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London, Dec. 28.—While there has been considerable renewal of activity at several points on both the eastern and western fronts in the past twenty-four hours, the situation in the Balkans has been the most peaceful appearance in weeks. Despatches from both German and Entente sources agree that the probability of an Austro-German-Bulgarian offensive against Salonki is disappearing with the withdrawal of the Bulgarian frontier guards to purely defensive positions, well behind the Greek frontier.

The Associated Press' Vienna correspondent declares that the Central Powers have come to regard any offensive against Salonki as a measure promising only embarrassments, and no advantages. In fact, the Central Powers are inclined to record the huge Allied forces at Salonki, but give no details. There has also been further activity in the Vosges district, with intense artillery fighting along the whole front of Hartmanns-Weckert.

Fierce Battle in Bessarabia.

Vienna reports the Russians attack heavily on the Dniester and Bessarabia. The Austrian communication speaks of the Russians advancing in several places fifteen or sixteen deep, which the artillery broke up with huge Russian losses.

A despatch from a German source says: "A terrible battle has been going on since Friday in Bessarabia."

The German campaign in the Near East and beyond, according to today's telegrams, is to be pushed with the utmost vigor and energy. Field Marshal Von Mackensen is reported to be the leader selected for the new theater of operations and the invasion of Egypt is said to be his immediate object. Numbers of trains are reported to be conveying ammunition and guns to Constantinople and other preparations are being pushed on a big scale.

From many isolated fronts come reports of preparations for spring campaigns, either in the form of a change in the location of large bodies of troops or in the building of fortifications.

Along the Dniester and Bug rivers the Germans are said to be constructing colossal fortifications, equipped with heavy artillery and with machine guns and automatic rifles supplied in unlimited quantities.

More Equipment for Allies at Salonki.

The Bulgarians are reported to be busy entrenching their armies well back of the Grecian frontier, while equipment continues to arrive for the French and British at Salonki, which, in the report of General Castellani is considered by its defenders impregnable.

A change is also noted in the Turkish dispositions at the Dardanelles, where the defenders of Gallipoli are in possession of heavy siege guns, which have been better served since the Austro-Germans opened the road to Constantinople.

It is understood that the British authorities are making every possible preparation to adequately defend the Suez Canal and their Egyptian positions.

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...Field, the American ambas-
...had not received the reply up
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...The official communication from
...headquarters today reads as
...:

...front: In the
...of Riga, south of Lake Bal-
...Germania attempted to ap-
...our trenches, but were repulsed.
...of the Germans
...in getting near our barbed
...but were driven back to the
...then by a sortie of our men.
...the remainder of the front, as far
...the Pripet region, has been sub-
...to the usual rifle and artillery
...South of the Pripet and in Gal-
...fighting continues, the encoun-
...of a desperate character.
...caucasus front: There is nothing
...port."

J. Mahoney has returned from
...where he had spent Christ-

...to be imperative, we believe
...will accept it in the same
...spirit it has shown
...throughout the conflict. The need for
...has become very real and ur-
...ent.

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...ation, constipation, biliousness
...many ailments of the digestive
...are often the source of serious
...As the first sign of disordered
...conditions take the reliable family
...that is always dependable—
**BEECHAM'S
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War Spectacle

**THE ENGLISH
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...d by Sepoys,
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history of Salonika, I suppose
no situation has been quite so as-
tonishing as the present. Climbing up
the steep slope of the old town, and
standing on the summit of the Roman
and Turkish walls, which, with use-
less battlements and towers still di-
vide the swarming streets from the
wild and empty country outside, one
looks west over the wide bay to the
perpetual snow of Olympus beyond it.
Southward to the left stands Polla,
separated from Olympus by the Vale
of Tempe. Northwards, beyond the
unwholesome plains and marshes of
the Vardar, one looks to mountains,
which the Serbians claimed by con-
quest for their own not much more
than two years ago. Far away, al-
ready gleaming with snow, stand the
twelve peaks called Peristeri, or the
"Doves," rising above Monastir, from
which the whole Serbian immigrant
population is reported yesterday to
have hastened away in panic at the
Bulgarian approach.

But the famous harbour at one's
feet, so deep that steamers can back
their sterns close up against the quay,
is crowded with such a collection of
ships as it has never held before.
Warships of the Great Powers lie
there—torpedo boats, destroyers, mid-
dle-aged battleships, cruisers, one
peculiar craft with five funnels from
Russia, massive French vessels piled
up with armaments, and at least one
of those strange new British ships
which carry a flat projecting platform
all round their sides just below the
water line, and themselves serve as
platforms for two or three 14-inch guns.
Projecting from a turret at the foot
of the single tripod mast. Great trans-
ports, bringing men and food for men,
lie there too. And there are the hos-
pital ships, distinct in white paint,
and the green lines and great red cro-
sses illuminated at night, also with red
lamps and rows of green lights, like
fairly vessels ready to carry home the
victims of the war.

The vast town still huddled between
the walls, except where villas have
broken out along the seashore south-
ward, is still marked by the multitude
of minarets and expresses that the
Turks have left, and by the red-tiled
roofs common to the Balkans. But
what an admixture of all the nations
and races of the world one now finds
in its streets. I believe the basis of
the original population is chiefly Jew-
ish men in long fur-trimmed robes,
Jewish women in green and scarlet
head-dresses, and some arrangement
of gauze or muslin over their breasts,
still look very much like the ances-
tors who sought refuge among the
Turks from the Christianity of Spain,
and they flourish and abound. But the
Greeks must rival them now, and a
good many Turks are left.

On the top of these natural sub-
strata is now imposed a great Greek
army—three or four army corps, I be-
lieve—suddenly mobilized—at British
expense, some people say. Well-equi-
ped in khaki, their officers very smart
and still wearing the obsolete sword,
they crowd all the main streets lead-
ing their pack animals out to their
camps, discussing the situation with
hereditary eloquence, or just loitering
in the cafes. They are enough to
fill the town to overflowing, but on the
roofs of them again are imposed the
French and the British as well. Not
so many French as British perhaps,
for the French camps and lines are fur-
ther away, but for both armies this is
the base, and the impatient strategists
who command their governments at
once to move 250,000 men here and
250,000 there might learn in Salonika
what a base means—what it means to
move 150,000 or even 50,000 men with
all their arms, guns, horses, ammuni-
tion, mess, flour, bakeries, tools, tele-
graphs, posts, barbed wire, medical
stores, staff departments and goodness
knows what. Let the impatient strat-
egist remember the last move of his
family and furniture to a new house,
and then for a single army corps, multi-
ply the time and trouble by about 10,000.

So here, side by side with the neu-
tral Greek and our French ally, we see
the British soldier, imperturbable as
usual in the midst of an unprecedent
situation, driving his motor lorry
through apparently impenetrable
troops, leading up his supplies, carry-
ing messages for the like of calling one
"King's House" and another "King's
Crystal Palace," saluting Greek
officers with some hesitation and try-
ing to enjoy the grounds at the bot-
tom of the Turkish coffee.

Along the main road beside which
the railway runs till it branches, part
to Monastir and part to Uluab, the
work of the base camps is carried on,
and the sections of French, British,
and Greek stand side by side, easy to
distinguish by the habits of each
nation. But as you pass the kilometre
stones along the road the camps grad-
ually separate themselves out, the

Greek remaining nearest the town.
At about the twelfth stone there is a
considerable rise in the ground above
the general plain. You cross a long
wooden bridge (wearing thin with use-
less), over a clean and wandering
river, which probably joins one of the
mouths of the Vardar further down,
and in the hill slope beyond the
greater part of one British division is
already encamped, with tents and all.
It is a healthy, breezy place, fairly
warm at present, and though the
ground holds water, it is raised fairly
high above the desolate Vardar mar-
shes, which stretch away to the south
and west, until they are smothered by
the sea or mountains already sprinkled
with snow. At all events, it is a
change from French or Flemish tren-
ches. So that a part of the British
Army stands posted and waits for
Government decisions. I do not imply
that it is the only part so waiting
here. Unhappily there is no need for
secrecy on my part.

For generations Salonika has been
Austria's aim, and the place is still
full of Austrian firms and agents. Full
of Germans, too, whom one cannot
call spies, because they have as much
right in a neutral country as we have,
and much more right they think.
Every morning various local newspa-
pers appear, most in Greek, but many
in French, and at all events one in
English. Each takes a different tone
—"Government" or "Venezolait," pro-
Entente, pro-German, or nominally
neutral. At least two that are writ-
ten in French are violently pro-Ger-
man in object, and are part of the
pulsant, lucrative German propaganda,
carefully extended for years through-
out the Near East.

**GIVES AWAY THE SECRET
OF A BEAUTIFUL COMPLEXION**

First of all you need plenty of blood—
the red kind. Have it pure, other-
wise blotches and pimples will render
your natural charms unavailing.
Nothing can equal Ferreroze, either
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purifier. By driving out humors,
Ferreroze cleanses inside. Just as
water does outside. Because of the
nourishment and building properties
it contains, Ferreroze brings the sys-
tem to a high point of vigor, from
which shines vim, ambition, good
spirits. For good spirits, for good
looks, good health, take Ferreroze,
all dealers in 50c. boxes.

**WILL TAKE TWO WEEKS
LONGER FROM ENGLAND
TO THE ORIENT**

**Japan Mail Steamship Co's
boats will go around Cape
of Good Hope to avoid
submarines.**

Tokio, Dec. 20.—On account of the
war dangers to vessels which pass
through the Suez Canal and the Medi-
terranean the Japan Mail Steamship
Company, which controls the bulk of
the shipping of this country, has de-
cided to abandon the customary route
and dispatch its steamships around
the Cape of Good Hope, from Colum-
bo, Ceylon. The voyage to England
will be lengthened a fortnight. Ves-
sels from Europe to the Orient will
follow the same course.

