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ROUMANIA DECIDED AT LAST TO TAKE PART IN WAR ON SIDE OF THE ALLIES?

IMPORTANT GAINS CLAIMED BY HUNS; FIERCE ARTILLERY DUEL GOES ON AROUND VERDUN

Infantry Attacks Cease for Present—Huns, in Last Assaults at Douaumont, Advance in Columns of Four and Mowed Down by French

Russians Occupy Town of Kirinw in Persia but Lost a Destroyer in Black Sea—British Fleet Auxiliary Strikes Mine and Goes to Bottom Taking Fourteen of Crew to Grave.

Except for artillery action, the fighting in the Verdun region has ceased for the moment. To the north and east of the fortress there has been no infantry engagement since Saturday afternoon, when the Germans succeeded in entering a small French trench to the north of Elix.

On both sides of the Meuse, from the northwest of Verdun, along the entire front around to the southeast of the fortress, the artillery of both sides has continued the tremendous shelling that has been in progress for some days.

The Germans claim to have captured in the fighting around Verdun thus far, 26,472 unrounded French soldiers and 189 guns, and 232 machine guns.

To the south of the Somme river, in the Argonne forest, and the Bat-De-Sapt sector of the Vosges, the French guns have heavily bombarded German entrenchments.

The Russians have captured trenches from the Germans in the Diester region of East Galicia and have made further progress against the Turks in Persia by taking the town of Kirinw. The Russians admit the sinking of a Russian torpedo boat destroyer by a submarine of the Central Powers in the Black Sea off the Bulgarian port of Varna. Part of the crew of the destroyer were rescued.

Despite the unfavorable weather conditions in the mountains the Italians are keeping up their operations against the Austro-Hungarians. They are also intensifying their aerial bombardment of the Italian front. The town of Gorizia has had to sustain another hail of Italian shells.

British Auxiliary Sunk, Fifteen of Crew Drowned.

London, March 12.—It was officially announced at the British Admiralty today that the mercantile fleet auxiliary *Fauvette*, of 2,644 tons gross, has been sunk as the result of striking a mine off the east coast of England. Fourteen members of the crew were lost.

The Admiralty statement says: "His Majesty's mercantile fleet auxiliary *Fauvette* has struck a mine off the east coast and has sunk. Casualties, two officers and twelve men."

The *Fauvette* was formerly in the service of the General Steam Navigation Company, Limited, of London. The vessel was built at Middlesbrough in 1912. She was 315 feet long, 43 feet beam, and 18 feet deep.

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"Black Sea: On the 9th, two of our destroyers, reconnoitering near Varna, were attacked by enemy submarines, which sank the destroyer *Leitman Pushteln*. Part of her crew was rescued by the other destroyer.

"Caucasus front: We have occupied the town of Kirinw, Persia, in the direction of Bagdad."

French Airman Brings Down His 8th Victim.

Paris, March 12 (10.40 p. m.)—The official communication issued by the war office tonight says:

"In the region north of Verdun there was no infantry action during the course of the day. The bombardment has been quite violent today on the part of the two artilleries on both banks of the Meuse.

"Our heavy artillery took under its fire groups of the enemy in the ravine north of Cote Du Poivre, and German batteries in the region west of Douaumont.

"This morning Sub-Lieut. Guyver brought down a German aeroplane, which fell in flames inside our lines near Thiescourt, being the eighth aeroplane brought down by this pilot, six having fallen within our lines, and two inside the German lines.

"Another aviator similarly brought down an enemy aeroplane inside our lines near Dombasle, in the Argonne. The passengers of the two destroyed machines were killed. The same day our battle aeroplanes fought eighteen aerial engagements in the region of Elix, in the course of which the adversaries were put to flight."

Germans Claim Important Gains.

Berlin, March 11, via London (3.35 p. m.)—Capture of French positions 1,400 yards wide and about two-thirds of a mile deep south of Ville-Aux-Bois, near Rheims, was announced today by the war office.

The text of the statement follows: "Western front: Saxon regiments stormed, with very slight losses, strongly fortified positions in the wood sector southwest and south of Ville-Aux-Bois, eleven miles northwest of Rheims, over a width of about 1,400 yards, and for a depth of about two-thirds of a mile. Twelve injured and 725 uninjured men fell into our hands. The booty consisted of one revolver, three machine guns, and thirteen mine throwers.

Two More Neutral Ships Held Up.

London, March 10.—(Friday)—British patrol ships have taken into Kirkwall, Scotland, the Dutch steamship *Palembang*, which left Philadelphia Feb. 22, with a cargo of petroleum for Alessand, Norway, and the Danish steamer *Arkansas*, bound from Boston and New York, Feb. 22, with a general cargo for Copenhagen.

On British Front.

London, Mar. 12.—The British war office communication issued tonight says:

"The enemy today sprang four mines near the Hohenzollern redoubt, and grenade fighting ensued. There were very few casualties, and very little damage was done to our trenches.

"Our trenches about Loos and the Bois De Grenier were shelled. There have been heavy artillery bombardments by both sides about Ypres."

P. A. Guthrie and Lt. Col. G. W. Fowler, O. C. the 104th Battalion.

Banners with striking inscriptions urging men of physical fitness to volunteer were carried and the streets were crowded with people.

The 104th Battalion band played a sacred concert at the Opera House in Woodstock where they play Tuesday evening.

RECRUITING CONFERENCE AT F'CTON

Committee of Thirty Prominent Men of the Province to Discuss Recruiting.

A BIG MILITARY PARADE AT CAPITAL.

Troops Reviewed by Lieut. Governor, Lt. Col. Fowler and Guthrie—Women's Reserve Corps in Line.

Special to The Standard.

Fredricton, March 12.—Following a year of campaign suggested by Lt. Col. Percy A. Guthrie, special recruiting officer for the Maritime Provinces, a conference of prominent men from all sections of New Brunswick will be held here on March 16th to discuss ways and means of further strengthening the recruiting movement in this province.

Col. Guthrie has sent out a circular letter to thirty men of the province who are to form this committee—two from each county—and they will all convene here on Wednesday at the parliament buildings. The following have been asked to act on this committee and attend the meeting: Albert Co., P. M., Thompson, of Hillsboro, and J. C. Prescott, of Carleton Co.—T. C. L. Ketchum and Hon. W. P. Jones of Woodstock. Charlotte Co.—Irving R. Todd of Milltown, and G. W. Ganong of St. Stephen.

Gloucester Co.—J. B. Hache, M. L. A., of Bathurst, and Hon. C. H. Lablache, of Dalhousie.

Kings Co.—Geo. B. Jones, M. L. A., of Apohaqui, and S. H. White of Sussex.

Kent Co.—F. J. Robidoux, M. P., and R. O'Leary, of Richibucto.

New Brunswick Co.—A. A. Davidson of Newcastle, and R. A. Lawlor of Chatham.

Madawaska Co.—C. L. Cyr of St. Leonard, and L. A. Dugal, M. L. A., of Edmundston.

Queens Co.—Sheriff Williams of Gagetown, and Dr. A. S. Armstrong of Chipman.

Restigouche Co.—Judge Melatchy of Campbellton, and A. M. McDonald of Campbellton.

Sunbury Co.—Judge J. W. Gilmour of Oromocto, and G. A. Perley, M. L. A., of Manguerville.

St. John City and County—E. A. Schofield and H. P. Robinson, of St. John.

Victoria Co.—J. L. White, M. L. A., of Grand Falls, and Dr. Ellis, of Perth.

Westmorland Co.—Mathew Lodge, of Moncton, and A. E. Fries, of Salisbury.

York Co.—Elwood Burt, of Burt's Corner, and Stanley Douglas, of Stanley.

The big recruiting parade held Saturday afternoon was one of the greatest military demonstrations ever seen in Fredericton. Major C. G. Pincombe, O. C. "C" Company of 104th Battalion, was in command of the parade which was headed by the 104th Battalion band with Sergt. W. E. Parsons as drum major. Boy Scouts followed the band with the women's volunteer reserve corps, C Company of 104th Battalion, C Company of 104th Battalion, with Major F. A. Good in command, and artillery detachment with Lieut. E. J. Vickery in command, marching in the order named. As the parade passed city hall the troops were reviewed by Lt. Governor Wood, Lt. Col. Morgan sails for home.

London, Mar. 11.—J. P. Morgan, who has been in London for several weeks, sailed today from Liverpool for New York on the steamship *Philadelphia*.

