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MUSICAL EVENING

A large and intelligent audience congregated in the Methodist church on Sunday evening and enjoyed the spiritual inspiration of the service of song rendered by the choir numbering twenty-five under the direction of Mrs M. E. Derbyshire, organist and choir leader.

The choir strengthened by the addition of several musical instruments rendered hymns and anthems in a manner that gave much pleasure to the audience. The male quartette in its second public appearance upheld its reputation showing its ability to handle sacred music as capably as humoresque.

Following was the order of service:

Hymn 29.
Prayer.
Anthem, "Oh Be Joyful."
Solo, "Lead Thou Me On," Mr T. H. Follick, M.A.
Lesson—Psalm 150.
Anthem, "Oh Magnify the Lord With Me."
Hymn 31.
Announcements.

Quartette, "Beautiful Star," Messrs Abrams, McRostie, Horsfield and McNamara.

Address—Rev G. Edwards, Pastor
Offertoire—Selection rendered by two violins, cornet, mandolin and organ.

Solo, "Master Let me Walk With Thee," Miss Helen Brown.

Anthem, "His Mercy Endureth Forever."
Hymn 7.
Benediction.

While the congregation slowly passed out the choir sang "Lord dismiss us with Thy blessing."

OBITUARY

Mrs Henry Layng
The death took place last Wednesday of Mrs Henry Layng at her home on Brockville street, following a prolonged illness. She was born in Athens in 1854, a daughter of the late Thomas Hayes, and came to Smith's Falls thirty eight years ago. Her unusual gifts of intellect were shown early in life when she obtained valuable prizes from the High and Grammar Schools of Athens and obtained recognition as an artist and an eloquent of unusual merit, and having an unusual memory, she could converse intelligently on almost any subject mentioned. Her remarkable gifts of mind were no less than those of heart. "Her children rise up and call her blessed, her husband also he praiseth her." She was a faithful and devoted member of the Baptist church and when she learned that her days were numbered her one thought was "I shall see His face." She leaves to mourn her loss her husband, two sons, Harry of Smith's Falls, Ernest, pursuing his studies for Ph.D., at Illinois University, Illinois, and Mrs Gordon Keith, M.A. of Toronto; two sisters and two brothers, Mrs James Murray of Smith's Falls, and Miss Emma Hayes, Mr Wm. Hayes and Mr Fred Hayes of Athens.—Smith's Falls Record.

SOCKS

(Punch)

Shining pins that dart and click
In the fireside's sheltered place,
Check the thoughts that cluster thick
—Twenty plain and then decrease.

He was brave—well so was I—
Keen and merry; but his lip
Quivered when he said good-bye—
Purl the seam stitch, purl and slip.

Never used to living rough,
Lots of things he'd got to learn;
Wonder if he's warm enough—
Knit 2, catch 2, knit one, turn.

Hark! the paper boys again!
Wish that shout could be suppressed;
Keeps one always on the strain—
Knit off 9 and slip the rest.

Wonder if he's fighting now,
What he's done and where's he's been;
He'll come out on top somehow—
Slip 1, knit 1, purl 14.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children

Always bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Kehoe

ONCE AGAIN

The irrepressible bunch are gaining some renown in sleighing circles. This time Hard Island was the victim of its visitation. Hard Island henceforth stands for hearty invitation. Mr and Mrs Philip Robeson and family do know how to entertain and not a dull moment was allowed to intrude during the whole evening. The weather was ideal and the sleighing very good. The date of this drive, he it known, was on Jan. 30. The chronicle is written in doggerel this 3rd day of Feb, 1915.

Oh why did the citizens line the streets
On Saturday evening last?
With curious gaze they looked adazz
At a contest fearful and vast.

Over thirty veterans of sleigh ride fame
In a desperate struggle swayed
For a bit of a plank in the under rank
To sit white the others strayed.

Bundled in furs and mitts and muffs
They clambered and fell aboard,
And many feet and things to eat
Were in the bottom stored.

The road once took a frantic turn
And headed through the swamp.
With delicious groan in every bone
The sleigh pursued its romp.

The branches of the bushes near
Some nasty stings were scoring,
So S and S and S jumped out and ran
With Smith and Smythe encoring.

Merrily they rode along
On the billows rocking,
And Bill was there with many an air
That caused a lull in talking.

At the foot of the hill they disembarked
And strolled up to the house
Where off came caps and off came wraps
To jollity arouse.

With contests and with merry games
The evening hours flew;
Too much cake meant so much ache
Who wonders if they knew?

The midnight moon shone soft and bright:
A better road was chosen;
A concession trail they did not hail
As a subject of devotion.

