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SPECIAL XMAS SALE

DECEMBER 16th TO DECEMBER 31st

Men's Overcoats	
Regular \$10.00, Sale Price \$	8.25
12.00, "	9.60
15.00, "	11.95
18.00, "	14.25
20.00, "	15.95
22.00, "	17.25
25.00, "	18.50

Men's Colored Suits	
Regular \$10.50, Sale Price \$	8.35
12.50, "	9.75
15.00, "	11.99
18.00, "	14.39
20.00, "	15.89
22.00, "	17.35

Boys Overcoats	
Less 25% Sizes 33, 34 and 35	

Blacks and Blues	
at \$15.00, \$18.00, \$20.00,	
and \$22.00.	

Boys Reefers	
Less 50%	

Men's Boots	
Regular \$6.00 Tan Boots for	\$4.50
" 5.50 "	4.25
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Men's Low Shoes in black and tan,	at 25% Discount.

Ladies' Shoes	
A few pairs of Ladies' Pumps to	clear at \$1.00.
115 pairs of Ladies' Low Shoes at	\$1.50.
25% Discount on all lines of	Ladies' Boots.

Everything in Men's Wear suitable for Christmas Gifts, at **RUSSELL & MORRISON'S**
No Credit! -:- No Appropriation! -:- No Exchange!

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Leather Strap Watches, \$2.50 to \$12.00
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CALL AND EXAMINE OUR STOCK

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Hear the famous **Amherst Player** and other Pianos, which we are offering at a big discount for the Holiday season. A beautiful gift for the home. Guaranteed for twenty years. Write for prices and cuts. Our terms are easy.

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See our full line of Furniture which includes Morris Chairs, Leather Covered Chairs, Buffets, Sideboards, Brass Beds, Iron Beds, Springs and Mattresses, Etc.

MEN'S COATS

A big line of Men's Coats. Also Robes, Blankets, Harness and a full stock of

SLEIGHS

ALL AT BIG REDUCTIONS FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

See our line before purchasing elsewhere. Store open evenings

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Shooting Affray Sunday Night

Allan Black Shot Through Leg—Wm. Harriman Charged With Having Fired Shot

A shooting affray occurred here Sunday evening in front of the post office, about 8 o'clock, when Allan Black, of Newcastle, received a bullet wound in the right leg below the knee, and William Harriman, a soldier at the Wireless, and belonging to Newcastle, is charged with having fired the shot.

According to rumor, Harriman had had some words with another party who resented an insult and engaged Harriman in a fist encounter in which Harriman was worsted. This part of the affair having ended, Harriman went away, and coming back later on he met Black at the post office, with a number of other boys, and drawing a revolver, it was discharged, the bullet striking Black as above stated.

The wounded man was at once taken to the office of Dr. McGrath, who finding the wound a serious one, told Black he would have to be removed to the hospital. He was driven to his home by friends and on Monday afternoon he was taken to the Hotel Dieu hospital at Chatham.

Chief Morrell, learning of the shooting at once made efforts to locate Harriman, who disappeared immediately after the shooting. Information given the Chief led him to go to Harriman's home, where he found him and placed him under arrest, locking him up.

The preliminary hearing was held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon before Police Magistrate Lawlor, who after reading the charge, remanded him until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, advising Harriman that he need not answer till then the charge made against him, and giving him a chance to obtain counsel.

The shooting, besides being a serious case, has its sad side as well. Mr. Black, the unfortunate man who was the victim, is a peaceful and law-abiding citizen, a married man with a family to support, and what ever punishment may be inflicted upon the accused man, that punishment, be it heavy or light, will in no wise make the wounded man's case any easier to bear, or heal his wound.

He has a large number of friends in town who deeply regret the unfortunate position he has been placed in, and trust that his case may not be so serious as was thought at the time.

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Harcourt	150
Loggieville	375
Millerton	220
New Carlisle	247
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Restigouche	200
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Mrs. James Barry Proud to Have Her Three Boys Serving The Empire

(Fredericton Gleaner)

With the appointment of Lieut. Arthur L. Barry, as Captain with the 132nd Battalion being recruited on the North Shore of the Province by Lieut. Col. G. W. Mersereau of Doaktown, the third son of Mrs. James Barry of this city, donned the khaki in active service in this war. Mrs. Barry naturally feels not a little proud of her three sons, who have endeavored to do their bit in this great fight for humanity.

Capt. Barry has been on duty at the Newcastle wireless station for almost a year, having previously been a teacher at one of the Newcastle public schools. He received his appointment to Mersereau's Battalion recently and has already started to assist in recruiting for the new unit.

One brother, Private John A. Barry, with the 55th Battalion in England, and a younger brother, Brydone Barry is with the 132nd Battalion.

Recruiting Committee Meetings

Held Friday and Monday Evenings—Committees Appointed

The Recruiting Committee met again Friday evening, Mr. Park in the chair, nine gentlemen present. Judge Lawlor said that in Chatham they had Finance, Publicity, District Organization, Entertainment, Reception and Emergency Committees and the same would be needed here. The Organization Committee was the most pressing for us.

Lt. De La Paquette said that committee would have to see about holding meetings all over the District.

E. A. McCurdy said that prominent men from Redbank and Whiteville had assured him that they would help in their sections, supply list of eligible young men, etc. There were at least 26 in Redbank alone.

Rev. Dr. Harrison said that it was vital to have all the citizens notified that they were part of this recruit.

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PRESBYTERY MEETING HELD YESTERDAY

Demands Equal Recognition of All Churches, and Provincial Prohibition of the Liquor Traffic

The Miramichi Presbytery met here yesterday. There were present: Ministers—Revs. W. McN. Matthews, Moderator, Bathurst; Alex. Rennie, Clerk, Millerton; S. J. MacArthur, Newcastle; J. W. McLean, St. Andrew's church, Chatham; John Harris, St. John's, Chatham; Geo. P. Tattler, Tabusintac, Alex. Pirih, Douglastown; Geo. R. Grant, Black River; J. F. McCurdy, Redbank; F. L. Jobb, New Mills; J. W. MacKay, Harcourt; Hugh Miller, Campbellton. Elders—Ralph Searle, Black River; Mr. Matthews, Chatham.

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Sudden Death of Respected Citizen

John B. Robertson, of Nelson, Died Suddenly Saturday Afternoon

The community was shocked on Saturday afternoon by the sudden death of John B. Robertson of Nelson, a well-known and highly respected citizen of the Miramichi for years. Mr. Robertson, who appeared in the best of health, left his home to walk across the Morris Bridge to Newcastle, as he often did. When near the Newcastle side he jumped on to the Canadian Gear Works wagon, driven by Thomas Scott, and conversed about the weather, etc. Just after reaching this side, he suddenly fell from the wagon, striking heavily on the ground. He was taken to the Gear Works office, a block away, and Dr. Park was summoned, but life had flown. Heart trouble must have caused death. The body was taken to Maltby's Undertaking office, to await the decision of the Coroner. Dr. Desmond arrived late in the evening, having been away on a sick call, and held an investigation. He decided an inquest was not necessary and gave permission for the body to be removed.

The late Mr. Robertson was a native of Glasgow, Scotland, where he was born 72 years ago last July. He came to Miramichi about 60 years ago, and early became a useful and prominent member of St. James' Presbyterian church, of which he finally became an Elder, and of the Northumberland Lodge, No. 17 A. F. & A. M., and of Newcastle Division No. 45, Sons of Temperance, of which organizations he continued an active worker. He had been a Mason 42 years and a Son of Temperance still longer.

Mr. Robertson was an engineer, employed at first in Nelson Mills, and then for 25 years with the D. & J. Ritchie Co. A few years ago he retired from active service, and settled in Nelson, again, but visited Newcastle almost daily and attended St. James' Church as regularly as usual.

Mr. Robertson was twice married. His first wife was Miss Grace Lynn of Nelson. By her he had two children: Elizabeth (Mrs. R. W. Card), Everett, Mass.; and Penelope (Mrs. Donald McTavish), of Strathadam. His second wife, who survives him, was Miss Isabelle McLeod of Montague, P. E. I. Mrs. Katherine Hotten of Boston is the only surviving sister.

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon under both Presbyterian and Masonic auspices, and was largely attended. Rev. S. J. MacArthur was the officiating clergyman, and interment was in St. James cemetery.

The pallbearers were J. H. Phinney, James Falconer, T. W. Flett, Daniel Baldwin, Johnson and McLaughlin. The hymns sung were Safe in the Arms of Jesus, Rock of Ages and We speak of the Realm of the Blest. Many floral tributes were sent, among them wreaths from the Masons, the family, and deceased's friends, Mrs. Miss Bertha Card, of Everett, Mass.

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North Shore Has Responded Nobly

Sergt. Knight in Halifax, Says Newcastle is Doing Her Share

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 2.—After six weeks work in New Brunswick, during which he spoke two and even three times a day and secured 2,000 recruits, Sergt. Norman Knight has returned to his home in this city. Sergeant Knight established a record of 102 recruits at one meeting. At St. John he was escorted to the station by the Mayor and City Commissioners, headed by a band.

What The British Fleet Has Done

Some Instances of What Sea Power Has Meant in the Great War

It is hard for the landsman to realize that the silent pressure of sea power may decide the ultimate issue of the great war without any pitched battle whatever. It has been said that one single error in the fleet might end the history of England; yet men have asked in wonder and scepticism—where is the fleet? What is it doing? Where are those boasted monsters of mystery that slip in and out of the fog, the watch-dogs of the empire, bound whither and whence no man knows? But this policy of secrecy being maintained so rigidly? We the public, have paid the bill; and it has been a whole of a bill—£1,000,000 in 1900 for dreadnoughts, £1,500,000 in 1905 for dreadnoughts, £1,500,000 in 1910 for dreadnoughts, and £2,700,000 in 1916 for super-dreadnoughts, with such speed and fitting power as the world has never before known. We've paid the bill and whooped huzzas, and trusted the fate of the empire to the fleet. What's the fleet doing? We have a right to know.

Just what the fleet means to England is best appreciated when you remember that the German naval base is less than 375 miles from London, or 500 miles from the Firth of Forth, which is the base for the English North Sea Fleet. Put it another way! It would take the German fleet less time to reach England than it would take a New Yorker to hop on the train and reach Montreal. To be explicit, the fleets of the two greatest rival powers are only sixteen hours apart!

Maxim says that a European power could land 200,000 men on the Atlantic shores of the United States a month before a defensive force—naval and land—could be mobilized to repel invasion. If that danger exists for the United States, 3,000 miles, or ten days, away from hostile base—how much greater is the danger to European powers at war only sixteen hours apart!

What the fleet has been doing has already been guardedly answered by Premier Asquith. The fact that England has not been invaded is the silent work of the mysterious fleet; and it hasn't been negative work. It has been positive, though every move has been shrouded in mystery and secrecy.

The fleet has guarded the transport of 2,500,000 men. It has brought home more than half a million invalids. It has protected the carrying of 3,000,000 tons of food and supplies for Great Britain. It has made safe the conveying of 800,000 horses. It has ensured the allies' supplies and munitions to the value of a billion and a half dollars. It has patrolled the sea lanes of the world for a year and a half; so, though the most colossal war that ever shook the world is in progress, the remotest sea lane outside the mined areas is safe as in times of peace.—From "What Sea Power Means to England," by A. C. East, in the American Review of Reviews for December.

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Enlisted With 132nd In Campbellton

Charlie Vertig Formerly of Newcastle Had Served With German Forces

Among the recruits enlisted in Campbellton is Charlie Vertig, a Dane, who has had an interesting military history. He was born in Copenhagen and at the age of four years removed with his people to Germany, where his parents established themselves in business. His first recollection of Prussianism was when he was attending German public school. He would be about ten years of age and was fined two pennies for speaking his native tongue (Danish), as the Germans insist that their language only be spoken.

At the age of seventeen he was ordered to appear before a military commission when he was examined and passed for military service. At eighteen he was called upon to perform his service and served two years in a German regiment, doing duty on the French frontier. In 1897, after serving the prescribed two years he was placed on the reserve list, with orders to report every six months, but he slipped across the border into France, thence to England and later to Canada, where he has since resided.