EXTRA

STR. MATATUA WRECKED AT EARLY HOUR BY EXPLOSIONS; CAPT. GILMAN BELIEVED DEAD

EXPLOSIONS FOLLOWED BY FIRE AT 4 A. M. THIS MORNING—STEAMER TOTAL LOSS—CAPTAIN LAST SEEN IN HIS ROOM SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT AND BELIEVED HE HAS LOST LIFE.

What remained of the Australian steamer *Matatua*, docked at West St. John, after the fire aboard her had exhausted its fury, will probably be destroyed by a series of explosions at an early hour this morning, the first of which occurred at four o'clock.

That Capt. Gilman of the *Matatua* has lost his life in the accident is the prevailing opinion of those who were working on the ship or around the docks. When the second fire, which broke out last night about 9 o'clock, had been extinguished and smoke cleared away sufficiently for him to board her, Capt. Gilman went back to his ship at about 12.30. His berth was off the bridge and consequently when the explosions occurred this morning and fire broke out he was probably alone and unable to make his way to safety. The fire and smoke also formed an impenetrable obstacle to any attempts to search that part of the ship to make certain whether he was dead or not.

Capt. Gilman had been advised by his friends to go home and take a much needed rest, but refused and returned to the ship.

With the roar like thunder the explosions broke the stillness of the early morning. Those whose avocations kept them out of bed at that hour surmised the cause of the explosions, while their doubts were soon dispelled by the lurid flames which followed the explosions and lighted the sky. For miles the noise of the explosions could be heard, and re-echoed thunderlike through the stillness. Many of those already enjoying their second sleep were awakened and the Standard's telephone system was quickly converted into an information bureau.

Lending a sensational touch to the whole affair was the statement of an official of the company, made shortly after the explosions began, to the effect that in his opinion the original fire aboard the *Matatua* was deliberately set either late Saturday night or early Sunday morning.

To the calcium carbide in which the fire was discovered Sunday morning are due the explosions which promised to complete the havoc already done by the first fire. Of highly explosive nature the carbide is likely to completely demolish the vessel.

A Standard reporter was walking along Prince William street at Reed's Point at four o'clock this morning when a terrific explosion resembling heavy gun fire occurred. Fire did not follow the first explosion, but in less than two minutes a second explosion, not quite so loud as the first was followed immediately by a burst of flame from the bow of the steamer.

Three minutes later a third detonation, even greater than the first shook the West Side and aroused the occupants of hotels and dwellings on streets near the water front in the city proper.

That part of the *Matatua's* bow not submerged blazed furiously, lighting up part of the harbor and the wharves and sheds in the vicinity for ten minutes. An alarm called out the fire department, which immediately laid hoses to protect the sheds near which the steamer was moored. The fire-boat of the Canadian Pacific Railway and tugs directed powerful streams on the blaze, but the tired fire fighters were unable to approach too closely to the burning carbide on deck.

A fourth explosion occurred at 4.33. This one was heard all over the city. Within the next five minutes there were two more explosions and dense smoke poured from the holds as from a volcano. As the streams of water came in contact with the carbide the chemical blazed furiously. The explosions appeared to blow to pieces many of the cans containing the carbide and it was a long time before the flames were subdued.

Crew Had Just Left Her.

The terrific explosions aroused many people on both sides of the harbor and many called up The Standard office on the telephone to enquire what caused the detonations.

Just a few minutes before the first explosion the crew of the steamer went ashore and although a number of men were standing on the wharf no one was injured.

The vortex of flame from the hold licked up the woodwork on deck and soon everything inflammable forward above water was ablaze. The sheds were not in serious danger from the flames, the firemen being favored in this particular by the absence of a strong wind. They took every precaution, however, and were prepared to turn the streams on the shore property should further heavy explosions endanger the sheds and wharf.

The calcium carbide cans weigh about 115 pounds and are enclosed in crates. The more water poured on the chemical the more inflammable it becomes. It was this characteristic of the chemical which made the fire one of the most difficult to combat that has ever been handled at this port.

H. R. McLellan, commissioner of public safety, drove to the scene of the fire as soon as he heard the explosion and directed the flight of the department against the flames. The spectacular blaze and the terrific detonations, attracted a large number of west siders to the vicinity, although few were allowed to pass the military guards at the rates.

Quite a number of spectators occupied vantage points on Prince William street and at Reed's Point during the progress of the fire.

Gases from the explosive penetrated No. 3 hold and blew off the hatch covers, scattering things on deck in many directions. At this time several men were on the steamer well aft. They escaped by clambering aboard the tug. Capt. Gilman was on the ship at the time, and those who escaped to the tugs feared that he was in serious danger, if indeed he had not lost his life.

At five a. m. the stern of the ship was well up in the air and from amid

RUSSIA AND ROUMANIA HAVE SIGNED AGREEMENT

Roumania Given Permission to Buy War Materials in Russia and Transport those Bought Elsewhere Through Russian Territory—Reported She Has Also Been Promised Part of Bessarabia—Agreement Regarded as Definite Decision to Join Allies.

London, March 13.—An agreement has been reached between Roumania and Russia which is believed to indicate the definite decision of Roumania to adhere to the cause of the Entente Allies, according to a Bucharest despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company. The agreement permits Roumania to purchase war materials in Russia, and to transport through Russia war materials purchased elsewhere.

It is reported that Russia has agreed further to give Roumania part of Bessarabia.

Roumanians and Bulgars Clash.

London, March 13.—An engagement is reported to have taken place on the Danube between Roumanians and Bulgarians near the town of Rahova, says the Daily Mail's Odessa correspondent. A Bulgarian frontier guard is said to have fired on a Roumanian ship which was loading another vessel in Roumanian waters.

"The Bulgarians signalled an Austrian gunboat," the correspondent adds, "which ordered the Roumanian vessels to the Bulgarian shore. They refused to comply, whereupon the gunboat opened fire with machine guns and rifles. Roumanian troops replied to the fire. There were many casualties on both sides."

Drugged with Ether German Infantry were Sent Forward in Masses Against French

Lord Northcliffe Says German Prisoners a Pitiable Sight—Worn Out and Weary of War—Mad Crown Prince Gambling with Human Life to Extend Unparalleled in War.

London, March 12.—Lord Northcliffe who has just visited the Verdun battlefield, in a message to the Weekly Dispatch declares that Verdun is a great deal more interesting than important. The newspaper publisher continues:

"It does not need a personal visit to the battlefield to realize this: If the Germans really think that an attack on the unarmoured and dismantled forts of Verdun opens the road to Paris they have a very faint notion of the French preparations and the French power of resistance."

Comparing the present German troops with those who fought early in the war, Lord Northcliffe says:

"Last week I saw German prisoners who had escaped the hellish fire of the French 75's at Verdun. Where had gone those splendid stalwarts captured at the battle of the Marne? Much of the rank and file now left of the Germans is under-sized and badly dressed, with faces that bear a look of fright that seems as if it would last a lifetime. Their appearance is such as to move a heart of stone. With two exceptions among those with whom I spoke all were utterly weary of warfare, and begged to be told when peace could be expected."

"The fact about the whole war is that Germany is in the position of a beleaguered city, and she is striking out blindly by land at Verdun. She will presently, I am convinced, strike out by sea."

Turning to the actual fighting at Verdun, Lord Northcliffe says:

"Not a word is hinted in anything sent out from Germany of the horrible slaughter to which the German troops have been subjected this week, Thursday was a black day for the Germans, when, drugged with ether, the men came on in mass formation to be mown down by the French 75's and machine gun, as usual."

Reports published in the English newspapers from Paris are to my personal knowledge, on the whole, most accurate, and they show that for one or many reasons the Crown Prince is gambling with human life to an extent unprecedented even in this war."

Lord Northcliffe asserts that if the Germans possess a number of guns of greater calibre than those used by the English and French they have no weapons in their armory equal to the French 75, or gunners at all comparable to the Frenchmen."

Discussing the western theatre, as a whole, Lord Northcliffe says that "the Allied defensive wall right across France, in so far as attaining definite military position is concerned, is absolutely impregnable. This remark may equally apply to the German line across France and Belgium."

KAISER ABSENT FROM SON'S WEDDING.

Amsterdam, March 11.—The marriage of Prince Joachim, the fifth son of Emperor William and Princess Marie Augustine, daughter of Prince Edward of Anhalt, was celebrated today in the Royal Castle of Bellevue, according to a despatch from Berlin. The marriage took place in the presence of the Emperor of Germany, the Duke and Duchess of Anhalt and other relatives. Emperor William was not present.

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EVIDENCE CONCLUDED IN GAULT DIVORCE CASE.

