

DETERMINED EFFORT TO CRUSH ALLIES IN BALKANS; ASQUITH TO ASK FOR ANOTHER MILLION MEN

Germans and Bulgarians Reach Kenali, 10 Miles South of Monastir— French Withdraw From Kivrolak Salient to Demirkapou, Strong Position Near Greek Border—Reinforcements for British Arrive in Mesopotamia—Allies Striking Hard at Dardanelles.

GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE RE-EQUIPPING SERB ARMY

London, Dec. 9.—Premier Asquith next week will ask parliament to authorize the raising of another million men, making altogether four million. He is expected at the same time to announce the result of the Earl of Derby's voluntary enlistment campaign.

London, Dec. 8.—A despatch to the Times from Salonki, dated Monday, says the British and French governments early arranged for the re-equipment of the Serbian army, the main body of which has taken refuge in Albania, and that the first instalment of the supplies arrived in Albania some days ago. The correspondent adds that a portion of the retreating Serbians reached Epirus, Greece, by skirting the eastern shore of Lake Ochrida.

London, Dec. 8.—The situation in the Balkans is developing rapidly. The Germans and Bulgarians have reached Kenali, on the Greek border, 10 miles south of Monastir, thus threatening to outflank the Anglo-French forces while Bulgarians, who also are supposed to be supported by Germans, have attacked the Allies' strong right wing near Strumitsa.

Under this pressure the French have withdrawn from the Kivrolak salient, and at last accounts had taken up a position at Demirkapou, in a steep gorge about twenty miles from the Greek frontier, through which the Salonki railways runs. Here they were attacked by the Bulgarians, who, according to the French reports, were repulsed.

The plans of neither the Allies nor the Germans are yet quite clear, but apparently the Germans are determined on crushing the little force which went to the assistance of the Serbians and which has been, and is still being, reinforced. The retirement of the Allies to Demirkapou has led to the report that they intended to abandon the Balkan enterprise entirely, but the continued landing of troops at Salonki should be held as a base for future operations in the Near East.

There is little news from the other fronts. The Germans have scored minor success in Champagne, where they captured about 500 yards of a French trench, part of which, however, has been regained; the British have received reinforcements at Kut-El-Amara, where they are making their stand after the retreat from Ctesiphon, and the Italians, who for the past two weeks have been on the offensive, are engaged in meeting the Austrian counter-attacks.

The expected offensive of the Allies in Gallipoli apparently did not materialize, while throughout Russia the wintry weather has put a stop to all but small ventures.

Large Force of Bulgarians Near Dorian.
Paris, Dec. 8.—It is reported that an important Bulgarian force, estimated in some quarters to number as many as four divisions, is being concentrated in the region of Dorian, about half way between Salonki and the northern extremity of the French front, says a despatch to the Temps from Salonki. Simultaneously German forces are forming in front of the Allied lines.

The German forces, according to the despatch, are probably of the army of Gen. Von Gallwitz, which, since the Austro-German army of Field Marshal Von Mackensen and the Bulgarian army of Gen. Boyadjieff have effected a junction has been detached from the mass and sent toward the south, while Gen. Von Kooress and Gen. Boyadjieff continue operations against the Serbs and Montenegrins. Quiet prevails in Salonki.

Fresh Pushed Back Along Vardar River.
Berlin, Dec. 8, via wireless to Sayville.—The Bulgarian war office reports in a statement dated yesterday, and received in Berlin today from Sofia, that the French troops in Southwestern Serbia are being pushed back further along the Vardar river.

This follows the announcement yesterday that the French had evacuated the Vardar salient. The Serbians, who have been attempting to form a junction with the Allied troops, also are said to have been forced back by the Bulgarians, who have captured Resna, in the Southwestern Serbia, to the west of Monastir.

"Bulgarian troops continued to pursue the retreating French along both banks of the Vardar," the statement says.

"Bulgarians occupied Resna after defeating the Serbians in the mountains. Other Bulgarian troops marched against Ochrida northwest of Resna. After a stubborn battle they occupied strongly fortified positions near Medovo and Miranovca. They are continuing the advance against Ochrida."

"Other Bulgarian troops defeated the Serbians in the Jama mountains, and occupied Dibra, near the Albanian border. They are continuing to pursue the enemy in the direction of Stuga."

NAVY OF BRITAIN SAFEGUARD OF UNITED STATES

Only Thing That Stands Between America and Germany's Hordes, Says London Paper.

London, Dec. 9.—In an editorial this morning, dealing with President Wilson's message to congress, the Morning Post, referring to that passage in which the president speaks of the necessity of the United States holding aloof from the conflict, so that "some part of the great family of nations should keep the process of peace alive," observes that if Mr. Wilson regards the nations as making one family, and in this domestic circle the United States is included, it is at least odd that the United States should be so majestically independent of the desires and feelings of her relatives.

The editorial proceeds to argue that President Wilson strangely misunderstands the nature of the conflict, which it says is a struggle for the preservation of civilization, and not a mere clash of contending ambitions. Then quoting passages from the president's denunciation of the disloyalty of naturalized citizens, the editorial contends that they are proof that the Entente Allies are fighting, indirectly for the United States.

"What," says the editorial, "stands between America and 'creatures of passion, disloyalty and anarchy' in their armed millions, but the British fleet? For, unless America is prepared to renounce what President Wilson calls 'a common cause of national independence and of political liberty,' she is the next objective of German ambition, which goes unslacked as long as there remains one independent and free nation."

NATIONAL LOAN TO HELP ITALY FINANCE WAR

Budget of 1914-15 Closed with Deficit of Half a Billion, Finance Minister Announces.

Rome, Dec. 8.—In a statement before the chamber of deputies today, the minister of the treasury, Paolo Carcano, said that the budget of 1914-15 had been closed with a deficit of \$567,000,000. The budget of 1915-16, showed a surplus of \$248,000,000, taking into account the war loans emitted. But, added the minister, the surplus was much below the amount necessary for the expenditures indispensable for the continuation of the war from the end of December to the end of June. Therefore it was necessary to make another appeal to the Italian people for a great national loan. Signor Carcano, speaking with reference to the budget of 1916-17, predicted peace would come before the expiration of that period, and he estimated a surplus of \$28,000,000. The expense of the war, according to the minister, reached \$500,000,000 during the first five months, and would be proportionately higher in the next seven months.

CREDIT VOTE OF 2½ BILLION IN GERMANY

Chancellor Will Deliver His Speech on Political and Military Situation Today and Socialists Will Introduce Peace Subject.

Berlin, Dec. 8, via wireless to Sayville.—The Reichstag will be asked to vote a credit of 10,000,000,000 marks (approximately \$2,500,000,000), supplementary to the 1915 budget, the Overseas News Agency announced today. The Reichstag will meet at ten o'clock tomorrow morning. First on the order of the day is the speech of the imperial chancellor, dealing with the political and military situation. The Reichstag will then discuss the Socialist Interpellation regarding the prospects for peace. The Socialist leader, Dr. Scheidemann, will make the introductory address.

The imperial chancellor, it is expected will speak for about half an hour in his first address. Dr. Scheidemann occupying about the same time, after which the chancellor will reply.

The non-socialist parties will probably unite in a joint declaration regarding the Socialist interpellation, which is expressed in the following terms: "Is the imperial chancellor ready to give information as to the conditions under which he would be willing to enter into peace negotiations?" An intimation of the Socialist position regarding peace terms is given in the Socialist organ, the Chemnitz Volks Zeitung, which, commenting on the declaration of the French under Secretary of War, Albert Thomas, regarding the impossibility of France concluding peace until Alsace and Lorraine are re-established as part of the French unity, says:

"It need not be emphasized that no German socialist can be found who would favor cessation of a single stone of Alsace-Lorraine. The majority and minority are completely unanimous on this question. There remains no alternative, unfortunately therefore, except to fight for this."

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U.S. DEMANDS DISAVOWAL OF THE ANCONA INCIDENT

Reparation for Loss of American Lives and Assurance That Such Acts Will Not be Repeated — Communication So Drafted as to Obviate Parleying Such as Followed Lusitania Affair.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The United States has sent to Austria-Hungary a note asking for a disavowal of the submarine attack on the Italian liner Ancona, assurances that such an act will not be repeated, some degree of punishment for the commander of the submarine, and reparation for the American lives lost.

The communication was sent by cable yesterday by Secretary of State Lansing to Ambassador Penfield at Vienna, who was instructed to hand it to the Austro-Hungarian minister of foreign affairs, Baron Burian.

Word of the delivery of the note had not been received by the department tonight. The document is understood to make a particular point of prompt assurances for the future safety of American lives. Austria-Hungary has never informed the United States whether the commanders of its submarines had been given instructions similar to those which the German government gave to its commanders after the Lusitania tragedy. It is understood the note referred particularly to the charge that shells from the submarine killed or wounded some passengers on the Ancona after she had halted, and asked for an examination on the point.

In despatching the note, Secretary of State Lansing acted with the approval of, and after consulting with, President Wilson. It is stated authoritatively that the document, which is described as being comparatively brief and decidedly vigorous in tone, was so drafted as to attempt a settlement of the controversy without bringing on a series of communications, such as followed the sinking of the Lusitania.

High officials are said to be of the opinion that the situation is one that calls for grave consideration, the state of affairs having become more complicated since the note was despatched, by reports of attacks upon American oil-carrying vessels in the Mediterranean, presumably by Austrian submarines.

