

HON. J. D. HAZEN'S RECENT SPEECH

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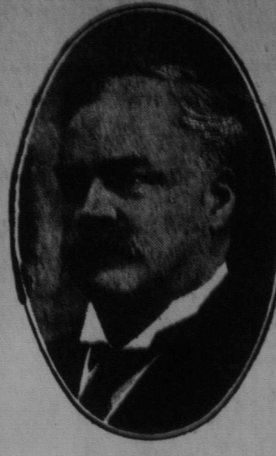
Minister of Marine and Fisheries Reviews Events Transpiring During His Visit to England—The Canadian Soldier Not a Drinking Man—A Closer Union Between England and the Dominions—Approves of Conscription.

Hon. J. D. Hazen, minister of marine and fisheries, delivered an able address in the House of Commons on Friday last, reviewing the important events in his recent visit to England and France, and expressing himself as convinced of the necessity of taking steps along the lines of compulsory service in order to raise men to assist the fighting forces of the Empire in the present great struggle.

Hon. Mr. Hazen always makes a splendid impression, but his speech on Friday last was more interesting in view of the moment of the matter he dealt upon. It was the address of a statesman on questions of Empire wide import. Hon. Mr. Hazen said:

Replies To Pugsley.
The member for St. John says that the conference and the war cabinet were barren of result and he would have the conference and the members of the government who were there were not engaged in serious work, that they were indulging in juketing trips about the country; that they were simply enjoying themselves in a social way and were not properly attending to the business of the country. I say, sir, that a member's insinuation was never made to this Parliament or to the people. In many respects I entertain a feeling of great regard for my hon. friend, but I say that it is not worthy of him to make such insinuations about the members of the government. Not only is it unworthy of him, but it is another evidence of the fact that he views the questions that come before this house only from the narrow standpoint of petty politics and that he cannot rise to the position of a statesman and discuss big issues in a statesman-like, dignified and proper manner as is fitting in a great Parliament like this.

Worked Hard in Britain.
Any man who has been in a ministerial position, as many of my hon. friends whom I see opposite have been, know that no man can discharge the duties of a minister of the crown during a session of Parliament in ordinary terms, without devoting his whole thought, time and attention to the duties of that office. But busy as I have been during the past sessions, more especially since the war broke out, and during the time when extraordinary work has been thrown upon the department of which I am the head, I have done a greater amount of hard work than any other minister in the department. I am sure my hon. friend will realize how unfair it is that the suggestion should go abroad that men in responsible positions in the government, when upon a mission in point of importance was as great as any that



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Prime Ministers of the overseas Dominions. He did not refer to the overseas Dominions as dependencies, as I was sorry to hear my hon. friend on the other side refer to them tonight. The word "dependencies" grates harshly on my ear. Mr. Lloyd George said that the Prime Ministers of the overseas Dominions should attend these conferences, and if the Prime Minister of any overseas Dominion was for any reason unable to attend, then a minister delegated by him and given extensive powers should attend.

Premier's Message.
My hon. friend is not satisfied with what the Imperial Conference has done; nor is he satisfied with what the war cabinet has done. In this respect, my hon. friend differs very much from the gentleman who at the present time, with the general consent of all parties in the state, is Prime Minister of Great Britain. Mr. Lloyd George, in addressing the war cabinet at its last meeting, gave us this message. Let me remind the house, however, in the first place, that three days in the week we had meetings of the Imperial Conference and, on the other three days, meetings of the Imperial War Cabinet. In addition to that there were committees on which we served, and it was my privilege to serve on two or three most important committees, one regarding tonnage restrictions, on which I served along with members of the British government and members of the overseas governments, another with regard to conditions which might arise when terms of peace were proposed, and on this latter committee there were four members of the British cabinet and it was presided over by Lord Curzon, who himself was one of the five members of the British War Cabinet. Mr. Lloyd George, in saying farewell to us, said that the presence of the overseas representatives of the war cabinet not only was an encouragement and a support to the government of Great Britain, but had proved to them a real and genuine help.

Profitable Experiment.
He further said that everything that the British government knew had been unreservedly placed at the disposal of the overseas Dominions, and that it would be a great mistake if the experiment had been made in calling together an Imperial War Conference this year was not repeated and incorporated in the very machinery of the Empire. That was the opinion of every member of the British government. For that reason Mr. Lloyd George said that in his opinion, war or no war, a session of the Imperial War Cabinet, if there were no war, should be convened at least annually, for the purpose of reviewing, apart from the war, the general foreign policy of the British Empire. It was inconceivable, he said that after this war, the overseas Dominions should not be, not only fully informed as to all matters concerning the general foreign policy of the British Empire, but consulted before any such policy was agreed upon by the British government, and he went on then to say that in his opinion, as the Prime Minister stated this afternoon, the Imperial Cabinet should consist of the Prime Minister of Great Britain and certain other ministers, such as the Colonial Secretary, the Secretary of State for India, the War Minister and the First Lord of the Admiralty, whose duties would naturally bring them more closely in touch with Imperial affairs than others, and the