Ottawa, March 12, (via Canadian Press).—The Senate divorce committee has concluded hearing evidence in the Hamilton Gault divorce case, and will make a recommendation to the senate Tuesday evening as to whether or not a bill of divorce should be granted. Major A. Hamilton Gault, the founder of the famous Princess Patricia's Regiment, is the petitioner.

TWENTY-SIXTH HAS TWO CASUALTIES

NO VIOLATION OF MEXICAN TERRITORY

By American Troops Unless Consent and Reciprocal Privilege Being Granted, Pres. Carranza Declares in Manifesto.

Mexico City, March 12.—General Carranza's reply to the note of the Washington government asking permission to send troops through Mexican territory in order to punish Villa and his bandits for their raid on Columbus, N. M., was made public by the Mexican government officials late last night.

The reply, which says that Mexico will co-operate with United States troops by sending General Gutierrez with 2,500 men, bears the signature of Jesus Acuna, provisional president Carranza's minister of foreign affairs.

Volunteers by the Hundreds. Washington, March 12.—Secretary Scoville's plan for sending troops against Villa and his bandits has been so rigidly enforced at the War Department that even high officials of the government are in doubt as to whether American troops actually had crossed the Mexican border.

Secretary of War Baker announced late tonight that the 23rd infantry now at Galveston, Texas, had been ordered to El Paso, because of Mexican attacks felt in many towns along the border. No actual trouble, however, has been reported. The regiment, about 1,000 strong, will be stationed at points designated by Gen. Funston.

Both the White House and War Department were again flooded today with offers of service by prospective volunteers. Mr. Baker repeated to all inquiries his statement that no call upon the national guard or for volunteers is contemplated.

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CHURCHILL DECIDES DUTY IS AT FRONT

London, March 12.—Col. Winston Spencer Churchill, who had an interview with Premier Asquith Saturday, has finally decided his place is with his regiment, according to Reynolds Weekly. Col. Churchill, the newspaper adds, is understood to have left for France early this morning.

General Haider Driven Off by British. London, Mar. 12.—A German seaplane was sighted approaching North Foreland about noon today. It was pursued by British aeroplanes from Dover, and flew seaward.

OLD WOODEN SHIPS TAKE THEIR PLACE AGAIN WITH THE SEALING FLEET

St. John's, Nfld., March 12.—The sealing season is well under way, with the departure last night of the fleet for the Labrador coast and the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The only steel steamer in the fleet this year is the Florida, which during the summer is regularly run in the New York-St. John's service. All of the modern sealing vessels have been requisitioned by the British government for its breaking at Archangel, where some of them are now frozen in. To replace them, many of the old wooden steamers formerly engaged in sealing, and many coastal steamers, have been equipped for work among the floes this season.

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Thirteenth Battalion. Died of wounds March 3.—Charles Dunbar, Stellarton, N. S. Wounded—Henry Brogan, Sydney Mines, N. S.

Sixteenth Battalion. Severely wounded—John McConnoll, Antigonish, N. S.

Twenty-Sixth Battalion. Wounded—Allan M. McGowan, Moore's Mills, Charlotte Co., N. B.; William Gray, Scotland.

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Continued from page ten. There was nothing else to do but to place ten or fifteen more streams of water pouring into number three, and if that had to be done, it meant that the entire cargo on board the Matatua would be destroyed, the ship would undoubtedly be sunk at her berth. The loss would be very heavy. The removal of the cargo from under water would take a long time and the sections of the Sand Point berths where the ship remained would be idle to other ships for many weeks.

Firmen Recalled. District Engineer McAndrews of the west side fire department was called to the scene again and on learning that the British government for its breaking at Archangel, where some of them are now frozen in. To replace them, many of the old wooden steamers formerly engaged in sealing, and many coastal steamers, have been equipped for work among the floes this season.

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EMPLOYERS OFFER MEN MORE PAY IF THEY DON'T ENLIST

North Shore Recruiting Officer Cites Cases of Men Being Offered \$15 a Month Extra to Stay at Jobs.

Newcastle, Mar. 11.—At the New castle recruiting committee's meeting last night, W. Park presided. The resignation of A. J. Ritchie, secretary, was accepted, and R. Corey Clarke appointed in his stead.

The committee will meet again next Friday to hear the delegates' reports and take steps to get busy holding recruiting meetings in country districts. Since the recruiting rallies stopped about Xmas, the stream of recruits has greatly slackened. From Dec. 15 to Feb. 29 there were about seventy-five. Since March 1 only three.

Recruiting Officer J. W. Davidson requested leave to go into the country after recruits. His last trip, in December, had been highly successful. He said that many of those who had not at stake in this war were holding back recruits. It cited several cases of employers of labor offering as high as \$15 a month extra to keep men home who were thinking of enlisting.

Mr. Davidson was given the permission to go out for recruits and the meeting decided to start in very soon to hold outdoor meetings now that the men are out of the woods.

Rev. J. H. McPherson of Redbank and H. E. Allaby of Whiteville will hold joint recruiting rallies Sunday afternoon, 19th inst, at Redbank and the evening at Whiteville.

Several bills were passed. The town council has given the committee \$100 which is their whole available fund so far.

HOLLAND-AMERICAN LINE TAKES STEPS TO SAFEGUARD PASSENGERS AGAINST "U" BOATS

Rotterdam, via London, Mar. 12.—The Holland-American line has arranged for a big sea-going tug carrying a large quantity of life saving and salving material, to escort each steamer of that line across the North Sea to and from Kenfish Knock Lightship on the English coast.

The arrangement was begun last night with the sailing of the steamer Vandyke. The tug will wait at Kenfish Knock for the New Amsterdam, which sailed from New York Feb. 29.

was nothing but the highest praise to be extended to District Chief McAndrews and for their untiring efforts in fighting the fire. The commissioner provided a luncheon for the firemen which was served to them during their fight with the flames and for which the west side firemen are duly grateful.

It is most fortunate that the fire was discovered before the Matatua left port, for had such a fire broken out at sea, the west side firemen would have proved a total loss and have had to be abandoned in the ocean. In such event there might have been a loss of life. The Matatua is a ship of 4179 tons.

SCANDINAVIAN NATIONS RENEW AGREEMENT TO REMAIN NEUTRAL

Copenhagen, via London, Mar. 12.—An official statement regarding the conference of the Scandinavian ministers of state which concluded Saturday says: "The deliberations were opened by a general conversation on the questions which have occupied the Scandinavian governments since the outbreak of the war, and particularly after the meeting of the Scandinavian kings at Malmo, 1914.

"Various important matters which have occurred since war was discussed. As regards several special questions of practical interest, an agreement was reached providing for the continuation of the common measures already taken and the new measures to be taken in the interest of the three countries.

"The deliberations strengthened the good relations between the three states and gave fresh expression of the desire to maintain a loyal and impartial neutrality. The desire to continue the co-operation hitherto pursued was expressed by all those in attendance. It was also urged that conferences of the members of the government or other representatives be held to further co-operation as often as circumstances may render them desirable."

OBITUARY. Miss Gladys Morrell.

The death of Miss Gladys Morrell occurred at the home of her mother in Kings county, on Friday last. Miss Morrell was only nineteen years of age. She was operated on last Tuesday for appendicitis and never rallied. She was a sister of Private Gordon Morrell who gave his life for his country on January 22nd last. Mrs. Morrell will have the sympathy of her many friends in her bereavement. The funeral will be held today on the arrival of the Maritime Express. Interment will be in Cedar Hill.

Hon. Benjamin F. Campbell. The death is announced in Brookline, Mass., of Hon. Benjamin F. Campbell, M. D., formerly state senator from the East Boston district. Dr. Campbell was born in Halifax, N. S., in 1834. He was graduated from the Harvard Medical School and practiced his profession in East Boston for many years.

Miss Jennie Bradley. The death took place at Hartland early Saturday morning of Miss Jennie Bradley, after a short illness of pneumonia. She leaves to mourn their loss her mother and several sisters and brothers. Deceased was for some time day operator with the central office of the Farmers' Telephone Co. here, and was quite popular with its patrons. She was a communicant of the Church of England, and the rector, Rev. N. Franchette, conducted the funeral services.

DIED. DAVIES—At Hampton, March 10th, Mrs. George Davies, aged ninety years, leaving one brother and four sisters to mourn.

MECARROW—Suddenly at Lancaster on the 12th inst., Catherine Alice, daughter of Elizabeth and the late Patrick McCarron, leaving mother, one brother and four sisters to mourn. Notice of funeral later.

MORGAN & CO. HAS NO WORD OF NEW BRITISH LOAN IN UNITED STATES

New York, March 11.—J. P. Morgan & Company announced today they had received "no suggestion that the British government desires to issue another loan in America, either secured or unsecured."