There were many laps to every mile
But soon the trip was over
The week had fled so off to bed
Went each and every rover. —Vidi

JUDGE McDONALD RETIRES

The announcement on Saturday that His Honor Judge McDonald had retired on superannuation after a continuous period of service of 42 years, was received with surprise in many quarters. He will retain, for two years at least, the judgeship of the surrogate court, which will be pleasing to his many friends.

For 45 years Judge McDonald was a central figure about the precincts of the court house. He has seen every official come and go, and now that he has retired to enjoy the evening of a well spent life, he will be greatly missed from the bench. As a trial judge he was known throughout the district for his fairness. However some lawyers may have differed from his rulings, each barrister knew that no discrimination as between parties or counsel entered into his decisions. He took no sides in an action and his charges were notable for their fairness and the clearness with which he outlined the law to the jury. Whether on the bench at a trial term or writing an opinion in chambers, he sought always to get at the truth and to secure impartial and honest verdicts. The title of justice was ever to him no mere official phrase, but one to which his official acts entitled him.

Judge McDonald was born at Gananoque Feb. 23, 1842. In October, 1873 he was appointed junior judge of the county court of the United Counties and senior judge of the same court in December, 1878. In 1871 he was elected to the Legislative Assembly, his seat being vacated by his appointment to the bench.

During the Fenian raids of 1866 and 1870 Judge McDonald served in the Brockville militia for which he has a medal and two clasps.

He has always taken a deep interest in church work being connected with the Anglican church in various ways. Judge McDonald has many times conducted services in Christ Church here and given lectures in the school room. Judge McDonald's successor is Mr John K. Dowsley, K. C. of Prescott who will have in his predecessor the highest example of integrity and ability.

CLEAN-UP SALE

Our January Sale has left us with several Remnants and Odds which we will clear at prices like these:
Women's Tailored Waists, were \$1.00, to clear at. .39c and 50c
Women's Fancy Silk and voile Waists—Values up to \$5.00, to clear at. \$1.98
Five Only Pretty Serge Dresses were \$5 and \$6, to clear at. . \$3.90
Six Only Women's Winter Coats, were \$15, to clear at. . . \$1.90
Children's and Women's Aviation Caps, values up to 75c, to clear at. 35c
One piece Black and White Silk, one yard wide, regular 98c, to clear at. 76c
Women's Mocha Gloves, heavy silk lining, in tan or grey, regular \$1.25, to clear at. 79c
Three Only Women's Long Kimonos, in Flannelette, satin trimmed regular \$2.00, for. \$1.19
10 Pairs only, odd sizes, American Lady Corsets, were \$2.50 to clear at. 75c
Leather Shopping Bags, values up to \$1.50, to clear at. 79c
Remnants of Cottons, Flannelettes, Sheetings, Dress Goods, etc., all at. Half Price

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No care or expense has been spared to secure for Nerviline the purest and best materials. It is prepared with a single aim to restore the sick to health. This cannot be said of the preparation that an unscrupulous dealer may ask you to accept instead of Nerviline, so we warn you it is the extra profit made on inferior goods that tempts the substitutor. Of him beware.

Get Nerviline when you ask for it, then you are sure of a remedy that

will cure all aches, strains, swellings, and the pains of rheumatism, neuralgia and lumbago.

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The large 50c. family size bottle is the most economical; trial size, 25c.; at all dealers, or the Catarrhozone Co., Kingston, Canada.



"No," answered Suzy, with sudden energy. "Let justice be done, though the heavens fall. A guilty man had better die for his crime than an innocent one suffer the slightest unjust suspicion through him! What do you think, Lord Wellrose?" she enquired, turning to the earl, confident also of his answer.

"I agree with you perfectly; a falsely accused man should clear himself at whatever cost to the real criminal," answered the earl.

"But if the falsely accused man should be quite alone in the world, the guilty man should have father and mother, brothers and sisters, who would be brought to shame and sorrow by his exposure and punishment, then would not the falsely accused be justified at least in keeping silence?" earnestly enquired Benny.

"By no means," emphatically answered the earl.

As he spoke the door was opened, a visitor was announced, and a lady, dressed with Quakerly simplicity in a gray gown, shawl and bonnet, entered the cell.

"She bowed to the lady and gentleman present without recognizing either, and then advanced to speak to the young prisoner.

"Benjamin Hurst! how little you are changed except in growth! Benjamin, I should be so glad to meet you again, if it were anywhere else than here," she said, taking his hand and pressing it affectionately.

And the earl, at the mention of his own name, arose and bowed, and resumed his seat.

"I have the honor of some slight acquaintance with his lordship," said Rachel, returning the bow, "but the gentlemen visitors of the school have more to do with the teachers' department than with the matrons."