Closer Union The Result.
Something has been said tonight about Imperial federation. I never knew exactly what was meant by Imperial federation, except this. There never was any hard or fast scheme to which any great body of people in this country committed themselves, and my understanding of the phrase Imperial federation did not necessarily imply an Imperial Parliament; it did not necessarily imply the sacrifice of a single iota of our autonomy or independence or liberty. If it did no man in this country would support such an idea for a single moment. What I have always understood by Imperial federation was that there should be a closer drawing together in the bonds of union, friendship, sympathy and common support, the maintenance of a common Empire of Great Britain and its overseas Dominions and India and all the countries generally that make up the British Empire. Speaking from that standpoint, I believe that the result flowing from that meeting of the war cabinet this year, with the declaration that no question of foreign policy will be embarked upon without

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The Alleged Drinking Habits.
Reference was made in this house last night in connection with the drinking habits of the Canadian soldiers in the different camps in which they were placed in Great Britain. I want to tell the house in detail that matter a few facts, more in detail than the matter was referred to by the Prime Minister this afternoon. At one of the meetings of the hon. member for St. John, Mr. Pugsley, chief of police of the city of London, appeared before us, and he told us that in what he spoke of as the London area, there were from three to four hundred thousand soldiers every night; that many of them were on leave from the trenches, and many of them were going to or coming from the front. As a result, the streets of London were frequented in large numbers by these men.

Some Actual Figures.
Most of them were men without relatives or friends, and many of them naturally sought human society and human comfort, and yet Sir Edward Henry told us that of the 300,000 or 400,000 men who were in the London area every night, the largest number of soldiers who had ever been arrested in one night for drunkenness was not more than twenty. I do not think anything could speak more strongly for the sobriety and good behavior of the soldiers in the London area. Sir Henry referred to were not all Canadians; some were from Australia, or New Zealand; many of them were British; and there were others from various other parts of the globe. These figures, I repeat, are a splendid tribute to the sobriety of the soldiers who are fighting the battles of the Empire at the present time.

That Charge Against Canadians.
Coming more directly to the Canadian soldier, against whom I understand a charge was made in this house, the day before I left England I received a letter from General Steele, in command of the Canadian troops at Shorncliffe. This letter was not intended as any solicitation of mine. Mr. Pugsley: I wish to correct my hon. friend. He says a charge was made in this house against the Canadian soldier. If referring to the matter Mr. Hazen brought before the house, I would point out that what the hon. member for Riverview did was to read a letter from an officer who had been in England, in which a complaint was made against the wet canteen, which the officer said was a temptation to the Canadian soldier. And a complaint against a dry canteen, too.

Mr. Hazen: I did not have the pleasure of hearing the speech of my hon. friend from Riverview, but I saw in the English press—and it may have been an erroneous impression of what the hon. member said—that the hon. member for Riverview had criticized the wet canteen and alleged that as a result of it there was a great deal of drunkenness among the Canadian troops in England. I would not for one moment do the slightest injustice to the hon. member for Riverview, who is a friend of mine, and for whose interests I am only stating that as a result of his speech that impression did get abroad, although, of course, the hon. gentleman may not have so intended.

Mr. Pugsley: He read a letter from an officer who had been in England.

Mr. Hazen: I have here a letter which I received from General Steele, commanding the Canadian troops at Shorncliffe. I think everyone in this house knows of General Steele, of his standing as a soldier, of his record in the mounted police, of his South African career. Headquarters, Shorncliffe Command, 4th May, 1917.

Dear Mr. Hazen: Regarding the question of drunkenness among Canadian soldiers in England, I am enclosing herewith for your information as a Canadian, the Canadian officers commanding Canadian overseas military forces in England, and a copy of memo from my D.A.A. and G.M.G. showing the number and percentage of drunkenness for the month of April, 1917.

men are more strictly controlled, and sensible men can there secure good wholesome beer. No man, even if he desired (and the great majority have no wish to do so)—can secure more liquor than is good for him owing to disciplinary control and intoxication through the medium of wet canteens is not, therefore, possible.

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- A. McNeil, New Waterford, N. S.
- R. Williams, Port Mouton, N. B.
- E. Kendall, Centerville, N. S.
- L. Lewis, Yarmouth, N. S.
- H. G. Chesley, St. John, N. B.
- H. E. Gallant, Shediac, N. B.

NEW HAVEN RAILROAD AT LOWEST IN HISTORY

New York, May 23.—U. S. Steel sold at the record high price on heavy trading in large blocks and thereafter reacted more than 2 points but showed some tendency to recover towards the close. The Iron Age says inadequate delivery services on the part of the railroads produces unsatisfactory conditions at the mills and that the Steel Corporation are yet without definite information as to the amounts of steel that the government will need except that they will be large. The same journal says that a price for government copper around 24 or 25 cents as now seems to be indicated, points to better prices for the government's purchases of steel than the price fixed on steel plate now being delivered.

LONDON STOCK MARKET IS GENERALLY FIRM

London, May 23.—The discount market was slightly harder in view of the fact that \$90,000,000 treasury bonds for tender on Friday are for a larger amount than usual.

MARKED PROSPERITY IN LEATHER TRADE LIKELY

New York, May 23.—Specifications for leather contracts now placed with trade interests by the government for its own and allied war accounts are reported to be so large that increasing prosperity on a big scale is certain. The size of the contracts is reported to have amazed manufacturers.

