

Storm Prevents Heavy Fighting on Western Front, but Italians Continue Drive on Austrians

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CONSERVATIVE CAUCUS REFUSES TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF PREMIER

SIR ROBERT TO CONTINUE AS PREMIER

Tells Conservative Caucus He is Willing to Step Aside.

SUGGESTS FOSTER AS SUCCESSOR

(Western Liberals Favoring Union Wanted Premier to Leave Office.

BUT PARTY CAUCUS WON'T HEAR OF IT

Resolution Adopted Heartily Endorsing Canada's War Premier.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Aug. 29.—The Conservative caucus of this morning resulted in a magnificent personal tribute to the Prime Minister. The ultimatum of the western Liberals that union was only possible with the elimination of Sir Robert Borden as leader, awakened such a strong revulsion and resentment amongst the members that they let loose their feelings to a degree never before experienced during the long leadership of Sir Robert and he was accorded ovation after ovation. The Premier was overcome by the magnificence of the tribute accorded to him and was unable to continue his speech of thanks for a few minutes.

Offered His Resignation. The caucus was called to hear the statement of the Prime Minister as to the message of the western Liberals and the terms upon which they were willing to consider the formation of a union government. Sir Robert followed this up by a clear and in his mind there was only one man who should be in charge of any government in Canada which sought to have the Dominion lined up with all that is best in her alongside the other allies and he stated emphatically that the man was Sir Robert Borden.

The hearty tribute of the Minister of Trade and Commerce and his point blank refusal to consider the question of his becoming leader instead of Sir Robert, kindled a flame of enthusiasm, the like of which the Conservative members have not known in many long years. No political leader ever received a finer tribute at Ottawa from his party.

On Solid Ground. It can be said with truth that prior to the caucus of today there had been some misunderstandings. There had been fears on the part of some members that the movement towards union might result in serious difficulties for them in their constituencies and might jeopardize their chances of re-election. Those illusions were swept away by explanations, the air was thoroughly cleared and the party placed on a sound and solid basis of understanding.

In the course of the Conservative caucus today the Prime Minister reviewed his negotiations for the formation of a union government and emphasized his earnest purpose in that endeavor. He had proposed to Sir Wilfrid Laurier a coalition government with equal representation of both parties outside of the Prime Minister. That offer having been refused he made it known that the same offer was open to that section of the Liberal party which supported compulsory military service and was prepared to sustain every effort for the winning of the war.

Negotiations had subsequently taken place with prominent Liberals in the east as well as in the west, and latterly he had an interview with four gentlemen from western Canada of whom two were in active public life and the other two were prominently connected with the agriculture interests of the prairie provinces.

LARGE STEAMER GOES ASHORE

Another Vessel Strands at Magdalen Islands.

Etang du Nord, Magdalen Islands, Aug. 29.—A large lumber laden, out-bound steamer ran ashore on Byron Island, the second vessel to hit within ten days. The tug Lord Strathcona has been sent for to make an attempt to float the vessel. The steamer is lying in a precarious position, but may be floated providing no heavy gale damage has been done.

The Strathcona recently hauled off another steamer.

CASUALTIES ARE STILL NUMEROUS

Eleven St. John Men Wounded as Well as More than Thirty Other New Brunswick Soldiers.

Ottawa, Aug. 29.—Extremely heavy casualty lists continue to pour in by cable to the Records Office, those announced from Saturday night to noon numbered approximately 2,700. It is understood the roll will be heavy for some days as a result of the prolonged and very fighting at Lens. That the percentage of fatalities is light is illustrated by to-day's figures, the noon list of 351 containing only fourteen fatalities.

ARTILLERY. A. H. Munroe, Woodstock N. B. Wounded. A. Barlow, Sussex, N. B. W. A. Leberg, St. John, N. B. H. C. MacKinnon, Yarmouth, N. B. W. A. Knight, St. John, N. B. G. Murphy, St. John, N. B. L. H. McKay, Moncton, N. B. A. R. Campbell, Plaster Rock, N. B. J. H. Cunack, Havelock, N. B. R. G. Trevors, Durham Bridge, N. B. H. S. Leonard, St. John, N. B. E. D. Boucher, Bath, N. B. A. J. Keirstead, Lakeville, N. B. L. H. Keith, Lower Ridge, N. B. W. Lowther, Amherst, N. B. F. W. Wallace, Sussex, N. B. E. J. Heine, St. John, N. B. J. A. Campbell, Sussex N. B. S. G. Hurd, St. John, N. B. T. A. MacDonald, St. John, N. B. G. C. Crocker, Albert, N. B. R. C. Eldridge, Beaver Harbor, N. B. K. Garrett, St. John, N. B. F. E. Doucett, Albert, N. B. R. E. Grant, Gordonville, N. B. F. B. Grant, St. John, N. B. J. Blackhall, St. John, N. B. J. M. Dowling, St. John, N. B. F. Beator, Fredericton, N. B. D. Beaton, Sydney, N. S. P. Girard, Campbellton, N. B. A. G. McDonald, Est River, N. B. P. C. Brown, St. John, N. B. C. R. Tait, St. John, N. B. Wounded—Infantry. J. B. Dowling, Yarmouth, N. S. J. H. Roy, Pine Tree, N. S. S. Swenney, Ellerslie, N. B. L. V. Robertson, Shelburne, N. S. L. Corporal R. Dobson, Campbellton, N. B. M. E. Kinsman, Kentville, N. S. C. Weaver, Weymouth, N. S. E. A. Bradford, Blacks Harbor, N. B. R. Gratta, Truro, N. S. C. A. Chapman, Landbrook, N. B. W. H. Boyd, Truro, N. S. J. G. Northrup, St. John. H. Jenson, Milltown, N. B. J. F. Miller, St. John. T. E. Taylor, St. John. H. L. Grant, Pookloke, N. B. H. L. Jones, River du Chate, N. B. H. A. McGrattan, St. George, N. B. C. Bailey, Harcourt, N. B. J. P. McDonald, Sunny Brae, N. S. E. H. LeBlanc, Cocagne, N. B. J. M. Cox, Sterling, N. B. F. O'Brien, Amherst, N. B. W. M. Dechamps, Shelburne, N. B. G. Gidley, Campbellton, N. B. W. Lohrer, Amherst, N. B. S. B. Gidderson, Plaster Rock, N. B. R. H. Sanford, Windsor, N. B. G. Jones, Whale Head, N. B. T. Robichaud, Digby, N. S. A. Paul, Apohaqui, N. B. M. E. Carter, Amherst, N. S. E. T. Handsaker, Digby, N. S. H. B. Johnson, West Sackville, N. B. R. Fells, Yarmouth, N. S. G. C. Archibald, Truro, N. S. C. G. Johnson, Upper Economy, N. B. E. Crossman, Moncton, N. B. Killed in action—Infantry. Lieut. B. A. McLean, Campbellton, N. B.

23 BRITISH STEAMERS TORPEDOED

Eighteen of Number Were of More Than Sixteen Hundred Tons.

INCREASE OF THREE FOR LAST WEEK

Italians Lost Five Vessels During the Same Period.

STEAMER ASSYRIA SENT TO BOTTOM

Cunard Line Steamer Malda Also Victim of Hun U-Boat.

London, Aug. 29.—An increase in the number of British vessels sunk last week by mines or submarines is shown by the weekly admiralty statement issued tonight. Eighteen vessels of more than 1,600 tons were sent to the bottom, as compared with fifteen the previous week, and five vessels of less than 1,600 tons as against three the previous week. No fishing vessels were sunk. The summary of the statement follows: "Arrivals 2,629; sailings 2,680. "British merchant vessels sunk by mine or submarine over 1,600 tons, eighteen; under 1,600 tons, including one previously, five. "British merchant vessels unsuccessfully attacked, including two previously, six. "British fishing vessels sunk, none. "Most of the sinkings reported in today's totals occurred during the latter part of the week. The first part of the week was very favorable, but later British shipping had a streak of bad luck. Today's report runs only to mid-afternoon Sunday.

Italian Losses. "Rome, Aug. 29.—Italian merchant marine losses for the week ending August 26 comprised one large steamer, two small steamers and two small sailing vessels. One steamer was unsuccessfully attacked.

Five hundred and eighty-eight vessels of all nationalities and of a tonnage of 388,565 arrived and 557 vessels of a tonnage of 363,765 left Italian ports.

The Assyria Sunk. "New York, Aug. 29.—The British steamship Assyria, a vessel of 6,470 tons, under charter to the Cunard line, has been sunk by a German submarine, according to advice received here by insurance circles. The fate of the crew is unknown.

Steamer Malda Gone. "Boston, Aug. 29.—The steamer Malda under charter to the Cunard line, has been sunk.

STORM STILL HALTS WAR ACTIVITIES

London, Aug. 29.—The official report from British headquarters in France tonight reads: "Stormy weather continues. Early this morning enemy parties made a bombing attack on two of our posts east of Ostierville but were driven off with loss. "There is nothing else of special interest to report."

Paris, Aug. 29.—Violent artillery fighting is in progress on the Verdun front, between Avocourt and Hill 304, and on the Alsas front, the war office announces. North of Carrière Wood, in the Verdun sector, German forces are reported to be active.

PREMIER BORDEN GIVEN STRONG ENDORSEMENT

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Aug. 29.—This Conservative members of parliament today adopted the following resolution: "We the supporters of Sir Robert Borden's government in the parliament of Canada, record our emphatic approval of that government's policy and achievements during those three years of war.

"We endorse the earnest and patient efforts of the prime minister to bring about a union of all the war forces of Canada and to give to this Dominion in these days of ever-increasing stress, suffering and peril, the advantage of an administration which would typify that union and speak to the world the unwavering resolution of our people to see this war through to victory.

"For the purpose of such union we are one and all prepared to make any personal or party sacrifice that the occasion may demand.

"We record unanimously our profound and splendid leadership of Sir Robert Borden. We sincerely believe that no other man can discharge with like capacity the tremendous task of prime minister during this crisis and that now, of all times, his continuance in the premiership is indispensable to the nation, and to his support we pledge our unalterable devotion."

PUGSLEY HAS AMENDMENT TO R. R. BILL

Sir Robert Tells Silent Man of St. John He is Laboring Under Many Misapprehensions

Ottawa, Aug. 29.—(Eastern Press)—Shortly after nine o'clock tonight Sir Thomas White moved the third reading of the C. N. R. bill. Mr. Pugsley immediately moved an amendment providing that the bill should be reported back to committee and amended. "In the opinion of the government," he said, "it is not in the interest of the people, the government should not commit itself to the payment of the award reached by the arbitration until parliament had approved of the same. Mr. Pugsley disclaimed any intention on the part of the opposition to prolong the debate on this bill more than was necessary. He thought that the government had been ill-advised in resorting to the closure.

