 138 scoutmasters in the province as compared with 1,891 scouts and 113 scoutmasters this year. Of the 1,891 scouts mentioned, 1,167 are in the Montreal district and the remaining 724 are scattered throughout the province. There are 24 active troops in the province, being the same number as reported last year.

The Quebec organization has supplied from six to seven hundred recruits for His Majesty's forces, comprising every rank from a private to a Major-General; the latter, Major-General R. E. W. Turner, V.C., D.S.O., who prior to the outbreak of the war was one of the leaders of the movement in the province, has lately been appointed Officer Commanding all the Canadian troops in England. With reference to recruiting, the secretary writes: "A lieutenant connected with one of the overseas battalions, recruiting in Montreal at the present time, called at the headquarters office, and asked if we might put him in touch with any qualified signaller, who might desire to go overseas. Upon going through the card index files of ex-scouts, who had held our signaller's badge, we were surprised to discover that only four were not overseas. Of these, two were physically unfit; while learning the reason which held the other two from volunteering, the lieutenant in question considered the reason so valid that he positively refused to approach them. It has been recently reported that one of these signallers received the military medal for conspicuous bravery."

"During the year 1,251 proficiency badges were granted; 276 scouts received Firemen's badges; 179 the Missioner's badge, 130 the Ambulance badge, 115 the Handyman's badge, and 127 the Laundryman's badge, etc.

Boy Scout Hobbies

Most people have hobbies, some several, others only one. Practically every Boy Scout has one or more. A hobby which gives the boy plenty of fun and sometimes keeps him in

Here are Related Facts and Fancies Concerning the Activities of Individuals and Organizations, the Home, Fashions and Other Matters.



BEVERLY BAYNE, WHO IS TO BE SEEN WITH FRANCIS X. BUSHMAN IN THE MAMMOTH METRO SERIAL. Beverly Bayne, one of the most beautiful of screen stars, soon is to be seen with Francis X. Bushman in "The Great Secret," the new Metro serial which was directed by that master of motion pictures, W. Christy Cabanne. Miss Bayne will appear to rare advantage in this production.

EXHIBITORS' TRADE REVIEW.

The first number of this publication has been received and it certainly gives promise of being a very fine review. The publication is of, for and by the Motion Picture Exhibitor. It is a magazine of 80 pages with several sheets of splendid illustrations. The Reviews of late releases seem to be very fair and unbiased.

If the plot is weak, they say so, but praise the good points of the picture also. There are hints to exhibitors how to advertise the pictures which should be very valuable. The paper has local news which will make it a useful means of spreading knowledge of St. John theatres far and wide, as no doubt this new paper will have a large circulation. Lee A. Ochs is the president, Merritt Crawford, the editor and managing publisher; Lesley Mason the managing editor.

ROMEO AND JULIET.

Metro Production at the Opera House. I was one of those privileged to see this picture at a private showing, and it is a magnificent production. This intensely human play of Shakespeare's, telling the most beautiful love story, seems especially adapted to the screen, and several who had seen the play on the stage felt that the film version even surpassed the interest of the former. There was absolutely no fault to be found with the settings, which are only described by the word magnificent. With Francis Bushman as Romeo and Beverly Bayne as Juliet, surrounded by a splendid cast, the picture was certain of a measure of success, which promise has been more than fulfilled.

A current art magazine just received from Europe comments upon the photograph of Rena Rogers which, made by the Hoover Art Studio, of Hollywood, has received royal recognition, and hangs in the sixty-first annual exhibition of the Royal Photographic Society of Great Britain, the patrons of which are King George and Queen Mary, and Queen Alexandra. Miss Rogers is the only photoplayer whose photograph has received the mark of royal approval.

HIS OWN OVERCOAT. STOLEN RIGHT UNDER MOVIE DETECTIVE EYES. Enter, softly, Richard R. Neill, tall, handsome and bemused, but, withal, a sadly disgruntled moving picture actor.

It must be confessed at the outset that Mr. Neill should have known better. Many, many William Fox photoplays has he been in. Fox, many scenarios has he written, among them the serial "Neal of the Navy," recently produced.

And now to business: Mr. Neill's soul-stirring ambition, as all his friends know, has been to act the detective for screen drama. The William Fox player has had the roles of lawyer, physician, home-wrecker, villain, hero, artist, and so on down through the list of professions recognized by the census as in good standing.

But the desire of his heart was to portray the Sleuth. Consequently pocket money is toy making, which has become the hobby of many scouts in different parts of the world. They make toy animals principally, and it is a very simple process. The bodies, legs, and sometimes the neck of the animal should be fretworked in clear box wood, and fitted together with small screws or rivets. Then they are painted. A tiger, for instance, will be black stripes on a yellow ground. So it is painted yellow all over to start with and when that coat is dry the stripes are painted on. Toys of this sort always have a very ready sale.

A sale of work or any scout exhibition. The curtain rises on act two. Mr. Neill is discovered on the street where the overcoat was stolen. He is so agitated over his loss that he is in seven places at one time, trying to locate the missing garment.

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"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 BRITISH CABINET.

The personnel of the Lloyd George ministry, announced this morning, will serve to create the impression that the British premier has discarded not only party lines but past performances in his search for the keenest and most aggressive men in the kingdom to accept positions under the crown. It was intimated in Friday night's despatches that the new ministry would contain men not hitherto in the public mind as statesmen of quality. This forecast has been justified by the choice for several of the offices.

The presence of Lord Milner as a member of the war cabinet will bring to the council board of the nation a man who has been regarded as the personification of ruthlessness. It is the opinion of qualified English reviewers that if he were permitted to frame the war policy of Great Britain the campaign would take on a new and, for the Germans, a terrible phase. Lord Milner's record has been one of achievement irrespective of the means used to bring it about. At the war council he will undoubtedly stand for a policy of the most vigorous and unrelenting nature and there will be many to believe that at the present stage such a course can be justified.

Another feature of the new ministry is the inclusion of Sir Edward Carson as Secretary of the Admiralty. This is another indication of how far the premier has thrown tradition and political affiliations in the discard in picking his men. A little more than two years ago half of the people of the British nation pictured Carson as a traitor for whom death was too mild a punishment, while the other half hailed him as a demi-god. That he has been deemed worthy of selection for an office which has to do with the most effective arm of Britain's defense illustrates that at least half the people erred in their judgment; whether he will measure up to the high standard of quality set for him by the other half remains to be seen. That he will be aggressive even his enemies cannot doubt.

There will be general regret over the passing of Viscount Grey although he has been criticized as leaning too much to the quality of gentleness in his relations with the world. His successor is a man of rare ability and much energy. As for the premier himself he has already shown by his marvellous work in the mobilization of the munition manufacturing of the United Kingdom that he possesses dynamic energy and wonderful executive powers. He takes office pledged to more vigorous prosecution of the war and if the platform announced for him by Lord Northcliffe's organ at all measures up to what he has in mind it may be expected that the people of Britain will realize more clearly than ever the nature of the campaign in which they are engaged and the sacrifices necessary to bring it to a successful issue.

Altogether the new British cabinet will appeal as strong where strength is needed. Any war policy it may undertake as tending to advance the interests of the Empire and of the world will have the united approval of the British people.

It may be of interest to recall that Britain has been the last of all the nations engaged in war to witness a change of ministry since the situation became serious, for the coalition government of Mr. Asquith assumed office when the campaign was in its early stages. Premier Lloyd George has the greatest opportunity ever afforded to a public man to make for himself an imperishable place in the history of the world. There is every confidence that he will handle it well.

### SIR WILFRID TO RETIRE?

The report that Sir Wilfrid Laurier is to retire from the leadership of the Liberal party is once more in circulation, this time bearing more than a little evidence of truth, for it is said that the majority of the members of the Liberal Advisory Board have agreed that the wearer of the white plume is no longer the Moses he was once thought to be, and that under another they might have a better chance of emerging from the wilderness of opposition into the promised land of power and position.

It is interesting to learn that the gentleman, reported as most highly

favoured for Sir Wilfrid's position is Hon. George H. Murray, premier of Nova Scotia. Mr. Murray is not a man of outstanding ability which illustrates that the Liberals must have been hard put to it for a candidate for the office. The Nova Scotia government is probably the least progressive in the Dominion but Mr. Murray's inability is probably the worst fault that can be charged up against him. Personally he is popular, as Hon. C. W. Robinson was popular in New Brunswick, but as a leader of the federal Liberal party he would probably find himself at the mercy of his stronger colleagues. Also as Mr. Robinson did in New Brunswick.

The mere suggestion of any search for a leader to replace Sir Wilfrid is, however, decidedly interesting, as it indicates that the Liberals realize that the "Old Cock," as he once boastfully termed himself, has lost his power. His course in regard to the Premier's request to join in an appeal for recruits, when he refused to have anything to do with the proposal, has weakened him greatly with his own party and his belated effort to address recruiting meetings in Quebec will not serve to counteract the force of the impression created by his earlier refusal to perform a valuable national service. Those Liberal journals which used the retirement of Sir Sam Hughes as an indication of the disruption of the Conservative Government now have an opportunity to preach some fine editorial sermons on the beautiful quality of the harmony in the Liberal ranks.

### CANADIAN TRADE FIGURES.

The figures of Canadian trade brought down for the annual period ending September 30 are especially interesting because the period synchronizes with the outbreak and duration of the war. During the second year of our war trade was doubled. It is now \$1,738,174,356, having increased over \$800,000,000 for the twelve months. Both imports and exports have increased, but exports in vastly greater volume than imports.