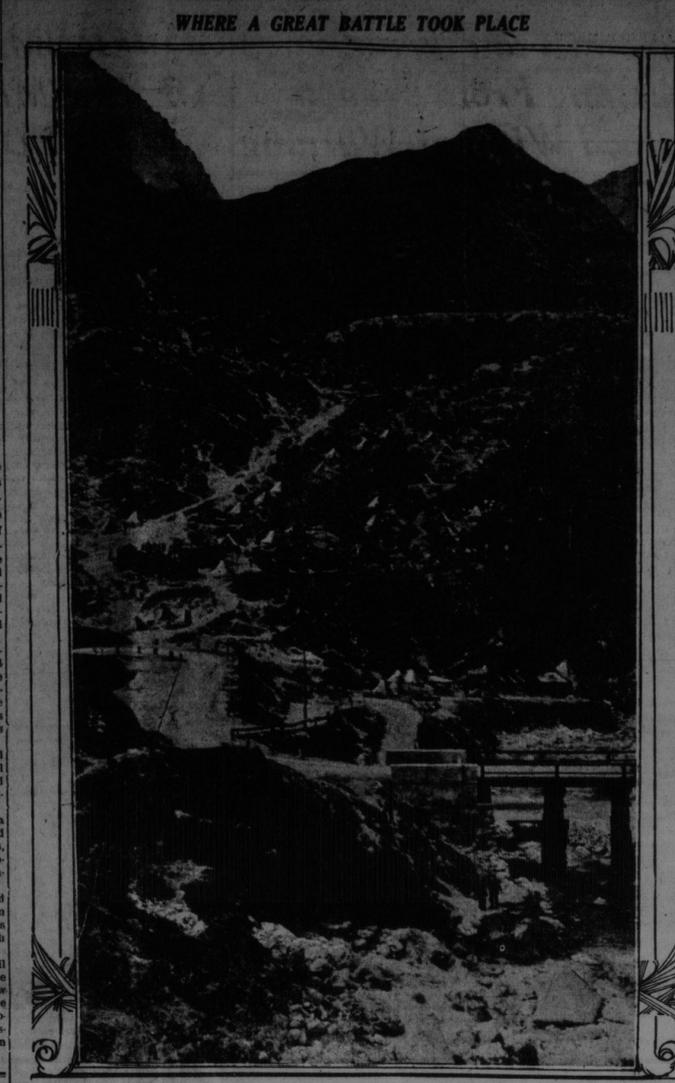
The sinking of the French steam-
ship Ville De La Clotat has intensified
the feeling aroused in Japan by the
interposing of the Japanese liner Ya-
saka Maru. Advice received by the
Japanese mail corroborate previous
reports that the Yasaka Maru was
sunk without warning.

The company's agent at Port Said
reports that three times the usual
number of lookouts were on duty and
that they saw nothing before the ex-
plosion occurred.

The Ville De La Clotat carried a
large quantity of medical supplies and
clothing for wounded Italian soldiers,
purchased with contributions by Jap-
anese and by foreigners in this coun-
try.

The Japanese cruisers Tokiwa and
Chiosse are to sail tomorrow from
Yokosuka on a secret mission. It is
believed they will go to the South
Sea.

From Colombo the Japanese mail
liners will proceed to Durban, Cape
Town, Madeira and London. The new
service will be inaugurated by the
samoK Maru, which is to sail from Co-
lombo on December 30. Several ves-
sels of this line are at Mediterranean
ports awaiting orders.



This picture illustrates the slopes of the Col di Lana, which have become famous through the operations between Austria and Italy. The slopes are north of Tolmino, in Austria, and were captured by the Italians after one of the bloodiest battles of the war.

"FIFTEEN PAIRS OF BRACES"

New York, Dec. 27.—Mr. Charles W.
Wood has been asking various friends,
acquaintances, and strangers: "What
is your idea of luxury?" Here are some
of the remarkable replies elicited, as
published in the "World":—
Music Hath Charms—Altogether
too much emphasis is placed on mere
poverty wouldn't be so unbearable.
The happiest people in the metropolis
are some of the poorest—when they
manage to get to the opera. The
trouble is they can enjoy the luxury
only a few hours a year. If such music
filled our lives the city would be
heaven.—East Side tailor, who makes
a living by putting creases into frayed
sleeves.
Splendor of Silence—My idea of
luxury is to be in a place where, if
some one dropped a cigarette paper
on the ground, it would cause a
racket. Silence, complete and abso-
lute—that is luxury.—Widely read
metropolitan journalist.
Independence—To live in the coun-
try. Any sort of cottage to live in,
and from £40 to £60 a year for food
and clothes would do the trick. Only
I'd want to be absolutely free from
work and be able to tell the whole
world to go to the devil.—Art student
from the south.
Dream of a City Clerk—The fastest
yacht on the ocean. Fit it out with
everything good to eat and drink, and
throw in a couple of cows so that we
can have fresh cream every day. I
want to pick the company and make
the rules. Then we'd say good-bye to
all such foolish things as civilization,
cold weather, and work.—A city clerk.
All the New Books—To be able to
buy all the books I want as fast as
they come out. It's just agony to have
to wait a bookshop with only three
or four under my arm.—Woman play-
wright.
Fifteen Pairs of Braces.—My idea of
real luxury is to have fifteen pairs of
trousers and a pair of braces for every
one. I have achieved the trousers all
at the same time, but never the cor-
responding number of pairs of braces.
—A Teacher.
An Eight-day Week—I am a conserva-
tive. I'm conventional and believe in
being conventional. I feel that a man
ought to account to society for the
way he spends his time, every day, sev-
en days a week. But if I could get in
an extra day that would be different.
It wouldn't be anybody's business
what I did with that.—Sedate and cir-
cumspet business man.
Home Cookery—I have all the lux-
uries there are already, but precious
few of the necessities. I ride in a Pull-
man train, have a room and a bath at
the best hotels, eat nothing less than
sa, dinners, and get my hat brushed

**and my nails manicured by the most
obsequious slaves on earth. But I'm
a stranger to my wife and children. I
can't afford to go home at night, and
I'm dying for some good old-fashioned
cocking.—Commercial traveller.**

Wearing Only a Smile.—To live in
some village where clothes aren't
worn. We can't be natural until we
get rid of them, and we can't be nat-
ural either. We don't feel that it is
necessary. The luxury of clothes!
Why, that's on a par with the luxury
of false teeth and wigs. The greatest
luxury I can think of is a perfect phy-
sical life, and a mind so pure and sim-
ple that it cannot be ashamed.—Fas-
tidious dresser.
Reaction.—To be able to play the
fool. I went into social work with
passion to help people, and I've had it
drilled into me for years how foolish
unsystematic giving is. What I want
is to be reckless and extravagant, to
get hold of some of the "unworthy"
cases, set them up in style, and watch
the fun. I'd like to be asked for \$25,
and fork out a \$200 Treasury bill. I'd
like to be touched for a cup of coffee
and give the tramp a dozen suits of
brocade, a motor-car, and a paid-up
lease to a fashionable apartment.—
Graduate of charity organization so-
ciety.
Money Cornucopia.—Eight shillings
if you are always sure of them, if no
matter how you spend them, you won't
go broke—if you'll always have eight
shillings left.—Another man's idea of
luxury.
To possess £200,000 without any
one on earth suspecting it. To be
thought poor, to live like a working
man, to meet people on the level; to
get myself liked or disliked by a can-
did appraisal of what I am instead of
how I may be used; to escape people
with axes to grind; not to be com-
pelled to keep up appearances; to be
able to eat and wear what I like with-
out apology, even if it is cheap.—A
millionaire.
The writer thus classes his symposi-
um:
"Luxury," said my philosophic men-
tor who lends look on the canal, "lux-
ury is something nobody wants. It
may be called reverse deficiency. It
is an idea of too much born of an ex-
perience of too little.
"People want enough food. They
don't want too much, but they think of
too much because they have too little.
Number seven shoes pinched one, and
I wanted eight. But I had suffered
so much that I couldn't stop at eight
and bought nine. These nine are
luxuries, but they are really quite un-
comfortable.
"Luxury is uncomfortable because it
is plus-comfortable. Money never
brings happiness because one has to
get too much in order to be sure of

**having enough. If we had to marry
twenty-seven wives in order to be sure
of one, we'd have the same trouble
there.**

"Perfect luxury," he concluded, "is
perfect boredom. It is eternal rest,
the old-fashioned heaven, a perennial
nothing-to-do. The people who have
the most today don't suffer as much as
the others, but they never enjoy them-
selves. No, these shoes don't hurt,
but they bore me terribly."

**EMBARGO ON DYE WOODS
WAS IN RETALIATION FOR
ACTION OF U.S. FIRMS**

Washington, Dec. 25.—The depart-
ment of commerce has been informed
that the British embargo on exportation
of dye woods from Jamaica and
British Honduras largely was in re-
taliation against American manufac-
turers, who are alleged to have in-
creased prices to British and Cana-
dian buyers of logwood extract.

In announcing today the release of
4,700 tons of dye wood awaiting ship-
ment in Jamaica, the department
quoted the British foreign office as
stating the action was conditional on
resumption of extract exportation in
reasonable quantities to Canada. The
foreign office charges, that in some
instances American manufacturers
not only increased their prices, but
repudiated contracts made with British
purchasers.

The United States imports annual-
ly about 20,000 tons of dye woods.
Two-thirds of this comes from Jami-
ca and British Honduras, and the
remainder from Haiti.

LEWIS OUTFIGHTS RITCHIE.

New York, Dec. 25.—Ted (Kid) Lev-
is of England outfought Willie Ritchie
of San Francisco in every round, ex-
cept one, of their ten round bout at
Madison Square Garden tonight.
Ritchie was the aggressor at the out-
set of every round, but failed to follow
up his advantage with force or clever-
ness sufficient to mark him as the
master of the Englishman. Only in
the third round did Ritchie have any-
thing like an even break with his op-
ponent.

Both Lewis and Ritchie have out-
grown the lightweight class. Lewis
weighed in at 158½ and Ritchie at
143½.

**CARLETON CO.
IN LINE FOR
RECRUITING**

**Three sign on at Kirkland
—Other meetings arrang-
ed — Woodstock Masons
held banquet**

Special to The Standard.
Woodstock, N. B., Dec. 28.—The fu-
ner of Mrs. James Turney took place
this afternoon and was largely at-
tended. Services were held at the
house and grave by Rev. S. Howard,
after which interment was in the
Methodist cemetery. The pall-bearers
were Charles Hand, Henry Blackmore,
A. S. Benn and J. A. Lindsay.
After the installation of the Masonic
officers last night a banquet was held
at the Carleton Hotel. There was
special music and songs by Harry
Dunbar. The toast list follows: The
King, musical honors; Grand Lodge,
J. A. Lindsay; Visiting Brethren, J. A.
Laskey; Boys at the Front, Rev. A. S.
Hazel; Absent Brethren; Ladies, F. K.
Woolverton; Woodstock Lodge, E. W.
Jarvis; God Save the King; Auld Lang
Syne.