This statement was issued in denial of various rumors that J. P. Morgan had arranged in London for a large credit against American securities. The statement added the firm had been informed "mobilization of such securities in England is proceeding in a manner satisfactory to the British treasury."

Miss Catherine McCarron. The many friends of Miss Catherine McCarron will be shocked to learn of her sudden death which took place about seven o'clock last evening in Fairville. Miss McCarron was out walking, and when about opposite the drug store owned by Oscar Hanson on Main street, Fairville, she took suddenly ill. She was assisted into the drug store where she expired.

Miss McCarron, who was on the teaching staff in St. Peter's school, was beloved by a very wide circle of friends. She was of a lovely disposition and most popular with all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance. She leaves besides a sorrowful mother one brother and four sisters to mourn. The brother is James McCarron at home. The sisters are Miss M. E. McCarron, of Fredericton; Mrs. Ella McManus, of this city, and the Misses Teresa and Doris at home. The arrangements for the funeral will be made today.

Ten Men in Police Cells. Ten unfortunates occupied cells for the week-end in the police station. George Morgan, arrested on Saturday at two p.m. for assault; James Boyle, arrested on Saturday night at 9.45, charged by William Murdoch with the theft of a pair of eye-glasses, valued at ten dollars; Leonard Hayward, arrested by Constable Lucas, charged with being drunk and impeding on Sydney street on Saturday afternoon; Robert Scott and William Phinney were arrested by Constables Lucas and Journey for fighting on Charlotte street on Saturday afternoon; on Sunday morning at 4.15 Alexander Athlone was arrested by Constable McNamee, charged with being drunk and wilfully breaking a pane of glass in a house 144 Sydney street in view of the police. Four regulars were arrested for losing their equilibrium.

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SHIPPING. PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived Sunday, March 12.

Steamer Glenisig, Halifax. Schooners Maple Leaf and Harry Miller, New York, coal.

BRITISH PORTS. Liverpool, March 8.—Arrd stms Tuscania, McLean, New York for Glasgow; Devonian, Fruit, Boston; 9th, stmr Sagamore, Penton, Boston. Cardiff, March 8.—Sld stmr Esperanza (Nor), Jacobson, St. John, N. B. Kinalee, March 8.—Passed stmr Sagamore, Penton, Boston for Liverpool.

FOREIGN PORTS. Perth Amboy, N. J., March 8.—Sld schr Abbie C. Stubbs, Maoris. Newport News, March 8.—Arrd stmr Albuera, Guantamano. New York, March 8.—Arrd schr Helen Montagu, St. John via Bridgeport.

New Railroad Position Filled. The management of the Canadian government railways has established a new post, that of New England freight agent at Boston. Charles Howard of Woodstock will fill the position.

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Upset all Carefully Laid Plans of the Hun. Serbian Officer Declares Tremendous Fire Surpassed Anything He Ever Experienced in Man Batteries Assembled at Verdun. Those Used in Galician Campaign.

Paris, March 12.—A brilliant counter-attack was responsible for the check which upset the carefully laid plans of the Hun. The tremendous fire of the French batteries at Verdun, according to the Journal, claims to have obtained from the Hun those taken prisoners while on special patrol.

All these officers were brought back to France from the front. Two of them, one belonging to the artillery. They declared that in order to reach the German front through concentrated lines of artillery several miles long was not to be compared with the great battle of Verdun. The tremendous French fire surpassed anything he ever knew, the German officer asserted the French artillery at Douaumont was at that point to the German, but that it was the French chasseurs which finally drove them back to the front, in its last stages, over heaps of dead comrades.

The Germans explained that their higher command in advance to provide that all their artillery of heavy guns, should advance in a compact were a single battery. The orders were to "fire till exhausted," and shells were used in enormous quantities. French guns found their range the Germans said, had been concentrated had to be dispersed or their out of action.

SERBIA DIVIDED INTO SUMMER 17 DEPARTMENTS

Sofia, Bulgaria, Mar. 12, via Berlin and London.—Bulgaria virtually has completed the task of apportioning for governmental purposes the occupied Serbian territory. All Serbia, except Belgrade, has been divided into seventeen departments and eighty-six districts.

In each department there has been installed a department court. In each district a lower court, and for the whole country there are three appellate courts. There is also one prison for each department.

Government Improving Wire Communication With Bay Islands

As the result of the action by the government the residents of Grand Manan, Campobello, Deer Isle, and those on the mainland in New Brunswick and Maine doing business with the islands will have the benefit of improved telephony and telegraph facilities. The Canadian government steamer Tyrian has been repairing the cable between Eastport and Deer Island, telephony communication having been shut off for some months.

The Tyrian will lay a new government cable across the Bay of Fundy from the east side of Campobello to Grand Manan, about seven miles, to obviate two miles' and there are telephone cables now in operation between Grand Manan and Eastport via Campobello. The present cable runs across the harbor from Eastport to Campobello, two miles, across the latter island on poles and across the Bay of Fundy to Grand Manan. The line has cost the government a considerable sum for repairs during recent years.

Young Woman's Patriotic Association. A general meeting of the Young Woman's Patriotic Association will be held Tuesday evening in the German street Baptist church hall at eight o'clock. Book speakers have been provided and all young unmarried women are asked to attend.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., MONDAY, MARCH 13, 1916.

"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.

HOW THEY KEEP THE TRUCE.

In these troubled times, when the British Empire is engaged in a life and death struggle for existence, it is most fitting that the thought of the entire nation should be turned overseas. It was to aid the Canadian people in this process that the Government wisely decided to apply for legislation to extend the parliamentary term so that it might not be necessary to hold an election during the period of war.

It might reasonably be expected that, with no election in sight, the members of the two great parties would refrain from attempting to arouse discord over matters of political importance. The Conservative party has recognized the advisability of subordinating political questions during the period of war, and it is most regrettable that Liberal party leaders have not seen fit to follow suit.

Reference to Hansard will show how Liberal members of Parliament have embraced every opportunity to create political prejudices in the House of Commons, and in the country even though it has been necessary to go to the very limit in the matter and tone of their contributions to the debates.

Mr. Carvell and Mr. Pugsley have excelled themselves in the viciousness of their attacks upon the Government and have shamelessly demanded information which at this time should not be given to the public.

Not only have Liberal members in the House of Commons crossed the boundary between legitimate and illegitimate discussion and transgressed all rules which should govern at this time, but the party managers outside the House are laboring as actively as ever to keep the fires of political hatred ablaze.

The Central Information Office of the Canadian Liberal Party, the head centre from which all campaign literature is prepared and sent out, publishes one of the most biased and vicious of partizan publications under the name of the Canadian Liberal Monthly. That production, which exists only for the purpose of misrepresenting the Conservative party and the Borden Government, is supported from the funds of the Liberal party and sold at a nominal subscription of 25 cents per year. It clearly comes within the category of campaign literature which, during war time, should be suppressed.

Notwithstanding the pledges of the Liberals to put aside political questions until after the war we find the managers of the Liberal Monthly, acting under the authority and in the name of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, are continuing their canvass for circulation. Even the nominal price of the publication seems to have lost its "punch" for, in a circular issued on February 25th, 1916, a personal appeal for subscribers is made in the name of Sir Wilfrid. Least the "truthful" Telegraph should attempt to claim that the Standard is misrepresenting the facts, we reproduce the circular, of which the following is an exact copy:

Central Information Office of the Canadian Liberal Party,
Conducted under authority of The Right Honourable Sir Wilfrid Laurier, P.C., G.C.M.G., M.P.
Telephone No. Queen 5700. Rooms 601-612 Hope Chambers, 63 Sparks Street.

Ottawa, February 25th, 1916.
A Message from Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Dear Sir—For the General Elections in 1911 there were polled throughout the Dominion 1,307,528 votes as follows:—

669,594 votes for the Conservative candidates.
625,103 votes for the Liberal candidates.
12,831 votes for independent and other candidates.

Sir Wilfrid is asking that one-fifth of this total Liberal vote (625,103) or 125,020 persons subscribe for the Liberal Monthly at the 25c. rate. He maintains that every Liberal voter should be willing to subscribe and that many of our Conservative friends would also subscribe, if asked. This would give us a subscription list of over 700,000 but all he is asking is a little more than 100,000.

Since December 1st, the date on which the 25c. rate started, we have added 15,000 new names to our subscription list, an average of 134 subscribers from each poll, or about 70 subscribers from each Federal constituency. Only about one-tenth of the polls in Canada have as yet responded.

