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Margaret,
The GIRL ARTIST,
OR,
The Countess of Ferrers
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CHAPTER XI.

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"Hang the title!" she exclaimed, carelessly, "it's Blair I'm thinking of, and—when will you want me?"

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She looked up and smiled.

"You can trust me to do that," she said. "Wait! Take another cigar; there's some more whisky there. I won't keep you ten minutes," and she got up and ran from the room.

She was scarcely gone more than ten minutes when there came a knock at the door.

"Come in," he said, and a fair-haired lady, dressed in black, with a pale face and dark hollows under her eyes, with quivering lips and shaking hands nervously and timidly entered the room.

Austin Ambrose rose with some surprise and embarrassment.

"Do you wish to see Miss Belvoir?" he said quietly.

The lady threw up her hands to her face and broke into passionate sobs; then suddenly they changed to peals of laughter, and, whipping off her bonnet and wig, Lottie herself stood before him.

"Will that do?" she demanded.

Austin Ambrose nodded emphatic approval.

"Excellent! You nearly took me in, my dear Lottie, and I was prepared for you. Capital!"

"Oh, I can do better than that!" she said, half contemptuously, as she wiped the paint and powder from her face with her handkerchief. "But it isn't the make-up I shall rely on so much as the acting. I flatter myself that I can play the part to a nicey. It mustn't be overdone, you know; and it mustn't be taken too slowly. Oh, I know! You leave it to me Mr. Ambrose!"

"That's just what I meant to do!"

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News of his recovery from kidney disease will be welcomed by the many friends of Mr. L. D. Griffin throughout the lower townships and the adjoining district of the United States.

Mr. Griffin has travelled this section 35 years and what he says will be seen, is proven by all who know him best.

He tells in his letter how relief was obtained by treatment in Sherbrooke and Montreal hospitals, but the kidney trouble recurred again and again until by the persistent use of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills cure was effected. As he says, these pills "undoubtedly did the trick."

Mr. W. H. Bulwer, Compton county, Quebec, writes: "I can add one more statement of kidney disease cured by Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. For about twenty years I was bothered most terribly with kidney trouble, the disease became worse and I was sick in bed for one year, took doctor's medicine to no avail, and

he said. "I place every confidence in you, my dear Lottie!"

"And you'll come and see me in prison on visiting days?" she said, with a smile that was rather serious. "Yes," he said, laughing lightly. "I'll come and see you, and bring you a tract. But all that is nonsense. There is not the slightest risk of such a thing. Once you have played your part, you shall be off to Paris and take your filing for a month or two."

"All this will cost you something," she said, thoughtfully.

He shrugged his shoulders.

"It isn't a question of pounds, shillings and pence on such an occasion as this," he said; "and as to money, I dare say Blair will be only too glad to pay all the expenses when he comes to his senses, and finds who it is that has saved him from committing social suicide. He will owe us a deep debt of gratitude, Lottie."

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"Well, I wouldn't care to insure your life, Mr. Austin Ambrose."

He laughed as he shook hands with her.

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"No," said Lottie, grimly; "I'm not likely to proclaim this business from the housetops. This is a play that it will be best not to advertise. Good-night!"

CHAPTER XII.

Margaret read those lines of Swinburne's:

"Nothing is better, I well think,
Than love; no amber in cold sea,
Or gathered berries under snow,"

and she remembered them; they came floating up through her memory during the still hours of the night following Lord Blair's passionate avowal.

It had taken her so completely by surprise that even yet she had scarcely realized what this was that had happened to her.

She had read of love, had painted it, but hitherto she and it had been perfect strangers; and now—and now all the wonderful, mysterious sweetness of it suffused her whole being. "He loves me!" she found herself repeating over and over again in a species of half-unconscious rapture; and as she murmured the significant words she hid her face in her hands, and the words he had spoken came surging back on her ears and in her heart, and she could still feel his hot, passionate kisses on her hands and hair.

All the next day she lived like one in a dream.

She never asked herself whether she had acted wisely or even rightly in listening to him, or promising to meet him again. Wisdom and propriety were swamped and overwhelmed by the full tide of love which had taken possession of her.

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THURSDAY, March 30th, 1916.

The New City Charter.

We thank the Municipal Board for a draft of the Bill which has been proposed to have introduced into the Legislature this session. The Bill covers 100 pages, and it is impossible for a newspaper to publish the whole bill. We should advise the Board to print a large number of copies, furnish copies to past members of the Municipal Council, and to supply copies to other citizens who desire to study the provisions by that means. It may be possible for all intelligent discussion of the provisions to be made by those who wish to discuss the draft at the public meetings, suggested by Mr. Edward Morris and the other members of the House of Assembly, sitting for the St. John's District. The draft has been made by the City Commissioners, under Chairman Gosling, with the legal advice of City Solicitor, Mr. W. C. Morris, R. C. and the Solicitor of the Legislature, Mr. C. O. N. Conroy, K.C. We purpose giving the list of the Bill as it appears to us at the first reading, and depending upon you, a discussion of what may seem controversial. The Act is to be cited as "The St. John's City Charter, 1916." Then follows definitions of the main terms used in the city street, house, dwelling, lands and premises, ground landlord, owner, rack-rent, sewer, nuisance, local improvements, and the usual interpreting clause, and repeal of Statutes and bye-laws, prior and inconsistent with the proposed Act.