A successful recruiting meeting was
held at Kirkland last night when ad-
dresses were made by Rev. Frank
Bairst, T. C. L. Ketchum, Lieut. Nichol-
son and Corp. Williams. Three re-
cruits signed and others announced
their intention of doing so. This even-
ing a large meeting at Debec was ad-
dressed by Judge Carleton, A. D. Hol-
yoake, Corp. Roach and Corp. O'Brien.
Meetings will be held during the week
at Beechwood, Maplehurst and other
centres. Five recruits applied at the
recruiting office in Woodstock today.

**LIQUID CATARRH REMEDIES
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—NEVER CURE.**

They go direct to the stomach, have
very little effect on the linings of the
nose and throat, and entirely fail to
cure. Only by cleansing the air pas-
sages, by relieving the inflammation
and killing the germs is cure possible.
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successful as Catarrhoxone. In breath-
ing it, you send the richest pine balm
right to the seat of the disease.
Irritating phlegm is cleared out,
hoarseness, coughing and hacking are
cured. For a permanent cure for Cat-
arrh, nothing equals Catarrhoxone,
get it today, but beware of dangerous
substitutes meant to deceive you for
genuine Catarrhoxone. All dealers
sell Catarrhoxone, large size contain-
ing two months treatment, cost \$1.00;
small size, 50c. sample size, 25c.

**TOLEDO, OHIO, INDICTED
FOR ACCEPTING BRIBE**

Toledo, Ohio, Dec. 28.—Mayor Keller,
was indicted today on the charge
of accepting a bribe. The charge is
based on a transaction September 15,
1914, by which, it is alleged, Keller
was given an automobile by B. O.
Gamble, local agent of the Peerless
Motor Company of Cleveland, to influ-
ence the vote of Mayor Keller, as
member of the city board of control,
to award a \$65,000 contract to the
Peerless Company of motor tire ap-
paratus.

PERSONAL.

Ven. Archdeacon Raymond, who
has been confined to the house for two
weeks with lumbago, is improving.
Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McSwiney of
Boston are spending the holidays in
St. John.
Lieut. D. King Hazen, who has been
at Quebec, and Mrs. D. King Hazen,
who has been with her parents at
Newcastle, came to town on Monday.

WANTED—Principal, Male or Fe-
male, for Superior School for Hillsboro
School District No. 2, Parish of Hills-
boro, Albert Co. Apply stating salary
for balance school year to C. W. Dob-
son, Secretary.

MARRIED.

BACON-HINES—At the residence of
the bride's parents, by the Rev. F.
T. Bertman, Angus T. Bacon to
Phebe Pearl Hines, both of Central
Greenwich.

REID-WINLOW—At St. Jude's
Church, St. John West, on December
28th, by Rev. G. F. Scovill, Milton
Hanford Reid, of Upham, Kings
county, to Christina Agnes Winlow,
of Harley Road, Sunbury county.

DIED.

ANDERSON—Entered into rest on the
28th inst., after a short illness, of
pneumonia, at her residence, 50
Harrison street, Martha Annie
Brown Anderson, leaving one broth-
er and one sister to mourn.
Notice of funeral later.

BELYEA—In this city, on the 25th
instant, James Austin Belyea, aged
45 years, leaving one son and one
daughter to mourn.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1915.

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

ASSESS FOR THE CHARITIES

While the proposal made by Commissioner Potts to the City Council yesterday that a percentage should be added to the general civic assessment for the purpose of providing a fund from which contributions to the Patriotic Fund and similar causes will be paid, may require careful consideration before becoming effective, nevertheless, it has the right principle and appears to point the way to the only business-like solution of the question of civic aid to charitable and semi-charitable institutions, funds and similar objects.

If institutions such as public playgrounds, boys' clubs, girls' clubs, children's aid societies, kindergartens and the like are of benefit to the community they should be supported by the community and every taxpayer should bear his fair share of the cost of their maintenance. Power to make grants for such objects and assess to raise the money for them is already possessed by the city but, in the past, has been but indifferently used. As a consequence we have had the spectacle of an institution of undoubted value to the community as a whole receiving from the city treasury a grant too small to maintain it and then becoming dependent upon the efforts of a few citizens for the funds to enable it to continue its existence. This is a decided mistake. If the institution is at all worthy of public confidence and support it should be fully and completely maintained from the civic treasury, then it can be regulated in the same manner as any other civic venture.

At the present time the necessity of contributing to movements of a patriotic character has made many demands upon the citizens and at best the burden is being borne by a comparatively small portion of the people. Voluntary subscriptions to the Patriotic Funds, the Red Cross Funds and similar worthy causes, to say nothing of the local charities which will still be with us after the war is over, have provided a measure of support but the result has not been as satisfactory as could be attained if all such causes submitted to the civic or municipal council an estimate of their requirements for the year and a sum sufficient to cover that estimate should be placed in the appropriations upon which the assessments are based.

At the present time the rate of civic assessment is fixed at a figure which cannot be exceeded and the only method of securing additional revenue is by increased valuation. It is doubtful if the assessors can do much more in this line for the coming year than they have already done, so temporarily, Commissioner Potts' plan may meet the case.

The time must come however when the charity problem will be scientifically dealt with. When each tax bill will bear a detailed statement of the institutions or causes receiving civic assistance and all will be under the management of a Civic or Municipal Bureau of Charities and on a basis of equality with any other line of public endeavor. Then there will be no necessity for subscription lists, tag days or the other methods of raising money to which charitable organizations have been forced to resort in the past.

It is admitted that hospitals and schools are necessary and, consequently, are supported by general assessment. Why should the same procedure not be followed in regard to the playgrounds, the Children's Aid Society and other local movements, and even such national undertakings as the Patriotic Fund and the activities of the Red Cross? No one will deny that these movements do not play an important and valuable part in the community life, why then should they not be supported by the community as a whole?

PATIENCE, GENTLEMEN.

At this season of peace and good will it is well that those newspapers which have been offering gratuitous advice as to the course Premier Clarke should pursue in regard to the Chandler reports and the gentleman affected by them, should possess their souls in patience. The Premier of this Province and

his associates in the Government threw the doors wide open for the production of all possible evidence in support of the charges made by Mr. Veniot, Mr. Carter, and those others who had busied themselves in an effort to discredit the administration. The result of the enquiry was to show not one suspicion of wrongdoing on the part of the Government, or any member of it; not one dollar had been lost to the public in the performance of any work undertaken by the administration, and in the cases where bills presented to the Government departments, were found to be at all excessive, not one dollar was paid except for fair and legitimate claims. Compared with this, what is the record of Provincial Governments prior to 1907? The people have not forgotten the shameful revelations of the Central Railway or the days of control by the school book ring. There is still proof of the existence of "suspense accounts" and criminal bungling of public business. Do the friends of Mr. Veniot desire to be reminded of these? If so the proof can easily be produced.

Despite the wallings of the Telegraph and the Chatham World the fact remains that the whole sum involved in the eleven charges investigated by Commissioner Chandler was not sufficient to pay the expenses of the investigating court, and in all these cases it was not found that one member of the Government had been guilty of a dishonest action or had knowledge of dishonesty on the part of any official. As to the course the Premier will pursue, the opposition newspapers need not worry. The people of the province have full confidence in Hon. Mr. Clarke, and they know that he will do the right thing in the proper manner.

CANADA AFTER THE WAR.

An interesting prediction of Canada's condition after the war has been made by Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and is reviewed at some length by the Morning Post, of London.

Sir Thomas says that many years must elapse before the capital of Canadians will be sufficient for Canadian development. Consequently a large proportion of the money required for this purpose must come from abroad. Therefore Canada's chief concern must be for her credit, and it is, he says, "the first duty of every citizen to be exact, careful, and economical in his expenditure, while Government, municipal, and company expenditure must be merciless on 'graft,' and must insist on a lynx-like perpetual audit, even in these days of record earnings, bumper increases, and untaxed war profits. Credit is of urgent importance, since the war has made it difficult, if not impossible, for Great Britain to continue her investment in Canadian securities on which Canada has depended. If, as is likely, Canadians have to turn to New York, they must be able to guarantee that the borrowed money will be carefully and economically spent. Extravagant promotions born only to serve political ends must be rigorously stifled at their birth, and those unhealthy offsprings which have been spoon-fed by too lenient subsidies or Government guarantees must be reduced by sterner tutelage, and in some cases perhaps handed over to the guardianship of the Official Receiver."

To this the Canadian Gazette of London, England, adds:

"Sir Thomas Shaughnessy refers to the American preference for private rather than Government enterprises. He adds that the Western lands afford good security, and that the migration of farmers from the United States continues unabated. If, then, Canadians see to it that their security and credit are good, he sees no reason to fear that the progress of Canada will be hampered by lack of capital, even though the European investor is cut off by the present war. The supply of labor will be an uncertain element, but the taxation which will be imposed after the war will tempt many people in Europe to transfer their homes to Canada. The future

of Canada depends largely, he says, on how the incoming population is handled, and we should be busy now thinking out and formulating an organization which should place upon the land or in the industries for which they are fitted, with the least possible friction and loss of time, those individuals and families who come to make a new home in Canada."

A GOOD CITIZEN GONE.

The death of Mr. J. A. Belyea, K. C., which occurred last evening, removes from St. John a strong exponent of good citizenship at a time when such men are needed in the community. The late Mr. Belyea was one of the first advocates of the commission form of civic government and performed valuable services on the original citizens' committee which fathered the movement. In numerous other ways he had also been of real service to St. John and his death will be heard of with sincere regret.

In his profession he enjoyed the confidence, esteem and respect of his associates and of the public generally. Never a candidate for public office he was, nevertheless, deeply interested in all matters of community importance and was ever willing to assist in all good works. A true Christian gentleman in every sense of the word, his passing leaves a vacancy in the sphere in which he moved and which it will be difficult to fill.