THE SOCIALISTS WANT PEACE IN BALKANS

Stockholm, May 21, via London.—The restoration of Belgium, Serbia, Montenegro and Roumania, was demanded by the Bulgarian Socialist delegates in a conference with the Dutch and Scandinavian committees. They also declared themselves in favor of a national reunion of Bulgarians as a step to give permanent tranquility to the Balkans.

NOVA SCOTIAN FOUND DEAD IN MONCTON

Special to The Standard. Moncton, May 24.—Nelson Matatal of Nova Scotia who was visiting friends in Moncton, was found dead in bed this morning of heart trouble. Deceased was a brother of Conductor Matatal, running between Moncton and Truro. He was about forty-five years of age.

PRIEST KILLED, ANOTHER INJURED IN AUTO WRECK

Thomsonville, Conn., May 24.—Rev. Edward Murphy, assistant rector of St. Augustine's Roman Church, Bridgeport, was instantly killed yesterday when his automobile was overturned near Hazardville. Father Lanowski, also of Bridgeport, was seriously injured.

TWO BANKS CLOSED

Chicago, May 23.—The Morgan Park State Bank and Auburn State Bank have closed their doors. The liabilities are \$500,000.

ANOTHER SHIP SUNK

New York, May 24.—The British steamship Telsa, a vessel of about 7,000 tons, built in Belfast for the United Fruit Company, and taken over by the British admiralty at the beginning of the war, before she was completed,

was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine, May 2, off the English coast, according to twenty members of the crew, who arrived here today on a British passenger ship. None of the crew was injured. The ship was armed. The gun was lifted from its base by the explosion and thrown into the air, coming down amidships and crashing through the deck house.

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Petrograd, May 23, via London—War Minister Kerensky has started on his tour of inspection of all the military fronts. He left Petrograd today by special train.

MINISTERS OF MARINE AND FISHERIES REVIEW EVENTS TRANSPIRING DURING HIS VISIT TO ENGLAND—THE CANADIAN SOLDIER NOT A DRINKING MAN—A CLOSER UNION BETWEEN ENGLAND AND THE DOMINIONS—APPROVES OF CONSCRIPTION.

(Continued from page 2) result. Another reason for many casualties is in the many shells that land that fail to explode when fired. These shells lie buried in the mud, and as the railway construction men are at work using ploughs or shovels, the impact upon one of these shells causes it to explode. A large number of casualties result from this cause. So, while they are non-combatants in a sense, at the same time the railway construction men are incurring a danger not very much less than that incurred by the men actually fighting in the trenches. One could not help feeling impressed with the wonderful cheerfulness of the men at the front, their wonderful physique, and the wonderful work they are doing. I never met a man in the trenches who had a complaint to make about anything. They were trying to do their duty for the honor of the Empire and of Canada. And in the different hospitals I visited—and I visited many of them; whenever I had a spare hour or two I went to some of the various hospitals to inquire for our Canadian soldiers, and I think I must have talked to thousands of them—I found the same spirit of cheerfulness prevailing. As far as I could judge from my own observation and from the statements made to me by the men in the hospitals, the Canadian hospital service is one that is a credit to the people of this country, and those who have friends at the front should have the satisfaction of knowing that those friends will receive in our different hospitals the very best of treatment. All these hospitals are equipped with operating rooms, X-ray apparatus, and instruments as modern as can be found in the best hospitals in Canada. The best of Canadian surgeons and doctors are there, and the best of Canadian nurses. And all over the land in England I found the women of Canada in the hospitals ministering to the wants of our soldiers who have unfortunately been wounded.

The Spirit of Our Canadians. Let me tell a little story illustrating the spirit of the Canadian boys at the front. One night, about ten o'clock, after I had returned from a visit to the military camp at Shoreham, I found a cable from a member of this house telling me that he had information that his son had been wounded, and asking me if I could ascertain where he was and what was his condition. It was just after the battle of Vimy Ridge and many wounded were being brought across the Channel. I at once inquired by telephone among the different hospitals, and at length I found that he was in the First London General Hospital, and the information I was given was that he had received a flesh wound in the leg, but that he was not seriously hurt, and that he was getting along very well. I wired this information to his father, and the next morning, being Sunday, I went to the hospital to see him. And a more cheerful boy I never saw. Lying in the bed next to him was the brother of a member of this house, the son, member for Canada, Mr. W. Wallace, wounded, but I am glad to say, not seriously. And in another nearby bed was the colonel of the regiment of the young man, the son of the hon. member for Kingston (Mr. Nickle). He told me the story of the fight. Referring to my hon. friend's son, he said that early in the day the young man was wounded in the head by a piece of shrapnel. The wound was a good deal, and the young man was ordered back to a dressing station and to fall out. But he would not do so; he said that he would be disgraced forever if he did; that he wanted to help take Vimy Ridge and he wanted to go on. His colonel allowed him to have his way. Later in the fight, the boy received the wound which caused his removal to the hospital. This is illustrative of the courage and spirit that characterizes all our Canadian boys at the front, so far as I could see, without one single exception.