News that the note had been sent came as a complete surprise to official Washington generally, the reports which emanated from the state department early in the week being that no positive and corroborated evidence as to what actually had occurred when the Ancona went down had been received. It was said that the reports received were fragmentary, conflicting or contradictory, and that until a reply to the inquiries submitted to Austria-Hungary was received it was probable that no communication would be sent to Vienna. Tonight it was suggested in some quarters that information of a most conclusive nature had come to Mr. Lansing probably late Monday night, and it had been decided that the protest should go forward immediately. Whether Ambassador Penfield had transmitted the reply of the Vienna foreign office to the list of queries submitted by the United States could not be ascertained.

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FOUR GERMAN AIRMEN MEET HORRIBLE DEATH

Aeroplanes Collide Hundreds of Feet Above Ground and Explosion Follows—Occupants Carried to Death in Flaming Machines.

New York, Dec. 8.—A news agency despatch from Amsterdam says: "Two German aeroplanes, manoeuvring over Ellebruck, Monday night, were in head-on collision at a height of several hundred feet and dropped to earth, their four occupants being killed."

"The gasolene tanks exploded, playing streams of flames over the fallen aircraft."

"The bodies of the four men were burned beyond recognition."

Germans and Bulgar Forces in Monastir.
London, Dec. 8.—It is officially announced that one German and one Bulgarian regiment entered Monastir yesterday, says a Reuter despatch from Athens.

The Anglo-French troops continue their withdrawal towards the Greek frontier, the despatch adds.

London, Dec. 8.—Telegraphic communication between Sweden and Estonia has been interrupted for several days, says a despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Copenhagen. The cause of the interruption has not been learned.

Communication between Denmark and Russia continues normal.

LIVERPOOL WILL BE DISCHARGE DEPOT FOR RETURNED SOLDIERS

Wounded Will be Examined There or on Way Across Ocean to Obviate Delay on Arrival Here.
Ottawa, Dec. 8.—A new arrangement has been made by General Hughes regarding the examination and care of invalid soldiers returning to Canada. Hitherto they have been sent in batches, when transportation was convenient, to Quebec where they have been examined by the Medical Board of the Department, and an official report upon their condition made. Quebec has been the discharge depot for returned soldiers and arrivals have been dispositioned as speedily as possible.

However, the discharge depot will be Liverpool after this. The Medical Board of the Militia Department will go to Liverpool and returning soldiers will be examined there or on the way across the ocean. Medical officers will travel on every vessel carrying Canadian soldiers.

Further, instead of sending men home irregularly as heretofore they will be sent weekly and come 150 at a time. The object of the new arrangements has been to obviate any delay of the invalids at Quebec. Recently a batch of 700 soldiers were kept at Quebec for a week, and as some of the men came from British Columbia, they were long in reaching their homes.

The reason for the delay was the necessary examinations to discover what the physical condition of the soldiers was. On this examination depended the question of pay and pensions. By having the examinations done at Liverpool or on the way out there will be no necessity for the men going to Quebec at all. When they reached St. John, N. B., they will entrain at once for their homes or the convalescent hospitals as the case may be.

CANADIANS BOUND FOR ENGLAND ARE HELD UP AT NEW YORK

Had Not New Passport Required by British Government—Many of them Soldiers' Relatives.

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According to the version of this note, circulated by the Bucharest newspaper Minerva, the note declares that Serbian troops fleeing through Greece territory will be disarmed and Anglo-French headquarters at Salonki will be required to transport troops retiring before the enemy on Greek territory from Greece by the way of Salonki with their entire equipment and supplies. The Greek government requests the Central Powers not to cross the Greek frontier in pursuit of the retiring forces, Greece undertaking to guarantee that they depart from Greece.

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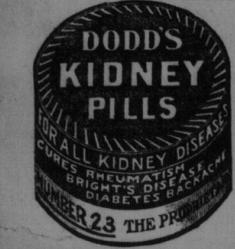
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COUNT TISZA TALKS ON PEACE PROSPECTS

Takes it for Granted Teutons Will Win and Says Longer Armies Fight More Severe Will be Peace Terms.

Amsterdam, Dec. 8.—A despatch received here from Budapest contains an outline of a speech made by Count Tisza, the Hungarian premier, in the Diet on the subject of peace. "The conclusion of peace," said Count Tisza, "depends exclusively on our enemies. The longer it takes to convince them that further prosecution of the war is nothing but useless and criminal carnage the greater will be our victory. The greater the sacrifices which the war entails the more severe will be the terms of peace for our enemies."



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ADDITIONAL OFFICERS CHOSEN FOR 115TH

Four additional officers for the 115th Battalion have been appointed, Lieut. Col. F. V. Wedderburn received the announcement from Ottawa yesterday. Major L. W. Peters, who has been in command of the 62nd Detaching Force for a year has been detailed to command a double company. Capt. Fred Caverhill Jones, who served with distinction in the Boer war, will also be the head of a double company, with the probable rank of Major. Lieut. C. W. Rickard of the 8th Regiment of Cavalry, Princess Louise Hussars, Sackville, and Lieut. R. G. Schofield of the 62nd Regiment, St. John, have been appointed to platoons. Thus far nine officers have been elected for the battalion. Those selected previously were: Col. Wedderburn, Q. C.; Capt. Sprenger, adjutant; Capt. Warwick, M. O.; Capt. Fraser, paymaster, and Lieut. Sanford, quartermaster.

REV. M. E. FLETCHER PAYS RESPECTS TO MR. GRIBBLE

During the course of his address last night at the Mill street recruiting office, Rev. M. E. Fletcher paid his respects to Wilfrid Gribble. He said: "Mr. Gribble reminds me of a D.D. from Chicago University I met a year ago on the Doby boat. He said 'You are a Baptist minister,' and I pleaded guilty. Then he said, 'If you were in Chicago you would not be allowed to wear that collar.' I said, 'Yes, but this is a free country.' Now Mr. Gribble can fasten his collar wherever he pleases and I claim the same right. Then he said ministers have no business talking at recruiting meetings; why not? They are men and any man with red blood in his veins knowing the crimes the Germans have been guilty of would do all he could to induce men to enlist."

FUNERALS

The funeral of Miss Christiana Brodie took place from the residence of her parents, 164 Duke street, at 2.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Rev. Mr. Dowling officiated at the funeral services. Burial was in Fernhill.

OPENING OF ST. JOHN CO. HOSPITAL

Programme of Speeches Outlined for This Afternoon—Something About the Building

The official opening of the Y.M.C.A. for the soldiers of the 69th Battalion took place in its rooms in the Exhibition building last night. The representatives of the National Committee, J. Hunter White, presided, and opened the meeting with a few well chosen words of welcome to the boys of French Canada. His Worship Mayor Frink then addressed the boys and the frequent cheers and applause that interrupted him so often are good proof that the men of the battalion appreciate what St. John has done for them. After assuring his hearers of the good will of the citizens of this city, and congratulating them on their gentlemanly conduct since their arrival here, His Worship said that it was most fortunate to have a French Canadian battalion stationed here, as that would give us all a chance to know one another better, put us in a position to appreciate our respective qualities and bind us more and more closely together. In reply to the cheerful words of the Mayor, Lieut. Colonel Danvers enumerated briefly the many kind things done for the entertainment and comfort of his men, and asked them all to join in three cheers for the people of St. John in general and for the Y.M.C.A. in particular. "I have seen the Y.M.C.A. at work at Valcartier, I have seen them in England and in France during the three months that I spent on the firing line, and now in St. John I am pleased to say that they are up to the standard, and each day add to the dot of gratitude we owe to them, and which we hope we shall be able to repay when we get our chance to do our bit for our King and Country."

Programme

- 1—National Anthem by the band under the direction of Sgt. Major La Badie, followed by two selections.
- 2—Songs: "Your Voice" and "My Laddie," by Mrs. Pierce Crockett, accompanied on the piano by Miss A. G. Hea and Mrs. J. T. Gunn on the violin.
- 3—Pianoforte duet by Private Richard and his brother.
- 4—Song, "Le Corporal Pitou," by Corp. Parent.
- 5—Comic songs and clog dance by Mr. A. Smith.
- 6—Violin solo by Mrs. J. T. Gunn.
- 7—Songs by Pte. Romeo de Varennes.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH EXTENDS CALL TO AN ONTARIO CLERGYMAN

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Miss Seely's Funeral. The funeral of Miss Ethel B. Seely took place yesterday afternoon from the 1st Presbyterian church, West End. The large attendance and beautiful flowers testified to the esteem in which the deceased was held. Among the survivors was a wreath from the church and a harp from the choir. Rev. Dr. Macleod conducted the service assisted by Dr. Hutchinson, an

whose church the late Miss Seely had been organist for some time. The choir sang the following hymns, "Days and Moments Quickly Flying," "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing," which was Miss Seely's favorite hymn, and "Peace Perfect Peace," and a quartette composed of Mrs. M. Long, Mrs. P. Stewart, Mr. P. Cruikshank and Mr. T. Ripper, sang "In a Pillar and a Stranger."

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Reports of the local branches were directed by Mrs. Morriarty for West St. John; Miss Ginter for the Girls' Association; Mrs. Beattie for the Douglas Avenue circle; Mrs. Matheson for the Alexandra circle; Miss Carter for the Red, White and Blue circle, and Miss Willets for the Cenotaph Girls' Association. Mrs. Holly reported for the knitting committee, and Mrs. Pidgeon for the tobacco committee. Gratifying reports were received from the following outside points: Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Mason, Inglefield, Mrs. Agnew, Brookville, Miss Tait, Gargrave, Miss Bulver, Woodstock, Miss Balmain. It was reported that 304 cases of Christmas goods sent in by friends of the soldiers had been shipped through the association to Halifax during November, consigned to Miss Plummer at Shorecliffe, England. So far no word of their arrival has been received, but there is no reason to suppose that they have not reached their destination.