You will agree that this is not satisfactory. Will you immediately take steps to see that someone canvasses the electors in your poll? If this has already been done, could you entice our friends in an adjoining poll to do likewise? If everybody will help a little no difficulty will be experienced in getting the number of subscribers desired. This is Sir Wilfrid's message. Please let us hear from you.

Yours truly,
C. M. GODDARD,
Secretary.

Sample copies and application forms sent on application.
And this is the same Laurier, who, a few days before the circular was issued, arose in his place in the House of Commons and declared that it was the plain duty of the Canadian people to devote their undivided thought to problems arising from the war. That was the message of Laurier the patriot. The circular referred to carries the message of Laurier the partizan, of Laurier the double dealer, who objected to Canada being under the domination of the "highbrows of Downing street", who, on the occasion of the last war in which the Empire was engaged, declared that not a man nor a gun should go to South Africa, who, after the national anthem was sung, following the dinner the irrepressible "Dutch" Ervin was called upon to make a presentation of a silver ring to Private Chesley of the 104th.

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DINNER GUESTS

Annual Dinner of Standard Employees Took Form of "Send Off" to Men in King's Uniform.

"The Standard boys in khaki" were the guests of honor at the annual dinner of the Standard employees held in Wanamaker's restaurant on Saturday evening and the occasion was, in consequence, more than ordinarily interesting.

Since the outbreak of war eighteen members of The Standard staff have donned the King's uniform. Some of these are now in France and have been wounded in the service. At last year's dinner the guests of honor were Major Alfred Markham of the Sixth Mounted Rifles, Lieut. J. Edgar March and Private James Gaulton of the "Fighting 26th." At the gathering on Saturday evening the guests were Alexander W. Thorne of the 140th, Lieutenant Willard G. McGinley of the 104th, Private Thomas Mantel and Howard Jamieson of the 104th; Private Roger Chesley of the 115th and Private Harold Boyer of the 104th. William Waddington of the 104th band and Irvine E. Williams of the 104th were unable to be present, one being in hospital and the other being confined to his home by illness. Gifts were conveyed to them during the evening.

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Little Benny's Note Book

The Park Ave. News.

Pop hasn't went to the automobile show yet, but yesterday Mr. Simkins was out in front of his house trying to get his automobile started, and pop went over and started to talk to him, saying, Ah, Simkins, having a little trouble?

Not a bit, this is a Snider car and Snider cars never give trouble, I wooden own any other kind, sed Mr Simkins.
Well that's interesting, because I was thinking of going to the automobile show and looking them over, sed pop.
In that sen, well you cant go rong on a Snider, because ill tell you wy, sed Mr Simkins.
Wy, sed pop.
Ill tell you wy, sed Mr Simkins.
Well, in the first place, wen it comes to climbing hills, youve got to have wings to beat a Snider car, sed Mr Simkins.
And I suppose it comes down agese on the other side just as reddily, sed pop.

O, that goes without saying, and then thares the matter of terms, a Snider car cant tern on a dime, you mite say, sed Mr Simkins.
That sounds cheep enuf, sed pop.
I tell you I wooden own any other kind, sed Mr Simkins, wen it comes to easy running and intepensive running, and every kind of running, youve got to go pritty far to beat the Snider, in fact you jest cant beat it, look heere, Potts, your thinking of buying a car and ill help you out, this Snider cost me 350 and ill let you have it for 350, to tell the truth, im able to afford a Helms car now, do you want this Snider at 350, its the bargen of a lifetime.
But I thart you sed you wooden own anything but a Snider, sed pop.
Neether I wood, sed Mr Simkins, its my wife that wants it.
I think ill take a chansen on the automobile show, sed pop. And he went back home and I stayed thare watching Mr Simkins trying to start the automobile, asking him questions without him answering them.

terday were well attended. The pulpit in the morning was occupied by the pastor, who relieved the evangelist, on that occasion. Mr. Anderson in the afternoon had a splendid audience taking the time of the Sunday school with an illustrated address, on Faith, Hope, Love, using an anchor, star and cross with small baskets of flowers as gifts of love to the Saviour. His appeal to both children and adults was all that could be desired. The evening service was largely attended, many strangers being present. The discourse was on the "True Church," and many folk carried away thoughts they never dreamed of, but which they will think about for many a long day. He will continue services for one week longer, closing up on Friday night, but remaining over Sunday.

D. B. Winslow, of Fredericton, was also at the Royal Saturday.
Mrs. Ernest L. Perry, formerly Miss Irvine of Toronto, will receive for the first time on Wednesday afternoon, March 15th, at 125 Wright street.

He became a singer in Italian opera at Paris, where he died October 19, 1870, in his fifty-third year.
Several of Balfe's famous songs are to be found in "Heart Songs" the book now being presented to the readers of this paper. The coupon printed elsewhere in today's issue, explains the terms.

SPECIAL SERVICES.
The special services held in the Exmouth street Methodist church yesterday were well attended. The pulpit in the morning was occupied by the pastor, who relieved the evangelist, on that occasion. Mr. Anderson in the afternoon had a splendid audience taking the time of the Sunday school with an illustrated address, on Faith, Hope, Love, using an anchor, star and cross with small baskets of flowers as gifts of love to the Saviour. His appeal to both children and adults was all that could be desired. The evening service was largely attended, many strangers being present. The discourse was on the "True Church," and many folk carried away thoughts they never dreamed of, but which they will think about for many a long day. He will continue services for one week longer, closing up on Friday night, but remaining over Sunday.

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OUR COMPETITION For Boys and Can You Find Names

This competition is not difficult. In each name of a tree—all well known trees. Name are to be found in one word and the remainder of the letters running on in proper order. Where plenty remains and all are fresh. He had always enjoyed good health, carelessness in diet.

8. The loud cries of the babe echoed the ten results, I shall award a beautiful story reach this office by Wednesday, 22nd March usual coupon, and addressed to:

1. She wore a lovely box, khaki was the name of the tree—all well known trees. Name are to be found in one word and the remainder of the letters running on in proper order. Where plenty remains and all are fresh. He had always enjoyed good health, carelessness in diet.

2. Before he boarded the vessel many boys.
3. She sealed up in envelopes all the prizes.
4. Adjusting his skates he took to the ice.
5. It was a strong box made entirely of wood.
6. There's not a land on this world (Let none gainsay these words from Lake Canada, the land I love,
7. Where plenty remains and all are fresh. He had always enjoyed good health, carelessness in diet.

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Drawing and Painting

Above are shown sketches of four animals who can paint or draw them best I shall award a beautiful story reach this office by Wednesday, 22nd March usual coupon, filled in, and addressed to:

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For Boys and Girls

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This competition is not difficult. In each section will be found the name of a tree—all well known trees. Some of the letters in the name are to be found in one word and the remainder in the next word or words, the letters running on in proper order. Here is an example: "Her father was a butcher; Ryder was his name." Now, the last four letters in "butcher" and the first two letters in "Ryder" spell "cherry." This is the name of the tree meant. Now go ahead with the following:

1. She wore a lovely bon, khaki was the color of her costume.
2. Before he boarded the vessel many friends bade him "good-bye."
3. She sealed up in envelopes all the pretty cards.
4. Adjusting his skates he took to the ice, darted off, and disappeared from view.
5. It was a strong box made entirely of iron.
6. There's not a land on this world's map (Let none galsney these words from me) Like Canada, the land I love, Where plenty reigns and all are free.
7. He had always enjoyed good health, but is now ill, owing to carelessness in diet.
8. The loud cries of the babe echoed thro' the surrounding hills.

To the two kiddies who send the most correct and neatly written results, I shall award a beautiful story book. All entries must reach this office by Wednesday, 22nd March, accompanied with the usual coupon, and addressed to

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EVIDENCE ON PART OF THE CROSS SAYS QUESTION OF PROHIBITION

REV. DR. J. A. MORISON

West Side Pastor, Lieut. Dever, Capt. May and Sergeant Knight Make Vigorous Recruiting Addresses at Great Rally in Imperial Theatre — Praise and Cheers for Fighting 26th.

How a Prohibitory Law Has Worked in United States.

Rev. Ralph J. Haughton Comments Discontinuing Objectionable Advertisement.

In the course of an interesting sermon on prohibition last evening Rev. Ralph J. Haughton of the Congregational church, commanded the Standard for its refusal to continue publishing advertisements opposing prohibition. He said in part: "I am pleased to learn that the Standard has yielded to the influence of moral mission and sentiment and has decided to accept no more of these intemperate advertisements. I raised my voice, with many others, in condemnation of the Standard's action in publishing these advertisements and tonight I am just as willing and ready to commend the Standard for its more recent decision to refuse to print any more. I think that is only fair. The moral forces of the city and province have secured thereby another victory."

