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MARKED INCREASE IN WEEKLY TOLL OF SHIPS SUNK BY U-BOATS AUSTRO-GERMANS STRIVE IN VAIN TO BREACH ITALIAN LINES GERMANS NOW HAVE 154 DIVISIONS MASSES AGAINST ENTENTE LINES IN WEST

TEUTONS STRIKE HARD TO WIN ITALIAN PASSES

Heavy Fighting in Italian Mountain Regions-- Austro-Germans Make Attempt to Force Crossing of Piave River.

Headquarters of the Italian Army in Northern Italy, Dec. 19.—Heavy fighting has again developed both in the northern mountain region and along the lower Piave. The enemy has made five separate attempts to cross the Sile and Piave. The main effort was about three miles above the mouth of the river, where pontoons and a bridge were used. The first party succeeded in getting across, but after a series of furious attacks was driven back to the water's edge, where it still held.

of the Brenta River, and the Italian line was correspondingly retired. The fighting was desperate, as both sides feel the importance of controlling this vital link leading to the plain. Attacks Continue All Day. Rome, Dec. 19.—Austro-German forces on the Italian mountain front made a determined effort yesterday to advance on the line between Col Caprino and Monte Perdon. The war office announced today that only in the Monte Asolone zone did the enemy gain ground and maintain it. The sanguinary fighting that resulted from this enemy effort lasted all day. Took Two Thousand Prisoners. Berlin, Dec. 19.—Austro-German forces yesterday stormed the Italian positions on Monte Asolone and the adjoining heights, according to the official statement issued today by the German staff. More than 2,000 soldiers were captured.

CAN KEEP ENEMY FORCES FROM VENETIAN PLAINS

Allies in Better Shape Than Ever to Hold Teutons to Mountain Positions.

With the French Army in Italy, Monday, Dec. 17.—There is growing confidence in the strength of the allied forces to hold back the Austro-Germans from breaking thru into the plains. The snow, which after falling last week only in sufficient quantities to make the frontal positions plainly visible, but not enough to obstruct the enemy's progress, has now begun again, and apparently in earnest. Although the Austrians have had benefit for three days, every desperate effort to advance has been frustrated. A marked strengthening of the French positions since they took up their front has been noted, principally by the greatly reduced casualties. The attacks have not ceased nor lessened in violence, but the crack French troops have altered and deepened their trenches, on the one hand, making themselves more secure against the enemy, and on the other hand are taking up positions which give them controlling observation advantages such as the Austrians have elsewhere, which enable them to outflank any Austrian attack on the upper Piave. The alteration of the trenches is going on everywhere and is considered of special importance, as the original shelters were so shallow that the men were constantly exposed to rifle fire and sniping unless they moved about bent nearly double.



SACRILEGE TO THE DOGS OF WAR

No church, no matter how beautiful, is immune from the shells of the Germans. They wreck every conceivable structure, no matter whether it be a place of worship or a peasant's shack. This unique photo shows the remains of the Ypres Cathedral, and the Cloth Hall in Grande Place. The tottering walls are all that remain of one of the most beautiful structures in Europe.—British official photo.

NAVIES AND SHIPYARDS NULLIFY SUB EFFORTS

Britain Last Month Launched as Much Tonnage as U-Boats Destroyed—America Speeds Up Ship Construction.

New York, Dec. 19.—Arthur Pollen, the British naval expert, who has sailed for Europe after spending six months in the United States, gave to the Associated Press a statement in which he said that the campaign of the allied navies against the submarine has at last resulted in keeping the world's tonnage from showing a monthly decrease, or will soon do so. Mr. Pollen gives credit for this success to the change in the chief command carried out by the British admiralty last spring and the participation in the campaign of the American navy. Mr. Pollen pointed out that six months ago the German submarines were causing a net attrition in the world's tonnage at the rate of nearly 25 per cent. annually. While the present rate of attrition is difficult to estimate, it appeared that last month Great Britain launched as much tonnage as she lost; the first ship laid down by the United States since the war has been launched, and within the next twelve months a substantial portion of the six million tons provided for in this country will undoubtedly be added. Great Britain's shipbuilding program will similarly increase month by month, and moreover the campaign of the allied navies against the submarine will grow in value week by week, he said.

tre of war. This is a tremendous result. Speaking of the change in the chief command of the British admiralty, Mr. Pollen said: "In bringing about this new order of things at Whitehall the reformers were undoubtedly assisted, first, by the fact that an extremely effective, well-equipped and brilliantly commanded contingent of American destroyers was already at work in a very important area of the theatre of war, and next, by the British Government waking up to the truth that the belligerent America meant not only the co-operation of a very gallant and enterprising ally, but the domestication, so to speak, of a new and extremely intelligent critic." Important Consultations. Mr. Pollen also mentioned the consultations with the British admiralty of "three distinguished and resourceful American naval officers"—Admirals Sims, Mayo and Benson. "Through these men," he said, "we have gained a first-hand experience of the reality of war and has been able to contribute an important and impartial judgment upon the character of the operations to be pursued and of the methods of command under which they should be carried out. I cannot doubt for a moment that much of the improved efficiency of the counter-campaign is due to this intellectual stimulus." Mr. Pollen paid tribute to Secretary of the Navy Daniels, praising what he described as the secretary's policy of obtaining loyal team work by allowing the forces under his orders to be directed, in strictly professional matters, "according to the judgment and advice of the singularly able and efficient officers that, so to speak, form his council of war." Adverting to the recent North Sea raid by Germans, Mr. Pollen said: "The only remarkable thing about such incidents is not their occasional occurrence but their rarity. Were the British or the American navy in the position of the German navy I fancy they would be far more frequent."

GEN. SARRAIL IS RECALLED FROM SALONICA COMMAND

Has Been on Macedonian Front for Over Two Years—Successor to Be Another Frenchman, Gen. Guillemet.

London, Dec. 19.—General Sarrail, commander of the allied armies at Salonica, has been recalled, according to newspaper announcements in Athens, says a Reuters despatch from the Greek capital, under date of December 15. The successor of General Sarrail in command of the Macedonian forces is it is stated, will be General Guillemet. General M. P. E. Sarrail has been identified with the allied operations based on Salonica since October, 1915, when he was sent to command the French expeditionary force engaged in an attempt to succor the Serbians during the Teutonic-Bulgarian drive that resulted in the overrunning of Serbian territory. When Salonica was turned into an allied base and active operations on the Macedonian front began by the entente forces the next year, General Sarrail directed the united operations of the allies and his

since remained in command on this front. Gen. Sarrail's chief services previous to going to Salonica were performed during the battle of the Marne when he held the German Crown Prince's army in the Argonne and prevented the investment of Verdun, and in the Dardanelles where he commanded the French expeditionary force after General Gouraud was wounded there and subsequently relieved in August, 1915. Although there are several officers bearing the name of Guillemet in the French army it seems not improbable that the man selected to succeed General Sarrail may be General Guillemet laumait who commanded the French armies at Verdun during their brilliant operations last summer when they completed the recovery of virtually all the ground that the Germans had won in their 1916 drive.

SEVENTEEN BRITISH MERCHANTMEN SUNK

Fourteen of Destroyed Ships Weren in 4,600-Ton Class; Three of Less Tonnage.

London, Dec. 19.—Fourteen British merchantmen of more than 1600 tons and three under that tonnage were sunk by mine or submarine during the week ending December 15, according to a preliminary statement tonight. One fishing vessel also was sunk. The shipping losses by mine or submarine in the past week are slightly under those of the previous week, when 14 vessels of more than 1600 tons and seven under that tonnage were destroyed. Light French Losses. Paris, Dec. 19.—The losses to French shipping by mine or submarine for the week ending December 15 were exceedingly light. Only one vessel under 1600 tons was sunk, and none over 1600 tons. One ship was attacked, but escaped. No fishing craft was sunk.

ALL SURPLUS OUTPUT OF GRAIN MILLS BOUGHT

Surplus Flour and Oatmeal From Canadian Plants Purchased by Allied Nations. Calgary, Dec. 19.—It is learned that the purchasing representatives of the allied governments have arranged to take all the surplus flour and oatmeal manufactured by the mills of Canada, and that already every mill in the Dominion is working to capacity and will continue to do so until the war is over. The Calgary mills are grinding night and day and the surplus above Canada's requirements are apportioned to those plants in their respective countries by the purchasing agents of the governments by the managements in the east.

HOSTILE RAIDS FAIL ALONG BRITISH FRONT

Only Minor Operations and Artillery Activities Reported by Field Marshal Haig. London, Dec. 19.—Minor operations only are reported in the statement from Field Marshal Haig's headquarters tonight. The text of the statement reads: "During the night a hostile raiding party was driven off by our fire east of Guemappe (Arras sector). Other raiding parties attacked two of our posts in the neighborhood of Avion. Two of our men are missing. "As a result of raids unsuccessfully attempted by the enemy last night near Passchendaele we captured 14 prisoners and four machine guns. "The enemy's artillery has shown considerable activity in the neighborhood of Ploegsteert and Polygon Wood (Ypres sector)."

FIELD MARSHAL HAIG REORGANIZES STAFF

Important Changes Proceed at British General Headquarters. London, Dec. 19.—Field Marshal Haig, commander-in-chief of the British forces in France, The Times says it understands, is making important changes in his headquarters staff, which up to this time has virtually been unaltered since he took over the supreme command.

HUGE GERMAN ARMY MASSES FOR BIG DRIVE

One Hundred and Fifty-Four Enemy Divisions on West Front. RANKS ARE FILLED UP

Allies, However, Have Considerable Numerical Superiority.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Germany's strength on the Franco-British front is placed in official despatches received today at 154 divisions, or within one division of the great force massed there last July, when the German military effort against France was at its maximum. Withdrawals from Russia and drafts upon the younger classes of reserves have enabled the kaiser not only to make up the enormous losses suffered in bloody battles with the allies, but to replace the men sent to aid the Austrians in their invasion of Italy. Winter therefore finds the Germans with armies facing the allies in France very equal to the largest ever before, with advertisement of a great offensive, which may preface another peace proposal. The allies, however, are understood to maintain a considerable superiority in numbers on the French front.

VIOLATED HOLY PLACES IN CITY OF JERUSALEM

Turks Robbed Church of Holy Sepulchre and Brutally Mistreated Christian Dignitaries.

Washington, Dec. 19.—An official despatch received here today, from France says that the Turks before surrendering at Jerusalem to the British brutally mistreated Christian priests, carried off the famous treasure of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, valued at millions of dollars, and sent to Berlin the church's celebrated ostensory of brilliants. Monsignor Camassei, the patriarch of Jerusalem, is said to have been deported from his office, and Father Piccardi, an Italian priest, to have died from the effects of Turkish brutality. The Church of the Holy Sepulchre had remained unlooted heretofore during all the centuries of Moslem occupation of Jerusalem. The same despatch told of indignation among Mussulmen of Asia Minor over the action of a German general in establishing staff headquarters in the great mosque of the City of Aleppo, near the Syrian border.

INVEST IN DINEEN'S FURS.

Make your Christmas purchase one of furs. The high cost of wearing apparel does not apply to furs, and prices are therefore moderate. There is an article at Dineen's for every member of the household. Dineen's values may be counted at 15 to 25 per cent. price advantage in quality. Dineen's, 140 Yonge street.

BRITISH BRING DOWN TWO GERMAN RAIDERS

Six Squadrons of Enemy Planes Bomb British Counties—Ten Killed and Seventy Injured in City of London.

London, Dec. 19.—Ten persons were killed and seventy injured in London during last night's air raid. Outside of London five persons were injured. The following official communication in regard to casualties was given out: "Last night's air raid casualties were: Ten killed and seventy injured in London; only five injured outside London. "Several fires occurred. The material damage was not serious. There was no damage to naval or military establishments. "Sixteen Enemy Raiders. The text of the statement issued today by Lord French, commander of the British home forces, reads: "The latest reports indicate that from 18 to 20 enemy airplanes took part in last night's air raid. Three groups of raiders crossed the Kent coast between 6:15 and 6:25 p.m. Three other groups crossed the Essex coast between 6:30 and 6:45 p.m. All six groups made towards London. Most of the raiders were turned back by gun fire at various places, only about five machines actually reaching and bombing the capital between 7 and 8 p.m. "After the main attack on London had terminated a single airplane made its way over the capital about 9 p.m. "Two raiders, hit by gunfire, finally came down in the sea off the Kentish coast, two of its crew of three men being captured alive by an armed trawler. There is reason to suppose that another enemy airplane came down in the channel, but this has not been confirmed up to the present. "One of our pilots attacked and fired two drums of ammunition into a raider as the latter was in the act of dropping bombs on London from a height of 13,000 feet. Another of our pilots also engaged the enemy over London and a third in the vicinity of the capital coast between 6:15 and 6:25 p.m. All our machines returned safely. "Full reports of the casualties and damage in London have not yet been received. "Bombs also were dropped at various places in Kent and Essex."

BOLSHEVIKI FACING MANY HOME TROUBLES

Maximalists, Talking Peace With Central Powers, Can't Keep Their Own House in Order.

London, Dec. 19.—Britain officially is taking no notice of the "general peace negotiations" between the Bolsheviks and the Central Powers, for Russia, and the foreign ministers of Germany and Austria-Hungary. Having negotiated an armistice, it was assumed the Russians and central powers' delegates would doubtless agree upon the terms of a separate peace. The main interest here was whether the Bolsheviks were able to make such a separate peace stick. The Lenin-Trotsky combination is now faced with at least two formidable revolts—that under the Cossack generals, and a separatist movement, which today's despatches indicated had broken out in violent fighting between Ukrainians and Bolshevik troops at Odessa. More than a score of Russian provinces have repudiated the Bolsheviks and are attempting independence. "Fighting at Odessa. Dec. 19.—Ukrainian troops and Bolshevik guards are fighting in the streets here today. The opera house, headquarters of the Ukrainians, has been equipped with machine guns, which have been turned on the Bolsheviks. The latter are replying with rifle fire. "Maximalists vs. Ukrainians. Petrograd, Dec. 19.—Heavy fighting at Odessa was reported today. The Maximalists still hold the port. Ukrainian troops are snelling them. The Bolsheviks' office also announced today that their forces are advancing toward Kiev. Cossack rebels are attacking Astrakhan. "Threaten the Revolvers. Petrograd, Dec. 19.—The Bolshevik Government today served an ultimatum on the Ukrainians demanding that they cease granting aid to the Cossack rebellion of General Kalaidnes within 48 hours else a state of war would be declared against them.

STATE OF SIEGE NOW IN RUSSIAN CAPITAL

Bolshevik Take Stringent Action to Restore Order in Petrograd—Cossacks Take Rostov.

Petrograd, Dec. 19.—The executive council of workmen and soldiers' deputies has proclaimed a state of siege in Petrograd in an effort to repress disorders due to the looting of wine cellars and shops. "COSSACKS CAPTURE ROSTOV. London, Dec. 19.—A Petrograd despatch to The Post says that the Cossacks finally occupied Rostov Monday. The infantry joined the Cossacks, the rearwards surrendering. Gen. Kalaidnes, hetman of the Cossacks, has proposed to the Bolshevik government that civil strife cease, stipulating the independence of the Don territory and non-intervention by the Maximalists. "Old Cruiser is Torpedoed. London, Dec. 19.—An enemy submarine has torpedoed and sunk in the Mediterranean Sea the old French cruiser Chateaufort, which was being used as a transport. The soldiers aboard the vessel were saved, but ten members of the crew of the vessel were lost.

AMERICA'S FIGHTING SHIPS NOW TOTAL OVER THOUSAND

Personnel of U. S. Fleet is 280,000, as Against 64,000 When Uncle Sam Entered War ---424 Naval Craft Building.

FARMERS HERE TO CONFER ON BIG PROBLEMS

Agriculturists From All Over Province Meet in Toronto for Three Days.

ASSOCIATION GROWS

This Year Shows Great Increase in Membership of the Organization.

The fourth annual conference of the United Farmers of Ontario commenced a three-day session in Toronto in the assembly hall of the Labor Temple yesterday morning amid much enthusiasm. President R. H. Halbert was in the chair.

The features of yesterday's meeting, which continued far into the night, and which was attended by over 500 delegates from all over the province, were the secretary-treasurer's report, President Halbert's address, and an extended discussion upon the projected increase in the per capita tax and a splendid all-round progress of the affairs of the association was reported.

Secretary-Treasurer J. J. Morrison, in the course of his annual report pointed out that the strength of the organization had increased in membership from 8000 to 12,000 during the past year, and the number of clubs within the purview of the organization had increased from 200 in 1916-17 to 315 during the present year. At the time there were some 250,000 farmers in Ontario, the membership of organized farmers still stood in the ratio of 1 to 20. But the increase in the membership had been remarkable during the past year. Another notable feature of the history of the past year was the quickening of the interest among women, many of whom were directly interested in the grain growers' movement, due to some extent to the increase of the per capita tax, and the largest club in the country was at Uxbridge, which had a paid-up membership of 150, and was sending nine delegates to the convention.

Per Capita Increase. The discussion as to the need of increasing the per capita tax per member was full of interest. Secretary Morrison, touching upon the need of the increase, pointed to the many benefits that would accrue to the farmer through legislation which could not have been effected without the finances afforded by this tax, as yet insufficient to meet the demands made upon it. There was a balance of interest in the credit of the association, but this was being used up to a considerable

AIRDROME AT ENGEL BOMBED BY BRITISH

Explosives Dropped on Ammunition and Railway Sidings—Foe Planes Are Downed.

London, Dec. 19.—The successful bombing by British naval aircraft of the Engel airdrome, behind the German lines in Flanders, is announced in today's admiralty statement. The text reads: "Naval aircraft dropped bombs which burst close to the sheds and on the ammunition dump and railway sidings at the Engel airdrome on Tuesday. One enemy aircraft was brought down ablaze and one out of control. All of our machines returned safely."

OLD CRUISER IS TORPEDOED.

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**Holiday Box of Stationery,** in decorated box marked "Christmas Greetings," 24 sheets linen finished note paper, social size, and 24 envelopes to match. Friday... 25

**Oxford Pocket Bibles,** leather bound, yapped red under gold edges, pearl type. Friday... 49

**"Woman,"** by Vance Thompson, author of "Eat and Grow Thin" etc., the most searching and comprehensive account to date of the causes of the feminist movement and its means of success; cloth bound. Reg. \$1.10. Friday... 25

**"The Pure Food Cook Book,"** compiled from recipes published in *Good Housekeeping* magazine, with introduction by Dr. Harvey Wiley. At the Food Commission of the United States; cloth bound. Friday... 25

—Main Floor, James Street.

**Box of Greetings and Good Wishes From the Land of the Maple—**containing ten cards of Christmas greetings in Canadian designs, showing maple leaf, beaver and other emblems; tied with ribbon or cord, and with envelopes to match. Reg. 50c. Friday... 25

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**Calendars at Half Price,** in dainty gilt frame (size 11 x 14 inches), neatly lettered, reverse with colored illustration, calendar pad depending on ribbon from frame. Four styles, "The Servants," "You," "An If for Wheeler," Wilcox, "An If for Girls," and Kipling's "Vampires." Reg. \$1.50. Friday... 75

—Second Floor, Centre.