Not Free From Danger. The Prime Minister referred also to the railway men and forestry men as non-combatants. So they are. But while they are non-combatants, railway men are not free from danger, and the casualties among them have been very great. In many cases the railways are being built actually under shell fire. Their positions are discovered by the Germans and shells are hurled amongst them, and deaths

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Canada's Name Looms Large. There are many other matters that I might speak about in regard to our visit but I feel that it is unnecessary to do so; in fact at this late hour, time will hardly permit. There will be future opportunities of discussing perhaps more in detail some of the matters of interest to this country that we came in contact with on this trip abroad. Let me say, however, that previously as we have been stricken by the war, great as is the sacrifice, personally, financially and commercially that the people of Canada have had to make, yet there is some satisfaction in knowing that wherever you go in France or England you find the praise of Canada and what Canada has done, on the lips of everyone. As a result of what Canada has done, Canada's name today looms larger in the opinion of the world than ever it did before and it has taken a war to make the people understand the wonderful resources of Canada and the wonderful vigor of Canadians of the present generation.

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BRITISH TAKE OVER EGYPTIAN OIL WELLS.

oil from the fields have been torpedooed.
New York, May 24.—The British admiralty has taken over the entire output of the Egyptian oil fields to supply the allied fleet, according to A. D. Brownlee, a Canadian, who arrived here today on a British ship. He said that only two of the ships carrying dead at her home here.

FORMER QUEEN IS DEAD

Algiers, via Paris, May 24.—Former Queen Ranavalona, of Madagascar, is dead at her home here.

Base Ball and Other Sporting News Notes

McGraw Says That Players Are Ready To Enlist For War

Among the men in the United States who are ready to fight in this great war are the baseball players of the big leagues, and if what John McGraw...

Table with baseball scores from Philadelphia, St. Louis, Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Philadelphia.

McClary's Gas Ranges advertisement featuring an image of a gas range and text describing its features like 'The Latest Style' and 'White enameled back splash'.

Baseball scores table with columns for National League, American League, and various teams like Chicago, New York, Boston.

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Business Directory listing various services such as Automobiles, Groceries, Dentists, and Hardware with contact information for each.

Lawrence A. Wilson Co., Limited advertisement for 'Finest Wines and Liquors' featuring a list of wine and liquor prices and company details.

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Vertical advertisement on the far left edge containing various notices and small ads.

THE HOME THE WORLD

NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

THE MOVIES THE PLAYERS

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

From a Letter Written From a German Prison.
"A cheerful mind.
A loving heart.
Some work and strength to do it:
A bit to eat.
That's life for me; let's to it!"
FITTED A LIVE DOG WITH WOODEN LEG
There is something brand new to add to the story of the work that the New York Women's League for Animals has done in the last year.

exception to his meekness and gave him a nip on the leg, which made a bad wound. His master was not able to take care of him, and by the time the little dog reached the league's animal hospital there was nothing to do but to take off the leg. That made him useless as a guide, so as soon as the wound healed the doctors of the establishment opened a temporary false leg department, made a strong wooden leg for the little dog, and now he and his master are on the job of selling shoestrings again. A happy little dog and a master who had tears in his eyes when he thanked the doctors for making his little friend as good as new.
There are strange things which happen to animals, caused often by thoughtless cruelty, and one of these was the trouble of a kitten which a little boy brought to the league for help. There was something the matter with the kitten's throat, and nothing would cure it. The doctors discovered a rubber band which someone had slipped over pussy's head one day, and which had cut into the flesh.

the horrors of the annual cleaning week may. "And you," sobbed his wife, "you used to tell me I was your queen."
"Yes," he said, with a wild glare in his eyes; "but when a man finds his queen has used his best tobacco pipe for a pipe for a tuck hammer he begins to grasp the advantages of a republic."
—London Opinion.
CHINESE OPINION.
We have often wished to know what Chinamen think of, and now we are afforded a glimpse of the Chinese mind by John Stuart Thomson in his "China Revolutionized." The speaker is a house boy, who gives his estimate of American women in the following terms:
"The American is open-air breather, consequently her meat is harder than Chinese women. In dangerous melancholy a man, the young American quickly traps her sorrow husband who comes to pity, but soon runs to grieve in divorce court, when loving voice of American recoverer from cynicism! But of romance early treated, makes scandal column of paper, which is best advertising much sought and read, like dog in manger, by all actresses without job. Cold ethics of Chinese women in comparison, sprouts not to quick ruin, consequently wears better. American system much exciting, is open-air theatre for all to laugh and read as fun. American never reaches next birthday, consequently always fresh and sweet like compound in syrup; but American poet says: "Beware, some sweets do cloy; 't is food is good each day." I think then "China wife is like food, if plain, all ways satisfying, and fills the bill, as American Zoo bird keepers say! American man and Chinese man believe woman's should so slow; consequent, by American wear hobble skirt like lasse on ankle, and the Chinese woman bind feet. Both men's take no chances, and exchange mutual wink. However, Chinese women and American woman is both queenesses of fun!" Tale then is kind of of woman's called Suffragetta, where man sees fish and casts his weapon in humble dust.

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\$50,000 FIRE IN NORTH END AT EARLY HOUR THIS MORNING

McCready Vinegar Factory Burned--- Loss Will Easily Reach \$50,000 --- Three Alarms Before Daylight Caused Much Anxiety.