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Lance Corporal Fred Long, of Peterboro, who joined the 18th Vancouver Battalion and was wounded at Ypres, is walking on crutches. He came from Senninger, and had no complaint to make about his treatment. He was due to come over with a previous batch of exchanges, about the middle of October, but was sick at that time.

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PARLIAMENT LIKELY MEET JANUARY 12

Short Cabinet meeting held yesterday but no official announcement was made.

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—It is practically settled that parliament will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 12th, though the cabinet held only a short meeting this afternoon and did not make an official decision as to the date of opening.

Had No Ambition To Do Her Housework.

System Was All Run Down.

Mrs. Herbert Doherty, Beaver Brook, N.B., writes: "I have used some of your Burdock Blood Bitters, and found it to be a great medicine. My system was in a run down condition for over a year. I suffered with bad headache, and did not seem to have any ambition to do my housework. In the morning I could not half eat, and what I did eat did not apparently seem to do me any good. After using four bottles of Burdock Blood Bitters I was an entirely different woman. I cannot recommend B.B.B. too highly to people suffering the same as was."

The blood reaches every portion of the body to distribute nutriment, and remove effete matter and waste products, clearly then, any influence, good or bad, affecting the blood, must necessarily affect the entire system for good or evil as the case may be. To this fact is due the wonderful efficacy of Burdock Blood Bitters in removing every form of disease. It at once strikes to the root of the trouble, and quickly restores the depleted system to a condition of vigorous health.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TEACHERS' SHORT COURSE.

Up to Dec. 8th 185 teachers have applied to take the teachers' short course in elementary agriculture at Sussex.

As stated in the circular sent out advertising the course, but one hundred can be accommodated. Should any teachers who have applied find themselves unable to attend they are requested to at once notify Director R. P. Steeves at Sussex, so that from the surplus list others may be admitted.

NO SECRECY IN EVENT PEACE TERMS BEING PRESENTED

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London, Dec. 8.—"If proposals of a serious character for a general peace are put forward by the enemy government either directly or through a neutral power they will first be discussed by the Allied governments. Until this contingency arises I cannot give any further pledge."

The foregoing was Premier Asquith's reply made in the House of Commons today to the request of Philip Snowden, Socialist member for Blackburn, for a pledge that no proposals for negotiations based on the evacuation of conquered territory shall be rejected by the British government without the knowledge of parliament. Mr. Asquith said:

"As soon as proposals for peace are put forward it will be the desire of the government to take parliament into its confidence at the earliest possible moment."

Enlistment of Clergy.

"As there is nothing doing in Christianity at present isn't it important that clergymen should enlist?" was the trap presented in the House of Commons today to Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary under-secretary for war by the Liberal member for Hanley, Robert L. Outhwaite.

The question was put evidently with the object of starting a debate on the subject of the enlistment of the clergy, upon which there has been considerable discussion for and against. Mr. Tennant, however, refused to be drawn.

EMPIRE APPEAL FOR RED CROSS BROUGHT \$4,000,000,000 IN ONE DAY

London, Dec. 8.—It was announced at a meeting of the British Red Cross in London this afternoon that a recent one-day collection taken throughout the Empire in behalf of the Red Cross had resulted in the fine total of \$4,000,000.

Lord Lansdowne, minister without portfolio, in the British cabinet, thanked the British overseas dominions for their share of contributions.

Enquiry for Spruce and Sleepers. The secretary of the Board of Trade states that a French firm has written to the board asking for quotations on rough common spruce. They have an order for 425,000 feet which should be shipped immediately to be used in the erection of barracks. The firm states that it will require several millions of feet more, and that it would like to have quotations for railway sleepers as well.

OVER 300 MEN ALREADY ON ROLL OF THE 132ND

North Shore Battalion filling up rapidly—Capt. L. D. Jones joins staff of the 132nd — Newcastle welcomes first of her returned wounded heroes.

Newcastle, Dec. 8.—Major L. D. Jones came from Dalhousie on Dec. 15, 1914, and has been in charge of the wireless garrison ever since, has been removed to the staff of the 132nd in Chatham, of which battalion he is second in command. About 60 recruits are receiving drill at Chatham, some 60 more here, under Capt. A. L. Barry, and Lt. J. Graham McKnight; 30 or 40 at Bathurst, and some 110 at Campbellton under Capt. N. C. MacKay. The recruits not yet drilling bring the strength of the 132nd up over 300.

The new officers commanding the garrison at the wireless are Major A. S. Cameron, Black River; Lieut. Stewart McNaughton, Black River, and Lieut. De La Parvillie, Jersey, England. Due honor was paid last night to the returned wounded hero, Corporal R. F. Manderson, when the citizens, headed by the band, turned out en masse to welcome him home—the first of Newcastle's wounded to reach here. The speakers were W. A. Park, who presided; Mayor G. G. Stohart, Major L. D. Jones, Hon. John Morrissey and Justice O. S. Crockett of the Supreme Court. All lauded Corporal Manderson, who was among the first to go, enlisting with the 13th Field Battery, afterwards joining the 10th Battery from the west. With this he went through the battles of Ypres, St. Julien and Ginchepati, and many others being incapacitated at Ginchepati.

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REQUISITIONING OF STR. HOCKING IS POSTPONED

Washington, Dec. 8.—Requisitioning by the British government of the American trans-Atlantic steamer Hocking, protested by the state department, has been postponed for three weeks, Secretary Lansing was advised today. The steamer is at Halifax, where she was taken by a British warship.

Ambassador Page's presentation at London of the protest is believed to be one cause of the postponement. The Hocking was so badly damaged in a collision with a British troops transport at Halifax, it was reported to the department today, that she was made unseaworthy, and consequently could not leave the harbor at this time. Reports placed the damage above the water-line and made no mention of casualties. Attorneys for the American Transatlantic Company have informed the department that their representatives in Halifax have libelled the troops for \$5,000 to cover the damages.

Col. Papineau Pleased With Work at Sussex Progress Made by Men of 104th and 140th Delights Halifax Official.

The progress made by the 104th and 140th battalions at Sussex is very pleasing to Col. Papineau, who has charge of the officers' school at Halifax. Col. Papineau was in Sussex yesterday and spent a few hours in St. John last evening before returning to the Nova Scotia capital.

The officer said that Col. Fowler had done a splendid work at Sussex and that the men there had adapted themselves readily to army life. He had luncheon with Col. Fowler in the afternoon.

Col. Papineau met a number of the officers stationed in this city, including several of the 69th. Twenty of that Battalion's officers received instruction in the Halifax school. Fifteen of them will come to St. John next Saturday or Sunday, he said.

"T.R." CANNOT TRUST HIMSELF TO SPEAK ON WAR

Is uppermost subject in his mind and fears he would make bad break if he speaks in Toronto.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—"I can't do it. I cannot possibly come till the war is over," said Col. Roosevelt to F. H. Deacon, president of the Canadian Club of Toronto, who had called on the ex-president at Oyster Bay to urge him to accept the invitation of the club to address them.

Mr. Deacon put it that the address could easily be made on some other subject than war. "I cannot speak," declared Col. Roosevelt, "except on what is in my heart, and the thing that is in my heart is war. I am criticizing our government in my own country and I cannot do so elsewhere."

Then Mr. Deacon referred to the address given by Mr. Barron, of the Wall Street Journal, in Toronto, and to the effect such words had in cementing the friendly relations of Canada and the United States. Mr. Barron he said, had shown how much the United States was contributing to the cause of the Allies.

"You cannot buy honor with money," cried Col. Roosevelt with intense feeling. "I too could make a good defence of the United States." "Nothing," he continued, "would please me more than a visit to Toronto, but I cannot trust myself. I would certainly say what would be unwise to say." The colonel insisted that the com-

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pleteness with which the war filled his heart and mind, prevented him from accepting. Mr. Deacon asked him what he thought of Andrew Carnegie, who had spoken in Toronto some time ago. Col. Roosevelt replied that he did not think much of Carnegie. "He ought to be home in Scotland," he said.

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THE WASP

MAJORITY FOR UNION.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 8.—Statistics of the church vote in the Hamilton by-election, made public today, show a majority of 471 in favor of unionist total vote, including members of unions, communicants and adherents, 4,870 in favor, and 4,399 opposed by 7,688 of the 15,000 communicants the role voted.

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

NO HALF-WAY HOUSE.

As was to be anticipated the world atmosphere of these days is more or less impregnated with the suggestion of peace. One need not be a prophet to discover whence this ordinarily delightful aroma has issued. Like many other unwelcome gases this present proceeds from Germany. Of course it does not blow directly across the channel to "London town" which would, of itself, demonstrate that it was not what the Germans very much desired it should appear to be. All the same it continues to make its presence felt and especially is the activity of this "made in Germany gas" apparent to the leading neutral nations.

Let us be quite assured that the time is ripe for "peace-parleys" so far as Germany is concerned, and indeed, all the loud denials to the contrary, everyone who has followed the course of the war of late months has no sort of doubt but that an immediate cessation of hostilities is the one and only way for the powers that be in Germany to escape certain defeat, not only upon the fields of battle, but also, ere long, at the hands of a long time patient and terribly wronged proletariat within the fatherland itself.

