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SCOTCH PRAISE OUR MEN

Inverness Courier Pays High Tribute to Newfoundland Contingent, Now Stationed at Fort George

WITH wonderful celerity the Newfoundland contingent of volunteers who arrived at Fort-George last week have settled down to the routine of stern military training...

Well built, strapping fellows, full of vigour, hardy and strong, the contingent on parade look a capable lot in their khaki uniforms...

Not "Canadians." They object to be described as "Canadians"; not that they have any ill-will against their neighbouring Colonials...

Patriotism in the Colony Frankly our Colonial friends answered our queries regarding the feeling in Newfoundland...

The contingent was mobilised in St. John's, the capital. From every class, rich and poor, offers to serve came.

A strict test, both physically and as regards marksmanship, had to be passed. Over 600 picked men were seen ready to leave their native shores.

Pleasant Voyage. After a pleasant voyage the Newfoundlanders were landed at Plymouth, and ultimately made their way to Salisbury Plains...

They stay at Salisbury Plains was a trying test even for the Newfoundlanders, although it is questionable if any troops can withstand the rigours of wintry weather like the men from the colony...

Much-Coveted Victoria Cross For Bandsman

Showed Conspicuous Bravery in Attending Wounded Under Fire and Rescuing Buried Men.

London, Jan. 12.—The Victoria Cross was awarded today to Bandsman Thomas Gentle of the First Battalion of the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry...

Opens an Avenue For Contraband

Hamburg-American Route Thru Kiel Canal to Copenhagen

London, Jan. 11.—Commenting on the announcement by the Hamburg-American line that it is inaugurating a service between Hamburg and Copenhagen, by way of the Kiel Canal...

went through the whole contingent when it was learned that they were going to Scotland. Often had they heard of Scotland and of the Highlands...

Their journey by train through England was pleasant, but it was only when they left Perth, and got into the heart of the Highlands...

Their landing at Fort-George, the welcome from the Seaforth Highlanders, and the fact that their quarters were situated on the Firth, all went to add to the pleasure of coming to the Highlands...

They declared themselves wholly satisfied with what they saw of the guns as well as of the defensive works.

CAMP LIFE TOO TRYING FOR TROOPS

Outbreak of Disease Threatens To Decimate Canadians at Salisbury—Will Be Moved to France

London, Jan. 11.—In consequence of a serious outbreak of spinal meningitis in the Canadian Camps at Salisbury Plains, which has already caused a number of deaths...

Anything which the authorities at Ottawa can do to back up the efforts being made in England, would be greatly appreciated, as it is considered by those in touch with the situation here, that the proposal is one of overwhelming importance for the welfare of the Canadian troops.

Intense regret is expressed at the death of Lt.-Col. Frank Stanages, of Kingston, one of the victims of meningitis, following as it did the death of the Rev. Captain Ingles...

There is sorrow also among the Montreal soldiers over the death of

ITALIAN WARSHIPS PUT TO SEA

Ultimatum to Turkey Having Expired Without Satisfactory Reply—Italian Fleet Sails Under Sealed Orders.

Rome, Jan. 11.—Five Italian warships and a flotilla of torpedo-boat destroyers sailed from Taranto at seven o'clock on Sunday evening, one hour after the time limit of the ultimatum to Turkey expired.

The warships sailed under sealed orders, but it is rumored at the Marine Ministry that they are on their way to Hodeida, the Arabian port where Turks arrested a British Consul who had taken refuge under the Italian flag...

It is reported, though not officially confirmed, that the Italian warships will demand from the municipal authorities of Hodeida, the reparation that Turkey thus far has failed to give.

Paris Guards Against Raids By Airships

Anti-Aircraft Guns Established in the City and in the Surrounding Trenches

Paris, Jan. 11.—Deliberate preparations have been completed to guard Paris against possible raids by Germany's Zeppelin fleets.

Minister of War Millerand, and General Gallieni, Military Governor of Paris, visited to-day the outer trenches protecting the city, and inspected various anti-aircraft guns and other means of defense against Zeppelins.

KARLSRUHE STATED SUNK IN ACTION

Letter Reaches Montreal From Grenada in Which Writer Says He Saw Engagement and Wreckage

Montreal, Jan. 12.—The Montreal Gazette publishes a letter received by a Montreal gentleman and dated Santerre, Grenada, B.W.I., Dec. 3, which expresses the belief that the German cruiser Karlsruhe was sunk in a naval engagement to the North of Grenada on Nov. 25th.

The letter states that fishermen, six days afterwards, reported having seen dead bodies in the water and on the Isle of Rhondre. A lifebuoy came ashore marked S.M.S. Karlsruhe, besides wreckage and barrels of food-stuffs and an officer's sword wrapped in oilcloth.

The writer claims he witnessed the engagement which, he states, was undoubtedly carried on by more than two warships.

Private Fred. McGuinness, son of Major McGuinness, of Montreal. Several cases of meningitis are now under treatment at Bulford hospital near Salisbury.

China Invokes Grave Trouble With Japanese

Abolishes War Zone on Shan Tung And Japan Regrets This As Attempt to Oust Her

Tokio, Jan. 11.—The Peking Government has abolished the war zone on Shantung Peninsula, and this action is regarded by Japan as an unfriendly act.

Premier Okuma has summoned the cabinet for a special session tomorrow, at which the Chinese action will be discussed.

Kiao Chan is on Chantung Peninsula, and Japan sees in China's sudden and unexpected move an attempt to force the abandonment by Japan of the town recently taken from the Germans.

British Heir Leads Men To Trenches

3,000 Men March to Fighting Line Under The Prince of Wales

Wales, Jan. 11.—Letters received here state that the Prince of Wales led the Hertfordshire territorials to the trenches on Dec. 23.

A column of 3,000 men led by the Hertfordshire regiment, with the Prince at the head, marched 20 miles on New Year's Day.

German Soldiers Chained to Guns By Their Officers

Significant Discovery Made by French Officers—Knouts Found On German Officers

Paris, Jan. 9.—German soldiers, chained to mitrailleuses to prevent their retreating under French shell fire is the latest instance of what the Intransigent—which received the details in a letter from a French artillery officer—calls the German officers' barbarity toward their soldiers.

The writer describes the capture of two mitrailleuses, buried by the explosion of French shells. The attackers discovered that the weapons were connected with groaning Germans, also half-buried, who declared their officers, who had fled previously, had padlocked them to the mitrailleuses to prevent their following that example.

The Eclair to-day publishes a photograph of a knoutlike whip with a lead knot attached to the lash, which it declares, was received from a French priest at the front, who found it in the hand of a dead Prussian captain.

TURKS DECIDE TO LEAVE EGYPT SEVERELY ALONE

London, Jan. 12.—Advice received from Athens says that it is now reported in Greek capital that the plan to have the Eighth Turkish Army Corps proceed from Damascus to the Egyptian frontier is being abandoned.

Brussels Reported As Being On Fire

Report to This Effect Brought to Dutch Town by Refugees

Amsterdam, Jan. 11.—Refugees, who arrived at Bergen on Zoom from Brussels, says the Nieuw Van Dem Dag, report that a great fire has broken out at the former Belgian capital.

S.S. Nascopie after discharging her salt cargo goes to Halifax to load deals for England.

WEATHER REPORT

Toronto (noon)—Moderate winds, fair to-day. Wednesday, Easterly gales, with snow or rain.

GREY'S NOTE IS APPROVED BY BRITISH

London Papers Say it Constitutes a Frank Reply to American Protest—Can't Afford to Take Any Chances

London, Jan. 11.—The London afternoon papers, commenting on the reply of Foreign Secretary Grey to the American Note, are unanimous in calling attention to Britain's debt, and her desire to repay it by interfering with American trade as little as is necessary to secure the safety of this country and her allies.

The papers take the ground that the Foreign Secretary's facts and figures, unless they can be explained or rebutted, prove that supplies necessary to the prosecution of the war have reached the enemy under cover of neutral trade.

The Right Reply. The Pall Mall Gazette says: "The reply was just what every Briton will approve who warmly desires the friendship of the United States, but who also is determined that no legitimate weapon shall be sheathed which can be used to bring the war to a speedy and successful conclusion."

American Comment. London, Jan. 12.—American comment on the British preliminary reply to President Wilson's protest against the detention of American shipping by British warships was read with great interest by British officials to-day, who expressed much pleasure at the repeated evidence of the friendly spirit which the negotiations are proceeding.

Matter of Knowledge. "Britain," one prominent official said, "fully realizes Germany had made heavy purchases of copper and other metals useful in war from her European neighbors preceding hostilities, and that, consequently, a large supply of copper was required by these

DEADLOCK BOTH EAST AND WEST

Only a Change in Weather or the Participation of Roumania and Italy Can Effect Any Modification

London, Jan. 11.—Only a change of weather or the entrance into the war of Roumania or Italy, or both, is likely to bring any marked change in military situation in Europe for some time to come.

What turn the weather will take no one can predict, but the belief is growing in those countries allied against Germany, Austria and Turkey, that Roumania, with her well trained army of not less than 400,000 men, will at an early date throw herself into the conflict, which would in effect link Roumania with the extreme left now forcing its way into Hungary, through Bukovina.

Taking into considerations the Serbians and Montenegrins, this would form a line menacing Austria-Hungary along the entire south-eastern frontier from Russia to the Adriatic.