BOUNDARIES.

"For the purposes of this Act the City of St. John's shall be bounded as follows:

"Commencing at Fort Amherst Light House, thence in a straight line to the chimney of the General Hospital; thence in a straight line to the monument in Mount Carmel Cemetery; thence in a straight line to the south end of Hopedale's Bridge on Newfoundland Road; thence to the junction of the old railway track and Pennywell Road; thence in a straight line to the junction of the Blackmarsh Road and the extension of Hamilton Avenue; thence in a straight line to Syme's Bridge, an extension 50 feet beyond the same, thence in a straight line to the point of commencement."

The inhabitants of this area are to be incorporated under the name of the City of St. John's. The franchise is to include British subjects of 21 years and upwards who:

(a) have resided in the City for one year immediately preceding election;

(b) are entitled to assess taxes, or are occupiers of property rated on the appraisement books; or who are liable for the poll tax; and

(c) are not indebted to the St. John's Municipal Council for any arrears of taxes; and

(d) are duly enrolled in the Voter's List; and

(e) are not disqualified by mental incapacity, conviction for crime or violation of election laws.

All bodies corporate, being British subjects, which are owners, etc., of property rated in city, not in debt to Council, on their Voter's List are given one vote each.

The above are entitled to one vote for the election of Mayor and one for

each of the six Councillors.

Members of firms or co-partnerships, not incorporated, are each to be deemed as assessed for voting if the firm is assessed.

Non-residents who pay rates on property in city are to be qualified for voting.

Council may divide the city into wards.

Provision is also made for the taking of a Voters' Lists and its publication.

To-morrow we hope to take up the Taxation Clauses.

W. P. A.

IN AID OF THE SICK AND WOUNDED MEMBERS OF OUR SOLDIERS AND SAINTS AT THE FRONT.

Amount acknowledged \$27,812.05

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Nurse Cavell, per Daily News

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H. F. C.

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Rusted

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H. F. Arm. Collected

by E. Samson

Collected at a meeting of welcome to Pte. P. Jenkins

Grand Bank

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Miss Besse Williams, sale

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Money Box, No. 8

Ladies of St. Bonaventure's Association as per statement below:—

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Balance on hand after allowing for bills payable approximately 3,600.00

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Help the trade of our country by buying LOCALLY MADE GOODS.

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FIRST ARRIVAL From Seal Fishery

S.S. Sable Island in Port Log Loaded---Hails for 23,000 Prime Young Harps.

The sealing steamer Sable Island, Captain Jacob Kean, arrived back from the northern fishery at 9:45 this morning having for 23,000 of the primest whitecoats ever brought to the country of which amount 1,000 were carried on deck. It was a long and expected arrival as the ship, like the S.W. during which lots of oil harps were seen in the water. That same evening about 5 p.m. the Sable Island got into the main body of seals, with half eastward of Eastport. That was Tuesday, March 21st, and the southern patch was all cut up. The Sable Island went in quest of the main patch. First a N.E. course was steered, then a S.E. course, then the S.W. during which lots of oil harps were seen in the water. That same evening about 3,000 were killed and panned by the Sable's crew and the next day, March 22nd, 15,000 were taken. The Sable Island had been engaged picking up and putting on board. However, all the seals that the Sable Island secured could not be taken, as 28,000 altogether were panned off. The Sable Island had been panning off 1,000 on deck for 22 hours and considered indiscreet to take any more, and some sixty pangs which were left behind were given to the Erik. A herd of S.E. seals ranged on March 23rd and the following day the Sable Island came jammed on account of the ice packing together tightly. This retarded the work of picking up pangs, and as the steamer was unable to get free she was driven ashore. The Sable Island was then hauled up and the steamship Sable Island soon got in sight and was stopped. On Friday last the Sable Island soon got in sight and was stopped. On Saturday there was a strong easterly wind with snow and the Sable Island was soon loaded and hauled up for home. It was an anxious time coming along in the loaded vessel and with such a dangerous cargo in the hold whether it was safe to land. A heavy swell was on with thick fog on Monday last and the ship was compelled to put back in the ice again for safety and drifted along with the current. The Sable I. is a new boat and has made her first and successful trip to the ice pack. She is well worth an icebreaker. The Sable I. though of small size, has a hull worth as an icebreaker, and can steam 12 knots an hour. She has only jumboed over two short periods during the spring. The Sable I. is a new boat and has made her first and successful trip to the ice pack. She is well worth an icebreaker. The Sable I. though of small size, has a hull worth as an icebreaker, and can steam 12 knots an hour. She has only jumboed over two short periods during the spring. The Sable I. is a new boat and has made her first and successful trip to the ice pack. She is well worth an icebreaker. The Sable I. though of small size, has a hull worth as an icebreaker, and can steam 12 knots an hour. 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My small nephew cannot understand why the man at the drug store is willing to give him candy for pennies.