Pugsley is Sorry (7). "Some regrettable scenes took place and I am very sorry for them," remarked the member for St. John amid laughter.

Dealing with the merits of his amendment, Mr. Pugsley said that the C. N. R. and other owners of stock would present the most favorable statement to the arbitrator. "Mr. Pugsley said he had received a telegram from a prominent business man of British Columbia, stating that the C. N. R. had made commitments aggregating twenty-five million dollars in that province for which the government would be responsible.

Sir Robert Borden replying said that the member for St. John was laboring under many misapprehensions. "What ever might be said in regard to lack of opportunity on the part of other Liberal members to discuss the bill, it was certain that the member for St. John had discussed it on all possible moments.

After making a very full defense of the government's position and stating that the issue was plainly one of government or private ownership, Sir Robert Borden dealt with the whole question of Canada's future railway problem as it appeared to him. He said that when the government acquired the C. N. R. as far as he was concerned he would stand his best men to make the operation of the road efficient as any line in Canada. He regarded it as impossible for any department of the government to undertake the management of a great railway system; however, this was a matter for the next parliament to solve. He said he believed it was necessary for the railways and the government to get together in the immediate future and deal with the possibility of having a system of co-operative management of all the railways of Canada.

Sir Thomas White gave notice of closure on the third reading of the bill tomorrow.

AIRPLANES POWERFUL IN BATTLE

Italians Fiercely Attack Austrians on Bainsizza Plateau.

247 AIRPLANES IN ONE BATTLE

The Army of General Cadorna Captures Over a Thousand Prisoners.

SLAV ARMIES IN ROUMANIA RETREAT

Russian Division Shows the White Feather and Flees in Disorder.

Rome, Aug. 29.—The Italian troops, pushing forward on the Bainsizza plateau, have reached a powerful Austrian defensive line and are now attacking it, the war office announces. On the heights beyond Gorizia the Italians made gains. The announcement follows: "Fighting continued yesterday on the Bainsizza plateau. After having overtopped the enemy rear-guard our troops encountered and are at present attacking a powerful line of resistance which had been previously organized and which the enemy is defending with desperation. On the heights beyond Gorizia we made some gains. "During the day we captured more than 1,000 prisoners and several machine guns. Altogether 247 airplanes participated in the battle. A squadron of forty Caproni machines, which took part in the action east of Gorizia, dropped more than 7,000 kilograms of projectiles on enemy batteries in the Panovizza Wood. "On the Carso an artillery duel and patrol actions occurred. "In the Stelvio region, on the Trentino front, the enemy, at dawn Monday, attacked one of our advanced posts on the Glaciers in the upper Zehru Valley and succeeded in penetrating it. Our men, however, were able to occupy a higher summit from which they keep their old position under fire."

Russian Statement. "Petrograd, Aug. 29.—The official announcement follows: "Roumanian front: In the direction of Oena, in the region north of Grocsetti and north of Soveia, the enemy made stubborn attacks all through the day. The battle was waged with varying success, in the direction of Pokshant at daybreak yesterday the enemy after artillery preparation, attacked our positions in the region of Mutchelina. One of our divisions did not show the necessary resistance to the enemy and, having abandoned its positions, fled in disorder. The enemy continued to advance throughout the day, and has reached the line of Trebitz-Deu-Varnitz-Pitonesshi-ChoHanfchi. During the night, the enemy, continuing to develop his success, penetrated our positions in the region of Varnitz.

Boston Express Delayed. "The Boston express was delayed an hour and twenty minutes last night, arriving at the depot at 12:40. The delay was due to a hot box on one of the cars near Dover, Maine, as well as several minor delays along the route. The Halifax express waited for the Boston train.

Campbellton Chief Hears. "Fred Lucas, chief of police at Campbellton, is in the city on a vacation. He was a former valued officer on the St. John force and is receiving a hearty welcome from his many friends.

Arrested for Theft. "Two boys were arrested yesterday afternoon on the charge of stealing four dollars from W. C. Wilson's store on Union street, West St. John. The youngsters will appear in the juvenile court this morning.

SCHOONER SUNK IN COLLISION

The Cyrene Cut Down in Northumberland Strait by Steamer Arranmore.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Aug. 29.—The S.S. Arranmore, while on her way from Pictou to Charlottetown, collided with the schooner Cyrene, 90 tons, owned by her master, Captain Frank Murphy, of Montague. The schooner was almost cut in two amidships and sank. She was beating into Pictou harbor. The collision occurred near Pictou Light. There was no loss of life.

BORDEN ONLY LEADER NOW, SAYS GODFREY

Chairman of Win-the-War League Still Hopes for Union Government at Ottawa.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Aug. 29.—Mr. John M. Godfrey, Liberal, chairman of the Ontario Win the War League, was asked tonight for his opinion regarding the statement handed out by the Conservative caucus. He stated that in his judgment Sir Robert Borden was the only leader of a union government at present in sight. Sir Robert had made the proposal and for three months had earnestly and sincerely striven to bring about union. For that reason his elimination from the leadership was not only unpractical but undesirable.

Splendid Purpose. He said that the Conservative party by its resolution had committed itself unequivocally to union and a non-partisan election. With the full powers given him by his party Sir Robert would undoubtedly accomplish his splendid patriotic purpose.

When asked as to the effect of the caucus on further negotiations, Mr. Godfrey stated that he did not understand that the suggestion of the western Liberals was an ultimatum. Negotiations were still going on, and he believed ultimate success would be attained. Certainly something in the nature of a political revolution had happened in the west since the Winnipeg convention.

LEADING ST. STEPHEN MAN DROPS DEAD

Augustus Cameron Was Bidding Good-Bye to Son, Who Had Been Drafted in United States Army.

Special to The Standard. St. Stephen, Aug. 29.—Death came very suddenly this morning to Augustus Cameron, dry goods merchant and one of the most highly esteemed citizens of this town. His son Donald Cameron, the distinguished actor, who makes his home in New York, had been drafted for the United States army and had been at home for a brief farewell visit. He was leaving this morning to return when his father dropped dead.

The deceased had been for many years a valued member of the Presbyterian church. In politics he was an ardent Conservative.

BRITISH FOOD CONTROL

London, Aug. 29.—Lord Rhonda, the food controller, has decided to take over, gradually, control of the entire provision trade in the British Isles.

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COMPULSION MACHINERY TO START

Minister of Justice Will Set Things in Motion in a Few Days.

BILL FINALLY ASSENTED TO

It Will Be New Years, Probably, Before Men Are in Training.

LAURIER WILL AID IN SUPPORTING LAW

St. John Harbor Improvements Again Before Commons.

Ottawa, Aug. 29. (Eastern Press).—The military service bill was given the final seal of law this afternoon when Justice Duff, acting as administrator of the senate this afternoon. The proceedings were purely formal and there was no demonstration of any kind by the comparatively small crowd of senators and commentators who attended in the red chamber. In addition to the military service bill assent was given to a score or more bills of a minor importance which have completed their passage through parliament this session. They include a dozen or so divorce bills, a number of private bills and the government legislation providing for aid to returned soldiers settling on land.

Conscription Machinery. The work of setting the machinery in motion providing for the calling out of the first selective draft under conscription is now in the hands of the minister of justice, Hon. Justice Duff, who will be appointed within a few days to act as the central appeal judge and the regulations governing appeals, scientific grounds of exemption, defining the duties and areas of the local appeal tribunals, etc. The bill will be arranged for two or three weeks yet preparatory to the next step of actually putting the machinery into motion and calling out the men of the first class.

Month May Elapse. After that a month or more must elapse for the presenting and hearing of exemption appeals by the local tribunals, the latter stage probably requiring at least several weeks. Then more time must elapse for the hearing of appeals from the local tribunals by the central appeal courts. After that will come the actual calling to the colors of specified numbers and classes of those who have not been exempted. In all probability the final stage of getting the men out for training will not be reached until after the New Year.

Sir Robert Borden repeated in the Commons this afternoon the statement he made during the early discussion of the military service bill, that he thought it desirable half of the members of the board of selection should be named by the leader of the opposition. The board of selection, he said, would consist of 24 members, four being from Ontario, four from Quebec, two each from the other provinces and two from the Yukon. He intimated that if Sir Wilfrid Laurier would give him his recommendations for the appointments, he would be glad to revoke them. The local tribunals will consist of two members.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that the House would not be surprised that he found himself in a delicate position. It was not customary for a member to take part in the formation of a committee under a bill of which he did not approve, but the military service bill was of such importance that whether he approved of it or not, it had now become law and it behooved all subjects of the king to see that the law was carried out. Reminding the House that on the opposition side of the House there were members who

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SACKVILLE BOY CONFESSES UNDER SMOKEY HOAX

SACKVILLE MYSTERY ONLY TWENTY-FOUR HOURS WONDER

Norman Phinney Who Accused Wesley Sears of Midgic, of Murdering Militia Sergeant, Confesses That He Concocted Charges to Revenge Himself for Fancied Wrong—The Two Released.

Special to The Standard. Sackville, Aug. 29.—The sensational murder story told by a lad named Norman Phinney near Sackville has today broken down and confessed that his story was a falsehood concocted for purpose of getting even with Wesley Sears, held on nominal charge of deserting from the Westmorland and Kent battalion last summer. Young Phinney when pressed for a reason for manufacturing such a story, says he did it because Sears would not pay him for cutting some wood as per agreement.

Sears Released.
As a result of the lad's confession Sears has been given his liberty and returned to Midgic to resume the harvesting of his crops and the boy has also been sent back home.
Sears who was arrested on a charge of being a deserter as a sequel of young Phinney's story was brought before Justice H. Chapman at Dorchester this afternoon.
Lieut. George McLeod appeared for the prisoner. No complaint was made against Sears and there was really nothing on which to detain him longer. Young Phinney made a confession to the court as detailed above and this ending the sensational case.