READING MATTER FOR RETURNED SOLDIERS VERY ACCEPTABLE

Committee met yesterday to discuss plans for looking after returning heroes

A meeting of the Returned Soldiers' Reception Committee was held yesterday afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms. There was a good attendance, amongst those present being C. B. Lockhart, chairman; A. O. Skinner, Dr. Morison, Mrs. H. A. Powell and Mrs. G. A. Kubring. The invitation from the W. S. Harkins company to entertain all soldiers at the Opera House on Friday evening, and the offer of W. H. Golding to provide free entrance to returned soldiers at the Imperial Theatre at any time were accepted with thanks. The committee, it was agreed, would meet for the purpose of the organization in small numbers according to plans to be formulated. Thanks were given to the New Brunswick Chapter Daughters of the Empire, for a gift of \$25 to the fund. The offer of E. C. Skelton, on behalf of the Boy Scouts, to carry baggage and material from the wharves as a help for returning soldiers was accepted with thanks. The committee urged that magazines, books, etc., for the use of returned soldiers, to be read on trains or at the rest rooms in West St. John, be sent either to A. O. Skinner, King street, or to such places as may be advised after communication, by phone or otherwise, with C. B. Lockhart, West St. John. A "Ways and Means" committee was appointed to secure additional funds for the purposes of the organization, consisting of G. S. Mayes, Simon Jones and others to be named hereafter.

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Little Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE.
Mr. Lewis was with pop when he came home yesterday, and they came up in the sitting room where me and ma was, and wat did pop have one but a noo ovrcote, being a brown one all full of stripes, pop say, Well, motter, wat's your real honest to goodness opinion of my noo ovrcote.
Willyum, do you mean to say you asully intend wearing that thing, sed ma.
Sertany, wat's rong with it, sed pop.
Yes, Mrs. Potts, I must say that I fail to detect anything rong with it, sed Mr. Lewis.
Well, if you dont object to going around looking like a professional gambler, then thares nothing rong with it, I appose, sed ma.
A professional gambler, wy, thares reedickils, sed pop.
And so is that ovrcote, sed ma.
Which it was, pritty reedickils, and Mr. Lewis sed, But Mrs. Potts, brown stripes are all the stile this season.
Willyum Potts, you shell heer from me about this later, sed ma, and as for the ovrcote, I think its perfectly all rite, Mr. Lewis, its much more talstiff than anyting Willyum wood of chosen, Im sure. And she went out of the room mad looking as anything, and Mr. Lewis sed, O well, Pottis, I gess the loak aint all on me, you'll be heering about this all the rest of the rite.
Wich pop did.

asserts he made to embroil the United States with Great Britain with false affidavits regarding shipments of supplies to naval vessels and to the so-called "Huerta plot." The newspaper declares also that an attempt was made to "bribe it into silence" by the offer of a large sum of money for the formation of a press bureau. The message ends with the declaration: "You will know the reason why the United States refused to permit you to remain any longer in this country. These reasons were raised on 'hysterical rumors' printed by the Providence Journal. "Your attempt this morning to make

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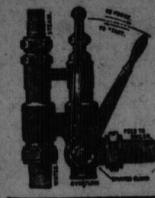
And in this announcement we desire to tell you that we have prepared wisely and well. Our stock is superb—our service complete, and we will be pleased to have you inspect carefully every article of interest. With buyers coming in greatly increasing numbers, assortments and varieties must necessarily decrease. Very many of our articles come from markets too far away to permit of re-ordering. Among these are the "Unique Novelties" in which early shoppers find the greatest joy in selection. Thus we advise early Christmas shopping.

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Victoria.

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Announce... Business... Christmas shopping...

\$4.85 Dainty Boot Women's Bronze Kid Button Boots... Waterbury & Rising, Ltd.

RECEIVED BOXES SENT FOR XMAS... MEN AT FRONT COUNCIL HEARS OF PLAN TO ASSESS FOR ALL GRANTS TO PATRIOTIC AND OTHER FUNDS

NEW YEAR'S DAY PLANS ARE WELL UNDER WAY... Recruiting Committee met yesterday to discuss demonstration - Bluejackets in city will be entertained

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HOTEL ARRIVALS... Royal, Sussex Agricultural School

OBITUARY... Miss M. A. B. Anderson, James W. Brickley

Commissioner Potts would add ten percent to Assessment for purpose of making payments to Patriotic and Charitable causes during the term of war

WEDDINGS... Bacon-Hines, An interesting event took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Hines

FUNERALS... The funeral of James Ellsworth of the 62nd regiment, Detention Company

Should Not Be Hasty... Commissioner McLellan agreed that the ratemakers should know for what purpose their money was being expended

A Small Fire... An alarm was sent in from box 145 shortly after six o'clock last evening for a fire which started in a house

At the meeting of the Citizens' Recruiting Committee, held yesterday afternoon, it was announced that special arrangements had been made for the entertainment at the Soldiers' Club

ANNUAL ENTERTAINMENT FOR SAILORS IN PORT... Seamen's Institute scene of enjoyable function last evening

ST. MONICA'S GIRLS' GUILD PROVIDED TREAT FOR 120 CHILDREN... The Knights of Columbus Hall resounded with the laughter and merriment of about 120 children

Xmas Donation... The officers and pupils of New Brunswick School for Deaf gratefully acknowledge liberal Christmas donations of fruit, confectionery, etc.

Big Drawing! This is the last month before the big drawing which takes place Dec. 31-15

Established 1894... The House with a reputation for excellent service. D. BOYANER

Don't Forget To Call West 7 or West 81... Oats, Middlings, Bran or Hay

STEAM BOILERS... The following new "Matheson" built boilers, are on hand at our Works

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Sunlight Soap 5c... is all you need to pay for the best and purest Soap in the world

Hotels: CLIFTON HOUSE, ROYAL HOTEL, VICTORIA HOTEL, HOTEL DUFFERIN, etc. Also various advertisements for businesses like watch repairers and engravers.

"WOLF OF WALL ST." ONE OF THE SEVEN INDICTED BY GRAND JURY ON CONSPIRACY CHARGE

Acted as Paymaster for German Agent who Bought Out Labor Leaders - Arrest of Indicted Men Ordered - All Charged with Fomenting Strikes in American Ammunition Factories.

New York, Dec. 28.—Congressman Frank Buchanan, of Illinois; H. Robert Fowler, former congressman from Illinois; Frank S. Mosett, former attorney-general of Ohio; David Laman Jacobson, president of Labor's National Peace Council; Franz Von Rintelen, a German agent; H. B. Martin and Herman Schultze, were indicted by a federal grand jury today for conspiring to foment strikes in American munitions factories.

Overloading The Stomach Causes Incomplete Digestion, Weakens The System, and Breeds Dyspepsia. Trial Package of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets Free.

SOLDIERS' COMFORTS ASSOCIATION MAKE SPECIAL APPEAL. Owing to the urgent and constant appeals from our Overseas Contingents now in the trenches for socks, the above Association has decided to hold a "Special Sock Week" commencing January 3rd, 1917.

Wholesale Liquors. LIAM L. WILLIAMS successors A. Finn, Wholesale and Retail and Spirit Merchants, 110 and 112 Water Street, St. John, N. B.

GRAND JURY INDICTS SING SING WARDEN ON FIVE COUNTS. White Plains, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Thomas Mort Osborne, warden of Sing Sing penitentiary, was indicted on five counts this afternoon by the county grand jury.

ELEVATORS manufacture Electric Freight, Lift, Hand Power, Dumb Waiter, etc. S. STEPHENSON & CO., St. John, N. B.

QUEBEC CONFERS FREEDOM OF CITY ON AUSTRALIAN VISITORS. Quebec, Dec. 28.—The corps of thirty-six Australian cadets arrived here today and were tendered a hearty reception by the municipal and provincial authorities.

WATCH REPAIRERS. Bailey, the English, American, Swiss watch repairer, 183 Mill St. Work guaranteed.

CREW OF SCHOONER SAUSALITE ALL SAFE. Victoria, Dec. 28.—Word has been received here that all the members of the crew of the schooner Sausalite, which went ashore on Waddah Island, near Neap Bay on the American side of the Straits of Cape Flattery, have been landed by the surf boat from Neap Bay which went to the schooner's assistance when distress signals were sent up.

ENGRAVERS. F. C. WESLEY & CO. Engravers and Electrotypers, 19 Water Street, St. John, N. B. Telephone 982

MME. BERNHARDT LEAVES FOR LONDON. Anderson, Frances, Dec. 28.—Sarah Bernhardt left here today for Paris on her way to London, where it is expected she will recite "The Cathedral," which she does seated in a chair on the stage. She has recovered from her severe attack of bronchitis.

NERVES, ETC., ETC. ROBERT WILBY, Medical Electrician, Specialist and Masseuse. Treats all sorts of nervous diseases, weakness and neuritis, neuralgia, locomotor ataxia, paralysis, sciatica, rheumatism, etc.

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Mlle. EMILIENCE MOREAU, a young French girl, seventeen years of age, has been decorated with the Military Medal by General de Sully for her great gallantry in aiding wounded soldiers while under fire during the great battle of Loos.

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LEARN TO PLAY PIANO OR ORGAN IN A FEW HOURS. A Detroit musician has invented a wonderful new system which enables any person or little child to learn to play the piano or organ in an hour or two.

WE MUST NOT LET THESE BELGIAN CHILDREN STARVE. Their fathers are with King Albert in the trenches or dead. Their mothers, destitute and probably homeless, are striving hard but helplessly to save these children on whom Belgium's future depends.

Belgian Relief Fund. has saved them so far. Administered by a wonderfully efficient neutral Commission, it has for more than a year now provided food for nearly all the Seven Million Belgians still in the country.

Belgian Relief Fund. \$2.50 FEEDS A BELGIAN FAMILY ONE MONTH. For this at least \$2,500,000 is needed monthly in contributions.

AFFIDAVIT FROM THE FRONT DENIES CHARGES

Winnipeg veterinary with troops in France repudiates charge that he took bribe for passing horses.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Remount purchases by militia department agents formed the subject of evidence this morning before the Davidson investigation committee. Lieut.-Col. Emmott Clarke, assistant director of supplies and transport in the militia department, was called as a witness because during the sittings in Kings county, DeWitt Foster, ex-M. P., had stated that his reason for issuing cheques on bloc was because he had not been given sufficient cheques for individual issue by Col. Neale, chief remount officer.

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Purchases in West. In connection with the purchase of horses in the west Mr. Thompson read an affidavit of Lieut.-Col. H. D. Smith, V. S. of Winnipeg, denying absolutely the statement of W. J. Hinman, before the commission, that he had paid Lieut.-Col. Smith \$175 to secure the passing of certain horses offered for sale to the militia department.

Children Cry for Fletcher's CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of Dr. J. C. Fletcher.