The Kaiser is now reported to be so ill that he is no longer capable of directing the armies. This may or may not be in accordance with the facts. We are of the opinion that if he is not physically sick, he is certainly heartily sick of the war which he forced upon the world.

His long-though-out military plans for the winning of world-power for his throne and his numbers of hungry parasites have seriously miscarried. He expected to get to Paris within a few weeks after his mad declaration of war against unoffending France, but something happened to his plan at the Marne.

Then he expected to get to Calais in order to strike effectively against Great Britain, but here, again his armies failed.

Then, worst of all, he has been compelled to fall back before the Russian forces which he had surely counted upon crumpling up into a forever innocuous mass with one firm squeeze of his mallet fist.

Disappointed in these three military undertakings he set himself to help poor old Austria beat up the Serbs. This surely, at any rate, he thought his mighty army could accomplish. Had any doubt of this entered into his mind during the earlier months of the war, the severe ravages of plague throughout that unhappy land of heroes must have succeeded in dissipating it. There indeed he has won a victory, but of such a nature that it may well appear to him as a defeat in disguise.

The Kaiser is not lacking in knowledge of the chances of campaigns and he certainly knows that not once or twice in the history of wars the gaining of the objective by an army has sounded the death knell of the cause which it represented.

So it was with Hannibal at the gates of Rome and with Napoleon at Moscow. He well knows that while in England the government was scathingly criticized for continuing the Peninsular campaign for over three years, and that while even leaders among the English people had declared that the government of that day had been guilty of committing a suicidal act, yet in the end it was this very Peninsular campaign which developed that ulcer by which the life and vigor of the Napoleonic system was fatally sapped. It was in the lines of Torres Vedras that Wellington first sounded that note from the bugles of England which grew louder and stronger until it proclaimed the doom of the despot and the emancipation of the world at Waterloo.

In addition to all these sources of discouragement the Kaiser knows that, conceal these facts as he may from the outside world, there is no denying that at the present there is a shadow across the German homes which daily grows darker. The pinch of famine is beginning to be felt in that land.

More than all this there remains

also the fateful fact which no one can deny, and the Kaiser least of all, that the flower of his tremendous army has already gone where these men of the spiked helmet shall fight never more.

Meanwhile, on every hand, the powers which he has antagonized are daily increasing in strength and in time the blow they will deliver shall descend with crushing effect upon his head. Germany may still continue along the road upon which, governed by greed of gain and lust of power, she entered, but the farther she proceeds the nearer does she approach to that impassable barrier which marks it as a national "cul de sac" and from which it must forever be impossible for her to emerge with what she carried in her arms when entering.

She had fondly hoped to gain territory. She must instead surrender larger scope for her commerce over seas, but she shall be fortunate when the war ends if she has one single colony left under her pirate flag while in other lands in which she has had a market for the products of her many industrial plants, she shall surely discover that this market for one reason or another, has largely gone elsewhere. Whereas, formerly, the trade-mark made in Germany, carried with it a certain strength, for many years to come that sign if it appear at all will surely be avoided as one would a poisonous stench. The Kaiser and his colleagues who have for years been exploiting the German people for their own personal aggrandizement have by this war not only consigned millions of these people to death and their homes to horror, but they have also in very large measure made the very name of German all over the world synonymous with all that is most repulsive in human kind.

The unspeakable corruptions of mind and heart revealed by the sinuous activities of the accredited agents of the Kaiser in America could not even be adequately described by the blistering diatribes of the scholarly representative of one of the greatest nations in all the world.

Peace shall come at length but that peace shall not be such as Berlin may suggest or desire.

Germany must be made to realize that her philosophy of the overman is in error and that the modern world will not stand supinely by while any one nation seeks to gratify its insatiable lusts and passions at the expense of the rest of humanity.

This war must not cease until it has been assured that not again shall the peace of the world be broken by such criminal and bandit tactics as those which the Kaiser and his counsellors have dared to employ. THERE IS NO HALF-WAY HOUSE.

THE "COMMON BOYS."

Somewhere in Belgium, Nov. 21st, 1918. To the Editor of St. John Standard: Sir,—Just a line to let you know the old Standard reaches us here about two weeks from issue. In the bunch we found waiting us when we came out of the trenches this week, we read an editorial on "The Common Boys," and respectfully ask for sufficient space for the following verses composed by one of the 26th St. John common boys. I would say, the author lost two very dear friends on the memorable October 13th, and he took this method of expressing his feelings: Thanking you in advance for the space in your valuable paper, I am, sir, Yours very truly,

SERGEANT O. A. REID.
They came from farthest East and West,
Cape Race to North Sound,
They left their homes at duty call
To fight on foreign ground.

They're of English, Scotch and Irish blood,
But all of them were game;
All were whelps of the Lion British
In more than name.

Some still do their duty,
Some died beneath a foreign sky;
And here's to each and all of them
Come raise your glasses high.

And drink to those boys; those Common Boys,
Those boys you didn't know,
Who answered to the Lion's call
Who face the common foe.

They fight for you, are facing death
On Belgium's grave strewn soil,
When you slight their fallen comrades
Must not their hearts bleed cold.

TEN MORE NEW JOIN COLORS

Recruiting Campaign Continues with a Swing—Two Meetings Last Evening.

Things are going with a swing at recruiting headquarters, Mill street. Ten men were sworn in yesterday for the 15th. At last night's meeting John Keefe occupied the chair. Prof. Ford officiated at the piano and the patriotic orchestra rendered several selections. Rev. W. G. Lane was to have been the speaker but was not able to be present. The committee got in touch with Rev. M. E. Fletcher who consented to come to the rescue. While waiting for Mr. Fletcher Mr. Johnson gave one of his original songs which was much enjoyed by those present. Mr. Fletcher said it was always a pleasure to address a recruiting meeting and in that way do his little bit for the Empire. The war in which the Empire is engaged is a righteous one. The only reason the speaker was not in uniform was because the doctors would not pass him. During the Boer war he did not take any part in recruiting because as a Christian minister he did not feel sure Britain was doing the right thing but there is no question at all about this war.

- #### THE ROLL OF HONOR.
- John Riley, Rhode Island (British parents).
 - Nathaniel A. Palmer, St. John.
 - Charles G. Maxwell, St. John.
 - Robert R. Garnett, St. John.
 - Peter Costello, St. John.
 - Albert Page, England.
 - John E. Maysfield, England.
 - Harry J. Walsh, Bridgewater, N. B.
 - Wm. Colebrook, St. John.
 - And one other who wished his name withheld for the present. All for the 15th.

At the close of Mr. Fletcher's speech Mr. A. G. Burnham sang a solo. D. A. Fox was accompanist.

OBITUARY.

James H. Venning, a well known resident of St. John, passed away yesterday at his home on Mount Pleasant. He was in his 90th year. Mr. Venning was an engraver and was recognized as skilful at this trade, although he had not followed it for some time. Two brothers, Henry, formerly dominion fishery inspector for the province, now residing in Sussex, and George, with whom he made his home, and two sisters, Mrs. Ellen V. Dimmock and Mrs. Jane Jost, both of Halifax, survive. Another sister, Mrs. Emily V. Sears, died in Halifax a few days ago.

OBITUARY.

St. Stephen, Dec. 8.—Russell J. Doten, a well-known resident of St. Stephen, died this afternoon after a long illness. He was 60 years of age and is survived by a wife, a son, Bradford, of the Bank of British North America, and three daughters, Juna, Ida and Muriel.

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The funeral will be held on Friday, probably from the Baptist church, of which he had been deacon for several years.

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I have 2 Christmas presents today, being a 5 cent bottle of muskidge for pop and a 3 cent pen wiper for my sister Gladis, and at first I hid them in the corner of my closet, and then I thawt somebody mite find them wile they was cleaning my room, so I took them down stairs and climbed up and put them away back awn the top shelf of the sitting room closet, wats nobody dontever put anything, thinking, Nobody wout ever find them heer, awl rite.

Wich fest then I herd pop openn the frunt doar with his key, and I quick jumped out of the closet and shut the doar, and pop cam upstairs with a packidge in each hand, and I sed Wats in them, pop. O, wus thing and aauthir, sed pop.

And he went over and startid to look out the back windows, still holdin the packidges, and I went out of the room and then quick came back agen and wat was pop doin but openin the closet doar. G, pop, wat are you goin in there for, I sed. Wat do you meen my fritenshin the life out of me in that mannir, and how dare you ask me my intenshins in openin the doar of wun of my own closet, sed pop.

You aint going to put those packidges in there, are you, I sed. And wat if I am, sed pop, then wat. Nothing, I sed.

Well, as a mittir of fact, Im not, sed pop, I meery opened the closet doar bekaus I thawt I smelt gas escapin, not that thares any gas jet in the closet, of course, but wats that to you.

Wich fest then ma came in, sayin, Wats awl this about the closet, you dont meen to ev eethir of you was going to hide any Krisimus presents in there, wats wari I intended to hide mine. And no doubt if we put a cuppl of Bernas detectives awn the case we woud discover that Gladis intends to hide hers thare, also, sed pop.

And he went out of the room with his 2 packidges, and I thawt, O, that closet aint such a safe place, after awl. And as soon as nobody was in the setting room I took my 2 presents back to my room.

long illness. He was 60 years of age and is survived by a wife, a son, Bradford, of the Bank of British North America, and three daughters, Juna, Ida and Muriel.

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MAKING READY FOR SOLDIERS IN WEST SIDE

Workmen now preparing quarters for troops in Immigration Building and Martello Hotel.