SIR ROBERT TO CONTINUE AS PREMIER

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Situation Discussed.
The whole situation was discussed frankly and fully with these gentlemen and no divergence in questions of policy or of administration arose. They returned to Winnipeg, which they reached on Thursday last and consulted with their friends, after which three of them and another prominent Liberal despatched to the Prime Minister a message by telegram. In that message they declared that they favored a national government and the formation of a coalition government, of which Sir Robert Borden should be prime minister, but they thought a change of leadership essential. They suggested four gentlemen, of whom Sir George Foster was the first named, and whose name he now put before the caucus. The senders of the message were all willing to join a government under such leadership and anticipated strong eastern colleagues.

Personally Friendly.
The Prime Minister expressed his strong conviction that this message was not inspired by any personal antagonism to himself and that the gentlemen who sent the message were personally friendly to him and perfectly sincere. The question of forming a union government based upon the support of all elements of the population prepared to join in an earnest effort to win the war was above all personal or party considerations. He strongly emphasized his conviction that any question as to the personal status or political fortunes of any individual was utterly insignificant.

Willing to Retire.
The Prime Minister expressed his absolute willingness to retire altogether or to serve under Sir George Foster if the result would be to unite all elements of the population and have them represented in a union government. He paid a warm tribute to Sir George Foster's splendid ability and wide experience and personal qualities and said that he would be ready and happy to serve under Sir George Foster if he would undertake the formation of a government. He dwelt upon the strong desire of the best elements of both political parties to form a government. The overmastering purpose should be to support the gallant men at the front to ensure their devotion and self-sacrifice and to win the war.

Sir George Foster.
Sir George Foster followed Sir Robert, emphasizing the warm friendship and co-operation there had been between Sir Robert and himself, his appreciation of the immensity of the task that confronted the Prime Minister since the outbreak of hostilities and the untiring patience and devotion that had held him to the performance of his duties and during which he had acquired vast knowledge of conditions and requirements not only in Canada but overseas as well. He also directed the attention of those present to the outstanding position Sir Robert held among the statesmen of the Empire and as the representative of the Liberal Conservative element in Canada, and laid stress on the fact that the reason for a union government was to secure a most efficient and vigorous prosecution of the war and stated that if this was to be attained the full strength of that factor in union must be available and exercised.

on which to detain him longer. Young Phinney made a confession to the court as detailed above and this ending the sensational case.
Justice Sheriff Hollis, who investigated the boy's story was unable to corroborate it in any particular and was soon convinced that the lad was lying. After the authorities had run several stories to the ground it was intimated pretty plainly to Phinney that his story bore signs of a hoax and weepfully confessed that the story was all made up to get back at Sears for not paying him for cutting wood.

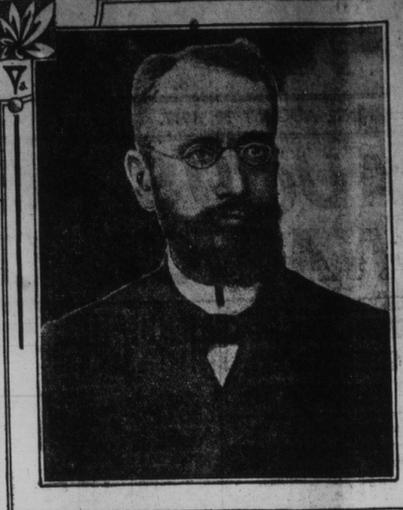
Willing to Serve.
He was willing to serve in any way which would promote the end they sought, and as Sir Robert Borden had just said, as dear to the heart of many Liberals as to their own. But he firmly believed that it could not be attained unless the full strength of the country could be exercised. That strength could not be available unless Sir Robert remained at the head of the government.
Those present were deeply impressed by the addresses of Sir Robert and Sir George and amid the scene of great enthusiasm, pledged to the Prime Minister a continuance of zealous support.

Can Wrestle and Play Football Now.
Just to show what is possible, one of the men who was taken in hand at the university last year was paralyzed from the waist down and with two crutches. It took but a few months working with the apparatus for this lad to recover the entire use of his limbs. When he left the laboratory he was able to box, wrestle, play football and perform other feats of athletic prowess with which he had a short time before had been helpless.

COMPULSION MACHINERY TO START

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both approved and disapproved of the measure, he said he would consult with them and then communicate with the prime minister.
On a motion to give third reading to the military voters bill, Sir Wilfrid Laurier stated that the motion was unexpected, and as the opposition was unprepared to proceed with it at that time, he asked that it be allowed to stand.
Hon. C. J. Doherty agreed, and the House proceeded to concur in a report of committee of supply.
Courtesy Bay.
During the occurrence in the estimates of the department of public works Mr. Pugsley made inquiry as to the improvements at Courtenay Bay, St. John, N. B. He said he understood that the work had been stopped and the deposit returned to the contractor. Promises made by the minister of finance in regard to this project had not been realized, he said.
Hon. J. D. Reid, acting minister of public works promised to give a full explanation when the supplementary estimates were under consideration. He said he desired to refresh his memory in regard to the matter before saying anything about it.
Mr. Pugsley once more objected to the government paying half a million dollars for the rental of public buildings in Ottawa.

Fredericton, Aug. 29.—The Crown land department is apparently holding in abeyance its new stampage tax fixed by order in council. The department is not collecting for the present, not from some of the operators at least. A good deal of pulpwood and other woods for which collections are generally made almost on the spot are being cut and prepared for market and some sent to market. On a lot of this collections have not been made and it has been assumed that the spot are being cut and prepared for market and some sent to market. On a lot of this collections have not been made and it has been assumed that the spot are being cut and prepared for market and some sent to market.



ELUTHÉRIOS VENIZÉLOS.

THE DOMINION GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKES TO RESTORE THE HEALTH OF SOLDIERS

Hart House of the University of Toronto Diverted for Work of Affording New Scientific System of Functional Training For Disabled War Heroes.

When the announcement was made recently that the Trustees of the Massey Estate had diverted Hart House, the newest of the University of Toronto group of buildings, to a special work of the Military Hospital Commission, there was a general feeling of surprise. There was nothing to convey that the Government had here undertaken in behalf of the disabled a work so new and advanced that there is only one laboratory in Canada studying the scientific principle to be applied. Yet such is the case.
Great War Veterans.
A few days ago some of the officials of the Great War Veterans Association assembled at Ottawa for a conference with Government leaders and urged the use in Canada of the apparatus for functional training. They told of the wonderful instances of conquering disabilities achieved in France through the use of the apparatus invented by Professor Amar. So little is known even by medical men of functional training that it is not surprising that the veterans were unaware that this very work had already been launched in the Dominion. The apparatus, it is true, is not being used but the scientific principles on which it was built is being applied by Dr. E. A. Bott of the University of Toronto's psychological laboratory in the construction of scores of devices which accomplish exactly the same results as Professor Amar's creation.

Can Wrestle and Play Football Now.
Just to show what is possible, one of the men who was taken in hand at the university last year was paralyzed from the waist down and with two crutches. It took but a few months working with the apparatus for this lad to recover the entire use of his limbs. When he left the laboratory he was able to box, wrestle, play football and perform other feats of athletic prowess with which he had a short time before had been helpless.
During the 1916-17 term of the university research work on the subject of functional training was carried on in the psychological laboratory with such successful results upon sixteen soldier patients sent from Central Military Hospital, College Street, that the Military Hospital Commission resolved early in the spring to undertake the expansion of the work until as many soldiers as possible might receive its benefits. Fortunately the Commission had already decided to concentrate its orthopedic work for the whole Dominion at the former Booth Memorial Home, North Toronto.

Dr. Col. Vincent Massey had observed the work at the university and was impressed and in behalf of the Massey Estate he offered the use of the million dollar syndicate on a social consciousness which his family was erecting in Queen's Park for the students.
Commenced before the war, Hart House as it is called, has progressed in construction but slowly since 1914, as in its uncompleted state it was suitable for carrying on various military training operations. The southern half of the building contains a great number of small rooms and it is these which make the building so admirably suited to the work of re-education, as it is correctly termed. It is one of the essentials of the work that each patient be treated separately by apparatus designed to meet his special case under the guidance of an

individual worker.
Disabilities to be Removed.
The soldiers who will benefit by this new treatment are, for the most part, those who have a disability which entails the loss of one or more of the scores of mental and physical processes which go to make up the total activities of the normal human being. The surgical treatment necessary for most of the physical disabilities will be given at the Military Hospital Commission's orthopedic hospital and the psychological influences necessary to assist in the removal of the disability will be supplied at Hart House.
Curiously enough this very scientific and little understood treatment sounds very simple to the unlearned when explained by one of the workers. The principle applied in it to a man's own voluntary initiative to practice the process subject to disability. This process may be a movement of some kind or other part of the body or it may be a thought process such as the power of attention, memory or association, etc. Usually some small muscle has been impaired and the patient's task is set in the doing of which the patient practices to its upper limit the impaired process. Just as when a patient is assigned to the re-education class, is to hold a clinic and ascertain how many processes have been impaired and the next is to measure the degree of impairment. Sensitivity is a good example. If a hand or a foot is numb and rather helpless, it is important to find out exactly how numb it is in some terms which can be expressed and understood.
Did you ever cross your knees and then tap a certain place just below the knee cap and observe how a very slight blow causes your foot to kick? The distance the foot moves is very indicative of the whole nervous tone of the man and Dr. Bott has an apparatus which accurately measures the kick in order to find out that very condition. Before the knee is tapped a class is fastened to the ankle and horizontal indicator rests against the knee in a large protractor. When the knee is tapped the horizontal bar moves along the scale and the highest number reached is the term in which the man's nervous tone is measured. Experience has shown what is normal and what is abnormal.
Having obtained all this information about the patient, the worker is then called upon to prescribe for his case. Very often it is necessary to increase the piece of apparatus which will give the patient the necessary exercise.