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**Children's Boots in fine chocolate kid,** Blucher laced, spring heel; also patent, button, with black cloth top, and doggola kid Blucher boots. Sizes 3 to 7. Reg. \$1.65. Friday... 95

**Men's Romeo Elastic Side House Slippers** in brown or chocolate; flexible leather soles and low heels. Sizes 6 to 11. Reg. \$3.00. Friday... 1.95

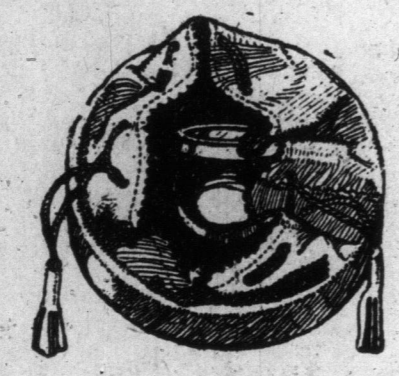
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**Men's 14-in. High-Top Larrigans,** in best quality oil-tanned stock; solid leather top, sole and heels. Sizes 6 to 11. Reg. \$8.00. Friday... 4.75

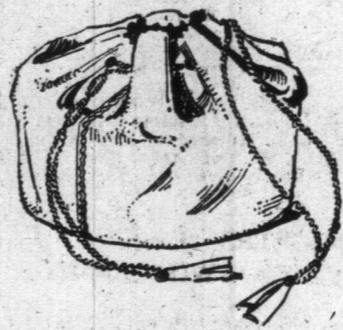
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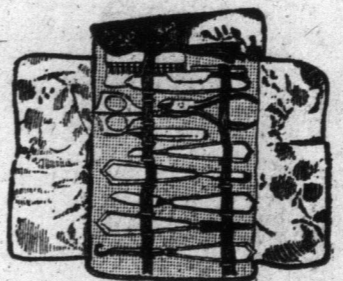
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Seal Grain Toilet Roll, fitted with 9 articles. Price, 6.00



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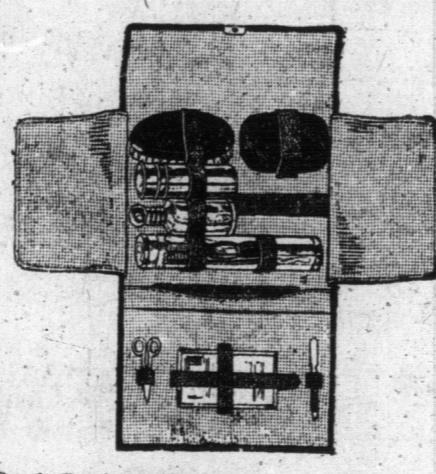
Manicure Set, roll style, with 14 fittings, with white celluloid handles. Price, 10.00

English Pigskin Coin Purse, with slide purse for gold coins. Price, \$1.00.

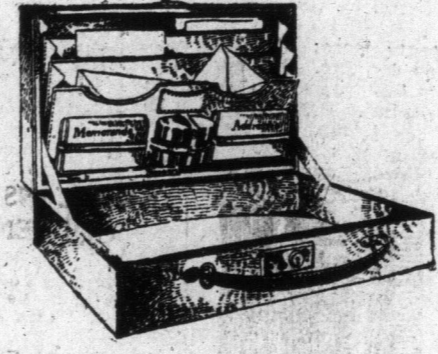


Morocco Grain Three-fold. Price... 1.00

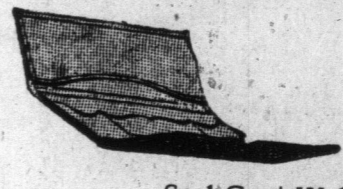
Seal Goat Leather Collar Bag, moire lined. Price... 3.00



Seal Grain Fitted Toilet Case for man, tan lined, 11 fittings. Price, 10.00



Attache Case, seal grain leather, light-colored leather linings. Price... 8.00

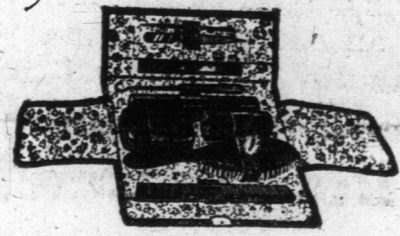


Seal Goat Wallet for bills. Price... 3.50

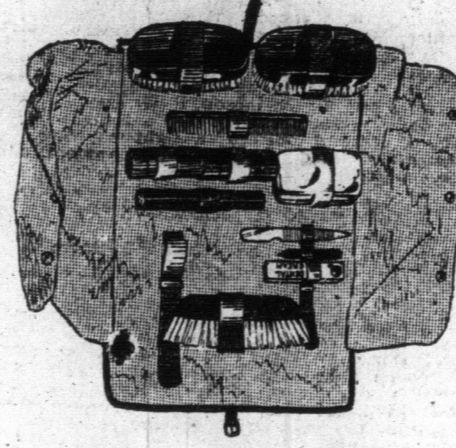


Seal Tightwad for bills. Price, \$4.00.

English Pigskin Coin Tray Purse. Price... 1.25



Seal Grain Fitted Toilet Case for man, 9 fittings. Price... 5.00

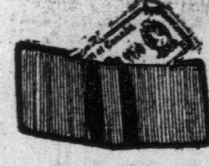


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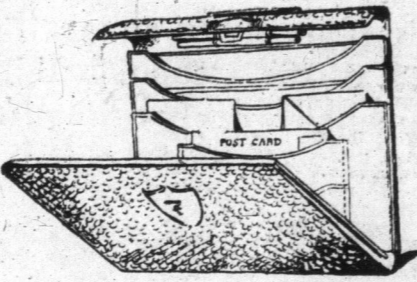


Manicure Set, leather case, with 8 pieces, with pearl handles. Price, 4.00

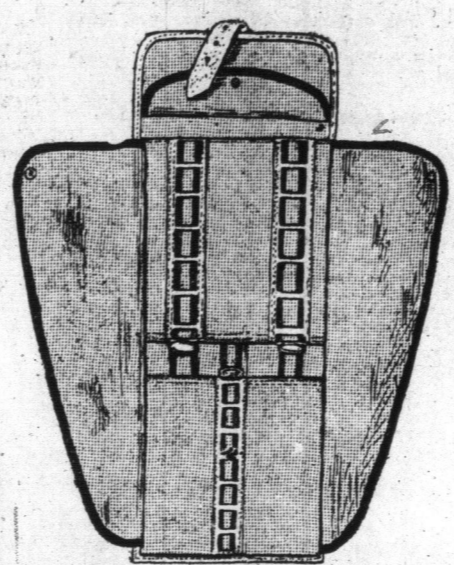
Seal Billfold, calf lined. Price, \$3.00.



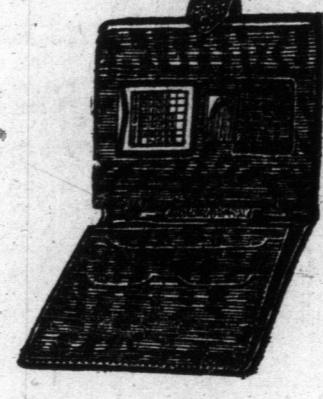
Coat and Trouser Hanger Sets, in leather case. Price... 50



Seal Grain Writing Case, in blue or green, with tan linings. Price... 5.00

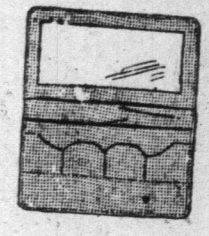


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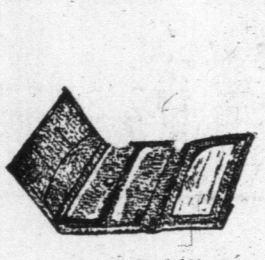


Seal Grain Writing Case, black only, with writing pad, blotter pad, calendar and stamp book. Price... 3.50

Leather Pass Case and Wallet. Price, \$1.00.



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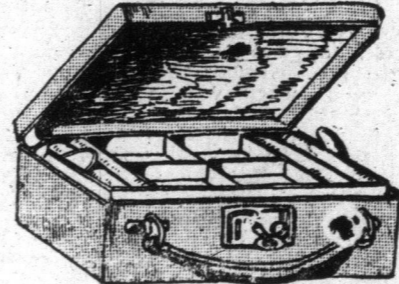


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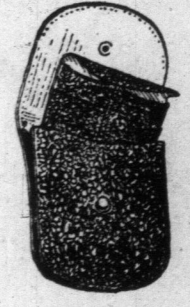


Music Roll of keratol (imitation leather). Price... 50



Grey Calf Leather Jewel Case, moire lined, padded top. Price... 8.00

Morocco Coin Purse, with ticket purse slide. Price... 75

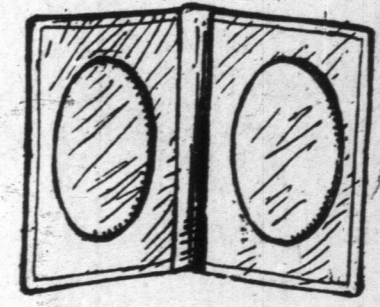


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Main Floor Yonge Street



Tan Leather Photo Cases, for one or two photos. Price... 75

### Some of the Friday Bargains

#### MEN'S SUITS

**Young Men's and Men's Suits** (being broken lines and only a few of a pattern left), tweed and worsted in small checks, smart stripes and mixtures; in greys and browns; single-breasted and styles. Sizes in the lot 32 to 44. Reg. \$15.00, \$16.50 and \$18.00. Friday... 12.75

**Young Men's and Men's Topcoats,** in double-breasted box back styles; of woven tweeds, in the roughest weaves, with plaid back in grey and brown. There's also a number of forming models in the lot, in browns and greys. Tweeds with half belt. Sizes 33 to 42. Reg. \$18.00, \$20.00, \$22.50. Friday, 15.75

Cannot take phone or mail orders for this item, quantity being limited.

**Men's Trousers,** not all sizes in any pattern; tweed and dressy worsteds, striped patterns. Sizes 32 to 44. Reg. \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50 and \$5.00. Friday, half-price... 1.00 to 2.50

**House Coats of vicuna and cheviot finished cloth,** with stripe or plaid trimmings, in self colors of browns, greys, heathers and greens. Sizes 36 to 46. Reg. \$6.50 to \$7.50. Friday... 5.75

—Main Floor, Queen St.

#### MEN'S FURNISHINGS

**Men's Pyjama Suits** of mercerized cottons, in plain shades of sky, tan and mauve, also stripes in a large variety of colors. Flannelite in stripes of blue, grey on white grounds. These are made with military collar or low cut neck, breast pocket, and pants have girdle at waist. Sizes 34 to 44. Reg. \$2.00 to \$3.50. Friday, suit, 1.48

**Men's Bathrobes** of heavy blanket cloth, in checks and Indian shawl and conventional designs, in shades of brown, grey and khaki; are made with shawl and notch collar, bordered and corded edges, buttoned fronts and heavy girdle at waist. Sizes small, medium and large. Reg. \$5.50, \$6.50, \$7.00 and \$7.50. Friday, each... 4.75

**Men's Two-piece Sets,** braces in pulley style; medium weight; hile webbings; stripe designs; patent cast-off ends, garters are padded, with patent fasteners and elastic bands. Colors are grey, sky, brown, mauve and white. Reg. 59c. Friday, the set... 39

**Men's Sweater Coats,** mostly all of wool; few are wool and cotton mixture. Included are cardigan, jumbo and fancy stitch, made with shawl collar, two pockets and closely fitting cuff. Colors are plain navy, grey, brown, also brown with myrtle trim. Sizes 38 to 42. Reg. \$4.50, \$5, \$5.50, \$6. Friday, each... 3.95

**Men's Shirts,** American and Canadian makes in fine madras, solistics, cambric cloths; light grounds with stripes of blue, mauve, black, are made with attached laundered or soft collars. Coat style and different sleeve lengths. Sizes 14 to 18. Reg. \$1.19 to \$1.75. Friday, each 98

**Men's Mufflers,** refer style in foulard and crepe silks and fine corded silks, all tubular style; in Paisley, Oriental and floral designs. All have heavily fringed ends. Colors are green with maroon and gold; light blue with open, green with gold and red. Reg. \$3 and \$3.50. Friday, each at... 1.98

—Main Floor, Centre.

#### MEN'S FUR COATS

**Men's Coats** made from heavily furred Chinese raccoon, leather armshields. Sizes 40 to 46. Less than cost of production. Friday, each at... 95.00

**Coats with Lining of Well Furred Muskrat,** collars of otter and shell of fine beaver cloth. Sizes 38 to 44. Friday, each 43.00

**Men's Caps** made from winter weight tweeds with inside bands to protect ears. Friday, each at... 69

—Main Floor, James St.

Store Closes as Usual Each Day at 5 p.m.

# T. EATON CO. LIMITED

### THREE ASPIRANTS FOR MAYORALTY

Mayor Church, Major Riches and Controller Cameron All in Field.

### ALDERMANIC CONTEST

Former Members of Council Will Run for Board of Control.

Toronto is assured of a three-cornered fight for the mayoralty. Major C. H. Riches, whose candidature was announced in The World yesterday morning, announced himself defeated last night.

Major Riches has been defeated with a local unit since the war started. He informed The World that he would not run solely as a "soldiers' candidate," but would be in the struggle as the "people's candidate."

Mayor Church has not said very much, but there is a feeling that he has hurt his chances of getting the soldiers' support by not appearing on the platform in the federal election to speak for Maj. Cockburn and Maj. McCormack.

Controller Cameron is the first to start his campaign. One of the chief planks in his platform is the saving that he claims to have effected in the payment of soldiers' assurance claims.

Ex-Controller Jesse McCarthy and ex-Alderman David Spence are the latest to be named for the board of control, the latter is definitely in the field.

Whether it is seriously thinking of dropping out of the contest in Ward Seven, owing to business obligations and ill-health, he has not definitely decided, but if he drops out of the field, R. S. Agnew of 272 Papez avenue, will enter the contest.

Mr. Agnew is a barrister and took a prominent stand in connection with the floor street civic line extension.

Waiter Brown, president of the Trades and Labor Council, will make another try as alderman for Ward One. Waiter Garwood has announced himself in Ward Three, and in Ward Four A. A. Gray, County Orange Master, is in the field.

The Street Railway Union decided last night to support W. D. Robbins for the board of control.

Nominations take place next Monday. Nominations of candidates for mayor and board of control will be held at the city hall at 10 a.m. The aldermen and prospective aldermen will be nominated in their respective wards at noon. The nomination places are as follows:

Ward One—Riversdale Collegiate Institute. Returning officer, W. F. Summers. Ward Two—Winchester Street School, George Brown. Ward Three—Wellesley School, William Lee. Ward Four—Lansdowne School, David W. Clark. Ward Five—Harbord Collegiate, N. J. Stevenson. Ward Six—Kent School, Samuel Hobbs. Ward Seven—Annette Street School, W. J. Conron.

### EDUCATION IS MOST COSTLY CITY ITEM

Municipal Expenses Have Gone Up \$23 for Each Family During Year. In a detailed analysis of Toronto's civic financing the bureau of municipal research points out that in just one year the family cost of running the City of Toronto has gone up from \$190 to \$213 a year.

The report depends largely on charts to make clear the manner in which the citizens' money is handled, but reduced to figures the data are interesting. That the department of education is the most expensive in the city is shown by the following table, which is headed, "Where the money goes."

Table with 2 columns: Item, Per Cent. Education 27.0, General government 19.7, Protection 16.5, Health 12.5, Highways 9.2, Charities and correction 5.7, Recreation 4.0, War tax 2.0, Public service enterprises 1.2.

### WOUNDED SOLDIERS HOLD FIELD DAY

Armless and Legless Men Show Prowess at Various Games.

### EFFECTS OF TRAINING

Men From Davisville Hospital Are Winners in Majority of Events.

A very successful field day for returned men under treatment in the various military hospitals in the city, at which a large number of the soldiers were present was held yesterday in Hart House, Queen's Park.

A peculiarity of the obstacle race, which was won by Pte. Smith, of Davisville, was that one of the contestants was a one-legged man, who set a good pace for the winner.

Other events were: Hand gripping contest, won by Pte. Dorney, Davisville. The walking race was won by Pte. Falgout, Davisville. The last event of the afternoon was the tug-of-war, won by Sgt. Sylvester's team.

Among those present as spectators were Sir Edmund Oeler, Sir Robert Falconer, Major Taite McKenzie from Philadelphia, professor of physical education for Pennsylvania; W. K. George, of the hospitals commission; Capt. Thompson, adjutant of Davisville Hospital; and a number of the nursing sisters and doctors from the various military hospitals.

The success of the field day was due to the efforts of Capt. H. R. Smith and Dr. E. A. Bott, director of Hart House.

### GIVE HIM PIM'S IRISH POPLIN SCARFS FROM SCORE'S.

This is without any question the most exclusive neckwear that the people of the city will have the good fortune to make a choice from as Christmas gifts for men.

Score's are the selling agents, and the holiday is unique in the variety of the color assortments, and unlimited in the rich effects in pattern and novel, neat and gentlemanly patterns.

We give "Pim's" special mention because it offers such a desirable choice to those looking for economy and efficiency need the moral support of every patriotic citizen."

### LETTER TOLD HIM OF WIFE'S DEATH

This Was Defence Put Forward by Accused in Bigamy Case.

In the county criminal court yesterday Judge Winchester found Bernard McGraw and Frank Sandford, two youths, both 16 years of age, guilty on the charge of stealing two motor cars, the properties of Tim O'Rourke and James Boddy, about Nov. 18.

Stefan Roselli and Giuseppe Dedo, two Italians, pleaded guilty to the theft of \$200 from Stephen Smith and jewelry to the value of \$78 from Philip Galzsky. On another charge of stealing \$135 from a third party, W. E. Hooley, who appeared for them, put in a plea of not guilty.

J. H. Hill, a returned soldier, appeared to answer a charge of bigamy, having married Eileen Murphy in Toronto in July, 1917, while his legitimate wife, whom he married in June, 1914, was still alive.

Eileen Murphy said she was engaged to accused for almost a month, but just before the wedding Hill told her that he was divorced.

Hill testified that about June 2 or 3 he received a letter from a girl simply signed "Max," stating that his wife had died in Philadelphia. The case was remanded until Jan. 2, 1918.

Tom Rachmiel was found guilty of the theft of a diamond ring and the sum of \$2, the property of Lulu Sheppard. Judge Winchester sentenced him to 30 days in jail with hard labor.

### FIREMEN ELECT OFFICERS.

The Toronto firemen have elected their benefit fund committee for 1918. The new representatives are District Chief William Cooper, of Portland street; Captain Fox of Bay street; Fireman Joseph Waterman of Earle court; Fireman W. Slatas of Richmond street; and Fireman George Painter, also of Richmond street.

### DIED IN OTTAWA.

Mrs. Isabel Grace Mackenzie, widow of the late John King, K.C., died yesterday at the residence of her son, Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, the Roxborough, Ottawa. Mrs. King was in her 76th year.

### LABOR MEN ACTIVE.

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Advertisement for Victrola records at Heintzman Hall. Includes the text 'Select Your VICTROLA At HEINTZMAN HALL' and an illustration of a woman playing a Victrola.

## Make This a Christmas To Be Remembered For Years to Come

There should be music in every home. It is a pleasure and an education to everyone. Every conceivable class of music can be had with a Victrola.

Make Your Selection in Comfort in our large, comfortable Victrola Parlors with their sound-proof demonstrating rooms and large staff of courteous and attentive salespeople.

Our Easy Payment Plan Puts a Victrola in your home by the payment of a small deposit. The balance of the amount will be arranged to suit your convenience in small weekly or monthly payments—payments you will never miss.

Victrola Records as Christmas Gifts are always most acceptable. We have thousands of records to choose from, and will be glad to play for you any desired to help you in making your selection.

Advertisement for Heintzman & Co., Ltd. featuring the text 'Ye Olde Firme HEINTZMAN & CO., Ltd. Heintzman Hall 193-195-197 Yonge Street - - TORONTO Open Every Evening Until Christmas' and illustrations of various Victrola models.

Advertisement for Michie and Company, Limited, featuring the text 'If He Smokes--- a Gift of Cigars' and 'CIGAR DEPARTMENT MICHIE AND COMPANY, LIMITED 7 King St. W., Toronto ESTABLISHED 1835'.