"Rachel!" broke in Suzy once more. "I began by telling you that Benjamin Hurst is doing now in his manhood precisely what he did fifteen years ago in his friendless childhood. He is shielding the guilty at the risk of his own life! Oh, Rachel, please unite with us in trying to persuade him to clear himself from the false imputation of this crime."

"Miss Rachel, I implore you do not attempt to do so. Do not distress yourself or me by urging a course that I cannot pursue," entreated the young man.

"We must trust in Providence to the clearing up of this mystery. It is evident that Mr. Hurst will not clear himself at the expense of another, even when that other is the guilty party. Let us not pursue the discussion," said Lord Wellrose.

Benjamin Hurst thanked his lordship with a grateful look.

And soon after this the visitors departed, after having promised to return the next day.

Suzy went home and telegraphed, and they wrote to the manager of the Theatre Francaise to say that her brother and her friend, Mr. William Juniper, had left London for Paris on the night of the current month, to treat with him concerning an engagement for her and her friend, Miss Rachel, that she had been dally and hourly expecting to see him, or to hear from him on the subject of his mission; but as to the date of her letter she had neither seen nor heard from him; that she was suffering great anxiety on her brother's account, and she besought the manager to say inquiries set on foot in Paris, as she feared that her brother had met with foul play.

o Benny, and said, with some excitement.

"Mr. Hurst, you can bear trouble with great fortitude. Can you bear happiness as well?"

Benny looked at the questioner with surprise, and then, as a gleam of his old humor twinkled in his eyes, he answered:

"I don't know. The experiment has never been tried upon me."

"I think you can bear it, however," said the lawyer, with a smile. "Now listen, Mr. Hurst. And Lord Wellrose, you too, will be astonished! I am glad, however, that Miss Suzy is not here to-day. If she had been, our conversation must have been deferred until her departure."

"It seems to me that you are taking unusual pains to prepare us for something," said Lord Wellrose, with a smile not devoid of curiosity.

"Yes, I am preparing you for something, Benjamin Hurst!" he said, ordering to the prisoner, "we bring an order for your immediate discharge. You are entirely cleared from all imputation of guilt. You are a free man from this hour!"

"Thank God!" exclaimed the astonished and delighted prisoner, even without knowing or suspecting the cause of his deliverance. "Oh, thank God!"

And he burst into tears of joy and gratitude.

"Mr. Hurst, I am delighted," added Percy Melliss, warmly grasping and shaking the hand of the young man.

"I congratulate you with all my heart, though I do not, in the least, understand the turn affairs have taken. God bless you, Benjamin Hurst," said Lord Wellrose, earnestly shaking his hand.

"Thanks, thanks," said Benny, half choking with emotion.

The governor of the jail then begged permission to read the order for the prisoner's discharge, and he read it.



due time she will take comfort," said Mr. Percy Melliss.

"Ah, she will be awfully shocked by the news, who will venture to break it to her?" murmured the young man sorrowfully.

"That will I," answered the Earl of Wellrose gravely, as he arose from the table.

"Ah, my lord, it will be a painful task," said Benny.

"I know it," murmured the earl, "and then, after a pause, he said: 'Mr. Hurst, will you do me a favor?'"

"Assuredly, my lord."

"Will you, then, follow my advice to you—which is, to take a room here for the present, and wait till I can have an opportunity of consulting with you about your future career?"

"I will," Lord Wellrose, with thanks, replied Benjamin, who, for some occult reason, arising out of his unconscious blood relationship, or from some hidden sympathy or pure love and trust, or from all these causes combined, never felt the slightest sense of humiliation in receiving favors from his unknown brother.

navy? Take time to think, before deciding," said the earl kindly.

"If I might choose—" began Benny. And then he blushed like a girl, and paused.

"Choose! It is what I desire you to do. What would you like?"

"All England is arming for the Crimean war. I should like to enter the army."

"Ah, poor boy! He had never known his father, yet he had inherited his father's martial passion. William Douglas had also wanted 'to enter the army.'"

Lord Wellrose reflected for a few moments, during which Benny misinterpreted his silence, and hastened to say:

"Ah, forgive me, my lord! I spoke impulsively and without discretion. I know now how improper my wish is, since I have not the physical powers of endurance that would fit me to be a common soldier in war time, nor yet the education that would prepare me for the duties of an officer. You are right, my lord."

"You mistake me, my dear Hurst. I have been turning over in my mind the best and quietest way of meeting your views. And I have found it now. I have a young friend—Ensign Charles Blount, of the — regiment of foot. His regiment is ordered to the Crimea, and he does not want to go there. He wishes to sell out and stay at home. Good! His commission shall be purchased for you. You shall enter the army, and go to the war, Mr. Hurst; and, although you enter it only as an ensign, which is the lowest grade of commissioned officer, yet I feel persuaded that you will rise."