Patent Studies Own Progress.
The prescription in each case will consist of an exercise which can be performed with the disabled member. The patient will practice the exercise consistently and if the treatment is successful will find it grows easier as time proceeds. Then a little harder one will be set and the patient will be encouraged to increase the effort day by day until the full process is restored. For instance, if it is a lifting process which is impaired the patient will be taught to lift a weight that the muscle is capable of. When this becomes easy the weight will be increased until the man can lift as much with the formerly disabled member as any normal man could have done. If it is a mental process that is impaired, mental exercises will be set on the same basis. They may be mental arithmetic or tests of memory, association and so on. In some cases the patient will merely carry on a conversation on some technical subject for half an hour or more in order to practice concentration.
In certain cases it is expected that volunteer workers will be used. They will have to be taught the essentials of their art very carefully before they can be entrusted with the welfare of a patient, but as they will require more in the way of natural temperamental adaptability than scientific knowledge, this will not be a very special kind of cheerful, lively and concentrated interest on the part of the worker to keep the patient busy for a whole hour at any such task as that, hence it is contemplated that the volunteer workers shall devote not more than one hour a day to their task.
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The question of scientific workers is also a very difficult one if the department is to be expanded so as to give any large number of soldiers its benefits. There is known to be a limited number of persons in the Dominion with the technical knowledge necessary to undertake responsible positions in the department and Dr. Bott is at present engaged in correspondence with most of them in an endeavor to bring them together at Hart House. His staff at present consists of only 5 or 6.
The duty of the volunteer workers will be to encourage the patients to persevere. Mechanical devices of a hundred and one different types are being invented day by day to suit all kinds of cases and each volunteer will be taught the use of one piece of apparatus. It is regarded as essential that each patient should receive the individual and exclusive attention of one worker, as the main duty of the worker is to keep up the patient's interest and enthusiasm in the work. One of the great advantages of the Amar apparatus is said to be the fact that a graphic record is kept of the movement made in the practice of the assigned exercise. So far none of Dr. Bott's devices has had this feature, but each has a scale by which the worker can keep track of his progress in recuperation. The resulting benefits are exactly the same. The

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The first witness called yesterday morning was Dr. J. L. Kenney, the coroner, who conducted the inquiry into the death of Harris. He gave evidence of viewing the body, and identified the signatures of witnesses who gave evidence at the coroner's inquest. He testified that he had seen pictures of the prisoners being implicated in the murder of Harris, but did not caution the defendant when the pictures were being shown, although he knew that the men were under arrest.

Miss Hilda Williams.

Miss Hilda Williams, who was the stenographer at the inquest, was called and testified that she had not been sworn before taking the evidence. She identified documents produced in court and said she witnessed the defendant sign them.

Mrs. Harris.

Mrs. Lucy Harris, mother of the deceased, was called and described the attire her son wore on the night he was assaulted. It was 12:15 o'clock that night when he arrived home, bleeding and vomiting. Her son told her that he heard steps coming out of an alley on Rockland Road and that he was about in the act of turning he received a blow on the head. He thought it was with a piece of lead pipe or something heavy and that he picked him up.

Dr. G. O. Baxter.

Dr. G. O. Baxter was called and described the injuries and said that the wound could be occasioned by a stone or brick held in the hand of a person or thrown.

Alphonso Harris.

The evidence given by Alphonso Harris, brother of the deceased, showed that the place where the assault took place was about opposite Cranston Avenue. When his brother arrived home witness said he was weak and sick.

F. S. Walker.

Francis S. Walker was then called. He said he saw O'Brien, Carland and five or six more standing at the corner of Broad street some time after the plumbers' strike was called.

In answer to Dr. Wallace the witness said he saw Mr. Bruce talking to a man named Lambert and the defendant Carland near the Opera House in Union street on the night when Harris was hit.

Afternoon Session.

Mr. Walker's cross-examination by Mr. Mullin was continued when the court resumed at 2:30 o'clock. Directing the attention of the witness to the request from the Plumbers' Union, Mr. Mullin asked if the request had ever come before the Master Plumbers' Association. Witness said that the request came before the meeting and the association refused to take the terms. The matter of increased wages was left with each plumber individually to deal with. Witness was not aware of any letter being sent to Mr. Shea of Fredericton relative to a journeyman plumber named Murray. He did not know that W. J. Crawford may have written the letter. Witness heard that he did. Witness does not know that the letter requested Mr. Shea not to employ Murray.

Witness said that he once saw Carland passing through the guard room at police headquarters, but was not

THE MYSTERY OF THE BLOODY KEY—NO. 14.



U. E. F. (At Lens, receives a letter from his best beloved): "Some day they'll answer to me for this!"

\$1,200,000 SUITS BEFORE ADMIRALTY

Cases Grew Out of Collision Between Steamers Heathcote and Kelbergen.

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, Aug. 29.—The admiralty division of the Exchequer Court was engaged today in hearing a suit in which one side claims \$1,000,000 and the other side \$200,000. The Dominion Shipping Company, Limited, owners of the steamship Heathcote, was run down and sunk near Port in Cabot Straits off Newfoundland on July 25 last, by the steamship Kelbergen, and an action against the Kelbergen was instituted.

The collision occurred during dense fog. The Heathcote was bound from the west coast of Newfoundland to Sydney with livestock for the Dominion Iron and Steel Company.

PRESIDENT TO FIX PRICES OF COPPER

Producers Say Metal Should Not Be Sold for Less Than 22 1/2 Cents.

Special to The Standard.

Washington, Aug. 29.—Following the precedent set in naming a coal administrator, it was reported today that the President is bent upon naming a copper administrator also. A tentative price of 20c per pound is that at which it has been suggested the President should fix for copper purchases. The 20c price is considered too low by copper producers. A hearing will be granted informally to some of the copper people before final action is taken. The opponents of this price have urged that copper should not be sold less than 22 1/2c per pound. It is believed the President will fix a price some time this week.

FIFTEEN YEAR OLD GIRL AN ELOPER

Flees from Campbellton with Man Posing as Commercial Traveller.

Moncton, Aug. 29.—An eloping couple from Campbellton, who were in Moncton for a short time this week, made their get away before the police could lay hands on them. The police received a telegram stating that a man who posed as a commercial traveller had eloped with the fifteen year old daughter of a wealthy resident of that town last Sunday afternoon. The couple left on the south-bound Ocean Limited train, the telegram stated.

Enquiries were instituted at once by the police here and they learned that such a couple had stayed at a hotel but had left the city several hours before the telegram was received.

HUN ATTACKS DEFEATED IN HEAVY STORM

German Reserves in Langemarck Region Manifest Signs of Exhaustion—Wertemburg Division Weak.

London, Aug. 29.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters reports the heaviest kind of rain and furious wind are hampering operations. Notwithstanding the rain the Germans twice last night attacked our line, astride the Ypres-Cenine road, coming in big waves of assault through the Inverness copse. Both attempts were heavily punished.

Enemy Exhausted.

"We are getting plenty of evidence of the exhaustion of the enemy reserves in this area, says the correspondent. The Wertemburg division that has been exposed to continuous fire since the middle of August has been weakened beyond all fighting effectiveness. The enemy is now forced to employ inadequately rested and refitted troops.

"The flying corps during the last week co-operated in attacking more than 700 batteries, in the destruction of twenty-eight gun pits, caused 300 explosions in ammunition dumps, brought down sixty-eight enemy aircraft and drove down ninety out of control."

British Official.

London, Aug. 29.—"During the night we carried out successful raids north-east of Gouzeaucourt and southwest of Halluch and captured a few prisoners," says today's official announcement.

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EARL GREY

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Former Governor General of Canada Passes Away at Howick House, Northumberland.

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Lord Strathcona described Earl Grey as "a statesman and a philanthropist in the best sense." His active career comprised not only the administration of the government of the British representation of the British government as Governor General of Canada, but industrial and financial operations in the development of South Africa. One of the most noted movements to which he gave his support and in which he was prominent was the Public House Trust Company of England, an enterprise designed to supplant the ordinary saloons for the sale of intoxicating liquors by the establishment of well conducted public houses and to discourage the use of intoxicants by the substituting of tea and coffee.

Born November 28, 1851, Alfred Henry George, the fourth Earl Grey, was educated at a public school in Northumberland and for six years, beginning in 1880, on the death of his uncle, General Sir Charles Grey, in 1884, he succeeded to the title and took his seat in the House of Lords. For two generations previously the Earls Grey had been prominent in the political affairs of the British Empire. His grandfather had been prime minister of England.

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HOW LADY HONORED MEMORY OF SON

Fallen Hero Fond of Children and Little Ones Entertained.

Fredricton, Aug. 29.—A Woodstock lady who recently received word that her son had made the supreme sacrifice on the battlefields of France, sent a donation to the Children's Home in this city, the children of whom have a day's pleasure in memory of her son who was extremely fond of children.

ADMIRALTY COURT ESTABLISHES FACT OF DEATHS OF MILITARY PASSENGERS.

Cherbourg, Aug. 29.—The admiralty court has admitted as established the deaths of 77 military passengers on board the French auxiliary cruiser Province, when that vessel was sunk in the Mediterranean on February 26, 1916. The court in last February recognized that there had been 192 deaths among the crew of the steamer, thus making the total fatalities on board 910.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., THURSDAY, AUGUST 30, 1917.

"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.

BORDEN THE ONLY MAN.

Even as an attempt at a political bluff the demand of Western Liberals that Sir Robert Borden shall retire and a new premier be selected before they will agree to enter a union government is an absurd proposition. Sir Robert Borden was Canada's premier when the war broke out. He will be Canada's premier when the price of union would be to defeat the only purpose for which a union was ever desirable or ever necessary, for aside altogether from politics it will be admitted, we think readily, that no other Canadian can replace him and carry on as successfully as he the policies to which he has consecrated himself and for the attainment of which he was not unwilling to yield the place of leadership to another.

If the Western Liberals are dissatisfied with Sir Robert Borden, as their representatives profess, who do they expect to put in his place? What other Canadian can they get in whom the people of Canada would have equal confidence? The men whose names were suggested to the Premier by the Western Liberals are excellent men but can hardly be imagined as successors of the Canadian Prime Minister.

Assuredly Sir Robert Borden is the only man who possesses the courage, the moral stature, the prestige and the ability to save Canada from those partisans who, for political purposes only, would destroy her.

There is a danger facing Canada, a danger to which the demand for Sir Robert Borden's resignation should serve to awaken every loyal man in this country. If Canadians of vision and goodwill wish to deliver their country from the menace of civil disturbance, certain to come with the ascendancy of Laurier and resultant domination by disloyal reactionists who play his game in preference to that of the Empire, they will rally around the Premier and with no uncertain voice declare that no other man shall head the Government of this country as long as Canada faces the grave problems which today confront her. They will give to the Premier and his administration unselfish whole-hearted support in the determined effort to lift the national standard out of the mire in which unwise partisans would drag it. It is true that loyal Canadians want a union government in which all the elements which place the winning of the war above the winning of elections shall be fairly represented. It is also true and has been demonstrated by the Prime Minister himself that they will go to any reasonable length to secure such an administration, but the suggestion that the retirement of Sir Robert Borden is in the interests of union or harmony. Instead, the reverse is the case, for if the suggestion should become a reality it would be sufficient to arouse a wave of indignation from one end of Canada to the other that would defeat the object the Western Liberals profess to have in view. The Conservative party is behind Sir Robert Borden to a man as are thousands of loyal Canadians not hitherto classed as Conservatives but who realize that our present Prime Minister is the one man in Canada to whom the destinies of this country can be safely confided at the most serious time in her history.