It is necessary to walk very softly in drawing light or guidance from the figures, says the Winnipeg Telegram. So many ideas have been upset by the war that there is no room now for the man who says with certainty that such and such figures mean so and so. He never did know, but now he knows that he does not know, which is quite a different thing, and much more important. With diffidence this may be advanced, however. We have shipped out of the country an enormous number of things which are good to eat, and have shipped in an enormous amount of money—or bills, which are used as money in exchange. Hence there are fewer things to eat in the country, and far more money. Therefore when things to eat are divided by money the result is smaller. Perhaps this is too simple to be a true explanation of the fifth cost of living.

One other thing looks to be clear in the figures, and more, in the course of the figures. It is that trade is accommodating itself, as to a normal condition, to the decidedly abnormal condition of war. What that portends when the abnormal war condition ceases to exist there is no living brain in the world, civilized or uncivilized, scientific, philosophical, economic or practical that has the haziest idea.

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### Deaths Last Week.

The Board of Health reports of deaths in the city last week show that they were eleven in number and that the causes were as follows: Senility, three; uraemia, two; paralysis, myocarditis, heart failure, diabetes mellitus, cerebral softening and perniciou anemia, one each.

## FINDS PROSPERITY BELTING THE GLOBE.

Detroit Man Back From Round-the-World Trade Tour.

## RUSSIA LEADING VAN Siberia Fairly Choked With American Railway Cars and Goods—All Japan Studying English.

A round-the-world trip made for study of the trade situation in various parts of the world was completed a few days ago when Charles M. Steele of Detroit, an Aroostook man, arrived in New York from England. Mr. Steele sailed from Vancouver on May 19 last, and since that time has been in all parts of Japan, the principal trade centres of China, the Philippines, has crossed Siberia, toured a large part of European Russia, visited Scandinavia, and England. The Teutonic countries, Italy and France, were the only great nations which lay in his path which he failed to tour.

"After a ten days' voyage," said Mr. Steele, "I landed at Yokohama. I remained in Japan one month, and during that time visited all parts of that island empire. And I can assure you that Japan is a great country, and Tokyo is, in my opinion, the most cosmopolitan city in the world. An era of prosperity such as she has never before enjoyed, correctly states the present economic situation in Japan. They are busy everywhere making everything but automobiles. For some reason or other the automobile is not an institution in the country of the Mikado.

"The country is dotted with great munition factories, whose output to a large extent is being sent into Russia as fast as it can be transported across Siberia. For instance, the great Tokyo Arsenal is running day and night, and at its utmost capacity, turning out guns and other fighting material for Russia, and in every other factory the story is the same. The automobile is not in common use in Japan. The very rich own machines, but there it stops. There is not a single automobile being manufactured in Japan, and the high tariff in effect makes it impossible for the poor to own them. The fact that because of the heavy duty a Ford sells in Japan for \$1,100 indicates the situation in the automobile industry in that country.

### Everybody Studies English.

The Japanese people are the most courteous people in the world, and they are zealous for learning. It seemed to me that the whole country had gone wild on the subject of the English language. Everybody, it seemed, is studying English. They are teaching it in all the schools, primary as well as advanced institutions, and an American or an Englishman who goes to Japan finds himself unconsciously turned into a professor of English.

"On one occasion I was standing on a corner in Tokyo, and a Japanese student approached me. He bowed and in fairly good English informed me that the building in front of me was the Imperial Theatre. "Are you a stranger in Tokyo?" the student asked. "On replying that I was a pleased smile spread over his face, and offering me his hand, he announced that for the rest of the day he would be my guide. "For the remainder of the day this young Japanese bustled himself intelligently to indicate and explain to me the wonders of Tokyo, and the reason he did so was because I spoke English and he wanted to get practice talking to me. The same thing happened in other places as well as in Tokyo.

"I also made it my business while in Japan to try and find out in the

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## Little Benny's Note Book

THIS WEEK. The Park Ave. News. Sports. A go as you please wawking contest was started last Saturday, the course being around the block and the object being to see with one good wawk around the most times, but it stopped after about 15 minutes on account of a dog catcher's wagon coming along and everybody wanting to follow it.

SHORT STORY. Look Agon. "Dinner Minger King," went the telephon. "Hello," said Mr. Peets. "Hello, dear," answered Mrs. Peets. "I am pleased to inform you that I lovely twins arrived this afternoon."

Society Notes. Mr. Sam Cross has returned home after spending Saturday and Sunday at his Ants House on Broad street. Mr. Cross saw his Ant in very wisley and has pie for dizzert every day. TOO LATE. Pome by Sidney Martin. Grass cut! Grass cut! O never mind. I remember! There ain't any grass to cut just now Personal. A seroton will know fello with a black eye were Artie Alexander looked him is getting all the girls krazy about him by telling them he got it playing football. We dont you tell the truth, Puds? Home made fudge made if you pervide the kitchen and the materials, 5 cents a pound. See Lew Davis. Advertisement.

course of my talks with the people if there was any real ground for the stories that the Japanese hate this country. I found no trace of any such hatred. There are, to be sure, some 'yellow' journals in Japan which 'lunge' at our expense; but, as a Japanese merchant remarked, 'America also has its 'yellow' papers, and they are just as bad as are the Japanese 'yellows' when it comes to telling the truth about Japan and the attitude of the Japanese people toward the United States. And from what I saw and heard and read I think he was right. "Another thing that struck me was that although Japan is at war with Germany I noted very little hostility on the part of anybody toward that country. As a matter of fact it sometimes struck me that the Japanese really like the Germans.

"Leaving Japan, I went to Manila and I arrived there the morning of July 4. The flags were flying everywhere and it never looked better to me than it did that July morning. Manila is a great city, as a matter of fact two cities, one of them the new American Manila and the other the ancient Oriental town. Unlike Japan, there are plenty of automobiles in Manila and I think the city is on the eve of a great period of prosperity. It is one of the loveliest spots in all the Far East and its loveliness is due to American rule. "From Manila I went to China and, arriving in that country, I began to take note of the British influence everywhere. You see that British influence everywhere in China, and Hong Kong is almost a British city. In Shanghai and in Peking you still see Britain's influence in everything that pertains to business and industry, and if anybody thinks the British are so busy fighting that they are going to lose any great part of their foreign trade that person had better think a second time. "The Germans in Shanghai and in Hong Kong are all ostracized and today German shops that were once



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## COMMERCIAL MEN'S ASSOCIATION HAD SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Membership Larger Than Formerly and Finances Showed Increase of \$9,000—New Officers Elected.

The annual meeting of the Maritime Commercial Travellers' Association was held in Halifax on Friday, December 8. The reports submitted showed the association to be in a flourishing condition. The membership was larger than the previous year, and the finances showed a growth of over \$9,000.

Ten members had been lost by death during the year, of whom four had laid down their lives on the fields of France and Flanders in defense of the Empire. Seventy names are now on the honor roll of the association, and the four who have paid the supreme sacrifice are: Lance Corporal John H. McLeod, Lieut. J. D. Brock, Lieut. Ernest H. Welch and Lieut. E. A. Porter.

The association had taken up with the railways some proposed restrictions to membership, with the idea of having them removed and negotiations to that end were still going on. The board of management was elected as follows:

President, James C. Jones; vice-president, Nova Scotia, A. Milne Fraser; vice-president, New Brunswick, D. McKinney; directors, Nova Scotia, F. G. Garten, C. W. Smith, G. W. Winters, C. Blackie, F. W. Budd, H. E. Pyke; directors, New Brunswick, J. H. Prichard, T. E. Simpson; A. F. Stillwell, L. C. Armstrong, B. R. Fenwick, E. A. Hoyt; past president, J. E. Petrie.

## SCANDINAVIAN HAD A VERY HEAVY MAIL

The Allan liner Scandinavian arrived on Saturday night. She did not dock until Sunday morning at 1.30. The trip was made in a little over eight days. She had on board the body of Major Meredith, son of Sir William Meredith, chairman of the recent Royal Commission which inquired into the groundless allegations made by F. B. Carvell. The young soldier who enlisted in the 96th Battalion, died in the Regent Palace Hotel, London, from an overdose of sleeping draught.

The deceased soldier had not reached the firing line, but was ready to go across as soon as the opportunity offered.

Sir William Meredith upon learning of the arrival of the body at this port immediately despatched S. T. Cattanact of Toronto to meet the remains of his son.

N. W. Brennan & Sons conveyed the body from the steamer to their undertaking rooms from whence it will be taken to the station this morning. Interment will be made at Toronto.

The Scandinavian had about 150 passengers. She also brought to this port the largest mail so far this season.

Captain Edward Preese, one of the passengers, said the trip over was very pleasant. This is Captain Preese's first trip to Canada, although he has sailed across the Atlantic before, but on each occasion he landed at Buenos Ayres. He seemed quite elated when he was told that the woods of the province contained plenty of game for ambitious hunters. He is to remain in the city for a few days.

## OBITUARY.

**Bernard Kelley.**  
The death occurred yesterday evening, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. A. H. Gale, 46 Adelaide street, of Bernard Kelley, aged 79 years. The deceased, who was born at Gagetown, had been ill for about five weeks. He leaves his widow, four sons, three daughters, two brothers and one sister. The sons are Dr. George Kelley, of California; Bernard, of Portland, Maine, and Robert and Leo in Maine. Mrs. A. H. Gale of this city, Mrs. H. J. Gries, of California, and Miss Josephine of Portland are the daughters. The funeral will take place this evening and the body taken to Mill Cove, Queens county, for interment.

**Mrs. G. Hudson Flewelling.**  
Mrs. Hannah Augusta Flewelling, wife of G. Hudson Flewelling, died at her home in Clifton yesterday after four months illness. Mrs. Flewelling was 74 years of age. Besides her husband she leaves a daughter.

The funeral will be held on Wednesday at 11 a. m. at All Saints' church, Clifton.