At the meeting of the citizens' recruiting committee held yesterday afternoon, E. L. Rising presiding, A. M. Belding reported that recruiting meetings would be held in the Temperance Hall, St. James street, on Friday and Saturday nights. Captain L. P. D. Tilly reported that sixteen carpenters were at work in getting the immigration building ready for accommodating 542 men and the Martello Hotel for 120. He said it was expected that the work would be completed by Saturday, and that men of the 140th Battalion would probably occupy both these buildings. It was reported that Lieut.-Col. DeRosiers, of the headquarters staff, had opened an office in the old Nova Scotia Bank building, Prince William street, with the object of keeping in touch with the recruiting situation during the winter.

Announcement was made that the difficulty respecting accommodating troops at West St. John had been practically overcome. Some trouble had arisen over the use of the large immigration hall over No. 4 warehouse. Part of this has been given over for the use of returned soldiers, and the remainder is being fitted up for winter quarters for the troops. The C. P. U. authorities had pointed out that accommodation must be maintained for passengers at this port and that in order to deal with this service space must be available for ticket agents and others, and they ask for the use of that part of the hall formerly reserved for ticket offices.

Further announcement was made that recruiting at Fredericton Junction would begin tonight and that Major Guthrie would be present to give an address. A committee was appointed to arrange for meetings next week in the Mill street rooms. This committee consists of George Kimball, F. W. Roche and John Russell. And the committee was appointed to arrange for a moving picture programme in the interest of recruiting.

J. D. McKenna, who was present, spoke on invitation as to recruiting in Kings county. He said he had canvassed the county thoroughly and that from September 17 to the first week in November from 150 to 200 recruits had signed on.

THE STANDARD WINS POINT IN E. S. CARTER'S LIBEL SUIT

Mr. Justice McKewen decides that notice of intended action had not been served as required by Libel Law and Orders Writ and proceedings set aside—Decision in case of Aide vs. City of St. John.

In the Circuit Court yesterday afternoon, Judge McKewen delivered the following judgment upon the application on the part of the defendant to stay the action of Edward S. Carter against The Standard, Limited:—
The plaintiff is suing The Standard Limited for libel and the cause is now on the docket of the St. John Circuit Court ready for trial. Upon the application of Hon. Mr. Justice McKewen, I issued a summons returnable before me on the 20th ultimo, calling on the plaintiff to show cause why the suit should not be stayed on the ground that no notice of intended action had been served on the defendant as required by the Libel Act. On return thereof Mr. Carter, K. C. and Mr. Hughes, for plaintiff, maintained that the statute has been fully complied with and that notice has been duly and properly served.

On the 9th day of August, 1915, a notice of action was given to Mr. A. W. Thorne, one of the reporters of the staff of The Standard newspaper, a journal published daily by the defendant, and in the columns of which the articles complained of appeared. There is no question as to the sufficiency of the notice in form, nor as to the time it was served, but it is claimed that giving the notice to Mr. Thorne does not constitute service upon the defendant, and that there has been no service upon the defendant at all, because the place where the notice was delivered to Mr. Thorne was not the office of defendant. Section 4 of the Libel Act, C. S. N. B., 1903, ch. 136, says:—

"No action shall lie for a libel contained in any newspaper or unless and until the plaintiff shall have given to the defendant notice in writing, distinctly specifying the language complained of, for at least five clear days in the case of a daily newspaper, and for at least fourteen clear days in the case of a weekly or other newspaper, in order to give the defendant an opportunity to publish a full apology for such libel. The notice mentioned in this section may be served in any manner as an ordinary summons."

Service of process upon a corporation is regulated by Rule 6 of Order 9 of the Supreme Court rules, whereby it is provided that service shall be good

"if made upon the mayor, warden, president or other head officer, or on the cashier, treasurer, manager, secretary, clerk or agent of such corporation, etc."

In my view a reporter of a daily newspaper is neither a clerk nor an agent of the corporation which publishes such paper in the sense contemplated by the Act, and the sufficiency of the service in the present case cannot be upheld from that standpoint.

But plaintiff also claims that the service is good and sufficient by reason of a provision of the New Brunswick Joint Stock Companies Act, ch. 85, C. S. N. B., 1903, which regulates the mode in which service is to be made upon companies incorporated under its authority, as in the case of the present defendant. Two sections of that Act are involved in considering this phase of the matter. Section 79 of the Act says:

"The company shall at all times have an office in the locality in which their chief place of business shall be, which shall be the legal domicile of the company in New Brunswick, and notice of the selection of that office and of any change therein, shall be advertised in the Royal Gazette, etc."

And Section 80 provides that: "Any summons, notice, order or other process or document required to be served upon the company, may be served by leaving the same at the office so advertised as aforesaid, with any grown person in the employ of the company, or on the president or secretary of the company, etc."

The effect of these two sections is to permit of service of process, etc. upon any grown person in the company's employ, provided such person is at the time of service at the office of the company; but service upon such person made elsewhere than at the company's office would not be effective, unless, of course, he were an officer upon whom service can be made anywhere—and I think the question as to the validity of the service in dispute here must depend on whether Mr. Thorne was at the office of the company at the time he was served. It is manifest that he was a grown person in the defendant's employ, and it is also clear, to me at least, that he is not such an officer or clerk of the company as could be served with process at any place he might happen to be.

From the affidavit used on the application it appears that at the time he was served, Mr. Thorne was in a room on the fourth floor of the building occupied by the defendant, which room is used as a library for the newspaper. The third floor of the building is occupied by persons employed in typesetting and in other mechanical work connected with the issue of the Daily Standard, and on the second floor is the business office occupied by the manager and his staff, with some of whom Mr. Thorne has any connection except to receive his pay. The plaintiff argues that the entire building must be considered as the office of the defendant, or, at the very least, that the part thereof where Mr. Thorne was, at the time he received the notice, constituted or was a part of defendant's office for all intents and purposes and within the wording of the act, and if plaintiff is right in such contention, his service is good and sufficient. On the other hand, it is claimed for the defendant that the office means the business office and not the whole building nor any part of it, except what is in actual occupation for office work where the manager and his staff conduct the company's business.

In giving a meaning to the term "office" I think it is proper to construe it in accordance with the ordinary popular use of such word, and to my mind there can be no mistake as to its significance. A man who comes into a building and asks to be shown to the office is never misunderstood. Each employee knows where his superior wants to go and whither to direct him. A person going to the defendant's office, if acquainted with the building, would never find his way to the library or to the composing room, but would seek the place occupied by the manager and his staff, and it is there, in my opinion, that the notice in this case should have been served under the circumstances. The section in question makes easy the way of the party seeking to effect service, once he finds his way to the office. Any grown person there is liable to be served, provided he is in the company's employ, and such service is good. But the very breadth of the expression "any grown person" seems to me to make it imperative to strictly construe the words which indicate the locality in which such person must be at the time of the service. To hold that such service in any part of the building outside of the actual office is sufficient compliance with the act would, I think, lead to consequences never contemplated. If the office be the whole building, then it would be sufficient to serve the notice on the man who tends the furnace, or upon the night watchman if in the building; and if the term "office" can be construed to mean two floors above the actual office, it should by parity of reasoning include two floors below, which, in this case, is the basement. There are business and manufacturing establishments in the city covering acres of land, in my judgment it would not be right to hold that a document necessary to be served upon a person at the office of such establishment, was properly served by delivering it to a workman while employed some distance from the office, and who may never so near the office in his daily work as who might be wholly unaware of the effect and importance of such paper. The only proper and safe way to construe the statute, in my judgment, is to confine the meaning of the term "office" to what is ordinarily meant by that expression, i.e., the place whence the central management emanates and where the manager and his staff do their work.

It was contended by plaintiff's counsel that the question of the sufficiency of the service of this notice and as to whether defendant was served with such notice is for the jury, and consequently the action should not be dismissed or stayed in an application of this kind. I agree that in many conceivable cases the question of notice is for the jury, but when the facts are all admitted and the whole question is "what is the legal effect or result of such facts?" then if it appears that no notice at all was given, the defendant is entitled to claim the benefit of the statute until such notice is given and the action should not be allowed to proceed, for the act unequivocally says that "no action shall lie until such notice is given." If such suit cannot be brought, I think it is open to a Judge of the court to exercise his prerogative to supervise and supersede actions which are contrary to law. The reasoning of the present Chief Justice in the case of The Empire Cream Separator Co. vs. The Maritime Dairy Co., seems to me applicable here: see above case reported in 38 N.B.R., at p. 313, judgment of Mr. Justice McLeod.

The present application is to stay the action, but in my view the proper order would be to set aside the writ and all proceedings in the present suit so as to leave it open to plaintiff to give the statutory notice and re-commence his suit if he desires to do so. I therefore order that the writ and all proceedings in this action on the part of the plaintiff be set aside.

The Attorney General asked for the costs of the application, which were granted to the defendant.

Aide vs. The City of St. John.
Aide vs. The City of St. John was the only jury case on the docket remaining for trial. The plaintiff sued the city for an alleged assault committed upon her by the caretaker of the city's water works at Spruce Lake. It appeared from the opening of plaintiff's counsel that the plaintiff claimed a right of way to certain property situated on the north shore of the lake, and that she attempted to go to it by what she claimed was an old highway called the Queen's Road, across which the city had put a gate. The defendant denied that there was any assault, but before any evidence was taken an agreement was come to by which the city purchased the plaintiff's property and this action and some other proceedings which have been pending for several years are dropped, each side paying their own costs.