500,000 Bushels of Wheat Destroyed

Was Awaiting Shipment to Great Britain at Erie, Penn.

Erie, Pa., Dec. 11.—Two of the three Anchor Line grain elevators owned by the Pennsylvania Railway Company, were burned early Thursday with their contents, about 500,000 bushels of wheat. The loss is estimated at \$750,000. A third elevator building 325,000 bushels of wheat was saved by firemen. The wheat came from Canada, and awaited shipment to Great Britain and her allies. The fire which started at two o'clock this morning, was virtually under control four hours later, although the two elevators were still blazing. The blaze had its origin in the shafts of the main elevator and was driven by a strong northeast wind into the grain bins below. The firemen were handicapped by a maze of railroad tracks on which were many freight cars. Several steamers at the piers were saved by being towed in to the bay. One company of firemen saved the third elevator by climbing into it and fighting back the flames. No other cause but spontaneous combustion has yet been assigned.

Paid \$376 Interest On a Loan of \$15.

Boston, Dec. 10.—A report by George A. Flynn, assistant corporation counsel, to Mayor Curley, in regard to loan sharks and their dealings with city employees, disclosed such a startling condition of affairs that the mayor, directly after reading it, sent a request to Mr. Flynn that he make complaint to the superior of loan agencies against two lenders mentioned in the report, for violations of the Small Loans Act and the rules and regulations of the Supervisor of Loan Agencies under the provisions thereof.

Mr. Flynn, in his report, cites several examples, one of the most astonishing of which is the case of a city employe, who fourteen years ago borrowed \$15 and still owes it, although \$80.64 of his wages have gone into the pockets of the money lender. The report says that in every case the difficulty began with a loan of \$10, on which a charge of \$2.18 a month was made until about a year ago when the Supervisor of Small Loans fixed the maximum charge at \$1.59 a month. One employe has paid these rates of interest on a \$10 loan every month for the last eight years and still owes the \$10. In almost every instance the initial loan was obtained to meet some emergency, usually sickness, either of the employe or of a member of his family.

FATHER OF 49 CHILDREN
Plymouth, N. C., Dec. 2.—W. D. Davis, ninety-four years old, took a fourth wife here today. Mr. Davis has been the father of forty-one children, thirty-three of whom are living. He has one hundred and ninety-two grandchildren. The bride is thirty-nine years old.

Wants Investigation of Wholesale Murders

Senator Lodge of Massachusetts Says it is a More Fitting Matter for Investigation Than Trade

Washington, Dec. 10.—The long expected storm in Congress over the administration's conduct of the defence of American rights on the seas in Congress today when Senator Hoke Smith, Democrat, demanded an investigation of Great Britain's interference with neutral trade and Senator Lodge, Republican, replied with a demand that any investigation include the loss of American lives.

"The body of an innocent child, floating dead on the water, the victim of destruction of an unarmed vessel, is to me a more poignant and more tragic spectacle than an unsold bale of cotton," declared the Massachusetts Senator. To Senator Smith's resolution for an investigation of trade interference, Senator Lodge, who is the ranking minority member of the foreign relations committee, offered an amendment for investigation of the law and the facts in the submarine attacks on the Lusitania, Falaba, Hesperian, Arabic, Gulfight and Ancon, and of the plots and conspiracies against the neutrality of the United States to which President Wilson referred in unmeasurable terms in his address to Congress Tuesday. Both resolutions were referred to the foreign relations committee on which further action will depend. Their introduction, however, had served to bring out the first debate of the session on a subject to which all minds had turned.

Senators on both sides of the Chamber were drawn into the discussion, which was precipitated by a vigorous speech by Senator Smith in support of his resolution. "I wish to extend the scope of the resolution by my amendment," said Senator Lodge, as the Georgia Senator concluded, "because if we are to take up this question of the violation of our rights, I want to put it not on the lowest ground alone, but on the highest ground of all. I think it is of the greatest importance that we should vindicate our rights as a neutral in trade if those rights have been violated, but I think it is far more important that we should extend protection and assure security to American citizens, wherever they rightfully are, but I do not believe any government can long retain the respect of its own people if it does not give them the protection to which they are entitled.

Virginian Town Destroyed by Fire

Conflagration Believed to Have Been Started by Incendiary

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 10.—Hopewell, Virginia, the boom town of 25,000, founded by the Dupont Powder Company, virtually was destroyed by fire late yesterday. At nine p. m. the fire broke out uncontrolled, but it was said there was little left to burn in the town and the company's powder mill, some distance away, was not believed to be in danger. The blaze started in a restaurant. The financial loss is estimated roughly at \$3,000,000 and thousands of homeless families are being taken to Richmond and Petersburg on special trains. One negro caught stealing was lynched. Not a life was lost as the result of the fire, according to reports reaching here.

Kaiser Hopes War Will End in February

Date For the Marriage of His Youngest Son Fixed For the End of February

London, Dec. 8.—Emperor William has fixed the date for the marriage of his youngest son, Prince Joachim, Princess Marie of Anhalt, for the end of February, at Potsdam, says a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Amsterdam, which gives a message from Cassel, Prussia, as authority for the statement. "The marriage was to have taken place before Xmas," says the dispatch. "The Emperor and Empress hope that the war will be ended by February, and they therefore postponed the marriage ceremony until that time, should the war not have been concluded by the date set for the wedding. The ceremony will be extremely simple."

"Hello Girls" Have Convention

N. B. Telephone Co. Entertains Its Chief Operators at St. John

St. John, N. B., Dec. 10.—The conference being held in this city by the New Brunswick Telephone Company is attended by eighteen of the outside chief operators and the St. John chief operator, making a total in all of nineteen. Those attending from the outside towns are: Miss Velma K. Grant, Andover; Miss Elsie Hubert, Bathurst; Miss Irene Kennedy, Campbellton; Miss Annie L. Kenney, Chatham; Miss Cecile Fournier, Edmundston; Miss Mabel E. Gallop, Florenceville; Miss Gertrude Clarke, Fredericton; Miss Gladys Estey, Grand Falls; Miss Edna Jensen, Hartland; Miss Dessie Breaux, Moncton; Miss Margaret B. Appleby, Newcastle; Miss Edith Lon, Riverview; Miss Greta L. Menaffey, Sackville; Miss Irene V. Collins, Saint Andrews; Miss Ida Spear, St. George; Miss Elva M. Libby, St. Stephen; Miss Greta O. Waters, Sussex; Miss Bessie M. Kennedy, Woodstock. The idea of the convention is to acquaint the operators with better service methods. It is all for the benefit of the service and the operators will receive the best of instructions along this line.

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May be of Interest Just take a look over the first column on this page—you may find something there of interest to you.

Enlisted as Private

Rev. M. K. Charnon, of Mt. Allison University, has enlisted with the 10th regiment as a private. His home is in Wallace, N. S.

Building New Rink Kentville, N. S., is rebuilding the rink recently destroyed by fire. It will be one of the largest rinks in that province.

Eight More Days Only eight more shopping days till Christmas. Be loyal to your own community by purchasing your Xmas novelties from your own local merchants.

Back to the Front Lieut. Frank Tingley, of Moncton, who was invalided home July last, has gone to Halifax to report for duty again. He hopes to leave for the front the first of the year.

A Suggestion Would it not be a good idea to enclose in all parcels sent to our boys at the front, a return card, which might be used by the recipient as an acknowledgment as having received the gift.

An Example Two young girls, apparently both under sixteen, sitting in the little theatre on the West Side enjoying the pictures, but both busily engaged the whole time in knitting for the soldiers, attracted the attention of all who were near them, and the remark was made that their industry was an example to many older women.—E.K.

Will Meet To-Morrow Night The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council will be held in the Council Chambers to-morrow (Thursday) evening. Besides routine matters it is expected that the appointment of a night policeman will be taken up.

Death of a Child The death of Willie, youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. John Kirkpatrick, of Douglastown, occurred on Wednesday forenoon from hemorrhage after a very brief illness. Deceased was a very bright child, 10 months and 11 days old. Besides his parents three sisters and one brother survive. The funeral was held Thursday afternoon at 3.30, interment in St. Samuel's R. C. Cemetery.

Weight of Parcels The deputy postmaster general in a communication recently from Ottawa to the local post office, made known that the parcels post to France and Flanders had been reduced by four pounds on the maximum weight. The maximum weight prior to this was eleven pounds, and in future parcels of only seven pounds will be accepted. This is important to those who intend forwarding parcels from Canada to boys at the front.

Home to Enlist Amos H. Dickson, for many years a clerk at the Hopewell Press, store, left Monday for Chatham, N. B., where he will start in training in his division of the Canadian Volunteers which he recently joined. He will stop en route at Sussex, N. B., where he will visit friends. Mr. Dickson has many friends here.—Fort Fairfield, Me. Review.

Married at Halifax There was a military wedding at St. Paul's church, Halifax, Tuesday evening, the principals being Private Frederick C. Randolph, C. M. C., of the hospital staff at York Redoubt, and Miss Eva May Sherrard, daughter of Samuel Sherrard, daughter of Samuel Sherrard, of Whiteville. Alfred Thomas was the best man and Miss Grace LaPiere the bridesmaid. Hon. Lieut.-Colonel Armitage performed the ceremony.

Was at Dardanelles Geo. J. Witzell, son of George Witzell, of this town, returned home Wednesday night on a two month's leave of absence. Mr. Witzell is in the naval service and took part in the bombardment of the Dardanelles. After leaving the Dardanelles he was sent to Serbia, on a troop ship, where he contracted fever, and on his return to England was granted a furlough of two months.

6,000 N. B. Troops New Brunswick has now five battalions on her hands for mobilization, viz. the 115th, the 132nd, 140th and the Westmorland one which is to be known as the 145th and the French-Canadian battalion which has been foreshadowed. It is in order that the total number of recruits will reach nearly 6,000 before all are filled, exclusive of the 104th recently completed and other established units. Should these all be filled New Brunswick will be represented at the front in time by practically a full division.

Street Walking Charged A young girl, who states her home is in Newcastle, was arrested by Chief of Police McCollom and Officer Marshall last evening and charged with street walking and failure to give a satisfactory account of herself. She came before the Police Magistrate this morning, the case being conducted behind closed doors. The girl was remanded to jail and will probably be sent to her home. Chief McCollom said this morning he had instructed his officers to use every means in their power to put an end to street walking, and an active campaign will be started to clean the city of this evil.—Friday's Gleaner.

Fifth Brother Enlists

Duncan Lewis, of Salisbury, is the fifth brother to enlist for overseas service.

Work is Progressing The work of installing the machinery for the new grist mill is progressing favorably.

Reports for Duty Major C. J. Mersereau, son of Lt. Col. Mersereau, who was invalided home, has gone to Halifax to report at district headquarters.

Has it Expired? What has happened to the local Retail Merchants' Association, we never hear of it these days? Is there nothing it can do, even at this late hour, to stimulate buying at home?

Progressing Favorably Montreal Star—Master Leslie Davidson, son of Mr. W. M. Davidson, of Bathurst, N. B., who recently underwent an operation at the Royal Victoria Hospital, is progressing favorably.

Positive Results A local incident in last week's issue of The Advocate for a lost thumb screw belonging to a baby carriage, brought the lost article and owner together Wednesday night. Could you wish for any better results?

Little Over "Weight" One hundred gallons of "elder" seized by the Scott Act Inspector in a Nova Scotia town showed upon analysis to contain 3.41 per cent. alcohol by weight and 4.27 per cent. by volume. The owner consented to having it destroyed, which was done.

Fishermen, Attention The attention of fishermen on the Miramichi is called to the advertisements of several New York fish dealers in The Advocate. They are well-known and reliable dealers and fishermen may profit by looking up their ads.

Model of German Cruiser On exhibition in Keirstead's drug store window, Moncton, is a model of the German cruiser Emden, which was accounted for by the Australian cruiser Sydney. It was made by one of the prisoners of war at the Amherst detention camp, and is the property of Mr. Clinton McLaren, who was for some months one of the guards at the camp.