Just as rumors persisted for days prior to Turkey's entrance into the war on the side of Germany, which tended to discount the step when it was eventually taken, so rumors now centre about Roumania and Italy, and there is a strong feeling among the general public in France and England

Chased Back Aeroplanes From Paris

Watchful French Aviators Prevent German Airmen From Raiding Their Capital.

Paris, Jan. 12.—Two German aeroplanes, heading for Paris, were sighted yesterday by the French Air Patrols. One of the German machines was near Pontoise and the other was sighted over La Martin.

Both turned northward again when they saw French aeroplanes driving in their direction.

The presence of hostile aeroplanes in this vicinity is regarded as interesting, as it is considered likely that it was the intention of the German airmen to attack Paris and London simultaneously.

Sent 'Koenigsburg' To The Bottom

German Cruiser Meets Her Fate in an East African River

London, Jan. 11.—The German cruiser Koenigsberg, which was bottled up in a river on the coast of Africa, several weeks ago, has been sunk, according to a despatch received from the South to-day.

Patriotic Concert

Great preparations are being made for the Patriotic Concert to take place in the Casino Theatre on Wednesday of next week in aid of the Belgian Relief and Patriotic Funds.

Many of our young artists who are well known will assist, and also Mrs. R. A. Squires and Rev. Mr. Thomas. It will be under the patronage of H.E. the Governor.

Cape Spear reports very heavy slob ice outside today. S.S. Beothic leaves Sydney this evening for St. John's.

neutrals for domestic use. Cases have been established," he added, "however, where copper has been imported from America and then forwarded to Germany, which makes caution on the part of Britain necessary."

A large shipment of crude rubber for the United States will be released shortly under an agreement reached by the British and American Governments that manufactured products from this materials are not to be shipped to any port where they may reach Britain's enemy.

RUSSIANS DOMINATE BLACK SEA

Prevent Transports Carrying Reinforcements to Turks in Caucasus—Austrians Forced to Change Line-up

London, Jan. 12.—Frederick Bennet, telegraphing from Petrograd to The Daily News, says Russia's Black Sea fleet has displayed a most successful activity in preventing adequate reinforcements from reaching the Turkish frontier position in the Caucasus.

Part of the First Constantinople Corps was aboard a transport which a Russian cruiser sank last week near Sinope. On the Austrian front the enemy is attempting to execute great changes in his general position in view of the rapid and successful Russian advance through Bukovina.

The Juvenile T. A. Society will hold a special meeting at 7 o'clock tonight when tickets for the annual treat to be held on Thursday afternoon will be distributed. All members are asked to attend.

that definite action will not long be delayed. Meanwhile the armies already in the field in the East and West remain virtually deadlocked.

ADMITS MURDER OF LADY

Colored Man Confesses That He Did Miss Dunn to Death at North Sydney on December 21

North Sydney, Jan. 8.—West, the colored man, has confessed to the murder of Miss Cassie Dunn. The statement was made to Stipendiary Forbes this morning in the presence of Chief of Police H. W. McKinnon. The motive, as has been suspected for several days, was criminal assault.

The murder was committed between five and six o'clock on the evening of December 21st, and was discovered shortly after by Adam Ross, who boarded with Miss Dunn. The body was found terribly cut about the head at the bottom of the cellar stairs.

Strongly Suspected. For the past few days, especially since the arrest of Connolly, the suspicion has been growing stronger that West was the murderer, and on Wednesday night, Officer Bryant took the man to the Dunn house and went over the scene of the crime with him, following the movements the murderer was supposed to have made.

West let sufficient drop on the occasion of that visit to give the prosecution a clue as to the line of examination, and he was subjected to a rigid questioning by the Crown Prosecutor. West broke up pretty badly during the examination yesterday, and this morning made a full confession of the crime. He does not implicate any other persons.

Was Kind to Him. On the evening of the murder West said he went to Miss Dunn's and she sent him to the cellar for a scuttle of coal which he brought up, and Miss Dunn gave him a lunch in the dining room.

While he was sitting eating the victim passed beside him and he attempted to put his arm about her, intending to commit an indecent assault. Miss Dunn slapped him across the mouth with the back of her hand. West then shoved her back against the wall, and hit her across the nose and forehead with a piece of lead pipe. This accounted for the blood stains on the wall.

Brutally Thorough. He then pushed his victim into the kitchen and through the cellar door and she slid down stairs, lying face downwards a couple of steps from the bottom. West followed her down stairs and struck her with an axe on the head.

After committing the crime West left the house by the front door and met the Kelly girl at the gate. He warned her away and retraced his steps to the back yard, to Victoria Street, and by Beech Street to his boarding place at Connolly's, where he washed up.

The prisoner said he got no blood in his clothes. He had a pair of mitts, which he disposed of.

German-Raider Brought Down By The French

Hostile Aeroplane Over Amiens Was Worsted in a Duel With a French Machine

Paris, Jan. 11.—A German aeroplane flying over Amiens has been brought to the ground by a French machine. The French airmen went aloft the moment the German was seen approaching. He opened fire on the antagonist with the result that the German machine fell within the French lines. One of the German pilots was killed.

A German aeroplane dropped a bomb upon Malo les Bains, near Dunkirk, killing five civilians.

Hockeyists Busy

The hockeyists are now busy. The Vics and St. Bon's practised at the rink last night.

The first match—Vics and Felldians, will take place Friday evening.

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USEFULNESS OF DREADNOUGHT NOT DEPARTED

Improved Types of Submarines Have Limited Their Sphere of Action, But Big Battleships Can be Specially Constructed to Defy this Menace

London, Jan. 2.—The Morning Post's naval correspondent says: "It is useless to pretend that the loss is a small matter, although it is true that there are other ships which are more valuable and it is also true that such incidental losses do not affect the main issue of the campaign, but each of the successive disasters brings more nearly home the question of a future design and use of the capital ship."

Not Fulfilled.

"There are people who maintain that the battleship will be driven from the sea and superseded by the submarine. The same prophecy was made when the torpedo-carrying swift vessel was invented. It was said that the torpedo boat would supersede the battleship, but nothing of the sort occurred. The torpedo boat was superseded by the destroyer, which in turn was expected to supersede the battleship."

"That forecast was so far justified that it became unsafe to keep battleships at night within reach of destroyers, but in these cases no war had occurred in which the theories could be brought to the only conclusive test."

At Great Hazard.

"The experiences of the war have proved that battleships can only navigate mine-strewn and submarine-haunted waters at great hazard. The first definite expression of professional naval opinion on the subject to be published is the view of the General Board of the U. S. navy."

"The General Board have three months' experience of the present war to guide them, and their view is that 'the command of the sea can only be gained and held by vessels that can take and keep the sea in all weathers and overcome the strongest enemy vessels that may be brought against them. The backbone of any navy that can command the sea consists of the strongest sea-going and sea-keeping ships of its day, or of its battleships.'"

Still Building Battleships.

"It might be urged that if battleships cannot keep the sea in waters where there are submarines, they cease to fall under that definition. But what is of more importance is that the United States intends to continue to build battleships. In what their design is to consist is not, of course, stated. It may be that the general board have in view a battleship which can resist the mine and torpedo, not in itself an impracticable achievement."

Having outlined the United States' new naval programme, the Morning Post's correspondent remarks: "The deficiency in light cruisers is at once obvious."

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U.S. TO BUY INTERNED SHIPPING

Congress Debates a Measure Providing for Government Financing of This Measure

Washington, Jan. 4.—Government purchase of ships, as proposed in the administration bill to create a shipping board, finance a \$10,000,000 shipping corporation, and expend a sum not to exceed \$30,000,000 for the purchase of or chartering of ocean carriers, became to-day the foremost issue before congress.

By a vote of forty-six to twenty-nine the Senate made the ship purchase bill the unfinished business, to be supplanted only by appropriations bills. Charging that an effort was being made to rush the bill with undue haste, Republican senators, among them Senators Gallinger, Lodge and Root, served notice that the measure would be fought to the last ditch.

No Relief.

Minority members of the Commerce Committee filed a report, written by Senator Burton and endorsed by Senators Nelson, Perkins, Smith of Michigan, and Oliver, asserting that the plan proposed would not relieve shipping conditions, because it would be impossible for the government to get ships enough to do any good. It pointed also to dangers of international complications arising, declaring, "that every craft set afloat by the government would add one more risk of our being drawn into the present war."

Championed the Measure.

Senator Fletcher, who has charge of the bill and who recently conferred with President Wilson concerning it, urged the measure in a lengthy speech after Republican senators had issued a notice of opposition. He declared the war had produced a "ship famine" and that the interests of all people in the United States demanded that the government take immediate action to supply ships to carry American products demanded in the markets of Europe and South America. He instanced the fact that cotton sold at nineteen cents a pound in Germany, when it was bringing seven cents in the United States. Germany would consume 500,000,000 pounds of cotton, if she could get it, he said, and the South had fifteen times that amount to sell.

Some Comparisons.

When the war began, Senator Fletcher declared, Britain had five thousand and Germany two thousand vessels in the overseas trade, while the United States had only six. He said that American merchants gave annually to shipowner \$300,000,000 in ocean freights. Charter rates here had increased in some cases four hundred per cent, since the war began he added, and ships under the American flag were not obtainable at any price.

The Emergency bill, opening American registry to foreign built craft, Senator Fletcher said, had not met the needs of American manufacturers.

"We must see to it," he said, "that a war between other countries shall never again cripple our industries for lack of ships."