"I should think," he confided to me the other day, "that he'd rather keep the candy. I don't see what he wants those dirty old pennies for. I'd much rather have the candy."

My small nephew is a philosopher. At the age of five and a half he has discovered a secret which some people ten times his age have not found out.

"It isn't the money I care about. It's what you can buy with it," has long been listed among the bromidisms, and yet every once in a while I meet a person who announces that self-evident fact with the air of having made a great philosophical discovery.

He Hasn't Learned The Possibilities Of Money.

To return to my small nephew, he really doesn't deserve the credit I give him, for while he has discovered the futility of money per se, it is only because he hasn't yet learned its value in the world of men, not because he has learned to discount that value.

Which brings me to the point. I started to discuss, namely, the surprisingly vague ideas of money and values held by the average child in a middle class family.

At five and a half one does not expect much, but it was a boy of nine in my neighbour's family who, on being told that his father could not give him something because he did not have the money, answered, "Well, why doesn't he go into some bank and get some?"

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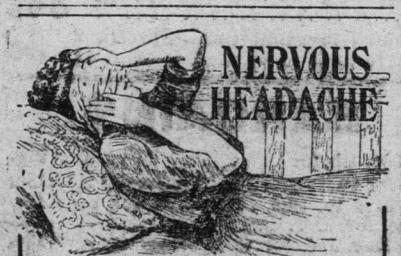
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PUTTING IT OFF.

Procrastination is the thief of time, remarked the ancient seer; it is the nursery of grief, the origin of sigh and tear. My impulse is to wait a while, before I do the useful thing; and that is why I have no pine, when others of ore. When comes the bitter winter dawn, with blizzards shrieking as they pass, my aunt remarks, "Go, mow the lawn, and plant all kinds of garden sass." I say, "I'd rather wait till spring before I do such jobs as those; I'll sit before the fire and sing, and thaw the chilblains from my toes." And when the summer breezes blow, my aunt remarks, "Go, get a spade, and from the walks remove the snow, instead of stand the Bible, God punished them "When winter comes I'll shovel snow to beat the band; I'm busy eating pears and plums, and there's no shovel close at hand." Thus all my labors I postpone; I always have some thin excuse; while others chase the shivering bone, I sit here saying, "What's the use?"



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TO-DAY Message

10.30 A.M.

WILL STRIKE BEFORE JUNE.

LONDON

Before the end of June the British armies will strike simultaneously with the object of bringing the war to an end. The British forces are expected to result from the council of the Allies which met in Paris on Tuesday night. The forces may begin to move on June 1st. The British army may be preceded by a man attempting to break through. It is believed that the British are persistent rumors, but not having heard the latest news, it is given out that the British army may be given out yesterday.

BRITISH HAVE EXTERMINATED THE CROWDS.

An official having received information that the British army had crossed the length of the line of communication by the French, says the report is that the British forces in France are preparing to strike. The news were carried out with secrecy, and it has been to release large numbers of prisoners. What were manifested in the British army are probably less than one-fourth the length of the western front. No unbroken line front has been established, but the British army may be attacked yet, nor is there any record of the Germans will succeed in attacking Verdun in accordance with the offensive.

INSANE ACT OF VIOLENCE.

LONDON

The members of the British army shocked yesterday afternoon by an army officer who was shot in a strangers' gallery jumping over the outer railing hung suddenly over the floor. He dropped through to the ground, apparently dead, but lay along the floor a considerable height. His remarks proved he was not fit for his act. He was ordered to be buried in the office apparently was due to the supply of helmets for he cried out as he fell, "ask you to provide of British soldiers and fire."

CALLING UP MEN.

LONDON

The last class of call-ups who have reached 19, since their attestations in large numbers at the beginning of the year, are now out on leave in connection with the war. It calls on the first eligible married men to present themselves at the recruiting offices, which has caused satisfaction throughout the country, it being felt that all are evading it in various ways. They are called up before men are compelled to serve.

SALONIKI FOUGHT.

SALONIKI

Mayor of Saloniki has issued a proclamation against future raids, which were marked with shouts of barbarians and criminals. The bombs fell from General Meschepouli's forces at Saloniki.

INVESTIGATING WRECKS.

CLEVELAND

With a toll of at least 40 dead and 40 more seriously injured, State Officials began yesterday morning to investigate the cause of the disastrous wrecks that occurred in this state in a dozen of the worst in the York Central system.

S. S. KILBRIE.

LONDON

The British steamship sunk by an enemy mine on March 1st, says it was made by Lloyds. It was 3,712 tons, built by Connell Bros. Ltd., available shipping is to show the recent movements.



TO-DAY'S Messages.

10.30 A.M.

WILL STRIKE BEFORE END OF JUNE.