F. R. Taylor, K.C., plaintiff's attorney, J. B. M. Baxter, K.C., for defendant.

The court then adjourned until this morning at eleven o'clock when it is probable that some disposition will be made of the proctors who have been convicted at this court.

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CARD OF THANKS.
The family of the late Cudlip Miller desire to give expression to their appreciation of the numerous marks of kindness and sympathy shown to them in their great bereavement, and especially wish to thank the donors of the beautiful floral gifts and also the local Lodge of Foresters for the marks of esteem and affection shown to their departed brother and his family.

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Insist on Jas. W. Foley & Co.'s Rockingham Tea Pots, Stoneware and Flower Pots.
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Think of the pleasure and privilege it would be to crown the Christmas festivities with fireside musicales by the most noted artists, the greatest bands and orchestras, the world over—to hear them, at their best, in your own favorite selections, with all the warmth and beauty of expression, the exquisite tone phrasing of the original renderings, reproduced by Edison's marvellous musical masterpiece, the NEW EDISON DIAMOND DISC PHONOGRAPH which is delighting thousands of music lovers in every part of the civilized world.

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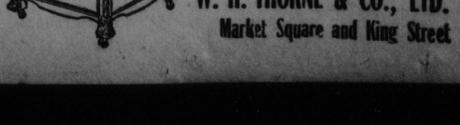
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CORRESPONDENTS' CORNER

CAMPBELLO

Campbello, Char. Co., Dec. 6.—Married, at Eastport, Me., Nov. 27th, Kenneth Brown and Lillian Henderson, both of this place.

The following is a list of articles shipped by the Red Cross Society last week: 36 pairs day socks, 1 pair heel-socks, 24 pairs bed socks, 74 handkerchiefs, 3 1/2 inches wide, 5 doz. gauze packing for large wounds, 44 dozen handkerchiefs, 25 1/2 dozen slings, 1536 mouth wipes, 1 abdominal band, A sale of refreshments, as well as fancy articles and a musical tea was held in the church hall on Saturday evening by the society, raising the sum of \$35 to be used for church purposes.

GENTREVILLE

Frank L. Buchanan left Monday for St. John accompanied by H. T. Smith and I. M. Tompkins, East Florenceville returning on Thursday.

Damie Burt arrived at her home from Annotston Junction last week and has been confined to her bed through illness.

Miss Minnie Porter who has been visiting at the home of G. F. Brises, returned to her home Monday.

Harry Marston, East Centreville, attended the funeral of his brother-in-law, Lester Lewis, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. C. A. Nelson, manager of the moving pictures in the theatre here, has gone to Hartland, but we are glad the pictures are not to be discontinued as he has been fortunate enough in getting Hartley Lewis of East Florenceville every Saturday night.

Miss Iva Cox, of Knoxford spent last week at the home of F. L. Buchanan, East Centreville.

Miss Catharine O'Hara, who is teaching at Four Falls, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. O'Hara, in the village.

Friday morning sad news swept over the community—the death of Lester Lewis, East Centreville. The deceased was thirty-six years of age, and leaves a widow, a little girl Gladys, and mother living in East Centreville, and one brother Fred, in Vancouver, and one sister, Mrs. Geo. Lamereaux of Greenfield, to mourn their loss.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon in the Centreville Baptist church. Rev. J. W. Williams preached the funeral sermon. The Order of Orange-men, and the large gathering of friends and relatives showed the high esteem in which he was held.

Miss Vera West, Gregg Settlement, is visiting at the home of A. L. McCain's, Florenceville.

Mrs. W. R. Harold was the guest of Mrs. Henry Bradley, Hartland, last week.

Mrs. C. M. Sherwood attended the funeral of her father, Mr. Milberry, of Bath.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Charleton, of Mars Hill, attended the funeral of Lester Lewis Sunday.

Mr. Thomas Hennessy, who has been at St. Leonard's for some time, spent Sunday with his wife in the village.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Marjison and daughter, Hazel, spent Sunday with relatives in Lakeside, Lakeville.

Miss Beatrice Williams, Lakeville, spent Sunday with Miss Annie Anderson.

Holy Day Yesterday.

Yesterday in the Roman Catholic churches of the city services were conducted as on Sundays in honor of the feast of the Immaculate Conception. There were large congregations in all the churches.

Dandruff Surely Destroys the Hair

Girls—if you want plenty of thick, beautiful, glossy, silky hair, do by all means get rid of dandruff, for it will starve your hair and ruin it if you don't.

It doesn't do much good to try to brush or wash it out. The only sure way to get rid of dandruff is to dissolve it, then you destroy it entirely. To do this, get about four ounces of ordinary liquid paraffin; apply it at night when retiring; use enough to moisten the scalp and rub it in gently with the finger tips.

By morning, most if not all of your dandruff will be gone, and three or four more applications will completely dissolve and entirely destroy every single strand and trace of it.

You will find, too, that all itching and digging of the scalp will stop, and your hair will look and feel a hundred times better. You can get liquid paraffin at any drug store. It is inexpensive and four ounces is all you will need, no matter how much dandruff you have. This simple remedy never fails.

TO CORRESPONDENTS

Items intended for publication in this column must be written in ink or typewritten, otherwise they will be given no attention. Unassigned items or communications signed with fictitious names will not be accepted.

ST. MARTIN'S

St. Martin's, Dec. 8.—St. Martin's has suffered a great loss in the death of one of its best known and most respected residents, Mr. Cudip Miller, which occurred last Saturday morning. While his health had been very precarious during the past few years, and little hope was entertained for his recovery, his sudden death came as a great shock to his numerous friends. The funeral took place on Monday afternoon. The ceremony in which the deceased was held in the community was shown by the large concourse of people who followed the body to the church and the grave.

A mass of beautiful flowers covered the coffin including a wreath from the family; a white cross, from Mr. Andrew Miller; an anchor, from Mr. Will Miller; a sheaf of wheat, from Mrs. Miller; a spray of carnations, from Miss Madena Vaughan; a wreath from the teachers and pupils of the Superior School; a cross, from Mr. and Mrs. Brown; a wreath from Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy.

The service was held in the Church of the Holy Trinity, of which Mr. Miller was a faithful member and strong supporter. Rev. F. J. Leroy, officiated. During the service the favorite hymns of the deceased were sung by the choir. At the grave the impressive funeral service of the Order of Foresters was said over the departed brother, by the members of the local lodge.

Promoted to Captaincy.

Lieut. Ralston, M.P.F., of Amherst, who gave up his lucrative law practice to volunteer for service overseas and was appointed a lieutenant in the 85th Battalion, has been promoted to a captaincy.

COULD NOT BEND DOWN

BACK WAS SO BAD.

The bad back comes from the kidneys, and unless the kidneys are carefully watched and properly regulated many serious troubles may follow.

Doan's Kidney Pills will cure all forms of kidney trouble, and cure the kidneys so that they will stay cured.

Mr. J. A. Lubinicki, Dauphin, Man., writes: "It is my pleasure to write you in regard to Doan's Kidney Pills which I have been using for some time for kidney trouble, which used to affect my back so that at times I could not bend down nor could I walk straight. I heard of your pills from your Almanac, and I bless the happy hour I thought of buying this medicine. It naturally brought me back to my normal state, and I tell you, in fact, he guaranteed that were I yielded to his advice, and what was the result? I had bearing down pains in my back for two days, so I took the balance of the pills, and the result was that I was cured. I told him to give me Doan's Kidney Pills as they would stop the pain in twelve hours at the outside. He told me he was sorry I did not use more of the pills, and lengthen the time to await results. I told him there was no need of waiting with Doan's Pills, and he sent me the spot. No substitute for me."

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REMARKABLE CASE of Mrs. HAM

Declares Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Saved Her Life and Sanity.

Shamrock, Mo.—"I feel it my duty to let the public the condition of my health before using your medicine. I had falling, inflammation and congestion, female weakness, pains in both sides, backaches and bearing down pains, was short of memory, nervous, impatient, passed sleepless nights, and had neither strength nor energy. There was always a fear and dread in my mind, I had cold, nervous, weak spells, hot flashes over my body. I had a place on my right side that was so sore that I could hardly bear the weight of my clothes. I tried medicines and doctors, but they did me little good, and I never expected to get out again. I got Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Blood Purifier, and I certainly would have been in grave or in an asylum if your medicines had not saved me. But now I can walk all day, sleep well at night, eat anything I want, have no hot flashes or weak, nervous spells. All pains, aches, fears and dreads are gone, my scheme, children and husband are no longer neglected, as I am almost entirely free of the bad symptoms I had before taking your remedies, and all is pleasure and happiness in my home."

Mrs. John Ham, R. F. D. 1, Box 22, Shamrock, Missouri.

If you want special advice write Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., (confidential) Lynn, Mass.

SILLIKEN

Silliken, N. B., Dec.—Miss Mary Stewart of Halcob, was the guest of Mrs. David Howe on Monday.

Mrs. Hynan Stewart was the guest of Mrs. Samuel Mutch, of Halcob on Tuesday.

Miss Mary Payne was the guest of Mrs. William Hyland on Tuesday evening.

Miss Sadie Matthews was the guest of Mrs. William Silliken on Tuesday.

Mrs. John Payne arrived home on Monday from visiting friends in Red Bank.

Miss Sadie Matthews is spending a few weeks the guest of Mrs. Jacob Silliken.

Mrs. Eliza Hyland spent Sunday the guest of Mrs. Ellen Payne.