The McCready vinegar factory situated on Camden street, between Simonds and Portland street, was destroyed by fire early this morning and it is expected the loss will approximate at least \$50,000.

The fire was discovered about 2.30 by a person who saw smoke and flame issuing from the building. At once an alarm was sent in from box 142 and the North End fire companies rushed to the scene.

On the arrival of the firemen it was seen that the blaze was a serious one and assistance was sought from the companies in the central and south portions of the city.

How the fire caught is a mystery as yesterday, being a holiday, the plant was not working and as far as known there was no fire in the building last night.

The building which was of wood and three stories in height proved a ready prey to the flames and although the firemen worked with a will and had a good supply of water it was speedily apparent that the structure was doomed.

As James T. McCready of the firm went to New York Wednesday evening it was impossible to get any idea of the insurance this morning but it is believed that building, stock and plant were well covered.

Part of the building was used as a bonded warehouse and in it was stored a large quantity of alcohol used in the manufacturing process. Up to 3.30 the warehouse portion had not been burned but it was feared that it would go.

The fire was a very spectacular one, the flames lighting up the sky to such an extent that the reflection was visible for miles. Despite the fact that it occurred at an hour when most people are abed the double alarm and the fact that this is the third serious fire St. John has had within the past few weeks contributed to bring hundreds of people to the scene.

The building was used in the manufacture of vinegar, pickles, spices and cornmeal and separate plants for the making of these articles were located in it.

Most of the fire appeared to be around the big chimney in the upper part of the building. One of the factory office employees said \$50,000 would be a conservative estimate of the loss and as far as he knew it was covered by insurance.

LATER.

At 4 o'clock the fire was approaching the bonded warehouse and Chief Blake received permission from the Inland Revenue officials to break the warehouse and remove the alcohol if this course were deemed necessary. That had not been done up to the time of The Standard going to press.

When the firemen reached the scene smoke was breaking out through all parts of the roof of the structure and the blaze appeared to have originated in the centre of it.

The front of the building on Camden street had not been burned at 4 o'clock but the back portion was consumed and the walls had fallen. A two-story house owned by S. Thorne and occupied by himself and a family named Dunham on the corner of Camden and Simonds street and a house owned by Mr. Thorne and occupied by a family named Orr further down Simonds street, were in danger for a time but at four o'clock it was thought the fire would be confined to the building in which it started.

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Washington, May 24.—In a farwell address to the American people today, Foreign Secretary Balfour warmly expressed his belief that with as little delay as human imperfections allow the full and decisive weight of America would be thrown into the struggle for democracy.

NATIONAL FOOD PLEDGE DAY IN ENGLAND

How Great Britain's Millions Observed the Victorian Holiday.

London, May 24.—Great Britain observed the holiday as a national food pledge day. Everybody was expected to sign a pledge in response to the King's proclamation appealing for economy and frugality. Already two million people have signed and on today's result practically halves the decision between voluntary and compulsory rationing.

The Lord Mayor of London accompanied by the sheriff, appeared in their official robes on the steps of the Royal Exchange early in the day and invited all hearers to proceed to the Mansion House and take the food pledge. A similar meeting was held at Guild Hall and thousands of gatherings with the same object met throughout the Kingdom.

All factories, schools and other institutions agreed to cease work at noon for a sufficient length of time to enable employees to sign the pledge. More than three million helpers are engaged in the campaign and the organizers were so confident of success that they predicted the voluntary rationing would win an easy victory.

FRENCH LINER SUBMARINED

Paris, May 24.—It is officially announced that the French liner Sontay, bound for Marseilles from Saloniki with 346 passengers, was torpedoed on April 16 with a loss of 45 lives. The steamer sank rapidly in a heavy sea but the prompt and methodical manner in which the small boats were launched saved the majority of those on board. Captain Magos went down with the ship. The Sontay was a vessel of 7,247 tons and was built in 1908. She was owned in Marseilles.

JAP WARSHIPS JOIN FLEET OF THE ALLIES

Arrival of Considerable Number of Light Craft in Mediterranean.

London, May 24.—The arrival of a considerable number of light Japanese naval craft in the Mediterranean to co-operate with the naval forces of the allies was announced in the house of commons today by Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade.

A Paris despatch last Friday said a number of Japanese gun boats had arrived at Marseilles to assist in the operations against German submarines and to convey French merchantmen. If the experiment has satisfactory results it is to be extended.

Fritz Busy Again.
London, May 24.—Pronounced German naval activity in the Baltic on Tuesday is reported in a Central News despatch from Copenhagen. Yesterday a violent cannonade lasting throughout the night was heard by persons living along the shore. Houses on southern Danish islands shook from concussion.

MACKEREL HIT NOVA SCOTIA

Special to The Standard.
Yarmouth, N. S., May 24.—The first mackerel have arrived on the Nova Scotia coast. Within the past twenty-four hours, the Cranberry Head trap has pursued twice. The first time fifty-nine fish were taken and this afternoon less than half a dozen.

It is likely the fish struck in a day or two ago, but the weather has been so bad the traps were delayed in getting ready. The fish are exceptionally late this year.