LONDON, To-day. Before the end of June the Allied armies will strike simultaneous blows with the object of bringing the King to his knees and ending the war before Christmas. This combined offensive, it was held in London yesterday, is certain to result from the great council of the Allies which closed at Paris on Tuesday night. The Allies have agreed to move before the Crown Prince ceases his offensive movement on Verdun. The Allies' drive may be proceeded by other German attempts to break the western front. It is believed here, and there are persistent rumors that the Germans have used the moonlight at some time to shift troops for a blow on some other sector of the French front. No further statement of the results of the War Council session at Paris has been given out; it was stated authoritatively yesterday.

BRITISH HAVE EXTENDED LINE.

LONDON, To-day. An official having revealed the fact that the British armies have taken over the length of line previously held by the French, says the Reuter's correspondent at the British headquarters in France, I am permitted to refer to it. The new dispositions were carried out with great success and secrecy, and the result of them has been to release large French forces, who were manifestly of great value in another sector of the Western Front, probably holding something like one-fourth of the entire length of the western front, extending in an unbroken line from the Yser to Nemme. Although the hour of the British army may be hard if it is not yet, nor is there any reason to believe the Germans will succeed by their attacks on Verdun in upsetting the pre-arranged strategy of the great coming offensive.

INSANE ACT OF OFFICER.

LONDON, To-day. The members of the Commons were shocked yesterday afternoon when an armed member of the House of Commons, a stranger's gallery jumped over the railing into the distinguished strangers' gallery, then climbing over the outer railing hung suspended for a moment over the floor of the House. He dropped down to the floor without apparently receiving any injury, although the drop was from a considerable height. His incoherent remarks proved he was not responsible for his act. He was quietly led out of the House. The act of the officer apparently was to call attention to the supply of helmets for the army; he cried out as he dropped to the floor, "ask you to protect the heads of British soldiers against shrapnel fire."

CALLING UP MARRIED MEN.

LONDON, To-day. The last class of unmarried men, those who have reached the age of 19, since their attestation, appeared in large numbers at the recruiting offices yesterday to join the colors. There is now only one proclamation outstanding, that of April 7th. It calls on the first eight groups of married men to present themselves on April 7th. This is the proclamation which has caused so much dissatisfaction throughout the country, it being felt that single men who are evading various ways should be called up before married men who are compelled to serve.

SALONIKI ASKS FOR PROTECTION.

SALONIKI, To-day. Mayor of Saloniki has telegraphed to King Constantine asking that the neutral Greek city be protected against future raids. The funerals of victims of the aerial attack were marked with shouts of "Down with the barbarians and criminals!" One of the bombs fell in front of the house of General Meschopoulos, Commander of the Greek forces at Saloniki.

INVESTIGATING RAILROAD WRECK.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, To-day. With a toll of at least 30 persons dead and 40 or more injured, the Federal State Officials of the railroad company began yesterday their investigation into the cause of the recently yesterday morning to one of the most disastrous wrecks that has occurred in this State in a dozen years and one of the worst in the history of New York Central system.

S. S. KILBRIE SUNK.

LONDON, To-day. The British steamer Kilbrie was sunk by an enemy submarine on March 1st, and an armistice made with Lloyd's this evening. She was 3,712 tons, built 1901, and owned by Connell Bros., Ltd., Glasgow. The available shipping records do not show the recent movements of

Spring Suitings!

Have just opened our new Spring Suitings. We were fortunate in securing a splendid range of English Worsteds and Irish and Scotch Tweeds.

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have been left on the disabled ship.

ELECTED A WOMAN.

WINNIPEG, To-day. Conservatives Kidderminster and St. Andrews Constituencies have elected a woman, Mrs. Robt. Bullock, to the position of Vice-President of their Association.

12.30 P.M.

THE PRINCE AS CHAIRMAN.

LONDON, To-day. The Government appointed the Prince of Wales, Chairman of the National Committee to make permanent provisions for the care of the graves of British soldiers in France and Belgium.

PLOT TO INVADE CANADA.

NEW YORK, To-day. The military expedition to invade Canada which was hatched by Von der Goltz was exposed last night to be part of an alleged conspiracy to violate the neutrality of the United States upon which agents of the department of justice, secretly working in connection with the returnee, yesterday from England, Von der Goltz, who it is said claims to have been the trusted agent of Captain Von Papen, former German Military Attaché in this country, was questioned at length by the U. S. District attorney, Stephen M. Mizner, and his assistant Roger B. Wood. Von der Goltz, according to Capt. William M. Offay, Chief of the Local Bureau Department of Justice and Assistant Wood told all about the secret plan and master plot. Von der Goltz went to England in the latter part of 1914, under the name of Bridgeman Taylor, according to persons closely identified with the department of justice, recently arranged with the British authorities to be returned here to give testimony.

1.20 P.M.

CRITICIZES DERBY'S SCHEME.

LONDON, To-day. Sir Edward Carson, former Attorney General, strongly criticized the Government's proposal. He said the question of recruiting had never been grappled with in any proper or reasonable spirit. Every boy should be enlisted, he stated. Before very long circumstances would compel them to resort to general compulsion as the only way to bring about equality or justice to all classes. The present piece-meal method would only augment the dissatisfaction of the working classes. Edward warned the Government that the public is taking up the question and would not accept the present situation.

SENSATIONAL STORY.