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A NEW CONTEST For Boys and Girls. First Prize—A Silver Watch. As you seemed to enjoy the last "Jumbled word" contest so much I am letting you have another.

A New Kind of Drawing. As there are so many Boys and Girls, who read THE STANDARD, we have decided to introduce quite a different style of drawing.

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LATEST FINANCIAL AND SHIPPING NEWS AND NOTES

SHIPPING

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

December Phases of the Moon.

New Moon, 6th 2h. 4m. a. m.
 First Quarter, 13th 7h. 53m. p. m.
 Full Moon, 21st 11h. 52m. p. m.
 Last Quarter, 29th 5h. 59m. p. m.

Date.	D. of W.	Sun Rises	Sun Sets	H. Water a. m.	H. Water p. m.
28 Tue	8.10	4.44	4.00	16.14	11.23
29 Wed	8.10	4.44	4.51	17.07	11.02
30 Thu	8.10	4.44	5.44	18.00	10.41

FOREIGN PORTS.

New York, Dec. 28—Arr: Sca Rhoda Holmes, South Amboy for Calais; Annie B Mitchell, Kamebe; Damstetia & Joanna, St. George, N. B.
 Sid Dec 28—Sca Rhoda Holmes, Calais, (and anchored).
 Lubec, Dec 21—Arr: Sch Charles L. Jeffery, New York.
 Oulu, Dec 22—Arr: Sch American Team, St. John, N. B. for Bridgeport.
 Boston, Dec 22—Arr: Str Mackinac, Oulu, Sydney.
 Portland, Dec 1—Arr: Sch John G. Walter, St. John, N. B. for New York; tug Tormentor, New York, towing barge David H Munroe for Spencier Island, N. S.

MARINE NOTES.

SCHOONER NOTES.

The crew of schooner Mayflower, reported in Monday's Globe near Rockport, Mass., in addition to Capt. Masters, comprised Foss King, mate; J. Pass, cook; Perley Tucker and H. Wellington, seamen. All belong to Nova Scotia.

Schooner Freddie Eaton, Calais to Piznouth, with lumber, went into Portland, Me., on Sunday for harbor in the gale, but dragged her anchor and piled on the rocks before the break water. The revenue cutter Osippee went to her assistance and may get her off at high tide.

CHARTER MARKET.

The illustrated Shipping says: Time charter rates advance week by week. A year ago Atlantic voyages over six months were at 6s. 6d. to 7s. 6d. w. Today 25s. to 27s. 6d. is paid. Heavy tonnage (3,000 tons) offers for six months at 20s. to 22s. 6d. w., with delivery next month. Some charterers in order to secure tonnage and to cheapen the rate, are asking for vessels on time over periods of five and even ten years. It is reported that a five years' fixture has been done at 10s. 2d. to 10s. 6d. on the d.w.

PROFITABLE FREIGHTS.

A Bath shipping man prophesies that for two years ahead at least vessel freights will be profitable, and shipping ought to be unusually good. In that time he thinks new vessels will pay the cost of construction and leave a profit besides. Several of the shipbuilding firms in the State speak that belief, and active work is likely to follow in a number of the yards which have been idle for several years. Among several concerns which are planning to build at least one vessel the coming season, the Sawyer Brothers of Millbridge will commence work in March on a schooner of about 500 tons.

CHAS. W. MORSE.

Charles W. Morse is becoming quite a figure again in steamer circles. He has recently purchased the 2,000 ton steamer Ontario and Oceano, which have been laid up at Halifax for two years, and will put them in service between New York and Archangel, Russia. Capt. Charles A. Blair of the Hudson Navigation Co., New York, who had just arrived at Bath to pass Christmas at home, was wired to proceed to Halifax to take command of the Oceano and left yesterday for that port.

SCHOONER IN DISTRESS.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 28—At a late hour last night an unidentified schooner being driven towards the rocks by a strong gale near Wadash Island, a few miles off Cape Flattery. Distress rockets were being sent up. It was believed the U. S. cruiser Chataaugwa would go to her assistance.

SCHOONER CHANGED OWNERS.

Another Maine schooner has just changed ownership, the Kineo, 1876 tons, built at Bath in 1903, having just been sold to the Texas Co. for \$85,000. She is now being towed to New York, oil laden, and on arrival will be overhauled and fitted with a Diesel engine and auxiliaries. Capt. Farrell retains command of her.

STR COBAN ASHORE.

St. John's Nfld., Dec. 28—The Dominion Coal Company's steamer Coban went ashore at Placentia during a heavy gale yesterday, and probably will be a total wreck. The crew is believed to have been saved.

ST. JOHN AND QUEBEC RAILWAY.

Notice of New Train Service for Xmas Week.

Special train service will be in effect leaving Fredericton six a. m. and five p. m. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, for Gloucester, and on same days leaving Gloucester eight a. m. and seven-thirty p. m. for Fredericton. After Xmas there will be a regular tri-weekly service on the same schedule Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday until further notice.

MARKET ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY UNCERTAINTY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Pronounced change in speculative sentiment takes place of breadth and buoyancy which marked Monday's session—Market closed heavy in tone with activity of last half hour at expense of quoted values.

New York, Dec. 28—Foreign affairs, particularly the reported crisis in the British cabinet, were held to be mainly accountable for the pronounced change in speculative sentiment today. Instead of the breadth and higher prices that characterized yesterday's extensive operations, there was a succession of selling movements, with intervals of feeble rallies. Many recent gains were dissipated, United States Steel, again the leader, recording an extreme loss of 1 1/2 to 87 1/2 from which it made only slight recovery.

Anacoda Copper, whose directors fulfilled popular expectations by increasing the quarterly dividend from \$1 to \$1.50 was under steady pressure, and other issues of the group, notably American Smelting, denoted substantial selling, regardless of another rise in copper metal to 22 1/2 cents, for future delivery.

Oil stocks were very active and strong for a time, Mexican Petroleum rising 2 1/2 to the new price of 110 1/2, but elsewhere among the various high priced specialties and utilities the market seemed to lack stability or actual support.

MONTREAL TRANSACTIONS.

(McDOUGALL & COWAN'S)

Morning

Montreal, Tuesday, Dec. 28th—
 Cedars Com.—150 @ 77 1/2.
 Steamships Com.—2 @ 16.
 Steel of Canada—35 @ 40 1/2.
 Textile—25 @ 75.
 Cement Com.—25 @ 39 1/2, 25 @ 39 1/2 @ 39 1/2.
 Dom. Iron Pfd.—16 @ 95.
 Dom. Iron Com.—135 @ 49 1/2, 310 @ 49 1/2, 25 @ 49 1/2, 25 @ 49 1/2, 100 @ 49 1/2.
 Canada Car Com.—145 @ 91 1/2, 90, 10 @ 89 1/2.
 Canada Car Pfd.—83 @ 105 1/2, 25 @ 105.
 Detroit United—30 @ 70.
 Ogilvie Pfd.—1 @ 115.
 Lake of Woods—15 @ 132.
 Crown Pulp—25 @ 188 1/2.
 Laur. Pulp—25 @ 188 1/2.
 McDonalds—5 @ 11, 10 @ 10 1/2.
 N. S. Steel—170 @ 101 1/2.
 General Electric—10 @ 113 1/2, 25 @ 113.

Dom. Bridge—50 @ 231, 95 @ 231 1/2, 100 @ 231 1/2, 60 @ 231 1/2, 10 @ 232 1/2, 45 @ 232.
 Forging—20 @ 205, 25 @ 215, 35 @ 215, 10 @ 219, 10 @ 218 1/2.
 Ames Com.—45 @ 204, 110 @ 204, 505 @ 21.
 Afternoon

Cedars—10 @ 77 1/2.
 Can. Loco—20 @ 49, 25 @ 61.
 Steel of Canada—20 @ 40 1/2, 25 @ 40 1/2, 60 @ 40 1/2.
 Carriage Factories—25 @ 48 1/2.
 Textile—10 @ 75, 1 @ 76 1/2.
 Cement Com.—10 @ 39 1/2.
 Dom. Iron Pfd.—30 @ 96, 1 @ 95 1/2.
 Dom. Iron Com.—230 @ 49 1/2, 60 @ 49 1/2.
 Shawinigan—45 @ 135 1/2, 5 @ 136.
 Montreal Power—10 @ 234 1/2, 50 @ 234 1/2.
 Canada Car Com.—10 @ 98 1/2, 10 @ 89, 10 @ 88 1/2, 20 @ 88 1/2, 25 @ 88 1/2.
 Detroit United—5 @ 70 1/2, 2 @ 71.
 Laur. Pulp—25 @ 188 1/2.
 N. S. Steel—25 @ 100 1/2.
 Dom. Bridge—50 @ 231 1/2.
 Ames Com.—195 @ 21, 315 @ 21 1/2, 20 @ 20 1/2.
 Penmans—10 @ 60, 3 @ 59 1/2.

Winnipeg Wheat Close.

Dec.—114 1/2.
 May—118 1/2.
 July—118 1/2.

Jail Contracts.

Contracts for supplies to the county jail have been awarded as follows: Groceries to the St. John Mercantile Company, meats to John Crowley, city market, and bread, McMurray Bros. of Fairville.

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STOCK QUOTATIONS ON N.Y. EXCHANGE

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Am Beet Sug	70	70	89	69
Am Car Fy	70	70 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
Am Wool	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2
Am Loco	70	70 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2
Am Smelt	102	102	103 1/2	103 1/2
Anacoda	91	91 1/2	89	89 1/2
Am Tele	129	129 1/2	129	129
Atchafson	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
Am Can	80 1/2	80 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2
Balt and O Co	95 1/2	95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
Bald Loco	122	121	117 1/2	117 1/2
C F I	83 1/2	83 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2
Ches and Ohio	83 1/2	83 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2
Chino	55 1/2	55 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
Cent Leath	64 1/2	64 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2
Can Pac	181	181	179 1/2	179 1/2
Cruc Steel	74 1/2	74 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2
Eric Com	42 1/2	42 1/2	42	42
Gr Nor Pfd	127	127	125 1/2	125 1/2
Lohish Val	82	82	81 1/2	81 1/2
NY NH and H	77 1/2	77 1/2	76 1/2	76 1/2
Mis Pac	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
N Y Cent	110 1/2	110 1/2	109	109
Nor Pac	117 1/2	117 1/2	117	117
Penn	59 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2
Press Btl Car	65 1/2	65 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
Reading Com	83 1/2	83 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2
Rep Steel	66 1/2	66 1/2	64	64
St Paul	85 1/2	85 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
Son Pac	103 1/2	103 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2
Sloss	64	64	63 1/2	63 1/2
Studebaker	167 1/2	167 1/2	166 1/2	166 1/2
Un Pac Com	139 1/2	139 1/2	138 1/2	138 1/2
U S Steel Com	89 1/2	89 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
U S Steel Pfd	118 1/2	118 1/2	116 1/2	116 1/2
U S Rub Com	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2
Westing Elec	69 1/2	69 1/2	69	69

FISHING SCHOONER ELLA M. DOUGHTY IS GIVEN UP AS LOST

Gloucester, Mass., Dec. 28—The fishing schooner Ella M. Doughty, commanded by Captain Robert Diggins, was carrying a crew of five today, which sailed from here on November 3 for Bay of Islands, Nfld., was given up as lost today by her owners. No report from the vessel has been received after she sailed from Gloucester. The Doughty was built at Kennebunkport, Maine, in 1884, and was seventy-five tons gross burden.