Continuing, Mr. Haughton referred to the financial loss entailed on a newspaper declining to publish liquor advertisements and thought that papers sustaining such loss should receive the endorsement of the best intelligence and highest moral sentiment in the city and province.

Rev. Mr. Haughton then dealt with the contention that prohibition had proved a failure and cited numerous testimonies in refutation. David Lloyd George had said that partial prohibition had meant a great decrease in the quantity of drunkenness in Great Britain. Business firms in Chicago had reported since the saloons were closed on Sunday there had been a great improvement in business. This improvement, he claimed, would be even more marked if the saloons were closed for the seven days in the week.

Governor Hatfield of West Virginia, said: "Men who opposed the law are now in his favor and thousands of families have become happier. Criminal bills, rentals and other necessary items are being paid promptly by men who formerly drank and gambled away their earnings."

Governor Capper of Kansas said: "The success of prohibition in Kansas has been complete and conspicuous. The enforcement of the prohibitory law distinctly promotes social welfare and reduces to a minimum economic waste consequent upon the liquor traffic and allied evils."

Rev. Mr. Haughton declared that in Kansas City two hundred saloons had been closed out in thirty days. The first year of prohibition showed increased business in all staple lines and a growth of \$1,500,000 in the bank deposits. Last year in Kansas in eleven counties the jails were empty, 32 of the 105 counties had no inmates in their county farms or poorhouses and the land has been rented to farmers. Last year the deposits in state and national banks in Kansas totalled over \$204,000,000 and the taxpayers spent \$30,000,000 on automobiles.

In the State of Arizona prohibition had also worked marvels. In the City of Phoenix there was an increase in taxable property of over \$5,000,000, a decrease in the tax rate and a decrease in the cost of the city government of Phoenix of \$20,000 for the first six months of 1915 as compared with the same period in 1914.

The governor of North Carolina told of the operation of prohibition in his state by reciting the following facts: The prohibition law was passed in 1908. In that year the total receipts of the state government from all sources were \$2,866,430. The total receipts for 1915 were \$4,705,858. In 1908, the last year under the liquor license law, the capital stock of state, private and savings banks, in North Carolina was \$7,602,068. In the year 1915 the capital stock of the same banks was \$10,890,048. In 1908 the deposits in these banks were \$31,995,996 while in 1915 the same banks had deposits to the value of \$45,536,253.

In conclusion he pointed out that the time had come for Christian men to interest themselves in the prohibition fight and by uniting stamp out the liquor traffic.

Rev. Dr. Morison—This war is a war of Jesus, a war of the cross, a holy war. It is a war of God, of religion, of righteousness, of liberty, of emancipation. To confess Jesus today means to enlist, to don the khaki. Sergeant Knight—I have had letters since we landed during the past week inviting me to go to H—I. I am not going there, I hope, but the lowest depths of H—I should be reserved for a man who is a traitor to his country. I don't want to see conscription come, but I want to see the war end. Do your duty and enlist."

Cheered Fighting 26th.

All of the speakers were heartily applauded. At the conclusion of Capt. May's address, which was an excellent one, and the first he ever made in public, the great audience rose, at the suggestion of Lieut. Dever, and gave three rousing cheers for Lieut. Col. McAvity, Capt. May and the boys of the 26th.

Chairman Dever in opening the meeting said many of the boys of the city had done well, but there were still more about town who should don khaki. It was not fair to be obliged to go through the province to get men who were doing so well. He said the 250 or more needed, said he might here in this city of loyalty. He deplored the use of the terms "shirk" and "slacker." He thought they were unfairly applied. "We do not know whether all the young men we see on the streets out of uniform are eligible or not. Many boys who say they cannot go because of circumstances should put their hands on the uniform of the King. We esteem those who are fighting for the honor and glory of Canada in the cause of freedom. Get into the 115th and you will get in with as fine a bunch of fellows as you can find and be under a true soldier and popular man, Lieut. Col. Wedderburn.

Capt. May's Maiden Speech.

In introducing Capt. May, Lieut. Dever praised the 26th Battalion. The captain was greeted with a storm of applause and then spoke. When he could be heard he told the audience he was glad to be home, and not to be outside in the hands of our complacent, he observed that he had never seen a more intelligent or a better young man whose observance of the commandments alone did not fill the requirements of the Lord. "Give up all and take the standard and enter the fight. If we refuse to obey our conscience, if we turn a deaf ear we lose our souls. There is no power in earth or in heaven that can get you there unless your conscience is true. This war is a war of Jesus, a war of the cross, a holy war. This is a war of God, of religion, of righteousness, of liberty, of emancipation. Will you fall on your knees tonight before your God and ask him to help you to decide? To confess Jesus today means to enlist, to don the khaki. Enlist, yield to the voice of conscience, aid the cause of humanity and save your soul."

Sergeant Knight took issue with Dr.

"He is Always Telling Others About Them"

Brother and Sister Cured by Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills—News of Cure Too Good to Keep.

In this letter Mrs. Hurley relates how glad she and her brother are to tell how they were cured of indigestion and kidney trouble by Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills.

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Mrs. J. J. Hurley, Upper Hanwell, York Co., N. B., writes: "I suffered from indigestion for two years and a dose of 25 cts. a box, all dealers, tried a great many kinds of medicine but not a lasting relief until I used Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. I would take severe vomiting spells and be weakened down so that I could not do my own work. I shall never be able to give the medicine enough praise for the benefit derived from its use, and will strongly recommend it to all my friends.

"My brother has also used Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills and they have entirely cured him of lame back and kidney trouble. He is always telling others about them."

Dr. E. L. Brine writes: "I can certify that this statement of Mrs. J. J. Hurley is correct in all details."

Chronic indigestion is almost invariably associated with torpid sluggish action of the liver, kidneys and bowels, and can never be really cured until these organs are awakened to healthful action by such treatment as Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. One box, 25 cts. a box, all dealers, or Edmanston, Bates & Co., Ltd., Toronto

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It is felt there are many men who will willingly share their smokes with the fighting men, also that the women will equally deny themselves some luxury during the Lenten season. A special appeal is made by the Soldiers' Comforts Association from March 13th to 22nd for tobacco or money to buy the same to send to the soldiers in the trenches. Won't you send them some? and by so doing cheer them in their lonely life.

The shipment of this week's appeal will go forward at once as an Easter greeting. Please address to Soldiers' Comforts Association, C. P. R. Building, corner King and German streets, St. John, N. B.

Saturday's Meeting.

The meeting Saturday night was in charge of the sergeants of the 115th Battalion and was most successful. The men of A Company are just getting their hands in and expect to get a number of men this week.

BROOKLYN LADY TURNED BACK BY OFFICIALS

Came Here to Attend Funeral of Brother, but Held Up at Welsford on Return Trip

A protest has been made to Washington by Mrs. Charles Sullivan, who conducts a ladies' tailoring establishment in Brooklyn, N. Y., against the action of the officials on the evening St. John-Bowling train in refusing to allow her and her five year old nephew to proceed to the United States recently. Mrs. Sullivan came to this province to attend the funeral of her brother, who died at the General Public Hospital in this city, and it was while on the return journey that she and the little boy were held up, presumably because the officials on the train feared she might become a public charge across the border.

As a matter of fact, Mrs. Sullivan and her husband are not lacking in this world's goods. They conduct a large and paying establishment in Brooklyn and are not only real estate owners there, but they own a large summer place near Shediac.

Mrs. Sullivan was questioned at length after the train left St. John, and although she told them of the mournful occasion which called her to this city. The two were compelled to remain over night in St. John and it was not until she applied to the United States immigration bureau here and complied with a list of regulations that she could get the necessary permit to allow her to return home.

Mrs. Sullivan was not only subjected to great inconvenience, she avers, but is also out the price of a ticket between St. John and Vancouver. She and her husband come to New Brunswick every year and spend two months at their summer home and never, she says, has she been held up by official red tape.

Morison on the conscription question.

Dr. Morison told of a colony of English born men in British Columbia who closed their dwellings, went to the front and saved up their lives for the empire.

"Canada today," he continued, "has shown that she understands her duty. God forbid that we should have conscription. I am here as a minister of God to bring home to you in a way of intellect but the shrinking of the soul, as the man who tore up international law, and as 'that modern incarnation of all satanic powers, that man who is a traitor to his country. When Wagner, who escaped from Amherst, crossed the border he had \$246. Where did he get it? You are not alive to danger. There are men in St. John drinking big salaries, but they do not care about wretchedness and misery. Some of these should put khaki on their backs. You are not thinking fast enough because you are not acting fast enough. Until St. John sends every man fit you have no right to be idle and self-satisfied."