WOODSTOCK LADY DIES SUDDENLY

Mrs. Jessie E. Wetmore, Widow of Kings County Man, Dead in Montreal.

Montreal, May 24.—The body of a woman who died suddenly Tuesday night in her room in the Queen's Hotel here, was today identified as that of Mrs. Jessie E. Wetmore of Woodstock, N. B.

The deceased registered at the hotel Tuesday and appeared to be in good health when she retired to her room. When the chambermaid went to the room she received no reply on knocking and entering the room by means of her own key, she found the occupant unconscious on the bed. Medical aid was summoned but before the physician arrived Mrs. Wetmore had expired. A verdict of death from natural causes was returned by Coroner McMahon today.

The body was identified today by Mrs. William Murphy, a cousin, living at 4540 St. Catherine street west, and Mr. A. D. Munro, a brother, living at 319 Grosvenor Ave., Westmount. The deceased was the wife of the late Howard P. Wetmore, a well known resident of Kings county, N. B., who died twelve years ago, and was on her way to Woodstock from Los Angeles, California.

The body will be taken to her birthplace for interment.

SINN FEIN MEN WILL KEEP OUT

Dublin, May 24.—The Sinn Fein conference today unanimously resolved to decline to participate in any conference called by the English government ostensibly to settle the Irish question "until the following conditions are fulfilled:

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THE WEATHER. Forecasts: Maritime—Moderate to fresh winds, partly fair, few scattered showers. Washington, May 24—Northern New England—Cloudy Friday, probably local rains, interior Maine, Saturday, fair, moderate to fresh southwest and west winds. Toronto, May 24—The disturbance is now centred to the northward of the Ottawa Valley with diminished intensity, and cool weather is prevailing from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, with showers in many localities. It has been fair and moderately warm in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and cool and showery in Alberta.

Around the City

Near Accident. A near accident caused some excitement around Inlandtown yesterday morning, just before the steamer D. J. Purdy left for Fredericton. Among the articles to go up was an automobile, and J. C. Purdy undertook to put it aboard, while backing he lost control and the hind wheels went over the edge of the wharf and hung there. After some difficulty the auto was hoisted up on the wharf and placed safely aboard the steamer.

Arrested on Serious Charge.

John Jones, aged 59 years, and hailing from Nova Scotia, was arrested last evening about 6:30 o'clock by Detectives Duncan and Briggs, and charged with obtaining money under false pretences. The complaint is made by Mrs. B. H. Cochrane of 19 Murray street. It is said that Jones had been employed by a Canadian magazine as solicitor, but his connection with that concern ceased some months ago. The fact he continued soliciting, and, on March 17, obtained money from Mrs. Cochrane. The prisoner will appear in the police court today.

Valuable Dog Killed.

"Tinker," a valuable Airdale dog, owned by John O'Brien of Charlotte street, was accidentally killed yesterday afternoon in front of the Imperial Theatre, when an auto, which bystanders claimed was going at a good rate of speed, ran over it. The driver of the car did not care to ascertain the damage done and proceeded on his way without stopping. Mr. O'Brien stated later that this was the second dog owned by him which had met its death on King Square. He strongly condemned the attitude of motorists in thinking that the roadway in front of the Imperial was a speedway and he said further that this condition was a constant menace to children crossing the street.

VICTORIA DAY WAS QUIETLY OBSERVED

Weather Pleasant in Afternoon and Hundreds Flocked to Popular Centres—The Fishermen Active.

While the threatening weather in the morning served to prevent many contemplated outdoor excursions, Victoria Day was appropriately observed in the city yesterday. Ideal weather prevailed in the afternoon and there was a large exodus to the suburbs. Seaside Park and Glen Falls were also popular resorts. The New Brunswick Power Company brought out their cars for the first time this season and they were crowded to capacity throughout the day.

NEW INDUSTRY FOR MONCTON PROBABLE

Special to The Standard. Moncton, May 24.—The glass works conducted by Humphrey Bros. at Tenton, N. B., are likely to come to Moncton.

The proprietors of the works are in the city and have discussed the proposition with the Board of Trade. Natural gas is the principal factor in the removal of the factory to Moncton. Victoria Day was very quietly observed here. The weather was fine.

MAJOR LEGERE JOINS A FORESTRY UNIT

Following Breaking Up of 165th Second Officer in Command Takes First Chance of Returning to France.

Word has been received in the city that Major Arthur Legere who was second in command of the 165th French Canadian Battalion had transferred to a forestry unit on the other side and had retained his present rank. On the arrival of the 165th Battalion in England it was merged with the 13th Reserve Battalion under Lt. Col. G. W. Fowler. This merger served to make it practically impossible for the senior officers of the 165th to get to France as the authorities are following the system of sending drafts to reinforce the New Brunswick unit on the firing line. Major Legere, who is a former 26th officer, was offered the opportunity to join a forestry unit and this was promptly accepted. It is expected that by this time Major Legere has crossed with his new unit to France.