Should Have Preference The merchant who advertises is the one who should receive the most consideration and preference from the buying public. He is the one who helps in the upkeep of the local papers that work for the up-building of the town. See the list of new advertisements in this and next issue.

For Third Year At a meeting of the official board of the Queen Square Methodist church, St. John, held Thursday evening, an unanimous invitation was extended to Rev. Hammond Johnson to remain for a third year as pastor of the church. The invitation was accepted.

Won by Persistence An interesting story is told about a well-known Moncton young man who recently joined the Siege Battery at St. John. Anxious to enlist this young man went to Sussex to go with the 104th but he could not pass the eye test. He continued to St. John and going to two of the recruiting offices he was turned down and declared "unfit." He only had one more chance and although it seemed hopeless he decided to take another chance. He went before a medical officer and it was a pleasant surprise when he was told to put on his shirt that he was "fit." The young man is now on Partridge Island and is greatly pleased. To be turned down three times and then to be accepted is a singular occurrence.

Was Stationed Here The Wesleyan says the late Dr. Chapman occupied Methodist pulpits at the following places during the fifty years or so he was in the active ministry:— "He was stationed at Wallace, Point de Bute, Bermuda (no station in 1860, ill-health) Richibucto, Albion Mines, Upham, Fairville, Hillsboro, Point de Bute, rested in 1876, Sackville, St. Andrews, Chatham, Newcastle, Sup'y in 1886-7, Bale Verte, Marysville, Fairville, Woodstock, Point de Bute, Fredericton. He retired in 1902 and for the past twelve years has resided at Amherst. He had been chairman of six different Districts, President of Conference, and three times delegate to General Conference. The degree of D. D. was conferred upon him by Mount Allison in 1893."

Wedding at Douglastown The marriage of Miss Ella F. McEwen, daughter of Mrs. David McEwen of Douglastown, to Mr. O'Neill Robinson Kimball, of Malden, Mass., was solemnized at the home of the bride's mother Wednesday night, Rev. Alex. Firth of Douglastown, performing the ceremony, in the presence of the immediate relatives and friends of the contracting parties. Thomas McEwen, brother of the bride, was best man, and the bride's sister, Miss Jessie McEwen, was bridesmaid. The bride was gowned in African brown broadcloth with veil and orange blossoms. The bridesmaid wore pink silk. The ceremony was performed at 8 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Kimball left Douglastown by the midnight express for their future home in Malden, via Montreal and Ontario, where they will spend their honeymoon. Some very useful and valuable gifts were received.

Violent Attacks OF DYSPEPSIA

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Col. Mersereau Visits Halifax on Business

Colonel George W. Mersereau and Major C. J. Mersereau, father and son, the one in command of a regiment which is now being raised for overseas, and the other only now recovering from severe wounds received at Ypres, when he was brigade major with the Fourth Brigade First Canadian Contingent, are in the city, and are at the Halifax Hotel. Both officers came here on business with headquarters, and it was quite by accident that they arrived at the same time.

Major Mersereau returned to Canada some months ago and has since been resting. He was very severely wounded in the head and the operation that saved his life was a very delicate one. He was wounded in no less than thirteen places and the coat that he wore at the time was shot almost to pieces. He hopes to be able to return to the front, but as yet it is not known definitely whether he will be able to do so.

A Morning Chronicle reporter interviewed Colonel Mersereau at the Halifax last night. The Colonel, who has been appointed to command the 132nd Battalion, which is being raised in the Counties of Northumberland, Gloucester and Restigouche, in New Brunswick, says that about three hundred men enlisted for his regiment in ten days. He anticipates no great difficulty in securing the remainder.—Halifax Chronicle.

Make You Shop Earlier The only real good thing that a Zepplin ever did was to make people shop earlier. In London the morning shopping has greatly increased and there is practically no shopping done in the evenings, owing to the forbidden use of artificial light. A few of them around Ypres, which would no doubt be appreciated by the merchants here.

Gasoline on P. E. I. The use of gasoline engines on the Island is increasing rapidly. Many of these engines of different makes are seen among the freight at the railway wharf, addressed to Island farmers and others. Farmers will have their gasoline engines, but object to automobiles all the same.—Journal.

Has Enlisted Mr. H. S. Sprague, formerly with Geo. O. Spencer as a druggist, enlisted with the Siege Battery at St. John a few days ago. Gunner Sprague is spending a few days at his home here.—Moncton Times. [Mr. Sprague was for a time connected with the Chatham Commercial as news editor and has many friends on the Miramichi.]

Lost in Woods It was reported around here that an old hunter named Alain, who went hunting in the Escumac woods about a month ago had disappeared. It was thought by many that he had been drowned, but later information received has it that Alain was found in one of his camps the other day dead. He was about seventy five years of age and was well known through the Carleton district and also on the St. John river. It is not known whether he had any relatives or not around this district, but it is understood some of his people are residing in Boston.—Graphic.

Telephone Directory

Subscribers will please make the following changes in their telephone directory.

NEW SUBSCRIBERS Wm. L. Taylor, South Esk. 107-2 James Shersgreen, South Esk. 107-3 Wm. Taylor, South Esk. 107-4 Neil Melvor, Jr., South Esk. 107-5 H. S. Tozer, South Esk. 107-11 Wm. Shearsgreen, South Esk. 107-12 E. W. Goodfellow, South Esk. 107-13 Neil Melvor, Sr., South Esk. 107-14 J. D. Goodfellow, South Esk. 107-21 E. J. Goodfellow, South Esk. 107-22 Jas. Shearsgreen, South Esk. 107-23 D. M. Goodfellow, South Esk. 107-24

REMOVED

R. W. Crocker, Newcastle. 83-11 E. A. McCurdy, Newcastle. 122

CHANGED J. D. Volkman, Millerton. 84-3 to 101-23 Miller Tanning Extract Co., Millerton. 107-3 to 84-3 B. N. Call, Newcastle. 107-2 to 84-2

W. LEWIS, Exchange Manager. Newcastle, N. B., Nov. 10th, 1915 42-1yr.



GIFTS THAT ARE USEFUL AT MACMILLAN'S SHOE STORE

A pair of Men's Invictus Patent or Velour Cash Boots in Button or Lace. A Pair of Men's Slippers, we have the warm woolen Bedroom Slippers as well as a lounging Slipper in black and Tan Dongola. We have a line of Men's, Boys' and Ladies' Hockey Boots at reasonable prices. We have a full line of Women's, Children's and Infants' Felt Boots and Slippers which are suitable for Christmas gifts. In Women's warm felt Slippers we have black, brown and red in the low Slipper as well as the Juliet Slipper trimmed with fur, also a line of Ladies' Suede bedroom Slippers, as well as Misses', Children's and Infants' bedroom Slippers. We have Infants' soft sole boots and slippers in white kid and Patent leather as well as the regular stock of Men's, Women's, Children's and Infants' boots and shoes. Have received our regular fall stock of Felt and Rubber goods in Men's Women's and Children's Rubbers and Overshoes.

MACMILLAN'S SHOE STORE

HOW ABOUT THAT Xmas Fruit Cake

you were going to have BRIGHTMAN make for you? Why worry about it not turning out all right—Why not have it made by competent hands and save yourself all worry?

Only First Class Baking

is done at BRIGHTMAN'S. Every bit of cooking is guaranteed first class, and made from best materials. We have an over-stock of Raisins and Currants at 12c lb. Also a large supply of Apples.

H. W. BRIGHTMAN.

GRAND OPENING OF NEW STORE

.....ON..... Saturday, Dec. 18

A. D. FARRAH & CO

will hold their Grand Opening in their new store on Mitchell Street on the above date, when Special lines of Goods will be displayed.

The Store is Stocked Full of Bargains We will open at 9 a. m. and will remain open until 10 o'clock in the evening.

An Invitation is Extended to all to Come to this Grand Event.

Special Discounts will be Given.

The Big Store with Small Prices. The Best of Goods. An obliging Staff. Remember Saturday, Dec. 18—Admission free Come whether you want to buy or not, and see our magnificent store and stock.

A. D. Farrah & Co. The New Store Mitchell Street Newcastle, N. B.

STORE WINDOWS MAKE US THINK OF CHRISTMAS Christmas is not far distant. It has been an ancient custom with many to wait the last hours to make their purchases, why not, this year, give the clerks a chance and shop decorations again impress us that early.

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**TOWN COUNCIL MOVES
FOR SCOTT IMPROVEMENT**

The world-wide wave of Temperance reform seems to be reaching our shores. Just recently prohibition has been voted for in Newfoundland, and the Dominion Alliance are moving for prohibition for New Brunswick, a committee having been appointed to wait on the Local Government, and we understand that the Government has promised continuous consideration, with a definite answer before the session meets.

We are pleased to see that Newcastle is in the front with this move, and has appointed as Scott Act Inspector, Mr. W. H. Finley.

This move by the Council also brings a new family to the town.

The new appointment provides that the Town Marshall shall assume the whole responsibility of enforcing the Scott Act, and will receive a salary of \$90.00 per month, while the night policeman will do police duties only at \$60.00 per month, a total of \$150.00 per month, which equals exactly the former expenditure, which was \$75.00 per month for Town Marshall and Scott Act Inspector, and \$75.00 per month for night policeman and Scott Act Inspector. It is felt that by centralizing the responsibilities of enforcing the "Canada Temperance Act" upon our men only, better results will be accomplished.

We understand that the newly appointed Scott Act Inspector, Mr. W. H. Finley has a very good record in connection with the successful enforcement of the "Liquor License Law" and is recommended by prominent citizens of the City of St. John, and we are pleased to welcome him as a citizen of our town.

We commend the Council on the move for better enforcement of the Scott Act. Newcastle now being a recruiting centre, it is very necessary that the men in khaki be given the best protection from intoxicants. This is proved necessary by the recent shooting tragedy.

More interest should be taken by the citizens toward Town Improvement, and we would suggest that they make a practice of attending all council meetings.

Come fellow citizens, let us have another "CLEAN-UP" Day.
Council meets Thursday night, December 16th, at 7 p. m.—Com.

**PRESIDENT WILSON'S
QUEER SPEECH**

In his address to congress last week, President Wilson made a somewhat extended reference to the war, a course which naturally was quite expected. It was not surprising either that he should speak in somewhat strong terms of the methods which Germany has adopted in pursuit of her campaign, nor that he should severely score German-Americans for the part they have played in attempts to further the German cause. To quote the President's words:—

"They have formed plots to destroy property, they have entered into conspiracies against the neutrality of the Government, they have sought to pry into every confidential transaction of the Government in order to serve interests alien to our own."

With this statement most people will entirely agree; and it comes as a rather painful surprise to find the President following it up with an altogether gratuitous and ungenerous criticism of the United States, whose only fault has been the expression of a sympathetic interest in the cause of those who are fighting the fight of civilization for neutral nations just as much as for themselves. Here is one quotation on this subject:—

"There are some men among us, and many resident abroad who, though born and bred in the United States and calling themselves Americans, have so forgotten themselves and their honor as citizens as to put their passionate sympathy with one or the other side in the great European conflict above their regard for the peace and dignity of the United States. They also preach and practice disloyalty; I should not speak of others without also speaking of these and expressing the even deeper humiliation and scorn which every self-respecting and thoughtfully patriotic American must feel when he thinks of them and of the discredit they are daily bringing upon us."

Such sentiments as these will strike most people as being somewhat curious to come from the head of a nation which prides itself on liberty of thought and powers of intelligent government. Because the United States has chosen, as many other na-

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CREAGHAN'S THE STORE OF A THOUSAND GIFTS

WOMEN'S XMAS NECKWEAR

A beautiful variety of new Neckwear that cannot fail to attract attention: Swiss Embroidered Collars, 25c to 50c, Fancy Neck Neck Ruffles, 50c to \$2.25, Fancy Ostrich Bows, \$3.00 to \$3.25, New Novelty Ties, 25c to 50c, Collar and Cuff Sets, 25c to \$1.50

FANCY BOXES FOR EVERY PIECE

A Magnificent Store, Brilliant with Holiday Goods and distinguished for the careful service it seeks to render its patrons. The enormous assortments of Christmas Merchandise throughout this establishment are now at their best and include many articles of exclusive character possessing permanent value as Holiday Remembrances at prices that cannot fail to attract attention.