**P. W. Anderson.**  
On Saturday morning Peter W. Anderson passed away at the home of his mother, Mrs. Sarah Anderson, 292 Millidge Avenue. The deceased, who was thirty-six years of age, had been in ill-health for a long time. He leaves besides his wife and mother two small children and four sisters. The sisters are Mrs. Harry Morrissey, of Main street, Mrs. William Sullivan of Chesley street, Mrs. John Cray of Millidge Avenue, and Miss M. Anderson, at home.

**Socks for Siege Battery.**  
An appeal is made for socks for the men of No. 3 Siege Battery. They may be sent to Miss Lois Grimmer, 218 Germain street, and it is asked that they may be left at the address named by tomorrow at noon.

## EXHIBIT OF ENEMY SAMPLES ON TODAY

Display of Interest to All, but Particularly to Those Engaged in Manufacturing for Export Trade.

Today at ten a.m. the exhibit of enemy samples will open at the Manchester Robertson Allison building, 26-28 Prince William street, and will be open all week from ten a.m. until six p.m. each day, and on Thursday and Friday will be open until nine p.m. to allow those who are unable to attend in the day time an opportunity to see this very interesting exhibit of enemy goods.

All who are in any way interested in the manufacturing and exporting of goods of any kind are especially invited to attend this exhibit and form some idea at first hand of the methods adopted by the Germans to capture foreign trade. No matter what line of business they are in they will find in the eight or ten thousand different articles on exhibition something in charge of the exhibit will be only too glad to loan any of the samples to any person wishing to study them or make drawings of them with a view to taking up their manufacture.

It is hoped that the exhibit will be well patronized, and the manufacturers and merchants of St. John will take note of some of these lines.

## Patriotic Fete.

Everything is now ready for a very successful patriotic fete at the Union Club on Tuesday, December 12, afternoon and evening. Don't fail to be there and see for yourselves the many and varied attractions at the club on this occasion. Afternoon tea a la carte. Dancing and refreshments at a very reasonable rate in the evening. Bring your friends. Get your tickets at Gray and Richey's or Nelson's book store.

## PROBATE COURT.

In the estate of Joseph Shannon the petition of the administrator de bonis non, asking for the passing of accounts and distribution was presented. Citation issued returnable January 15, 1917. Kenneth A. Wilson, proctor.

In the estate of Isabella Thompson letters testamentary were granted to Rev. W. R. Robinson, the executor named in the will. Kenneth A. Wilson, proctor.

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Last night several of the young lady friends of the boys in the Parks Convalescent Home paid a surprise visit to the institution, accompanied by members of the orchestra from Bond's and the Gem theatre. A splendid programme of sacred and patriotic music was rendered, and this was thoroughly enjoyed by the patients in the home. The ladies had brought with them baskets, and later in the evening these were unpacked and the good things therein passed around and enjoyed almost as much as the visit of the fair donors themselves.

Corp. C. A. Vove on behalf of the officer in charge, the matron, and the patients, thanked the ladies and the musicians for the entertainment provided, and voiced the hope that it would not be long before the visit would be repeated, and assured them that the latch string was always



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## FUNERALS

The funeral of Mrs. Ida J. Kennedy took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, 57 Douglas avenue, to St. Peter's church. Interment was in the new Catholic cemetery.

At 8.30 o'clock on Saturday morning the funeral of Mrs. Wm. Pye took place from her late residence, 2 Barker street, to Holy Trinity church, where requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. J. J. Walsh, V. G. Relatives acted as pallbearers, and interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of Miss Ellen Brady took place on Saturday afternoon from 147 King street east, to the Cathedral. Services were conducted by Rev. Miles P. Howland. Interment was made in the old Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of Frank J. Gale, St. James street, took place on Saturday afternoon. Rev. Hammond Johnson conducted service and interment was in Cedar Hill.

## Card of Thanks.

Mr. James Kennedy of 57 Douglas Avenue, and family, desire to express the sincerest thanks for kindness and sympathy shown by many friends in their recent bereavement.

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# NEWS AND COMMENT FROM THE FINANCIAL WORLD

## UNFAVORABLE FACTORS AFFECTED MARKET

### High Call Money, British Cabinet Crisis and Prospects of Trouble With Germany Some of Them.

Special to The Standard.  
New York, Dec. 10.—Call money at 15 per cent., suggestions of another rupture with Germany, the British cabinet crisis and the Teutonic invasion of Roumania, were included among the important factors of an irregular and less active week in the stock market. The rise in call loans to the highest rate in three years proved only temporary. Being almost immediately relieved by further heavy gold imports from Canada. Unsettlement in the British political situation was reflected in the low records established by International bonds, notably Anglo-French 5's and City of Paris 6's.

Purchase by an international banking house of a large block of foreign oil stock to be converted into shares of dollar denomination for sale in this market, pointed anew to the increasing power and prestige of American finance.

The recent inquiry for shares of reorganized railroads attained wider proportions, with many substantial investors, especially in the West, turning to the issue of Western and Southwestern roads. Shipping stocks also registered gains. Impetus is given to that group by the comprehensive plans now under way for an extension of the American merchant marine.

Public buying of U. S. Steel and affiliated industrials was met by considerable professional selling, similar conditions applying to the metal issues some of which rest ground on rumors indicating a revision of plans respecting proposed consolidations or mergers. Fabricated Steel and Iron attained new high average prices and refined copper more than held to recent record breaking quotations.

Specialties such as Sugars, Tobacco, Rubbers and Petroleum moved according to the caprices of pools and cliques but actual conditions in the industries represented by the stocks continue highly favorable.

## INCREASE IN CAPITAL OF D. C. PRODUCTS CO.

### Company is Successful Subsidiary of Dominion Bridge Co.—Capital Increased to \$3,500,000.

Montreal, Dec. 9.—Announcement is made of the increase in the capital of the Dominion Bridge Products Company from \$1,000,000 to \$3,500,000. The company, which is one of the successful subsidiaries of Dominion Bridge Company, started with a capital of \$400,000, which was increased in August to \$1,000,000.

Another subsidiary of the Bridge Company is the Montreal Ammunition Company with a capital of only \$300,000, and it has been intimated for some time past that a consolidation of the ammunition and copper products company is under consideration.

## N. Y. QUOTATIONS

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Am Car Fy 77 1/2 77 1/2 76 1/2 76 1/2  
Am Loco 93 93 91 1/2 91 1/2  
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## SCHWAB INTERESTS BUY MUCH STEEL

### Destructive Submarine Activity Having Bullish Effect on Holders of Shipping Shares—Rails Attract Attention.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)  
New York, Dec. 9.—Followers of the so-called Schwab financial backing in the financial district are reported to be ready to buy large lines of U. S. Steel on any decline of two or three points. The put and call market is reported to reflect activity for account of these sources suggesting operations on the long side of the stock market. The continued destructive submarine activity is having a very bullish sentimental effect on holders of shipping shares.

Investment holdings are being added to steadily in Marine preferred, A. G. W. Fruit and Pac. Mail, according to well informed interests. The Commission house traders still cling to the low priced rails in making new commitments. Southern Railway and Wabash seem to be getting the best of this sentiment but there is also considerable buying of Frisco, C. R. I. and M. O. P. "We believe speculation will run to the rails," says a prominent and influential stock exchange firm, which interprets the inter-state commerce commission recommendations as to rate changes in a bullish sense declaring the establishment of advances in freight tariff is almost sure to come. Southern Railway according to this source, is advancing on merit. There is very good demand for Southern Pacific. It appears to come from very conservative circles. Response made to inquiries regarding the position of this company bring forth statements from Harriman circles to the effect that the Mexican situation promises to develop very favorably for the stock after the turn of the year. N. Y. F. B.

## MONTREAL SALES

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)  
Morning.  
Montreal, Saturday, Dec. 9th.  
Steamships Com.—100 @ 43 1/2, 400 @ 44, 200 @ 43 1/2, 125 @ 43 1/2, 26 @ 45.  
Steamships Pfd.—240 @ 94 1/2, 400 @ 95.  
Paint—5 @ 57.  
Brazilian—115 @ 45.  
Textile—60 @ 86 1/2, 10 @ 86.  
Can. Cement Pfd.—15 @ 94.  
Can. Cement Com.—150 @ 71 1/2, 25 @ 71 1/2, 1,170 @ 72, 50 @ 71 1/2.  
Steel Canada—10 @ 87 1/2, 380 @ 87 1/2, 80 @ 87 1/2, 135 @ 87 1/2, 100 @ 87, 186 @ 86 1/2, 50 @ 86 1/2.  
Dom. Iron Pfd.—66 @ 97.  
Dom. Iron Com.—78 @ 79 1/2, 10 @ 79 1/2, 375 @ 80, 85 @ 79, 175 @ 79 1/2.  
Civie Power—50 @ 82, 25 @ 81 1/2, 390 @ 81 1/2.  
Dom. War Loan—4,000 @ 98 1/2, 1,000 @ 98 1/2.  
New War Loan—1,000 @ 98 1/2.  
General Electric—5 @ 120.  
Toronto Ry.—10 @ 80.  
Detroit United—175 @ 121 1/2, 35 @ 121 1/2.  
Smelting—545 @ 80, 85 @ 39 1/2, 100 @ 39.  
Riduron—100 @ 141, 10 @ 140.  
Toronto Ry. Bonds—1,000 @ 71.  
Scotland—50 @ 147.  
Quebec Ry.—50 @ 43 1/2, 105 @ 43 1/2, 10 @ 43 1/2, 25 @ 43.  
Spanish River Com.—25 @ 21, 25 @ 20 1/2, 10 @ 20 1/2.  
Spanish River Pfd.—50 @ 65.  
Brompton—10 @ 75, 55 @ 72 1/2.  
Forgins—25 @ 40.  
Tram Power—200 @ 40.  
Dom. Bridge—30 @ 195.  
Ames Holden Com.—25 @ 24 1/2.  
Steel Canada Pfd.—60 @ 106 1/2.  
Iron Bonds—4,000 @ 90.  
Cedar Bonds—2,000 @ 92.