(To be Continued.)

Jack Frost.

Jack Frost looked forth one still, clear night.

And whistled: "Now I'll be out of sight; So through the valley and over the height In silence I'll take my way— The Wind and the snow, the hail and the rain Who makes so much bustle and noise in vain But I'll be as busy as they."

Then he flew to the mountain, and pounced on the trees, and their boughs he lit in diamond beads; and over the breast of the quivering lake he spread a coat of mail, that it need not fear the downward point of many a spear. That he hung on its margin, far and near, Where a rock could rear its head, He went to the windows of those who sleep, And over each pane like a fairy crept; Where he breathed, wherever he slept. By the light of the moon, were seen Most beautiful things; there were flowers and garlands, and there were towns. There were cities with temples and towers. All pictured in silver sheen. But he did one thing that was hardly fair: He stepped in the cupboards, and finding That all had forgotten for him to prepare, "Now just to set them a-thinking, I'll put this basket of fruit," said he; And the glass of water they've left for me. He stepped quick to tell them 'tis for drink. —HANNA E. GOULD.

ALMOST EVERYONE NEEDS A TONIC

Almost everyone—man, woman and child—needs a tonic at sometime. It is often said that a man is lazy because he takes little or no interest in his work; but the truth is he is not lazy. He needs a tonic. The same is true of the woman who does not hustle over her home work, but only feels fit to be in bed. She is not merely tired, but ill. A dull pain in the head or back, poor appetite, loss of strength with low spirits and loss of interest in life show that you need a tonic to brace up the nerves and give you a new lease of life. The proof is that when the right tonic is taken all the trouble quickly disappears. The one tonic—the only tonic—for weak and ailing men, women and children is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which speedily bring back abundant health, strength and energy. They have done this in thousands and thousands of cases as is proved by the following: Mr. Ed. A. Owen, Burdett, Alta, says: "About two years ago my health was in a wretched condition. My whole system seemed to be run down and the doctor seemed puzzled at my condition. I had no appetite, exertion would leave me breathless, and I was troubled much with dizziness. And the medicine I took did me no good and I was steadily growing weaker. My mother urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and before I had taken them very long I began to feel like a new man and continuing their use I was restored to complete health. I now recommend them to all run down in health as they are the best medicine I know of."

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CAPTAIN—COMMANDER.

Two Naval Terms That Confuse Are Here Explained.

The titles captain and commander in the royal navy are very confusing to the average layman.

A commander is an officer promoted from a lieutenant of generally ten to twelve years' seniority, those promotions taking place twice a year, June 30 and Dec. 31, and are of education. A commander holds that rank for five or seven years, and then is promoted to captain, again by rotation. Once a captain he goes up to the captain's list, you might say automatically, as each flag-officer on the admiral's active list retires or dies. The senior captain gets his promotion to rear-admiral, unless he attains the age of 55 while a captain, when he has to retire. The captain is in charge of the command of the ship. He has his own mess and quarters, except in flag-ships, where he messes with the admiral and staff, and in destroyers and torpedo boats, where all officers mess together. The commander is the next in command, and his duties are numerous. He organizes the ship's company for their various duties. On a ship being placed in commission he sits at a table with the various heads of the departments, and gunnery and torpedo officers, chief of party officers, chief of mess, chief of stokers, etc., each man receives a card with his name, number on the ship's books, mess, hammock, bag (which he keeps in his kit in), his place in seniority, his collision, or abandon ship.

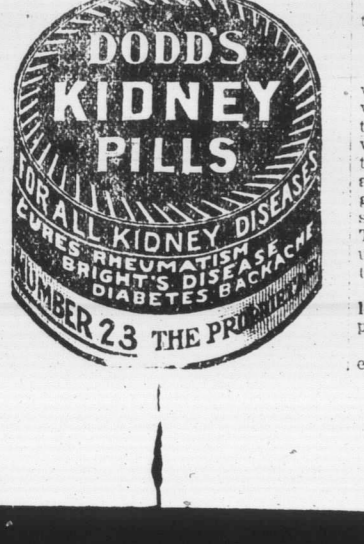
The commander has the whole control of the discipline of the crew under the captain. He is the only officer, with the captain, who has the power of punishment. The engineer commander, who carries out the superintendency of his department, has no power to punish his stokers in any way, and all defaulters are brought first before the commander, who either deals with them himself or forwards them to the captain. The commander messes in the ward room, and is ex-officio president of the mess.