HERE YOU GET YOUR FULL MONEY'S WORTH

A BIG SAVING ON GLOVES

A SAVING ON EVERY PAIR OF GLOVES YOU BUY HERE. We are offering Perini's guaranteed Gloves, in all colors, at the old prices of \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50. Almost everywhere the prices on these have advanced. Colors are grey, brown, tan, green, navy natural, black, and white. Every size. Every weight. Every length.

A TREMENDOUS SALE OF LADIES' FURS

A Christmas Reduction ranging from 25% to 50% discount. Every Fur in the store is reduced and the pieces include choice grades of Mink, Sable, Wolf, Fox, Squirrel, Opposum, Skunk, Bear, Mink Marmot, Persian Lamb, etc., in Muffs and Ruffs. Now is the time you need Furs and the savings are such as to attract wide attention.

ALL LESS FROM 25 TO 50 PER CENT.

50 Ladies' Astrachan Coats, reg. \$40.00 to \$50.00, for \$19.00. 2 Ladies' Fur Lined Coats, reg. \$85.00 for \$39.00. 2 Men's Coon Coats, reg. \$75.00 for \$45.00

MEN'S MUFFLERS

The very newest in Men's Mufflers have just come to hand. Beautiful squares, extra large, in the most attractive designs. The squares are the most popular on the market. Prices, \$1.25 to \$1.75.

Knitted Mufflers in all sizes of Spun and Pure Silks. They come in plain and accordion knit, and are in all colors.

Spun Silk Mufflers range from 50c. to \$1.50.

Silk Mufflers, range from \$2.00 to \$4.00.

Carpets and Rugs

Would you like a new Rug in your home for Christmas. If so, now is the time to select one.

TAPESTRY RUGS

2 1/2 x 3 yards, for.....\$7.00
3 x 3 yards, for.....\$8.50
3 x 3 1/2 yards, for.....\$9.50
3 x 4 yards, for.....\$10.00

AXMINSTER RUGS

2 1/2 x 3 yards, for.....\$20.00
3 x 3 yards, for.....\$25.00
3 x 3 1/2 yards, for.....\$30.00
3 x 4 yards, for.....\$35.00

NEW SMALL RUGS

in sizes 27x54 and 36x72 inches, in all qualities at prices from.....75c to \$8.50

Men's H'dk'fs

Large direct shipments of Linen Handkerchiefs direct from Ireland, and Silk Handkerchiefs direct from Japan, have enabled us to offer some extraordinary values:

White Lawn, 1/4 inch hem.....10c.
White Linen, 1/4 inch hem.....25c.
White Linen, 1/4 inch hem.....35c.
Excelsior, colored.....2 for 25c.
Excelsior, white.....2 for 25c.
Khaki silk.....each 50c.
Fancy Silk, special.....35c.
Fancy Silk.....50c.
Patriotic Handkerchiefs, with special "Allied" flags and National Anthem, 15 to 25c. each.

MEN'S NECKWEAR

A Special Purchase of 1000 Swiss Silk, Canadian made Neckwear. These are all shown in regular 75c and \$1.00 shapes, and are on sale at 50c and 75c each, or one-third under regular prices.

Special Tubular Ties, in plain and fancy colors, all reversible, and made from pure Silk. Special 50c. each.

New Open End Ties, in a wide variety of colors, at 25c and 35c.

EVERY GIFT PACKED IN A CHRISTMAS BOX

TEA APRONS

ONE HUNDRED SPECIAL TEA APRONS IN FINE DIMITY AND LAWN. NICELY EMBROIDERED.
SPECIAL FOR 25 CENTS.

It is our desire to assist in every way in the proper selection of gifts. This season everyone is looking for something practical and useful. Here you can choose from a store heaped full of useful gifts, for wearing apparel and household use.

SILK FLAGS

Flags of the Allied Nations, mounted on black polished bamboo wood with gilt top, made of heavy silk, in three sizes. Just the thing for interior decorations. Prices, 5c, 10c, and 18c. each.

NOVELTIES

A few novelties that space does not allow to give detailed description of, but all of which make a suitable gift:

FOR CHILDREN

Fancy Hoods.....25c to 75c.
Babies' Overalls.....\$1.00
Babies' Jackets.....50c to 75c
Wool Booties.....25c to 50c
Babies' Mitts.....25c to 35c
Babies' Sweaters.....50c to \$1.00
Babies' Bibs.....10c to 50c
Babies' Stockings.....25c to 35c
Children's Toques.....25c to 50c
Children's Dresses.....\$1.00 up
Children's Wool Gloves.....25c

FOR LADIES

Fancy Ribbon.....10c up
Fancy Scarfs.....75c to \$3.00
Wool Shawls.....\$2.00 up
Ladies' Kimonos.....\$1.25 to \$3.50
Fancy Baskets.....29c
Fancy Curtaining.....25c up
Corduroy Velvets.....49c up
Ladies' Underwear.
Ladies' e-c-a la Grace Corsets.
Ladies' Handkerchiefs in a variety of qualities, at.....15c to 75c each

FOR MEN AND BOYS

Men's Collars.....2 or 25c
Men's Fancy Shirts.....\$1.25
Men's Flannel Shirts.....\$1.50
Men's Suspenders.....25c to 75c
Fancy Armbands.....25c up
Boy's Caps.....50c to 75c
Boy's Winter Hats.....75c to \$1.00
Silk Hose.....49c to \$1.50
Men's Caps.....50c to \$1.50
Men's Hats.....\$1.50 to \$4.50

SWEATER COATS FOR MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Warm Wool Coats that will make a practical gift. A wide variety in almost all colors, in fine, medium and heavy makes. They are principally Visor, Penman, Hewson and Monarch make.

Sweater Coats for Children, from 50c to \$2.00.
Sweater Coats for Ladies, from \$1.50 to \$6.00.

Sweater Coats for Men, from \$1.50 to \$7.50.
Silk Sweater Coats for Ladies at \$10.00 each.

Household Linens

For over 40 years this store has kept its reputation for selling the Best Linen obtainable. Ours is pure Linen, no shoddy or half cotton. This Christmas we are showing a wide and varied display of Fancy and Household Linens. Cloths, Centres, Runners, etc. Beautiful pieces of all hand worked Linen are shown that would surprise you with the lowness of prices. Linens are serviceable and practicable as Christmas Gifts. We have dainty pieces here at 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, and as high as \$5.00 to \$7.50 each.

Blankets and Comfortables

Special Wool Blankets, white with pink and blue borders, 6 lbs., Size 60x80, Special \$3.45 pair.
All Wool White Blankets, Canadian made, weighing 6 and 7 lbs. Specially combed wool and extra value. Price \$4.00 and \$5.00.
Extra Large White Wool Blankets, size 68x86, made from imported wool. Price \$6.50 pair.
English Blankets. All wool, extra large. Price \$6.95 to \$8.00
Grey Wool Blankets. Price \$2.00 to \$4.50 pair.
Fancy Comfortables, and Puffs. Price \$1.95 to \$9.00 each.

Christmas Specials

We have on display in our Fancy Goods Section numerous gifts that are both useful and ornamental. Special Needle Cases, with leather coverings at 25c. to 50c.; Toilet Articles of all kinds, including some very nice pieces in Parisian Ivory; Fancy Bags and Vanity Cases; Dolls for the small girls and boys; Brass Trays; General Cases; Ash Trays, etc. In fact everything that you will be looking for.

Ladies' Winter Coats, Suits

"NORTHWAY" man tailored Coats that are guaranteed to hold their shape, and are the newest models, gathered from the world's style centres. These coats are very moderately priced and there is still a wide range of styles to choose from. Prices from \$7.50 to \$25.00.

Men's Overcoats

The largest stock in Newcastle to choose from. All beautifully tailored in the newest models. These coats cannot be equalled anywhere for excellent value. We strongly advise you to call and examine our Coats before buying elsewhere. Prices range from \$7.50 to \$25.00.

Men's Underwear

Recent quotations have shown that wool has nearly doubled in price, but here at this store all prices of Wool Underwear remain the same as ever before. Stanfield's Red Label sells here for \$1.25; Blue Label for \$1.50; Black Label for \$1.75; Monoton and N. S. Pure Wool Special at 98c each. We have all weights in Combination Suits from the light Silk and Wool to the heavy Stanfield's. Prices are from \$2.00 to \$3.50 a suit.

New Silks and Dress Goods

We want you to see the new Silks in plain and fancy colors, we have bought especially for Xmas trade. The prices range from 45c to \$1.50 per yard.

New Serge Dress Goods, extra fine quality and heavy weight. All wool, fast dye. Special at \$1.00 per yard.

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J.D. Creaghan Co.
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BLACKVILLE NOTES

Dec. 13—Mr. Haley of St. John, traveller for Willet, St. John, was in town on Tuesday. Mrs. Jos. Arbeau has been visiting her father, Mr. H. Steele for the past week. Mr. W. J. McLaggan attended the fair held in Amherst, N. E. Mrs. Jos. Grady is visiting her son Mr. Otto Grady at Quarryville. Mr. Hogan of Chatham, traveller for Bird & Peters, St. John, was in town on Thursday. Mr. McKnight of Newcastle, was in town on Friday. Miss Hazel Curtis of McGivney's Jet, has been visiting her cousin, Miss Linda Sturgeon. Miss Lena Arbeau of St. John, has been visiting at her old home here for a few days. Mrs. Chas. Campbell is seriously ill at her father's, Mr. Jas. Gillespie's home. Mr. Chas. Grady who has been working in Millerton for some time has returned home. Mr. Thos. Mooney of St. John has completed the work of installing the new boilers in the Partington Company's mill here, and has returned to St. John. Mr. Eliza Arbeau left for St. John on Saturday morning, accompanying his sister Miss Lena Arbeau. He expects to attend the blind school in Halifax after Christmas. Miss Bell of Taymouth has relieved Miss Banford as nurse for Miss Clara Walls. Miss Banford returned to her home in Hillsfield on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McKrae of Hillsfield are visiting relatives here. Mr. Harry Sturgeon who has been working in Bridgetown for some time is visiting his father, Mr. Geo. Sturgeon. Quite a number of the young people look advantage of the fine weather and good ice in the pond on Monday afternoon and evening. Most of the stores have taken on their Christmas appearance and business is getting brisk. A number of letters and cards have been received by the relatives and friends of the boys of the 55th Battalion. The boys all seem in good spirits and like the country fine. Rev. Mr. Montgomery preached his farewell service in the church of England on Sunday, Dec. 12th. Mrs. Fleisher of Chatham has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. Underhill. Barn Burned The Daniel Alton barn, next to Stothart's new grist mill, was badly gutted by fire Friday morning. There was \$250 insurance on building and contents. Remember your own home town merchants when choosing a Xmas present. PRESIDENT WILSON'S QUEER SPEECH (Continued from page 4) have chosen to remain neutral in this war, which is their right to do, that circumstance does not carry with it the proscription of the individual conscience. Are free born citizens to cease to think for themselves and refrain from weighing the merits of the issues and suppress the prompting of their minds and hearts just because the people as a nation are not participating in the struggle? Such a principle may obtain in Germany, but it is utterly incompatible with the honour and dignity of a free and democratic people—and a self governing people at that. President Wilson waxes indignant because some of the citizens of the Republic have so far forgotten their duty—as he enunciates it—as members of a neutral nation as to place their sympathies with the forces of civilization engaged in the war. While it is the duty of the President as head of the State, to maintain the position of neutrality the Government has taken up, when he insists that the duty of individual citizenship requires an even respect for each group of warring nations, he lays down a principle which is as discreditable to himself as it is unjust to Britain and her Allies. He counsels the American people to hold in equal esteem the nation which for forty years has been conspiring against the peace of the world, and those nations, which all unprepared, stood in the path of the aggressor. They are to think just as highly of those who, wantonly and without any aggravation ravaged Belgium as they think of those who went to Belgium's assistance, and are fighting to restore her to her former place and obtain compensation for her for the wrongs she has suffered. They are to place in the same category the barbarous methods of warfare employed by the Hun, his poisonous gases and his bombs designed to hurl death and destruction among innocent women and children, as the chivalrous methods of the Allies. They are to regard and admire alike the nations which have respected the lives and property of non-combatants and the nation which sank the Lusitania and several other passenger vessels and looted and destroyed every city in Belgium. The expression of such sentiments will not enhance President Wilson's reputation abroad, where it will not unnaturally be concluded that he had more in view the value of the German-American vote in the next Presidential election, than anything else, when he gave utterance to them.