MOTHER DROWNS TWO CHILDREN, PREVENTED FROM TAKING OWN LIFE

Milford, Conn., Dec. 28—Mrs. Edward Krause, threw her two small sons into the Milford reservoir and then jumped in after them today. The woman was rescued a few moments afterwards, but the boys were drowned.

Mrs. Krause will be examined as to her mental condition.

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CLOSING LETTER OF N. Y. MARKET BY E. & C. RANDOLPH

(McDOUGALL & COWAN'S)

New York, Dec. 28—From the reaction which occurred in the forenoon, the market failed to recover, and its inability to rally produced a depressing influence on settlement. The result of this was an increase in the volume of sales 1 1/2 in the day, the market becoming active and weak in the last hour. The increase of the Anacoda dividend from \$4 to \$6 a share had been discounted, and the stock sold off following announcement of the declaration. The news regarding conditions in the Steel and Copper industries was highly favorable, but the copper and steel stock were among the weakest features of the day's market. This indicated that those stocks were in an overbought condition. The public has not bought much stock recently, but it has been carrying a very large amount and waiting for an opportunity to sell out on an advance. Now it has become tired waiting and liquidation of its holdings has apparently begun. Sales \$20,500. Bonds \$5,939,000.
 E. & C. RANDOLPH.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE

(McDOUGALL & COWAN'S)

Chicago, Dec. 28—Wheat—No 2 red, nominal; No 3 red, 1.10 to 1.22; No 2 hard, 1.23 to 1.35 1/2; No 3 hard, 1.17 to 1.19 1/2.
 Corn—No 2 yellow, nominal; No 4 yellow, 69 to 70 1/2; No 4 white, 68 1/2 to 70.
 Oats—No 3 white, 42 to 43 1/2; standard, 43 1/2 to 45.
 Rye—No 2, 95.
 Barley—64 to 74.
 Timothy—5.00 to 8.25.
 Clover—10.00 to 19.00.
 Pork—16.25.
 Lard—9.43.
 Rib—9.50 to 9.92.

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Thanks Frae Glasgow

We desire to thank the thousands of Canadians, who use the brand of Scotch which bears our name, for their loyal support and patronage during 1915.

It is gratifying to us that, notwithstanding general conditions, our Canadian trade has suffered the least.

By strictly maintaining the high quality, which has made our product famous throughout the colonies, we hope to merit a continuance of your good-will in the future.

WHYTE & MACKAY,
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STEAMSHIPS. MANCHESTER LINE

From Manchester
 Dec. 28 Manchester Merchant Dec. 28
 Dec. 14 Manchester Midway
 Dec. 25 Manchester Clifton Jan. 15
 Dec. 31 Manchester Shipper Jan. 15
 Jan. 7 Manchester Corpora Jan 25
 Philadelphia.
 Steamers marked * take cargo to Philadelphia.
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 The Royal Mail Steam Packet Co.,
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From Glasgow
 Dec. 11—S. S. "Ormidale" Dec. 31
 Dec. 16—S. S. "Parthenia" Jan. 6
 Dec. 25—S. S. "Orithia" Jan. 14
 (Dates subject to change).
 Freight rates on application to

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GENERAL PUBLIC:

Between all Stations on Atlantic Division, (including C. P. Ry. St. John-Digby S. Service), also to Montreal City.

SINGLE FARE:
 Tickets on sale December 24 and 25.
 Limit December 27

ALSO
 December 31, 1915, and January 1, 1916.
 Limit January 3, 1916

FARE AND ONE-THIRD:
 Dates of Sale, December 22, 23, 24, 25, 30, 31; January 1, 1916.
 Limit January 4, 1916

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CANADIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS

Will Sell Round Trip Tickets for NEW YEAR

First Class One-Way Fare
 Going Dec. 31, Jan. 1. Returning Jan. 3, 1916.

First Class One-Way Fare
 One-Third.
 Going Dec. 29, 30, 31, Jan. 1. Returning January 4, 1916.

STEAMSHIPS. Head Line

St. John to Dublin
 S.S. Bangor Head Dec 7
 S.S. Bray Head Dec 29

St. John to Belfast
 S.S. Inishowen Head Dec 7

St. John to Avonmouth
 S.S. Ramore Head Dec 15
 Subject to Change.
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FURNESS LINE

From London
 Dec. 19 Kappahannock Jan 3
 Dec. 31 Shenandoah Jan 15
 Wm. THOMSON & CO., LTD.,
 Agents, St. John, N. B.

CHANGE OF TIME

Fall and Winter Time Tables of the GRAND MANAN S.S. CO.

Grand Manan Route—Season 1915-16.
 After October 1, 1915, and until further notice, a steamer of this line will run as follows:
 Leave Grand Manan Mondays at 7.30 a. m. for St. John, via Eastport, Campbellton and Wilson's Beach.
 Returning leave Turbul's Wharf St. John, Wednesdays at 7.30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via Wilson's Beach, Campbellton and Eastport.
 Leave Grand Manan Thursdays at 9 a. m. for St. Stephen, via Campbellton, Eastport and St. Andrews.
 Returning, leave St. Stephen Fridays at 7.30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via St. Andrews, Eastport and Campbellton.
 Leave Grand Manan Saturdays at 7.30 a. m. for St. Andrews.
 Returning, leave St. Andrews Fridays at 7.30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via St. Andrews, Eastport and Campbellton, and Eastport both ways.
 Atlantic Standard Time.
 L. C. GUPTILL, Manager.

Eastern Steamship Lines

All-the-Way-By-Water.
 INTERNATIONAL LINE.
 Steamship Calvin Austin
 Will leave St. John Thursday at nine a. m. for Lubec, Eastport, Westport and Boston.
 Returning leaves Boston Mondays at nine a. m. via Portland, Eastport and Lubec, due at St. John Tuesday afternoon.

HAINE STEAMSHIP LINE

Between Portland and New York
 Steamships North Star and North Star.
 Reduced Fares in Effect.
 \$3.00 to New York.
 Reduced Stateroom Prices.
 Leave Franklin Wharf, Portland Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at six p. m.
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THE MARITIME STEAMSHIP CO. (LIMITED)

Until further notice the S. S. Coroners Bros. will run as follows:—
 Leave St. John, N. B., Thomas Wharf and Warehouse Co., on Saturday, 1.29 a.m. for St. Andrews, calling at Dipper Harbor, Beaver Harbor, Black Harbor, Back Bay, or Letete, Deer Island, Red Store, St. George. Returning leave St. Andrews Tuesdays for St. John, calling at Letete or Back Bay, Black Harbor, Beaver Harbor and Dipper Harbor, tide and weather permitting.

AGENT—Thomas Wharf and Warehouse Co., St. John, N. B.

"Thos 2581, Manager, Lewis Connors, Black Harbor, N. B.
 This company will not be responsible for any debts contracted after this date without a written order from the company or captain of the steamer.

Live News



Live News And Notes Of Interest To Sportsmen

THE PRINCIPAL SIGNERS OF TREATY THAT ENDED BASEBALL'S GREAT WAR



The game has triumphed. Baseball as a sport has defeated baseball as a business. The dollar sign has been banished from the diamond by the simple in chief, Mr. "Fan." And if the club owners of the partially reconstructed American and National leagues read carefully the handwriting on the wall in future they will keep the box office far removed from the field. To quote from Rudyard Kipling, "Never the twain shall meet," for baseball as a sport is popular, but baseball as a business is not. This has been proved to the satisfaction of more than one testering bank. For two years an effort was made to supplant the sport with the business. The result was disastrous to all concerned. Those financially interested lost money. The "fans" had ideas slanted. Here worship, one of the things upon which the popularity of baseball was built, was tossed rudely overboard, and the sport side of baseball was overshadowed and almost lost by the greedy quest for the dollar manifested by players and club owners alike. But all that is now but a nightmare of the dim colored past. Years has been declared and signed by "Sam" Johnson, president of the American League; John K. Tener, president of the National League; "Garry" Herrmann, chairman of the National Commission; James A. Gilmore, president of the Federal League; Charles Weeghman, owner of the Chicago Federal League Club; Harry F. Sinclair, owner of the Newark Federal League Club; Edward G. Barrow, president of the International League; John H. Farrell, president of the National Association of Minor Leagues; and Thomas Chivington, president of the American Association.

MANY BASEBALL MEN HAVE PASSED AWAY DURING 1915

Many prominent figures in the baseball world have been removed by death during the year now drawing to a close. League presidents, club owners, managers, umpires and players both active and retired, are included in the list of victims of the Grim Reaper.

The death of Albert G. Spalding, which occurred in September at his home in California, came as a shock to the baseball-loving public to whom he was intimately and, as a sportsman, lovingly known. In a way, "Al" Spalding was the "Father of Baseball," as it is played professionally. In his youth he was known as the greatest baseball pitcher of his day. Later, as manager and magnate, he exercised his genius and executive ability in averting the disasters of all sorts that threatened organized baseball in its earlier tribulations.

Andrew Freedman, former owner of the New York National League club, died at his home in that city a few weeks ago. Mr. Freedman was owner of the Giants before the late John T. Brush came into control of the club and for several years his name was a familiar one in baseball circles.

Robert B. Ward, who died at New Rochelle on Oct. 18, was a leading figure in the Federal league and president of the Brooklyn club at the time of his death.