An Amendment.

An amendment to the bill submitted by Senator Stone, designed to prevent secret shipment of contraband to foreign ports, would authorize the President to designate, from time to time, ports where Customs collectors would be required to inspect all cargoes before loading. Heavy penalties would be imposed upon shippers and vessel masters for violations of the provision.

Discussion of the bill was deferred, to make way for the urgent deficiency appropriation bill.



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By O. S., in "Punch."

[Suggested by an American's interview with the Crown Prince and also by Wordsworth's "We are Seven."]

A simple earnest-minded youth, Who wore in both his eyes A calm placid lake of Truth— What should he follow of lies?

I met a gentle German Prince, His name was Truthful Will, An honest type—and, ever since, His candor haunts me still.

"About this War—come tell me, Sir, If you would be so kind, Just any notions which occur To your exalted mind."

"Frankly, I cannot bear," said he, "The very thought of strife; It seems so sad; it seems to me A wicked waste of life."

"Thank Father's God that I can say My constant aim was Peace; I simply lived to see the Day (Den Tag) when wars would cease."

"But, just as I was well in train To realize my dream, Came Britain, all for lust of gain, And spoilt my beautiful scheme."

"But tell me how the rumors ran; Be frank and tell the worst Touching myself; you speak to one With whom the Truth comes first."

"Prince," I replied, "the vulgar view Pictured you on your toes Eager for gore; they say that you Were ever bellicose."

"Twas you, the critics say, who led The loud War Party's cry For blood and iron." "Oh!" he said, "Oh, what a dreadful lie!"

"War Party? Well, I'm Father's pet, And, if such things had been, He must have let me know, and yet I can't think what you mean."

"But your Bernhardt," I replied, "He preached the Great War Game." "Bernhardt! who was he?" he cried; "I never heard his name!"

"Dear Father must be told of him; Father, who loathes all war, Is looking rather grey and grim, But that should make him roar!"

So, with a smile that knew no art, He left me well content Thus to have communed, heart to heart, With one so innocent.

And still I marvelled, having scanned Those eyes so full of Truth, "Oh, why do men misunderstand This bright and blameless youth?"

Mr. J. S. Munn had a cable Friday from Hon. E. R. Bowring that Sir William Bowring visited the Newfoundlanders at Fort George.

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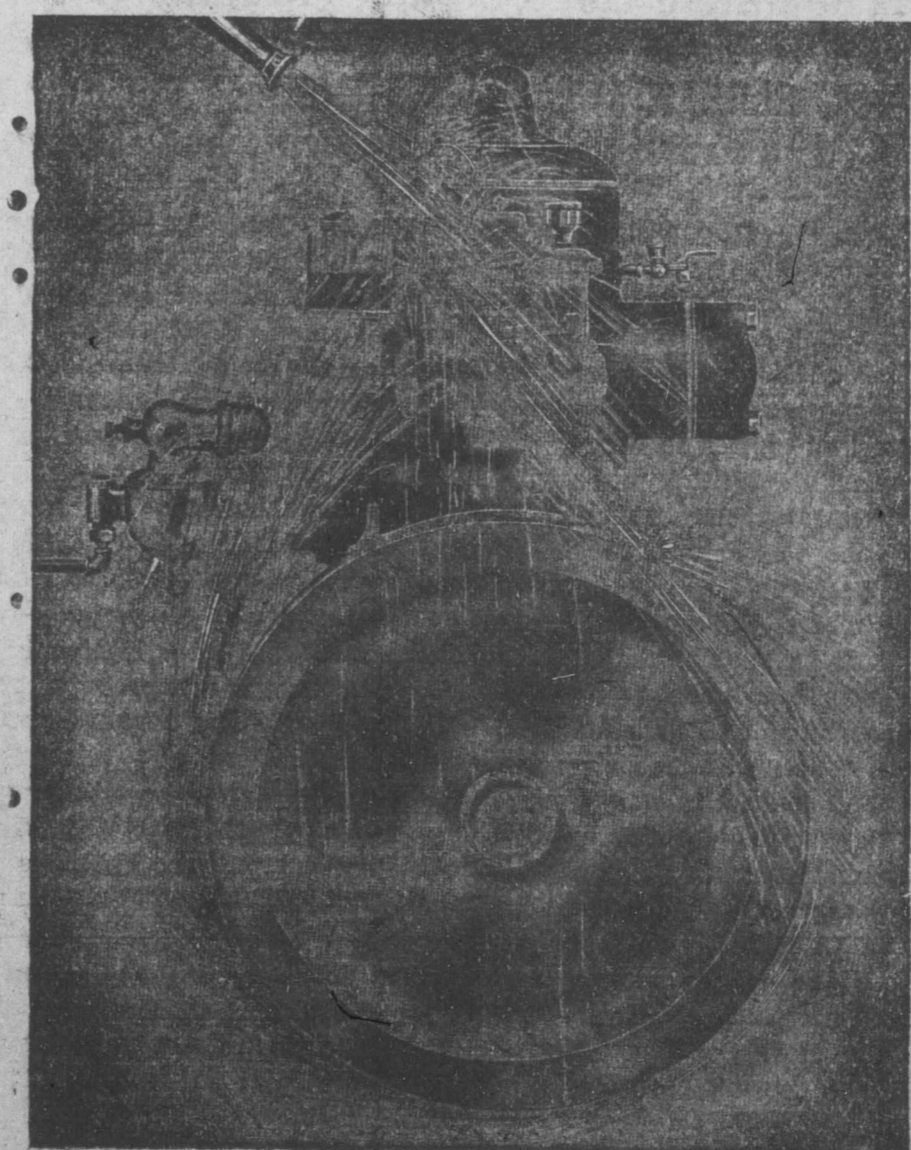
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A representative of The Morning Post talked the other day with a British Red Cross officer who was snatching a brief furlough from the front, where he and his comrades had been incessantly engaged during an anxious and nerve wracking period. They had braved the storm of shot and shell on many occasions in the exercise of their merciful mission.

At the risk of their own lives they had penetrated the zone of fire in order to save the lives of others. There had come a lull in the fighting, and so it was possible to return to England for a "breather" before facing anew the "gateway of hell." "Yes, war is hell," said this officer, "particularly to those who face death in the field and in the trenches day after day. But the spirit of the troops British, French, Belgian is unquenchable.

Never Think of Danger. "These men never think of danger. They go into action whistling and singing, and when they chance to get badly hit and they can move no further they simply sit down like heroes and wait for the ambulance to pick them up. They only lament their luck—the evil fortune which has prevented them from going forward with their comrades in the advance on the enemy.

"The aspect of war which is apt to linger in the mind of the civilian is conspicuously absent from the mind of the soldier. He is fired with a spirit of emulation. He wants to do great things. He has never the least thought of going back. His motto is ever 'Forward.' He never thinks of what other men call the horrors of war. His glories are enough for him.

Indiscribably Admirable. "I have seen much of the British soldier in these recent terrible times, and words fail me to express my overwhelming admiration for our dear, brave, unselfish 'Tommys' and the heroic sacrifices of their officers. I wish those croakers who say that we are a decadent race could get but a glimpse of these men on a field of battle.

"I have seen regiments march out full strength to meet the enemy with the light of stern determination in their eyes, a playful happy smile about their lips, and in their martial

stride the significance of an easy confidence they were bound to win. "I have seen them return bruised, and broken, with tattered and blood-stained uniforms, but victoriously singing 'Here we are again,' and shouting 'Are we downhearted?—No!'"

Poignant Picture. "That is one aspect of war as it presents itself to a Red Cross man. Another and more poignant picture is offered by our work in the field, where men lie maimed and wounded, and in the hospitals, where of necessity we see many dreadful sights. Yet here, again, the pervading atmosphere is one of cheerfulness.

"Men face death like philosophers. They treat their wounds with the fortitude of Stoics. Our British Red Cross surgeons have been astounded at the calm courage of the French soldiers in the operating room. It has shattered completely all their former illusions on the subject of the 'triviality' of Frenchmen.

Bought Our Best Quality. "I mentioned this to an eminent French surgeon. 'Yes,' he remarked, 'this has brought out all the best qualities of our people. A Frenchman who in time of peace might make a fuss over a cut finger takes no notice of the gravest bodily injury. He bears it all because he knows that he is suffering in the cause of his country.'

"He would consider it a disgrace to his patriotism to wince or cry out either while he is waiting attention or when his wounds are being dressed. It is really a wonderful thing, this war. It has already changed, and will change, so many things. I should like to add my own testimony to this changed France of to-day. It is not the France that I knew in my early years. It is a France rejuvenated, chastened perhaps by suffering, but all the more resolute on that account. It is a France which presents an impressive example of national unity, permeating all ranks and every social condition.

"I hope and believe England will adhere to the declarations of her statesmen as to the one way in which this war is going to be ended. She may safely trust France to the last. The French are going to Berlin.

The Gratitude of France. "France, too, is very grateful to Great Britain. While she is sincere she does not doubt our sincerity. What ever distrust or misunderstanding there may have been in the past has been completely swept away, and when these terrible times are over a few France and a new England will go forward together hand-in-hand.

"The hearts of the French people vibrate to the khaki. Their kindness is almost embarrassing. They will consult an officer in khaki on some point of difficulty more readily than their own officers. Their faith in Britain and her Tommies is explicit.