Meeting of Recruiting Committee

(Continued from page 1) ing committee. There were men who should be here and take their responsibility. The recruiting depended upon this committee. Capt. Barry and C. E. Fish spoke in same strain. Rev. Mr. MacArthur said the difficulty would not be in getting speakers, but in getting effective workers. Publicity would be easy. He didn't know why so many prominent citizens were absent. They had better be personally invited. On motion of Ald. Ritchie following names were added to the committee. Ald. C. C. Hayward and J. Stables, C. J. Morrissy, Hon. D. Morrison, C. Sargeant, Drs. Spry, Nicholson, Desmond and McMillan; T. W. Crocker, C. M. Dickson, A. McCabe (who already has two recruits to his credit), G. P. Burchill, J. M. Troy, A. H. Cole, W. J. Jardine, P. Hennessey, H. A. Quilty, T. A. Scribner, J. F. Kingston, Geo. Stables, John Ferguson, O. Nicholson, J. N. Creaghan, A. H. Giles, M. McCarron, W. J. Fitzmaurice, H. H. Lamont, L. Doyle, Dr. Wilson (Millerton), H. R. Moody, J. H. Sargeant, Wm. Irving, Ernest Hutchison, F. D. Swim, M. L. A., and committee were given power to add other names. Lt. De La Parelle spoke of answering Halifax headquarters re J. W. Davidson, telling them that he was ineligible himself for enlistment and had two sons at the front. He (De La Parelle) was general recruiting officer and would help anywhere. The Secretary was asked to notify new members of and publish next meeting to be held Monday evening, 13th, at 8 o'clock. Lt. De La Parelle said that the Wireless Band would enlist in a body soon as arrangements were made to drill them as stretcher bearers. The wireless strength was 73. 20 young men were waiting to enlist there as soon as band stepped out. J. W. Davidson should be made a J. P. at once as only J. P.'s or field officers could swear in recruits. Adjournd. Dec. 13th The committee met again on Monday night in much larger numbers, nearly 40 being present. Mr. Park presiding. Judge Lawlor read the nominating committee's report, which was considered section by section, and adopted, the standing committees being chosen as follows: Finance Committee—J. D. Creaghan, E. A. McCurdy, Mayor G. G. Stothart. Publicity Com.—Geo. F. McWilliam, J. H. Brown, R. H. Armstrong. District Organization—Hon. John Morrissy, D. J. Buckley, E. H. Sinclair, C. J. Morrissy, C. E. Fish, Hon. D. Morrison, Newcastle; Wm. Sullivan, Redbank; Ernest Hutchison, Douglastown; Councilor G. P. Burchill, Nelson; Coun. John Vanderbeck, Millerton; F. D. Swim, M. L. A., Doaktown; Wm. McMillan, Boies-town; Coun. Arthur O'Donnell, Ludlow; John McColm, Boom Road; Richard Gill, Barnaby River; Coun. David J. Schofield, Blackville. Entertainment Com.—Chas. M. Dickson, A. H. Cole, Donald Jackson, A. E. Shaw, J. A. Creaghan, T. M. Malby, J. F. Kingston. Reception Com.—C. E. Fish, C. J. Morrissy, Mayor Stothart, Ald. F. C. McGrath, Geo. Stables, Revs. W. J. Bate, P. W. Dixon, Wm. Harrison, S. J. MacArthur, B. J. Murdoch, M. S. Richardson and Capt. Forbes. Emergency Com.—W. J. Jardine, C. Sargeant, Ald. D. P. Doyle, H. Williston. Com. to wait on Town and County Councils for grants—E. A. McCurdy, D. J. Buckley, A. A. Davidson. Ex-officio members of all committees—W. A. Park, chairman, and Judge J. R. Lawlor, V. C., and Ald. D. Ritchie, Sec. The chairman reported that J. W. Davidson would be commissioned a J. P. this week at next session of the Government. J. D. Creaghan asked for an outline of the duties of committees. Where was the revenue to come from? Mr. Park said that grants would be asked of town and county councils. The town was expected to give at least \$100 and the county more. He was glad to see so many present. There was no reason to feel downhearted about the war. Germany was no further ahead than she was months ago. The British navy still rules the seas. Britons are nobly responding to call for recruits. And Canada's greatest glory, her colonies, will follow her example. The trouble was to get eligible men to recruiting meetings. Those who understood were enlisting. Rev. Mr. MacArthur wondered where the French Army war pictures lately shown in Montreal, were. They would be valuable aids to recruiting. Singers and all proper methods of advertising should be used to draw eligible crowds. When matter was squarely laid before our people he felt sure there would be the right response. Ald. McGrath knew little about recruiting but was willing to learn. It was a delicate matter for a speaker who might be considered eligible himself to ask others to recruit. Conscription would probably be better. It is our duty to take this question up systematically. Rev. M. S. Richardson suggested speaking to men as soon as they came out of the woods at Xmas. He would speak one or two nights each week. D. J. Buckley said that he would render all the service he could. Many men would be out one week or two at Xmas. He was willing to let any young men go, and would try to get along with the older men. There must be enough left to carry on the business of the country, but there were enough older men to do this. The soldiers' families must be kept and our own maintained. C. J. Morrissy said Mr. Creaghan had asked a most pertinent question.

SILLIKERS NOTES

Dec. 10—The Ladies' Missionary Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. Janie Travis on Wednesday evening. Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Allaby were visiting friends here on Thursday. Mrs. Roy White spent Wednesday afternoon as the guest of Mrs. Ernest Tozer. Mr. Richard Baker who has been quite ill is recovering. Mr. Robert Tozer who is still at Hotel Dieu, Chatham, being treated for typhoid fever, is much better, and intends coming home soon. Mr. Everett Mathews is quite ill at present. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Johnston were the guests of Mrs. Edward Tozer on Wednesday evening. Miss Sadie Mathews was the guest of Mrs. Jacob Silliker on Tuesday. Mrs. Edward Tozer has received word from her son Harry, of his safe arrival in England with the 55th Battalion, of which he is a member. Miss Jennie Jewett spent Sunday with Mrs. Edward Tozer. Where was the money to come from? From his experience with the Patriotic fund, most of the work would have to be done by a few, mostly to-morrow. Judge Lawlor said that the duties of committees would be as follows: District Organization, to organize and hold public meetings everywhere. The Finance, to raise the necessary money as they saw fit. Publicity, to look after all literature, and advertising. Entertainment, to provide entertainments, once a fortnight, or so, by concerts, smokers for recruits, etc. Reception, to welcome home wounded soldiers, etc. Emergency, to do all not assigned to the other committees, for instance opening up the new recruiting room right away, etc. C. J. Morrissy thought the local government should also help. St. John had set a recruiting grant of \$500. Mr. McCurdy—Wasn't that for the whole province? Mr. Morrissy—Maybe so, but St. John got it. Mr. Creaghan said that millions had been spent in St. John on military services. It was not too much to ask some here. Men were never wanted worse. And to get them we must pay for transportation, etc. The Canadian and Local governments should be generous, and place money in our hands to be judiciously spent. Mr. McCurdy said that Capt. Tilley's idea was that each town and county should bear their own local expenses, for the honor of having a Battalion of their own. The Provincial, County and Town Governments might help a little. Mr. Park—These three we have put on the Finance Committee will be able to find the money. A. A. Davidson suggested that the committees not present be notified at once of their duties. Rev. Mr. MacArthur said that no one need feel shy about asking for recruits. He himself could not go to the front—he wished he could. But if those who could fight would not our country would be lost. The secretary was authorized to notify all committees, and meeting adjourned till Friday night at 8 o'clock. Crowded Out Several items of local news was crowded out, owing to the pressure on space on account of the heavy demand for advertising space. Young-Adams Stock Company See the always reliable Young-Adams Big Stock Company, in their new plays, presenting on Thursday evening for their opening bill, the play of fashion, thrift, possessing a sure fire punch, entitled, "The Lion and the Mouse." Mr. Young as the Lion, Miss Young as the Mouse; to be followed by the following New York successes: "All of a Sudden Peggy," and "The Red Cross Nurse," besides eight big vaudeville acts, making a continuous show from start to finish. This is what the Charlottetown Guardian says about this attraction: "There was again a large house in the Prince Edward Theatre last night when the Young-Adams Company presented "The Lion and the Mouse." There was not a dull moment from the raising to the fall of the curtain. The play is intensely interesting, was excellently staged, and the vaudeville in the intervals was more than worth the admission charged. Seldom if ever before has there been such an all-star combination brought to Charlottetown, and the remainder of the engagement is certain to draw bumper houses. Those who have been there will want to go again and take all their friends with them. Reserved seats now on sale at Dickson & Troy's.

Sir Max Aitken Tells of Gallant Deeds

(Continued from page 1) An enemy party was heard at work, and bombs were thrown among it by our patrols. The enemy replied with machine gun fire, but our patrols retired without casualties. On the night of December 4 a patrol of Royal Canadian Dragoons, under Lieut. E. W. Lindsay and Lieut. A. B. Irving, entered a German sap and followed it inwards to the edge of the German wire. At this point a German patrol was encountered and bombed, after which our patrol withdrew safely. On the night of December 7-8 a patrol of our 2nd (Ontario) battalion, under Lieut. G. T. Richardson, cut through the hostile wire and climbed on the top of the enemy parapet. A party of five Germans were seen in the trench and successfully bombed. On the afternoon of December 8th Private Lindsay, of Lord Strathcona Horse, crawled out from our lines and locked over the enemy parapet. After counting the enemy in the trench and identifying the regimental badges on their caps he returned undetected to our lines. Some cases of "trench feet" and influenza have been reported but the general health of our troops continues very good.

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A New Questions and Answers Department of Interest to Shooters

Readers are reminded that this should be sent to me in care of the readers on anything connected P. L.

KILLING POWER

Of the various subjects connected with the sport of shooting, killing power comes in for more acrimonious debate than any other thing. One hunter claims that such and such a rifle of so and so caliber has killing power enough for any American big game, and another hunter is equally positive that an outfit producing two or three times the muzzle energy is hardly powerful enough.

The reason for all this discussion is because bullets act erratically and the vitality of several animals apparently exactly alike varies to a very great extent. Then, too, the effect of a bullet depends in a large measure upon the vital organ which is hit. A shot in the brain is always instantaneously fatal, regardless of the size or energy of the bullet. This is almost equally true of a shot which hits the spinal cord.

Therefore a bullet from a .32 short will kill a moose or grizzly, provided it goes through the brain. Shots going through other vital organs are practically always fatal, although they differ from brain shots in that they do not necessarily cause instant death. Effectiveness depends, first, on the individual animal; second, on the exact location of the bullet hole, and third, on its size. At the two extremes, for instance, we might take the .22 rifle and three-inch field artillery gun. The .22 long rifle bullet—if it goes through a deer's heart will cause death, but the animal may run a long distance before it drops. If the above mentioned three-inch affair hit the deer there wouldn't be any question about the animal being killed instantaneously, but probably there wouldn't be enough left of the animal to take home.

The point is, in selecting the big game rifle, be careful to avoid the cannon as well as the too-small rifle.

Somehow, I seem to have noticed that the more expert a hunter becomes in both his marksmanship and his knowledge of the proper place to put his bullets, the lower the power of the rifle he uses.

J. C. L., Sullivan Co., N. Y.

I have an old Civil War rifle Gallagher's Patent 1860, also a Sharp's Kammerless single shot rifle, Borchardt Patent (on the barrel is marked "Old Reliable." Could you tell me what caliber cartridges these guns take, and also at what ranges will they shoot accurately?