NURSING SISTER WRITES OF HEROIC DEATH OF PTE. GORDON OTTIE STILWELL

Young Lad Smiled Thankfully When Sister C. L. Carnegie Told She Would Write His Mother. Mrs. Mary Stilwell, of Blair, Queens county received the letter herewith published from a nursing sister in No. 4 General Hospital, France, describing the heroic death of her son, Pte. Gordon Oattie Stilwell, who died of wounds on April 17. Pte. Gordon Stilwell enlisted in the 104th Battalion on March 7, 1916, and crossed to England in that battalion. He was later transferred to the 5th Mounted Rifles with which he was doing his bit when he was wounded. He was twenty-one years of age and loved by all who knew him on account of his genial disposition. The letter follows:

Dear Mrs. Stilwell: Your son came into this hospital a few days ago with a double fracture of the right leg and wounds of a very septic condition on his left leg and several bruises on the arm. His condition was very serious. One leg had to be amputated right away, but he was so splendidly plucky we thought he would be able to fight it all. But after two days he became weaker and died on the 17th at 1 o'clock, a. m. I am so very sorry to send you such bad news for he was a splendid boy and even on the few days he was with us everyone loved and admired him for his spirit of patience. And even at his worst was ready with a joke. Everything possible was done to help to save him, but he was too badly hit. He sent his love and seemed so glad when I told him I would write you. He is buried in the military cemetery near here. With our deepest sympathy, C. L. CARNEGIE. (Sister.)

ANOTHER SAINT JOHN BOY PAYS THE PRICE

Harold E. McKnight Officially Reported Killed in Action May 1.

C. H. McKnight, 86 Wall street, received an official telegram from Ottawa yesterday morning conveying the sad news that his son Harold Eugene had been killed in action May 1. Pte. McKnight, enlisted with the unit commanded by Lieut. Col. Fowler, and after his arrival in England was transferred to another Canadian unit. He is survived by his parents, one brother, Harry L., and one sister, Miss Alice, all of this city.

REV. A. J. GOULD DIES AT VERNON RIVER, P. E. I.

Was Former Pastor of Richmond, N. B., and of Sunny Brae Circuit.

Charlottetown, May 23.—The Rev. A. J. Gould, aged 37, pastor of the Methodist church at Vernon River, died yesterday. His first circuit after ordination was Richmond, near Woodstock, N. B. From there he came to Vernon River. He was a native of England.

Moncton, May 24.—Rev. J. A. Gould, whose death is announced at Vernon River, P. E. I., was formerly pastor of the Sunny Brae circuit and was well known in Moncton and vicinity.

DIED. FCWLER—Died on Wednesday, May 23rd, William H. Fowler. Funeral on Friday, 25th, from 213 Germain street. Service at 2.30.

CANADIAN YOUNG MEN MUST STAY AT HOME UNTIL COUNTRY CALLS

Slackers Will Not Be Able to Evade Military Service by Crossing Border.

THE GOVERNMENT ACTS PROMPTLY

Every Person of Military Age Must Have Passport to Travel Outside of the Dominion.

Measures have already been taken by the government to see that no slacker shall evade military service by crossing the line and arrangements have been made with the United States immigration officials to hold up every male person of military age until they produce the necessary documents to show that permission has been granted for them to leave the country.

After today any male person of military age in this province who desires to cross the line for any purpose must obtain from the Canadian immigration inspector a permit. Application for this permit must be made on a special form which will be supplied by the railway ticket agent or the postmaster, and the applicant must give under oath his reason for wanting to leave the country, and how long he expects to be absent. He must also attach two photographs of himself to the application one of which is filed with the immigration authorities and the other attached to the permit.

After he has obtained the permit he has to satisfy the United States immigration officials that he is the person named therein, and this will add largely to the amount of work to be done by the inspectors between here and Vancouver. Persons caught trying to evade the law are liable to a heavy fine or a long term of imprisonment or both, and it is understood that every precaution will be taken at all points along the border to see that no one of military age gets through without the necessary document.

The Order-in-Council.

Ottawa, May 24.—An order-in-council issued this afternoon taking effect from coast to coast tomorrow morning, makes it illegal, under heavy penalties, for any male person within the ages of 18 and 45 years, ordinarily resident within Canada, to leave the country without the written permission of a Canadian immigration inspector. Application for such permit must be made on special forms, which may be obtained from any railway ticket agent or postmaster. Applicant must declare, under oath, the purpose of his leaving the country, and how long he expects to be absent, and give full description of himself and references for identification. The declaration must also be signed by a sponsor and sworn to before a duly qualified official, and two photographs of the applicant must be attached to the application for permit, one of them being retained by him with the permit for purposes of identification. The applicant must satisfy the immigration authorities that his departure is not with the object of avoiding military service before the permit will be granted. Violation of the law is punishable by fine not exceeding \$2,500, or imprisonment not exceeding five years, or both.

The order does not apply to the military or naval forces when on duty, or to the crews of trains, boats, etc., ordinarily plying between places within and without Canada.

ONE RECRUIT HARKENED TO EMPIRE CALL

Wesley Thompson the Only Recruit Yesterday—Siege Battery Enjoyed Half Holiday—Gunner C. A. Smith in Hospital.