"But do not forget that France, which is making such heroic sacrifices, and has to deal with the invader on her own soil—a calamity spared to us, thus far, at least—is looking to England for a steady flow of reinforcements. It is realized that the more men we send out, and the more rapid they are placed in the fighting line, the shorter will be the war.

Under No Illusions. "Our French allies are under no illusions as to the probable duration of the struggle. They know it will be long and terrible, but they believe also that the manhood of England, by realizing its responsibilities and joining the fighting line, can materially shorten the agony. In France it is impossible to meet anyone who has not a near friend or relative at the front, and you meet few who have not lost someone who was near and dear to them. The French people do not regret the sacrifices they have made

and are making. To them they are glorious things. To die on the field of battle is to live in illustrious honor and memory. It is for Britain to emulate their splendid example."

German Vandallism. The Red Cross officer had many stories of heroism to tell. He had also witnessed scenes of horror on which it is better not to dwell. As to atrocities committed by Germans, he testified from a personal observation which has brought him into contact with almost the entire fighting line, that the vandalism of the enemy has been in no way exaggerated. Indeed, much of it remains to be told and can only be fully known when the hour of retreat has struck and France again enters into possession of her ravaged and devastated territory.

The evidence is also overwhelming of acts of gross barbarity and cruelty which calls for a day of reckoning. The French, as all the world knows, are not a vindictive people, but they hope that when this reckoning comes, Great Britain will not forget all that they have suffered and display a too sentimental tenderness towards the enemy in the hour of his defeat.

Vindictive Conduct. "The damage inflicted on places like Ypres," he remarked, "has been undoubtedly vindictive. The recent shelling of places like the almshouses at Ypres occupied by old women, I have every reason to believe was deliberate. Our Red Cross, at great risk to themselves, brought out thirty aged females, some of them over eighty years of age, suffering from shell wounds.

"Nothing more distressing than the condition of population of Ypres as a whole could be imagined. In my opinion the deliberate policy of the Germans has been to shell the people out of the town and force them into the lines of the allies with the object of embarrassing the allies' military operations."

On the subject of Zeppelins and German aeroplanes, the Red Cross officer remarked that French, British and German soldiers alike treat them with contempt. When a Taube makes its appearance, the soldiers do not even trouble to take cover. The humming of a Taube overhead gives one an uncanny sensation the first time it is heard, but that is all. The allied troops regard the Zeppelins as a bogey.

Dread Allies Airships. The Germans, on the other hand, have a wholesome dread of the British aeroplanes, and the French declare enthusiastically that the superiority of the British flying corps is one of the great things of the war.

The officer paid a handsome tribute to the work and organization of the Royal Army medical corps, with which the Red Cross is privileged to co-operate.

"No praise," he said, "can be too high for the devoted work and the efficiency of our army medical corps. Its rolls of killed and wounded is a tribute to the conspicuous bravery it displays on every occasion. Its officers and men alike are splendid."

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NOTICE
All Local Councils in Trinity District who haven't yet sent in their district assessment, will please do so before the end of the month of the treasurer, George Fowles, of Philip, Trinity East. J. G. STONE, D.C.
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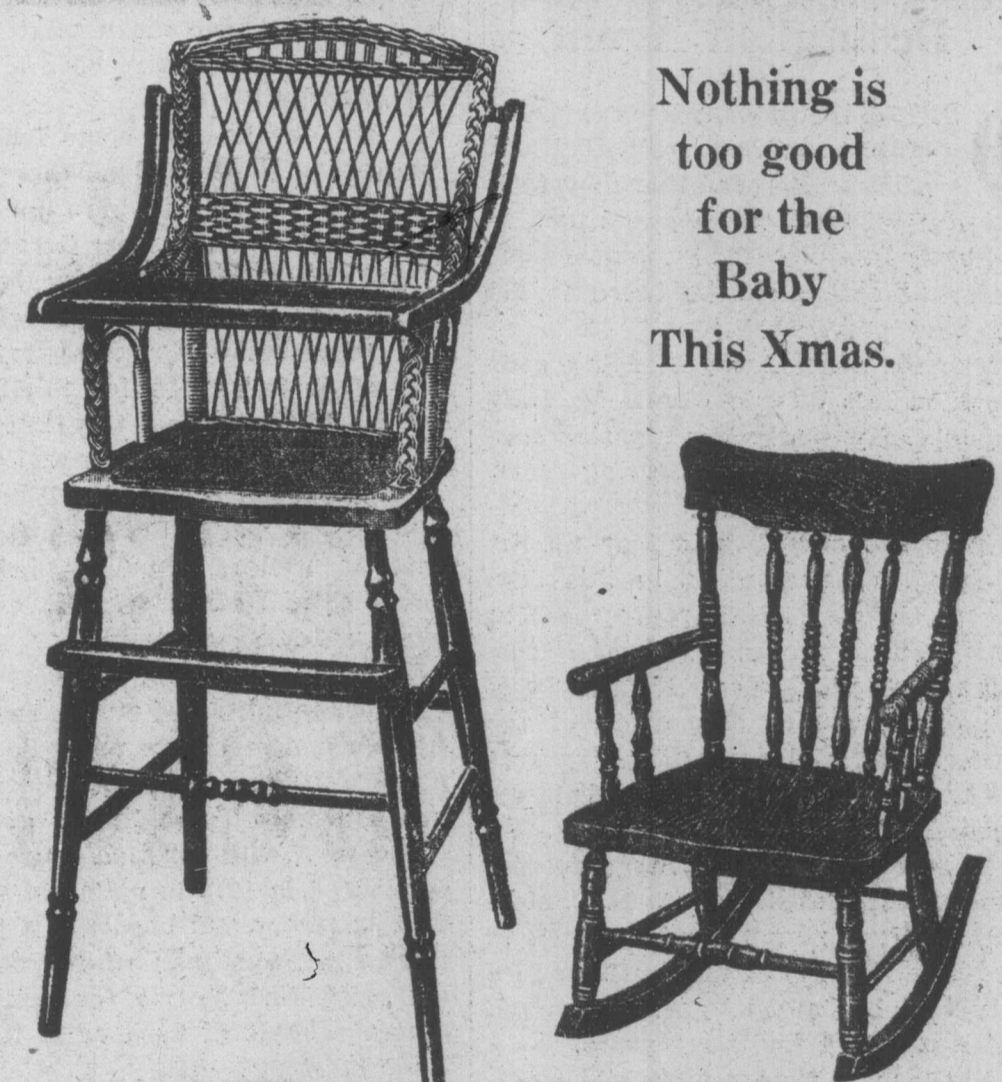
The Annual Meeting of the Bay de Verde District Council will be held at Western Bay on the 15th and 16th Instant. All Councils in Bay de Verde District are invited to send Delegates. President Coaker will be present at the meeting.

By order,
A. G. HUDSON,
District Chairman.
Lower Isld. Cove, Jan'y. 8, 1915.

NOTICE TO F.P.U. COUNCILS

A Meeting of the Officers of the Local Council of the F.P.U., operating in the Districts of Harbor Main, Port de Grave, Harbor Grace and Carbonear, will be held at Coley's Point on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, the 13th instant, to consider the advisability of combining the Councils embraced in the above Districts into one District Council of the F.P.U., and to consider matters affecting the welfare of the Fishermen of Conception Bay who prosecute the Labrador Shore Fishery.

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W. F. COAKER,
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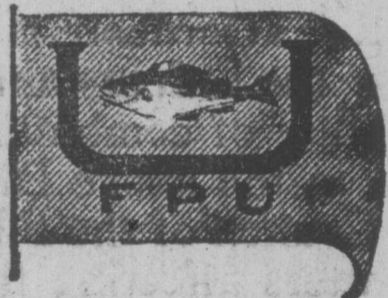
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OUR POINT OF VIEW

Destitution Again

During the past week some scores of persons have called at our office and proved that they were destitute of food, clothing and fuel.

Surely in a city like St. John's some sufficient action can be taken to aid the very poor.

The Salvation Army is doing good work in this direction and is fully capable of properly investigating conditions and relieving deserving cases, if funds were provided.

It is not our duty to tear up the square over destitution in this city, for St. John's is ably represented in Parliament.

Money can be found in galore for the fads and fancies of Sir E. P. Morris, and it is now his duty to look to the requirements of the destitute in a city that has stood by him through thick and thin for thirty years.

Every man, woman and child residing at St. John's in destitute circumstances should get after Sir E. P. Morris, Hon. John Bennett, Mr. Kennedy and Mr. W. J. Higgins, and demand action.

It is not the peoples' fault that they are hungry. Work cannot be procured. The business firms hold very short stocks of fish and there are no buildings under erection, and mechanics and well as laborers and longshoremen are out of work.

We have appealed to the Premier to take action. He has refused to take action and is content to sit idle and do nothing, while hundreds of poor people are wandering about the town begging from door to door.

Five Nickels are opened in this city every night and are patronized, and the Premier's excuse is that as people attend Nickels there can be but little want. The money spent for Nickels might well be saved for a better purpose, but who is to blame?

No action has been taken to secure the co-operation of the well-to-do public. No ladies meet daily to consider the needs or requirements of the destitute in St. John's or in outports.

who possess hearts that are human. All over the Colony considerable destitution prevails, but absolutely nothing has been done by the Government to help those in need.

No committees of ladies or wives of public paupers—so called Government officials—meet to consider ways and means of aiding those in need.

The Winter has but begun, yet all over the Colony comes the cry of want.