Ans. You cannot get cartridges for your Gallagher's Patent rifle. Sharp's Borchardt rifle was made both in .40 and .45 caliber. Send a plaster cast of the chamber to the ammunition companies who will probably be able to supply you. Sharp's Borchardt will give accurate results at probably 100 to 200 yds.

R. B., Jr., DeWitt, Iowa.

Can you tell me where I can get the following ducks or eggs from which I can raise them, and where I can get information on how to raise them: Wood duck, American green-eyed duck, pin-tail Cuck, green-winged teal, mallard duck, canvas-back duck?

Ans. Write Dwight W. Huntington, c/o Garbe Breeder, 150 Nassau Street, New York City, who is an authority on the subject, and he can give you the latest information on all branches of game breeding.

E. C. K., Androsquin Co., Me.

Please give me the recoil of the carbine, Model '94 23 to 3/4 magazine, .32 Special and 25-35, as compared with the 38-55 '94 Model light weight. I have used the 38-55 three seasons and wish a shorter barrel rifle with more power.

Ans. With the .32 Special, the free recoil is 7 1/2 ft. lbs. With the 25-35 the recoil is about 4 ft. lbs. 38-55 High Velocity cartridge gives about 10 ft. lbs.

What do you think about a Silvers recoil pad attached to a rifle?

Ans. The Silvers recoil pad can be fitted to a rifle, but for hunting work where only a few shots are fired in any one day, the recoil should not

bother you anyway.

3. Has the Savage Feather Weight .303 as much jump as the .32 Special carbine above mentioned? It appears to me as though there ought to be a way to compare the recoil of different rifles as there is the striking energy in ft. lbs. What do you say in regard to that?

Ans. They are in the same class with regard to recoil, which of course determines the jump. Jump does not effect the accuracy, however, as it is constant, and is the same for every shot. Recoil can be compared by either foot pounds of recoil or the feet per second velocity with which the rifle comes back.

4. What is the Maine law regarding the carrying of a loaded revolver?

Ans. Mr. W. G. Hill, 505 Fidelity Building, Portland, Me., can give you the details regarding the law on carrying revolvers in Maine.

5. Can an amateur do much on deer from 25 to 50 yds. with a .45 Colt Automatic? I use a .32 Smith & Wesson pocket revolver now. Can the .45 Colt Auto be used to good advantage at 10 to 25 yds. or is it sighted for only range deer?

Ans. Results on deer at 25 to 50 yds. with the .45 Colt Auto do not depend on whether the man is an amateur or no, but depend on how much skill he has in shooting. If he is an expert shot, he should do good execution. By "expert" I mean a man who can keep most of his shots within an 8 inch circle up to 50 yds. The .45 Colt Auto is sighted in so there is very little difference in sighting from 15 to 75 yds.

6. Will you give the directions of using a watch to tell where North is? An old hunter showed me several years ago, but I do not remember how to do it now.

Ans. The method of telling which direction North is by means of a watch is not a very useful proceeding. If a man's watch is running approximately on time, and if he will simply remember that the sun rises in the East and sets in the West, and that at 12 o'clock noon it is due South, he can come very close to guessing by looking at his watch, about where North is. Of course, in using a watch there is no correction for latitude, so that the use of the watch is not correct anyway. However, one way of doing it is by holding the watch with the dial parallel to the earth and point it so that the sun will be midway between the hour hand and 12 o'clock, always using the largest angle between 12 o'clock and the hour, and 12 o'clock will point North; thus, at 6 o'clock in the morning, the numeral 3 will be pointed at the sun, and North would be at 12 o'clock; at 10 o'clock in the morning the numeral 5 would be pointed at the sun and 12 o'clock would still be North. At noon, the numeral 6 would naturally be North, and so on through the afternoon until at 6 o'clock at night the figure 9 would be pointed at the sun.

A. A. S., Aleman, Tex.

What size cartridge would it take in the Savage 250-3000 using an auxiliary chamber for smaller ammunition?

Ans. The only firm manufacturing an auxiliary chamber for use in the 250-3000 Savage is the Marble Arms & Mfg. Co., Gladstone, Mich. The cartridge handled is probably the .25 Automatic pistol cartridge. I would suggest writing them for further information.

D. S., Port Angeles, Wash.

1. What is the range of the .22 long rifle?

Ans. The accurate range is 100 to 200 yds.

2. What is the killing range?

Ans. On small game such as squirrels, rabbits, etc., about 150 yds.

3. Will the .22 long rifle kill fox at 15 yds.?

Ans. Yes.

Alfred P. Lane

SUMMARY OF THE WAR

THE MACHINE GUN AND ITS DEVELOPMENT

Tests against picked shots have shown that one machine gun will make more than 50 marksmen. One may safely say that, as a target hitter, a machine gun is equal to a regiment.

The development of this most effective of weapons has been very interesting, and much money and time has been spent in perfecting it. Machine guns of a primitive kind, was found in early history.

In 1682, the army of Ghent put 200 char de canon to the field, a number of barrels mounted on two wheeled carriages furnished with spikes and scythe-blades. In 1411 the Burgundian army's aid to have had 2000 of these weapons. Louis the twelfth had a machine gun which fired 50 shots at one round.

The ribadoquin Chinese capture from the Chinese by the French in 1866 is probably the earliest type of machine gun known. It is believed that this gun was built about the beginning of the fourteenth century. It consisted of a very heavy truck reinforced with iron. On this truck were mounted four iron barrels nine feet long. They were fired all at once by a train of powder leading to every barrel.

The next important development was the Danish nine barrel gun, mounted in sets of three on a two wheel carriage. One set of barrels was fired at a time. Closely following this came the American revolving cannon capable of firing three charges in quick succession. This gun was very popular in the war of 1812, and doubtless was responsible for some sensational sea victories, but a really satisfactory machine gun was not found until breech-loading had been discovered.

Then came in quick succession the Gatlin, Baffey, Requa, Hotchkiss, Gardner, Bessemer, and Maxim, each similar, lighter, more compact, more accurate, or having greater firing speed than its predecessor. The Maxim is the one most widely used by the warring nations to-day. It weighs 50 to 60 pounds and fires 450 to 600 rounds per minute.

The Colt automatic is another very popular type, very similar to the Maxim and with about the same rate of fire. It weighs only about 40 pounds. The Lewis is similar to the Colt gun, but about 2 pounds lighter. The Maxim, Colt and Lewis are all highly scientific machines, of the best kind machine guns in the highest sense of the word.

Parliament Will Meet on Jan. 12

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—The next session of the present parliament will convene on January 12, it was announced today. It is also officially announced that Mr. Albert Severyn, M. P. for the district of St. John's, will succeed Speaker Sproule, who has been appointed senator.

Zeppelin Air Raids On 28th Battery

Sterling Wood Tells of Exciting Time When Raids Were Made

Re Zeppelin raids on England. R. Sterling Wood of the 28th Battery, C. E. F., writes to his mother, Mrs. James Wood of Douglastown, as follows:

We have the electric lights in the huts till 9 o'clock at night. We have to keep our windows covered tight as a protection against air raids. Well you did get the news about the Zeppelin raid on our camps. So I suppose I might as well tell you a little about it. It was on the night of Oct. 13th at about 8:45 o'clock. The fifth Brigade encamped at Otterpool were shelled first. It was there that the casualties occurred, fourteen men were killed outright, and fifteen injured, of which seven have died since. It was a gruesome sight, they say. I did not go up. They dropped four bombs there and made a beeline for us, but owing to our being situated on lower land and the promptness with which our lights went out, we were able to make their plan not the least bit of a success. They intended they dropped five bombs, intending them for us but they all landed in the field adjoining us right in a row about 200 yds. from us. It was a narrow enough escape I can tell you. Two of our water wagons were slightly damaged. When the second bomb dropped I thought the tent about twenty yards from us was crushed to the ground, but it was the glass in the large windows at headquarters. I dashed the lights out in a jiffy and crept against the wall and tried to keep two or three of the fellows calm. Alex. MacDonald slept through it all and never budged. He is an awful sleepy head. As soon as we thought they had made off, I struck out for the stables to see how the things were faring. I thought the horses might have stampeded, but being under cover, they were alright and only in one case did a horse kick a fellow. The fifth brigade were in tents and had their horses plucked out in the open, 40 were killed and the rest or most of them broke away and stampeded all over the country.

The second last night I was on picket we had an alarm—heard that there was to be a raid. Some of the fellows rushed out across the rail-road track, while those that could be kept together came to the stables and we took all the horses out in a field north of the camp, some work with 500 horses. It was a pretty cold night and we were kept out until after twelve o'clock holding those horses, I had charge of the picket and could not leave until I saw that all the horses were out and as there were three left, I had to tie them together and take them. One was a kicker and I had an exciting time for a while.

We had pretty heavy frost last night and I expect we will be having it colder all the time now. Some of the fellows that were with us in Fredericton and went in that first draft have been in action. One has been killed and several wounded. Ches wrote me and told me that

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OTTAWA PLEASUED WITH THE RECRUITING IN MARITIME PROVINCES

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Canadian Sargeant Murdered in England

London, Dec. 11.—The most grim and sensational tragedy that has marked the history of the Canadian troops in England, occurred Thursday night in the quiet Hampshire Village, Grayshot, where Jacques Marcus Ozanne, of the Forty-First French Canadian Battalion in command of Lieut.-Col. Archambault, was brutally murdered in a stable.

Lieut. Coderre, the only occupant of a house near the stable, was taken into custody. He strenuously denies being implicated in the crime.

The body of the Sargeant who is believed to be a native of the Channel Islands, was terribly mutilated. The head was almost severed. A carving knife and a blood stained towel were found in the vicinity of the body.

COL. GUNNING WILL COMMAND 140TH

St. John, Dec. 10.—Col. G. W. Gunning, formerly 66th Regiment, Halifax, and recently of the 104th Battalion at Sussex, has been given command of the 140th and will have battalion headquarters in St. John for the winter.

Some of these fellows that were wounded in the air raid were in the hospital where he is.

Don't worry about these things mother, all will be well. Let us hope and pray that it will soon be over and if we are called upon to lay down our lives in this gigantic struggle that it will not be in vain. I don't think we shall see the front before January at any rate. The air raid has made me more anxious to get over to square accounts.