LONDON, To-day. The Central News says the Government has highly sensational evidence concerning the situation on the Clyde and unless the men immediately return to work the information will be made public. Several Scotch members of the Commons are preparing to visit Glasgow to endeavour to adjust the situation.

11.00 A.M.

GERMANS GAINED A FOOTING.

PARIS, To-day. In an attack with heavy forces against the village of Malancourt, Germany succeeded in gaining a footing in the advanced work north of Malancourt, occupying two houses of the village, according to an official last night. Further advance were checked by French fire.

AMERICA ENQUIRES.

WASHINGTON, To-day. The United States sent an inquiry to Germany asking whether any of its submarines were concerned in the sinking of the British steamer Manchester Engineer, reported in despatches from American Consul as being torpedoed and sunk without warning while two American citizens were aboard.

NEARLY 20,000 SERBS HAVE PERISHED.

BERNE, Switzerland, via Paris. March 29.

Of 30,000 Serbian refugees who followed the invasion of their country by the Turks and Greeks last month, nearly 20,000 perished in reaching Saloniciki, all the others having perished of cold and hunger on the way, according to a report just received from Mile Comte of Geneva, representative of the Swiss Red Cross.

TYRES STILL ADMITTED.

LONDON, To-day. In response to a question in the Commons yesterday Captain Ernest Pretzman, Parliament Secretary of the Board of Trade said there was at present no intention to prohibit the importation of motor vehicles, bicycles, but he could give no undertaking as to the future. Pretzman had been asked whether in view of the large amount of tyres imported from the States, the Board of Trade intended to continue to allow them in.

CONTUMACIOUS STRIKERS.

GLASGOW, To-day. Twenty-two munitions workers who were concerned in strikes, promoted by the Clyde Workers' Committee, whose operations were exposed in the Commons yesterday, were fined to-day for quitting work in violation of the Munitions War Act.

They declared they would not resume work until the leaders of the strike agitation who were deported from the district by military authorities were permitted to return. Other strikers returned to work in large numbers.

SVALAND IN TOW.

WASHINGTON, To-day. The Coastguard Cutter Seneca is reported to-day at headquarters with the disabled Norwegian ship Syren in a damaged condition. She was 250 miles southeast of Halifax towing the vessel to port. Nineteen men have been taken on by the Seneca and five

THREE SHIPS BROKEN INTO.

ATHENS, To-day. The Greek Government has protested to the Central Powers against the air bombardment of Salonika last Monday.

FOUR GERMAN AEROPLANES DOWN.

SALONIKI, To-day. Four German aeroplanes were brought down in the air raid over

have been left on the disabled ship.

ELECTED A WOMAN.

WINNIPEG, To-day. Conservatives Kidderminster and St. Andrews Constituencies have elected a woman, Mrs. Robt. Bullock, to the position of Vice-President of their Association.

A Money-SAVING

Message From Devine's.

\$10,000 to \$14,000 STOCK

of NEW, CLEAN, RELIABLE MERCHANDISE TO BE CLEARED AT COST PRICE.

REASON: J. M. Devine has decided to future enter into the Wholesale Dry Goods business on a large scale, and with this object in view a company with an authorized capital of \$100,000 is being formed. We understand Mr. Devine finalized negotiations in this respect during his recent visit to America. But before changing and going out of the retail all his present large stock must be sold. So bargains there are going to be, sure, during the next month.

All Must Be Cleared in a Month REGHRDLESS OF PRICE.

There are thousands of dollars' worth of New Crisp American Goods just in, as well as reliable Staple Goods of British production. This appeals to everybody—it is a splendid opportunity for the shopkeeper to purchase at a low price. The boy or man who wants clothing, there never was such a chance. The girl or woman who wants a complete outfit, now is the time. The housekeeper—the bargain hunter—all can be satisfied at this great and genuine sale.

Sale Starts Saturday Morning! No Approbation--No Charging!

SOME OF THE BARGAINS:

Ladies' Black Cloth Suits

Men's Suits at \$4.99

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Just a limited quantity elegant goods, lined with Colored Silk. Bought at our own price. Sold at \$20.00 in New York City. Enter, inspect, the price we'll ask will agreeably surprise you.

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Hundreds of other articles. See the Cushion Covers at 15c. ea. Pretty designs. Usually 35c. each.

Boots at 99c.

150 pairs Child's and Misses Boots. Usually \$1.50 at 99c. pair.

10 doz. pairs Infants' Boots in Blk. and White, Blue and White, and Pink and Black. Worth 40c. per pair. Clearing at 19c. per pair.

5 doz. pairs Men's Blucher Cut. Usually \$3.00. Clearing at \$2.29.

A pile of Women's Boots, \$2.50 and \$3.00 quality, at \$1.50 and \$1.80.

20 Dozen Men's Stiff Bosom Shirts

Worth 80c. to \$1.00, at 39c. each.

Bought from Bankrupt Stock in New York, all sizes. This is perhaps the greatest bargain in Shirts ever seen in this city.

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We offer 10 gross Men's Neck Ties, very fashionable; made from Irish Poplin of superior quality. Worth 40c. each, at 19c.