## CHICAGO PRODUCE.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)  
Chicago, Dec. 9.—Wheat—No. 2 red, nominal; No. 3 red, 1.69; No. 2 hard, nominal; No. 3 hard, 1.73.  
Corn—No. 2 yellow, nominal; No. 4 yellow, 92; No. 4 white, 90 1/2 to 92.  
Oats—No. 3 white 53 1/2 to 54; standard, 53 1/2 to 54.  
Rye—No. 2, 1.46.  
Barley—90 to 1.23.  
Timothy—2.50 to 4.55.  
Clover—12.00 to 17.00.  
Pork—28.50.  
Lard—16.47 to 16.52.  
Ribs—13.50 to 14.00.  
Wheat.  
High. Low. Close.  
May 177 1/2 173 1/2 177 1/2  
Sept 148 1/2 145 1/2 148 1/2  
Dec 165 1/2 160 1/2 165 1/2  
Corn.  
May 93 1/2 91 1/2 93 1/2  
Sept 93 1/2 91 1/2 93 1/2  
Dec 92 1/2 88 1/2 92 1/2  
Oats.  
May 57 1/2 57 1/2 57 1/2  
Sept 54 1/2 54 1/2 54 1/2  
Dec 53 1/2 51 1/2 53 1/2  
Pork.  
Jan 27.25 26.75 27.00  
Dec 26.40 25.92 26.90

## COPPER DECIDEDLY WEAK SATURDAY

### United States Steel Falls Over Two Points—Ajah Rises Six to New High Record of 84 3/4.

New York, Dec. 9.—The stock market was somewhat unsettled today, mainly in consequence of the latest ruling of the British government, placing severe restrictions upon imports of copper metal. Shares of that particular group were depressed one to 3 1/2 points, American Smelting, Utah and Anaconda being most affected.

Declines equally severe were registered by important industrials, equipments and motors, United States Steel falling over two points. Shipping shares were highly irregular. Marine preferred losing a point after an early substantial advance, while Atlantic, Gulf and West Indies yielded a considerable part of its advance of the previous day. Specialties of various descriptions, petroleum, the leather and paper issues, sugars and Norfolk and Western stocks shaded one to two points, with such seasoned shares as Reading, Union Pacific, dividend-paying rails.

Ajax Rubber was the only exception to the general decline, rising over six points to the new record of 84 3/4. Final quotations for many stocks were a point or more above lowest levels, short covering contributing to their rally. Total sales amounted to 670,000 shares.

The most favorable developments of the day, the November tonnage report of the United States Steel Corporation, showing an increase in unfilled orders of over 1,000,000 tons, and the weekly bank statement, which disclosed a large cash gain and corresponding expansion of reserves, were not available until after the market's close.

## MONTREAL PRODUCE.

Montreal, Dec. 9.—CORN—American No. 2 yellow, 1.15 to 1.18.  
OATS—Canadian Western No. 2, 68 1/2; No. 3, 67; extra No. 1 feed, 67.  
BARLEY—Manitoba feed, 1.02; malting, 1.30 to 1.32.  
FLOUR—Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, 10.00; seconds, 9.50; strong bakers, 9.30; winter patents, choice, 9.50; straight rollers, 8.90 to 9.10; straight rollers, bags, 4.25 to 4.35.  
ROLLED OATS—Barrels, 7.05; bags, 30 lbs., 3.40.  
MILFEEED—Bran 32; shorts 35; middlings 38 to 40; mouille 42 to 48.  
HAY—No. 2, per ton, car lots, 13.  
POTATOES—Per bag, car lots, 1.75 to 2.00.

## NEWS SUMMARY.

Tidewater Oil Co. declared regular quarterly dividend of 3 p. c. and 1 p. c. extra.  
Liberal party to support Lloyd George's new cabinet.  
Great Britain places ban on copper export.  
Shakeup in French cabinet reported.  
Commercial failures this week 333 against 247 last week and 372 last year.  
U. S. formal note to Germany protesting deportation of Belgians and asks that it cease.  
Report that Walter H. Page, ambassador to Great Britain, has resigned.  
J. P. Morgan, returning from abroad, says it is a certainty that Allies will win.  
Michigan Central stockholders to vote February 7th on \$100,000,000 mortgage to refund bonded debt.

## STEAMSHIP SECURITIES STRONG IN MONTREAL.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)  
Ames Holden Com. 24 1/2 Ask.  
Ames Holden Pfd. 65  
Brazilian L. H. and P. 45  
Canada Car 43 1/2 44  
Canada Cement 71 1/2 71 1/4  
Canada Cement Pfd. 94 95  
Can. Cotton 92  
Civie Power 81 1/2 81 1/2  
Detroit United 121 1/2 121 1/4  
Dom. Bridge 195 200  
Dom. Iron Pfd. 97 97 1/2  
Dom. Iron Com. 79 1/2 79 1/2  
Dom. Tex. Com. 86 86 1/2  
Laurentide Paper Co. 208 211  
Lake of Woods 132  
MacDonald Com. 13 1/2 15  
N. Scotia Steel and C. 147 148  
Ogilvie 143 146  
Penman's Limited 73  
Quebec Railway 42 1/2 43  
Shaw W. and P. Co. 131 132  
Spanish River Com. 20 1/2 21  
Steel Co. Can. Com. 88 1/2 86 1/2  
Steel Co. Can. Pfd. 106 106  
Toronto Rails 75 80

## WILL REORGANIZE BRAZIL RAILWAY

### Perival Farquhar, the Harriman of South America Will Finance New Corporation.

Special to The Standard.  
New York, Dec. 10.—Representative European capitalists have agreed on a plan of re-organization for the Brazil Railway Company which went into default by the government of Brazil. The re-organization plan has been perfected with the collaboration of Perival Farquhar, the Harriman of South America, who has consolidated, constructed and financed railroads there with a capitalization of approximately \$400,000,000 and all of whose companies were prosperous before the war.

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## GREAT SHORTAGE OF NEWSPRINT

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Special to The Standard.  
Boston, Dec. 10.—On Nov. 25th the newsprint mills in Western and Canadian territory had on hand only 4,333 tons of paper, equivalent to about 1 1/2 days production. These mills are producing about 2,500 tons a day. As compared with Oct. 14 the date of the previous report there has been a total decrease in storage stocks of 271 tons. The Canadian mills during this period have produced just about as much as they shipped, but mills in the western territory have gone behind owing to a large number of accidents on account of the strain under which the machines and employees have been operating.

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# ANNUAL MEETING.

Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., President, and Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, General Manager, insist: Strongly on Policy of Preparedness—Economy, Production and Immigration should be its Principal Features—67% of the Male Staff of the Bank of Montreal have Enlisted for Overseas Service.

Montreal, Dec. 9.—Special.—The Ninety-ninth annual meeting of the Bank of Montreal was held at the Head Office of the Bank at Montreal on Monday, December 4th. The addresses submitted by Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., President, and Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, General Manager, dwelt especially with the policy of preparedness it was urgent the Dominion should adopt in order to be ready for the period of readjustment that must necessarily come at the close of the war. The principal features of the policy adopted were Economy, Production and Immigration.

Attention was also drawn to the temporary character of the present industrial activities in Canada and the necessity of recognizing same. Confidence was expressed in Canada's ability to solve the problems that might present themselves. Special reference was made to the large number of the staff of the Bank now serving with the Colors and the illustrious record they had made.

**THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.**  
Sir Vincent Meredith, in moving that the report of the Directors, as read, be adopted and the same be printed for distribution among the shareholders, said:—

I hoped when I last had the pleasure of addressing you that before this Annual Meeting the end of the cruel and devastating war which has convulsed Europe would be, if not reached, at least within measurable distance. In this expectation we have been disappointed. No one can yet fix the day of its termination, but I am sure I express your feelings when I say we hold an unshaken confidence of the ultimate victory of Britain and her Allies.

Canada, inspired by a deep-rooted loyalty to the Empire, has given and is still prepared to give freely her gallant youth and monetary means to the great cause, upon the success of which her liberties and national existence so greatly depend.

The year has again been one of considerable anxiety to all those engaged in financial affairs. Our profits have been curtailed by payments of Government taxes at home and abroad, while earnings on loans in Canada have been affected by reduced borrowings on the part of our customers. It is not, however, an unenviable situation that the prosperity of large manufacturing industries, and business in general, has produced a curtailment of bank loans and converted borrowers into depositors. The low rates of interest on that portion of our reserves carried in New York have also been a contributing factor to diminished earnings compared with those antecedent to the war. But despite these disabilities, we have been able, after making what we believe to be full provision for bad and doubtful debts, to pay our usual dividends with the customary bonus and to carry a balance to credit of Profit and Loss Account. I trust, therefore, that under the circumstances you will consider the results of the Banking year satisfactory.

**Success of Domestic Loans.**  
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**Business Conditions in Canada.**  
As the result of the phenomenal

crop of a year ago, coupled with vast expenditures by the Allied Governments in this country for munitions and by our own Government for re-employment in connection with the war, high wages are being paid for all classes of labor, and trade conditions at the moment in Canada are buoyant in nearly all lines of business. The few exceptions will, generally speaking, be found in industries concerned with the production and sale of luxuries.