The commander is the busiest man on board. His day is never finished. Every signal, official correspondence, and anything dealing with the ship or crew he has to see and initial. He is practically on a deck or superintending some drill or exercise from the time the hands fall in at 5.30 in the morning until his final inspection of the ship at 9 p.m., when he has to report to the captain that everything is correct, he previously having received reports from the representatives of the various departments, gunnery, gunnery and other officers, the carpenter, and other officers that all their departments are correct at the night.

The average age of a commander is about 33 when promoted to the rank of commander.

A commander in the royal navy is the peer of a lieutenant in the army.

Although wireless apparatus has been developed until the wireless is saved by its use.



The Earl of Wellrose was sitting with Benny in his cell, and speaking words of comfort and encouragement to prepare him for his arraignment with cheerfulness and strength, when the door was suddenly thrown open, and Percy Melliss, accompanied by the governor of the jail and the high sheriff of the county, entered the cell. The faces of all three bore signs of unusual disturbance, though it seemed to be of a pleasant nature.

Lord Wellrose and Benjamin Hurst looked at them and at each other, expecting—they knew not what.

The three newcomers bowed to the earl and then Mr. Percy Melliss turned

to Benny, and said, with some excitement.

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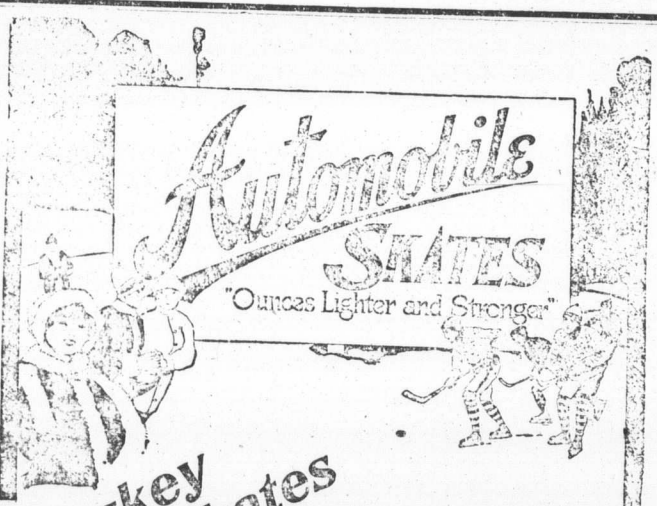
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SHIPPING RAIDS BEGINS

Germans Destroy Five British Merchant Vessels.

Submarines Sink Three Steamers in the Irish Sea and Two in the English Channel — Crews Are All Landed in Safety — One Ship Carried Food For Destitute Belgians From New Zealand.

LONDON, Feb. 1. — Five British merchant steamers were sunk by German submarines during Saturday and Sunday at various points in the Irish Sea and the English Channel.

The new raid in British shipping circles. The first announcement of the success of the submarines was in the following official statement issued by the French Minister of Marine: "The British steamer Tokomaru has been sunk by a torpedo from a German submarine. The British vessel Icarus also was torpedoed in the same locality. In the Irish Sea the British steamers Linda Blanche and Ben Cruachen were torpedoed.

"Hitherto the Germans, before attacking a merchant vessel, always allowed the crews sufficient time to embark in the ship's boats. That custom has now been abandoned, as is shown by the bombardment of the Admiral Gautheime, which was filled with Belgian women and children refugees. The German marine has decided to violate systematically and deliberately international law."

The new raid brings the information from French naval experts that Germany has a fleet of eighteen powerful submarines capable of attacking Britain's overseas commerce. Each craft has a radius of 2,500 miles, while a radius of only 2,000 miles is necessary to enforce Admiral von Tirpitz's threat to chase British commercial ships from their home seas.

The torpedo made a hole below the water line, but the Tokomaru remained afloat for half an hour. This gave the crew of fifty-seven men a chance to get off in the small boats. The crew was picked up by the trawler Hooper and brought to Havre yesterday afternoon. No details are available concerning the torpedoing of the Icarus.

Advices from Fleetwood say: The German submarine U-21 on Saturday torpedoed the North Shields steamer Ben Cruachen off this port. The entire crew, number twenty, was landed here. The captain of the steamer says he was overtaken by the submarine on Saturday morning and ordered to leave his ship within ten minutes. Hardly had the crew got into the boats when a torpedo was fired, and the steamer went down.

The Ben Cruachen, which was 1,978 tons and belonged to the Morrison Shipping Co., was on a voyage from the Orkney Islands to Liverpool with a general cargo. Fleetwood is one of the principal fishing and shipping ports on the west coast.

The steamer Graphic, with passengers, Belfast to Liverpool, one paper says, passed wreckage and soon afterwards saw the Ben Cruachen sunk. The Graphic was chased, but eluded pursuit and reached the Mersey safely.