Wesley Thompson was the only man to enlist in St. John for the holiday. He signed up with the Canadian Engineers. Thompson is a native of North Carolina and is a fine looking chap. He has only been in Canada for a short time, but realizing the need of men at the front he walked into the recruiting office yesterday and offered himself to Lieut. McBeath for the Engineers. With the other units seeking recruits in the city it was rather quiet. The Forestry Unit had one application but the applicant was unable to undergo the medical examination yesterday. He will present himself this morning to the doctor. The Field Ambulance and the Siege Battery had an off day as far as recruiting men was concerned. Both units reported no recruits. The regular routine work was carried on by the Siege Battery yesterday morning. The boys enjoyed a half holiday in the afternoon and many of them came over to the city.

The 8th Field Ambulance Corps

LIFE-BOATS NOT UP TO STANDARD

May Queen's Excursion Cancelled—New Lifeboats Will be Provided and Regular Service Resumed Shortly.

The river steamer May Queen did not proceed on its advertised excursion to Brown's Falls yesterday under the auspices of the Allied Amusement Association. The inspectors ordered the captain not to make the trip owing to what they considered unsatisfactory lifeboats. The report that the May Queen herself was not up to the requirements of a river steamer is unfounded.

The manager of the May Queen said last evening that two of the present lifeboats had been put on the boat two years ago under the conditions laid down by the inspector. These will now have to be rebuilt. The remaining two lifeboats were condemned by the inspectors for the reason that they were too small in size. The manager hopes that the lifeboats will be in order so as to enable the May Queen to proceed on her river trips tomorrow. If it is found necessary to rebuild the lifeboats it will probably be next week before the service is resumed.

WOUNDED HEROES RETURN YESTERDAY

Men Who Have Done Their Bit Arrive Home—Germans Do Not Like Close Quarters.

A number of returned men reached the city last night on the Halifax express, some are for here and others for various points along the line.

Among the number was Private J. Burns, who left here about two years ago with a local battalion. After spending about three months in England he was transferred to France and spent about ten months in the trenches before he was wounded. Last June he received a flesh wound which did not take him out of the ranks, but at the battle of Courcette he got him with shrapnel in the left arm and he has not fully recovered the use of it yet. Private Burns said he had no news to offer. The boys were doing their bit as best they could and that was about all there was to it. Asked how the Germans behaved as fighters, he said they were all right at long range, but they did not like to fight at close quarters, although in a corner they would put up a good scrap.

Those who came in last night were: F. McAvity, J. Burns and C. Scott, St. John; E. H. Parent, Fredericton; G. Cogswell, St. Marys; C. E. Lewis, H. Van Tour, J. Russell and P. MacKenzie, Campbellton; Fred. Sewell and G. A. Milton, Moncton; W. J. Watling, Newcastle; George Hanson, Hillsboro; H. Winchester, Dalhousie. This morning the following will arrive: Charles Robinson, secretary of the returned soldiers' commission; George R. McDonald, Little Branch, Kent county; B. R. Bourne, Woodstock; William Smith, Fredericton; R. Moore, Port Elgin and William Bannister, Fernside, Albert county.

VICTIMS OF GERMAN SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN

Harry V. and George G. Waters Go Down with Torpedoed Cattleship.

Word was received in the city yesterday that two St. John boys had fallen victims to the Hun frightfulness campaign, having gone down in a boat which was torpedoed while on her way across carrying supplies to the Allies. Harry V. and George G. Waters, aged respectively 18 and 19, sons of George Waters, who until a few months ago lived in the North End, were the two young men who laid down their lives in the effort to supply the Allies with the food necessary to sustain them in their fight against the German hordes and who served their country as truly as any of the boys in the trenches. The boat on which they were had been sailing out of a United States port carrying cattle, and the younger of the boys, George G., had made two trips and was on his third. The brother, Harry V., was making his second trip when the submarine got the boat and they lost their lives. The mother of the boys is in the hospital at Watertown, Mass., very sick with fever and she has not yet been told of their death.

NOTICE OF FUNERAL.

Members of St. John Lodge of Elms are requested to meet at 213 Germain street at 2.30 o'clock this afternoon for the purpose of attending the funeral of late brother, W. H. Fowler.

was busily engaged yesterday cleaning up their quarters.

Admitted to Hospital.

Gunner C. A. Smith who enlisted in No. 4 Siege Battery and who crossed over to England in that unit, has been admitted to the Epsom Canadian Hospital suffering from shell shock. Word to this effect was received in the city yesterday by his wife, who resides at 55 St. Andrew's street.

Now for Your Fishing Trip. The 24th of May marks really the beginning of the fishing season on lake, river and stream, and with this in mind, a look through your angling kit is now in order that you may learn just what is needed in Files, Hooks, Lines, Reels, etc. FISHING TACKLE. We offer the largest and finest assortment you'll find hereabouts, special features including Forrest's Trout and Salmon Files in all sizes hooks; John Bull Trout and Salmon Lines; Karat Break Trout and Salmon Lines; Also Gut Hooks; Malloch Reels for Trout and Salmon. WOOD AND BRISTOL STEEL FISHING RODS. Landing Nets, Dip Nets, Gaff Hooks, Fly Boxes, Fly Books, Fishing Baskets. SEE OUR SIX PIECE ALUMINUM CAMP COOKING KIT—VERY LIGHT AND COMPACT. ANGLERS' SECTION—SPORTING DEPARTMENT—SECOND FLOOR. MARKET SQUARE W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. KING STREET

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