The Southern league lost its president in the death of Judge W. M. Kavanaugh, who died suddenly at his home in Little Rock on Feb. 24.

Charles J. Birrell, who died in Toledo last June, was at one time prominent as a baseball magnate. Eighteen years ago Strobel purchased the Toledo ball club, then in the Western league. Later he was in the Interstate. He retained the club two years after the formation of the American association.

"Tim" Hurst, for more than 30 years a baseball umpire and one of the best known sporting characters in the country, died suddenly at the home of a friend at Minersville, Pa., in June. In his younger days Hurst was an all-round athlete and a star sprinter.

Frank ("Bull") Perrine, former league umpire, and Steve Kane, who had umpired in the National league, American association and Federal league, were included in those who passed during the year.

The only prominent figure removed from the managerial ranks was Wallace L. Bray, known to thousands of baseball fans as "Happy Hogan." Bray had piloted a number of baseball teams and at the time of his death was manager of the Ventneer team in the Pacific Coast league.

The active players who passed away during the year included Mark Hall, pitcher for the Detroit American league team, and Clyde Robinson, shortstop on the Waterbury team of the Eastern association.

The retired players who have "struck out" during the past 12 months, and many of whom shone brilliantly on the diamond when at the height of their careers, included the following:

William H. Terry, former pitcher for Brooklyn and Chicago in the National league, and who was widely known to enthusiasts of a generation ago as "Adonis" Terry.

Roscoe C. Barnes, one of the stars of the old Chicago White Stockings in the days of "Cap" Anson.

William Kennedy, formerly a pitcher for the New York, Brooklyn and Pittsburg National league teams.

David Orr, who covered first base for the Columbus American association team in 1889, and later for the Brooklyn Nationals.

Bill Beldy, who was credited with originating the slow ball, and who, when pitching for Brooklyn, defeated Christ Mathewson in a critical series for the Columbus American association.

George H. Moolie, who caught for the Chicago Nationals in 1886.

James R. Donnelly, who had played with the numerous major and minor league clubs and was captain of the Washington teams in the late '80's.

Patrick J. Crisahan, who had played with the New York Nationals and Philadelphia and Cleveland American league teams.

Jack Farrows, former catcher of the Brooklyn Nationals and manager of the Newark club in 1885.

New York, Dec. 28.—Anton F. Mente, a young Hungarian, in whose room police found a large quantity of acids and chemicals used in the manufacture of high explosives, today pleaded guilty to violating the Tenement House Act in having explosive or inflammable materials in his home and was sentenced to one year in prison.

Mente stoutly denied that he had intended to make bombs to be used in destroying munition vessels or factories, contending that he fitted his room as a laboratory because he wished to study chemistry.

ROOSEVELT ALLOWED DAMAGES
Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Former President Theodore Roosevelt today was allowed \$1,442.52 against William Barnes, Republican leader, of Albany, less costs and disbursements in the recent trial in this city, which the jury dismissed the \$50,000 libel suit brought by Barnes.

Justice Andrews who tried the case, also issued a new order refusing to set aside the jury verdict and denying a new trial.

Struck By Street Car
A motor truck owned by F. & W. F. Starr with John Estey in charge was struck and damaged by a street car in Prince William street at eight o'clock yesterday morning. The chauffeur escaped with a bruised hand.

HARRY SINCLAIR LOCAL TO BUY GIANTS IS THE REPORT

Cincinnati, Dec. 28.—It is reported from an authentic source that the New York Giants will be sold to Harry S. Sinclair, the millionaire oil man, for the highest price ever paid for a big league club before the year is out.

Harry N. Hempstead, the principal stockholder of the New York club, was seen in conference with Mr. Sinclair before the peace delegates went into session and it was said that the purchase price had practically been agreed upon. If the deal goes through Manager McGraw will be retained as the Giants' leader next season.

For some time now, Sinclair has been quietly negotiating for the purchase of the New York Nationals. About a month ago he met Mr. Hempstead in New York and made a proposition to the president of the Giants to take the team off his shoulders for the small sum of \$1,000,000. Mr. Hempstead at that time declined to accept the offer, stating to Mr. Sinclair that before any business of this nature could be transacted the other stockholders in the club would have to be consulted.

President Hempstead laid the matter before the other stockholders of the club and, it is understood, all were willing to sell out to the oil man. But the price was raised from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000.

Sinclair declined to buy the Giants at this figure, but offered \$1,250,000 for the club and players. This held up the deal temporarily because Sinclair refused to raise his ante, while the New York club insisted upon the \$1,500,000.

However, as mentioned above, the figures were graciously agreed upon at a recent conference.

BOWLING YESTERDAY

Last night on Black's alleys in the City League the Sweepers captured four points from the C. P. R. team. The following are the individual scores:

Sweepers.	
Mellveen	83 96 112 291 97
Gambin	115 87 105 307 102 1-3
McDonald	88 84 100 279 93
Harrison	88 106 115 309 103
Sullivan	88 108 77 273 91
467 483 509 1459	

C. P. R.	
Stevens	103 90 102 235 98 1-3
McGovern	79 72 87 238 79 1-3
McDonald	88 84 89 259 86 1-3
Elliott	75 97 84 256 85 1-3
McIntyre	112 98 120 330 110
455 441 482 1378	

Tonight the Elks and Wanderers will bowl.

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Power Horse Clippers from	.. \$9.50 to \$15.00 each
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Horse Blankets, lined, with Girths	1.25 to 4.00 each
Dark Grey Fur Sleigh Robes	.. 8.50 to 10.00 each
Imitation Buffalo	.. 6.75 to 10.00 each
Imitation Buffalo Coats	.. 12.00
Special Line Coats, Travelers Samples at Cost to Clear	.. 3.50 to 10.00 each
Sleigh Heaters from	.. 1.75 upwards
Lined and Unlined Mitts and Gloves to clear	.. 25 to 1.25 pair
Shaft Belts, Nickel Plated	.. 50 to 3.50 pair
Body Belts	.. 1.25 to 3.25 each

Back Belts, Nickel Plated, 60c. to \$1.00 each; Nickel Mounted Driving Harness, 13.50 set; upwards: Oxide and Rubber Mounted Driving Harness, \$18.00 set, upwards. Also a full line of Horse Furnishing Goods which we are offering at Lowest Prices.

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BY GOLLY—THAT WATER MUST HAVE GONE OUT WEST TO HUNT FOR THAT RABBIT I ORDERED!

WHAT'S TIME TO A WAITER—NOTHING!

BY GOLLY—I WOULDN'T KNOW THAT WAITER OF MINE NOW IF I SAW HIM!

SAY—HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A WAITER IN THIS PLACE?

JUST TWO DAYS—SIR!

THEN—YOU'RE NOT MY WAITER!

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THE WEATHER

Forecast
Maritime—Fairly winds, fair and colder, likely to be some storms during Thursday.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Northern New England—Cloudy Wednesday probably followed by rain or snow at night and Thursday; moderate variable becoming south and increasing to gale force.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—A depression, which is developing quickly, is now centred over Alabama; another depression covers Dakota, while a pronounced cold wave is spreading into the western provinces from the northward. Light snowfalls have been general from Alberta to Manitoba and some light falls of snow or sleet have occurred locally in the Maritime Provinces.

Temperatures

	Min.	Max.
Prince Rupert	30	32
Victoria	38	42
Vancouver	36	40
Prince Albert	4	8
Medicine Hat	12	22
Winnipeg	16	22
Port Arthur	14	16
Parry Sound	12	26
Toronto	34	35
Ottawa	36	32
Montreal	38	24
Quebec	20	24
St. John	22	24
Halifax	26	38
—Below		

Around the City

Condition Serious.
Thomas S. Wilson, the sailor who was injured on the steamship Metama, was reported early this morning to be still living, but there are some doubts as to his chance of recovery, the injury to his back being of a serious nature.

Applied for Civic Grant.
At the council meeting yesterday the Associated Charities asked for a grant of \$25 for their work for the coming year. The application was referred to the committee on grants. A communication was read recommending that fishery lots A and B be sold as one lot as it was believed that by so doing a better price would be obtained. This communication was referred to the fisheries committee.

Turkeys Cheaper.
In the local market yesterday meats were on hand in rather large quantities, the quality being generally good, but no material changes in last week's prices were noticeable. Turkey's however, were on the down grade, thirty-two to thirty-five cents per pound being the prevailing prices for the limited quantity on hand.

Presentation to Fireman.
A pleasing event took place in No. 5 fire station on Main street, Monday evening when the permanent men and a number of friends presented John Cunningham, engineer of No. 5 steam-er, with a costly pipe. Mr. Cunningham, who is one of the most popular men in the department, was completely taken by surprise and, in a brief address, thanked his friends for their gift.

Liquor Licenses.
Yesterday was the last day for making application for license to sell spirituous liquors in the city during the coming year. More than fifty applications were made for retail licenses, twelve for wholesale, seven for hotel and three for breweries. A new applicant was Harold Harley, C. M. Bewick applied for license for the Dufferin Hotel as did Mrs. E. Foster.

Concert in Armory.
The choir of the Emmanuel street Methodist church gave a concert in the armory last night which was much appreciated by the men who were present. The men to the number of between 3 and 4 hundred gathered in the Y. M. C. A. rooms and thoroughly enjoyed the following program: Two anthems by the full choir and solos by Miss Edith Magee, Miss Minnie Myles, Miss Ada Baskin, Mr. Bayard Stillwell, and Mr. E. B. Thomas. At the close of the concert apples were given to the men as they were leaving.

Horse and Wagon Missing.
Yesterday afternoon at two o'clock the horse and express wagon owned by Gordon Allan, was left standing on Germania street, while the driver was attending to some business in one of the stores. When he returned a few minutes later the team was gone. The master was reported to the police and it was learned that two boys were seen driving the horse on King street, also on the north side of the King Square during the afternoon. Up to an early hour this morning the police had found no trace of the stolen team.

Met Several St. John Boys.
Miss Eva Swetka received on Monday last a very interesting letter from her brother William Swetka, who is a member of the Signalling Corps of the 26th, in which he tells of paying a visit to the first division ammunition column. He started out with three others in the morning; on the way he saw Major Thomas Powers, who was looking well and seemed to be enjoying himself. He was in charge of a bus and seemed to be in a hurry. A little further along he saw Capt. George Gamble and had quite a talk with him. He was feeling fine. They met a lot of the boys they knew and had a very pleasant day.