Owing to unusual adverse climatic conditions and decreased acreage, the yield of wheat this season will probably not exceed in quantity in the North-West one-half of last year's bountiful crop, and will fall somewhat below the average in the older provinces; but the farmers will be largely compensated for the diminished yield by the high prices being paid for grain and all other farm products. Estimates this season are, as usual, conflicting, but those believed to be most reliable give a wheat crop for the three North-West Provinces of 160,000,000 to 175,000,000 bushels, and for all Canada 185,000,000 to 200,000,000 bushels, and it is not improbable it may exceed these figures. Were it not for the fact that our shipments of grain to Great Britain will probably be curtailed by a shortage of ocean tonnage, the results might be looked upon as not unfavorable on the whole.

In this connection, I may add that the past season has been very propitious for the dairy trade, the production of cheese and butter exceeding all previous records and marketed at unprecedentedly high prices.

The sudden reversal in the position of Canada from a debtor to a creditor nation, as respects foreign trade, has been very remarkable. In the seven months of the fiscal year to October 31st the excess of imports over domestic exports of merchandise was, as recently as 1913, no less than \$145,000,000 and in the like period of 1914 the adverse balance of trade amounted to \$80,000,000. Then the gap began rapidly to close. The production of munitions of war of every description together with the bountiful harvest of last year, carried the exports to an unprecedentedly high figure. In the seven months to October 31st, 1915, the value of domestic exports exceeded imports by \$73,350,000 and in the corresponding period of this year the excess of exports over imports has reached the large sum of \$160,000,000.

Nor has this reversal of the balance of trade been accomplished by contraction of imports; in the present year the value of imports has outstripped all previous records. The change has been effected entirely by shipments abroad of the huge crop of 1915, and the large output of war supplies, the export of agricultural products in the seven months' period to October 31st, having risen from \$75,500,000 in 1914, to \$232,500,000.

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The production of munitions of war has contributed notably to industrial activity in many branches. Wages have largely increased and consequently much more money is in circulation than in normal times. Notwithstanding a great increase in the price of raw materials, the pulp and paper industry has experienced the best period in its history; the price of all pulp products is the highest on record. The mills have all increased their production, but the demand is still much greater than the supply. Canada before the war had a surplus of paper and about three hundred tons a day. When extensions now planned come into operation, this supply will gradually be increased until by 1918, it may probably reach eleven hundred tons a day. Post bellum trade will doubtless bring keen competition and the surplus of this fabric should be kept in mind as a guard against over production.

The cement manufacturing industry has experienced little change during the year. Building construction is still at a low ebb, but a good business in satisfactory repair and reconstruction work farmers and small concerns. Wholesale and retail conditions in the Province generally are good. Substantial sums have been spent by the Federal Government in improvements to Quebec Harbor and in connection with the St. Charles River dock development and the dock at Lévis. The Provincial Government continues its programme for the improvement of roads and highways. It is also engaged in schemes for conservation of water on various rivers. The most important is the dam being built on the St. Maurice River at a cost of \$1,500,000. The completion of this dam is expected by January, 1918. Municipal expenditure has been kept well within bounds.

**Maritime Provinces.**  
Business conditions are satisfactory in the Maritime Provinces. Farmers and fishermen are enjoying a reasonable amount of prosperity. Crops generally, and potatoes in particular, have been good, with satisfactory prices. While the catch of fish was not as large as last year, this condition has been offset by higher prices. The lobster industry, which was seriously affected by the war, has recovered. High prices are coincident with a catch above the average. Lumbermen have not fared quite so well. High freight rates, scarcity of tonnage and a restricted demand in both the Canadian and American markets have been a hindrance. Owing to scarcity of labor, much higher wages will have to be paid in the woods this winter. The outlook therefore, is for higher operating charges and a lessened cut.

There has been a largely increased output from the steel products, with prospects that they will be taxed to their utmost capacity for some time. Manufacturing conditions in other lines are moderately good, the only general complaint being of labor shortage.

Coal mines generally have been worked full time, though the output was not as large as last year's, owing to the difficulty of getting sufficient miners. Prices are higher, due chiefly to increased requirements of steel plants.

Wholesale and retail conditions are satisfactory and collections good, particularly in the country districts. Outlay for municipal works has, as usual, been restricted to necessities, and harbor improvements at Halifax undertaken by the Federal Government are progressing rapidly.

**Newfoundland.**  
The trade of the Colony during the past year has been good. The only exception is the lumber industry. A good market exists for pit props in Great Britain, but the scarcity of tonnage has prevented shipments and a large stock will be carried this winter in consequence. Prices at present are falling.

The Bell Island Lignite Mines have been working most of the year at full capacity and with profitable prices prevailing for the products. It is too early to get reliable information regarding this year's catch of codfish, but expectations are that it will about equal last year's and bring greater returns because of the high prices now prevailing. Out of total exports of \$18,969,000 during the Colony's last fiscal year, codfish represented \$10,394,000. Lobster exports show improvement. The seal catch this spring yielded \$637,000, as against \$94,000 in 1915. The latter, however, was one of the worst seasons ever experienced in the history of Newfoundland.

Manufacturers on the whole have had a good year and in the wholesale and retail trade demands have been good and payments satisfactory. The revenue of the Government during the current year has exceeded expectations and on the whole the Colony is looked upon as being very prosperous at the present time. It is interesting to note that Newfoundland, in company with other borrowing countries, has for the first time in its history floated a public loan in New York and on terms favorable to the borrower.

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# OUR FRIEND ZIMMERMANN

By Gilbert Hirsch

The report coming from Berlin that von Jagow is about to be replaced as Foreign Minister by his under-secretary, Alfred Zimmermann, is one of the most auspicious omens for the future of German-American relations that have occurred since the outbreak of the war. For to Zimmermann, more than any other German, belongs the credit for the maintenance of peaceful relations between the two countries up to the present. His advocacy of a conciliatory attitude toward us has earned for him the bitter condemnation of Count zu Reventlow, who has bracketed him with Bethmann-Hollweg in a typical Pan-German condemnation of Count zu Reventlow, who has called him "too weak" for good of the country.

And Zimmermann has done more than merely advocate conciliation toward us. He has practised it unceasingly, pouring the oil of his amiable personality on waters dangerously troubled, sometimes by the policy of his country, sometimes by men whose cleverness, whose experience as men of the world, and whose economic knowledge have been proved in other fields. This demand, made in August, 1914, by Wilhelm Herzog, editor of the Munich publication Das Forum, and a friend of Roman Rolland, is now in a fair way to being complied with. Not that Zimmermann's arrival at supreme control of the Foreign Office is likely to be followed immediately by wholesale changes in the personnel of the Foreign Office, and of Germany's various embassies abroad.

Zimmermann Really Good-Humored. The spillover system is not a German institution. And Zimmermann himself is without vindictiveness. He is not merely suave, he is really good-humored. He once spoke to me about a friend of his, a neutral European country on a secret mission. But the man's sense of his new diplomatic importance had gone to his head, and he had not been able to keep from boasting of his connection with Wilhelmstrasse 76. This had not merely annoyed me, but had caused the under-secretary to feel embarrassed at home. Yet to hear Zimmermann speak of it with that tolerant smile of his, you would not have supposed that he had any recollection of the incident. The change in Germany's foreign policy consequent on Zimmermann's promotion may not at first be evident to the outer world. But they will undoubtedly be fundamental. The new Foreign Secretary has made no secret of his adherence to the more liberal and democratic elements in their struggle for dominance in Germany, and has allowed himself to be quoted as predicting "the erection of direct responsibility of Government to the people through their representatives in the Reichstag." The liberal parties of Germany have, for the past half-century, derived their inspiration from England, and before that from France; while the conservatives have leaned heavily on Russia for moral support. Zimmermann's liberalism is, therefore, not unlikely to counteract some of those tendencies which seem, with glacier-like slowness and sureness, to be forcing Germany toward an alliance with Russia, to be consummated after this war.

The importance of having a competent general in command of Germany's diplomatic army for the battle royal which will take place at the peace conference is, very probably, one of the chief reasons for Zimmermann's promotion. Germans recognize that the coming peace will be the most difficult of all complex which Europe has ever concluded. And again and again I have heard them say: "Ah, if Bismarck were only here!" The new Foreign Minister, though he may prove himself a Bismarck in ability, is very far from being a Bismarck in temperament or political conviction. He was opposed to Germany's entering into the present war, and did everything he could to prevent it. We have this on the authority—not of his personal friends, nor his countrymen—but of the Foreign Minister of that nation which feels itself most deeply wronged by Germany, Baron Beyens was, until the very outbreak of the war, Belgian Minister at Berlin. In his recent book, "L'Allemagne avant la Guerre," he speaks of Zimmermann's "cordiality," his "power of work," and his "sureness of judgment," referring to him as the "prevalence of the diplomats," and predicts the promotion which has now come to him.

"Is it possible," he then asks, "to drive his private sentiments about this war? Is it an insult to his patriotism to doubt that he is completely persuaded of its necessity?" Zimmermann, he declares, told him on more than one occasion before the war that the "policy of alliances," which was dividing Europe into two armed camps was one of which he heartily disapproved.

"When I took leave of him," continues Beyens, "before returning to my unfortunate country, already invaded by the German advance guards, he said to me in a sincere and disheartened voice: 'Ah! This war is indeed the end of the policy of alliances!' And he believes in the sincerity of Zimmermann's eleventh-hour efforts to avert the war."

"On the afternoon of the fatal first of August—M. von Jagow and Zimmermann (I have it from the latter) hurried to the Chancellor and to the Emperor, hoping to obtain an order preventing the launching of the general mobilization, and to persuade His Majesty to wait until the following day. . . . Their efforts broke against the invincible opposition of the Minister of War and the chiefs of the army."

Zimmermann's antagonism to war is ascribed by the Belgian diplomat to his friendship with the leaders of German industry. "How," he asks, "would it be possible for a man so enlightened as Zimmermann, so well in touch with the desiderata of the German industrial world, not to be a pacifist?"