Two other vessels besides the Ben Cruachen were sunk by the German submarine U-21. This fact became known when a trawler brought in the eleven members of the crew of the steamer Linda Blanche, which was sent to the bottom by the German raider.

The Linda Blanche was on its way from Manchester to Belfast when the submarine sighted her and opened fire. Officers came aboard and in perfect English ordered the crew to leave the steamer. As soon as the men of the Linda Blanche were in their boats the Germans attached a mine to the bridge and another to the forecastle. When these were exploded the vessel was destroyed.

The skipper of the vessel stated that at two o'clock Saturday afternoon he sighted another ship, on which an explosion evidently had occurred. He was steering in the direction of this vessel when he picked up the Linda Blanche's boats. When he reached the point where he had seen the other ship, he found no trace of wreckage, and he believed it went down after he first sighted it.

The crew of the British steamer Kilecan has been landed on the Isle of Man, in the Irish Sea, by the coasting steamer Gladys. The crew reports that the Kilecan was sunk by a submarine. The Kilecan was a small steamer of 456 tons.

Leinster Chased; But Escaped. DUBLIN, Feb. 1. — The steamer Leinster, from Holyhead to Kingston, reports that she was chased by a German submarine for fifteen minutes off the Irish Light vessel, but succeeded in escaping.

The Irish Light vessel is opposite the mouth to Ince Bay. The Allan Line steamer Scandinavia, from St. John, N.B., Jan. 22, for Liverpool, with 500 passengers on board, learned of the raid of the 21st, and put into Queenstown. After remaining in Queenstown for a short time, the steamer proceeded for Liverpool.

Bread Goes Up in the U. S. CHICAGO, Feb. 1. — Six-cent bread was enforced here Saturday night by the National Association of Bakers, through its secretary, Jos. M. Bell. While the bakers were considering raising the price of the five-cent loaf, the Clean Food Club was outlining a campaign to teach housewives the economy of home-made bread.

To Use Motor Cars. DETROIT, Feb. 1. — The Pere Marquette Railroad will on Monday begin its substitution of motor cars for passenger trains on the branches that have proven their inability to meet expenses of passenger traffic under the present plan of operation.

TRENCHES RECAPTURED

British Have Retrieved All Losses at La Bassee.

While Weather Along Western Front Favors Infantry Movements the Ground Is Not Yet Hard Enough For Movement of Artillery — Allied Guns Are Now Far Superior To The Krupp Weapons.

PARIS, Feb. 1. — All the trenches momentarily lost by the British army at La Bassee were retaken in a strong assault by the first division Saturday night. Fighting at this important position was no child's play, for the French official statement says that the Germans left a great many dead before the British trenches.

Owing to the setting in of frosty weather, with an invigorating element in the atmosphere, the soldiers are full of fighting, and constant attacks along the front may be expected, but owing to the condition of the roads, which are not yet suitable for the movement of ponderous artillery, a general advance can hardly be looked for till after the break up of spring.

The Germans made a movement to overcome the French at Fontaine Madame Sunday morning. Three attacks were driven off here with great slaughter. Heavy artillery firing was the feature of the operations Saturday night and Sunday morning and in the work the allies more than held their own, and they had successes to their credit. As time goes on to their credit they have more and more of an ascendancy over the Krupp artillery. Effective work was performed by the French guns Saturday night and Sunday morning in the sections of Arras, Roye, Soissons, Rheims and Perthes. Two of the German guns were destroyed, several field works were made untenable and collections of lance bombs were exploded. The long range field pieces got the range of several concentrations of troops made for attacks, and caused their hasty dispersal. Bivouacs and convoys were also severely handled by the same fire.

The answer of the allies to the German revival of the offensive last week has been to move additional batteries to the front, so as to cope with the increased armament of the Germans. It may be surmised that when the allies begin to advance in earnest the Germans will be given a few matters for wonder in the gunnery branch of warfare.

The French still hold the Village of Ansomont, near Badonviller, which the German official statement claimed the Germans had occupied.

No changes reported in the situation from the Argonne to the Vosges. The Germans heavily bombarded Arras, Rurie and Roolincourt. They exploded a mine on the plateau of Nivron without attaining any results, as they expected. The French troops in the Argonne were forced to withdraw Saturday about 250 yards, owing to the long occupation of the trenches making them untenable. Serious losses on both sides occurred in the performing of these operations.