SEES CHANGE FOR BUSINESS WITH CANADA

Representative of Spanish government has been looking into conditions in Dominion.

Senor Ramon Tey, of Torrenia, Spain, who has been in Canada for the last eight months looking into the possibilities for increased trade between the two countries is in the city en route to his home. When seen last night Mr. Tey said he had covered Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces and was satisfied that there was a great opportunity for trade between the two countries. The present war has disorganized business between Great Britain, France and Canada to a large extent, and the business men of Spain felt that the time had come for better trade relations between Canada and themselves. He intended to report to his clients that the market was here and only needed opening up. They intend to have a direct steamship service between Balboa, Spain, and Montreal in summer, and Saint John in winter. The principal lines they want to send to Canada are champagne, red wines, cognac, oranges and other fruits, particularly fruits. They would take from this country fish of all kinds, wood pulp and wood for construction purposes, and he believes that in a short time a large trade can be developed between the two countries. They expect to have a line of steamships to be known as the Spanish-Canadian S.S. Company in operation early next spring. Mr. Tey will return to Canada in the spring and travel through the west to study conditions there and open up that market.

FOURTEEN ON ROLL OF HONOR

Good results yesterday in the Recruiting Campaign.

- ROLL OF HONOR.**
- 115th Battalion.
 - Harold C. Priddle, St. John.
 - William J. Merrit, St. John.
 - William A. Russell, St. John.
 - John Barclay, Forburg, Scot. land.
 - William B. McNutt, Yarmouth, N. S.
 - George T. Wood, Annapolis, N. S.
 - Antony Veremchirk, Russia.
 - Anton Mazur, Russia.
 - Mike Bohmuk, Russia.
 - Walter A. Preston, City.
 - Frederick B. Moulton, City.
 - Sege Battery.
 - Francis Gourley, Saint Owens, Jersey.
 - J. F. Hart, Annapolis.
 - A. A. Dixon, City.

Things are going with a swing at recruiting headquarters this week, fourteen men being examined and passed yesterday while several others are waiting for examination. The responses for this week so far augurs well for the success of the campaign to fill the ranks of the 115th by the end of January.

At last night's meeting M. E. Agar was chairman, the speakers were A. M. Belding and John Condon. Prof. Ford officiated at the piano and Mr. Spencer recited. Mr. Belding was the first speaker. He referred to the records some of the Canadian boys had made and the pride their friends and relatives must naturally feel in their achievements.

Mr. Condon dealt mainly with the history and development of the Empire and claimed that the ideals for which Britain stood were well worth fighting and, if need be, dying for.

"The Spy in the House."
The W. S. Harkins Players present "The Spy in the House" at the Opera House tonight. The performance will be under the patronage of Major Barker and the officers of the Siege Battery. As a special compliment to Major Barker and officers, Miss Irene Gordon of the Harkins Company, who is a graduate of the concert and oratorio stage, and the possessor of a splendid voice, will sing "Till the Boys Come Home." "The Spy in the House" is the play that was presented on Christmas night, a splendid English war drama and one that carries a special appeal at this time. The advance sale for tonight is quite heavy, several theatre parties having occurred. Some good seats are still to be had. The phone is Main 1363.

OPEN VERDICT ON DEATH OF AUTO VICTIM

Result of Coroner's inquest into circumstances attending fatal accident in King Street.

The enquiry into the death of Miss May Littlefield was held in the court house last night before Coroner W. F. Roberts and after being out for one hour the jury returned the following verdict at 12.30 o'clock this morning:

"We, the jury empanelled to enquire into the death of Miss Littlefield, find that she died at the General Public Hospital on the morning of December 22nd from injuries received by coming in contact with the pavement while trying to alight from a runaway taxicab."

"We cannot find, from the evidence, that there was any carelessness or negligence on the part of the chauffeur in charge of the car."

(Signed) Charles Clark (foreman), E. Dykeman, W. H. Bell, C. W. Brown, Masheo Col, Frank O'Regan, Robt. R. Boyer.

Dr. A. F. Emery was the first witness. He testified that on the 21st of December he was called to McDiarmid's drug store on King street near Canterbury street. He ordered her removed to the hospital. She continued unconscious until about five o'clock in the afternoon when she partly regained consciousness and could talk, but would not tell her name. It was then thought that the case was one of concussion and she had a chance to recover.

On the following morning, Dec. 22nd, she took convulsions and died between nine and ten o'clock. Witness came to the conclusion she had a fracture of the base of the skull.

Clifford S. Williams gave evidence that on the day of the accident, about 1.30 o'clock, he saw a car coming down the south side of King street near Canterbury street. There was a person in the rear seat and no driver. Witness got one foot on the running board but could not get in the car owing to the steering gear being on the left side. The car was gathering speed. Witness was thrown clear of the car and as it passed him the woman opened the door and went to step ahead, but evidently the door or something struck her and threw her from the running board. She fell to the pavement backwards and struck her head. Witness was unable to see a man from being struck by the car at the foot of the hill while other people picked the woman up and carried her to the store. The brake was set on the car. A car standing on a hill like King street is liable to start while the brake is set unless it is a very strong brake.

Expert Evidence
Walter M. Sherwood of Model Farm testified he repaired automobiles at the Empire garage. Witness was called by the police department and made an examination of the car. He found that the emergency brake does not hold as it should. The front part of the car was broken in and no doubt damaged the brakes so much that he could not tell if the brakes had been properly adjusted before the car was in collision.

To Juror Coll witness said the brake was on when he examined it.

To Juror Bell—The brake on a Ford car should not be trusted on a steep hill as it is so small.

To Juror Brown—Witness had had a big car start on a hill when the brake was set.

To Juror Bell—Witness would always advise turning the wheels towards a curb when left on a hill, also stopping the engines.

Dr. F. Dunlop who made a post mortem on the body stated he found a few bruises on the back of the right hand; there was no wound about the face. There was a fracture on the right side of the skull extending to the base. The heart and lungs were normal. The cause of death was due to a fracture of the skull.

The Chauffeur's Story
William James Foster, driver of the car, testified that on the day of the accident he met Miss Littlefield at Miss Eaton's. The passenger asked to be conveyed to the Dominion Express office on King street. On arriving at the office Miss Littlefield gave witness a parcel to take in to the office. He was in the office about six minutes and it was while he was in the office that the car left the place where he had stopped it. When he arrived at the office on King street he turned the wheels of the car towards the curb, put on the emergency brakes and stopped the car.

There was a team standing behind the car. Witness could not say what started the car. Witness was sure he had left the car in a safe condition, and he never saw the car start before with the brakes on. He had informed Inspector Wickham that there was an express team near the car.

To Juror Brown witness said that had he had repaired the brake two days before the accident.

Inspector Wickham
Police Inspector Wickham said that Foster informed him there was an express wagon near the car but could give no description of the same, and no further information on the matter could be obtained.

Charles Daniel Mahoney, foreman

J. R. BELYEA, N. C. PASSED AWAY LAST NIGHT

Prominent barrister and highly esteemed citizen by whose death city sustains a heavy loss.

Death came suddenly to a prominent citizen of St. John last night when J. R. Belyea, N. C. passed away. Mr. Belyea filled a large place in the affairs of the city and his loss will be keenly felt.

Mr. Belyea was born in Queens county in the year 1850 and was a son of Col. Purdy Belyea. He received his early education in the schools of Queens county and later attended the U. N. B. from which institution he graduated in the year 1871 with the degree of B. A. After his graduation he studied law in the office of the late S. R. Thompson. He was with Mr. Thompson for three years and was admitted as attorney in the year 1874.

One year later, 1875, he was admitted as a barrister. He was a partner of the late Sir Frederic Barker for the ten years preceding the latter's elevation to the bench. In the year 1902 a partnership was formed between Mr. Belyea, J. Roy Campbell and the late Dr. Earle under the firm name of Earle, Belyea & Campbell which was dissolved on the death of Dr. Earle in 1910. Since that time Mr. Belyea has practiced alone. In the year 1890 he was appointed K. C., an honor which was well deserved. He served the city one year as common clerk, but preferred private to public life. He leaves to mourn one daughter, Mrs. W. S. Johnson of Montreal. Mr. Johnson was a prominent barrister in that city, and one son, J. C. Belyea, a barrister of this city. Mrs. Belyea predeceased him about ten years. Mr. Belyea was a prominent Conservative. He was one of the leading men in securing commission form of government for St. John, acting as secretary of the Citizens' Committee, and gave a great deal of his time while the campaign was on.

Mr. Belyea was of rather a retiring nature, not seeking publicity, but he could always be depended on to do his share in any work that advanced the interests of the place in which he lived.

Aged Man Missing.
On Monday afternoon at two o'clock the father of Patrick Durning left his home on Brussels street and up to last midnight no trace of the man had been found. The missing man was 82 years of age and the matter has been reported to the police.

Cloth Bargains.
F. A. Dykeman & Co. are selling a lot of heavy, warm winter cloths at less than the manufacturers price. They are suit jackets and children's coats, and come in large range of colors. They are all fifty-four inches wide, and the prices run from \$1.39 and \$1.65. They are worth from \$1.50 to \$2.50 a yard.

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of the Princess garage, testified that when a car similar to the one in question was left on a hill with emergency brakes in perfect condition, the car could not start down the hill unless it could drag the rear wheels along the pavement. If the brakes were good and the front wheels turned to the curb it would be impossible for the car to run down hill. If the front wheels were turned into the curbstone the car should hold without the brake. In this case the brake may have been good and the pull holding it no good and slipped out; but with the wheels turned to the curb he could not see how the car could start.

Mr. Foster recalled—On the Saturday night previous to the accident witness said he did not drive passengers to Miss Eaton's house. On the day before the accident he drove a sergeant to the house, looking for a couple of deserters. On the day of the accident he did not have a drink of liquor. He had never been intoxicated.

To Juror O'Regan—A person in the rear seat could reach forward and release the brake and turn the steering wheel.

To Juror Brown—There was another taxi cab turned over out the road about six weeks ago and broken up.

William Lobb, foreman for J. Clark & Son, automobile repairers, testified that Foster told him he had put on the brake and turned the wheels to the curb before going in the express office. Witness knew Foster as a careful driver. The brake on the Ford car is a good one if properly looked after.

Clifford Williams recalled said that if the car wheels were turned into the curb it should remain there irrespectively of the brakes being on.

This finished the taking of evidence and the jury returned with the verdict as given.

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