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Mrs. Jas. H. Moore left this week for Sussex, where she will be the guest of Mrs. Arthur Mazga.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Colpitts have returned from a trip to New York, where they were visiting their son, Mr. Walter Colpitts.

Mr. S. C. Charters of Point du Chene, was in town Wednesday.

Miss Ethel Gaudet of Boston, is visiting relatives in Moncton and Sackville.

Mrs. S. G. McDoull (nee Miss Marjorie Sumner) of Moncton, was a recent caller at the office of the agent general, in London.

Mrs. W. F. Baumann and baby daughter, Hilda, of Malden, Mass., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. McK. Weldon, Bonnacord St.

Miss Dot Borden, Botsford St., left this week for Sackville, to visit Dr. and Mrs. B. C. Borden.

Mr. J. L. McDonald, manager of the Atlantic Underwear Co., left this week on a business trip to New York, Boston and Philadelphia.

Mrs. Dr. John M. Ogle and little daughter, Mary Elizabeth, have returned from a visit to friends in London.

Mrs. Simmons of St. John, was a recent guest of her friend, Mrs. W. L. Broad of this city.

Mrs. Geo. S. Patterson, who recently returned to Toronto, from Japan, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Patterson, Bonnacord St.

Miss Helen McLeod of St. John, is

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# Ready's Ale With Your Christmas Dinner

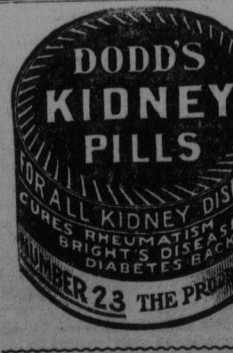
It is but natural that you choose READY'S ALE for the Holiday festivities—the time when everybody wants the best to eat and drink.

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# SHIPPING NEWS

## HATCH IN RUNNING GAME HAS WONDERFUL RECORD

(Buffalo News.)  
 Sidney Hatch, the veteran Marathoner, is truly the iron man of present day athletics. The other day, after 17 years of weary plodding, Hatch ran from Milwaukee to Chicago, a distance of 95.7 miles, in 14 hours, 50 minutes, and 30 seconds. This beats the former record for the distance by over four hours—a remarkable record for outdoor running. In making the run the veteran rested 16 minutes the entire time he was on the road. He lost a bit under 10 pounds of weight during the ordeal.  
 Hatch, who is 34 years old, has been running in long-distance races all his life, and one can only surmise the many thousands of miles covered. He has run in about 50 full-distance Marathon races, winning the big majority of them, and but three times in his career has he failed to reach the finish line, and even on two of these occasions he was taken out of the race, protesting, by the officials.  
 Long distance running seems to have passed out of vogue in recent years. Fifteen or 20 years ago the full-chested boys used to romp hundreds of miles for pastime. Take George Littlewood, the Englishman, who was over in this country in the early '80s. This bird never tired. Here are a few of his records, both walking and running, which have never been beaten:  
 Walking  
 48 hours—219 miles, 812 yards, Sheffield, England, March 6, 1882.  
 72 hours—308 miles 1,083 yards.  
 96 hours—396 miles, 271 yards.  
 120 hours—470 miles 1,354 yards.  
 144 hours—554 miles 135 yards.  
 Sheffield, England, March 7 to 11, 1882; actual walking time, 133 hours 46 minutes 30 seconds.  
 Running  
 600 miles—135 hours, New York city, week Nov. 26 to Dec. 1, 1888.  
 823 miles—142 hours (six-day race, go-as-you-please).  
 Here are a few other endurance records that will cause you to marvel at man:  
 5,100 miles, Go-as-you-please, 51 miles per day for 100 days, track 44 laps, mile—George D. Noremac, Middletown hall, New York, Nov. 3, 1884, to Feb. 26, 1885.  
 4000 quarter miles in 4000 periods of 10 minutes (walking a quarter mile at the commencement of and within each consecutive 16 minutes)—Performed twice by William Galen, Jackson, Mich., starting at 1 p. m., Jan. 11, 1897, and ending at 4 a. m., Feb. 22, 1897. Track 39 laps to mile.  
 1,000 miles in 1,000 hours—Walking 1 mile beginning of each hour—Made by Dan O'Leary; started Sept. 3, 1907, at 4 p. m., ending Sunday, Oct. 20, at 7 a. m., at Norwood Inn park, Cincinnati, O. Track 9 laps to mile, outdoors, dry weather; track, 25 laps to mile, indoors, wet weather.

## BRITISH FOOTBALL RESULTS

London, Dec. 9.—The following are the results of the principal English and Scottish soccer games decided today:

- ENGLISH LEAGUE.**  
**Lancashire Section.**  
 Blackburn Rovers 1; Stoke 1.  
 Bolton Wanderers 6; Manchester United 1.  
 Burnley 2; Burnley 6.  
 Everton 0; Stockport County 1.  
 Manchester City 1; Bury 1.  
 Oldham Athletic 2; Preston North End 1.  
 Rochdale 3; Liverpool 2.  
 Southport Central 2; Blackpool 0.  
**Midland Section.**  
 Bradford City 3; Sheffield United 2.  
 Grimsby Town 2; Barnsley 2.  
 Huddersfield Town 2; Birmingham 1.  
 Leicester Fosse 1; Leeds City 4.  
 Lincoln City 1; Bradford 1.  
 Notts County 2; Notts Forest 2.  
 Rotherham County 1; Hull City 1.  
 Sheffield Wednesday 3; Chesterfield Town 1.  
**London Combination.**  
 Clapton Orient 1; Southampton 2.  
 Luton Town 1; Tottenham Hotspur 3.  
**Chelsea 7; Brentford 2.**  
 Watford 2; Fulham 3.  
 Arsenal 1; Crystal Palace 2.  
 Portsmouth 1; West Ham United 2.  
 Millwall 2; Queens Park Rangers 1.  
**Scottish League.**  
 Airdrieonians 2; Rangers 0.  
 Celtic 6; Ayr United 0.  
 Dumbarton 2; Third Lanark 3.  
 Dundee 6; Raith Rovers 2.  
 Falkirk 3; Clyde 3.  
 Hibernians 3; Aberdeen 3.  
 Kilmarnock 4; Hamilton Academy 0.  
 Motherwell 2; Hearts 0.  
 Partick Thistle 0; St. Mirren 1.  
 Queens Park 3; Morton 4.

### Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Saturday night the regular freestyle talk was held and 65 boys were present. The speaker was W. C. Cross, and his subject was "A boy's right conduct in relation to his group." He was listened to with a great deal of interest and his talk made a deep impression on those present.  
 Yesterday morning the speaker at the boy's 10 o'clock meeting was S. H. Davis, who spoke on the life of Lord Shaftesbury.  
 At 8.30 last night the fortnightly mentors' meeting was held at the home of J. Hunter White, and the first of a series of talks on "The teaching of Bible study groups," was given by A. M. Greig.  
 The attendance at the Bible classes is most satisfactory, and last week out of a total registration of 172 boys in the various groups 153 were in attendance at the group meetings.

## MINIATURE ALMANAC.

December—Phases of the Moon.  
 First Quarter ..... 1st 5h. 55m. p.m.  
 Full Moon ..... 9th 5h. 44m. a.m.  
 Last Quarter ..... 17th 2h. 6m. p.m.  
 New Moon ..... 24th 4h. 31m. a.m.  
 First Quarter ..... 31st 5h. 7m. a.m.

**PORT OF ST. JOHN, N. B.**  
 Arrived Saturday, Dec. 9, 1916.  
 Str Arigair, 3262, Auad, St. John's, Newfoundland.  
 Str Scandinavian, Trans-Atlantic port.  
 Arrived Sunday, Dec. 10.  
 Str Manchester Port, Trans-Atlantic port.  
 Str Ramzor Head, Trans-Atlantic port.  
 Str Hochelaga, Sydney.

**DOMESTIC PORTS.**  
 Halifax, Dec 9—Arr: Str Escondido, Jamaica; Str Unique, O'Hara, Perth; Amboy for Canoe.  
 Boston, Dec 9—Arr: Str Bark John B Emery, Buenos Ayres; Str Gard Cromer, Liverpool.  
 New York, Dec 7—Arr: Str Thos H Lawrence, Norwalk, Conn; Harriet C Whitehead, Providence; Henrietta A Whitney, Ellsworth.

**FOREIGN PORTS.**  
 Boston, Dec 6—Sd: Str Bark John B Emery, Buenos Ayres; Str Gard Cromer, Liverpool.  
 New York, Dec 7—Arr: Str Thos H Lawrence, Norwalk, Conn; Harriet C Whitehead, Providence; Henrietta A Whitney, Ellsworth.