"The returned soldiers and those that will return should be cared for, for not one in a hundred can take up farming. I am sorry to say that some employers will not guarantee to re-employ those who leave them to go to the front. The men when they return should not be permitted to become a burden on and a disgrace to the country."

Could Not Stand The Least Excitement.

Was So Weak and Run Down.

Many women become run down and worn out by their household cares and duties never ending, and sooner or later find themselves with shattered nerves and weak hearts.

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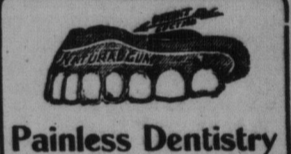
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Rheumatism is no respecter of age, sex, color or rank. It is the most dangerous of human afflictions it is one of the most painful. Those subject to rheumatism should eat less meat, dress as warmly as possible, avoid any undue exposure and, above all, drink lots of pure water.

Rheumatism is caused by uric acid which is generated in the bowels and absorbed into the blood. It is the function of the kidneys to filter this acid from the blood and cast it out in the urine; the pores of the skin are also a means of freeing the blood of this impurity. In damp and chilly, cold weather the skin pores are closed thus forcing the kidneys to do double work, they become weak and sluggish and fail to eliminate this uric acid which keeps accumulating and circulating through the system, eventually settling in the joints and muscles causing stiffness, soreness and pain called rheumatism.

At the first twinge of rheumatism get from any pharmacy about four ounces of Jad Salts; put a tablespoonful in a glass of water and drink before breakfast each morning for a week. This is said to eliminate uric acid by stimulating the kidneys to normal action, thus ridding the blood of these impurities.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, harmless and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia and is used with excellent results by thousands of folks who are subject to rheumatism. Here you have a pleasant, effervescent lithia-water drink which overcomes uric acid and is beneficial to your kidneys as well.

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

And all life not be stronger and purer thereby. —Owen Meredith.

Ladies' Aid of Centenary Church.
The Ladies' Aid of Centenary church is in possession of the Dufferin sample rooms on Saturday, holding a party sale. They had most delicious things for sale and that they found a ready market for. The committee is to be congratulated for the cash box which held fifty dollars. Mrs. William Smith is the president of this society and a number of members were present.

A Pretty Salad for Luncheon.
Place two pieces of canned asparagus on a white lettuce leaf. Across the asparagus put two strips of sweet red pepper. Use French dressing, well seasoned with paprika.

Winter Vegetable Soup.
To the water in which the vegetables have been cooked add two cups of milk, a little thickening, and butter and seasoning, and you have a good cream of winter vegetable soup.

A Link in a Chain.
There is true humility and there is setting a good example. There is also a happy medium between the boaster and the sort of person who seems almost ashamed of a good deed. It is the difference between hiding one's light under a bushel and letting your light shine before men. This is all an introduction to a pretty incident which took place not long ago in St. John, or rather the chain began in St. John, who shall say where it will end? A lady here, a member of a club who does much good work for the poor, was tying up bundles of useful clothing to be distributed. Upon each parcel she wrote "Help the mother. The conservation of the child is a high form of patriotism." In writing to a friend living in another city, Mrs. A. (we will call her) told of her club's activities and of the motto she had inscribed upon the parcels. Some weeks later Mrs. A. received a letter from her friend which said: "I have been too busy to answer your letter before but now I want to tell you how you have helped. Just before your letter arrived I had been much interested in the case of a delicate woman with a little baby. What to do with it I did not know. There seemed to be no one to take care of them. Then came your letter with the motto 'Help the mother. The conservation of the child is a high form of patriotism.' That decided me and I may tell you that mother and child are now at my home and the mother is much improved in health while the child is a lovely healthy baby." Do

Nice with Afternoon Tea.
Candied orange peel: Remove peel from four thin-skinned oranges cut in quarters. Cover with cold water, bring to the boiling point and cook slowly until soft. Drain, remove white portion by scraping with a spoon, and cut yellow portion in thin strips, using scissors. Boil one-half cupful of water and one cupful of sugar until strip will thread when dropped from tip of spoon. Add strips and let boil five minutes. Drain and coat with fine granulated sugar.

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News Of The St. John Theatres Told In The Right Way

Who's Who and What's What in the Picture Game and on the Stage --- Film Favorites and What They Say and Do.

CENSORSHIP.

The question of censorship is a most burning one in the trade journals of the motion picture business. And there are undoubtedly two sides to it, for we do not censor our newspapers, or our novels, or our songs, though the law punishes some glaring offences against morality, and on the other side the criticism "not fit for children to see" is hardly a fair one. Most all picture plays are brought down to the level of six or even ten year old intelligence. I confess that the more judicious censors (Notice the adjective please). And there are many who will agree that a woman should be on the board of censors. Two comedies displayed in St. John last week contained more vulgarity than can be told, and they cut the Annette Kellerman picture in St. John only. The persons who can see evil in the Venus de Milo need their minds cleansed and purified. Yet the clothed comedians are allowed to act in most disgusting ways. The beauty of a picture should be its reason for being put on the screen. It should be put on with the motto "Hail soft but not yepeme." The audience which rocks with laughter at these vulgar comedies needs to be educated above that sort of thing, and surely that is the reason for censorship. The motion picture manufacturers themselves want to cater to the demands of the people. No theatre which shows vulgar plays could exist for long. It is to the interests of the producers to put out good plays, and that is what the public most demand. But our plays and pictures need not be for infants only, and a beautifully moral picture should not be rejected because of a statue, perhaps, which does not come up to the ideas of a censor.

She specialized in boy parts, to which she was peculiarly suited. She had a straight, well knit little figure, and big, expressive dark eyes. She was unusually graceful, quick to imitate, but not lacking, either, in originality.

While still very young, she made her debut to Broadway in "The Country Girl." Several other theatrical engagements led to motion picture work.

She has been with the American Film Corporation, Inc., as leading woman for several years.

Vivian Rich has spent her spare time, during the years in which she has been playing leading roles in Mutual dramas, studying music.

The certain imaginative qualities and idealism which make her work on the screen of high artistic value, make of her an unusual musician. To her, music means color. It means life, the sound of the sea, the fragrance of flowers. Musical tones paint pictures to her imagination.

And that is why she loves it so. But music is not her only avocation. "Swimming, riding, playing tennis and reading, to say, nothing of writing letters to her hundreds of admirers, keep her very busy and leave her very little time for managing her pretty bungalow and caring for her rose garden.

Her fondness for pets manifests itself in the ownership of several dogs, a malted kitten, a garden toad and a lizard.

She is a candlestick connoisseur and boasts among her collection of old and interesting candleabra quaint bits from many lands and from many different periods.

Prints are another hobby. She has a special little den, all her own, which is lined with Japanese prints, old etchings and steel engravings. It is in this room, at a little desk which matches her chintz, that she sits and writes letters to her many friends on Sunday mornings. She gets up very, very early on that day—while the dew is still on her rose beds—takes a proprietary view of her garden, and then answers at least a dozen of the cheery, friendly little notes from persons who have only seen her act on the screen.

And Sunday morning breakfast is a cozy thing rolled by the nice old Irish housekeeper to the porch where the sun steals in through the vines. After breakfast she finishes her letters, then goes for a long ride through the country.

Miss Rich, the actress, has been seen recently in American (Mutual) three-part dramas. "Life's Harmony" is the latest one. It is the story of the simple life of a New England village, which centers about the organist in a little church. The charming American star is at her best in the sympathetic, delicately imaginative role of the organist's daughter.—Reel Life.

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THIS WEATHER.

Forecast.
Maritime—Southerly and southwesterly winds, gradually increasing, with snow and rain.

Toronto, March 12.—A moderate depression, now covering the Great Lakes, is causing more snow in Ontario, and another moderate depression situated in Alberta is giving snow in the western provinces.

Temperature.	Min.	Max.
Dawson	... 56	... 10
Victoria	... 42	... 48
Calgary	... 24	... 48
Medicine Hat	... 34	... 32
Moos Jaw	... 25	... 38
Winnipeg	... 20	... 28
Parry Sound	... 12	... 30
London	... 21	... 37
Toronto	... 22	... 34
Montreal	... 24	... 32
Quebec	... 4	... 16

—Below zero.

FIRE ON STEAMSHIP MATATUA MOORED AT WEST ST. JOHN DID DAMAGE ESTIMATED AT \$150,000

Australian Liner Loaded to the Decks with Valuable Cargo and Almost Ready for Sea Took Fire Shortly after Midnight Saturday—Cargo of Calcium Carbide Proved Ready Food for Flames—Thousands of Dollars Loss to Automobiles in Holds—Ship, Partly Submerged, May be Held Up for Many Days—No Clue to Cause of Blaze—Incendiarism Not Suspected.