Advertisement for Sore Eyes, featuring the text 'Sore Eyes Granulated Eyelids, Eye Inflammation, Eye Pain, Redness, Swelling, Itching, Stinging, Smarting, Discharge, or by mail 50c per Bottle. As Eye Salve in Tubes 25c. For Book of the Eye See Ask Marine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago'.

PROVINCE DISPOSES OF NORTHERN TIMBER Five Million Dollar Deal in Kapuskasing River District, Where Pulp Mill is to Be Built.

Timber on an area approximating 1700 square miles and bordering the Kapuskasing River was sold by tender yesterday to Mundy and Stewart, \$4 East King street, by the Province of Ontario thru Hon. G. H. Ferguson, minister of lands, forests and mines. The department will net between \$4,500,000 and \$5,000,000.

Port Arthur Pulp and Paper Company. To HELP AT HALIFAX. Col. McMillan, chief secretary of the Salvation Army, has left here for Halifax to help in the relief work now being carried on there by the Salvation Army.

HALIFAX RELIEF FUND. The Halifax relief fund total re \$25,940.24 last night.

SOLDIERS TO RUN TRACTORS Sixty tractors of the 130 odd owned by the Ontario Government and used throughout the province during the summer are to be put to good use during the winter months.

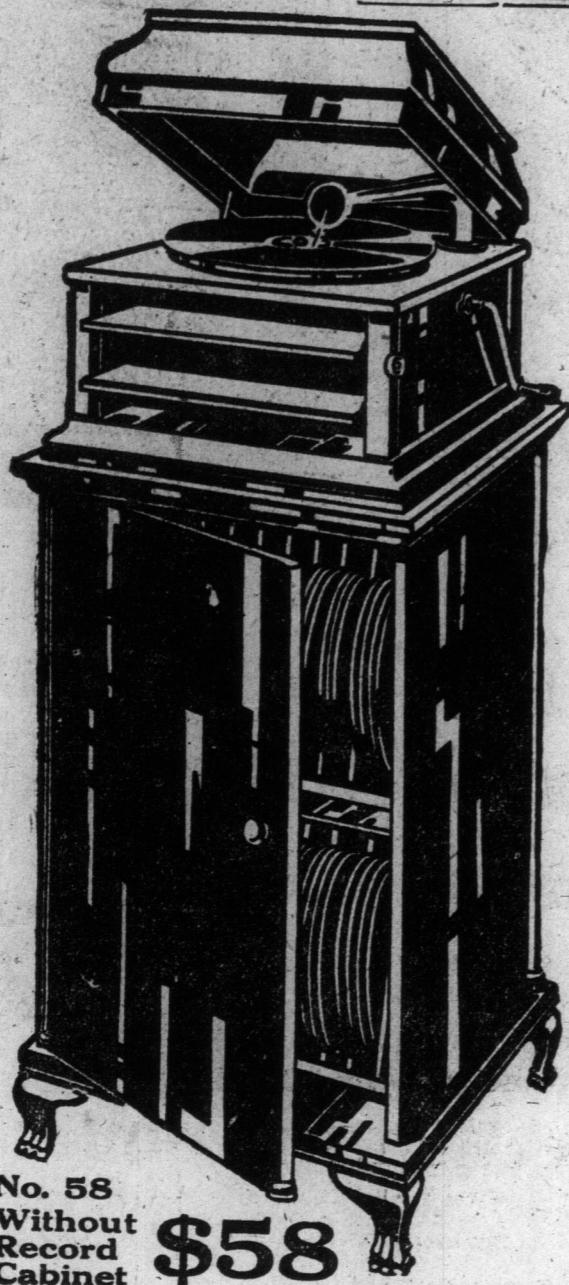
These soldiers will be used to repair and overhaul, and in doing so, they will teach a certain number of men in a repair. The repair are at Guelph, Kingston, London, and when the new season these soldiers thus instructed employed in using the tractors for the farmers.



# Columbia

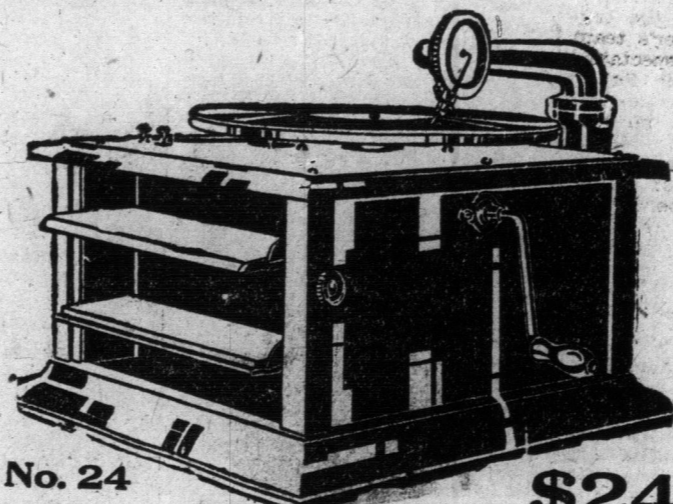


**In the Rush of Christmas Buying  
Don't be Tempted to Buy Any  
Talking Machine before You Hear  
the Columbia Grafonola**



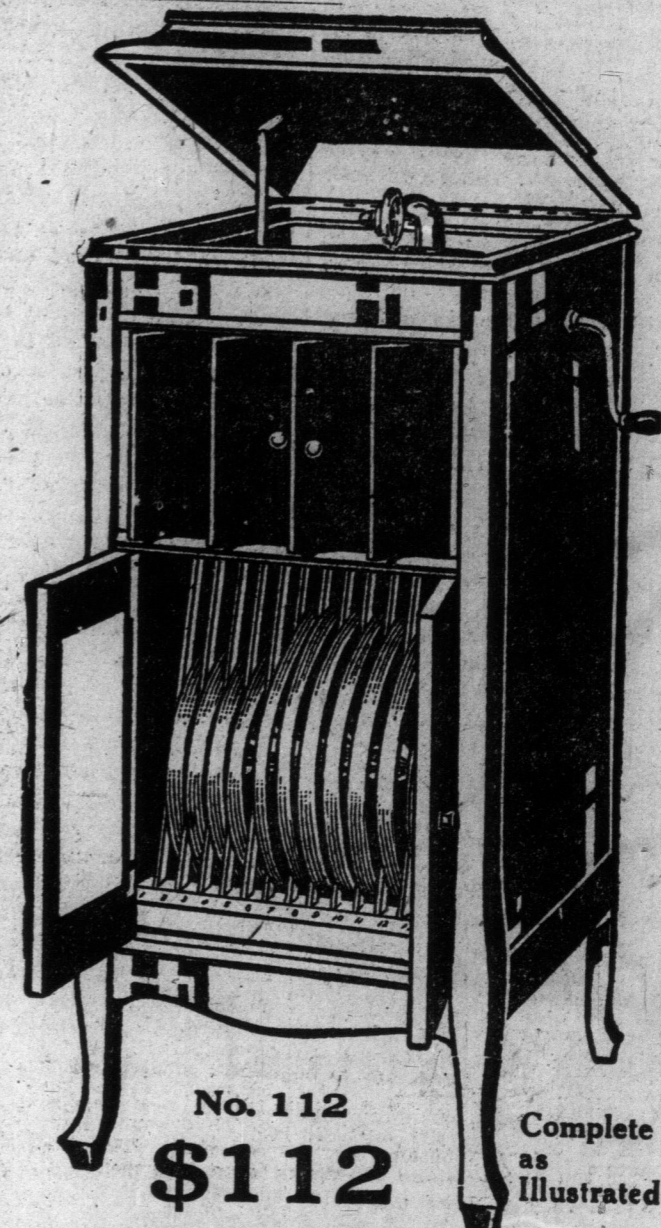
No. 58  
Without  
Record  
Cabinet **\$58**

*For rich, natural tone quality and volume Grafonolas are unequalled.  
The designs are the finest types of artistic elegance.  
Columbia Grafonolas are built to last a lifetime.  
There is a Grafonola to suit every purse.  
Each model of Columbia Grafonola represents the utmost value  
in sound-reproducing instruments at its price.  
Make your selection a Columbia Grafonola and Crown your  
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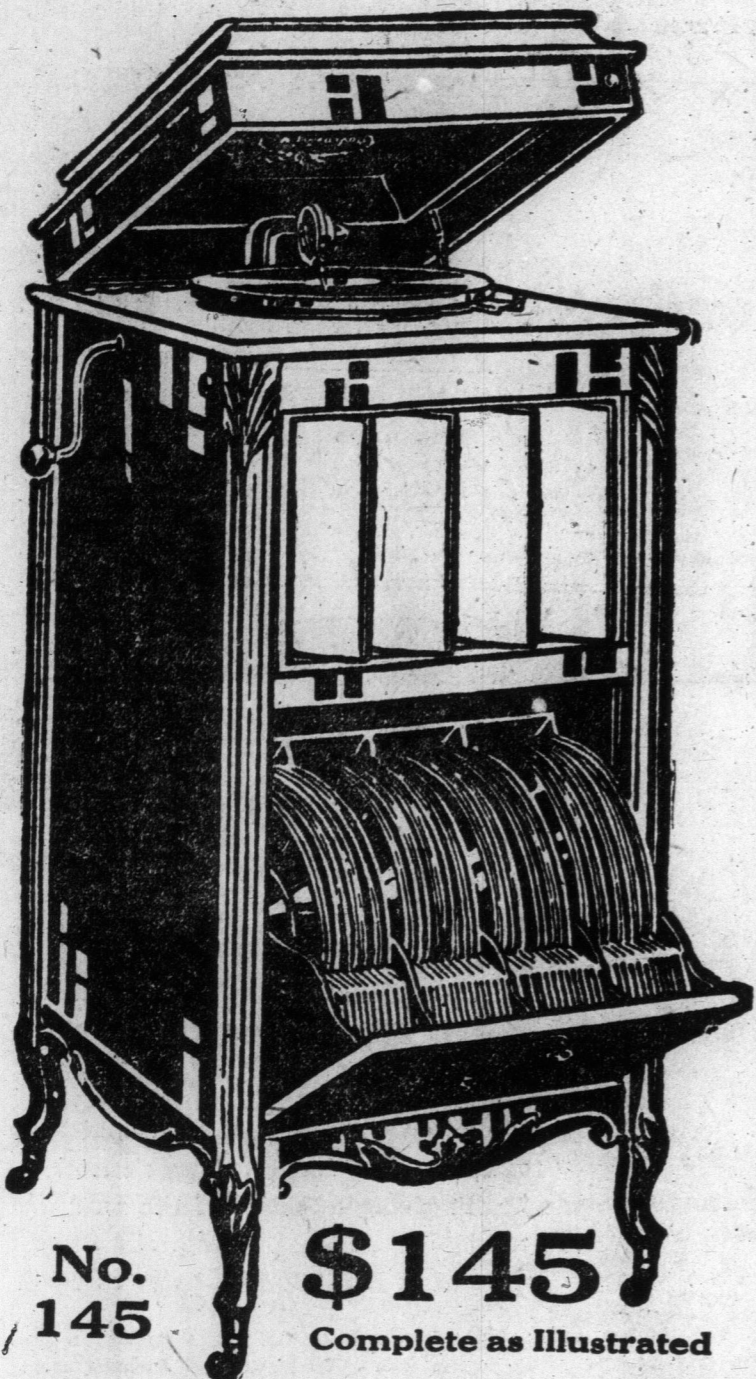


No. 24 **\$24**

*It is extremely easy to buy a Grafonola. Any  
Columbia dealer will sell you one on payment of a  
small sum down and your agreement to pay bal-  
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wards. No waiting for Grafonola, which will be delivered to  
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No. 112 **\$112**  
Complete  
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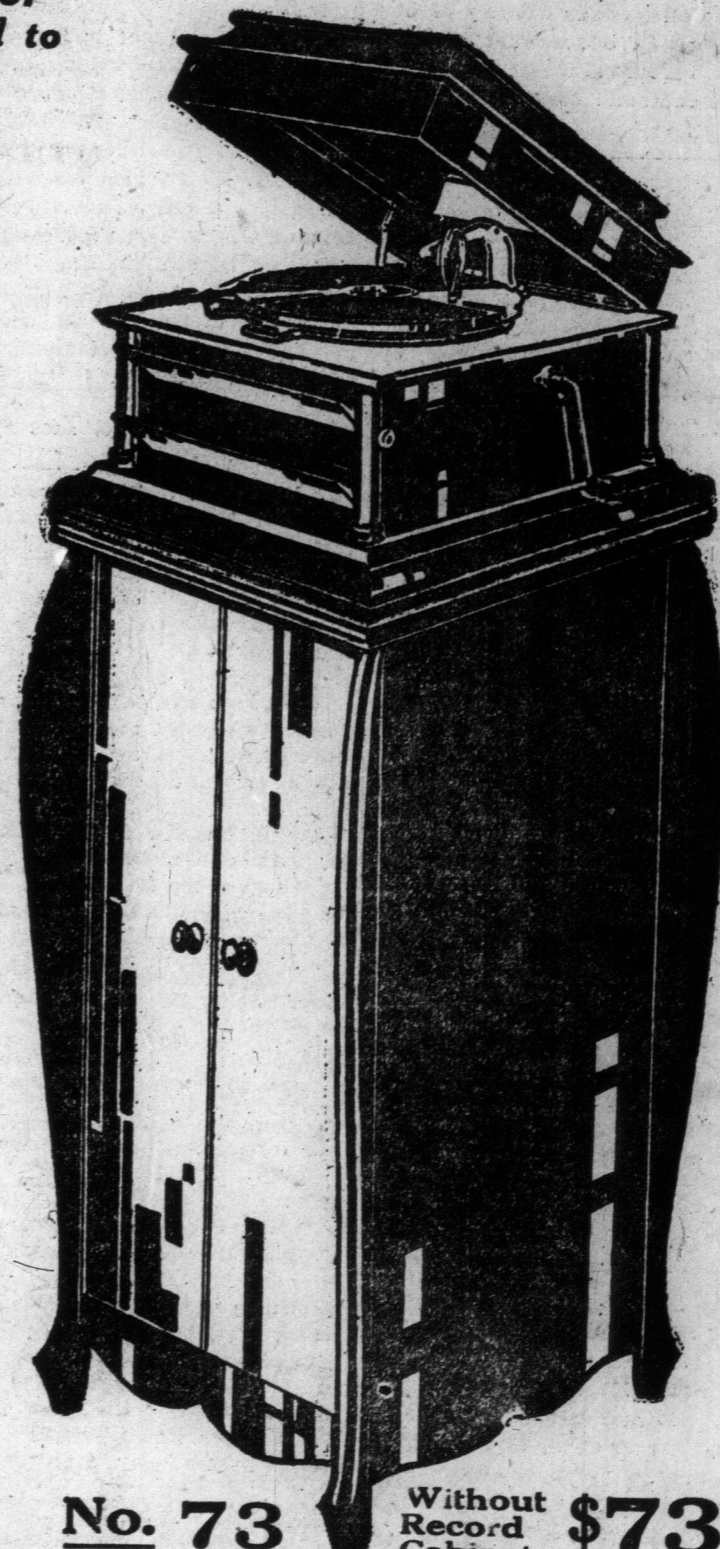
No. 145 **\$145**  
Complete as Illustrated



No. 38 **\$38**

## Here are the Columbia Stores to Order From

- Adams Furniture Co., Limited, City Hall Square.
- Burnett Grafonola Co., 9 Queen Street East.
- F. C. Burroughes Co., Queen and Bathurst.
- Thos. Claxton, Limited, 251 Yonge Street.
- Dundas Record Depot, 2009 Dundas St. W. (near Sorauren Avenue).
- T. Eaton Company, Limited, Yonge Street.
- Gourlay, Winter & Leeming, 188 Yonge Street.
- Gerhard Heintzman, 43 Queen Street West.
- Home Furniture Carpet Co., Limited, 345 Queen St. East.
- Mulholland-Newcombe, Limited, 313 Yonge Street.
- Newcombe Piano Co., 359 Yonge Street.
- Nordheimer Piano and Music Co., Limited, 220 Yonge Street.
- The Robert Simpson Co., Limited, Yonge Street.
- Stanley Piano Warerooms, 241 Yonge Street.
- The Reliable Furniture Co., 36 Queen Street East.
- Toronto Grafonola Company, 61 Queen Street West. Branch Store, 1657 Dufferin Street.
- H. W. Wade, 935 Queen Street East.



No. 73 **\$73**  
Without  
Record  
Cabinet



—STORE OPEN TO 6.30 P.M.—  
A PARTIAL LIST OF FANCY LIN-  
ENS AND HANKERCHIEFS FROM  
OUR IMMENSE STOCK WHICH  
MAKE VERY USEFUL CHRISTMAS  
GIFTS.

**Initial Linen  
Pillow Cases**  
Size 22 1/2 x 36-inch, with handsome  
4-inch script letter surrounded by  
hand-embroidered wreath. Special  
value \$3.75 per pair.

**H. S. Linen Pillow Cases**  
Size 22 1/2 x 36-inch plain hemstitched,  
from \$2.00 to \$4.50 per pair.

**Initiated Towels**  
Pure Linen Huck with neat script let-  
ter, in damask wreath. Guest and  
household sizes, \$1.50 to \$2.75 per pair.

**Linen and Lawn  
Bedspreads**  
Real hand-embroidered in splendid  
designs in single and double bed  
sizes.

**Hand Embroidered  
Linen Pieces**  
Real Irish Hand-Embroidered Tea  
Cloths, Tray Cloths, Scarfs, Luncheon  
Sets, Doilies, etc., etc., in great variety  
of designs and prices.

**Madeira Linens**  
Beautiful selection of Real Hand Ma-  
deira Linen Pieces in Lunch Cloths,  
Tea Cloths, Tray Cloths, Napkins,  
Doilies, Luncheon Sets, Sewing  
Table and Sideboard Covers, Dresser  
and Chiffonier Covers, Baby Pillow  
Covers, etc., etc., in great selection of  
designs.

**Table Cloths and Napkins**  
In matching sets, in every required  
size from the medium to the finest  
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**Ladies' Linen  
Handkerchiefs**  
Ladies' Fine Linen Handkerchiefs, in  
plain hemstitched, Initialed and em-  
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**Gents' Linen  
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Pure Linen Handkerchiefs in plain  
hemmed, hemstitched and Initialed,  
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Letter Orders Promptly Filled.

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**Ladies and  
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Of all kinds cleaned, dyed and remodeled.  
Work excellent. Prices reasonable.  
NEW YORK HAT WORKS,  
Phone N. 5165. 566 Yonge St.