Does the Colony possess a clique of men known as the Government who have no sympathy or pity or inclinations for anything but to grab money, grasp contracts, grow fat on railway building, arbitrations and fees?

Does the Colony possess but one daily paper that can plead the cause of the poor workman who, though willing to toil, can find no employment?

Is it possible that here in St. John's where four daily papers are issued that only one is free to fight the battles of the toilers?

It is miserable to realize that The Telegram, Herald and News are tongue-tied by gold gathered from the public taxes, to an extent that such tremendous issues as the massacre of 251 brave men—the flower of our Country—destitution, price of fish, robbery of the poor by provision dealers, robbery of fishermen by a cull on fish, aiding the fishermen to secure the best prices for fish through Government action intended to safeguard the Colony's highest interests, etc., are debarred from their editorial utterances, while every day the people are sickened by rehashes of a lot of silly nonsense about news from the front.

Any stranger reading our daily papers would at once conclude that the Colony had no interests—absolutely nothing else to lay before the people or to discuss except the proceedings of the war.

If this paper did not exist what would the public have heard the past year about the sealing disaster, public matters, Government blundering, proceedings in the Assembly, catch and value of fish and how best to preserve the Colony's best interests in reference therewith, grabbing by provision dealers, trampling of the rights of representative government, necessary safeguards to protect sealers, exposure of the blunderer whose want of common sense sent 78 men into sternity.

We repeat, what would the public have learnt about those vital issues he past year had there been no Mail and Advocate?

If the time has not come for a big upheaval in Newfoundland there is no country in the world where upheavals are necessary apart from Germany.

Talk about Government by the People and for the People, if Newfoundland possesses a Government to-day that exists to govern for the People and according to what the People desire, then God help Turkey and China.

Never did Terra Nova in all her history possess a clique called a Government as useless, wasteful, indolent, ignorant and unprincipled as the clique which now governs.

If there is a God of Heaven who watcheth the falling of even a sparrow, then sure destruction must be waiting to overcome the desperadoes who now rule poor Terra Nova.

How men with common sense could have voted in 1913 to maintain such a gang in power and boodle is a puzzle now to the very man who 15 months ago cried Ned Morris for me. Has Morris a heart of flesh or is it composed of stone?

How can he be so ungrateful and so soon forget the appeals of those who gave him place and power?

Can't he for one short six months rise above the common political poison and show the Country that although he is well weighed down with fees that some virtues still remain that flourished in the souls of noble men in every age?

Receipt for Making Good Bread.

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READ THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE.

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P. C. O'DRISCOLL, Liquidator. Jan 12, 1915.

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TO THE EDITOR

Moreton's Harbor Council Officers

(Editor Mail and Advocate) Dear Sir,—Officers elected for Moreton's Hr. Local Council for 1915 are as follows:— Walter Knight, chairman, elected; Augustus Butt, deputy-chairman, elected; John Taylor, Jr., treasurer, re-elected; H. B. Jennings, secretary, re-elected; Sandy Knight, financial secretary, re-elected.

Pool's Island Local Officers

(Editor Mail and Advocate) Dear Sir,—The annual meeting of Pool's Island Local Council took place on December 29th. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Job White, chairman, re-elected; Jerry Brown, deputy-chairman, re-elected; Mark Spurrell, secretary, elected; Felix Spurrell, treasurer, elected; Josiah Spurrell, door guard, re-elected.

WANTS THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

Mr. Charles Andrews, of Upper Gullies is visiting his aged mother, after an absence of over thirty years. Mrs. Andrews, now over eighty years of age, is proud to see her son.

Mr. Andrews has travelled very considerably over the world, and has through close attention to business saved up quite a penny for the "rainy day."

He regards the Mail and Advocate as the best paper in Newfoundland, because it has the news and gives best value for the money.

Reservist Asks For Square Deal

(Editor Mail and Advocate.) Dear Sir,—I was very pleased to see your remarks in to-day's paper concerning the pay of the Naval Reservists, for, although I belong to the Reservists I don't think they are getting a square deal, when we consider the Volunteers.

Reservists are expected to work as hard, and serve their country just as faithfully as the soldiers, and yet, they are worth only half as much. I think as you do that it is a scandalous thing for our government to look on and say nothing, after promising to supply the men.

There are dozens of men on Water Street who count their money by thousands, and who wonder why the men don't come forward to fight for their country, and yet will not give one iota of time, money or influence to help these half-paid men to get a square deal, while fighting for their country's interest.

I think it is high time for our Government and influential men to wake up and do something. I am glad to know there is at least one man who will not forget the poor men who face death on the sea to fight for their king and country, and that is Mr. Coaker.

I will close by wishing him and The Mail every success. Hoping you will have space for this letter.

NAVAL RESERVE. Barq. Dunure arrived at Bahia, Saturday.

Will Be Consummation Of Coaker's Work

(Editor Mail and Advocate) Dear Sir,—Great improvements are being made here at this little locality, and greater still will be the progress of the future.

The erection of a Union Hall in Shambler's Cove is something we are proud of. The people of this place are placing wonderful confidence in President Coaker, to-day more than ever, seeing that his labor has not been in vain in organizing the F.P.U. and establishing it on such good principles, and also in establishing the Trading Co. Yes, a business, owned by the fishermen, managed by the fishermen, without the aid of any Water Street "know-alls."

Then again, after finding out and seeing how the fishermen have been treated the past year with their fish, he has undertaken to establish the wonderful monster organisation, "The Export Company," so that the people may get fair play in connection with shipping their fish, and we hope what happened the past fall may never happen again, for many of us here realize the pinch of the loss on our fish, but wonderful gain to the merchants.

Mr. Editor, we have sat idly by for the last 20 years wondering what would happen next. But we waited too long, and nothing happened to benefit the toiling masses until Mr. Coaker came forward, shouldered the responsibility, and formed the F.P.U., and the Export Company is going to be the greatest benefaction of all for the fishermen, and will put the finishing touch on Mr. Coaker's work.

We would encourage Mr. Coaker more than ever to still go forward as shares will be forthcoming for the Export Company.

We had a visit from the Chairman of Greenspond Council, accompanied by Friend Stephen White, who interested us with stirring addresses referring to Mr. Coaker's work, the F.P.U. Trading Co., and also the Export Company, which was fully explained by Friend J. B. Wornell.

We are glad to know that Mr. Coaker has purchased the splendid premises at Greenspond, once owned by James Ryan, but now the property of the Union Trading Co., which has opened the eyes of all that the Trading Co. is in good financial condition.

We are sorry that while we are at "war" with Germany that so few from the outports are volunteering for the army and navy. We trust our young men will stand by the old flag and rally to the help of the Allies and not cease until Germany is utterly crushed and Britons still retain the liberty of their fathers.

We trust that the New Year may dawn upon us with the blessing of God attending all the doing of Mr. Coaker and that all men in authority may never more ignore the underdog, for the F.P.U. with its mighty strength is going to lift the underdog on top in its struggle for existence. The outports are watching for a few Government officials to show their loyalty and then hundreds will follow.

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That American Protest Regarding Shipping

(By Henry Dalby)

THE warm sympathy of the great majority of the American people with the Allies is cordially appreciated by the latter. Its constant manifestations shows that our American friends realize that the Allies are fighting the battle of human liberty and civilization for all races. Under these circumstances every possible allowance must be made for any apparent inconsistencies on the part of our "great and good friend," President Wilson and his cabinet, in their maintenance of the neutrality of the United States, even at the risk of offending the majority of their own people.

If the United States Government's interpretation of the obligations of neutrality are neither judicial nor judicious, it must not be hastily assumed that it is because our "great and good friend" has allowed Count Bernstorff to pull his great and good leg, but rather to a disposition to be so upright on the question of neutrality, as to lean over a trifling backward for fear of seeming to lean toward the natural preferences and inclinations of his own people.

Not a Diplomatist.

President Wilson is before all things a school man, and they do not teach diplomacy in the schools. If Germany had to deal with a Roosevelt, Teddy's rough and ready diplomacy would have found expression in vigorous action long ago. He would have said to the Kaiser (no doubt in diplomatic, but plain English), "You are violating all the laws of war; you are breaking treaty obligations to which your Government is a party; you are outraging the laws of humanity openly and defiantly; you are threatening to violate the independence of the United States; you are inflicting vast injury upon the commerce of the United States, and jeopardizing American shipping and the lives of American citizens upon the high seas. You are at liberty to carry on the war to its inevitable end—the ruin of your country and the destruction of your dynasty. That is your business, not ours; but these outrages I have enumerated have got to stop within twenty-four hours; or I shall be under the painful necessity of terminating a neutrality which is becoming irksome and irritating to the people of the United States."

And They'd Stop.

The outrages would stop, and the

Kaiser would have to fight fairly and like a man.

Not even a Hohenzollern can afford to offend the sense of justice and humanity of all mankind all the time. The war will not last for ever, and when it is over, public sentiment will count for much in the tedious process of the rehabilitation of German trade and commerce.

For many years to come, the brand "Made in Germany" will be a stigma of infamy on German imports into many lands besides those now engaged in the war. Were His Imperial Majesty resolutely set upon making the economic ruin of Germany complete and permanent, he could not adopt a policy more likely to achieve that result than that which he is now following.

Climax Of Offences.

His latest proclamations ordering the use of dum-dum bullets—with the lying excuse that the Allies have set the murderous and cruel example—is the climax of his offences against humanity. It reads like the last scream of baffled rage and impotent malice, and it will have about as much moral effect upon the troops who are fighting his armies as water upon a duck's back.