GENUINE AGENTS. List of Allies' Representatives Given to Prevent Frauds. OTTAWA, Feb. 1. — In consequence of the misrepresentations that have been made to business firms in the United States and Canada by persons who have fraudulently styled themselves purchasing agents for the British and French Governments, it has been considered advisable by the Government to publish the following list of purchasing agents for military purposes of the allied Governments: British—Col. A. G. Barton and F. W. Stobart, Ritz Carlton Hotel, Montreal.

French—Hudson Bay Co., Montreal; Capt. Le Folloux, Hotel Brevoort, New York; Direction De L'Intendance, Bordeaux, France; M. De La Chaume, 28 Broadway, London.

Russian—Ruperts and Alexsief, care of the Russian Embassy, Washington.

Prisoners Are Troublesome. KINGSTON, Jan. 31. — German prisoners are giving some trouble by attempting to escape. Some have broken camp, but have been recaptured. The authorities are vigilant, but while maintaining discipline, have no desire to be extremely severe. Men who refused to work for the pay offered, have been tried and punished, and one prisoner, while attempting to escape Monday night, was wounded by a sentry. The prisoners who number nearly seven hundred, are being well treated, but made to understand that insubordination will be punished.

In Norwegian Waters. LONDON, Feb. 1. — The Morning Post has the following from Paris: "The Copenhagen correspondent of Le Temps hears from a trustworthy source that German submarines are cruising in Norwegian waters, contrary to international law. It is believed they have depots in deserted islands farthest away from the coast, and reconnoitered during the manœuvres held for several years past off the Norwegian coast."

Cattle May Be Imported. OTTAWA, Feb. 1. — The Federal authorities are now allowing the importation of cattle from the Channel Islands. Permit must first be obtained from the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa in the usual way. Such importations are not allowed from Great Britain and Ireland.

School Burned Down. WALLACEBURG, Feb. 1. — Fire originating from spontaneous combustion in a coal bin, destroyed the North Side Public School here yesterday afternoon. The estimated loss is \$20,000, with insurance of \$17,000.

NEWS TOPICS OF WEEK

Important Events Which Have Occurred During the Week.

The Busy World's Happenings Carefully Compiled and Put into Handy and Attractive Shape for the Readers of Our Paper—A Solid Hour's Enjoyment.

TUESDAY. The Austro-Hungarian import duty on cottonseed oil, the whole supply of which comes from the United States, has been reduced from 40 to 15 krona.

The roof of the Palace Skating Rink at Port Colborne collapsed yesterday morning, luckily when there was nobody in the rink. A big hockey match was held Saturday night. Fire destroyed the West Grain Co. elevator at Carleton Place, on Sunday. The elevator had 5,000 bushels in it at the time, and the total loss is about \$20,000, partly covered by insurance.

A Russian Imperial ukase, issued yesterday, fixed Jan. 30 as the date for the reopening of the session of the Council of State, and Feb. 2 as the day when the sittings of the Douma shall be resumed.

A fire which started in the rear of Miss Thompson's millinery parlor at St. Catharines, and spread to Devor's shoe store did damage which is not likely to exceed \$6,000, partially covered by insurance.

The Red Cross Society of England has asked the Canadian Militia Department, it is reported unofficially, to furnish doctors and hospital orderlies to take charge of a base hospital which is being organized by the Red Cross Society.

The German Government has accepted the alternative offered by the United States in the case of the prize collier, K.D. 3, formerly the British collier Fern, and has consented to her internment for the war, with her crew, at San Juan, Porto Rico.

WEDNESDAY. Steamship traffic between Trelleborg, Sweden, and Sassnitz, Germany, has come to an end. The route is now controlled by allied submarines. Emil Nerlich, charged in Toronto with high treason, occupied the same cell in the jail Sunday night as Harry Asher, who shot the Rev. J. McPherson Scott some time ago in the east end.

Women suffrage passed the West Virginia Legislature yesterday. The vote in the Senate was 28 to 1, and in the House 80 to 6. The measure will be voted upon by the people at the next election.

Three short, sharp earthquakes have shook the Isthmus of Panama in the last three days, the third one occurring yesterday. None of the shocks did any damage, though the inhabitants were considerably frightened.

The Japanese battleship Hizen and the armored cruiser Iwate appeared yesterday outside the three-mile international limit and began taking coal from the collier Kanakura Maru, which had just left Honolulu.

Following the establishment of an employment bureau among the students of the School of Science, in Toronto, efforts are being made to provide as large a percentage of students as possible with positions during the coming summer.

Petitions in London, Ont., are being circulated calling for a civic or military trial of H. J. Glaubitz, the German-born general manager of the London Public Utilities Commission, who is charged with aiding a German reservist to leave the country.

THURSDAY. It was stated authoritatively yesterday that President Wilson will veto the immigration bill because of the literacy test. Aeroplane raids and bomb-dropping expeditions, the Carranza agency at Washington announces, are to be conducted against Mexico City.