**LIFE IN A BRITISH DUGOUT.**  
 An English "sniper" with General Halg's army in France, in a letter to a relative in England, described the conditions under which he and his fellow snipers live when not in action. That part of the letter which tells of the sniper's life in his dugout is as follows:  
 "We live in a trench the sides of which are topped with masses of meadow flowers, and in this setting the wooden entrance with a seat on each side, looks quite picturesque. The entrance is fitted with a curtain that can be rolled up, but can be released in an instant, and would close up the dugout tightly in case of a gas attack. Just inside the entrance at the top of the stairs we keep three petrol cans in which we store water. Further down the stairs, we have on our right a rifle rack, on the left a sort of alcove cut into the earth, in which we do the cooking for our improvised supper parties. Some shelves on the stairs are littered with the implements of our trade, such as snipers' scopes, cleaning material, etc., and things connected with food, such as mess tins, tins of tea or sugar, etc. The latter preponderate, reminding me what a lot of thinking about food we do. But I suppose that in civil life food needs at least as much thinking about; only there is always a woman to do the thinking.  
 "Right at the bottom of the stairs,

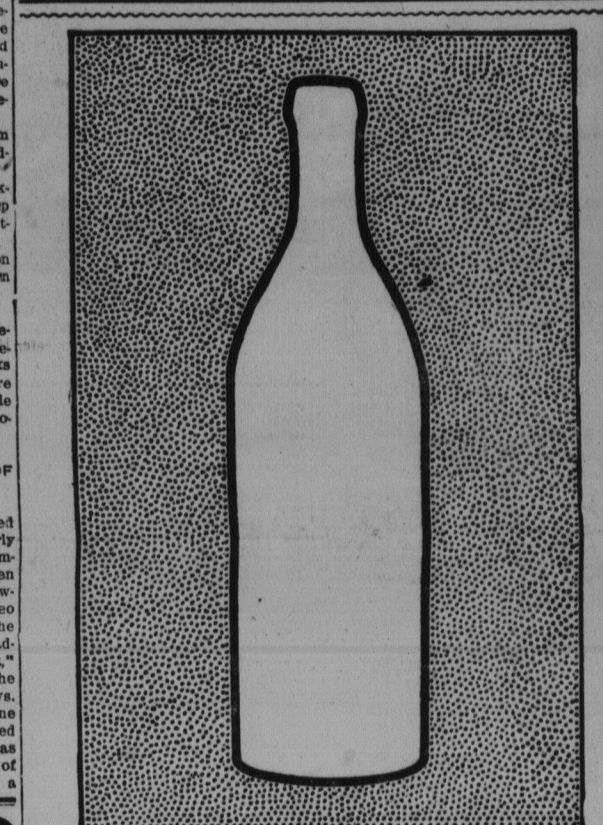
huge throng in front of the house set up a cheer that could be heard for blocks and which lasted for several minutes.  
 At the completion of the picture Mr. Bushman, Miss Bayne and Miss Dun-

bar were presented to the audience and made brief speeches of thanks for the ovation tendered them. Mr. Bushman and Miss Bayne were forced to bow appreciation.

"The dugout is about 5 feet 6 inches high. Eight members of the section and the officer live in it. The beds are wire netting (rather luxurious in the trenches) arranged in two stories. We lay our ground sheets on the wire, wrap ourselves in our ground sheets and sleep the sleep of the just. I always wear a woolen sleeping cap, because I do not like rats and mice to run over my hair. We have to sleep with our boots on. The beds take up most of the space. What is left contains a couple of small tables and benches and a partial screen between our part and the office, in which our officer lives. The walls are decorated with picture post cards, magazine covers, and, of course, a few of Balrnafather's cartoons.  
 "You will gather that by the standard of the Poor Law Commissioners we are rather overcrowded. But at one time sixteen of us inhabited this dugout—two on each bed, and we could not move without disturbing each other—when father turns we all turn sort of thing. But none of us suffer by it. It does not even subdue our bostertousness. Imagine us all talking, bickering, singing, cooking, and generally clattering about, and amid all this noise and buffeting about, our officer has to make out his intelligence reports or whatever work may be on hand. As the evening draws on our discord generally settles down to more harmonious concord. There are a few fellows in the section who can harmonize rather well, and so we generally get in a rather jolly sing song before settling down to sleep."

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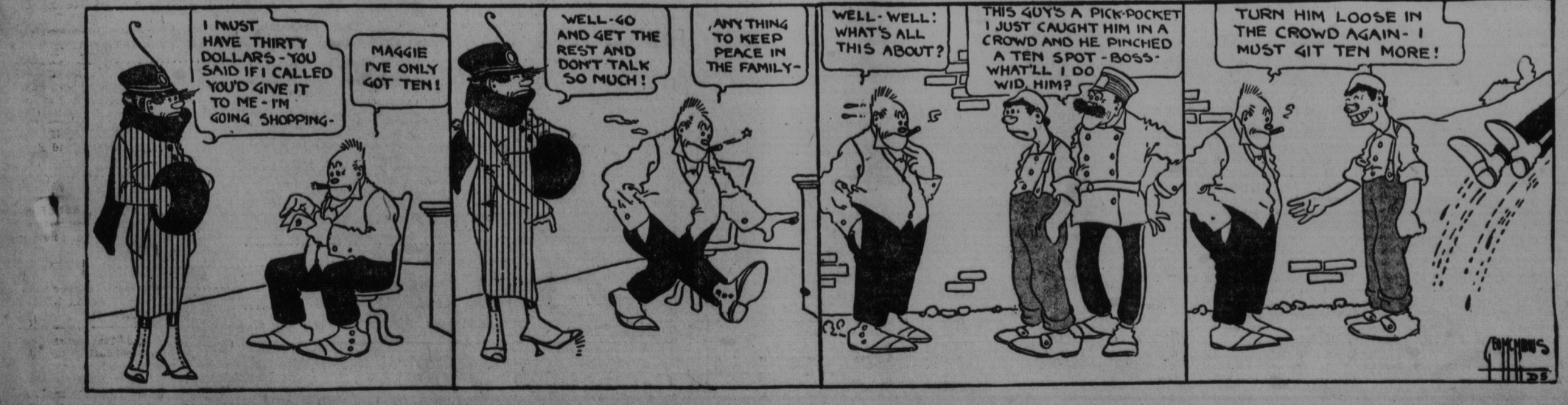
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## Bringing Up Father



THE WEATHER.

Forecast. Maritime—Strong west and northwest winds, fair and cold. Toronto, Dec. 10—A fairly pronounced cold wave has spread into the western provinces from the northward, while a shallow disturbance now over the southwest states is likely to cause unsettled weather in the lake region. The weather has been over the Dominion, except in eastern Nova Scotia, where there has been light rain.

Temperatures.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Rows include Dawson, Prince Rupert, Victoria, Calgary, Edmonton, Moose Jaw, Regina, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, London, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, Halifax.

Around the City

Presbytery Session. The Presbytery of St. John will meet in regular quarterly session at St. Andrew's church tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

Stone Church. In the absence of Rev. A. L. Fleming, who is at present in Toronto, the pulpit in St. John's (Stone) church was filled yesterday morning by Rev. Edward Green, curate of St. Luke's. At the evening service J. A. Ooster, a lay reader, officiated.

They Were Chums. Two Frenchmen who were chums got into an altercation Saturday afternoon in the Union depot with the result that both men were arrested. Matters were arranged Saturday when the facts were made known and the chums were given their liberty.

Token of Appreciation. As a little sign of appreciation, members of the Opera House staff handed "Eddie" Flavels, whose company has been playing at the theatre for the past three weeks, a silver cigarette case, with his monogram engraved on same. The presentation was made by Manager MacKay of the house, on Saturday evening.

Injured at Sand Point. Ernest Stackhouse of East St. John was quite seriously injured as a result of being struck by a heavy box while engaged in loading the Allan liner Corindian at Sand Point on Saturday evening. He was taken to the hospital. His injuries are mainly in the leg and ankle. Mr. Stackhouse was resting comfortably last evening. An X-ray photograph will be made this morning.

Winter Port Business. With the arrival of a steamship on Saturday and three more yesterday business in the harbor looked rather brisk. There are two ships at Long wharf, one at the Sugar refinery wharf, two anchored in the harbor and eight at the West St. John berths, making a total of thirteen ocean liners. It is expected that the winter port season of 1916-17 will be larger than any previous year.

Pipe Cleaning Progressing. The 12-inch main in City Road has been cleaned as far as Wall street, having reached that place on Saturday. The machine is being run through each section twice in order to make sure that all the dirt is removed and as a result the portion of the main already cleaned is practically as good as new and will have about the same capacity. Today the portion of the main between Wall and the Cambridge on City Road will be cleaned.

Naval Recruiting Meeting. A recruiting meeting in the interest of the navy will be held in the Imperial on Sunday night, Dec. 17th. Arrangements were commenced in the city on Saturday at a meeting of the naval recruiting committee, which met at the rooms on Prince William St. A party of marines are expected to arrive in the city on Wednesday from Bermuda, and if possible they will remain in the city until Sunday. One man was secured on Saturday for the Royal Navy, William Crowdon of St. Margaree.

Should not be Overlooked. Something that should not be overlooked by men, women and children, in the city of St. John, is the grand offer of the City Cornet Band. This organization are holding a drawing in the Imperial Theatre tonight, and for the expenditure of one dollar, a person has a chance of winning a free trip round the world, or \$500 in gold. These tickets can be obtained from members of the band or at the theatre, and the big prize is only one of 94, so it can be seen that the holder of a ticket has many chances to win a most substantial Christmas present, and also help a worthy object, as the net proceeds will be donated to the patriotic funds.

Patriotic fete at the Union Club Tuesday, December 12.

FOUR OR FIVE MORE YEARS, SAYS EDMONTON OFFICER

This is Major Morris' Opinion of the Duration of the War—Western Officer a Native of New Brunswick—Pays Tribute to Quality of 211th Battalion.