Until the full text of the President's protest is published, it would be well for the British people to suspend judgment upon the issues raised. At present it is not quite certain what are the issues involved.

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right of "visit and search"; that is the right of a belligerent to stop and search a neutral ship for contraband articles intended for enemy's use, whether shipped directly or indirectly to the enemy's territory; the other, the question of preventing cargoes of any description being shipped to or from the enemies' country by blockade.

Admits the Rights.

The United States government has not only admitted, but asserted the right of blockade, very properly taking the ground that the only test of the legality of a blockade is its effectiveness. Under the Declaration of London in 1866, confirmed by the Hague Conference in 1909, it is laid down as the Law of Nations, that to constitute a blockade there must be a sufficient force to make access to the prohibited ports difficult and dangerous.

This ground was also taken by President Madison in a communication to the American Minister in London.

The right of "Visit and Search" is universally recognized, the only condition formally affirmed by the Declaration of London being that in the case of mail ships it must be exercised with as much consideration and expedition as possible.

U.S.A. Would Lose.

Too much importance should not be attached to the President's protest, because no country stands to lose so much by the acceptance of the principle laid down as the United States. That country has everything to lose and nothing to gain by aiding and encouraging Germans and thus prolonging the war.

The foolish cackle indulged in about coercing the Allies by cutting off American trade with Great Britain, France, Russia and Japan is too silly to be worth a moment's serious consideration. Great Britain has shown the friendliest feeling towards the United States by undertaking that the cargoes of German dye-stuffs shall not be molested on their way to American ports. The orders now placed by Great Britain in the United States for supplies of various kinds amount to more than Germany's whole trade will come to for many years.

In fighting against the Kaiser for human freedom Great Britain is fighting for America as well as for British liberty and independence, and doing the job cheaply for our esteemed neighbors. The blockade of Germany is effective and complete, and therefore strictly legal, and will not be stopped by the American copper lords or any other speculators.

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

EDISON SETS WAR'S DURATION AT TWO YEARS

Thinks Belligerents Can Keep up the Great Conflict That Much Longer—Has High Opinion of Submarines But Believes Their Attacks Can Be Combated

West Orange, N.J., Jan. 8.—Thomas A. Edison believes the war will last two years longer. He considers that the submarine has proved itself the greatest naval instrument of offense, but believes that means have been found though not yet demonstrated, for the defense of the big ships against underwater attacks.

"While the submarine has not obviated the need for the dreadnought, it surely has lessened its value. But

you may bet that the ships that England is now constructing will be protected against submarine torpedoes. The effect of a primary explosion can be greatly reduced in constructing a dreadnought and this in all likelihood is what is being done," said Mr. Edison.

A Great Mistake.

"Germany has made the great mistake of believing Great Britain and France decadent nations. The Germans are a great people commercially, industrially, and agriculturally, but they have been brought up in the atmosphere of egotism. It is too bad that everything in the country has been subordinated to the military caste, and I think the sooner this system is ended the better for the German people.

"The present war has taught the world that killing men in war is a scientific proposition. With all the implements of destruction and plans for offensive operations so carefully mapped out, and with the great number of men that can be drawn into the fray by both sides, the conflict will be a long drawn affair. There have been wars that have lasted thirty years, but those days are past. Killing men is a different matter today, and I believe the present struggle will not end for two years at least, although I hope it may end sooner than any of us expect."

Caused No Worry.

When asked if the year had not brought worry and loss with the fire at his works here on Dec. 9th, when about \$3,000,000 worth of property was lost Mr. Edison said: "The loss does not worry me. Nothing was burned that cannot be replaced. I was up against a harder proposition when I built the first electric lighting plant in New York. It was something new, electric lighting then. A fortune was

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They have stood the test. Give real foot comfort. No seams to rip. Never become loose or baggy. The shape is knit—not pressed in.

GUARANTEED for fineness, style superiority of material and workmanship. Absolutely stainless. Will wear 6 months without holes, or new ones free.

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3 Pairs of our 75c. value American Silk Hosiery or 4 Pairs of our 50c. value Am. Cashmere Hosiery, or 4 Pairs of our 50c. value Am. Cotton-Lisle Hosiery, or 6 Pairs Children's Hosiery.

Give the color, size, and whether Ladies' or Gent's hosiery is desired.

DON'T DELAY—Offer expires when a dealer in your locality is selected.

The INTERNATIONAL HOSIERY CO
P. O. Box 244,
DAYTON, OHIO, U.S.A.

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invested and the whole world was awaiting the outcome.

"No, I'm not worryign about the money loss. That can be made again. When any talks about worry, he might apply my standard of worry. Just think of the Kaiser, now on the defensive, with nearly 600 miles, all told, on the east and west, of battle-front. Why the average man's worries sink into significance compared to this. Then you may take the standard of disaster from Belgium, gritty little Belgium.

People Surprise Him.

"It has surprised me to see how the Americans have become weak-kneed over this war. They seem to be struck on with a sort of commercial paralysis. They want to get out and do something and now is the opportune time. Why you can put up a building cheaper today than you could before the war and yet many of our supposed good business men will wait until the war is over for a sign of prosperity and pay more for the building. The wise man will prepare for the boom in

trade that he will soon experience and which will be tremendous after the war."

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

For Sale!

Fine Fishing Schooner, 34 tons, with Log, Chart, 1 Dorie, 2 sets trawl gear, Cable, etc. Launched April 1914. An excellent chance to get a first-class boat at a bargain. Apply **FRANK M. BUTLER**, P.O. Box 1114, Halifax, N.S.—Jan 5, 61

Furniture Opportunities during stock-taking

Owing to the depression in business during the past four months, our General Furnishing stock is somewhat larger than is usual at this time of the year. During stock-taking we have decided to considerably reduce the prices of all General Furniture.

Do you need to refurnish, entirely or in part, any room in YOUR house? Do you need a new Bedstead, or any separate piece of Furniture? If so, here is an opportunity too good for you to miss; as the reduction on all sales during stock-taking will be a special feature.

Our loss, your gain—and—
"Business as Usual."

U. S. Picture & Portrait Co.

STEBAURMAN'S OINTMENT

42 Spencer Street,
St. John's, N.F.,
Nov. 28, 1909.

Dear Sir,—I have been suffering for the past three years with Eczema in my face and arms. I have tried several doctors but all to no avail, until I was recommended to you for treatment, which I have found a sure remedy, and I have been made a perfect cure.

I am, yours truly,
MARY JOSEPHINE MORRISSEY.

Mr. L. Stebaurman,
344 Duckworth Street,
Stebaurman's Ointment, 20 cents per box or 6 boxes for \$1.00—Oct 23, 2w Cash Must be Sent With Order.
P. O. Box 651, or 15 Brazil's Square.

Big Sale Gent's & Boys' Knitted Goods



Note the Reduction in Prices.

Gent's Coat Sweaters

Regular price.....	\$1.00.	Selling now for.....	90c.
Regular price.....	\$1.50.	Selling now for.....	\$1.30
Regular price.....	\$1.60.	Selling now for.....	\$1.40
Regular price.....	\$2.00.	Selling now for.....	\$1.70
Regular price.....	\$2.50.	Selling now for.....	\$2.10
Regular price.....	\$3.00.	Selling now for.....	\$2.60
Regular price.....	\$3.50.	Selling now for.....	\$3.00
Regular price.....	\$4.00.	Selling now for.....	\$3.50
Regular price.....	\$5.00.	Selling now for.....	\$4.25

Boys' Coat Sweaters

Regular price.....	70c.	Selling now for.....	60c.
Regular price.....	90c.	Selling now for.....	80c.
Regular price.....	\$1.00.	Selling now for.....	90c.
Regular price.....	\$1.10.	Selling now for.....	95c.
Regular price.....	\$1.20.	Selling now for.....	\$1.00
Regular price.....	\$1.30.	Selling now for.....	\$1.10
Regular price.....	\$1.50.	Selling now for.....	\$1.30
Regular price.....	\$2.00.	Selling now for.....	\$1.70
Regular price.....	\$2.50.	Selling now for.....	\$2.10

See Window Display

Steer Bros

Anderson's Great Removal Sale

Continues during this month. Special Bargains here while the sale lasts. Give us an early call and examine our stock.

We have done our best to cater to your wants in the Store we are soon to vacate, owing to the expiry of our lease.

Later we shall be meeting you in OUR NEW MODERN STORE in the West of the City and, there we will aim to do our utmost to give satisfaction.

If the whole of our goods, as stored at Grace

Building, could be displayed in a Modern Building—then the people of Newfoundland would thoroughly realize the magnitude of our vast stocks of serviceable and fashionable merchandise at low prices.

Here is a motto for thoughtful buyers "Let us go to Anderson's First; they are sure to have what we require."

Before Removing we are conducting a GREAT SALE and we have cut the prices to make it easy for you to buy and save money.

Removal Sale

Colored Blouses

THESE include an enormous range of the Newest Styles—all manufacturer's samples—all imported this season.

Amongst the lot you'll find Poplin, Wool-Crepe, Challis, Delaines Sun-Resista and other new fabrics in an endless variety of designs.

Yes! they are the latest, some with Peter-pan and other styles of collars, all with handsome, new sleeves, long or short—every one of them a bargain.

You'll like them. Mostly one third off original price.