**STREET CAR DELAYS**

Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1917.  
Harbord cars, eastbound,  
delayed 3 minutes at 1.23  
a.m. at Bay and Adelaide,  
by wagon on track.  
Bathurst cars, southbound,  
delayed 8 minutes at 12.21  
p.m. at Olive and Bathurst,  
by auto stuck on track.  
Harbord cars, eastbound,  
delayed 27 minutes at 11.20  
a.m. at Adelaide and Spa-  
dina, by wagon stuck on  
track.  
Dundas cars, westbound,  
delayed 10 minutes at 1.30  
p.m. at Dundas and Ronce-  
valles, by wagon on track.  
Bathurst cars, both ways  
delayed 10 minutes at 5.33  
a.m. at College and Bathurst,  
by sleigh on track.  
Bloor cars, southbound, de-  
layed 8 minutes at 3.25 a.m.  
at York and Queen, by wagon  
on track.  
Bloor cars, westbound, de-  
layed 3 minutes at 12 p.m.  
at McCaul and College, by  
wagon stuck on track.  
Parliament and Carlton  
cars, eastbound, delayed 10  
minutes at 7.30 a.m. at Ger-  
rard and Pape, by auto on  
track.  
Carlton cars, westbound,  
delayed 10 minutes and east-  
bound 6 minutes at 5.33 a.m.  
at Carlton and Church, by  
motor truck on track.  
Queen cars, eastbound, de-  
layed 10 minutes at 7.58 a.m.  
at York and Queen, by wagon  
stuck on track.  
King cars, westbound, de-  
layed 10 minutes at River  
street at 12.17 p.m. by wagon  
stuck on track.  
Winchester cars, both ways,  
delayed 15 minutes at 3.25 p.m.  
at Church and Victoria, by  
sleigh broken down on track.  
Dundas cars, westbound, de-  
layed 13 minutes at 3.19 p.m.  
at Dundas and Keele, by sleigh  
stuck on track.  
College cars, westbound, de-  
layed 6 minutes at 3.49 p.m.  
at College and University, by  
auto on track.  
Broadway cars, north-  
bound, delayed 10 minutes at  
10.25 a.m. at Broadway and  
Langley, by sleigh stuck on  
track.  
King cars, westbound, de-  
layed 12 minutes at 12.08 p.m.  
at King and St. Lawrence, by  
wagon stuck on track.  
Queen cars, westbound, de-  
layed 16 minutes at 5.20 p.m.  
at Queen and Spadina, by  
auto stuck on track.  
Yonge cars, both ways, de-  
layed 10 minutes at 3.45 p.m.  
at Price and Yonge, by wagon  
stuck on track.  
Yonge cars, both ways, de-  
layed 40 minutes at 6.10 p.m.  
at Roxborough and Yonge, by  
sleigh stuck on track.  
Yonge, Avenue road and  
Dupont cars, both ways, de-  
layed 15 minutes at 6.10 p.m.  
at Yonge and Hayden, by fire.  
Avenue road and Dupont  
cars, northbound, delayed 9  
minutes at 5.44 p.m. at Bos-  
well and Avenue road, by auto  
stuck on track.  
Bathurst cars, northbound,  
delayed 8 minutes at 4.54 p.m.  
at Robinson and Bathurst, by  
auto on track.  
College cars, westbound, de-  
layed 14 minutes at 4.42 p.m.  
at College and Teravau,  
auto on track.

**THE WEATHER**

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Dec. 19,  
(8 p.m.)—The weather has been com-  
paratively mild today in nearly all parts  
of the Dominion, and some light rain  
and snow have occurred in Ontario and  
western Quebec.  
Minimum and maximum temperatures:  
Toronto, 45 below, 50 below; Prince Rup-  
ert, 23, 34; Victoria, 40, 46; Kamloops,  
24, 30; Calgary, 26, 48; Medicine Hat,  
22, 34; Edmonton, 3, 30; Battistard, 4, 35;  
Prince Albert, 6 below, 22; Regina, 10, 20;  
Winnipeg, 2, 20; Fort Arthur, 4, 32;  
Perry Sound, 30, 24; London, 33, 35; Tu-  
rono, 34, 38; Kingston, 25, 35; Ottawa,  
22, 32; Montreal, 10, 32; Quebec, 14, 20;  
St. John, 15, 23; Halifax, 20, 30.  
—Probabilities.—  
Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—  
Southwest winds mostly cloudy and mild;  
some light local rains.  
Ontario and Upper and Lower St. Law-  
rence—Mostly cloudy and mild; some  
light local rain or snow.  
Gulf and North Shore—Moderate to  
fresh southwest winds; stationary or  
a little higher temperature.  
Maritime—Fresh northeast winds;  
mostly cloudy, stationary or a little  
higher temperature.  
Lake Superior—Moderate winds; most-  
ly fair, stationary or lower temperature.  
Manitoba and Saskatchewan—Fair; sta-  
tionary or lower temperature.  
Alberta—Some light local snow, but  
mostly fair; not much change in tem-  
perature.

**THE BAROMETER.**

Time	Ther.	Bar.	Wind
8 a.m.	38	29.85	13 S. W.
Noon	38	29.85	13 S. W.
4 p.m.	38	29.79	11 S. W.
8 p.m.	37	29.68	9 S.
Average, 11 days highest, 38; lowest, 34; rain, .06; snow, a trace.			

**RATES FOR NOTICES**

Notices of Births, Marriages and  
Deaths, not over 50 words, \$1.00  
Additional words, each 2c. No  
charges for notices to be included in  
Funeral Announcements.  
Funeral Notices, \$1.00  
Poetry and Eulogies, \$1.00  
Lines, additional, \$1.00  
For each additional 4 lines, 50c  
fraction of 4 lines, 50c  
Cards of Thanks (Solemnities), \$1.00

**DEATHS.**

**BAILEY**—On Monday, Dec. 17, 1917, at  
his late residence, 10 Lewis street,  
William Bailey, in his 68th year,  
beloved husband of Sarah Bailey (na-  
tive of Lincolnshire, Eng.).  
Funeral Thursday at 8 p.m., to Nor-  
way Cemetery, Member of London  
Lodge, S.O.E.S.S.  
**BOOTHBY**—On Dec. 18, Annie Elizabeth  
Casson, beloved wife of William J.  
Boothby, died at her residence, 43  
Howland road, on Thursday, at 8.30  
p.m., at St. John's Cemetery.  
Campbellford and Havelock papers  
please copy.  
**KING**—On Tuesday, Dec. 18, 1917, at the  
residence of her son, Hon. W. T.  
Mackenzie King, the Roxborough, Ot-  
tawa, Isabel Grace Mackenzie, widow  
of the late John King, K.C., Toronto,  
in her 75th year.  
Funeral (private) at St. Andrew's  
Church, 150 Simcoe street, Toron-  
to, on Thursday, 20th inst., at 2  
p.m., to Mt. Pleasant Cemetery.  
**MATHESON**—In Perth, on Saturday  
morning, Dec. 15, 1917, Charles Albert  
Matheson, fourth son of the late Hon.  
Rodrick Matheson, senator.  
"At evening time it shall be light."  
**SMITH**—Suddenly, at Toronto, Dec. 17,  
John Smith, aged 80 years.  
Funeral from the residence of his  
daughter, Mrs. Saville, 966 Shaw street,  
Thursday, 3.30 p.m. Interment Mt.  
Pleasant Cemetery.

Harbord cars, both ways, de-  
layed 31 minutes at 7.25 p.m.  
on Adelaide, between York and  
Bay, by fire.  
In addition to the above  
there were several delays of  
less than 8 minutes each due  
to various causes.

**UNION WOMEN CONTINUE.**

Will Not Take Part in Municipal Elec-  
tions This Year.

At an enthusiastic meeting of the  
Women's Union Government League  
held yesterday morning at Sherbourne  
House it was decided to continue the  
work and to encourage other leagues  
throughout the country, with the object  
of supporting the union and the further  
successful prosecution of the war.  
On the question of the municipal  
elections it was decided not to take  
part at all, and a resolution was  
passed asking the women to do this  
thru the various ratepayers' associa-  
tions. A committee with Mrs. A. E.  
Huestis as convener was appointed to  
study the means by which the names  
of all women be got on the lists for  
the next provincial election. The an-  
nouncement was made that no less  
than 200 women's Union government  
leagues had sprung up in Ontario.

**WOMEN'S VOLUNTEER CORPS.**

Christmas Social at Foresters' Hall Was  
Decided Success.  
The Women's Volunteer Corps held  
their Christmas social last evening in  
Foresters' Hall, when the members and  
friends were present in large numbers.  
There was dancing and other amuse-  
ment during the evening, a raffie of  
all kinds of farm produce, including  
butter, a large piece of beef, geese,  
chickens, etc., the proceeds of which  
were devoted to the welfare of the sol-  
diers. Letters from seventeen soldiers  
on active service have already been re-  
ceived by the corps, thanking them for  
the articles which have been sent, and  
these were read our last evening.  
During the evening a presentation was  
made by Mrs. E. W. Hermon, president,  
on behalf of the corps, of a solid ma-  
hogany table to Sergt-Major Hunt, in  
recognition of his services in giving  
physical and military drill to the girls  
of the corps every week free of charge at  
the Leaside School. Refreshments  
were served during the evening and the  
whole proceedings were presided over by  
Mrs. E. W. Hermon, president, while  
Mrs. Chick had charge of the musical  
end of the evening.

**King Edward Hotel  
TEA DANCE**  
Open From 4 to 8 p.m.  
DAILY  
—AND—  
WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS  
From 10 to 12 p.m.

**PLAYS, PICTURES  
AND MUSIC**

**"Oh, Boy."**  
No musical comedy production in  
recent years has made such a hit as  
"Oh, Boy," which comes to the  
Royal Alexandra Theatre week of  
Dec. 24, with special matinee Christ-  
mas Day. In addition to the regular  
Wednesday and Saturday matinees,  
its popularity is largely due to the  
real story told by Guy Bolton and P.  
G. Wodehouse, and its genuine comedy  
in lines and situations. The music by  
Jerome Kern is considered the best  
ever written. The fact that "Oh, Boy,"  
is now in its second year in New  
York and the sixth month in Chicago  
is proof that it is the brightest and  
smartest of all musical comedies. The  
company which will be seen at the  
Royal Alexandra Theatre comes to  
Toronto after five months of popu-  
larity in Boston, and is the iden-  
tical cast and production. Seats on  
sale today.

**"Twin Beds."**  
The cyclonic comedy hit of all sea-  
sons, "Twin Beds," will be the Christ-  
mas week attraction at the new Prince  
Theatre. This funny comedy  
which kept New Yorkers in a whirl-  
wind of laughter for over a year is  
from the pens of Salisbury Field and  
Margaret Mayo. "Twin Beds" is the  
funniest play ever written, and is said  
to be as tangled up as a ball of blue  
yarn with which a festive gray kitten  
has played. But it is not one of those  
bewildering things that make your  
head ache unwinding it. It will bring  
tears to your eyes with the cleanest,  
most wholesome kind of humor, and  
will make you grasp with ecstasy over  
the fun. "Twin Beds" is a rapidly mov-  
ing production of the box office today.  
An encounter of the difficulties that  
apartment houses, who find the near-  
neighborliness of those places not at  
all to their liking, and who in their  
efforts to escape it involve them-  
selves in endless complications. The  
same high-class cast and production  
that is presented in all the larger  
theatres will be given here. Seat sale  
opens at 10 o'clock today.

**"Robinson Crusoe."**  
One of the most popular songs in F.  
Stuart Whyte's new super musical in F.  
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The attraction at the Star Theatre  
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Mae Marsh adds distinctly to her  
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**"Scandal"** at Allen.  
The new "scandal" will be shown for  
the first time at the Allen Theatre.

nasts; Levitt and Lockwood, in  
clever dancing and newest songs, and  
the British Gazette, complete the  
bill.

**Loew's Theatre.**  
"The Divorce Game," one of the  
most fascinating offerings ever  
screened, with Alice Brady in the  
stellar role, will top the Christmas  
week bill at Loew's Yonge Street  
Theatre and Winter Garden. Taken  
from the successful stage play "Mile  
High," it tells the story of a young  
couple who are always hard  
up because of the lavish way in which  
they spend their money. The Melody  
Sixes, offering the latest song hits  
and dances from Broadway successes,  
will feature the vaudeville attractions,  
which will also include Howard  
Kibel and Herbert, in a novelty singing  
act; Burns and Brown, sills on  
trotters; the Dolos Sisters, in "Har-  
mony Land"; Regal and Mack, pre-  
sented a comedy playlet, "The Book  
Shop," and the Harvey the Yora Trio,  
Toronto, will headline an exceptionally  
good bill at the Hippodrome next  
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unfathomable west, a fight for love, sur-  
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**The Hippodrome.**  
"The Desire of the Mistle," the latest  
sensational release of the famous  
"Bluebird" company, starring talent-  
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**Sam Sidman Show.**  
Critics speak of the Sam Sidman  
show which, on Monday, opens a  
week's engagement at the Gayety  
Theatre, as a show which is presented  
by a singing organization of unusual  
calibre. Elsie Lavandau is the prima  
donna, and she possesses a voice which  
would be an honor to any musical  
show. In addition, she is a most  
piquant beauty and a magnetic charm  
to the role she plays. Frankie Nibio  
and Alfred Tyson are two unusually  
good singing baritone voices, several  
others of the principals possess vocal  
attainments of no mediocre order.  
In addition there is a large chorus  
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sufferers. The employees of this com-  
pany have a very efficient organiza-  
tion which was initiated in February  
of this year and is known as the war  
fund plan. Every employee contributes  
one per cent of his wages every pay-  
day. The contributions are quite vol-  
untary. The war fund organization  
officers are: H. D. Knapp, chairman;

running there for the balance of the  
week. It is a gripping photodrama  
of society life, clever and fascinating  
in story with flashes of humor thrut-  
out. The music of the symphony or-  
chestra greatly enhances the reality  
of the play, and always adds much  
to the attractiveness of the program  
at this theatre. A clever comedy is  
another item that is always greatly  
enjoyed by Allen patrons.

**"The Birth of a Nation."**  
Owing to enormous popular demand  
"The Birth of a Nation" will play a  
return engagement of two weeks at  
Massey Hall, beginning with a matinee  
on Christmas Day. The big symphony  
orchestra, which has proved such an  
enjoyable factor in the production, will  
interpret the music under the leader-  
ship of Jules Beaulieu. Notwithstanding  
the fact that "The Birth of a Nation"  
has been witnessed by over one-fifth  
of Toronto's entire population during  
former engagements, the demand for  
seats at the box office of Massey Hall  
for the coming engagement is actu-  
ally in excess of its last engagement  
here.

**Fine Film at Madison.**  
For the winter half of this week,  
starting today, the feature photoplay  
at the Madison Theatre will be "I  
Will Repay" with winsome Corinne  
Griffith in the stellar role. This is a  
very powerful play by O. Henry.  
Roscoe ("Fatty") Arbuckle will be  
seen in "Coney Island."  
Emma Dunn in "Old Lady 31," a  
clean, wholesome comedy of typical  
American types, acted by a master  
hand and portrayed by talented actors,  
comes to the Royal Alexandra Theatre  
week of Dec. 31, with a special mat-  
inee New Year's Day, after an entire  
season's run on Broadway last year.

**"The Wanderer."**  
The biggest dramatic spectacle now  
on tour is the mammoth Biblical play,  
"The Wanderer." Arrangements have  
just been completed whereby this big  
spectacular offering will be booked at  
the Alexandra Theatre, during the  
week beginning Monday, Jan. 7.

**PROCEEDS WILL BE  
SENT FORWARD INTACT**  
"Oh, Boy" Company Will Hold Ball to  
Raise Money for Sufferers at  
Halifax.

The sufferers of the recent catas-  
trophe at Halifax, which has rendered  
homeless more than half the popula-  
tion of that city, will be cheered on  
Christmas Day when they receive  
word that the entire proceeds of the  
"Oh, Boy" ball which is to be given  
by the management and members of  
the company at the Hotel Carle-Rite  
on Christmas eve has been forwarded  
to them intact. Every expense for this  
dance will be borne by the owners of  
the company and Mr. Solman, man-  
ager of the Royal Alexandra Theatre.  
Even the expense of sending the  
money to Halifax will not be defrayed  
from the receipts. A fine orchestra  
has been engaged for this occasion.  
Mr. Carl has placed the fine large ball-  
room of the Carle-Rite Hotel at the  
disposal of the guests, and the mem-  
bers of the company, besides acting as  
hostesses, will further enliven the pro-  
ceedings with special dances for the  
entertainment of the guests. Dancing  
will start at midnight. Every dollar  
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**FRANK OLDFIELD**  
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**HALIFAX DISASTER PICTURES**  
XMAS "ALADDIN AND THE  
WEEK WONDERFUL LAMP"

**ALLEN  
TO-DAY**  
CONSTANCE TALMADGE in  
**"SCANDAL"**  
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NEW WEEKLY—NEW COMEDY  
XMAS WEEK  
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### EVELYN V. IN FRONT AT LUSCIOUS ODDS

#### At New Orleans, Where F. Robinson Pilots Home Two Winners.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 19.—Following are the race results today:

**FIRST RACE**—Purse \$400, claiming, 2-year-olds, 5/8 furlongs:

1. Miss Bryn, 114 (F. Robinson), 4 to 1.
2. Lady Ellen, 104 (Johnson), 9 to 2.
3. Partisan, 111 (Pool), 6 to 1, 3 to 1, 4 to 5.
4. Time 1.11. Little Princess, All Bright and Starwort also ran.

**SECOND RACE**—Purse \$400, claiming, 3-year-olds and up, 1 1/4 furlongs:

1. Billie B., 115 (M. Garner), 6 to 1.
2. Freeman 114 (Owens), 4 to 1, 8 to 5, 4 to 5.
3. Mrs. Kay, 108 (M. Rowan), even, 1 to 2, out.
4. Time 1.17.4-5. Sonada, Lelaloha, Mico Girl, Ben's Brother, Hazelnet also ran.

**THIRD RACE**—Claiming, 3-year-olds and up, 5/8 furlongs:

1. The Duke, 111 (Willis), 13 to 5, even, 1 to 2.
2. Al Pierce, 111 (M. Rowan), 5 to 2, even, 1 to 2.
3. Hasty Corp., 104 (Walls), 8 to 5, 3 to 1, 7 to 5.
4. Time 1.17. Reduge, Martre, Maeter Franklin Lady London, Thajan also ran.

**FOURTH RACE**—Purse \$500, 3-year-olds and up, 1 mile and 70 yards:

1. Turco, 112 (Johnson), 5 to 2, even, 1 to 1.
2. Libyan Sands, 109 (M. Rowan), even, 3 to 5, out.
3. Obolus, 114 (Rice), 7 to 1, 2 to 1, 4 to 5.
4. Time 1.42. Eubay, Counterblast, His Nibs, Dr. Tuck, Harwood also ran.

**FIFTH RACE**—Claiming, 3-year-olds and up, 1 1/8 miles:

1. Evelyn V., 101 (Lofke), 20 to 1, 7 to 1, 3 to 1.
2. Amulet, 110 (Domnick), 8 to 1, 5 to 2, 5 to 2.
3. Slumberland, 110 (J. Collins), 7 to 1, 3 to 1, even.
4. Time 1.58.1-5. Fairly, Huda's Brother, Tactless, Fenrock, Nannie McDee also ran.

**SIXTH RACE**—Claiming, purse \$500, 3-year-olds and up, 1 1/8 miles:

1. Christie, 115 (F. Robinson), 7 to 5, 1 to 2, out.
2. Handful, 113 (Walls), 4 to 1, 7 to 5, 4 to 5.
3. Cruces, 104 (Martin), 16 to 5, even, 1 to 1.
4. Time 1.53. Irish Gentleman, Almahaha, Lady Worthington, Lazore, Inquetta also ran.