THE PROSPECT FOR UNION.

close touch with the situation and undoubtedly has fully grasped all its phases. Personal ambition, political advantage, he never considered. To make any sacrifice necessary to promoting a better feeling between the rival political parties and thus secure a united effort for the winning of the war was the sole thought in his mind. To this end he has made every concession a man in his position can make, but the suggestion that he should retire under circumstances which, to say the least, would be humiliating not only to himself but to the great majority of loyal Canadians he leads is asking a concession greater than his followers are willing to make.

The question may now fairly be asked: Why should all the concessions come from the one side? The Conservative party is in power, the Conservative party has the confidence of the people as the party to win this war and in any appeal to the polls there is reason to believe the Conservative party will be successful. Why then, after every possible concession has been made by the Prime Minister and his associates to gain the support of the loyal wing of the opposition party, should that wing not stand ready to make some concessions on its own account?

Union government is not yet dead. The Western gentlemen with whom Sir Robert has been in negotiation will have no part in it, except on impossible terms, there are other equally strong Liberals who approve the idea and are not averse to co-operating. It all overtures for union fail the people will know where to place the blame, and if that should be the result of the negotiations which have been going on at Ottawa for some weeks, why the Conservative party as represented by the Borden Government still possesses the support of the people and can appeal to them to endorse its administration with full confidence that such an endorsement will be forthcoming.

The party politically opposed to the Borden administration can have union government on a fifty-fifty basis any time they want it. But they cannot have it all, and if they reject it on those terms the only thing for the Prime Minister to do is to strengthen his cabinet from the best material available and proceed with his war programme.

If the Liberal idea is that for the sake of union the Conservative party is willing to completely eliminate itself, why, perhaps, the quickest and surest way to dispel that illusion would be to appeal to the people on straight party lines. The Conservative party has every reason to feel confidence in the result of such an appeal.

for Canada are not good enough to vote for her. Last evening the Times summarized what Mr. Pugsley said, referred to the points he made, but carefully avoided any expression of its own opinion. The Telegraph has shown no more course.

It will be one week tomorrow since Mr. Pugsley made his attempt in Parliament to disfranchise the soldiers. Since his address there have been five issues of the Telegraph and four issues of the Times, but neither of those newspapers have yet ventured to support him although they did give unnecessary publicity to an attack upon a member of his family. It is not upon the action of any of Mr. Pugsley's relatives that he will be approved or condemned, if he again seeks the suffrages of the electors of St. John—a possibility concerning which there is some doubt. He will stand or fall by his own words and his own policy.

That he is in a serious position even his friends will admit and in such case it might be supposed that the active support of the Telegraph and Times would be a comfort and a sustenance. Why is it withheld?

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM.

The latest report from the Russian battle front is that the Germans have chased the Muscovite soldiers up to the Tretyy-Deus-Varitta-Pitonschik-Choyntschik line. There is really no cause for alarm. If the enemy have to wait until they pronounce the name of their new location it will be some time before they can continue the pursuit. And meanwhile the Russians may get their second wind.

Russian Church A Vital Influence

Among those who are most hopeful of the Russian situation are students of the Russian religion, and travellers who know what a hold it has upon the people. It is hard indeed to see the Russian people, and the spiritual riches have taken them. It is believed, however, that the Russians will never be able to reconcile themselves to the gross materialism of Kultur, even though they bore the yoke of Czarism more or less uncomplainingly for centuries. However, the Russian weakness was of one kind and not the kind that might naturally lead to submission to a War Lord. The trouble is, of course, that the fate of Russia is so far as this war is concerned, may be settled by a small group of Socialists and internationalists without the bulk of the Russian people knowing it. The Russian Church, even though it is subservient to the State, like the Church of England, the Church, like all other churches, claims to be the old traditional Church of Christ, and in the words of the Liturgy it is "the Faith that will overcome the world." Some three hundred years ago there was schism in the Church, which existed until the masterful Peter the Great put an end to it by taking away the authority of the Patriarch of Moscow and entrusting it to the Holy Synod, placing at its head the procurator as an absolute dictator, under the Czar, as to matters that might or might not be discussed. The last Procurator, whose name is remembered outside of Russia, was Pobiedonostsev, a famous reactionary, but a man of great attainments.

Neither Catholic Nor Protestant.

The Russians are members of what is called the Greek Orthodox Church, which is neither Roman Catholic nor Protestant, but combines features of both and contributes some others peculiar to itself. The Czar is head of the Church, but the Church is subservient to the State, like the Church of England. The Church, like all other churches, claims to be the old traditional Church of Christ, and in the words of the Liturgy it is "the Faith that will overcome the world." Some three hundred years ago there was schism in the Church, which existed until the masterful Peter the Great put an end to it by taking away the authority of the Patriarch of Moscow and entrusting it to the Holy Synod, placing at its head the procurator as an absolute dictator, under the Czar, as to matters that might or might not be discussed. The last Procurator, whose name is remembered outside of Russia, was Pobiedonostsev, a famous reactionary, but a man of great attainments.

White and Black Clergy.

The clergy of the Russian Church must possess great influence in any crisis as that which Russia is now facing. It consists of monks and the secular priests. The former have great influence in the councils of the church, but the latter come into daily and intimate contact with the people. The monks, or the black clergy, are the ascetics. They are all married, and it is customary for a white clergyman to marry the daughter of another white clergyman, thus tending to establish a sort of tribe of Aaron. These priests not only visit the people in sickness and health and expound the Gospels to them, but they are the official registrars of marriage and other vital statistics. As civil marriages are unknown in Russia, the parish priests are thus sought out in the great crises of life and death, and since they are presumably better educated than their parishioners, it is only natural that they should wield great influence with them.

A Democratic Church.

It is said that in the Russian Church there is a wonderful freedom from caste. The words, "The rich and the poor, together, and the Lord is the Father of them all," have for all the Russians a reality that they have for few other people. Social and price level side by side. The monk has his own peculiar notions of religion, according to "Lycian," a cultured writer in the Post-Express, of Webster. He sees in Christ a poor suffering man who is His own idealized image. He pictures Him as a cripple toiling under a heavy cross. To be like Christ is the duty of all true believers. One must love and help, and be patient even unto death. The Russian carries his cross, or bears picture of ambition, everywhere he goes, and

Little Benny's Note Book.

The Park Ave. News.
Weather. Pictures of snow storms hard to believe. Sports. The invisible baseball team was practicing on the empty lot last Saturday afternoon, when Pitcher Skinny Martins father offered to bet some out to them to teach them how to catch, which he baited so wild that the invisibles had to chase the ball all over the empty lot, and after a while Catcher Reddy Merly yelled, Fire, and they all ran like the dickens as if they really threw so, and when they came back Skinny Martins father had went, and they kept on practicing.
For Sale or Exchange. Collection of 18 keys on a key ring, all different, none the same. See Benny Potts, Advertisement.
Intriguing Facts About Intriguing People. Roddy Merly's grandfather with a wooden leg has a picture of a lady he tattooed on his real one, only he won't show it to anybody except relations.
Short Story
Wat a Coincidence!
A brick fell off of a roof just as a man underneath was taking off his hat to wipe his bald head.
The end.
Sleazety Notes. Mr. Sam Crosses cousin Jake is visiting him from the country, being a long red headed kid with so many freckles you cant hardly see his face.

as he lies dying on the battlefield he presses it to his lips in token that he has kept the faith. In many other respects the Russian lives a life that would not be approved by Western censors. He drinks a good deal, or did until deprived of vodka, and in youth his morals are not patterned after St. Anthony.
As a Man Grows Old.
But when the Russian becomes a man, he is apt to put away childish things. A French cynic has said that when a man becomes too old to set others a bad example, he gives them good advice. Someone else has observed that men do not grow better as they grow older. The average Russian is an exception. He improves with age, and from the moment that he begins to contemplate the possibility of dying some day he seeks to fit himself for the other world. He may fear death, but he has been taught that it is something higher and holier than life. On the whole, the religion of the Russians could have, it suits them. It enables them to bear their present hardships in the hope of a glorious resurrection to meet death when it comes like the martyrs of blessed memory. It is the Russian's religious faith that makes him, when not infected with socialism, as good a soldier as the best.

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J. P. MacLaren Has Acted for the Hospitals Commission at Fredericton—Consulted with Lieut. Prentice Yesterday.

J. P. MacLaren, a well known architect of Ottawa, is a guest at the Royal Hotel. Mr. MacLaren is here in connection with the completion of the work at the army for the Military Hospitals Commission. He said last evening that he had been called to the city to consult with Lieut. Prentice. He was not in a position to say when the discharge hospital here would be opened, and he expected to remain here during the next few days.

Mr. MacLaren has recently visited Fredericton where he superintended the plans for the establishment of a hospital at the old Government House. He said that the work there was progressing nicely.

MARRIAGES.
MARCH-GOLDING—On August 28th, at German street Baptist Church, by the Rev. D. J. MacPherson, M. Kathleen Golding to Reginald G. March, Montreal.

DEATHS.
WIMMIE—At Hampton, N. B., on August 29th, William Ritchie, aged eighty-seven years, leaving three sons and one daughter to mourn. Boston and Halifax papers please copy.
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Many Witnesses Are Examined—Evidence Along the Lines of That Submitted at the Preliminary Inquiry—Will Hold Session This Evening.

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of considerable drinking on Friday among the plumbers in which the witness participated. John O'Brien was not in a position to hear what the woman was saying at the alleyway at Joe O'Brien's store. There were at least four or five names on the black-board at the union rooms. It was the customary thing to write down the names of those who refused to strike when the strike was on. The witness would call those who refused to strike "scabs." The term "scab" had a general significance in labor circles and was applied all over the continent to those who showed up for work but would not do so. The same observations applied to the term "rat." Witness did not see much of the names being on the black-board. He had always found Mr. Bruce a perfect gentleman. Carland had discouraged drinking and drinking, and had used his influence to suppress it. He heard Mr. Bruce say that he was glad the liquor had been put out, referring to the coming into force of prohibition. Witness on no occasion found Mr. Bruce doing anything beyond his authority. Witness believed that it was in the interest of the labor men to stand together in unions for mutual protection. The activities of Mr. Bruce were always directed along the lines of the union in a proper manner. Witness knew Farrell but did not have a very good opinion of him. Producing the cap brought into court by Dr. Wallace Mr. Mullin asked the witness if he would swear that the cap was not owned by Carland.