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THE Pillar of Light

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"Mr. Trill smiled. He knew what was in the other man's mind. 'Do you see a likeness in this young lady to anyone you have ever known?' he asked. 'Well, sir, I hope it will not hurt your feelings, but I could have sworn—well, I must out with it. She is the living image of my wife.' 'Indeed, that cannot hurt my feelings, as she is her daughter.' 'Her daughter! Your daughter!' gasped Emmert. 'A small, vivacious, well-to-do girl, with the ears of a rabbit, was listening spell-bound at the open window. Here, indeed, was a chance to get the milkman, and the postman, and the butcher's and grocer's boys. From this lower current the stream of talk flowed upwards until it reached the august drawing-room of Mrs. Trill-Smith. She drove in frantic haste to Lady Margaret's villa, and fired questions broadcast. 'Oh, yes,' said Jack's mother, suavely. 'It is quite true. Of course I have known it from the first. According to present arrangements the marriage will take place in the spring. End's marriage settlement will be nearly a quarter of a million.' 'Like most women, she loved that word. A million, even in fractions, is so glib, yet so unattainable. The only person who was slightly dissatisfied with the progress of events was Pyne. Constance never appeared. She shared with Mrs. Shepard the care of her mother. End, lithe and glib, and in the public eye, did the house-keeping and represented the household. Brand, too, save for a couple of visits to the hotel, remained invisible. He was pale and worn, a man at war with himself. The young Philadelphia—for Pyne's family home was in the Quaker City, though his estate lay principally in New York—was pleased by the slight signs perceptible behind the screen of Brand's reserve. 'Constance takes after her father,' he told himself. 'There may be trouble about her mother, in the scurry I may get left. I must think this out.' At last came a day of warm sunshine, when End announced that the invalid, by the doctor's orders, was carried downstairs. 'Has Mr. Brand seen her yet?' asked Pyne. 'No,' replied End, with a little cloud on her fair face. 'He never mentions her. And how he wishes she would. He is suffering, but keeps at it, and neither Constance nor I can make any suggestion. 'But what is the outcome?' 'How can I tell? That night—after we left the hotel—he told us the story of his married life. I did not seem to be utterly impatient to straighten matters, but we knew nothing of her career during so many years. Was she married again? I have asked my father. He believes she was, but is not certain. 'Father' was Mr. Trill; Brand remained 'dad.' Thus did End solve the difficulty. 'Is she aware that Constance knew she is her mother?' 'We think so. Indeed, we are sure. She has been so ill, and so yet so glib, that we dare not excite her in the least degree. So Constance has been very careful, but every look, every syllable, shows that her mother is in no doubt of that point. 'It's a pretty hard nut to crack,' said Pyne. He blew cigar smoke into rings. 'Seemingly the operation aided reflection. 'Say, End,' he went on. 'If the weather is fine to-morrow, do you think Constance would come out for a drive?' 'I don't know. Certainly she needs some fresh air. What between her anxiety and her mother's illness, they are beginning to look like sisters. 'Just mention to Connie, in her father's presence, that if the sun shines at eleven, I will be along in a dog-cart. Mrs. Vanstarr will be downstairs by that time.' 'Yes.' 'And if Connie comes out with me, you just find an errand in town. Rope Jack into the scheme, or any old dodge of that sort. Take care Mr. Brand knows of it. By the way, send Mrs. Sheppard out to see her mother.' 'What in the world—' 'You're just too pretty to think hard, End. It causes wrinkles. Do as I ask, there's a good girl.' End was delighted to find that Brand strongly supported the suggestion that Constance should take the drive. Pyne, sharp-tongued, drew up a smart pony in front of the cottage, and did not twitch a muscle when Constance, veiled and gloved, ran down the pathway. 'Excuse me getting down,' said Pyne. 'I opened with a groom. I guess you know the roads round here.' She climbed into the seat beside him. 'It is very good of you to take this trouble,' she said, and when he looked at her a slight color was visible through the veil. 'How is your mother?' he asked, abruptly. 'He felt, rather than saw, her start of surprise. She did not expect the relationship to be acknowledged with such sudden candor. 'She is much better,' she assured him. 'That's all right,' he announced, as if a load were off his mind. And then, somewhat to her surprise, he entertained her with the news. 'Elsie and Mamie had quitted Penance the previous evening, an aunt having traveled from Boston as soon as the first tidings of the wreck reached her. 'She was a young, nice-looking aunt, too,' he said, cheerfully. 'And I was powerfully fond of those two kiddies.' 'The association of ideas might prove helpful,' she suggested, with a touch of her old-fashioned wit. 'That is what struck Elsie,' he admitted. 'She said she didn't know why I couldn't marry Aunt Louisa right off, and then she could all live together socially.'

"And what did the lady say?" she thought it was a great joke, until I said that unfortunately I had made other arrangements. Then she guessed her niece had got a bit out of it. 'Have you seen the poor fellow whose arm was broken? End has not had a moment to give me details of events since we lapsed.' From that point their conversation dealt with generalities. Soon the girl perceived his intent. His sole desire was to place her at her ease, to make her realize that no matter what troubles life held they could be vanquished with a smile. She responded to his mood, and enlivened the drive with comments on the people they met and the houses and villages they passed. For two hours the world went well because it was forgotten. End, the conspirator, waited until the pair in the dog-cart were out of sight. Then she went to the little room at the back of the cottage where Brand pretended to be busily engaged in compiling a scientific account of his auriscope. 'I am going out, dad,' she said, trying to appear unconcerned. 'All right,' he answered, laying down his pipe. 'I only want you because Mrs. Sheppard is out, too.' Obviously End was determined that if Pyne's calculations were worth anything they should have fair play. 'Oh, he commented sharply, "but the maid is in." 'She is such a stupid girl in some things. If it is our guest rings you will hear her. Would you mind asking Mary what it is in case she gets muddled?' He glanced at her. She was pulling on her gloves, and was looking at her refractory button. 'I'll hear the bell, I will inquire,' he said, and she escaped, feeling quite wicked. When he was alone, he did not resume his task. In the next room, separated from him only by a brick wall, was his wife. A wall, why should there always be a wall between them? It was not of his building. Had she made it impossible during the long years? And what would be the outcome, now that Constance was in daily communion with her mother? The doctor, in kindly ignorance, had told him that Mrs. Vanstarr was convalescent and would be able to travel in a few days. In response to a question, the doctor added that the lady herself asked when she might be moved. 'What was her plan?' Mr. Trill, who had written him a sympathetic letter, mentioning the fact that Mrs. Vanstarr had voluntarily resigned her promise to marry him, and had instead, by the light of present knowledge, had determined on that course since she first knew that her former husband was living. Suddenly Brand pushed back his chair from the desk at which he sat. 'The young dog!' he growled. 'He had in fact followed the exact mental process which Pyne mapped out for him. The letter, the drive, Mrs. Sheppard's absence, End's uneasy wriggling at the door, were all parts of an ordered plan. He was to be given the opportunity of seeing his wife and disentangling the twisted strands of twenty years. He rose impatiently, and paced the room, quietly without, lest the woman in the next room should hear him. A decision had been formed on him. He could shirk it no longer. 'Pyne has contrived this,' he muttered. 'He thinks he can see more clearly into the future than a man in his age. End is in the plot, too. And Connie! No, not Connie. Dear heart! She is worn with anxiety, yet she never once mentioned her mother to me. I must see her into the house like an ailing child.' Back and forth he walked, wrestling with the problem. See his wife in the past, and before she was married. Was it advisable, in her present state of health, to take her by surprise? Pyne evidently thought so. 'The doctor! Good heavens! was the doctor in the thing, too?' 'At last, he tutted at the bell. 'Mary,' he said, 'ask Mrs. Vanstarr if she is able to see Mr. Brand.' There it was done. 'There is a faint and soft of speech, drearily Mrs. Sheppard's matronly eye, knocked at the door of the sitting-room. He heard her deliver his message, and he saw the door open. He was lamenting his folly, hoping against hope that no ill result might be forthcoming to the invalid, when he saw Mrs. Vanstarr enter. She caught Mrs. Trill's formal 'Yes, sir,' and the girl came to him. 'Please, sir,' she said, 'the lady says she is anxious to see you.' He walked firmly to the door, opened it and entered. He had made up his mind what to say and how to say it. It would be best to ask his wife to discuss matters in a friendly spirit, and, for their daughter's sake, agree to some arrangement whereby she should see her occasionally. There need be no tears, no recriminations, no painful raking through the dust-heaps of the vanished years. The passion, the agony, of the old days was dead. The secret had been well kept. It was known only to those whom they could trust, and they might part without heart-burning. The pillar, the refuge, the spared the suffering of knowing that her mother and she were separated forever. 'These things were well ordered in his brain when he looked at his wife. She was seated near the window, and her beautiful eyes, brilliant as ever, were fixed on him with lowering intensity. They shone with the dumb pain of a wounded animal. He walked towards her and held out his hand. Her illness had brought out certain resemblances to Constance. She looked younger, as some women do look after illness. Surely she could not, even had he harbored the thought, use cruel words to this wan, stricken woman, the wife whom he had loved and for whom he had suffered. 'Nanette,' he said, with utmost gentleness, 'do not be distressed. Indeed, there is no reason why our meeting should be postponed. It is better that we should part again in anger and bitterness.' She caught his hand in both of hers. 'I said nothing,' she said, her large eyes gazed at him as if she sought to read in his face the thoughts he might not utter, the memories he might not recall. Her lips distended. He saw her mouth twitching at the corners. 'Nanette,' he said again, though his voice was not well under control, and something rose in his throat and stifled him. 'I appeal to you not to give way to emotion. You may become ill again—and I would never forgive myself.' Still clinging to his hand, she sank on her knees by his side. But there was no wild burst of tears; her sorrow was too deep for such kiddish sobs.

Stephan, she whispered faintly, 'I cannot ask you to forget, but you have asked for forgiveness. Can you forgive me?' He bent over her and would have raised her; she clung to him with such energy that he could not free himself. 'My poor wife!' he murmured, 'who am I that I should deny that which I hope to obtain from my Creator?' 'But—' she panted, in that unvoiced whisper—'I treated you so vilely, I left you to John that man you had sought to marry. I desired my husband and my child for the sake of the money he bequeathed to me. In the heat of my grief I strove to crush you out of my heart. And now that God has humbled me I must humble myself. Stephan, I am not your wife. I obtained a divorce—' 'Nanette!' he cried. 'I cannot bear to see you kneeling at my feet. I ask no revelations. I forgive you only wrong you may have done me, fully and freely, as I hope you are forgiven.' She yielded to his pleading and allowed him to raise her. For an instant she was breathless. 'I would be happy to die in your arms, Stephan,' she said, wildly. 'I do not deserve it, I know, but Heaven is merciful. Death does not come as a shy healer of the wounded conscience. It may be sought, and I have thought of that. But Constance I will endure to the end. Surely I owe her that reparation. I committed a mortal sin once in my life. Let it suffice.' 'Tell me what you wish me to do, I will obey.' 'Don't you think it will be better if we defer a final settlement? You have already taxed your frail powers beyond their limit.' 'No, Stephan. Speak now. I will not faint nor flinch to witness. What would become of my wife if I were to die? She is a young girl, and she has a right to her own freedom. It may be sought, and I have thought of that. But Constance I will endure to the end. Surely I owe her that reparation. I committed a mortal sin once in my life. Let it suffice.' The fixed plan of the study, with its carefully arranged papers, was not so much as a refuge to the man. 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It was hard to utter even a commonplace farewell. She held him by her very helplessness. But the rapid rot of his brain, and the whirl of his thoughts, he stood irresolute, he saw Constance alighting from the dog-cart. His wife looked out, too. They heard their daughter laughingly regret that she could not ask Mr. Pyne to luncheon—meals were irregular events just then. Brand felt a timid hand grasping his, and a choking sob proclaimed that Constance's mother was crying. He stopped with a motion that was almost a caress. 'I cannot bear it,' he said. 'I cannot bear it.' 'I can bear anything, Stephan,' she sobbed. 'If only you will let me stay with you for the night, and I will be so good to you.' 'Do you mean that, Nanette?' he gasped, incredulously. 'I have prayed, yes, ever since I saw that it might be so, dared to pray, that it might be so, ever since I saw my child. She has brought us together again. Let us not part, for her sake, and for mine, Stephan, if it is not too late.' So Constance, hastening up the garden path, could not believe her eyes when she saw her father lift her mother into his arms and kiss her. Mary, the maid, never ceased wondering why every other member of her family, and why she herself, should be so ridiculously happy that afternoon. Mrs. Vanstarr wept, and Miss Constance wept, and Miss End wept, and the whole household. Sheppard was weeping at intervals all day. Nevertheless they were all delighted in their respective ways. Sheppard, although she cooked a tremendous dinner, never scolded her mother. It was also a remarkable thing that she realized the heaviest revenue losses were sustained in the fall of last year, following the outbreak of war, the period from September showing decreases of three and four millions a month. The decline began in February with the presentation of the budget, and the revenue was restored to the level of the ante-bellum months of the previous year. Since the budget was introduced the revenues of the Dominion have been as large as they would have been had there been no war. The figures for the past six months are fifteen million dollars higher than they would have been without the imposition of war taxes, and as the revenues are still increasing there is every prospect that the estimate of \$30,000,000 of special war revenue will be fully realized. Large Postal Increase The increase is shown in all departments that are ordinarily revenue-producing. For example, the stamp tax has produced over two million dollars, despite reports freely circulated that it had failed. An analysis of the revenue of the Dominion for the past six months shows the return from the Post Office to be \$7,999,779.65 as against \$5,725,000 last year; an increase of over \$2,200,000. Now as to expenditure. It must be remembered that interest charges on war loans are paid out of the ordinary revenue. 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LESSONS FROM AUSTRALIA How the Boot and Shoe Tariff Has Helped Manufacturers There According to a recent United States Bureau of Commerce report, the effect of the tariff on the Australian shoe industry has been very marked. During the years from 1909 to 1913 the Tariff Commission in its reports finds that the imports have not averaged more than about 10 per cent. of the total requirements of the market. It is true that in 1913 the percentage of imports slightly increased, but this was due in large measure to a greatly increased consumption caused by immigration, and to the fact that local manufacturers had not been able to extend sufficiently to keep up with the increased demand. There is also difficulty with respect to securing skilled labor. It is interesting to know that the duty on imported boots and shoes from the United Kingdom is 30 per cent., and from the United States 35 per cent. On the top of this are the costs of importing which average 10 per cent. and with the statutory addition of 10 per cent. for landed values make the total protection against the United Kingdom 43 per cent. and against the United States 45 1/2 per cent. It should be noted that the Canadian tariff on boots and shoes is, under normal conditions, 25 per cent., and even with the addition of the war tax is only 30 to 32 1/2 per cent. No doubt the measure of protection enjoyed by the Australian manufacturer would be regarded as very high in Canada, but the fact remains that it has secured for the Australian workman and manufacturer the bulk of the home market. Where every one can find employment at good wages the disposition to criticize the means by which this condition is secured is not very great. It is apparent, too, from the report referred to that the boot and shoe manufacturers of Australia, as a whole, are satisfied with the existing tariff, and are not clamoring for more. The same condition is true in Canada, the Canadian manufacturer being content for the most part with the amount of protection he now enjoys. A Chameleon of Gems Heliodore is the newest gem, and it differs from all others in its remarkable faculty of changing color. Heliodore is a brand-new discovery. It was accidentally discovered by German prospectors searching for other precious stones in German East Africa. No one knew what the gem was when it was first brought to light, but it did not take long to learn that they had added a new star to the bright firmament of gems. Samples of the stone were sent to the Kaiser, and he was delighted with them. He had seven heliodore stones set with diamonds and pearls and made into a cross for the Empress. The predominating color of heliodore in daylight is a brilliant golden yellow. In artificial light it changes to a beautiful green. In semi-darkness it shines like a diamond. Do you try to buy high-grade printed matter the same as you would pig iron and coal at so much per ton and can't be done. Why? Because printed matter to be RIGHT must be sixty per cent. brains mixed with forty per cent. of material and mechanical execution. Printed matter turned out of The Advocate Job Dept. is RIGHT.