"My own impression is that the war will continue for four or five years yet," said Major George Morris of Edmonton, second in command of the 187th Overseas Battalion, and a former officer in the famous Princess Pats, to a Standard reporter at the Royal Hotel last evening. "Don't run away with the idea that the Germans don't want peace, they would welcome it all right, but they would want to dictate the terms. That the Allies of course would not agree to. Consequently this welter of bloodshed will have to continue until our cause has triumphed." Major Morris, although he went west about fourteen years ago, is a New Brunswicker having been born at Great Shemogue, Westmorland county, where his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Morris still reside. He is one of the natives of this province who have made good with a vengeance although he modestly said to the reporter "I just carry on a small farm at Gadsby." Major Morris was a member of the original Princess Pats whose great achievements at the front have been one of the outstanding features of the present great conflict. He sailed from Quebec with his unit, a portion of the first Canadian contingent, in September, 1914, and after spending a short time in training at Salisbury camp, crossed to France and went into action on December 20th, 1914. He participated in every engagement in which the Princess Pats took part. During the winter of 1915 the heaviest fighting was on the St. Elot front, while the Pats moved up to Ypres in the spring. "Please don't ask me anything about my own experiences," said the major, when asked if he would tell something of the many engagements in which he participated. "You can say that the Canadians are doing great work and that the boys are ready to carry on till the victory is complete." Major Morris was wounded at Ypres in April, 1915, and after an enforced stay in French and English hospitals returned to the front in August, 1915, and continued fighting with the Pats until April of this year, when he was recalled to Canada to take his present position. The major considers the first winter's fighting on the Saint Elot front as the heaviest in which he participated, but says that his regiment had many other severe engagements. "We cannot minimize the fact that the German soldiers are good fighters and that they will require all our energy to make the victory a complete one," said Major Morris. Major Morris paid a flattering tribute to the officers and men of the 211th Battalion which reached the city last evening from Calgary. He said that his own regiment and the 211th had been quartered at Sarcee camp at Calgary for the past three months and he had the opportunity of noticing the efficiency of the 211th. The 211th, he said, was largely recruited from the American population in the Province of Alberta. "Colonel Sage, their officer commanding, is a man of wide military experience and has achieved remarkable success in the recruiting and training of his battalion," said Major Morris. The major is enthusiastic over the success that has attended recruiting in Alberta. He points out that from a population of 400,000, including a large number of alien enemies, the province has raised no less than twenty-six infantry battalions as well as a considerable number of other units, representing in all a total of 35,000 soldiers, which is in excess of ten per cent. of the entire British population of the province. If Germany, for instance, had done proportionately well she would have 7,000,000 in the field, while France would have 5,000,000 men and Canada 800,000 men. "I don't want to say a word against the Mark time Provosts, but if you had done as well proportionately as Alberta you would have recruited 50,000 men. Considering that there are more than 50,000 Germans in Alberta and that fully 100,000 residents are American born, I think you will agree with me that our record to say the least is a good one," declared Major Morris.

PRODUCERS OF MILK GET THE 6c. RATE TODAY

Have Raised Price to Deal to 48 Cents per Can—Fairville Boycott Continues to Develop.

Today the farmers producing milk for the St. John market increase their price to 48 cents per can, or six cents per quart, and they declare that no milk will be shipped unless the dealers agree to pay that price. It is understood that a number of the dealers have been notified by the farmers of the increase but no action has as yet been taken by them in the matter and they will probably pay the increase which the farmer is asking. The common clerk on Saturday sent out copies of the list of questions prepared by the council to all the milk producers in the county who sell milk at retail in the city. If the replies are all received by Tuesday noon the council will have a lengthy session if it deals with them, as somewhere in the vicinity of 50 sets of questions have been sent out by the common clerk and it will take some time to go over them all. The boycott in Fairville is still in force and the number of those who are either cutting down the amount used or doing without altogether is growing. The ladies have expressed the intention of using just as little milk as possible, while the milkmen are asking ten cents per quart, and a number of families in which there are no small children have cut out the use of milk entirely, and those which have small children have cut down the amount by half or more. Practically all the milk sold in Fairville is delivered by farmers who produce it, and some of them are still selling at the old price and claim that they can make money at it. If their contention is correct the Fairville ladies claim there is no reason for the increase by other men selling milk in that place and they will do without rather than pay the increased price. A large number of families in the city have also cut down the quantity used since the increase in price as a protest against the raise and the boycott against ice cream is spreading.

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CALGARY BATTALION 900 STRONG, REACHED THE CITY LAST NIGHT

Will Detrain at Union Depot at 9 O'clock this Morning—Men will be Quartered in Dairy Building.

Two trains bearing the 211th Calgary Battalion arrived in the city last night but they will not detrain until 9 o'clock this morning. It was about midnight when the troop trains pulled into the Island yard and their arrival was greeted with much cheering. The 211th is composed of a sturdy body of men who in stature resemble the men of the 222nd western battalion which was recently stationed in the city for a month. Military officials last night were unable to state just how long the battalion would be in the city, but it is thought their stay will not be very lengthy. There are about 900 men in the 211th and it is likely that it will proceed overseas under strength, and be used as drafts to reinforce depleted units at the front. The men, although somewhat disappointed in not being able to recruit to full strength before leaving the prairie province, are nevertheless determined to uphold the honor which has fallen to the great west since war was declared. His Worship Mayor Hayes, the commissioners and the reception committee, of which A. O. Skinner is chairman, will meet the battalion at the depot at nine o'clock and extend to the officer commanding, the officers and men a hearty welcome. Citizens are requested to display flags and bunting in honor of the newcomers. The 211th will be quartered in the dairy building.

PERSONALS

Mrs. R. W. Churchill of Hantsport, N. S., wife of Capt. Churchill, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Armstrong. She is accompanied by her daughter. Mrs. E. J. Barus of St. John is spending a few days in Moncton at Hotel Brunswick, guest of Mr. and Mrs. Twigger. Captain J. Barnett of the 187th Overseas Battalion is at the Royal. This battalion is temporarily stationed at Amherst. It was recruited in the province of Alberta and is under command of Lt. Colonel C. W. Robinson, a well known western officer who has seen much active service at the front. After recovering from his wounds, received at St. Julien, Captain Robinson returned to Canada to accept the command of the 187th. Captain Barnett is a New Brunswicker boy, a native of Hartland, and son of Postmaster John Barnett of Charlottetown county centre. He is a graduate of the Dalhousie Law School, Halifax.

ARRANGING FOR VISIT OF CAPTAIN GUINNESS A PECULIAR ACCIDENT ON MAIN ST. YESTERDAY

The Honorable Rupert Guinness to be Here on Saturday in Interests of Naval Recruiting.

"The British Navy was never more efficient than at the present time," said Lieut. C. C. Chorley of Essex, Eng., who has been on active service since the outbreak of the war, to The Standard yesterday. Lieut. Chorley was engaged in perfecting the preparations for the visit here on Saturday and Sunday next of Captain the Hon. Rupert Guinness, C.B., C.M.G., A.D.C., R.N.V.R., of London, who is in Canada in the interests of recruiting for the navy. Captain Guinness is the Unionist member of the British parliament for South East Essex and the son and heir to Lord Ivor, head of the brewing firm of Arthur Guinness & Son. He raised in 1892 the London Division of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve of which he is the senior officer and was recently made A.D.C. to the King. He is a prominent sportsman, having won the Diamond and Windfield sculls from Guy Nichols. Lady Guinness, a daughter of Earl of Onslow, accompanies him. Captain Guinness came to Canada for the purpose of raising 5,000 men for the British navy. The Dominion government through Hon. J. D. Hazen, Minister of Naval Affairs, very kindly offered to provide this contingent and it will be officially styled the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Overseas Division. Captain Guinness will address a meeting at the Imperial Theatre on Sunday afternoon next at 3.30 o'clock. Lady Guinness will also speak at this meeting as well as at the Women's Canadian Club on Saturday afternoon.

FROM COURELETTE.

On Saturday John Nuttall, Sr., was the recipient of two interesting souvenirs from the Battle of Courlelette, sent by his son, Sergt-Major Jack Nuttall. They were brought to him by a returning soldier. One is a typical German pipe, curved stem, and very large bowl filled with brass cap. The pipe is still redolent of the tobacco which probably had brought solace to some advocate of a lost cause. The other was a fute enclosed in a leather case. It, as well as the pipe, showed signs of having been much used. No doubt it had helped while away many a weary hour in the trench, for the German is a music-loving mortal. Mr. Nuttall is justly proud of the relics. They were viewed with interest by a large number of people on Saturday.

CHARLES RANKINE RUNNING FOR CAR, MISSED IT AND CRASHED FULL FORCE INTO ANOTHER.

Charles Rankine, employed on the west side as a boot maker with an accident yesterday about 12.30 which will lay him up for a few days, when he ran against a street car standing on the rails on the northern side of Main street opposite Douglas avenue. Mr. Rankine's home is in Chipman, but while in the city he is stopping at the Ferris Hotel, Main street. While on his way home yesterday he alighted from the West St. John car at the corner of Main street and Douglas avenue. The indolent car did not wait and he ran to catch it, missed it, and crashed into the city car standing on the other track. The force of the blow threw him back on the south track badly stunned. He was picked up and carried into Munro's drug store, and from there to Dr. Hoffman's office, where his wounds were dressed. He was then sent to the infirmary. Dr. Hogan found that the face was badly cut, but was unable to tell whether fracture of the skull had been sustained. Inquiry at the infirmary last night brought the information that Mr. Rankine was resting quite comfortably, and so far as could be told there would be out in a few days. Gundry's will remain open until ten p.m. every evening for the next two weeks to give patrons the best possible chance of making satisfactory selections for the greatest of all gift days. If any single stock on King street is perfectly suited to the needs of Xmas shoppers this one is. It would be difficult to pick out an article that would prove inappropriate for the occasion. Ebony, Ivory and Silver Toilet Articles. Cuff Links, Stick Pins, Watch Chains, Wrist Watches. Baby Rings from \$1.00 upward. Rings of all kinds, styles and prices. Each year sees rings leading all other gifts. Pearls, Diamonds, Signets holding the place of honor. Gundry's reputation has largely been made on rings. Bushman and Bayne in Romeo and Juliet at Opera House today. Obtain Tickets at Imperial. Those who wish tickets for the City Cornet Band grand drawings can procure them at the Imperial Theatre from two till five this afternoon and from seven till nine this evening. The drawings commence immediately after the last performance tonight.

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