A.—No, I will not.

Witness said he frequently saw Carland wearing a cap like the one produced and marked.

Mr. Mullin to Dr. Wallace—This only cap, the one that you brought in for. Probably you wanted to show how clever the witness was.

Dr. Wallace—He is clever. It is Robert Harris' cap.

The court adjourned at 5:15 o'clock until this morning at 10 o'clock. Chief Justice McKeown announced that the court would sit this evening.

Frank Donohue, the next witness, told Dr. Wallace in his direct examination that he was a plumber. He was working at the Royal Hotel on the evening that Harris was assaulted. Jack O'Brien, Carland and Hunt were with witness near the Oak Hall building that evening and they called "scab" and "rat" names to each other. Carland had a black overcoat on and wore a grey hat. O'Brien previously had asked witness to go on strike and in reply to witness' statement that he was not a scab, O'Brien accused said, "We will put you out."

The witness was not cross-examined.

Lawrence F. Lambert, a former striking plumber, was the next witness. He told Dr. Wallace that he saw the name of Harris along with others on the blackboard at the union rooms on the evening of June 14th. Sullivan was there and so was the name of Donohue. Witness was at Carland's house the morning after the assault. He heard Carland say to some woman, or the express man, had told him that Harris was hurt. Witness went to Carland's house to see him. He went to the house on Friday afternoon as well. There was no talk about Harris there. Jack O'Brien, Carland and Hunt were with witness at Carland's house. They called "scab" and "rat" names to each other. Witness left the store about 5:30 o'clock. He saw two women standing in the entrance to O'Brien's alleyway. He heard one of the ladies ask "Is he in there?"

Witness said "No, he is not."

The lady said "He must be there for he has not been home." Witness told John O'Brien that a woman was looking for him and the accused said "It is the wife."

Mr. Mullin here objected to this testimony as it was hearsay and the statement was made within the hearing of the accused.

Chief Justice McKeown—Unless they were within hearing distance, it would not be evidence.

The witness said that John O'Brien was or 30 feet away, and the chief Justice allowed the evidence. Witness did not know personally who the woman was, and on Mr. Mullin's objection, his answer that he was told that it was Mrs. O'Brien, was struck off the record. Witness saw O'Brien on Friday night. The latter called the witness out of Mr. Crawford's store and told him that he had no right in there. O'Brien said to the witness: "Harris got the pill, what's the matter with you; you can't give Farrell the needle."

At the union rooms on the evening of June 14th, Carland wore a dark overcoat and a hard hat. O'Brien wore a peak cap and had his working clothes on.

Two hats were here produced by Dr. Wallace in court and witness recognized one as that worn by O'Brien. Witness heard Mr. Bruce tell the plumbers to get out and get after them—to bound them. Bruce said he would let no member of the union be a scab. The latter expression had several meanings and witness would not care to say which one was meant. Cross-examined by Mr. Mullin, the witness said that he went to work for Mr. Walker about four weeks before the strike. Shortly after witness went to work, the deceased Harris left Mr. Walker's employ. Witness was a square deal. He thought that the bosses should have come across. It was at the men's option either to go back to work or to remain with the union. Mr. Bruce offered to do what ever the boys wanted with respect to the strike. Mr. Bruce was continuing to preach that there must be no violence, while he incessantly condemned the drinking of liquor.

Witness never gave tips to the police about the plumbers. He had given information to the police to go over to the west side to identify a woman, and the witness agreed to go. Before that he had given no information except what he had told the coroner at the inquest. Witness would not swear John O'Brien was with Carland when witness first saw the latter on Friday morning after the assault. Witness

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS' ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY

Parade of Knights from Castle Hall at 2 o'clock—Memorial Ceremony at Fernhill Cemetery This Afternoon.

The Knights of Pythias annual memorial day observance will take place this afternoon and extensive preparations for the same have been made. It has been the custom of this organization to gather on one day in the year, and in memory of the departed brethren, to decorate the graves with flowers and march to Fernhill cemetery where the annual service will be held.

Committees from the three lodges were busy all day yesterday at the rooms of the McLaughlin Carriage Company making up the bouquets and flowers for friends of the order all over the city and suburbs. This morning the bouquets will be loaded up in readiness for the parade.

The order of service for this afternoon is as follows: "Jesus Lover of My Soul," by the band hymn, "Christ of All My Hopes the Ground" with altar accompaniment. Scripture reading, Past Chancellor W. H. White; hymn, "Asleep in Jesus, Blessed Sleep," address, Rev. James Moul; prayer, Rev. D. Hutchinson; Doxology; God Save the King.

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The Police Court.

Yesterday in the police court Ralph Shields of Liverpool, N. S., was remanded to jail on the charge of using insulting language to Mrs. Doris Christensen and Winnie Brown on Union street. The case against Robert Anderson for illegally having liquor in his home was dismissed and orders given that the seized liquor be returned to the defendant.

Charles George was fined \$10 for driving on the wrong side of the street.

A fine of \$10 was allowed to stand against John F. Jones for allowing his horses to run away. He explained that one of the reins broke.

Mrs. Mary E. Titus was committed to trial on the charge of abandoning her infant.



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Russians Heavy—Explosive Shares Strong and Metal Group Advances—Money in Good Demand.

Special to The Standard. London, Aug. 29.—The stock market was quietly cheerful today. Explosive shares were strong and the metal group, especially lead and tin, advanced. Mexican, Japanese and Scandinavian issues were in demand. Improved crop prospects stimulated Argentine, and Brazilians hardened with exchange.

Russians were heavy. Money was in good demand to take up treasury bills. Discount rates were steady. Last week treasury bills amounting to £2,000,000 were sold.

MAUGERVILLE HAS A BRIGHT GIRL

Thirteen Year Old Miss Made 70 at Normal School Entrance Exams.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Aug. 29.—Miss Vera Dykeman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ashley Dykeman, of Upper Maugerville, is in the city attending the High School. Miss Dykeman, although only 13 years of age, made an average of over 70 per cent, at the recent Normal School entrance examination, but being only 13 years of age she was too young to go and is taking the course at the high school.

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By E. W. THOMSON.
(In The Boston Transcript)
Ottawa, Aug. 25.—The following private letter to your present correspondent came from a Canadian officer of such distinction that his name, if I permit the enormity of publishing it, would be recognized throughout Canada, and by many in Boston and New York, as that of one of the foremost intellectuals of this continent. He was distinguished as a publicist, as well as general essayist, Editor, Professor, Lecturer. In our politics he was perfectly independent. Though bred a Conservative and addicted to quite unradical views of the social system, he supported the Adf.-Fielding Receptivity Pact in 1911. He has always been sympathetic with the Allies. He is a personal friend and admirer of both Sir Robert Borden and Sir Wilfrid Laurier. He has always been steadily imperialist, even a Kiplingite, and was on confidential terms with Earl Grey when the latter was Governor-General. His letters present some novel ideas that may well be considered valuable by Sir Robert Borden, Laurier, and other politicians in general. He sets forth penetratingly what is felt and thought by a first-rate mind long experienced at the front. The letter was written, of course, without the least notion that I would publish it, proceeding wholly on the basis of recognition of his friend's opinion that his publication comes in the nick of time for usefulness in the present complicated and dangerous political situation of this Dominion. Now for the letter, verb et lit:—

Dear E. W. T.—
The news from Canada in The Times is ominous of trouble. For the two years I was at the front I was preoccupied with immediate duty that Canadian news did not impress me; but in London with more leisure and leading a somewhat civil life, the habit of considering public affairs has returned. We are living in a world, and the people of Canada do not yet feel how new it is. Other countries have come into the light, and we cannot expect to escape similar struggle and illumination.

There are realties in war which must be faced, and a time comes when compromise, which is the true principle of political life in peace-times, will no longer serve.

I was alarmed over the suggestion, attributed to Borden, that he was "willing to step aside." He cannot step aside, though his position is difficult. He is the only one in Canada I know of who has the instincts of a Premier in the time of war; that is, to keep the balance between the Civil and Military sides.

There was Sir Sam Hughes' trouble. Though not bred a soldier, he applied what he supposed to be military methods to civil problems, and civil methods to military problems. Laurier has for so long been concerned purely with domestic political problems that he is unaware that those problems must be brought to the test in war. Borden has been the first to retain the confidence of the soldiers, because he always sought the same end which they are seeking and brought all available civilian resources to the search. In the coming crisis in Canada, as a result, he will have assisted him all the cowards, the shirkers, the skulkers, the traitors, the aunts, and I am afraid most of the men of the Dominion.

Probably many of the women will be against conscription, and I am told women now have voices. He has long been identified with other and detestable causes, I am afraid the forces have mentioned will be too powerful for him.

Canada then, for the moment, will be out of the war save for the forces now here. Few in Canada are aware of the need for regular reinforcements. Even after a victory a Division is useless until recruited. After the Somme and after Vimy we were "all in," until refreshed by new troops. If then there be a lapse in Canada the Canadian Corps must be helpless for the time being. I notice a lack of understanding among the soldiers about the difficulties in Canada, and even a lack of sympathy. If now Canada "lets us down," the fine reputation we have made will be destroyed, and the soldiers will return in a bad mood.

My own opinion is that Borden should put a part of the responsibility upon the soldiers. He should send for at least thirty who have the gift of exposition, and these might be selected in consultation with Laurier. They should be offered conscription, and let take their chances with the public without the expenditure of any money or the employment of any device on their behalf. A number of them would be elected, and you would then have in Parliament a nucleus of war men. You would also prevent cleavage between the civil and the military by making the military in some responsible for the civil government. These men need not be of the higher commands. They could be spared, as are the soldiers, or one of these few are soldiers, there is no danger of cleavage. There is always been such danger when a large proportion are soldiers—a proportion large enough to create within the State a military organization for political ends—and establish themselves

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

V. A. D. The following poem published in Punch will be enjoyed by those who have undertaken V. A. D. work and by those who have benefitted by the ministrations of this class of devoted self-sacrificing young women.

There's an angel in our ward as keeps a flit in and fro With fifty eyes upon her wherever she may go.

She's an honorable Miss because her father is a dook But Lord, you'd never guess it and it ain't no good to look For her portrait in the illustrated papers for you see She ain't an advertiser, not our V. A. D.