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\$1.00 value regular at 49c. each.

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Ladies' Hose in Tan and Black at 19c. pair

Hundreds of other bargains that space will not permit us to talk about, such as—

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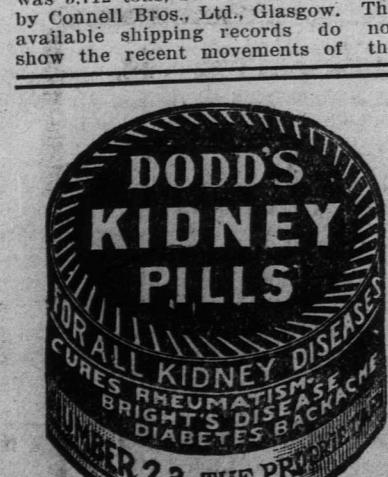
Hand Bags from 35c.

Talcum Powder, good quality and healthy perfume; big tin, 9c. tin.

Bear in Mind, Sale Starts Saturday at 9 o'clock A.M.

All goods must go. All goods at Cost Price. No approbation. No goods charged. Sale lasts until all is sold, which we hope to be in a month. Come early if you want the plums. You cannot buy as cheap elsewhere. We want to get rid of the goods—going out of the retail. You practically get them at your own price—it means a lot to you. Don't miss it. Bring along a suit case or some sort of receptacle and fill it up for little or nothing.

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"STREET FAIRIES"—A comedy that is sure to please.

At the House.**T. J. Edens**

Duckworth St. and Military Rd.

WEDNESDAY, March 29, 1916.
Petitions were presented by Mr. Halfyard and Mr. Jennings asking for sums of money to repair roads.

Mr. Clapé presented a petition from the inhabitants of Lower Bonne Bay asking for a telegraph extension. He pointed out that the fishermen of this thriving settlement experienced great difficulty by having to go in open boat in order to conduct their business and it would be a great benefit to the people if their request was granted.

Mr. Winsor, Mr. Grimes, Mr. Halfyard and Mr. Abbott asked for information in relation to various public expenditures.

Mr. Stone asked if any commission had been appointed to make an enquiry in connection with compulsory and free education and if so what the result.

The House then went into committee on supply.

The Leader of the Opposition said he would like to enter a vote of thanks to the Colonial Secretary's Departmental Trust statement came from and by what authority these credits were made; also, why a number of educational items which came in last year and are now charged at that amount.

The Colonial Secretary said he would enquire into the matter and have the information tabled.

While the Committee was dealing with the vote for Public Charities Mr. Halfyard objected to the small amount paid the Relieving Officers in Fogo District. He submitted statistics showing that, according to the results of all the numbered districts Fogo was entitled to \$100 whereas it was getting only \$60 for two officers.

He was particularly struck with the vote of \$300 for one man at Carbonear, which had a population less than that of Fogo. He said the reason for this was a readjustment of the present system of paying Relieving Officers was necessary.

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While discussing the Charity Votes providing for the education of 16 children at Halifax, the Colonial Secretary referred to his visit to the Halifax School for the Blind, a spot of the wonderful achievements there in training pupils.

Mr. Coaker informed the Committee that altogether there were blind children in Newfoundland and why discriminate and give 16 an education at Halifax and leave 29 without it and grow up in ignorance. He thought there should be no hesitation about increasing this vote and pointed out that the people were willing to contribute their quota of monetary help towards educating the blind and provide for the education of the blind.

Mr. Chitt asked the Colonial Secretary what enquiry, if any, are made in the selection of candidates who are to go forward from here, meaning the circumstances, etc., of their parents. He was told that a strict enquiry was made in all cases, that there was a regular list of applications and each child was taken in turn.

The Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Lloyd) asked the hon. member for St. John's if consideration of this grant and the women supplemental supply was brought down the vote would be increased. He said it was pathetic to think that there

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that extensive repairs were made to the old institution last year.

The Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Lloyd) asked if there was any report from the Food Analyst and received a negative reply.

Mr. Coaker asked what was being done in respect of inspection under the Food Act. The information will be tabled.

The committee then rose and reported progress.

Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Coaker and the Premiers made some brief observations in favour of night schools.

He said that in two years him self in the teaching profession believed that the C. H. E. system of education had in the past justified its existence but had now outlived its usefulness. He said that it was an important improvement for one teacher to school to get through the curriculum outlined in the Bill; but he also advocated Free and Compulsory education.

Further discussion on the Bill was deferred.

The Bill "An Act respecting the control of Trading in certain Commodities" passed. The Bills re Consolidation of the Statutes and incorporation of the Union Electric Light and Power Company were read a second time after which an adjournment was taken till this afternoon.

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The Prime Minister endorsed the previous speakers and said that when supplemental supply was brought down increased vote would be considered.

Mr. Chitt asked the Col. Secretary for reports from export hospitals.

Mr. Jennings reported that objections had been raised by an official of the General Hospital to his visiting the Institution without a special permit. He had gone there under the impression that as a member of the House he was privileged to visit any public institution at any reasonable time without a special permit. He would like to know if this was so.