### TODAY'S ENTRIES AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Dec. 19.—Entries for Thursday at Shreveport are as follows:

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Courier.....110 Dalrose.....103  
Green Grass.....29 Paul Connolly.....102  
Poor Butterfly.....98 Alma Louise.....102  
Saveth.....102 H. C. Basch.....109  
Sayeth.....101

**SECOND RACE**—Purse \$400, claiming, three-year-olds and up, one mile:

Royal Lee.....105 Amulet.....108  
Requiem.....100 Night Cap.....100  
Confagration.....106 Zamloch.....107  
Semper Stalwart.....92 Pontefract.....108

**THIRD RACE**—Purse \$500, claiming, three-year-olds and up, one mile:

High Gentleman.....112 Sir Raymond.....102  
Royal Lee.....110 Harwood.....115  
Pin Money.....102 Stout Hairs.....115  
Words of Wisdom.....106 Red Cross.....107  
Edith Eastman.....107

**FOURTH RACE**—Purse \$500, claiming, three-year-olds and up, six furlongs:

Counterblast.....104 Murphy W.....105  
Dolma.....110 Opheila W.....105  
Emden.....106 David Craig.....110  
Merchant.....113 Felicidad.....103  
Mount Rose II.....104 \*Str Up.....103  
Langhorne.....110 Mister Karma.....111  
Savannah.....110 Savanah.....114

**FIFTH RACE**—Purse \$500, claiming, three-year-olds and up, 1 1/8 miles:

Firing Line.....104 Kebo.....108  
Sharp Frost.....104 Kebo.....108  
Fairy Legend.....107 Zankrock.....109  
Eddie T.....109 Brian Boru.....108

**SIXTH RACE**—Purse \$500, claiming, three-year-olds and up, one mile and a quarter:

Thanksgiving.....109 Reymourne.....99  
Duke of Shrewsbury.....107 Zankrock.....109  
Eddie T.....109 Brian Boru.....108

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### MUST GIVE EFFECT TO WILL OF PEOPLE

#### Hon. J. A. Calder Says it Calls for Statesmanship of Highest Order.

Regina, Dec. 19.—Hon. J. A. Calder, minister of immigration and colonization, today handed the press the following statement respecting the results of the election:

"December 17, 1917, will forever stand as one of the most memorable days in Canadian history. On that day throughout the Dominion our people were called upon to render a verdict on public issues of the very gravest character, and it is needless to state that I am gratified with the verdict given. In our own province, regarding less of political considerations, our people clearly and unmistakably indicated their wishes. It now remains to put into effect the operation with the least possible delay, and the will of the electorate as expressed at the polls. This must be done, and done in a big, aggressive way, otherwise the new government will not only lose the confidence of the people but will be deserving of their censure as well.

"There is nothing further to be said at present, except that I fully realize the tremendous responsibilities placed on the shoulders of the new government by the people of Canada. That the government will earnestly and honestly endeavor to discharge its obligations, I have every confidence. I present the situation as such as to demand statesmanship of the very highest order if Canada is to be guided safely thru the crisis that confronts us."

### HANNA ORDERS SELLING OF HOARDED WHITEFISH

Food Controller Telegraphs Western Fishermen to Dispose of Supply.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—The food controller will not allow any evasion of his order fixing prices for western winter-caught lake fish. Information has been received that fishermen in a western lake have 300,000 pounds of whitefish on ice and that they refuse to market it at the prices named by the food controller. A telegram was sent to them today stating that unless the fish were marketed, the food controller, in order to prevent waste, would take possession of the entire catch and dispose of it in the public interest. In case this action became necessary the price paid for the fish would not exceed the maximum price fixed by the food controller.

Steps have also been taken to prevent itinerant dealers from the United States diverting the fish supply across the international boundary by offering prices in excess of the maximum prices. An official has been appointed by the food controller to investigate such complaints, and the commissioner of customs has instructed local collectors of customs to withhold permission for the export of fish to the United States firms concerned until it has been proved that the food controller's regulations are being strictly observed.

### GRATIFIED, SAYS SIFTON

Union Means a Non-Partisan Policy of Immigration and Colonization.

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 19.—Hon. A. L. Sifton passed thru Calgary yesterday en route to Edmonton from Medicine Hat. "I am extremely gratified with the results," said Mr. Sifton, "and especially with the fact that the west has returned solid support for the government. This means that a non-partisan policy of immigration and colonization for the west will be inaugurated by the government as soon as war measures have been promptly dealt with, and it engages the future development of the west along non-partisan lines. This is something which has never been possible before. It means absolute unity in matters of vital importance to the west, and the strength of this influence can scarcely be imagined. Western Canada has come into its own."

Mr. Sifton intimated that many matters of vital importance were now awaiting the attention of the government, and he predicts that solutions reached by the government would be more satisfactory to the western people, who are looking forward to radical developments. He will probably remain there until after the first session.

### NO REFRIGERATOR CARS FOR MILK TRANSPORTATION

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—The railway board has decided that at the present time, owing to the very large shipment of seats and other perishable articles for overseas, it would not be reasonable for the board to require the railway companies to supply refrigerator cars for the transportation of milk. The request that the railway should do so came from the baby welfare committee of the University Settlement of Montreal. The committee reported that milk arrives in Montreal in an overheated and damaged condition.

### FARMERS' CLAIMS ALLOWED.

Special to The Toronto World.  
Chatham, Dec. 19.—Word has been received in the city from the registrar at London, W. E. Warner, stating that His Lordship Justice McGeer, of Toronto, will hear the appeals of local applicants from the decisions given by the local tribunals. The appeal court will meet in about 30 appeals were heard in Ridgeway and Wallaceburg yesterday, where Justice Stanworth held the cases for the county, appeal judges for the county, held the cases for the county, were disposed of on the basis of the recent judgment handed down by Mr. Justice Duff, final appeal judge.

### CANADIANS GET CROSSES.

London, Dec. 19.—The following are gazetted as receiving the Military Cross: Justin Cowan, Allan George Leslie, Arthur Gilmour, Alexander Mackenzie, W. G. Gilmour; Clement Percy Gilman, Machine Gunner; Henry Thomas Lord, Central Unit; Angus Johnstone Cameron, Richard Royal Engineers, formerly of Kingston, and mentioned in Salonica despatches, last year; William Durrant, Flying Corps, formerly sergeant in the Canadian infantry.

### Strange Prices on The Horses at Havana

Havana, Dec. 19.—The races today resulted as follows:

**FIRST RACE**—Two-year-olds, maidens, claiming, five furlongs:

1. Ukulele, 107 (Stearns), 5 to 2, even and 1 to 2.
2. Jose de Valdes, 102 (Smith), 2 to 1, 4 to 5 and 3 to 5.
3. Laudator, 103 (Bullman), 8 to 1, 3 to 1 and 6 to 5.
4. Time 1.09. Shasta, Kith, Zu Zu, Margaret Boyd, Pin Tray also ran.

**SECOND RACE**—Three-year-olds and up, claiming, six furlongs:

1. Evelyn V., 101 (Lofke), 6 to 2, even and 1 to 2.
2. Pacha Negra, 101 (Weaster), 2 to 1, 4 to 5 and 2 to 5.
3. World's Wonder, 102 (Pats), 2 to 1, 4 to 5 and 2 to 5.
4. Time 1.20. Get Up, Baby Cole, Twinkle Toes, Cousin Bob, Kid Nelson also ran.

**THIRD RACE**—Three-year-olds and up, claiming, six furlongs:

1. Honey, 105 (Cooper), 5 to 2, even and 1 to 2.
2. Golden List, 102 (Humphries), 3 to 1, 6 to 5 and 3 to 5.
3. Thrift, 109 (Taplin), 5 to 1, 2 to 1 and even.
4. Time 1.23.5. Lida, Lenahan's Arrow, Prohibition, Prince Philisthorpe, Fride also ran.

**FOURTH RACE**—Three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse \$400, six furlongs:

1. King Stalwart, 107 (Taplin), 4 to 1, 2 to 1 and even.
2. Bulger, 109 (Smith), 8 to 1, even and 1 to 2.
3. Page White, 107 (Crump), 7 to 5, 3 to 1 and 1 to 2.
4. Time 1.19. Deckhand, Tiger Jim, Paul Gettes, Malle and Hedge Rose also ran.

**FIFTH RACE**—Three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse \$400, 5/8 furlongs:

1. Miss Fannie, 102 (Lansford), 5 to 2, 4 to 5 and out.
2. Billie Joe, 119 (Crump), 4 to 5, 1 to 2, even and out.
3. Montrosser, 110 (Gauger), 4 to 1, even and out.
4. Time 1.08.1-5. Clark M. also ran.

**SIXTH RACE**—Three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse \$400, one mile:

1. Lady Rowena, 91 (Smith), 4 to 1, 2 to 1 and 1 to 2.
2. Chief Brown, 113 (Crump), 3 to 2, 3 to 1 and 1 to 2.
3. Barron, 99 (Weaster), 6 to 1, 5 to 2 and 3 to 5.
4. Time 1.47. Seminole, Canto, Mary Yalla, Barnard and Zodiac also ran.

### Metropolitan Opera House Loses Assistant Conductor

New York, Dec. 18.—Francesco Romer, for the past ten years assistant conductor of the Metropolitan Opera House, died in a hospital here today from heart disease. Romer was born in Biopiana, Italy, 49 years ago. He graduated from the Bologna Conservatory of music, and was a pupil of Maestro Mancinelli. In his earlier career he was conductor in many of the principal theatres of Europe.

### WANT LOCAL CONTROLLER

Fuel Situation in Galt Has Reached an Acute Stage.

Special to The Toronto World.  
Galt, Dec. 19.—With the coal dealers of this city admitting that it is extremely difficult to procure anything like an adequate supply of coal for the city the city council has made a request of the Dominion fuel controller for permission to appoint a local fuel controller to ascertain what supplies of coal are in the hands of private consumers and to regulate the future distribution to do the most good.

### A TURKEYLESS CHRISTMAS.

Special to The Toronto World.  
Chatham, Dec. 19.—The exorbitant price and apparent scarcity of turkeys in this district indicates a turkeyless Christmas for the majority of the residents of this city. The mid-week market this morning was a large one, with plenty of geese and chickens in evidence. Turkeys were not plentiful at 45 to 50 cents per pound. Geese and chickens were sold at 25 to 35 cents per pound.

### That Son-in-Law of Pa's



### MA GIVES A HINT, BUT PA IS STILL UNDECIDED.



### BY G. H. Wellington



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**MARGUERITE IS HAPPY.**

Little Blind Girl Will Spend Christmas in Toronto.

Marguerite Clarke, the little blind girl in whom readers of The Toronto World were so generously interested some months ago, paid the office a visit yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Ambrose Small, who had gone to Brantford and brought the little girl to the institute for the blind to spend her Christmas in Toronto. Marguerite is evidently happy in her school, where she reports she is being taught "everything," and where she is gaining strength for the bigger things which it is hoped she will be able to do in the future.

**PRESENTS NOT LIMITED.**

The report published yesterday from the Local Council of Women should have read that it was decided not to give more than 25 cents for Christmas turkey, not Christmas presents, as stated.

**DIAMONDS**

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**OPEN EVENINGS.**

**SOCIETY:**  
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Their Excellencies the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire have left for Halifax, where they remain until Saturday. They will be accompanied by Col. the Hon. Harold Henderson and Capt. Kennedy-Slater, and while there will be the guests of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Grant.

Invitations will shortly be issued for the skating parties to be held on Saturday afternoons at Government House, Ottawa, during January and February.

The Hon. Dr. J. D. Reid, who went to Halifax last week, has returned and is in Ottawa. Major Bell, who went there with him, remained in Halifax, and will probably be there for some weeks.

The Hon. Sir Thomas and Lady White have returned home.

General Sir Sam Hughes will be at the King Edward this evening on route to Ottawa.

There has been a general exodus of the newly-elected M.P.s, to recuperate after their labors before the 17th of this month, to be celebrated in Canada in the year to come. Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Bristol are at McEwen's, Dr. and Mrs. Sheard at Atlantic City, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hocking at the Waldorf, St. Catharines. One of the defeated candidates has left for Buffalo.

The marriage took place yesterday at 2:30 o'clock in the Parish Church of St. Mary, Wimbledon, England, of Captain Stanley Duggan, Royal Flying Corps, second son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Duggan, to Gladys Edith, only daughter of Mr. Stewart C. Sheppard, Atherton, Grange, Wimbledon. Captain Duggan is stationed at Winchester, and expects shortly to return to Canada.

The Hon. Frank Cochrane and Mr. F. Pearson have arrived in town from Ottawa, and are at the King Edward.

Captain and Mrs. Fraser Haskiey are giving a dinner dance at the Royal Ottawa Golf Club on Christmas Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie gave a luncheon in honor of Mr. Ewan Mackenzie, Toronto, brother of Sir William Mackenzie, a few days at the coast. Those present were: Hon. J. A. J. Macdonald, Dr. J. W. Ford, Dr. George T. Seldon, Mr. J. Gillespie and Dr. F. MacEwen.

Miss Mary Acland has returned from the school in Toronto to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Acland, Ottawa.

The Speranza Musical Club had a very busy day yesterday at Mrs. Frederick Clarkson's house when they made and packed 32 scrolls for the hospital. They contained all sorts of good things—plum cake, chocolate, macarons, etc., and tobacco, matches, games and all sorts. Mrs. Lamb bought all the presents and was assisted in the packing, assisted by many members of the club.

The motor show in New York opens on Jan. 5.

Col. J. A. Macdonald, headquarters staff, who has been in Hamilton for the last fortnight, returned to town yesterday.

Lady Gibson and Miss Eugenia Gibson, Hamilton, have been in town for a few days.

Miss Marjorie Pringle, playing at the Princess this week in "The Liar Domino," is a well-known Hamilton girl and has many friends in Toronto.

Mrs. Frank Mackenzie will leave this week for Atlantic City to spend Christmas with her sisters, Mrs. Nesbitt, Mrs. Marshall and Miss Agnes Dunlop.

Col. Fred Hunter, who has come from India after an absence of some years, will be in town on Saturday or Sunday. At present he is in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter, who has been in New York for the last two years, arrived today. They will spend Christmas with Mrs. F. Hunter and Mrs. Lorne Somerville in Spadina Gardens.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton B. Williams returned home last night after a visit to New York and Laurel-in-the-Pines, Lakewood, New Jersey.

At the Women's Art Association musical yesterday afternoon the following contributed to the program: Mrs. Lenora Kennedy, Mr. Marley Sherris, Mr. Dalton McLaughlin, Mr. Oswald Roberts, Mrs. H. M. Fletcher arranged the program; Mrs. Gerhard Heintzman was the tea hostess. Among those present were: Mrs. J. Home Cameron, Mrs. Dignam, Mrs. A. W. Austin, Mrs. Gertrude Heintzman, Mrs. H. M. Fletcher, Mrs. G. C. McKay, Mrs. Hooke (Ottawa), Mrs. A. C. McKay, Miss Elsie Landon, Mrs. B. Fletcher, Mrs. Wm. Slight, Mrs. Wm. Weller, Miss E. Bradford, Mrs. Fish, Mrs. Selwyn White, Mrs. J. Chalmer, Mrs. J. C. Robertson, Mrs. Armand Heintzman, Mrs. Fred Keller, Mrs. J. M. Bascom, Mrs. Geo. Powell, Mrs. B. Bascom, Mrs. Henry Waies, Miss Cornelia Heintzman, Mrs. Franklin Keese, Mrs. Jas. Stewart, Mrs. Albert Han, Mrs. J. Keese, Mrs. John Fried, Mrs. Squair.

Mrs. W. Hocking, Ottawa, is visiting Mrs. Lumnie for a few days.

The Timothy Eaton Memorial Church was the venue of a wedding at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when Betty Alberta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Wood, 44 Avenue Road, was married to Captain Frederick Fitz Gerald Tiedall, C. A. M. C., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Tiedall, 1751 Avenue Road. The Rev. Dr. Henderson performed the ceremony. Mr. Dalton Baker sang, the pretty bride was given away by her father and wore a gown of ivory velvet and silver lace and a court train lined with pink tulle. Her veil was of tulle and she carried sweetheart roses and lilies of the valley. Her sister, Miss Helen Woodland, was maid of honor, and was gowned in pink velvet with a silver lace hat and carried pink velvet roses. Miss Edna Shaw and Miss Dorothy Blackley were the bridesmaids and wore frocks of pale blue and peach velvet, respectively, with silver lace hats. They carried colonial bouquets of violets. Captain Eric Clarke was the best man. The ushers were: Mr. Arnold Davison, Mr. Chick Foster, Dr. Herbert Detweiler and Mr. Hugh Sykes. Captain and Mrs. Tiedall left later for New York. On their return they will live in Toronto.

The wedding took place at half-past three o'clock yesterday afternoon in the Bloss Street Presbyterian Church of Miss Annie Laidlaw, daughter of Mrs. W. G. Wallace, Admiral Road, to Mr.

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Thomas Carroll, Buenos Ayres, Argentine Republic. The Rev. W. G. Wallace performed the ceremony and Mr. Peter Kennedy played the wedding music. The bride's uncle, Major E. E. Snider, Port Hope, gave her away, and she wore her traveling gown of grey with black hat, trimmed with blue, and black fox fur. A reception for the immediate relations was held after the ceremony at 54 Admiral Road. Mr. and Mrs. Carroll left later on a trip north. On their return they will live in Toronto.

**AUXILIARY ENTERTAINMENT.**

The women's auxiliary of the 49th Highlanders gave a most attractive entertainment and Christmas tree to the children of the families of the 10th Battalion. Punch and Judy and the talking dolls were interesting features of the entertainment. Gifts from the tree were distributed, the presents having been given by Colonel Donald and the tree decked by Mrs. Donald and Mrs. Allen.

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**BIG U. S. CROP PLAN IS GIVEN SETBACK**

**Winter Wheat Condition Proves Lowest on Record December First.**

Washington, Dec. 19.—Government plans for a billion bushel wheat crop next year to help the United States feed its allies have received a setback. It was disclosed today by the December crop report of the department of agriculture that while winter wheat was planted on the largest acreage ever sown to that cereal in condition on Dec. 1 was the lowest on record for that date.

A winter crop of 540,000,000 bushels was forecast by the bureau of crop estimator. The actual production will be greater or less than that quantity according as conditions hereafter are better or worse than average. Through great spring crop it still is hoped to bring the year's total to somewhere near the billion mark.

An area of more than 47,000,000 acres was the mark set by the government for farmers to plant to winter wheat this fall, but the December canvass shows that 42,700,000 acres were sown. The farmers did their best, department of agriculture officials said, but conditions were against them. The very dry weather in most of the winter wheat belt was a large drawback, while late harvest of other crops and shortage of farm help were contributing causes for the failure.

Farmers who plant wheat crop mature to 540,000,000 bushels, as forecast today, it would be the third largest on record, being exceeded only by the crops of 1914 and 1915. Government officials had figured on having winter wheat production reach 672,000,000 bushels, but today's forecast indicates that it will fall 132,000,000 bushels short of that figure. Indications are that rye production will be 35,000,000 bushels larger than last year's record crop.

Already steps are being taken for a large increase in the acreage of the spring wheat crop to be planted next spring. Council of national defense and department of agriculture officials have conferred and will adopt measures to insure an adequate labor supply for planting operations, ample supplies of seed wheat and help for the harvest. The largest spring wheat crop heretofore was in 1915, when 361,844,000 bushels were harvested from 18,161,000 acres.

**BIG PROHIBITION CAMPAIGN.**

New York, Dec. 19.—An active campaign for the ratification by the legislature of New York state of the national prohibition amendment will be begun at once by the Anti-Saloon League, Walter R. Anderson, state superintendent, announced today.

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**EDITH CAVELL CLUB.**

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**SHIPPED TO HALIFAX.**

The women's auxiliary of the Army Medical Corps have shipped thru the Red Cross to Dr. Hattie, provincial health officer at Halifax, 12 bales of clothing, comprising some splendid warm clothing for men, women and children, in addition to blankets and quilts.

**"PICCADILLY CIRCUS" RETURNS.**

Last returns from the "Piccadilly Circus" have been received by the Lady Rose Chapter, I.O.D.E., the net proceeds being \$3963.72, which splendid amount the chapter is turning over to the women's memorial fund to help purchase a club house for the Great War Veterans.

**WOMEN'S ART ASSOCIATION.**

An exceptionally good program was given at the rooms of the Women's Art Association yesterday afternoon, when piano solos were given by Dalton McLaughlin, cello numbers by Oswald Roberts, a group of songs by Marley Sherris and the Shadow Song, from Dinora Maybeer, and other vocal numbers by Madame Leonora James-Kennedy, the artists being all appreciated and warmly applauded. An exhibition of paintings by the members and a group of photographs by Miss Mina Keele were also on view, a number of the pictures being on sale in view of the Christmas season.

**EARLS COURT CHILDREN'S PARTY**

Children from the Earls Court Children's Home were given a Santa Claus party by the Epworth League of Carman Methodist Church. A supper, program and Christmas tree were provided, and the children were received by Rev. C. W. Watch and women of the congregation.