Removal Sale

White Silk Blouses

\$1.10 for \$1.40 Value.
\$1.25 for \$2.00 Value.
\$1.55 for \$2.40 Value.
\$1.95 for \$3.00 Value.

WE believe you'll like these handsome, White, Silk Blouses, because they are made of excellent Silk, correctly fashioned, and richly trimmed with heavy, padded embroidery, and some with dainty Lace.

No better styles or qualities can be had for the money.

We guarantee them to be perfect-fitting.

Removal Sale

Black Blouses

HERE we can satisfy most Women that need a stylish, dressy, Black Blouse.

We have them in various fabrics, such as faced-goods Poplin, Alpaca, Silk and other materials—the kind most Women like.

We have them to fit slender, medium, or stout Women and the prices are low. Here are a few prices.

Orig. price \$1.00. Sale price 80c.
Orig. price \$1.50. Sale price \$1.25.
Orig. price \$2.70. Sale price \$2.10.

WE want every Woman to share the benefits of this GREAT REMOVAL SALE—that is why we are giving such liberally cut prices, while the sale is in progress.

Every woman needs an extensive variety of Blouses—suitable for wearing at home and for the many special occasions during this festive season. This is an excellent time to buy at Sale Prices.

Visit our sale and buy two or four of these bargain Blouses. If you cannot visit, send a postal, remit your money, describe the Blouse and we will mail to your address. Write to-day, write now.

Anderson's, Water Street, St. John's, N.F.

12 MINUTES' NIGHTMARE UNDER FIRE

Terrible Experience Related by Officer of the Pegasus, Sunk by the Konigsberg Which Has Also Met Her Fate

WHAT can happen in twelve minutes of modern warfare when one of the vessels engaged outclasses another in speed and range of guns is graphically set forth in a letter to G. Herbert Windeler of the Country Club, Boston, written by a relative of his who served as an officer on board the British ship Pegasus. The Pegasus went to her doom after engaging with the German ship Konigsberg off Zanzibar reported sunk in today's cable news. The letter is to Mr. Windeler, which is dated:—

"H.M.S. Pegasus, Zanzibar, Oct. 6 1914, follows: "I am sorry my last letter was so short, but I was very pressed for time.

Was Fateful Day.

"Sunday, Sept. 20th, was the fateful day on which the poor old Pegasus was sunk. The whole thing was a surprise. The Konigsberg suddenly appeared at 5.20 a.m., about four and one-half miles away, just at daylight and started to pour shells into us. We were at anchor just off Zanzibar, and unluckily it was the one occasion, but our boilers were having a very necessary clean out.

"Our gun crews who had been on watch, had just fallen out, and it took us a few minutes to man our guns. I was asleep on deck, having been on watch from midnight to 4 a.m. The first I knew was by being awakened by two shells screaming over my head. Of course I guessed at once what it was, and flew in my pajamas to my station at the foremast, where I marked the fall of shot, and then passed down the ranges to the guns. As I went up the rigging shells were whistling all round me, but I was quite untouched. She started to hit us after the first minute, and you could feel the poor old ship tremble each time she was struck, and the low groans of the wounded could be heard.

Guns Were Outraged.

"Our old guns were absolutely outraged, and we could not get nearer than 800 yards to her, while she was then hitting us every time. Poor —, the first lieutenant, was mortally wounded from the start. This I did not know till after the first five minutes, when a shot pitched just short of the foremast and sent spray right over the top of the mast, soaking me and ruining my glasses so that I could not see through them.

"I then looked down on the forebridge and saw that —, who ought to have been having my ranges to the guns, was not there, so as I had no means of communication between myself and the guns, I started to come down. About half way down I heard someone say "Surrender," but I shouted to them to go on, but a little later three or four voices said "Captain's order, sir," and then I looked up and saw the white flag.

Deeply Humiliated.

"I felt absolutely humiliated to think we should have to haul down to a German, and hoped the next shell would catch me. The ship was sinking fast, and as I tended the wounded in the battery, shells still whizzed all round; the Germans had not seen our white flag.

"It was a fearful shock to see it and some poor chaps were fearfully knocked about, legs and arms gone, and some with no faces. Still, I seemed used to it all my life and quite collected. A pal of mine had both legs half knocked off and his back stove in, and recognized me. He gave me a message to give, and I tried to buck him up, but he was obviously useless. Another poor chap with his eyes shot away begged me to shoot him.

Konigsberg Steamed Away.

The Konigsberg finally ceased firing and steamed away, no one knows why, perhaps she was afraid we had other cruisers near, instead of being entirely alone. The whole thing seemed an awful nightmare and only lasted 12 minutes, but in that time we had thirty-eight killed and one hundred and two casualties altogether. A fearful show, and the like will not be seen again in the war.

"Unable to move, having no steam, no means of hitting her back, and all her shells having deadly effect on our unprotected sides, it was murder, and looking at it after, the captain was quite right to surrender.

I got all the dead and wounded out, and then proceeded to get two of our three-pounder guns out, thinking that we might get our own back one day

Poor Demand For High-Grade Fish at Oporto

And Even the Cheaper Grades Are But Little Called For—Short Supply For Christmas.

The following letter from Lind & Couto, dated Dec. 17, was posted at the Board of Trade yesterday:

After several weeks of good demand principally for the cheaper grades of fish, the demand this week has diminished and we do not think there will be much more sold before Christmas as the Christmas demand is generally over about Dec. 15th.

There has been a short supply of Christmas qualities this year, but on the other hand, the demand for expensive fish has been considerably less.

Supplies from both Newfoundland and Norway will probably be coming forward freely in the near future and we hope it will all be needed but January is a very uncertain and often disappointing month and it is impossible to form an idea of the demand.

We estimate the present stocks at about 6650 qtls. of 60 kilos British and 450 qtls. of Norwegian. The weather has been very stormy and there is a light flood in the river.

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Made from highest grade Manitoba wheat by latest improved machinery. There is nothing better made.

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The S.S. Seal has cleared from Jonne Bay for Halifax with 735,050 lbs. of green fish, 35 qtls. dry and 533 lbs. herring.

The Germans ashore with these, and did the best we could to stop a big hole forward, where the water was pouring in.

Towed Her In.

"As the ship appeared to be sinking, we cleared everyone ashore, except about seven men, the captain, navigator and myself, and got a tug to tow us down harbor to try and beach her. We put her ashore, but the beach was so steep that we slipped off again, so we anchored her, and then as nothing could be done till the tide rose, we left her at one p.m. for lunch. At about 2 p.m. the poor old ship suddenly turned over and sank. Poor old ship, we had been so happy on.

"We are living in the barracks of the native regiment here, and are rapidly turning ourselves into soldiers. I had great hopes of going over to German East Africa with our guns, but I fear there is not much chance of that.

Exciting Time.

"During the first week here there seemed every chance of the Germans landing 1000 or so men to capture the island, and we had some exciting fights guarding the various important roads and approaches. Now here is no chance of that as we have here of our cruisers about. I think perhaps we shall be distributed among them, but I shall certainly refuse to stay ashore here as a sort of town guard with very little chance of a scrap.

"I'd love to see the Konigsberg on equal terms at sea and get our own back. Of course, we ought never to have been left up here by ourselves, as we were hopelessly outclassed, and I cannot make out why the Konigsberg did not come for us before. At sea in day time if she had used her extra speed, she could have kept herself out of range of our guns and should have sunk us just the same, but our only chance was at night."

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RED CROSS LINE.

INTENDED SAILINGS.

From New York: From St. John's: STEPHANO, Jan. 16. STEPHANO, Jan. 23.

Passenger Tickets issued to New York, Halifax and Boston.

FARES INCLUDING MEALS & BERTH ON RED CROSS STEAMERS:

	1st CLASS		2nd CLASS	
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To New York	\$40.00	\$70.00	\$15.00	
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Connections at Halifax for Boston: (1) Plant Line Wednesday at 8 a.m. (2) Dominion Atlantic Railway through the beautiful land of Evangeline to Yarmouth, thence by Boston and Yarmouth S.S. Co., Ltd., Wednesday and Saturday. Luxurious accommodation and excellent cuisine by either route. Full particulars from

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GIVES BAND TO OUR FIRST CONTINGENT

Hon. E. R. Bowring Presents Instruments to Our Men at Fort George—Sent Them Christmas Presents

Hon. J. R. Bennett, Colonial Secy., writes the Mail and Advocate as follows:

"Through His Excellency the Governor, the Government have been informed of the generosity of Hon. E. R. Bowring, in connection with the members of the Newfoundland Regiment, now in the United Kingdom.

"Mr. Bowring has presented some 16 instruments, with which, it is understood, various persons of the Regiment are able to form a band.

"In addition to the above, Mr. Bowring has also sent a quantity of games material, including single sticks, boxing gloves, cards, etc., etc., and he had also arranged to send things for Christmas consumption.

"The active and continued interest of Mr. Bowring in all matters pertaining to the welfare and comfort of our Newfoundland boys, who are now at Fort George, is worthy of all praise."

Bricklayers Hold Annual Meeting Elect Officers

The annual meeting of the Bricklayers' and Masons' Union was held last night.

The Union is in a splendid financial condition.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President—J. R. Mullins.
Vice-President—R. J. Power.
Treasurer—J. Cochrane.
Asst.-Treasurer—C. Burridge.
Secretary—J. J. Spratt.
Asst.-Secretary—G. Clarke.
Marshal—E. Burridge.
Committee—W. Murphy, B. Spratt, W. Donnelly, J. Coady, D. Whittle.
Auditors—H. Gollop, W. Edney.