Miss Beatrice Travis was the guest of Mrs. Annie Blackmore on Sunday.

Miss Mary Hubbard and Miss Eliza Wells, Red Bank, was the guests of Mrs. David Durnett on Sunday last.

A number of friends spent an enjoyable evening at the home of Miss Mary Payne on Friday.

WON A PRIZE.

In the recent competition among the agents of Hoosier national selling contest, this year, the Messrs. Amland Bros., the local representatives here, were fortunate in securing one of the prizes. This contest was the greatest in the history of the Hoosier Company and there were over forty-five hundred dealers took part in it.

More than a million dollars worth of the famous Hoosier kitchen cabinets were sold. In Pursuant to a decree of the Supreme Court, Chancery Division, made in an Action between Henry B. Peck and others, plaintiffs; and Frank McHugh and others, defendants, for the partition of the land and premises in the plaintiffs' statement of claim, and in said decree mentioned and fully described and being the lands and premises hereinafter referred to, there was ordered by the court that the partition of Edward T. C. Knowles, Esquire, a Master of the Supreme Court, at Chubb's Corner (so called) being the northwesterly corner of Prince William and Princess Streets, in the said City of Saint John, at twelve o'clock noon on Saturday, the twenty-ninth day of January, A. 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WILFRID GRIBBLE SENT BACK TO JAIL ON SEDITION CHARGES; MAGISTRATE REFUSED BAIL

Socialist Orator arraigned in Police Court—George H. Worden tells about Gribble's meeting and the alleged seditious utterances—Interesting evidence illustrates Gribble's opinion of recruits.

Wilfrid Gribble, the socialist orator, charged with sedition, spent last night in jail, application of his counsel for bail being unsuccessful. Gribble, who was arrested on Tuesday night, was brought into the police court at 10 o'clock yesterday morning...

The information. The information in the case, laid by George H. Worden is as follows: "Information of George H. Worden, for, that on the 6th inst, this deponent was present at a public meeting in a hall at 54 Union street, in the city of St. John, presided over by a man named Carney, who, in his address to the meeting said he had just finished serving a term in prison for speaking against recruiting for soldiers, as carried on now in the Empire. The said Carney then introduced to the meeting one Wilfrid Gribble, who arose and addressed the audience discouraging the idea of recruiting and in the course of his remarks uttered seditious words, saying that the King of England was a puppet, that the recruiting motto now used is 'The King and Country Need You' but 'my' (Gribble's) motto is 'The King and Country Bleed You,' and other words of a like character contrary to the statute."

Dr. Daniel Mullin, K. C., and A. H. Hannington, K. C., appeared for the prisoner. At the afternoon session the complainant, George H. Worden, was the first witness. He testified as follows: "Mr. Worden's Evidence. 'I am a carpenter by trade, fifty years of age, reside at present at 55 Hasen street, and have been a resident of St. John for forty years. On Sunday night last, at 8.15 o'clock, I went to a hall at 54 Union street. The hall is upstairs in the building. A collection was taken up after the speaker were through. There were about thirty or thirty-five persons at the meeting, among whom were about half a dozen women. There was a man presiding who, I think, was named Carney. He opened the meeting with a little talk saying that he had 'just done three months service in prison for talking against recruiting on the other side.' He said he was fined and put in prison, had just got out and came across here. 'The chairman then introduced the speaker, Mr. Gribble, who came forward and addressed the meeting. He spoke against the clergymen of the city. 'Dr. Mullin here objected but the Magistrate did not allow the objection and the witness proceeded. 'What Gribble Said. 'The speaker said that the clergymen had no right to speak at recruiting meetings, inciting the people, and he described the clergymen as men who 'go round with a collar fastened on backwards.' The recruiting motto, he said, was 'The King and Country need you,' while Gribble gave as his motto 'The King and Country bleed you.' Gribble spoke for about an hour. He called King George a 'Puppet.' It was after he said the King and country bleed you that he said the King was a 'Puppet.' Gribble went on to say: 'It is as well to be a German slave as a slave of Britain.' Other sections of Gribble's discourse were against the capitalists; he described capitalists as men with high hats who walked into places. 'At the close of his address Gribble invited members in the audience to ask questions. A Mr. Taylor asked if it was the best men who go to the front, as he thought that they were not. In answer Gribble said that some men were compelled to go. One man, who belonged to the order, he saw in St. John; this man was from Vancouver, and he asked him: 'Why are you in uniform?' and said that it was against our constitution. 'Applauded Gribble's Attack. 'The meeting on Sunday night had been advertised as a Socialist meeting, and a meeting held Tuesday night was also advertised in the same way. When Gribble said that the King was a 'Puppet,' some of those present in the audience applauded. When he said the words: 'The King and country bleed you,' witness said that he could not say about applause at that time but there was applause frequently. 'When Gribble answered Taylor's question, he said that the man from Vancouver was in uniform. He was a private and was with an officer at the time. The two met Col. McAvity and the private saluted the colonel, but the officer did not. The officer

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The Magistrate—"I think the code is perfectly clear. I know what our practice is, that after all the evidence is in, and if I see not a strong presumption of guilt. I accept bail instead of sending him into jail."

Mr. Hannington—"Then your wrong."

The Magistrate—"Then we have been drifting wrong for the past twenty-six years, and I expect to be here ten years longer."

Mr. Mullin—"This case is one that is ballable. Is it not only one of misdemeanor. Your Honor, in your discretion and duty under the law can admit the man to bail, and you cannot ask for an excessive bail. If Your Honor wants to send him up on the evidence so far advanced, send him up, and we won't ask Your Honor for bail."

The Magistrate—"Well now that this has been all talked over, when will it be suitable to take the case up again. Will two o'clock tomorrow afternoon suit?"

Mr. Mullin—"Will you refuse bail?"

The Magistrate—"I don't even entertain."

Mr. Mullin—"Then refuse."

It was then decided to adjourn the hearing until this afternoon at two o'clock, and the prisoner was again remanded to jail. Before he left the court the prisoner said, "It will be alright, another night won't hurt me, altho' you know that I am a poor sleeper."

The Magistrate—"My code is over at my home, and I am quite familiar with it; so much that I almost sleep with it, but if you wish to take up time read it."

Mr. Hannington—"You ought not accuse me of taking up time. I never do, and I respect your honor. I think you have power to grant bail. If Gribble did say what he has been quoted as saying; I think a wrong impression has been put on it, but even if he did say it, I think that bail could be granted, in all due fairness and public interest, and where a respectable man is in custody, I might say that all the newspapers published a piece about King George recently and thought it was a joke, but it was just as bad as what the defendant said."

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CHARGES FALL THROUGH WHEN BROUGHT BEFORE COMMISSION

Allegations made by James Acton that Real Estate man made huge profits by sub-letting contract for clothing, proved absolutely groundless.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—The charge of Mr. James Acton in "Men's Wear," a Toronto trade publication, that a Toronto real estate man made a profit of \$22,000 out of a clothing contract secured from the government completely collapsed when he was faced by Sir Charles Davidson this afternoon. Mr. Acton made two charges: First, that Mr. Hopkins made a profit of \$22,000 by sub-letting to the Empire Clothing Co.; second, that the contract was secured through a member of parliament. The charges were repeated in the Liberal press throughout the country.

Mr. Acton was asked directly who was the member of parliament to whom he referred. "I had no member of parliament in mind," he replied. "I just inferred that a member of parliament was involved."

After hearing the evidence of Mr. H. W. Brown, Director of Contracts for the militia department, Mr. Acton volunteered the statement, "If the department says that no such contract was placed by the government, I am quite willing to accept their word. I will admit that we were mistaken."

Sir Charles Davidson was evidently provoked at the lack of information upon which Mr. Acton had based his allegations. He remarked, "but you have made serious allegations against the integrity and honor of public men. This is no time for light speaking."

Again Sir Charles remarked: "You give me the impression of having made somewhat reckless assertions, without taking any particular steps to rectify them." This was referring to the fact that he had not published the denial of Hon. A. R. Kemp.

Mr. Acton in his charge said that this was only one of many instances. He was asked directly if he knew of any other cases of such sub-contracts. Mr. Acton admitted that he knew of no other cases.

Mr. Acton said that the basis for his charge was that a member of his firm had seen an insurance policy held by Mr. Hopkins covering profits of \$22,000.

It was intimated in the course of the inquiry that it was likely a British contract he had in mind. One thing was positively proven, that no Canadian contract was let to Mr. Hopkins, although in August the Empire Clothing Co. secured a contract direct for 12,000 pairs trousers, being one of twelve lowest tenders.

Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Parks and the Empire Clothing Company owners will be heard on Thursday.

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"Let 'em pay our expenses, Jim!" Blackie had detected the ten tremors on Violet's lips and she was quivering. "Excuse me, Violet, but I've got to go to the office and throw the key away, hire an eight-horse motor car, and so some place for a celebration dinner..."

Continuation of the story from the previous page, including dialogue and narrative.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast.

Maritime—increasing winds, gradually shifting to west and north, with snow and rain.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Forecast: Northern New England—Local rains or snows Thursday; Friday fair and cold; fresh southwest to west winds.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—The depression which was over Lake Superior last night now covers southeastern Ontario, causing strong winds over the lakes, attended by light falls of snow and sleet. It is also causing snowfalls in the Ottawa and St. Lawrence valleys, and snow and rain in the Maritime Provinces.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	42	50
Vancouver	42	50
Calgary	20	28
Moose Jaw	12	28
Medicine Hat	24	32
Edmonton	16	30
Battleford	10	24
Prince Albert	12	24
Regina	22	30
Winnipeg	24	32
Port Arthur	26	30
Parry Sound	26	34
London	30	36
Toronto	32	38
Kingston	32	38
Ottawa	32	30
Montreal	22	30
Quebec	20	28
St. John	30	36
Halifax	32	34

Around the City

Goos to Bear River.