**Announcements**

Notices of any character relating to future events, the purpose of which is to raise money for the relief of our Canadian soldiers, may be inserted in the advertising columns at 25 cents an agate line.

Announcements for churches, societies, clubs or other organizations of future events where the purpose is not the raising of money, may be inserted in this column at two cents a word, with a minimum of fifty cents for each insertion.

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**THE TRINKET BOX** will continue open at 71 King Street West on Friday to receive trinkets, and there will also be a sale on that day of some of the trinkets which have been brought in.

**WILL YOU** help Santa Claus to visit the babies at the Infants' Home, 31 St. Mary's street? Any donation gratefully received.

**DOLLS** and a variety of other attractive articles, suitable for Christmas gifts, are for sale at the rooms of the Secours National, 14 King Street West, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. The patronage of friends is invited.

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**Panel 2:** POLLY: "SORRY I CANT HELP YOU, SIR. WHY NOT ASK ONE OF THE LADIES?"

**Panel 3:** POLLY: "BETWEEN ME AN' YOU AN' THE LAMP POST, WOT'S A SUITABLE PRESENT FER A LADY?"

**Panel 4:** POLLY: "THAT DEPENDS UPON THE LADY, WHO IS SHE?"

**Panel 5:** POLLY: "DONT ASK ME, MAGGIE. ALL I KIN SAY IS THAT SHE'S 'YOUNG AN' BEAUTIFUL AN' NUTHIN' ANIT TOO GOOD FOR HER!"

**Panel 6:** POLLY: "YOU SWEET CHILD!"

**Panel 7:** POLLY: "SMACK!"

**Panel 8:** POLLY: "GIT ME ANYTHING AT ALL SAM'L, ID RUTHER BE SURPRISED!"

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### UNITED FARMERS OPEN CONVENTION

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extent by railroad fares to the convention. Legislation had recently been effected successfully having in view the interchange of the various telephone systems of the province. This had cost money. Legislation had been successfully applied whereby the railroad companies had been prevented from increasing their freightage charges 15 per cent, thus saving the farmers of Ontario some \$40,000,000. This had cost money. Legislation had been considered, unsuccessfully, having in view the curtailing of the powers of the grain commission. This had used up still more money. And unless the per capita tax was increased the funds for furthering the progress of the farmers could not be obtained.

Left Over for Present.

Many delegates favored an immediate and decisive vote upon the matter; others, notably Delegate Porter of Burford, advised mature consideration, both from the delegates and the scores of farmers each of them might represent. One man, Delegate MacMillan of Seaford, was so held by his enthusiasm in the matter as to call for a show of hands. It was finally decided to leave the matter over to the President Halbert delivered an address which brought the entire gathering to its feet with the refrain "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow" surging thru the great hall. This address was replete with condemnation of the priv-

ileged interests, and appealed to the present government to more seriously consider the needs and welfare of the farmers of this province.

Other speakers were Joseph A. Snider, provincial secretary of the Junior Farmers' League; Percy Mulholland, and W. A. Amos, who in the course of his address upon "Increased Production and Labor," looked for an earnest endeavor on the part of all producers to respond to the needs of the allies in their great battle for democracy.

Rural Opinion.

"Formation and Development of Rural Opinion" was the first topic discussed at last night's session. About 600 delegates were present. W. L. Smith declared that altho the farmers were more numerous than any other class in the province, perhaps more than all other classes combined, they had less influence in shaping the laws of the country, in proportion to numbers, than any other class. He discussed three reasons for this lack of influence: Increased population, population and decrease in rural population; organization on one side and lack of organization on the other; lack of education. In making the latter statement the speaker said he wanted to make it clear that he did not mean that the farming classes lacked education as compared with most of the city classes, but that they lacked organization and the means of bringing their thinking powers to bear in a way which would have the most influence. He urged the necessity of the farmers of every section of the province having some meeting place where they could get together and discuss public questions. The farmers must be able to influence rural opinion and public opinion. The United Farmers of Ontario should aim at the consolidation of the farmers' opinion. These were three means by which

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### CONTROLLER R. H. CAMERON.

Controller Cameron has announced himself as definitely in the field for the mayor's chair next year. He was alderman for Ward 4 in 1914 and 1916 and a member of the board of control last year and this. When he first ran he said he would be elected alderman, and he was. He said also that he would be elected to the board of control, and he was. And now he says he is going to be mayor.

the farmers could further their influence, these being the preachers, the politicians and the press, said J. N. Kernighan. It was acknowledged that the press had the greatest influence on public opinion. They had heard "righteous indignation" expressed about "the controlled press." It seemed that the press was more applicable to the city press, his experience being that the city press did not want and would not give rural opinion an opportunity to express itself. He declared further that four directors of the association had been refused publication of letters by city papers.

Wants Official Organ.

The speaker advocated the establishment of an official organ for the United Farmers of Ontario. He considered the present a very opportune time to start an official organ, and so he is in a position to express his own opinions and control public opinion. It might even be advisable to start a "daily paper."

J. Beverley Robinson, farm editor of The Toronto World, said that Mr. Kernighan in trying to get opinions published had been rather unfortunate, but pointed out that in order to have a newspaper publish a communication it was important to address it to the proper departmental editor. He advocated the appointment of a "publicity" committee of the association.

R. J. McMillan claimed that the press of Toronto had "disgraced itself for many years to come," but did not say in what way.

Manning W. Doherty, Peel, thought the press had been fair and honestly to express to the people of the province the viewpoint of the farmers.

R. E. Halbert, president, declared that government representatives had been pointing their fingers at the noses of farmers, and insinuating they were cowards because they did not enlist, at a time when they should have been talking food and ammunition instead.

Council of Agriculture.

R. McKenzie, Winnipeg, secretary of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, spoke on the subject, "Canadian Council of Agriculture," congratulating the U.F.O. on the marked success of its convention. He told of the start and growth of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, the aims and objects of the association.

One of the chief aims was the inclusion in it of all farming farmers' organizations of every province in Canada. Information regarding economics was one of the most vital needs of the farmers, he declared. As far as information on how to produce was concerned, the government had sent out so much literature that they were "simply nauseated."

Canada was ruled by the urban viewpoint and the urban population, altho Canada was distinctly and fundamentally an agricultural country. Half the population was agricultural. Why was the reason for Canada being ruled by urban public opinion? Why was it agriculture was not more largely represented in parliament? Other basic industries had representation, but why not agriculture? It had been declared that agriculture was becoming decadent. It was true that its influence on public matters had been lessening. Figures were quoted by the speaker showing that there was only one representative in parliament to each 45,000 farmers, but that there was one lawyer out of every 65.

He held that the tendency of the government was to "ignore the farmers' organization" because the organization was looked on "with a jealous eye." He said that some of the departments of agriculture had the effect of "destroying the usefulness of the farmers' organizations, taking away their prestige and making them non-effective."

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or two conventions Dr. Howard Whidden was agreed upon as the Unionist nominee and was triumphantly elected. Mr. Mackenzie, who claims to be active in mind and body as a man of forty, brought his wife, who is Ontario girl, and their baby to Toronto with him.

Mr. Kennedy will speak tonight to the Ontario farmers on the pitfalls that lie in the path of co-operative trading companies. His own company, he says, has scored a conspicuous success, but not without making a good many mistakes, which he hopes the Ontario farmers' company will avoid. The United Farmers of Ontario have increased their membership by 4,000 in the last ten months, but at present they include only a small percentage of the total farming population of the province.

Speaking of the elections, Mr. Kennedy said the formation of Union government gave the English-speaking people of the west an opportunity to unite. He believed they will have to remain united to deal with the foreign problem. There is a strong anti-British sentiment, he says, in the west, not only among citizens of foreign birth, but among some of the French-Canadians in that part of the country.

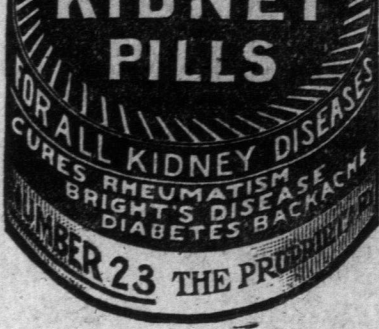
Want Federal Land Tax. The chief reform the western farmers will agitate for is a federal land tax. This tax, Mr. Kennedy says, should be levied on the value of the land as unimproved real estate. "I consider the income tax," he said, "as a mere wartime expedient. The tax on excess profits is a good tax and should become a permanent feature in our fiscal scheme, but the income tax, the tariff tax and many others are unfair because they can to a large extent be shifted from the shoulders of the rich to the shoulders

of the poor. The tax on land is the fairest and best mode of taxation and it will be strongly urged on the government by all the farmers' parliament this winter, commencing with the annual convention of the Manitoba Grain Growers to assemble at Brandon on Jan. 15."

POLICE FIND AUTOMOBILE. Robert Shaw Under Arrest on Charge of Stealing Machine.

On a charge of receiving a stolen motor car, Robert Shaw, 1046 Ossington avenue, who is a car wrecker by occupation, was arrested last night, following an investigation by Detectives Mulholland and Cronin.

Some time ago Charles R. Pepper, 522 Broadview avenue, rented two cars. Both were stolen, and one of them, a 1913 model Ford, was found in the possession of Shaw. He was driving it at the corner of Albert and James streets when apprehended by the police officers, who recognized the license number. Shaw stated that he paid \$200 for the machine.



### STILL HOPING FOR SOLDIER'S ELECTION

Veterans Think When Vote is Finally Totaled, Major Cockburn Will Win.

"A" Company, G.W.V.A., held an interesting meeting last evening at Duan Hall, Rhodes avenue, and discussed various items involved in the reorganization of the association. The gathering also for the moment dispensed of the alien question by moving to discuss its various phases as left to the mature consideration of the central executive. Perhaps the feature of the evening's proceedings was the discussion of the attitude of the G.W.V.A. toward politics in general, which continued until nearly half-past 11. Sgt. Major Sampson of the central executive, while generally opposed to the projection of the association into municipal politics, was decidedly of the opinion that the returned soldiers should be represented by one of their number in the house at Ottawa. The late campaign was not over, and there was still a prospect of Major Cockburn winning the battle against his opponent, he said. The votes of the soldiers in Exhibition camp and the local camps and those in France were still to be counted.

Comrade Lacey of Earlscourt, who is running for place on York Township Council, criticized some of the present councillors.

### CANADIAN CASUALTIES

**INFRANTRY.**  
 Killed in action—S. S. McElroy, Ottawa; R. Sanderson, Winnipeg; J. B. Cook, Edmonds P.O., B.C.; A. A. McMillan, Vancouver; G. Thomas, England; 46300, A. J. Hinkley, 560 Clinton street, Toronto; D. E. Scott, Bathurst, N.B.; M. Sturgeson, Winnipeg; W. Inglis, Scotland; E. Cooper, England; J. Vickery, England; J. Smith, Geneva, Idaho; N. Taylor, Ottawa; C. Cunningham, England; J. Mills, Edmonton, Alta.; J. Bates, England; J. Campbell, Edmonton; Cook, Canada, Sask.; C. Bromley, Mill, Sask.; W. C. Martin, Edmonton.

Died of wounds—J. Dunn, Peterboro. Reported dead thru German sources—Lieut. R. H. Sawyer, Townsend, Mass.; Lieut. R. E. Carter, Stratford, B.C.

Presumed to have died—A. D. Dye, Ont.; C. Wiles, Massey, Ont.; A. G. Hendon, Bruner, Ont.; F. Delly, Victoria Harbor, Ont.; G. L. Phillips, Toronto, Ont.; Russell, Windsor, Ont.; H. T. Macdonald, Windsor, Ont.; R. D. Pearce, Nixon, Ont.; F. Shonker, Trenton, Ont.; R. W. Grant, Watertown, Ont.; N. Morrison, Balmoral, Man.; 20143, C. M. McKinley, 39 Lewis street, Toronto; 40424, A. Reid, Toronto; J. C. Riddell, Woodford, Ont.; W. W. Sjeep, Soo, Ont.; J. Scott, John, N.S.; A. Price, Cookstown, Ont.; 76716, J. W. Payne, 43 Ruskin avenue, Toronto; 20172, J. L. Ford, 307 Clarendon street, Toronto; 56076, J. Houston, 223 Broad street, Toronto; A. Armstrong, Winnipeg; E. F. Jones, Red Deer, Alta.; C. Gilman, Acadia Valley, Alta.; N. Duhalme, Huntingdon, P.Q.; A. McDonald, Vancouver; A. McMillan, Vancouver; R. Ripley, Macdon, Cumberland Co., N.S.; A. Rumberg, Schuler, Alta.; 5531, A. Blows, 24 Lewis street, Toronto; 56074, T. Blowitz, 339 Logan avenue, Toronto; O. Borgal, Medicine Hat, C. H. Fraser, High River, Alta.; 77576, F. W. Clarke, 855 Vonge street, Toronto; R. J. Burn, Fort Colborne, Ont.; W. Smith, Williams, Ont.; E. J. Smith, Cedarvale, P. O., Ont.; V. Stewart, Parry Sound; 6277, R. G. Smith, Hamilton.

Died—F. McKenty, Chicago; H. T. J. Rowe, Haliburton, Ont.; G. C. Buck, Chicago; E. Eriksen, Peterboro. Drowned—F. McEwan, Scotland.

Missing—F. Thomas, Belgium. Wounded and missing—W. Beaujeant, St. Thomas de Joliette, P.Q.; Lieut. E. S. Black, Montreal, Man.; W. Wounded—H. Delorme, Montreal; 172291, A. S. Keith, 36 Delaney crescent, Toronto; C. E. Jones, Dalhousie, Ont.; A. Peters, Cornwall, Ont.; W. L. Huddleston, England; R. Batten, England; F. Nickerson, Woods Harbor, N.S.; J. T. Skilton, England; G. Grant, Scotland; A. Dubuc, Carletonville, P.Q.; Wounded—C. R. Onley, Montreal; Major F. W. MacFarlane, Montreal; V. Curney, Laprairie, Que.; H. England; Vancouver; F. L. 5531, A. 13123, W. Joyce, Hamilton; R. M. Shaw, Turban, Man.; J. McClimock, Edmonton; F. Moreland, England.

Gassed—5216, G. R. Houghton, 46 Palmerston Gardens, Toronto. Ill—F. C. Stewart, Sydney, N. S.; S. L. Johnson, Big Point, Man.; F. McKeen, Chicago; E. J. Prosser, Bonifacio, Man.; A. N. Bottineau, Clivale, Alta.; T. Leckie, Ireland; E. C. Anderson, North Fort, N. S.; T. T. Nelson, New; Tugart, Cameron, Ont.; W. J. Dunn, Ireland; Reg. Sergt.-Major J. Caldwell, Winnipeg; J. A. Morrison, Eaddock, N. S.

Cancel report missing—J. Netchin, Chicago. Cancel report wounded—Jas. F. Strain, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**  
 Wounded—J. Grier, Pabos Mills, Que.; R. Marshall, Greenwood, Quebec.

**ENGINEERS.**  
 Wounded—A. Harrison, London, Ont.; Lieut. J. A. Wood, Upper Melbourne, Que. Ill—J. A. Walker, England.

**MOUNTED RIFLES.**  
 Killed in action—A. Bergman, Sweden.

**CAVALRY.**  
 Wounded—A. J. Holmes, Winnipeg. Ill—W. B. Crapps, Kingston, Ont.

**MACHINE GUN COMPANY.**  
 Died of wounds—Frank King, England; A. White, England. Wounded—W. L. Colbeck, Colbeck, Ont.; E. Craig, Windsor, Ont. Ill—171999, E. F. Robertshaw, 105 Ross avenue, Toronto.

**RAILWAY TROOPS.**  
 Died—J. A. Drake, Vancouver. Wounded—W. Biers, North Bay, Ont.; V. A. Hemen, Salem, N. S.; H. J. Eby, Southampton, Ont. Ill—T. F. Pollock, England; T. H. Howe, Vancouver; 778531 P. J. Norman, 130 Balliol street, Toronto; W. H. Williams, McAdam, Ont., N. B.

**MEDICAL SERVICES.**  
 Gassed—J. A. Wright, England. Ill—E. E. Logan, Victoria.

**MOUNTED RIFLES.**  
 Wounded—M. H. Horsman, Steeves Mountain, N. B. Cancel report wounded—A. Hoiseman, Anagnone, N. B.

**FORESTRY CORPS.**  
 Died—Edward Portique, Clarkstown, Ont. Wounded—E. Deslauriers, Eastview, Ont.

**ARTILLERY.**  
 Died—31621 A. S. Johnson, 213 Beresford avenue, Toronto; C. Hensell, England. Wounded—W. T. Walker, 201 Balaam avenue, Toronto; G. M. Sam Gamson, England; J. T. Labouliere, Montreal; J. Morrison, Sydney, C. B. Ill—A. A. Huffman, Peterboro; G. F. Harraves, Montreal; A. Harter, Brockville; E. H. Cohen, Winnipeg.

**CANADIAN AIRMAN KILLED.**  
 London, Dec. 19.—It is officially posted that Lieut. W. H. Jones, Flying Corps, formerly a sapper in the Canadian Engineers, is a prisoner. O. M. Derwich, while flying off Cornwall, was killed. Captain T. Abrahams, Manchester, formerly of British Columbia, has been killed. Lieut. W. S. Pickup, Royal Medicals, formerly of the Canadian Medicals, has been wounded.

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### ASKS FOR PATIENCE REGARDING RUSSIA

Dr. John R. Mott Defends That Country From Lack of Sympathy.

Dr. John R. Mott, at the Canadian Club yesterday, sustained his reputation as a forceful and eloquent speaker, before one of the largest audiences of the season. His theme was "Russia," and his recent experiences there. In beginning, he spoke of the recent election, and how he had been in the country since he never before, the real leadership of Canada. A leader in one who knows the way, who keeps ahead, and leads others to follow.

He contrasted his last visit to Russia with the first he paid, twenty years ago, when he was under the ban of the holy synod, and his meetings had to be held in secret between 12 and 1 a.m. The country then was inaccessible. Five men talking together in a street car would have been arrested. On his last visit he had been officially designated a saint, and the high procurator of the holy synod presented him with an illuminated copy of the Gospels. He had received an impression of the greatness of Russia in the journey from Vladivostok to Petrograd and back, a distance equal to one-third around the world, thru the country between Baikal and the Uralic, equal to four Canadas, and capable of sustaining 80,000,000 people. Russia had three great religions—the Christian, with its three branches, the Jewish, and the Mohammedan. Britain was the greatest of the Mohammedan empire, he said, but Russia, with 20,000,000 Moslems, came third. He never understood the President Wilson's sentence, with which at first he did not agree, that "there is no land more than Russia that holds the fate of the coming years."

Hope for Future. Dr. Mott's address was fully directed to encouraging confidence in the future of the Russian people. There was too much criticism, too much impatience. This was not the way to treat an ally. The time to stand by an ally was in her darkest hour. The Bolsheviks were more representative of Russia than a New York clique of politicians represented the American nation.

There were four things that Russia was doing simultaneously, the like of which had never been known before. She was engaged in the greatest war of history, defending a 1200-mile front without any assistance. She was carrying on the most remarkable social revolution. She was engaged in the greatest political revolution of ancient or modern times. She was in the middle, also, of the most striking religious revolution, which had already brought religious tolerance to Jews, Roman Catholics, Protestants, Doukhobors and sects which have had to live in the forests and swamps were now out in the open, welcomed into fellowship thru the democratizing of the Russian Church.

"You may not understand Russia, but you must believe in her," he urged. It would be folly to hand over to Germany one of the allies' greatest assets. War tiredness had affected Russia. Three millions of her sons had been slain in the war; more than all the other allies had lost altogether. The people had been debilitated by the ideas of light and education, of liberty instead of slavery, of plenty instead of poverty, and they believed everything the German propagandists told them. The allies had to see such agents as overworkers, but the Russians would respond to sympathy more speedily than to anything.