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Makes sweet snowy white bread, is strong, full of life and fresh while the loaf lasts.

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Star Tourney Winners

A card tournament was run off in the Star rooms last night, one hundred and twenty-four players competing. The first prize, a half ton of coal donated by Mr. Mullaly, was won by Mr. Jas. Malone, a box of cigars, given by Mr. G. R. Williams, was won by Mr. James Jeans, and Mr. H. J. Brownrigg gave a tub of butter as third prize to Mr. P. Culletton.

Wesley Bible Class

Wesley Bible Class are holding a special business meeting tonight at 8.15.

The executive of the Class meets at 8 o'clock sharp. Every member is asked to make a special effort to be present as very important business is to be transacted.

The schr. Regina has cleared from Channel for Bucksport, Maine, with 1,450 lbs. herring.

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Sweet and retains its moisture while the loaf lasts.

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German Paper Contends Lies Are Justified

Says Circumstances Often Force One From the Path of Strict Rectitude

Amsterdam, Jan. 10.—Admitting that the reports of the war given to the public in Germany and to neutral nations have not always been proven truthful by later developments, the Cologne Gazette justifies this circumstance by saying:

"Circumstances often force one to deviate from the path of strict rectitude; to answer lies by lies. This is the only way to answer liars. When our troops have annihilated them, we shall return to our habit of strict frankness."

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You cannot buy better at any price anywhere.

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9 Volunteers Added To List

Majority Residents of St. John's—Total Now Up To 786

Nine volunteers came forward yesterday, bringing the total up to 786.

Those who signed yesterday were: St. John's—Harvey V. Richards, Ed. Faour, Jas. J. Curnew, M. John Sinnott, John J. Cahill, John F. White, Fred J. Jacobs.

Twillingate—Norman B. W. Pardy, Whitbourne—John Murrin.

Yesterday, owing to the storm, the lads drilled in the C.L.B. Armoury.

About fifty who are seeking non-com's stripes were given their written exams, yesterday, and will go under the practical exam, today.

Yesterday morning the officers were lectured by Capt. Abraham.

MR. T. COOK COMPLIMENTS WEST COAST

Was Agreeably Surprised by the Spirit of Enterprise and Progress in Evidence at Hustling Town of Grand Bank

Mr. Tasker Cook, who was visiting Grand Bank on business, returned by Portia and Placentia last night.

He left home a fortnight ago hoping to return within a week, but could not connect with steamer early.

The object of his visit was to arrange salvage for a large quantity of pitch pine salvaged by Grand Bank banking schrs. from the Cuban steamer Cleufugeos wrecked at Scatterie last year. An arrangement satisfactory to all was made.

The weather was stormy throughout and during the gale of Sunday, 3rd, the breakwater was somewhat damaged.

It was Mr. Cook's first lengthy visit to the thriving town of Grand Bank, and he was very favorably impressed.

The industry of the people appealed strongly to him. The condition of the town generally, the stores, residences and the people tell plainly there are no drones there.

The banking schooners are all well kept and the fishermen are particularly busy just now getting ready for the early spring fishery.

The fishermen of Grand Bank have made money apparently, but their own energy is responsible for it.

"VICTORY FLOUR"

Gives bread that nutty flavor so desirable.

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Remains Interred

The remains of Mrs. J. M. Dooley and her daughter Mary were interred at Mt. Carmel Cemetery at 9.30 this morning.

Mr. Dooley, the husband and father, arrived by yesterday's express.

This morning with other relatives he went to the Mortuary Chapel at the Cemetery and undertaker Myrick opened the coffins, so that Mr. Dooley may see them before interment.

The bodies were in perfect state of preservation and could not have been better had they been embalmed.

It was a sad scene, that was witnessed in the little chapel this morning, and those whose duty called them there will not soon forget it.

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SPECIAL SALE

OUR JANUARY CLEARING SALE is now going on

Special Reductions on all Odds and Ends, Surplus Stock, etc.

Here are some of the goods that we must clear out:

- Dress Skirts
- Costumes
- Opera Cloaks
- Sports Coats
- Raglans
- Children's Coats
- Children's Underwear
- Boots and Shoes
- Men's Underwear
- Men's Pyjamas, etc.

Remnants of all kinds.

Terms Cash. No Charging. No Approval.

Ayre & Sons LIMITED

Scotch Concert Great Success

Splendid Programme and Large Attendance at Presbyterian Hall.

The concert at the Presbyterian Hall last evening was largely attended and proved a success in every particular.

The programme was:

Solo—Miss L. Anderson.
Solo—Miss J. Trappell.
Recitation—Miss Doyle.
Duet—Miss L. Anderson and Mr. King.
Solo—Miss E. Mare.
Violin Solo—Miss S. Johnson.
Solo—Miss J. Strang.
Recitation—Miss Doyle.
Solo—Mr. King.
Solo—Miss D. Johnson.
Solo—Miss J. Anderson.
Duet—Misses J. Strang and L. Anderson.

After the concert the officers of the Women's Missionary Society entertained those who took part in the program in the ladies parlour and a pleasant time was spent.

The proceeds of the concert will be devoted to the Mission Fund.

"VICTORY FLOUR"

Sweet and fresh while the loaf lasts.

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Truckmen Meet

The quarterly meeting of the Truckmen's Union was held last evening when several matters of importance were discussed.

It was decided that during the winter to haul only three casks of oil at a load.

A sum of money was set aside in case any member's family becomes needy during the present winter.

A committee was appointed to look after this matter. This money will not be used to provide feed for horses. Allocations from this fund will be strictly confidential.

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Six Months

The young woman of Ayre & Sons employ who was arrested some weeks ago for theft was before Judge Knight this morning and sentenced to six months imprisonment to take effect from the time of her arrest.

The amount against her was \$314.00, part of which the firm has recovered.

SCOTCH PRAISE OUR VOLUNTEERS

(Continued from page 1.)

We hope to make great friends with the Highlanders during our stay.

The Officers

With the contingent are a capable staff of officers. It was the desire of all ranks that they should have a competent commanding-officer with the military experience. This they found in Lieut.-Colonel R. de H. Burton. Captain Rendell is an able adjutant. The others are all excellently qualified for their work, and are as follows:

Captain Cary, Captain Bernard, Captain March, Captain O'Brien, Captain Alexander, Captain Timewell, paymaster; Lieutenant Ledingham, Lieutenant Ayre, Lieutenant Rowsell, Lieutenant Nunn, Lieutenant Tait, Lieutenant Wighton, Lieutenant Goodridge, Lieutenant Alderice, Lieutenant Butler, Lieutenant Raley, transport officer; and Lieutenant and Quartermaster Summers.

The medical officer is Dr. Wakefield, who has been associated with Dr. Grenfell in his work in Labrador. Sergeant-Major Paver, late of the King's Royal Rifles and the A.P.C., who was in the colony, is the warrant officer.

Not Many Scotsmen.

There are not many Scotsmen in the contingent. A great many, however, are of Scottish and Irish descent. The few Scotsmen, we were told, were a happy lot, who, like the others, are delighted to do their training near home. The visitors are greatly interested in the history of the old Fort. They were delighted to learn that they were within a few miles of the battlefield of Culloden, and hope to pay a visit to the spot.

The contingent has a good football team, ready to show its paces after duty has been done. They have also a fine ice hockey team, which also might show their prowess if Lochan-Sanats would oblige with sufficiently strong ice.

It is reported that the contingent will be joined by another 500 men who are at present doing some training in the colony.

Their Training

It is expected, unless something unforeseen happens—and that often happens in these war times—that the contingent will put in a few months' training at Fort George. In the department of musketry the contingent have little to fear, for besides having about

Natives Annex R. G. Reid Trophy

Won From the All-Corners Last Night in Curling Match.

Natives and All Corners competed for the R. G. Reid trophy last evening, the former winning by ten points, fifty-eight to forty-eight.

The players and scores were:

Natives: H. Crawford, J. C. Hopburn, J. Browning, D. P. Duff, J. Peters, 10 (sk), 17, F. Chesman, F. W. Bradshaw, D. McFarlane, H. D. Carter, P. M. Duff, W. F. Joyce, T. J. Duley, T. Winter, 14 (sk) 10, A. Montgomerie, E. Rowe, J. Kelt, A. H. Saiter, R. G. Reid, A. Donnelly, J. C. Jardine, H. J. Duder, 18 (sk) 8, John Jackson, E. Taylor, A. Wilson, H. R. Bennett, F. T. McNab, H. Jardine, F. T. Brehm, W. H. Duder, 16 (sk) 13, A. Robertson.

Total, 58-48.

The President's and Vice-President's prizes will be competed for at the first open ice.

There is no word of the Mongolian today.

LECTURE!

By Dr. H. M. Mosdell

Under the Auspices of Atlantic Lodge, I.O.O.F.

Subject: "Belgium and her Relations to the Great War."

Odd Fellows Hall

Thursday, 14th inst., at 8 p.m.

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150 "dead" shots, most of the men have more than the ordinary knowledge of the use of arms.

The contingent are to have long route marches, and it is hoped that one of these days they will come the length of Inverness, and show us what the men of our Empire across the sea are like, and afford the Highland Capital an opportunity of giving them a Highland welcome.