Baron von Burián, the new Austro-Hungarian Minister of Foreign Affairs, has been decorated by Emperor William with the order of the Black Eagle.

Despite the announcement that the Boer uprising in South Africa has been completely crushed, the rebels in Bechuanaland are still fighting against overwhelming forces.

Australian Government announced yesterday that it had a plan for the formation of a rifle reserve of half a million men, which may be used in Europe if the war is prolonged.

by the censor in cable communication between Denmark and the United States.

Bert. Quinn, aged 30, died in the Hotel Dieu at Kingston, yesterday as the result of injuries received late on Wednesday night, when his horse ran away. Quinn was a farmer, living on Pittsburg road.

At Brooklyn, N.Y., Louis Stone, five years old, and Dorothy, three, daily had seen their mother, Mrs. Rose Stone, bathe their infant sister, and they tried to do as she had done. The result was the drowning of the infant.

SATURDAY. The Swift Canadian Co., Ltd., gives notice of change of head office from Winnipeg to Toronto.

John McCoy, aged 53, a prominent Conservative and councillor, of Madoc, is dead at Welland. A widow, two daughters and a son survive.

Judge McDonald of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville has retired, after 42 years on the bench. J. K. Dowseley, K.C., of Prescott, has been appointed to succeed him.

The Dominion Government has further relaxed the regulations due to the foot and mouth disease in the United States, to permit the importation of hay from Northern Michigan. The oil tank steamer Brindilla sailed from Shields yesterday for the United States, after having been detained there for several days by the customs officers, pending an enquiry into her ownership.

An order was issued from Salisbury, Eng., camp headquarters yesterday stating that no Canadian footwear will be worn by the men who go to the front, as the boots have been found unsatisfactory.

The death of Erwin Beit von Speyer, nephew of James Speyer of the New York banking firm of Speyer & Co., while fighting with the German forces in France, has just been announced by The Frankfurter Zeitung.

A Hungarian named Monos attempted to get into the United States from Canada. He was unsuccessful. He tried another route and got through, reaching Watertown, N.Y., when the immigration agent captured him and returned him to Kingston.

Reports from Paris state that a Zepelin raid was attempted near Nancy and frustrated. It is reported that Charles F. G. Masferrer has resigned as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, in the British Government.

Kingston police have unearthed a half a ton of brass belonging to the Grand Trunk. It had been shipped to a local junk shop from Ottawa. Another skirmish with the Turkish advance guard not far from Suez is reported from the British forces in Egypt. It was not of a serious character.

Between \$15,000 and \$20,000 worth of diamonds were stolen Saturday from the pawn shop of Adolph Stern in New York by three automobile bandits.

San Luis Potosi is again in the hands of Carranza forces. It was turned over without a battle Friday and the fall of Monterey now held by Villa troops, is reported imminent.

Kingston had its coldest weather of the winter during Friday night, when the thermometer showed 24 degrees below zero. At eight o'clock Saturday morning it was 18 below.

State Department officials in Washington have declared that the purchase by the Government of ships belonging to the belligerents had not become a subject of official negotiation.

All the inhabitants of British colonies now in Germany, except those born in Australia, will be interned in camps at various points, according to an order which has been issued in Berlin.

ADVANCES EVERYWHERE. Russian War Office Reports Progress All Along the Line. LONDON, Feb. 1. — Despatches from Petrograd yesterday claim success on every front on which the Russian army is engaged. In East Prussia, in central Poland, on the Carpathian front, where the Russians say the fighting is assuming "the character of a general battle," in the Caucasus, and in Persia the armies of the Czar are advancing against the Turks or holding their own. In the Caucasus, indeed, their successes are claimed to be more pronounced. There is no confirmation of the unofficial report that the Russians have recaptured Tabriz, in Persia, but the report may be true, as the official despatches tell of a severe defeat of the Turks in that neighborhood and the flight of the fugitives toward Tabriz.

Vienna reports of the capture of 10,000 Russians and the recapture of the Carpathian passes are regarded with skepticism. The Russian General Staff yesterday gave out the following statement: "In the region of the forests north of Pilsallen and Graulichen (East Prussia) the battle continues. Here in the region of the village of Liebagalen we repulsed the Germans by a counter-attack with bayonets. "On the left bank of the Vistula, and the approaches to Berlin, the Germans, during the night of Jan. 29 and the next day, repeated their attacks upon our positions. They were everywhere thrown back with great losses, except at one trench, which remained in the hands of the enemy. "On the Carpathian front, in the passes of Dukla and Wyszow, the fighting is gradually assuming the character of a general battle."