Not like them that wash a tea-cup in an officers canteen And then "Engaged in War Work" in the weekly press is seen. She's on the trot from morn to night and busy as a bee. And there's 'eaps of wounded Tommies bless the V. A. D.

She's the lightest 'and at dressin', and she polishes the door. She feeds Bill Smith who 'll never use 'is 'ands no more. And we're all of us supporters of the Harrietrocacy 'ou our weary days are lightened by that V. A. D.

And when the war is over some knight or belted earl. What's survived from killin' Germans will take 'er for 'is girl. They'll go and see the pictures and then 'ave shrimps and tea. It's a lucky man as gets 'er—and don't 'it 'twas me.

—Punch. Styles notes. Sashes they say are becoming very popular. They are made of several strands of brightly coloured ribbon the ends of which are finished off with gilt tassels. They give the necessary touch of colour to the gowns of georgette-crepe so fashionable just now.

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When cooking vegetables have the water boiled when turned over them; let them boil briskly for a short time, then turn down the gas as low as possible and still have the boiling going on evenly. The vegetables will be better cooked and that nerve racking sensation of water boiling over eliminated.

WAR-TIME RECIPES. Oatmeal Girdle Cakes. Sift a teaspoon of baking powder with three-quarters cup of whole-wheat flour, and stir into a cup of cold, cooked oatmeal. Add four table-spoons of milk and stir hard, add also a tablespoon of melted lard or lard substitute and a half teaspoon of salt unless the cooked oatmeal was well salted. Drop by spoon on a well greased, riddle and bake slowly until both sides are well browned. Turn once or twice.

Corn Rolls. Mix with a pint of corn meal a teaspoon of sugar, a half teaspoon of salt and half teaspoon of baking soda. Stir in sufficient buttermilk to make a dough, add a tablespoon of melted lard or lard substitute, form into little rolls and bake brown in a hot oven. Down in Dixieland, where these originated, they are called "pumpkin bread," with no particular reason.

SEVERAL DEPOSED FROM OFFICE BY TAMMANYITES. The Carter-Veniot Axe Not Yet Rusty—Dalhousie Man Makes Assignment.

Fredricton, Aug. 29.—The following removals from office under the provincial government have been gazetted: George Sonier, from the office of provincial constable, for cause; Geo. Ferguson, from the office of labor act commissioner, for cause; W. H. Heine, from the office of division registrar of births, deaths and marriages for Kings county, for cause.

WEDDINGS. March-Golding. A wedding of considerable interest took place in Germain street Baptist church yesterday afternoon, when Miss Kathleen Golding was united in marriage to Reginald George March. The ceremony was performed by Rev. D. J. MacPherson and the church was tastefully decorated with wild flowers. The bride wore a Burgundy broadcloth traveling suit with hat and shoes to match and carried a bouquet of white roses. There were no attendants, but many friends were present to wish the happiness and prosperity of the bride and groom.

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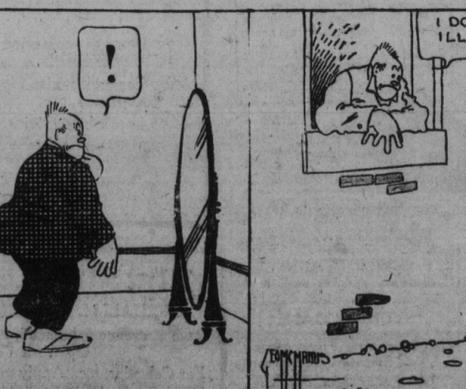
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Late Sporting News

RAIN MARS THE BIG FAIR AT BANGOR, ME. Gray Bobby Wins 2.27 Pace and Day Q. Three Minute Trot.

COX OF NEW HAMPSHIRE GATHERS IN \$5,000 EVENT AND HUDSON VALLEY \$2,000 TROT RACE. Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Aug. 29--Busby's Lassie, driven by Walter Cox, today won the Knickerbocker 2:30 trot for a \$5,000 purse in the Grand Circuit, but not until the event had gone four heats, although it was raced on the three heat system.

WORLD'S POWER BOAT RECORD. Minneapolis, Aug. 29--A new world's record was established by Yess De-troit II, driven by Gar Wood, Detroit, in the second of a series of three thirty-mile races for the Gold Challenge Cup of the American Power Boat Association.

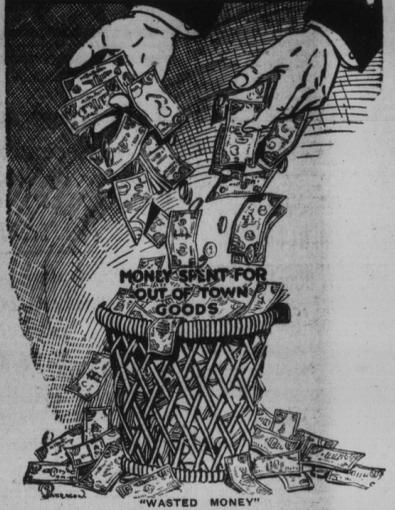
RAIN AT HOULTON. Special to The Standard. Houlton, Me., Aug. 29--Rain prevented the fair races here today. Dan S. won the 2:15 trot and Trysart of Fredrickton the 2:40 mixed race yesterday.

THREE HELD FOR DEATH OF CHIPMAN RESIDENT. John Bishop, Sydney Pyne and Manley Stittwell, of Chipman, have been sent up for trial on the charge of unlawfully killing James Bishop of Chipman on July 15 last.

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THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Maritime—Light winds, showery and cooler. Washington, Aug. 29—Northern New England—Partly cloudy, continued cool Thursday, Friday, fair and warmer; moderate and variable mostly north winds.

Toronto, Aug. 29—Southern Ontario: Near the shores of Lakes Erie and Ontario has for the past two days been the northern boundary of an extensive rain area which has been nearly stationary over the middle states, and while in northern Ontario and all other parts of Canada the weather has been through the immediate vicinity of the lower lakes it has been unsettled.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Rows include Dawson, Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Battleford, Prince Albert, Medicine Hat, Regina, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, London, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Around the City

Lost No. Time. Messrs. Kane and Ring who were awarded the contract on Tuesday afternoon to erect No. 5 shed, lost no time and commenced work yesterday morning.

Musical Revue at Welsford. The young ladies and gentlemen who so successfully presented the musical revue at Grand Bay on Monday evening will go to Welsford tomorrow evening and hold their entertainment in the Orange Hall of that place.

May Play in Amherst. Arrangements are being made by the Thistle baseball team to visit Amherst on Monday where they will play a game with the picked team of that town. It is the intention of the manager of the Thistles to take along his strongest line-up for the day.

The Chancery Court. Harding vs. Church will be continued before Mr. Justice White, in the Chancery Division, tomorrow afternoon. This is for an accounting of a partnership. Dr. J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., and Mr. A. H. Hastings, K. C., are for the plaintiff; Mr. M. G. Toed, K. C., for defendant.

Broke Collar Bone. Alfred G. Bunker broke his collar bone in a bicycle accident at Public Landing, last Sunday, was operated on at the General Public Hospital yesterday. At late hours last night he was reported to be resting fairly comfortably with excellent chances for recovery.

Little Lumber by Sea. Railroads Get Traffic. Vessels Are Scarce and the Freights High—Old Coasting Fleet Well Thinned Out—Lumber Piled as Fast as Sawn.

A lumber man stated yesterday that there was a scarcity of vessels here to carry lumber to the States, and the lumber market at the present time is exceedingly dull.

A shipping broker when asked regarding the matter said that there was nothing here at the present time for vessels to carry back to the States when they brought cargoes to this port. The freight rate at present for carrying lumber to the States from St. John was from eight dollars a thousand, but very few cargoes have been shipped this year, and it is said that tonnage is being shipped by water, but considerable is being carried through by rail. It is further stated that New Brunswick lumber is being piled as fast as sawed.

It is only recently that the British government sent three steamers, the first in months, to Campbellton and Dalhousie, to load heavy spruce for England and France.

Very little lumber is being shipped from Maine by vessels, as tonnage of all sizes is very scarce. The old coasting fleet has been pretty well thinned out by the losses of the last few years, and it will be months before many of the fleet now building can be ready for service. The new fleet, furthermore, is composed chiefly of vessels rather too large for coasting between Maine and Boston and New York, and it looks more than ever as if in a short time the railroads will have the traffic all to themselves.

Only three of the mills at and near Ansonia are sawing, and only small cargoes for bay ports have been shipped thus far by water. At Calais a like condition prevails, nearly all the lumber going forward by rail, which means of transportation. It is said, is not only more convenient for buyers of small lots, in that direct delivery may be made at nearly all points, thus saving cost of rehandling and trucking, but also cheaper than the present high water rates.

From \$4.50 to \$5.50 per M is being sold from Maine ports to New York. Considerable pine is being sawed, planed and matched in various parts of Maine for army cantonments, and all of it is going by rail. One Bangor mill is running day and night on army orders.

CANOE OF EXCEPTIONAL LENGTH MADE OF SKINS PASSES THROUGH CITY

Thought to Belong to McMillan, the Arctic Explorer—Party Did Not Pass Through Last Night.

Probably the first effects belonging to the Professor Donald A. McMillan, the Arctic explorer, who arrived in Sydney on Sunday night, to pass through St. John, was a canoe. On Tuesday night, it has been learned, an exceptionally large canoe, billed from Newfoundland, and consigned to a broker in New York via Vancouver, passed through the Dominion Express office at the depot. Although the officials of the company were reticent when asked about the primitive water craft, The Standard learned from other sources that the canoe was obtained from Newfoundland, and the informant, although not certain, was of the opinion that it was expressed to the States by a member of the Arctic exploration party.

For a canoe the craft was unusually large and for that reason attracted considerable interest. In addition to its size the style was much different from the ordinary ones. It was manufactured exclusively of skins held together by stout and staid rawhide. Those who saw it thought the size would be too much for one man to carry, but owing to the light material used in its construction, it was exceedingly light in weight. The ribs were of bone, and from all appearances one would think that each one had been designed especially for the position which it occupied in the boat. Unlike in ordinary canoes, the seat was situated about three-quarters of the way back thus allowing the bow to raise well out of the water.

It was thought that the explorer and party would pass through the city last night on their way to New York, but such was not the case.

MILITARY MEN SPEAK ON MILITARY SERVICE BILL

Say It Will Not Interfere with Voluntary Enlistments—Opportunity Still Open to Those Desirous of Joining Colors.