The Colonial Secretary said Mr. Jennings was a representative of the people and had a perfect right to visit any public institution at any time. He proposed to have the official reprimanded and asked for his name, but Mr. Jennings did not want to see him as he believed the official made a mistake.

Mr. Chitt repaired to the Legislative Council with His Excellency the Governor and gave his assent to the Sealing Indemnity Bill.

Mr. Coaker asked the Prime Minister what was done in connection with the proposed New Poor Law.

The Prime Minister replied that as the lowest tender was a half million dollars the idea was abandoned, but

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The Thrilling Story of Harold Crossingham, the Brave Boy Guardsman, Who Passed Through all the Horrors of the Retreat from Mons and the Awful Battle of La Bassee White Only Sixteen Years of Age.

(Told by Clyde Foster.)

The Great War has been remarkable for the number of "mere boys" who have taken part in it.

Perhaps the most noteworthy of them all is Private Harold Crossingham, formerly 16,643 of the Grenadier Guards, and now of the Welsh Fusiliers.

Our hero joined the Grenadier Guards several months before the war, while yet scarcely fifteen years of age, by the simple device of representing himself to be nineteen, trusting to the belief that he looked that age.

It was while stationed at Pirbright with the Second Battalion Grenadier Guards, styled the "Bill Browns" that war was declared, and the rousing "stand-to" alarm, went one night, about fifteen minutes after lights were out. The battalion marched through the night to Chelsea, and within two days the boy guardsman entrained for Southampton, "splitting a rail all over him."

Queen Alexandra was at Chelsea to see the Guards off. So was Harold's mother, and his thoughts were more of her.

Harrow was soon reached, and two days were spent in a rest-camp. Three days later the regiment found themselves in Belgium, and men were calling each other's attention to the sound of guns coming from the direction in which they were going. Two miles away on a position was taken up at Mons. They had hardly had time to smoke a cigarette, when the order came to take to the hill.

The First Set-Back.

They went at full of confidence and dash. There were, however, two sides to the hill, and the Germans made it so hot for them that they had to give up the attempt. It proved a sore setback to the boy, this discovery that things were not going as they all expected. What sort of enemy was this that could upset the calculations of the Guards? The men were in bad temper as "Retire!" became the constant order for nearly two days, almost without a stop or a scrap.

"I began to think that the war was over, or something like that. Anyhow, they did not seem to have brought us there to fight. How the soldiers groused! I think most of them would gladly have been shot down if only they could have had a good old stand-up fight! As things were going, it looked thundering like running away. And that goes against the grain with a British soldier."

"We had hardly ever seen a German yet. To retire before an invisible enemy was sickening. Surely, it could not be that the Germans were licking us!"

This is a boy's story of his impressions and sensations, and frequently in his narrative, young Crossingham's memory ran into a fog. But one thing was never in any doubt—they were going backwards, fighting suddenly all the way, and hoping against hope that the tide would yet turn in their favor. Meanwhile, death was reaping a heavy harvest, as the enemy gave them no rest day or night, ceaselessly pounding the well-nigh dead-beat ranks.

Then the order came to line a wood, and the men smiled grimly at the prospect of a pitched battle. "In two hours' time a mighty host of Germans advanced upon us and the Irish Guards. They came on like a high sea, and we charged."

Crossingham shrank from details. It was a fearsome affair, and the Guards lost six platoons, or nearly five hundred men, killed, wounded and missing. A brigadier was among the wounded.

The Power of Discipline.

There was great hurrying and scurrying when the shout was raised: "Every man for himself!"

"It knocked the stuffing out of a soldier to be told to make the best of a bad job," says young Crossingham.

He never knew before what discipline could do for an army. It was performing miracles every hour. Men might grouse and curse, but they obeyed orders all the same.

After facing the wrong way for a week, the Guards reached a town pronounced like "Langreeze"—place of blessed memory—for here the glad word passed round that there would be two days' rest. The respite was mainly devoted to sleeping. Men lay on the ground anywhere, dog-tired, and promptly slept like logs, under the open sky, with mud for mattresses.

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ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE, ST.
JOHN'S MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,
FOR YEAR 1916—