Rev. Dr. Richards goes to Bear River this morning. He is to be the speaker at the annual roll call of the Bear River Baptist church.

Juvenile Wanderer Found.

John Monahan, aged 13 years, was arrested about eleven o'clock last night by Detectives Barrett and Briggs for wandering about Sydney street.

Violated Interdiction.

Yesterday morning Detectives Barrett and Briggs arrested George Duke and John McGorman. The latter is on the interdiction list and Duke is charged with supplying him with liquor.

Board of Trade Council.

The Council of the Board of Trade was completed yesterday by the election of six additional members as follows: J. B. Cudlip, W. E. Golding, C. B. Lockhart, M. L. A., E. Allan Schofield, C. S. Philips and W. K. Ganong.

A Still Alarm.

The chemical engines were called out by a still alarm last evening from a slight fire in some bagging in the basement of Hugh Doherty's residence 299 St. James street. There was no damage.

Supplying Liquor to Soldier.

Peter J. Richards was arrested shortly before one o'clock yesterday afternoon by the military police, who charged him with being drunk in the Armory and with supplying liquor to a soldier in uniform. Richards is a civilian.

Where Passports Can Be Obtained.

Some few days ago it was announced that persons leaving Canada for the Old Country would have to be supplied with passports before they would be allowed to land. Word was received yesterday that passports can be received by persons leaving this port, from J. V. Lantalam, Dominion Immigration agent.

Mrs. Bridget Robinson.

The death took place last evening at the residence of 150 Wright street, of Bridget, wife of John D. Robinson, and daughter of the late Michael and Bridget Foster of Fredericton. The deceased was a sister of the late Frank H. Foster who passed away a few weeks ago in this city. She leaves besides her husband, one son, James Robinson of this city. The funeral will take place on Friday morning.

For Returning Soldiers.

The diversion of the steamship business from Montreal to St. John has resulted in a large number of returning wounded soldiers being landed in this city, and it is anticipated that there will be about 150 landed weekly during the winter months. The feeling is widespread that the return of those who have, in such heroic spirit, suffered in health and from wounds while fighting for the Empire, should not pass unnoticed. A sub-committee was appointed some time ago to receive these brave boys, and through the generosity of a number of citizens were able to welcome the soldiers with packages of fruit, chocolate, cigarettes and cigars. The committee intend to have suitable gifts for all the returning soldiers, and all who are desirous of contributing the above articles are kindly requested to send the same to Mrs. H. A. Powell, 29 Queen Square.

Full of natural flavor—BRAYLEY'S FLAVORING EXTRACTS.

Waterproof.

Estey & Co., 49 Dock street, have made special preparations in "high grade" clothing and rubber boots and shoes for wet weather and slushy streets.

THIRTEEN YEAR OLD LAD GETS OFFICIAL POSITION ON LOCAL RECRUITING STAFF

What a Personal Letter to Sir Sam Hughes, K. C. B. Brought to Little "Billy" Trifits of Richmond Street—Will Likely Wear the Khaki.

Imbued with the martial spirit of the family, Master William Trifits, the thirteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Trifits, of 30 Richmond street, recently wrote to Sir Sam Hughes, Minister of Militia and Defence, offering his services in behalf of the Empire. Busy man as he is the minister did not pigeon-hole the letter as many busy men would probably have done. Today Billy Trifits is the proud possessor of an autograph letter from Sir Sam expressing the minister's delight at the lad's patriotic zeal. The head of Canada's Militia Department went even further than that. He told Billy he would be glad to assist him in any way possible and directed him to see the chief recruiting officer.

May Wear the Khaki.

Yesterday the lad called on Capt. L. P. D. Tilley and showed him the minister's letter. Captain Tilley gave the boy a note to the officials at the armory. So it is possible Master Trifits will soon wear a mascot's uniform of khaki.

The youthful patriot has four relatives enrolled in the armies of the Empire. All are St. John men. An uncle, Charles O'Brien, is a bomb thrower in the 14th Battalion, now in France. He is a brother of Mrs. Trifits. Another uncle is John Trifits of the ammunition column of the 26th Battalion, also in service in France. A cousin, Louis Gorman of the 14th Battalion, was wounded at the front and came home last month. Michael Finnigan, also a cousin, is with the 26th.

A brother of the lad was anxious to enlist but the family persuaded him not to join the militia at this time because of his youth.

Billy is a pupil at St. Malachi's school and is regarded as a particularly bright lad, as his letter indicates. He has long had his mind on the great conflict and has frequently expressed the wish that he were older, so that he could fight for his flag. When Billy wrote to the Minister of Militia last Wednesday he did not tell his parents. They did not know it until his mother found a copy of the letter in his room.

The Lad's Letter.

He is very proud of the minister's letter and intends to keep it in his possession always, as a reminder of one of the happiest incidents of his life. The letter Billy wrote follows:

"Dear General Hughes,

"I hope you will read the following letter with interest. First, I am a boy about 13 years old. My name is William ("Billy") Trifits. I have two

GOOD WISHES FROM DUKE OF CONNAUGHT

Col. F. V. Wedderburn Receives Interesting Autograph Letter from Governor General.

Lieut.-Col. F. V. Wedderburn yesterday received a personal letter from Field Marshal, the Duke of Connaught congratulating him on the excellent work the colonel has done for the Boy Scouts. Col Wedderburn was obliged to discontinue his activity among the boys because of his militia duties. The letter from the Governor General follows:

Government House, Ottawa, 30 November, 1915.

Dear Colonel Wedderburn:—

Gerald Brown, Honorary Secretary of the Boy Scouts Association, has shown me your letter giving you work for the Boy Scouts Association in the Maritime Provinces.

I can quite understand your doing so, to take over command of an Overseas Battalion, which will most certainly require all your time and attention, but before you leave the Boy Scouts I must congratulate you on the splendid work you have done in the past for them, which has so much assisted the Boy Scout Movement in the Eastern Provinces. In thanking you for all your past work, I wish you every good luck in your appointment as Officer Commanding the 115th Overseas Battalion.

Believe me yours sincerely,

Arthur.

Lt. Col. F. V. Wedderburn, Commanding 115th Overseas Battalion, St. John, N. B.

Fancy Sale and Tea in St. Stephen's Church School Room today at 3 o'clock. Musical program. Supper will be served at 6 o'clock.

OPERINGS OF V.M.C.A. ROOMS FOR SOLDIERS

Mayor Frink Addresses Men of 69th—Col. Dansereau Makes Appreciative Reply.

The formal opening of the St. John County Hospital will take place this afternoon, and the general public are invited to be present from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m. Many prominent men and women will be present, including Lieut.-Governor Wood, Mayor Frink, city commissioners, the county secretary, representatives of the hospital committee and of city organizations. It is expected that a large number will attend and, in view of this, special arrangements have been made for a car service to East St. John.

Many difficulties have from time to time presented themselves in connection with the provisions of the hospital. Questions as to location, the nature of the proposed structure, and other matters, had to be considered and dealt with, and it was not until November last year that the work of construction commenced. Contracts had previously been signed by A. R. C. Clark & Son, masonry; R. J. Green, carpentry; J. S. Walker, plumbing and heating; and J. H. Pullen, painting.

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Up to the present time the building has cost about \$104,000, of which sum there was a bond issue of \$50,000. The main building is of two stories with basement. The sill is of three stories and will be occupied by the nurses and other help. When completed it will be self-contained, will have its own lighting power as well as lighting power for the Municipal Home. The electric power plant is being established by the Vaughan Electric Company.

STORIES OF BAD FOOD FOR 69TH UNFOUNDED

Lt. Col. Dansereau Denies Rumors in Circulation—Men Well Satisfied in Every Way.

The food supplied to the 69th Battalion is satisfactory, according to Lieut. Col. Dansereau, who told a Standard reporter last evening that there was no truth in reports which have been circulating about the city that the men were dissatisfied with the quality and quantity of the rations served. He said that if the food had been of poor quality he would have been the first to see that good rations were supplied.

It appears that the bad food rumors originated through the purchases of pies, cakes, etc., by some of the men when the battalion first arrived in St. John. A number of the Montreal troops said that while they were not wholly satisfied with the rations served on the first two days after they reached this city, they had no complaint to make now.

The French Canadians express themselves as well pleased with their treatment here. The unfavorable weather for outdoor drilling is their only grievance.

The 69th had two route marches yesterday, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Major Williams was in command in the forenoon and Capt. Mansueti in the afternoon. The parade grounds were too slushy for outdoor drill and late in the afternoon the men went through some tactics in the armories.

Tonight's Meeting.

Recruiting meeting tonight in Temperance Hall, West End. Speakers Rev. Dr. Morrison and A. M. Belding, musical programme.

Furs for Christmas.

F. A. Dykeman & Co. are offering a very fine quality of furs at greatly reduced prices. This will give an opportunity for people to buy the nicest kind of a Christmas present at a great saving in price. Their handsome fox and wolf sets can be bought at one-quarter less than the regular price. They are showing some splendid \$75 muskrat coats at the special price of \$58.50. Their handsome forty inch near seal coats, \$115.00 quality can be had for \$85.00.

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