**HANNA FIXES PRICES OF SASKATCHEWAN FISH**

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Following the receipt of requests that the price of winter-caught fish from the southern Saskatchewan lakes be fixed, the food controller has ordered that the price for such fish must not exceed by more than one-half cent per pound the maximum price which he fixed recently for fish from the Big River district of Saskatchewan. The food controller has also fixed a maximum price of two cents per pound, f.o.b., primary railway shipping point, for mullets from any waters in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta.

**MUNITION MAKERS ARE GIVEN BANQUET**

W. H. Bartfield & Sons, Limited, munition manufacturers, tendered a theatre party and banquet to their executive superintendents and foremen last night. After enjoying William Gillette's show, "A Successful Calamity," at the Royal Alexandra, the party went to the Royal Edward Hotel, where the feast was spread in the blue room. Short speeches were delivered by Harry Bartfield and other members of the firm, who congratulated their assistants on the fine showing made by them during the past year in turning out shells for the allies. The musical side of the program was looked after by Frank Oldfield and Duncan E. Cowan. George A. Musgrave was the pianist.

The menu card was in the form of a four-inch shell, complete with copper bands and fuse cap.

**C. N. R. EARNINGS.**

C. N. R. earnings for the week ended Dec. 14 are \$153,800, a decrease of \$138,800. From July 1 to date earnings are \$20,283,400, an increase of \$296,800.

**TRAMWAYS DIVIDEND.**

Montreal, Dec. 19.—Directors of the Montreal Tramways Company have declared the regular dividend of 2 1/2 per cent for the quarter ending December 31, payable February 1 to shareholders of record January 14.

**MEXICAN DETAINED.**

Montreal, Dec. 19.—George Casseau, son of a former Mayor of Montreal, and the United States, is under detention here charged with illegally wearing the uniform of the British Royal Flying Corps. Information reaching Capt. Carter of the alien enemy department is to the effect that Casseau was prominently with the Villista forces in Mexico.

## CORN AND OATS AGAIN ADVANCE

Disappointing Smallness of Receipts Largely Responsible for Rise in Prices.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Both corn and oats surpassed today all previous high price records this season. Disappointing smallness of receipts was largely responsible. Corn advanced from 42c to 44c net advance, with January 41 1/2% to 42 1/2%, and May 41 1/2%. Oats gained 2c to 4c to 42c and provisions fell 4c to 1c.

Despite reports of some increase in the number of freight cars available, and notwithstanding that weather conditions were no longer any handicap to the operations of the railways, the stubborn fact could not be evaded that arrivals of cars were not commensurate with the demand. One reason ascribed was a dearth of sufficient motive power, and it was said that many train engines, as well as freight cars, had been diverted elsewhere from the corn belt. The resulting advances in the price of corn were upheld, owing more or less to prevalent uncertainty as to whether or not that greatly hindered the safe handling of poor qualities of the cereal.

Strength in a considerable measure from reports that the government had been a free buyer during the low days in October, and who was current that for the present corn would be given preference over oats in regard to furnishing cars for federal shipments. Curtailment of the hog supply here lifted provisions.

**OATS PRICES KEPT UP IN MONTREAL MARKET**

Montreal, Dec. 19.—There was no change in the condition of the local market for oats today, but prices were firmly maintained. The demand was somewhat limited from all sources, and the volume of business was small, with sales of odd cars of No. 3 C.W. at 92 1/2¢ per bushel.

Prices of milled corn continued firm, but this is nothing new, owing to the continued small offerings.

The severe weather of the past week or more has resulted in a sharp drop in egg production. What few eggs are being received at large consuming centres are being picked up at fancy prices.

Receipts of butter today were 117 packages, as against 172 a week ago last.

Corn—American No. 2 yellow, 92.15 to 92.30.

Oats—Canadian western No. 3, 34 1/2¢; extra No. 1 (less 8¢), No. 3 local white, 84¢; No. 3 local white, 83¢.

Flour—Manitoba spring wheat patents, 114.00; straight rollers, bags, 55.20 to 55.50.

Roller oats—Bag, 90 lbs., 55.20. Bran, 35¢; shorts, 34¢ to 32¢; middlings, 44¢ to 42¢; middlings, 31.00; strong bakers, 10.90; straight rollers, bags, 55.20 to 55.50.

Butter—Choice creamery, 42 1/4¢ to 42¢; seconds, 41 1/4¢ to 42¢.

Eggs—Fresh, 42¢ to 45¢ selected, 45¢; No. 1 stock, 41¢; No. 2 stock, 37¢ to 38¢.

Potatoes—Per bag, car lots, 11.99 to 12.75; do. country, 12.75 to 13.40.

Dressed hams—Abolition, short mess, 35¢ to 45¢; Canada, short mess, 35¢ to 45¢; cut back, 45¢ to 55¢; Canada, short cut back, 45¢ to 55¢; 55¢ to 60¢.

Lard—Woolpals, 20 lbs., net, 25¢ to 26¢; pure tines, 27 1/2 lbs., 27 1/2¢ to 28¢.

### TURN IN MARKET IN NEAR FUTURE?

Indications Seem to Point to Strong Revival of Public Interest.

The year 1917, say F. C. Sutherland & Co., has been a blue year for the bond and stock markets of North America. Bonds, industrial stocks and mining issues have suffered alike from an extended period of depression. The history of the year has been one of severe slumps, followed by indifferent rallies. The net result is that the prices of shares have worked down to low levels unnecessary for many years.

It is unnecessary to point out that the lowest condition of the market comes just before the turn. The investor and speculator are urged to watch the market very closely. Some of them who can stand a slight movement the wrong way have already taken on a block of mining stocks here and there, selecting issues that promise more substantial and sure returns on their money.

Strange to say, the present low condition of the mining market is not due to logic but to sentiment. Logic says: "The allies will win the war, no matter what the physical reverses take place. The physical reverses, position of leading Porcupine and Cobalt mines is better than before the war. The mining stocks are, in the majority of cases, selling 50 to 100 per cent below warranted levels."

Sentiment is passing thru the second of three stages of development. The first, the selling, is over. The second phase, that of renewed general confidence, is just passing. The third phase, that of renewed general confidence, is just passing. The third phase, that of renewed general confidence, is just passing.

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MESSAGE TO WEICHEL FROM THE PREMIER

Word From England That He Will Get Many Soldiers' Votes Cheers His Supporters.

Special to The Toronto World. Kitchener, Ont., Dec. 19.—Mr. W. G. Weichel today received the following telegram from the prime minister:

W. G. Weichel, Waterloo. "I am deeply grieved at your defeat. You put up a magnificent campaign, and your fine courage, splendid public spirit and strong patriotism justly entitles you to a renewal of your mandate. Best wishes. (Signed) "R. L. Borden."

The cable information from London, Eng., that thousands of Canadian soldiers in England and France, were taking part in the election, was a great source of gratification to Mr. Borden in this city, cast their ballots for the Unionist candidate in North Waterloo, brought cheer to many of Mr. Weichel's supporters, and gloom to Mr. Euler's followers.

A prominent Unionist stated today that it would be a mistake to prevent Mr. Euler tasting the bitterness of English-speaking Canada toward North Waterloo. He felt sure that after one session Mr. Euler would be glad to tender his resignation as a member for the riding.

**STARTS FOR YUKON**

Col. Thompson, Former Member, Will Again Seek Election.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Col. Alfred Thompson, medical superintendent of the military hospitals commission, and ex-member for the Yukon, leaves in the course of a few days to conduct an election fight in the northernmost constituency of the Dominion.

Col. Thompson has received word that he will be opposed by W. F. Connor, a former Liberal member for the Yukon, and this makes it necessary for him to leave for Dawson City. In order to reach the scene of the contest, he will have to travel from White Horse to Dawson, a distance of 260 miles, by mail stage. The Yukon is one of the four constituencies in which the election was deferred. Voting will take place on Jan. 23.

**FARMERS TO SECURE AMPLE BINDER TWINE**

W. J. Hanna Benefits From Arrangements Between United States and Sinal Growers.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—An ample supply of binder twine for Canadian requirements next year at reasonable prices has been secured as a result of an agreement reached between the United States food administration and the Mexican alisal growers of Tlucatan, Tlaxcala. The agreement was reached today at the office of the food controller. The growers were holding out for a high price, but under the arrangements just consummated the entire crop has been secured at a slight advance over last year's price. Cooperation of Canada and the United States in controlling food exports from this continent was one of the factors which made it possible to secure a plentiful supply at reasonable terms.

**FIREMEN KEEP DAMAGE DOWN.**

Fire of unknown origin broke out yesterday evening on the third floor of a light manufacturing building situated at 109 West Adelaide street, in the pressing room of B. Stein & Sons, tailors, doing damage to the extent of \$700, which was divided as follows: Building \$200 and contents \$500. The speedy arrival of the firemen and the quick action on their part do not doubt prevented greater damage. The building was owned by the J. H. Barrett Real Estate Co.

**JEW AND A CHINAMAN FIGHT.**

Charged with severely wounding Ching Quong, a Chinaman, living at 17 Elizabeth street, Hymie Seliger, a Jew, who was taken into custody by the police yesterday evening. It is alleged that Seliger struck the Chinaman over the head following a dispute over a whip.

**TORONTO MAN WITH "SAMMIES"**

Melville H. Luttrell, eldest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James P. Luttrell of Toronto, has enlisted with the mechanical repair unit of the Quarter-master's Corps and is now stationed at Camp Meigs, Washington, D.C. There are 4000 men in this unit, 1000 from Detroit, Mich., in readiness to be sent at an hour's notice to France.



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## Halifax Disaster

Subscriptions will be received by T. Bradshaw, Commissioner of Finance, at his Office in the City Hall, for the relief of the citizens of Halifax.

Enquiry is being made of the exact extent of the need and loss, and as soon as the information is available a complete announcement will be made.

T. L. CEURUCH, Mayor  
 Toronto, Dec. 12th, 1917.

## TORONTO RAILWAY CO. APPEAL IS DISMISSED

Decision of Court of Revision Stands and City is in Considerable Amount of Money.

The appeal of the Toronto Railway Co. against the decision of the court of revision assessing them for their tracks and sub-structures within the railway yards was dismissed yesterday by Judge Winchester. This is the first time the assessment, which was made by the city, and this win means an additional assessment of \$125,000.

Success also attended the assessment department in upholding the value of College and Grenville land near Yonge street, that had been reduced by the court of revision. On the first time the assessment was restored from \$225 to \$250, \$250 to \$300, and from \$225 to \$400 a foot, and in the latter street from \$105 to \$125 a foot.

The assessment increases of F. H. Woods and C. Synges, balliffs, were fixed by the judges at \$1000 each. These were appealed by the assessment department on the grounds that the officials received emolument that amounted to \$600 a year, but it was proved that office expenses and help reduced their net income.

## ELECTRIC EMPLOYEES MEET.

The seventeenth annual general meeting of the Toronto Electric Light Co. Employees' Mutual Benefit Society was held at the plant on Scott street, when the financial statement, which



# RICH FINDS ON NEWRAY INSPIRE SOLID BUYING

## Mine Fairly Launched on What Promises To Be Successful Career—Purchasing of Shares Reported to Come From North.

Cobalt, Dec. 19.—So far as we can learn the persistent buying of the Newray at what must be regarded as a fair price in view of the sloppy market conditions all over the world, is coming from the north. It has been reported here that rich ore has again been found in the No. 1 or discovery vein and the official statements limit the width of the Hanson Vein to 30 feet. We feel certain from personal inspection on two occasions that this statement is very conservative and we believe that this vein has a length of 2000 feet on the Newray. The shear zone in which it is found really begins on the Armstrong-Booth adjoining on the south, and it continues in a northerly direction to a point from 800 to 400 feet from the northern boundary of the Newray.

As we have often stated the alteration in the mineralization of the original basaltic lava become more pronounced to the northeast, and the in the vicinity of the present workings there are only six or seven veins including No. 1 and the Hanson there should be further to the north at least fifty veins with payable ore.

It has been stated here by the editor of one of the Cobalt papers that the Crown Reserve have already decided to put a new shaft down to a depth of 1000 feet. We scarcely think that this point has as yet come up for actual decision. Until the spring opens and the whole area can be properly examined the better plan would seem to be to continue the drive to the north-east on the strike of the Hanson Vein at the 400 foot level. This under the present arrangement for 800 to 1000 feet, bring the face

to the drive to a central point in the productive area, and this would be a much better position for a deep shaft than any part of the present workings.

**Need Other Shafts.**  
The shaft is now near the south-west corner of the great shear zone. It is not central and it is not in the best part of the property. It would appear to have been located in ignorance of the great vein systems further to the north and east. But even if advantageously situated other shafts would seem to be necessary to facilitate ventilation and access to the various ore bodies.

On the McIntyre Con, there are now three shafts, each to a depth of 1000 feet. Two of these are on the McIntyre proper and the third on the Jupiter and the latter will be completed by the former during the present year.

The Newray is now fairly launched on what promises to be a very successful career. The present management have adequate capital and it is quite evident that they are pleased with the outlook and all the money that can be advantageously spent will be spent in the development of the property.

The management have liquidated all the floating debts of the company so that the new shares to be issued to pay for expenditures will be entirely clear of any charge or liability. Mine, money and management are all combined and we fully expect to see the shares of the Newray begin an advance for which there will be no check during the next three years. The mine has had an extraordinary peak but its future is one of the greatest promise.

S. R. Clarke.

## THE TIMISKAMING FIGHT

F. L. Culver, president of the Timiskaming Mining Company, has issued another circular to shareholders in support of the proposed Kirkland Lake deal, while H. B. Will's is sending out a new circular urging shareholders to vote down the proposition.

The circular of Mr. Culver is mainly designed to show that the directors is composed of men of substance. The following information as to the directors is given:

Frederick L. Lovelace, of Niagara Falls, N.Y., secretary of the Niagara Power Company, one of the largest producers of electrical power on the American continent.

Frederick C. Flinkenstaedt, of Bay City, Michigan, secretary and treasurer of the National Cycle Company; secretary of the Michigan Pipe Company; director of the People's Commercial and Savings Bank; under 25 years associated with Mr. Henry B. Smith, who is president of the Dominion Sugar Company, and also very heavily interested in business in Montreal and Ottawa for over 30 years.

Henry E. Tremain, of Toronto, identified for over 30 years with Hammond-Standish & Co., packing interests, of Detroit.

William E. Stevenson, of Bay City, Mich., merchant in Bay City for 30 years past.

J. Homer Black, of Toronto, general manager of the Excelsior Life Assurance Co., formerly superintendent of the Timiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway, formerly general manager of the Northern Ontario Light and Power Co.

Frank L. Culver, of Toronto, president and general manager of the Timiskaming Mining Co., Ltd.; president and general manager of Beaver Consolidated Mines, Ltd.; vice-president and director of Schumacher Gold Mines, Ltd., of Porcupine; vice-president and director of the Toronto Milling Co., Ltd.

company will be receiving returns in a very short time.

**The Other Side.**  
Mr. Will's circular says in part: "The directors in your company have piled you with circulars during the past two weeks asking you to endorse the immediate spending of \$348,610 to be followed by an unlimited period for an indefinite period and for which they offer you no return, a minority or no voice interest in another company. They desire you to assist them in draining the Timiskaming treasury to the danger point without informing you of the conditions of what they are doing as your trustees."

"President Culver and his director associates desire to get the Timiskaming Mining Company heavily indebted financially—practically to the very limits of its treasury—in Kirkland Lake Gold Mines, a company now controlled by Beaver Consolidated, wherein these men are personally heavily interested."

"If they informed you that already your company is indebted to the Kirkland Lake district and committed to spend \$2000 per month in such an enterprise, the Hohenuauer claim which Timiskaming now holds under option to purchase? That we expense the mining plant at the North Dome has already been recouped to and the services of those in charge of underground operations in the Timiskaming mine transferred to this property?"

"By this apparent secrecy President Culver and his directorate are, in my opinion, attempting to commit Timiskaming to a monetary obligation which will prove a decided hardship on the shareholders, jeopardizing the faith and trust of the shareholders in them."

**A Good Property.**  
"I thoroughly concur with the option taken on the Hohenuauer property, as a means of prolonging the life and prosperity of the Timiskaming Mining Company, but why should this deal be kept secret from the shareholders? Such an expenditure of money, unless the company are asking us to permit our surplus cash assets and the Timiskaming property to fall into the coffers of a company wherein these same trustees are so heavily interested? The fact that the Hohenuauer is tied on the southwest to Kirkland Lake Gold Mines recommends the property as an extension of one of Kirkland Lake's southern veins is traceable on the surface."

"An even division of Beaver Consolidated stock holdings in Kirkland Lake Gold Mines is all right so far as it goes, but, insofar as Timiskaming is concerned, it actually amounts to nothing as the personal stock holdings of President Culver and his director associates, plus the remaining shares of the Timiskaming Mining Consolidated, would easily give Beaver Consolidated an outstanding majority and leave Timiskaming absolutely in the lurch with a 'no voice' interest for its expenditure of an unlimited amount. In other words this is all to reduce the now strong Timiskaming treasury resources to atoms."

"The idea is given you that the Timiskaming Mine is 'played out' and the company, as it now stands, purely and simply a liquidating proposition. I do not believe this and neither do the men who have had engineering experience. The possibilities of opening up new ore bodies in the Timiskaming Mine are considered good by dependable judges and this fact cannot be denied."

**Near Producing Stage.**  
The circular continues: "These are the gentlemen who took over the management of your property in 1914, after it had been mined for eight years, and was supposed to be worked out. Under their management the shareholders have received \$600,000 in dividends and about \$600,000 more."

"These are the gentlemen who have prosecuted the development of your property since 1914 and who told you in their half yearly statement that the ore reserves in your mine were nearing depletion, which statement was substantiated by the report of two independent engineers."

"If you wish your company to continue mining, the proposition which your directors have secured from Beaver Consolidated—namely, securing one-half interest in their ownership of stock of Kirkland Lake Gold Mines Company, Ltd., is an excellent opportunity of owning an interest in a proven mine."