THE WEEK IN NEWCASTLE

Chatham Man Wounded
Albert McLennan Lake, of Chatham, is reported wounded. He is in the First Battalion.

Sent to Newcastle
The young girl who was arrested by the police one night last week for wandering about the streets and failing to give a satisfactory account of herself was sent to her home in Newcastle on Saturday night—Gleaner.

Not Yet Extracted
Information received from Hotel Dieu hospital, Chatham, last night was to the effect that the doctors were undecided about opening Allan Black's leg to extract the bullet he received in Sunday night's shooting affray.

A Farewell Party
A number of young people gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Murday Farrell last evening, where a farewell party was tendered Miss Irene McCombs who leaves for her home in Nelson this evening—Friday's Gleaner.

Change of Weather
A very decided change of weather for the better came on Friday night. The night broke in cold, making prospects for a good Xmas week bright. This was followed Tuesday night by a good fall of snow, and the two combined will tend to brighten prospects for Xmas.

Special Xmas Music
Special Xmas music will be given by the choir of the Methodist church Sunday, Dec. 19th, 11.15 a. m., as follows:
Morning 11 a. m.
Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, J. T. Field
Thy light has come, G. J. Elvey
Evening 7 p. m.
Arise, shine for the light has come, G. J. Elvey
There were shepherds, C. Vincent
To hear the angels sing, E. S. Lorenz

Extends Thanks
The Ladies of the Newcastle Branch of the Red Cross wish to thank the citizens of Newcastle and Nelson for their generous donation of \$240.00 for Christmas boxes for the soldier boys now in Europe. The cost of one box was \$1.25 and through the liberality of the people an extra \$1.00 was added to each box for tobacco. Mr. H. C. Clark, now in London, personally looked after the boxes and a neat card edged with red, white and blue, with these words: "From your own home town on the Miramichi, Xmas 1915," was attached to every gift.

Enlisted with 132nd
William Shannon, of Derby, who was acquitted of a serious offence at the Supreme Court here on Wednesday, has enlisted with the 132nd.

Grant for Recruiting
The provincial government, at its meeting Friday, made a grant of five hundred dollars in aid of recruiting in New Brunswick.

Sunday Evening's Subject
At the United Baptist Church, Newcastle, on Sunday evening, Rev. Mr. Richardson's subject will be "Slackers," or the "Curse of Cowardice."

Newcastle Advt.
The St. John Standard's special edition on Saturday contains a large size advertisement for Newcastle, which reads: "Newcastle, Miramichi, New Brunswick, watch it grow."

Election of Officers
The following are the officers elected of Wycliffe L. O. L. No. 82, Douglastown, for 1916: W. M. John Anderson, Jr.; D. M. Frederick Grey; Chap. Harry McCosh; D. C. Robert Grey; Lecturer, Hugh Kirkpatrick; R. S. Herbert Russell; F. S. Willis McKenzie; Treas. James Ahearn; F. of Comm. Clifford Jessamin.

Sad Reflections
Moncton Times—The Chatham World notes that a Miramichi family have had two boys added to their happy home, and says they are to be congratulated on their "noble example." Doubtless the bachelor editor of the World has sad reflections on what "might have been" in his own case.

Gunner Patrick Keoughan
The news of the death, through an operation, of Gunner Patrick Keoughan, was received here with general regret. Gunner Keoughan was one of the first to enlist, leaving here with the first contingent. He was 23 years of age and married a few days previous to departure, to Miss May Ahearn, of Wolfville.

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Give the Returned Hero a Chance

Rev. S. J. MacArthur Would Secure Him a Dry Town, Employment, Recreation and a Welcome to Church

In his sermon last Sunday night on "The Man with the Withered Hand," Rev. S. J. MacArthur made a passionate appeal for fair treatment of the returned wounded hero, advocating for his protection, a dry town, employment, recreation and a welcoming hand from the church.

Mr. MacArthur, after noting the Savior's readiness to help all who were handicapped, said, in part: "Is society as it is at present constituted honest? Is it Christ-like? Is it Christ-like to make possessions that multiply our power for service a wall to fence us off from our fellowmen? Is it right to make our intellectual gifts a barrier between us and others, who are really of the same class as ourselves? There are not much more than half a dozen powers of the Realm who can trace their nobility more than 400 years. Every family of distinction becomes extinct in 400 years. Nature is ever dying from the top and being renewed from the foot of the tree. Is it really, is it Christ-like, to turn away in time of peace from those on whom we lean in time of danger? Yet watch! When this war is over, men who are now patted on the back as heroes will be neglected and dropped. It would be an everlasting outrage meriting eternal perdition if we should be guilty of such a thing.

Some of the men who have done their part on the battlefield now stand among us with the withered hand.

What do you think of this? A returned hero appears under the influence of liquor. Before that time he had had a halo of glory. Now from one that praised him before you catch accents of disgust. The hero, redeemed for a time by his services, is now despised by a man who never did anything to save him from being exposed to such dangers. Who is the better man—the man who did his bit or the man who sneers? Wasn't the man who fought a fool to fight for the one who yields to temptation or the blackhearted German than the sneer at the victim of conditions he does nothing to remedy. I hold that he who can, even for a time, pick himself up and act bravely is a MAN. A society that does not give that man a chance is not Christ-like—is not British.

Thank God, there are people in this country worth fighting for. It is said that ten or twelve years ago, the Kaiser, warning his people that Germany's future lay upon the water and that the nation that should win would be the nation that had

most self control, advised total or practically total abstinence from liquor for Germans, but also advised selling as much as possible of German liquor to the nations with whom Germany might some day be at war. Shall we copy the latter method?

But why this fuss over a little whiskey? If it were only a little I would not complain. I speak against the selfish indifference that is even interfering with recruiting.

What is the remedy? There is a means by which we can help the men with withered hands.

- 1.—Give them a dry town. Take away temptation.
- 2.—Give them employment—a chance to be the men at home they were at the front. We are not giving it to them.
- 3.—Give them a place of recreation.
- 4.—Give them a church that will welcome them with open arms and treat them forever as the heroes they are.

Is this program not reasonable? Is it not workable? We can carry it out if we want to. If we put such a program into effect we need not then hesitate to ask men to fight our battles.

You, who have influence with the press of our town, use it to secure from the press the advocacy of all measures that make for social betterment. Let us cease at once all practices that tend to trip the unwary in public, social and moral questions.

The recruiting of the 132nd, now that the Acadians will go in a separate battalion, will cost a greater effort than we expected. Look at these other or hitherto-spare battalions. The man with the withered hand is among us. I have seen him already withdraw into the background, and am smitten with shame. He isn't the chance now to pit him against the forces that make a rule for the eternal judgment. I did not tell you what I have seen with my own eyes.

Russia has put away liquor from its people, Germany from its officers and soldiers, so has France.

What does it mean? In the case of Russia success for the allies. After 15 months of this war, Russia with prohibition had more money in the savings banks than it had before the war. The salvation of Russia is our salvation.

For the sake of the men with withered hands let us all take the total abstinence pledge, and work for total prohibition and the furthering in our community life of all those things that will make good life possible to the man with a withered hand.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Robt. Jarvis and Mrs. F. H. Gilbert, spent Thursday with friends in Blackville.

Mr. J. D. Creaghan attended the 12th of Columbus Convention in St. John last week.

Miss Alice McGrath of the N. B. Telephone Co., Chatham, has been transferred to Newcastle.

Mr. George Williston accompanied his sister, Mrs. F. A. Gilbert, to Hampden Highlands, Me., on Monday and will spend the winter there.

Mr. George Colter of Napan, and Mr. Robert Hutchinson of Molus River, are in town today to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. Thomas Matheson.

Mrs. Marvin Garland, of Albert, Albert Co., who has been spending the past month with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Nell McIver, South Esk., returned home last week.

Mr. Fred Petrie and little daughter of Lowell, Mass., who have been visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Petrie, Maple Glen, and brother A. E. Petrie here, returned home on Monday.

Mrs. W. R. Cuming of Montreal, who was called home on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Janie Bell, returned to her home on Thursday accompanied by her mother, who will spend the winter there.

Occupied Pulpit
Professor Watson, of Mount Allison University, occupied the Methodist pulpit on Sunday evening, speaking on educational matters.

Coasting Accident
While coasting on Monday afternoon little Jack Keating, son of Class Keating, had the misfortune to break one of the bones of his left leg.

Branch of Red Cross
The ladies of Lower Newcastle have organized a branch of the Red Cross Society and will be glad to receive aid from friends in the surrounding district.

Will Leave for England
Major C. J. Mersereau, who has been in Halifax conferring with the military authorities, is home again, and expects to leave for England in February to report for duty.

Mrs. Janet B. Matheson
The death of Janet B., nee Colter, widow of late Thomas Matheson, who predeceased her eight years, occurred on Sunday, after an illness of five weeks, which she bore with great patience. Deceased was 85 years and four months old, was a native of Napan, N. B., a member of St. James' Presbyterian church, and universally respected. She had lived here ever since her marriage. A large family survive her. James, of New York city; Charles, of Bellingham, Wash.; Thomas, of Mexico; John of Boston; Mrs. Bessie Gough, of Newcastle; and Blackstock and Freeman of Newcastle. A large circle of grandchildren are left and the following two brothers: George Colter of Napan, N. B., and Wm. Colter, of Brewer, Me. The funeral will be held from her late residence, Lower Kings Highway, to St. James cemetery, at 2.30 p. m. Many will miss a faithful friend in Mrs. Matheson.

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By A. McLean, 2,000 Pairs of Skates to be sharpened, also skates repaired, and put on boots. Knives sharpened and saw sharpened. Work guaranteed, at Harold Russell's shop, opposite the Gear Works. 51-8

Notice of Meeting
A special meeting of the Newcastle Curling Club will be held in the Town Hall, Monday evening, at 8 o'clock for the transaction of important business. All members are requested to be present. 51-1

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Those wishing to remember the boys at the front should make their selections early. Prices,.....5c, 10c, 15c, 20c each

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