Military men speaking on the Military Service Bill, which by the way is now the law of the land, told The Standard yesterday that it would not in any way interfere with the voluntary enlistment of men in Canada's army. It is contended by several that it will take some time before the enforcement of the new measure can be made effective on account of the many details of a local nature which will have to be attended to. While the government is attending to the working out of such details the voluntary recruiting system in the Dominion will continue, as if no conscription bill had been passed.

Yesterday the enlistments in the city totalled but three, two of the number enlisting with the overseas draft of the 63rd regiment, and one for a non-combatant unit. Just how long the voluntary enlistment will be in vogue throughout the Dominion it is not known, but it is generally contended that every opportunity will be given by the authorities to those who are desirous of enlisting before the application of the conscription Bill.

FORMER ST. JOHN MAN DIED SUDDENLY YESTERDAY

William Ritchie of Hampton Found Dead in His Chair—Founder of Stewart and Ritchie Shipbuilding Firm.

The death of William Ritchie, a former resident of this city, took place suddenly yesterday morning in his home in Hampton at the advanced age of eighty-seven years. Mr. Ritchie arose in his usual health yesterday morning and after breakfast went out on the veranda of his home about 9.30 to read the morning newspaper, a short time later he was found dead in his chair.

Mr. Ritchie was one of the best known business men of the city among the older generation. He lived here until about twenty years ago when he moved to Hampton to make his home, but was often seen around the city. He was the founder of the firm of Stewart & Ritchie, who were one of the leading firms in wooden shipbuilding here. They built some of the best ships for which this port was so justly proud.

He is survived by three sons, William (Norman), the celebrated cartoonist, with the Boston Post, and who has a national reputation, George and Dr. Stephen G., both of Halifax; one daughter, Miss Rose, who resides with her father at Hampton. Stanley D. Crawford of this city is a son-in-law.

The funeral will be held from the Union Depot on Friday afternoon on the arrival of the suburban train. Interment will be made in Fernhill.

POSITION FOR EVERY GIRL

Young women only who buy a scholarship in shorthand or bookkeeping on or before Monday, September 3, at the Curtis Commercial Institute, Oddfellows' Hall, 87 Union street, will get same for \$25.00 less than regular rate charged by business colleges, and have position guaranteed, money to be returned if they fail to obtain employment after finishing course. More and more young women are wanted by banks and business houses.

ACTIVITIES OF M. B. SOLDIERS SHOWN BY OFFICIAL CASUALTIES

Lieutenant Manning Again Wounded—Two Chatham Boys in Hospital—St. John Lad Gives His Life—First Indian Wounded.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnston of Chatham have received word that their son, Pte. Arthur Johnston, has been admitted to the 12th Field Ambulance Hospital suffering from concussion in the back. He went overseas with a new Brunswick Battalion, going to France, December last. He has been in the trenches since February 1916. He and Pte. Mallet another Chatham boy were the only two from that town to pass through the Vimy Ridge battle unscathed. However, since that battle Pte. Mallet has been wounded, and by a singular coincidence word of his injury reached Chatham on the same day that Mrs. Johnston received word regarding her son.

Pte. B. W. Carvell. That his son Pte. Burpee Webster Carvell, previously reported seriously wounded, was now officially reported dangerously ill at No. 3 Australian General Hospital, Abbeville, suffering from gunshot wounds the arm, was the disquieting news received by Mr. James H. Carvell, 20 Water street yesterday. The wounded soldier, previous to his enlistment, was employed by Scovill Bros., King street, and is well known on the West Side, where he had a large circle of friends, who will regret to hear of his serious condition. Sixteen years of age at the time of joining the 104th Battalion, he took a special course at Halifax, and was later transferred to that branch of the service when wounded.

is Wounded; Not Dead. A paragraph recently published mistakenly stated that Lieut. Roland Smith, son of R. Morton Smith, had met death in the war. It is a fact that this officer is in the casualty list, but only as wounded. Particulars as to the nature of his injury are being awaited.

Lt. J. H. Manning Wounded. Word was received yesterday by Dr. James Manning of 158 Germain street, that his second son, Lieut. James Harold Manning, had been wounded for the second time. No particulars were given, and many are anxiously waiting for further word. Lieutenant Manning went overseas with the 140th, and was later transferred to another battalion. He was wounded at Vimy Ridge in the battle in which his brother, Lieut. Frederick C. Manning, received his death wounds.

Only last week a letter to his family stated that he was intending to return to the front from England, where he has been convalescing, and he had not been in France a week before he was wounded.

Gunner Russell Killed. Elijah Russell of 313 Germain street has received a telegram from Ottawa telling him of the death of his brother, Gunner Harold Albert Russell, killed in action on August 15. Gunner Russell enlisted in the First Canadian contingent with the artillery, and had since seen much active service.

Besides his brother, he is survived by one sister in this city, Mrs. Henry Mather, his father, Isaac Russell, and his sister, Mrs. Nathaniel Russell, both of Bay Roberts, Nfld. also survive.

First N. B. Indian Wounded. Michael Paul of the Kingsclear Indian Reserve received official notification yesterday morning that his son Pte. John Paul had been admitted to the first Canadian General Hospital at Etahles, France, on August 18th, with severe gunshot wounds in the hand. Pte. Paul enlisted in "Woodstock" almost two years ago with the 6th Battalion and has been at the front practically the past twenty-three months. He was wounded on August 25th, last and after being in hospital he was back again to the trenches. There are only two boys in this family and they are both in uniform the other brother being with the 23rd Battalion at Valenciennes. Pte. Paul was the first Indian from New Brunswick to be wounded, and was among the first, if not the first Indian to enlist in the cause of the Empire.

Private Shannon Wounded. Pte. Anthony Shannon, of Derby Jct., a soldier of the Wireless Garrison, has received word that his son, Walter, who went overseas with a New Brunswick battalion has been wounded. Pte. Shannon has another son, William, overseas, and a third, James, at the wireless.

William Gremlay of Newcastle has been notified that his son Richard, who went overseas with a local battalion has been wounded.

Four New Dentists. The results of the registration examination for dentists for the Province of New Brunswick held about a month ago, were given out last night by Dr. F. A. Goddard. Of the six who took the examinations four were successful in passing on all subjects, while two failed on some of the papers and will have to write them at the next examination. Those who passed and are now entitled to practice their profession in the province were: Drs. J. F. Commins, W. R. Currie, O. J. Cormier and R. M. MacGibbon.

After a Tugboat. W. H. Miller, a lumberman from Campbellton, arrived in the city yesterday with the intention of purchasing a light draft tugboat or engaging some person to build a hull for him. Mr. Miller says that a tugboat owned by him was destroyed by fire a few nights ago.

WILL BE OPEN SATURDAY. As Saturday is the first of September the stores of M. R. A. Ltd. will be open until ten o'clock, the duration of the Saturday half holiday being only for the months of June, July, and August.

ENGINE ROOM BURNED OF N. B. GOLD STORAGE SUFFERS SLIGHT DAMAGE

Fire Broke Out Last Night—Origin of Blaze Not Known—Loss Covered by Insurance.

The fire department was called out last night at 9.15 o'clock to extinguish a slight blaze in the engine room annex of the New Brunswick Gold Storage Company's plant on Main street. The damage caused by the fire and water will not amount to much over \$75. The blaze was first noticed by the night watchman Mr. O'Dell, who sent in the alarm. Harry Ross, the manager of the plant, told The Standard last night while the fire was in progress, that to his knowledge no person had been in this section of the building for at least two hours prior to the breaking out of the fire, and he could not account for the origin of the blaze.

The section of the building damaged was by the engine crew for hanging up their clothes in, and with the exception of the roof and walls the interior of the room suffered little damage. Immediately adjoining the room is the boiler house and coal shed, but fortunately the good work of the fire department arrested the progress of the blaze before it had gained much headway.

The loss is covered by insurance.

NO AGREEMENT DRAFTED FOR NEW HOSPITAL WING

County Secretary Kelley Thinks Scheme Has Fallen Through—No Information What Government Intends to Do.

A Standard representative called on the county secretary, J. King Kelley, yesterday and enquired of him what progress had been made with regard to the building of a wing at the St. John County Hospital to care for returned soldiers who come back with advanced cases of tuberculosis. Mr. Kelley said nothing had been done and from information which he had received, he was inclined to think the whole scheme had fallen through. No agreement had been drafted by him because of this fact.

He had no information as to what the government intended to do in this matter or what arrangements would be made to care for the men who might come back afflicted with this dread disease.

SGT. MAJOR STEPHENSON WINS MILITARY MEDAL FOR SERVICE ON SOMME

"Fearless and Trustworthy," Says His O. C.—Dr. Gray in City Yesterday—Three Recruits for Day.

For distinguishing himself on the Somme, Sergeant-Major William Stephenson, brother of Mrs. John McElwaine, of 82 Brussels street, has been awarded the Military Medal. Word to this effect was received by Mrs. McElwaine in a letter from the officer commanding the 5th C. M. R. The officer stated in his letter that Mr. Stephenson is a St. John soldier personally, and always found him to be fearless and absolutely trustworthy in every respect. Sergeant-Major Stephenson has been in active service for twenty-one months, which time, with the exception of a short period, he has spent at the front.

From Vancouver. Dr. Edward Gray, formerly of Salisbury, N. B., and now practicing in Vancouver, arrived in the city yesterday, after having completed a journey from the coast on military business. Dr. Gray left last night for Boston, for a short visit, and will then return here to visit his brother, A. J. Gray, Orange street. Dr. Gray is a graduate in arts of St. Joseph's University, and a graduate in medicine of Harvard University. He is visiting physician to St. Paul's Hospital, Vancouver. Successfully Passed.

Lieut. Jarvis O. McLellan, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. McLellan, of this city, who is attached to Aldershot training camp, has successfully passed his examinations in the qualifying and machine gun course, and is now taking the musketry course. Lieut. McLellan has been serving since late in February, and hopes soon to go overseas. His friends will be glad to know that he has made good and was one of the best students taking the course.

May Be Deput. That when No. 2 Forestry Company at Sussex, under the command of Major Lionel Hamilton, proceeded overseas, a Forestry depot will be authorized at Sussex, is the opinion of military men here.

Three Recruits Yesterday. Three men signed on in the city yesterday for overseas units. Two of the party have requested that their names be withheld from publication. The other recruit, S. Kennedy, of Carleton county, signed on with the 5th Field Ambulance.

To accommodate parties attending the "Everywoman" show, the 10.30 R. C. R. suburban will be held until 11.15.

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