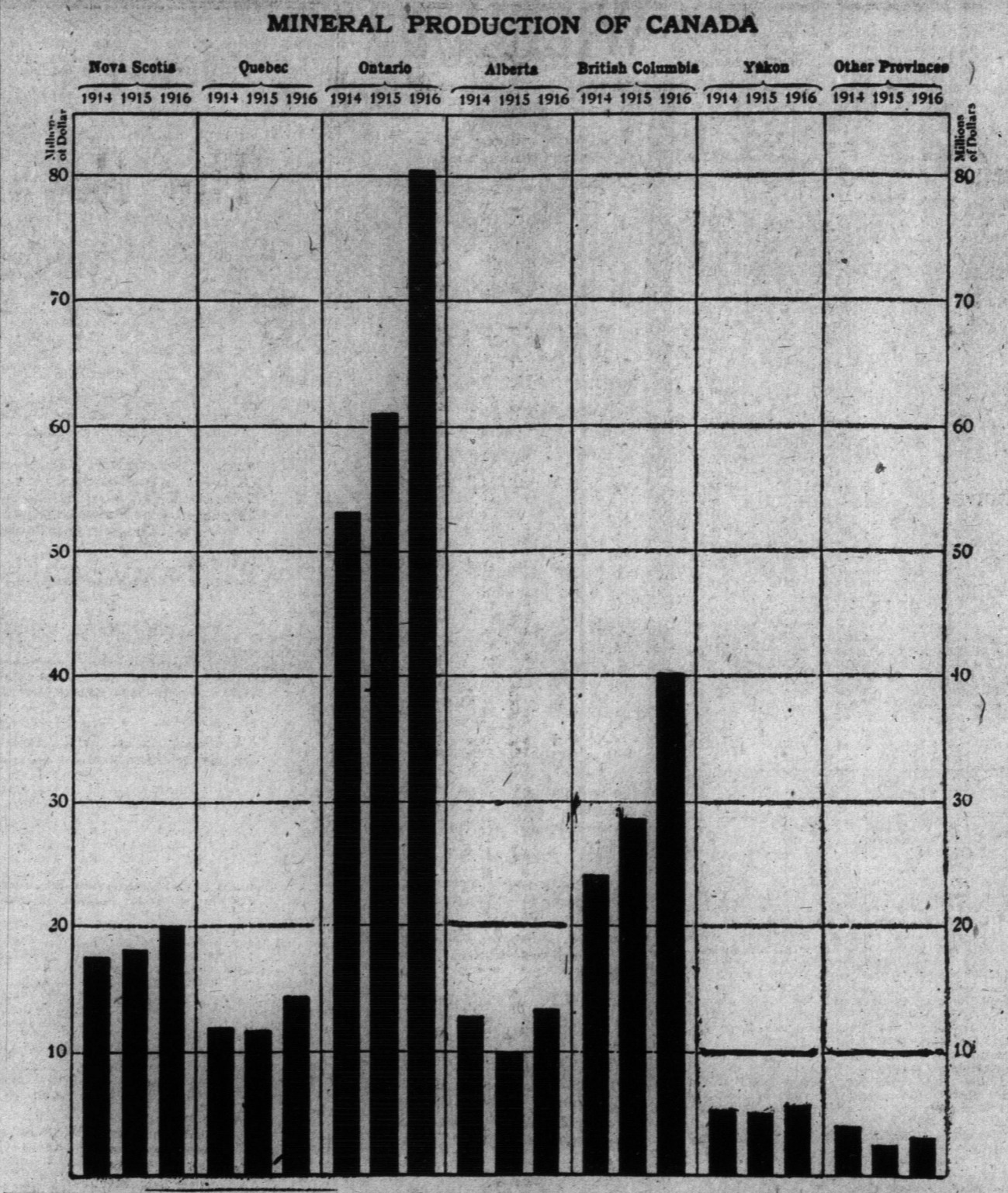
"The Beaver Consolidated has been developing the Kirkland Lake property until it is now almost to the producing stage, having spent upwards of \$450,000 for and on the property. Nearly a mile of underground work has been done; a mill is in course of erection and it will require approximately \$150,000 more to complete development and complete the mill, which we think should be done by the first of June next."

"Your directors for the past several months have had men out examining properties in the hope of obtaining something for your company, but to date only one prospect, namely, the No. 1 shaft in the Kirkland Lake district, has appealed to them. On this they have taken an option on which no payments are to be made for one year. They have moved the small plant from the North Dome property in order to make a thorough examination of claim No. L433, and should this property prove good, it will further enhance the value of your holdings."

"This option, however, should in no way interfere with your joining Beaver Consolidated in Kirkland Lake. The Kirkland Lake is a proven mine, from which, if the option is raised, your

market value. We use the term "market value" advisedly, because the "intrinsic value" has advanced immensely since last year. Over \$100,000 has been spent in the development of the property since then, and what promises to be one of the biggest veins in the Newray mine. He points out that the stock is now selling around 40c per share, or close to the price at which the stock was first introduced to the Canadian and American markets, and recalls that it was from this point about a year ago that one of the biggest buying movements which was ever witnessed on the Standard Exchange carried the stock up to \$1.50 per share.

After expressing the opinion that another big movement in Newray is in prospect, the message continues: "Newray began the present year around \$1.40 per share, later selling up to \$1.50. Along with other securities it has experienced a shrinkage in



## HOLLINGER MINE OF HIGHEST RANK

### Famous Oregum in Southern India Suffers Greatly in Comparison.

## INTERESTING FIGURES

### Oregum is Only an Ordinary Mine, Judged by Porcupine Standards.

The Mining World and Engineering Record of London, England, has recently stated that the Oregum mine of the Kolar gold field, Southern India, must be regarded as one of the greatest quartz mines in the world. It is located on the Champion reef, on which the Mysore and three other mines are now working. These five mines account for all the gold produced in India in these modern days. The width of the reef is barely four feet. At the Oregum tenors are between \$8 and \$9 per ton of ore, and the gross production in 1916 was \$1,868,707. A dividend of \$113,000 was paid, or about 43 per cent. of the product, and this is about the annual record of the company for the last few years.

It will be seen at a glance that this does not begin to compare with the performances of the Hollinger Con., and judging it by the Porcupine standard the Oregum is at best only an average mine. It has only a single vein, and it was nearly ten years under development before any dividends were paid.

The workings of the Oregum have gone down to the 55th level, or over 5000 feet from the surface. It is the deepest of the five mines on the Champion reef, and an efficient system of ventilation enables the company to overcome the increasing temperature with depth, even in the torrid climate of Southern India.

Northern Ontario is, however, not likely to suffer from abnormal heat even at great depths. The rocks are very old, and much of their latent heat has already escaped, and besides, the cold of the outer air can be introduced, the even in a modified form, to great depths.

The production of the Oregum is not nearly equal that of the larger mines of the Rand, but the percentage of profit is much higher, and in view of the records of the mines of Northern Ontario we should feel gratified at the fact that the most influential mining journal in the world's metropolis has raised a standard which we can not only live up to but very much surpass.

S. R. Clarke.

## SOON TO OPERATE DAVIDSON MILL

### Treatment of Ore to Be Undertaken Within Month, Manager Expects.

## M'INTYRE IS FIRM IN QUIET MARKET

### Newray Continues in Good Demand — Timiskaming Most Active Silver Stock.

Yesterday's mining market was quiet but steady, moving along in the narrow groove to which brokers and traders have become accustomed for many weeks past. With the end of the year in sight, however, optimism is reviving, and there is a strong undercurrent of hope that the long-delayed upturn will come into effect early in 1918. In the meantime, as the volume of business is likely to contract further during Christmas week, members of the Standard Exchange have decided that when the market closes on Saturday next it will stay closed until Wednesday.

Small gains and equally small losses marked yesterday's trading. McIntyre was one of the firmest stocks in the Porcupine group in anticipation of dividend action by the directors within a very short time. The stock ranged between 1.36 and 1.38, closing at the top. Newray was well supported and held at 29, while Schumacher and Waspika also displayed firmness. Dome and Apex lost a large fraction, going back to 4 3/4.

Timiskaming led in activity among the silver stocks, but fluctuations were small. McKinley and Conings were moderately strong, but Mining Corporation was disposed to sag, a few shares coming out at 8.60, Bullay, which has been having a minor flurry of its own lately ran into some selling and the price receded to 5 1/2, a loss of half a point.

## UPTURN OVERDUE

### Following his subscription to the Victory Loan, donations to the Red Cross and Halifax master, Hamilton B. Will has distributed a Christmas bonus of 10 cents on the annual salaries to his employees in his branch office in New York, Rochester, Buffalo and Detroit.

## GOOD PROGRESS MADE ON PATRICIA PROPERTY

### Cobalt, Dec. 19.—Before the end of this week the No. 1 shaft of the Patricia property at Boston Creek will have reached the 100-foot level. The No. 2 shaft is also progressing satisfactorily. With a full force of men employed, and four machines in operation, the work is going ahead at the rate of not far short of four feet per day. It has been learned officially that provided the ore deposition continues to the 200-foot level in quantities equal to that being encountered at the present depth, no time will be lost in installing a small mill.

## Ten Per Cent. Bonus is Paid Hamilton B. Will's Staff

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## PRICE OF SILVER.

London, Dec. 19.—Bar silver closed at 48d per ounce, New York, Dec. 19.—Bar silver closed at 85 3/4 per ounce.

## PRICE OF SILVER.

Stock	1917	1916	1915
Dome	26	25	24
Domolake	68	13	12
Conings	25	34	34
Davidson	24 1/2	30	30
Homeslake	60	45	45
Dome Mines	21	60	60
Hollinger	67 1/2	60	60
McIntyre	1.38	1.37	1.37
Monette	17 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2
Newray	29	28	28
Porcupine Crown	72	32	32
Vibron	41 1/2	20	20
Schumacher	68 1/2	26	26
Teoh-Fuehes	75	28	28
Waspika	31	14 1/2	14 1/2
Boston Creek	1.07	25	25

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If you want reliable news of all the mining camps of Northern Ontario, subscribe for The Northern Miner, Cobalt, Ont. Canada, \$1.50; U. S., \$2 per year. SAMPLE ON REQUEST.

# Personal Message To You Newray

Doubtless you are aware that NEWRAY stock can be purchased around 40c per share in the open market.

Has it struck you that this is very close to the price at which this stock was first introduced to the Canadian and American markets, and that it was from this point about a year ago that one of the biggest buying movements which was ever witnessed on the Standard Stock Exchange, Toronto, carried the stock up to \$1.50 per share?

History, says the old proverb, repeats itself, and this was never more true than when applied to the stock market, and we predict confidently that NEWRAY is again shaping up for another characteristic upward swing.

Can you afford to let this chance slip by?

NEWRAY began the present year around \$1.40 per share, later selling up to \$1.50. Along with other securities, it has experienced a shrinkage in market value. We use the term "market value" advisedly, because the "intrinsic value" has advanced immeasurably since last year. Over \$100,000 has been spent in the development of the property since then, and what promises to be one of the biggest vein systems in the whole of the camp has been opened. Such progress has been made that only a short time ago the Crown Reserve and Dominion Reduction interests—than whom no more conservative and careful mining experts exist—have assumed control of the property. What better endorsement of the property is needed than that people of the type of those who are now in charge, should have contemplated investing \$800,000 in it? They believe they have the making of a great mine in NEWRAY, and have excellent reason for this belief.

We have always regarded NEWRAY as the "one best bet" and have had no occasion to change our opinion.

Its large acreage, its great vein system—located on the famous HOLLINGER-McINTYRE ore zone—justify us in predicting that NEWRAY will be one of the biggest mines in Porcupine.

We firmly believe that the market cannot longer ignore the real worth of this property, and that readjustment in market values is bound to come.

It is for this reason that we advise you to BUY NEWRAY—buy as much as you can carry.

The market for NEWRAY has already displayed a strong tendency, which has every appearance of developing into a big advance.

THERE IS NO TIME TO DELAY.

LET US AGAIN ADVISE YOU—"BUY NEWRAY."

DO IT NOW.

Yours faithfully,  
**ISELL, PLANT & CO.**  
Standard Bank Building.

This is the first personal message I have ever sent you, but my belief in the future of NEWRAY is so strong that I want you to always remember that I sent you this advice when the stock was selling at AROUND 40c.

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NEW YORK STOCKS SLUMP AT CLOSE

Many Issues at New Minima — "Sheer Inertia" Causes Recession.

New York, Dec. 19.—No new developments or problems presented themselves for serious consideration today, but the stock market continued to decline, an opening array of issues falling to new minima.

DEMAND IS GOOD FOR WAR BONDS

Three Loan Issues Actively Traded in, But Stocks Are Again Neglected.

Renewal of buying of war bonds upon the most extensive scale in some weeks was a gratifying feature of yesterday's Toronto Stock Exchange business.

Record of Yesterday's Markets

Table with columns for Toronto Stocks, New York Stocks, and MINES ON CURB. Lists various stock prices and market indicators.

AWAIT COTTON REPORT

J. P. Bickell & Co. received the following closing cotton letter from New York: "With the census report giving figures to Dec. 13 coming tomorrow morning the trade was disposed to make no extensive new commitments."

ROYAL BANK IN STRONG POSITION

Large Gain in Assets and in Earnings Shown for Year.

Montreal, Dec. 19.—The annual statement of the Royal Bank issued today shows total assets of \$35,574,185, compared with \$28,261,427 a year ago.

LITTLE IMPROVEMENT IN MONTREAL MARKET

Montreal, Dec. 19.—Business on the Montreal Stock Exchange today showed little improvement. The market was quiet and uneventful.

UNLISTED STOCKS

Table listing unlisted stocks with columns for Asked, Bid, and various stock names like Black Lake, C. P. R. Notes, etc.

BUYING POWER POOR

J. P. Bickell & Co. received the following closing stock letter from New York: "Delay in action by the government on the railroad situation caused selling of the market."

STANDARD STOCK EXCHANGE

Table listing standard stock exchange prices for various commodities like Gold, Wheat, etc.

Grand Trunk Note Issue

Over-Subscribed in London. Montreal, Dec. 19.—A cable received at the Grand Trunk Railway Company's headquarters here today contained the announcement that the issue of £1,000,000 three-year six per cent notes recently issued by the Grand Trunk Railway Company in London has been over-subscribed.

NEW YORK COTTON

Table listing New York Cotton prices for various grades and types.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

London, Dec. 19.—Money, 3 1/2 per cent; Bank of England rate, 5 per cent. Paris, Dec. 19.—Trading was quiet on the bourse today.

CASH GRAIN MARKET

Winnipeg, Dec. 19.—A general meeting of the members of the grain exchange considering the advisability of declaring Dec. 24 and Dec. 31, 1917, legal holidays.

GAMBLING DENHIG JUST STARTING

Wall Street is a queer jungle. There are whole sections which could not vision real conditions in a million years of Friday. Nine-tenths of its time Wall Street is a riddle to a universe of its own making and the other tenths it is a riddle to the rest of the world.

CHICAGO MARKETS

J. P. Bickell & Co. report the following prices on the Chicago Board of Trade: Corn, 119 1/2; Wheat, 128 1/2; Soybeans, 12 1/2.

FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL STATEMENT

The Royal Bank of Canada

GENERAL STATEMENT

30TH NOVEMBER 1917

Table showing Liabilities: TO THE PUBLIC, TO THE SHAREHOLDERS, and ASSETS.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE. We report to the Shareholders of the Royal Bank of Canada that in our opinion the transactions of the Bank which have come under our notice have been within the powers of the Bank.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Table showing Profit and Loss Account details: Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 30th November, 1916.

RESERVE FUND

Table showing Reserve Fund details: Balance at Credit 30th November, 1916.

APPROPRIATED AS FOLLOWS:

Table showing Appropriated As Follows details: Dividends Nos. 118, 119, 120 and 121.

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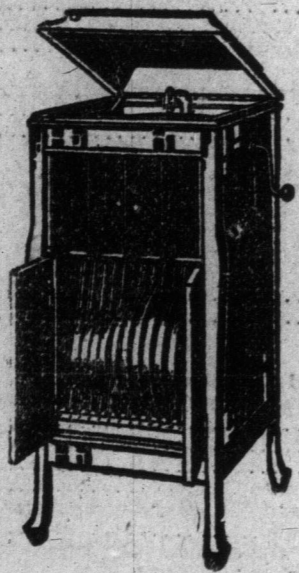
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A handsome shirt at . . . 5.00</p> <p>Or Plain White and Pongee Jap Silk Shirts, "Forsyth" brand, in 6-mummy cloth, coat style. Each . . . . . 3.50</p>	<p><b>Gloves</b></p> <p>Wool Gloves, fancy knitted, heavy weight, in colors. Pair, 59c, 75c.</p> <p>English make, plain knitted, and Scotch make, dome fastener. Per pair, \$1.50 and \$2.00.</p> <p>Tan Cape and Suede Gloves, wool lined, dome fastener. Pair, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00.</p> <p>French Suede Gloves, silk-lined and unlined; tan and grey, \$2.50 and \$3.00.</p> <p>Automobile Gauntlets, wool-lined, black horse or sheep, \$3.50 and \$5.00.</p>	<p><b>Neckwear</b></p> <p>American and Swiss Silks, in stripes of two and three colors, in floral and corded effects. In Christmas box 50</p> <p>Cheney—America's most famous silk neckwear—most crepe, failles and satins. Persians and floral effects. Each . . . . . 75</p> <p>English and Italian Pure Silk Neckwear, in exclusive stripes and all-over effects, two and three-tone colorings. Each . . . . . 1.00</p>	<p><b>Sets of Suspenders</b></p> <p>Men's Suspenders and Armbands, in fancy box 50</p> <p>Suspenders and Garters, in fancy gift box . . . . . 59</p> <p>Men's Suspenders and Garters, in fancy box . . . . . 75</p> <p>Men's Suspender Sets, consisting of garters and armbands. Complete, in fancy box . . . . . 1.00</p> <p>Men's better quality Set Suspenders and Garters, neat patterns, strong web, in fancy box . . . . . 1.25</p> <p>Men's Suspender Sets of braces, garters and armbands, in fancy box, at 1.50</p>	<p><b>House Coats</b></p> <p>Brown self-pattern, cuffs and collar of striped design. Price . . . . . 7.00</p> <p>Brown, plain pattern, cuffs and collar of black and purple design. Price, 8.00</p> <p>Plain grey, with cuffs and collar of grey, black and red pattern. Price . . . . . 12.00</p> <p>Dark green pattern; collar, cuffs and pocket trimmed with brown and green. Price . . . . . 9.00</p> <p>Dark seal brown pattern; cuffs, collar and pocket bound with lighter brown. Price . . . . . 20.00</p> <p>Brown mixed pattern, with grey and black check collar, cuffs and pockets. Price . . . . . 14.00</p>	<p><b>Bath Robes</b></p> <p>Grey, with red fancy collar, bordered; patch pockets; girdle . . . . . 6.50</p> <p>Dark grey, with light grey design; patch pockets; corded edges; girdle (double-breasted) . . . . . 9.00</p> <p>Dark grey, with red and green pattern; patch pockets, with fancy border; girdle . . . . . 7.50</p> <p>Dark green, with fancy red and grey pattern; patch pockets, corded edge, buttons close to neck; girdle . . . . . 8.00</p>	<p><b>Sweater Coats</b></p> <p>Men's Heavy Winter Weight Wool Sweater Coats; fancy kind, with high storm collar. Extra value. 5.00</p> <p>Men's Union Elastic Knit Sweater Coats. Slate or khaki shades. Storm collar. Good weight . . . . . 2.00</p> <p>Men's Union Knit Elastic Ribbed Sweater Coats. Storm collar. Winter weight. Sizes 36 to 44. Priced, at . . . . . 3.00</p> <p>Men's Wool and Cotton Sweater Coats. Winter weight. Military collar 4.00</p> <p>Men's Extra Quality Pure Wool Sweater Coats, with storm-collar, in maroon and khaki . . . . . 6.50</p> <p>Men's Best Quality Hand-made All-wool Sweater Coats of English spun yarns of heavy weight. High storm collar. Fancy knit stitch styles. Sizes 36 to 44. 8.00</p>	<p><b>Handkerchiefs</b></p> <p>Men's All-linen Irish Handkerchiefs, at 3 for 75c and 3 for 95c.</p> <p>Men's Linen Handkerchiefs, with hand-embroidered initials, at 3 for 80c and 3 for \$1.10.</p> <p>Men's English Lawn Handkerchiefs, at 6 for 55c.</p> <p>Men's Mercerized Colored Border Handkerchiefs, at 3 for 25c.</p> <p>Men's Sport Border Handkerchiefs, at 3 for 75c.</p> <p>Men's Jap Silk Handkerchiefs, at 50c, 75c and \$1.00.</p>	<p><b>Dressing Gowns</b></p> <p>Dark grey, with fancy black design; edges bound, piped with fancy cord; patch pocket, girdle . . . . . 10.50</p> <p>Grey, with fancy black design; edges bound, piped with silk cord; girdle 18.00</p> <p>Red and black design; edges bound, piped with black and red cord; girdle . . . . . 13.50</p> <p>Dark brown, plain pattern; collar of contrasting shades; pockets and cuff on sleeves piped with brown silk cord; coat fastens with frogs and loops; cord girdle . . . . . 12.00</p>	<p><b>Men's Umbrellas</b>  <b>\$2.50, \$2.95, \$3.95</b></p> <p>These are all half silk umbrellas, mounted on the newest and smartest designed handles we have shown this season. 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