1. Interest City Debt	\$ 56,485.24
2. Interest Loans	11,500
3. Fire Department	18,000
4. Salaries Department	38,000
5. Flushing Gullies, Drains and Grassing	500
6. Sprinkling Streets	2,000
7. Lighting Streets	13,600
8. Lining South Side	710
9. Roads East	10,000
10. Roads East, Broken Stone	3,000
11. Roads West	10,000
12. Roads West, Broken Stone	3,000
13. Roads South Side	1,000
14. Roads Headhead	100
15. Street Roller Repairs	1,000
16. Street Crossings	400
17. Oilng Streets	1,500
18. Snow Shovelling Con- tra	2,000
19. Water Street Pavement,	
Ramps	500
20. Sewerage Department,	
Lamps, etc.	5,700
21. Water Works	20,000
22. Walking Vessels	1,800
23. Bannerman Park	2,000
24. Victoria Park	1,500
25. Painted Ground Point- ing and Open Spaces	250
26. Town Improvements	1,500
27. Salaries Officers	8,700
28. Office Expenses	2,000
29. Office Expenses, Engin- eering	350
30. Printing and Stationery	1,500
31. Stamps	300
32. Postmaster	500
33. Health Officers	1,200
34. Legal Expenses	1,850
35. Collection Coal Duties	100
36. Pensions	4,450
37. Over Draft City Hall	1,600
38. Concessions	500
39. Job Bridge Repairs	500
40. Building Bridge	100
41. Public Offices	100
42. Trial Appraisement	1,725
43. Retaining Walls	1,000
44. Mobile Water Power	50
45. Election Expenses	2,000
46. Swimming Pools	200
47. Fire Department	500
48. Motor Drivers' License	400
49. Motor-car Tax	150
50. Motor-Cycle Tax	175
51. Crown Rents	80
52. Fish Markets	350
53. City Survey	350
54. Labor	400
55. Interests Savings Banks	64
56. Collection Horse Tax	100
57. Other	300
58. Deficit from 1915	5,300.33
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Enamel Skillet, 3 quart	.15c
Enamel Skillet, larger	.20c
Enamel Berlin Saucepans, with cover, 4 quart	.45c
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Enamel Wrinsing Pans, large	.34c
Enamel Wash Basins	.7c
Enamel Strainers, round	.20c
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Pressed Steel Frying Pans, large	.15c

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We advanced up a hill as best we could, and saw the Germans roll down on us like a cloud. At fifty yards distance they hoisted white flags, and it seemed that every man carried one in readiness. We stopped rifles and went over to take them prisoners, when they fired point blank at us, and we had to escape the best way we could. It was the dirtiest trick I ever saw.

"At Chevonne we had dug-outs in the trenches named after well known hotels and public houses, like the Cecil, the Savoy, the Ritz, Dirty Dick's Canteen, the Spaniards, Jack Straw's Castle, and the Cheshire Cheese.

"After a lull of nearly two weeks, during which enemy aeroplanes reminded us that we were not forgotten, things began to grow lively as Ypres was reached."

At Ypres the Brigade of Guards did great work, constantly shelled by the enemy's artillery. A shell dropped three yards from Crossingham and missed him. Eight men were blown to pieces on his right and left. He was almost buried alive through the sides of the trenches caving in. The dead and dying lay all around, and men stood firing with gaps between them. Another fellow and he called over to each other at night-time. It was well to have a comrade then.

An Insult to the Cow.

A funny thing happened somewhere near here. A man on outpost duty against a haystack saw something advancing in the darkness and shot it. Next morning they found the carcass of the cow. The sentry had observed the rule: "When in doubt, shoot." The following verse was written about it:

"One night at setting of the sun,
A sentry shot a cow;
He took her for a German Hun,
And begs her a pardon now."

"At La Bassé," young Crossingham calculates, "the enemy's trenches were not more than ninety yards away. He could hear their bands playing, and could see the rising and falling of a shovel in a German trench. When we fired at it and missed, the soldier waved his shovel, as if to say, 'Try again.'

"An officer spotted him, and telephoned to the artillery. A moment later the shovel rose higher than before, and the Hun rose with it."

The young guardsman fought his last battle at La Bassé, having just passed his sixteenth birthday. To reach the trenches, they waded waist-deep in water, and their teeth clattered in their heads. The frost bit the soles of their feet, causing holes in which half-crowns could have been hid. Dead men lay half buried in the mud.

"When the water rose to my arms I thought I should have died without the enemy's help—drowned like a dog. At last I reached the firing-line, where the water was shallower—only knee-deep. It was Christmas, but not very Christmassy. La Bassé buckled me up. The rheumatism got me, and I fell over. Mates helped me out, delirious with fever. A hospital in Boulogne and another across the Channel at Norwich set me right again, though I limped for some time afterwards."

His Narrow Escapes.

It was at this stage of his military career that Harold's parents, having lost one son at the Front, appealed for his discharge on account of his youth; but he was so keen still on wearing khaki that they allowed him to join again for home service.

Through all his hardships and dangers Private Harold Crossingham passed without a wound. A bullet travelled through his valise lengthwise. Had it come dead on, Harold reflects that he would have been a "dead-un." Another bullet cut a groove along a button.

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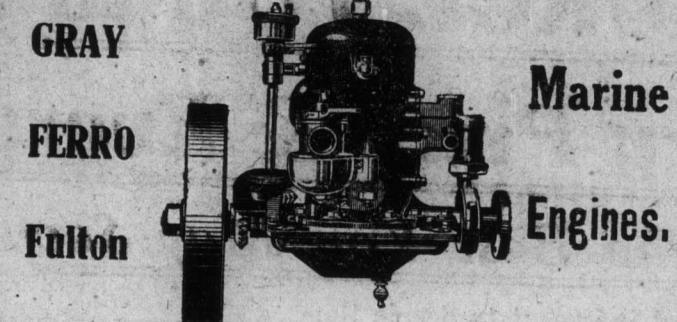
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