Fire broke out in number two hold of the steamship Matatua, Captain Gillman, lying at No. 2 berth, Sand Point, a few minutes after twelve o'clock Saturday night, and as a result it is estimated that one hundred and fifty thousand dollars damage has been done to the cargo.

At last midnight, or twenty-four hours after the fire was first discovered, the fire was still smoldering, and there were fears that it was eating its way through the coal towards number three hatch. The forward section of the ship is full of water, and should the fire eat its way into number three hold, which is abaft the engine room, and that section of the ship has to be flooded, it means that the ship will have to be sunk alongside the berth, and it will be many days before she can be floated. Instead of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars damage it will then be a great deal more, while that section of the West St. John terminal will be blocked for weeks. The steamship officials are, however, hopeful that fire will not reach the after section of the ship, and that by this afternoon all the fire will be extinguished. Powerful pumps will clear the forward section of water, and work can be commenced in removing the damaged cargo.

The steamship Matatua is owned by the Shaw, Savio and Albion Company of London, England, and according to her signboard on the bridge has been used by the British Admiralty as a transport. At the present time the ship is under charter to the New Zealand Shipping Company, being loaded with general cargo for Australia and New Zealand, the local agents of this company being J. T. Knight & Co.

A Valuable Cargo.
The steamship Matatua finished loading cargo about eleven o'clock Saturday night, and when the longshoremen left the ship she was loaded right up to the top of the hatches being crammed full of a very valuable cargo of general merchandise. The class of goods in the holds of the ship is varied, as in the case on a ship steaming from this port on the long voyage to New Zealand and Australia. The majority of the freight, however, is automobiles, rolls of paper to be used on newspaper presses, cases of calcium carbide, and many other articles. In the number one hold the hatches were stowed a large quantity of iron bars and pieces of steel rails, while on the top of the iron was loaded hundreds of rolls of paper and a number of automobiles.

Number two hatch, where the fire started, is one of the largest holds in the ship, and in addition to hundreds upon hundreds of rolls of paper and other freight, there were between one hundred and twenty-five and a hundred and fifty automobiles, mostly Fords.

Would Have Sailed Yesterday.
As stated before, it was in this hatch where the fire was started. The hatch covers were off, as it was only an hour or two previous to the discovery of the fire that the longshoremen finished their work. The ship was scheduled to leave port yesterday afternoon at five o'clock, and the hatches were not to have been placed in position and battened down until a few hours before the ship steamed out of the harbor.

It was only a few minutes after twelve o'clock Saturday night that the watchman on board the Matatua walked forward. He thought that he smelled smoke. He looked down in number one hatch, and as he was returning towards number two hatch he saw the boatswain of the ship looking down into number two hatch, as that member of the crew also thought he smelled smoke. In an instant smoke was discovered curling up through the hatch, and it was immediately seen that the ship was on fire.

The discoverers of the fire shouted out the alarm. This was heard by one of the soldiers doing guard duty on the deck and he, in turn, blew his whistle of alarm. This brought the longshoremen and others tumbling out of the shelters and an alarm of fire was sent in from box 214 which notifies the fire department and the public of a fire in the Winterport warehouses. The department, under command of District Chief John McAndrews, responded quickly and it was not more than ten minutes after the smoke was seen to curl up out of the hold the flames made their appearance. Before any water was turned on the fire the flames were leaping high out of the number two hold of the ship and the interior of this section of the ship was a raging furnace.

Difficult to Fight Blaze.
Headed by their district chief the firemen, with lines of hose, got as near to the fire as they could. The heat was almost unbearable, while the fumes from the smoke and the gases from the calcium carbide, coming from hundreds of cases was stifling. Despite these great hindrances the firemen, with the officers and other members of the ship's crew, worked hero-

ically, but no matter how many tons of water they might pour into the flames it appeared to take no effect. The whistles were sounded and hurried calls sent out with the result that the steam tugboats Neptune, San Mac and the Alice R., responded promptly. The tugs raced to the scene of the conflagration and tied up alongside. Two powerful streams were run from the Neptune, two more from the San Mac and one good stream from the Alice R. In the meantime Engineer McAndrews had his firemen run ten streams of water from the fire plugs on the dock and in a short time fifteen streams of water were being directed into the hold and onto the flames.

It was a hard fight, and, at times, it looked as if the steamship Matatua was doomed to destruction. Those fighting the flames, however, did not give up but used every ounce of their strength and ability to overcome the fire. The task appeared to be a hopeless one, for the flames had such a start before being discovered and the fire fighters were unable to get down the deck to get a good chance at the fire. It was only a few minutes after the flames burst through the hatch before it was seen that the cargo in number two hatch, at least, was doomed.

The Cargo Huddled Out.
As stated before there was stowed on top of the bars of iron in number one hold, a large quantity of rolls of paper, and a gang of longshoremen were immediately put to work discharging the paper. The steam whistles were set to work and before the water reached number one hold in the vicinity of two hundred large rolls of this paper had been swung ashore and stored in number four warehouse, but this is only a small portion of the cargo in this section of the ship, the remaining cargo being destroyed.

Tons of Water Poured In.
There was only one way to quench the flames and that was to fill the forward holds of the ship with water. With fifteen streams working to their fullest capacity, an effort was made to pour in the water. The bulkhead between number two hold and the amidship of the steamship held good and the whole right concentrated in the forward section of the ship. There is a bulkhead between number two and number one holds and this was becoming red hot with the fire, and there was nothing to do to keep the fire from breaking out in number one hold but to pour the water into that section; this was done to good effect.

Each by inch, the forward section of the ship settled in the water, and as the bows sunk, the stern arose. The ship was pulled off from the dock about twenty feet, and thousands of citizens who could not get down the docks past the guards, lined the railing on Union street and watched the ship on fire.

Hour after hour the water was poured into the ship, and it seemed as if to many of the onlookers that it took so long to fill the holds. Never once was there a lull. No. 6 steam fire engine was at work on Union street, near the immigration building, pumping water from the Union street main, down into the burning ship. After working some time the engine became disabled, and No. 4 engine was sent over from the west side of the harbor to take her place.

City Firemen Respond.
Up till eight or nine o'clock yesterday morning it was only the people on the western side of the harbor who had responded to the alarm of fire from the Winterport sheds, who knew of the serious conflagration, and these citizens were the only spectators. When the east sideers awoke from their slumbers, the news quickly spread, so that during the day thousands of people flocked to the west side and watched the burning ship with interest.

All through the night and all day there was never a lull in putting the water into the holds of the ship, and while the flames were kept from view there was still plenty of fire amongst the cargo and the dense volumes of black smoke rolled up, making the work of the firemen a hard one.

Commissioners McLellan, Wigmore and Russell, with Harbor Master Alward, were notified shortly after the fire was discovered and hastened to the scene, as well as the representatives of the steamship company. Among the hardest worked men on board the ship, and who gave most valuable assistance, was George Ware, the superintendent of berths.

The fire was confined to No. 2 hold. This was a roaring furnace. The steel deck beams became a white heat, the wooden deck which covered the plates began to heave up, and like the sides of the ship above water edge was too hot to touch.

Well Under Control.
As the afternoon hours wore away it could be seen that the fire was well

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Forks, Hay and Manure (no handles)	10c. each	Ice Tongs	40c. each
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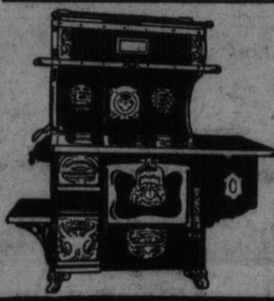
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Around the City

Seamen's Mission.
There was a good attendance of sailors at the Sunday evening service. President R. M. Smith gave a short address to the men. Mrs. Ayre gave several violin solos and Miss Thompson was pianist.

Guy Merritt Promoted.
G. Guy Merritt, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Westmore Merritt, left for Montreal Saturday evening to fill a responsible position to which he has been appointed by the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. Today he takes up his duties as assistant manager in the Montreal office.

Organist Ford's Recital.
Organist James S. Ford gave a short recital at 4:30 Saturday afternoon in Trinity church. He will give a recital at the same time each Saturday during Lent. Saturday's program was: Allegro by Lemmens, Andante, Vidor, Beethoven, Op. 49, chorale prelude on the tune Capetown, Regner.

Former N. B. Pastor Called.
Rev. R. A. Colpitts, pastor of Wesley Methodist church, Springfield, Mass., and formerly pastor of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island churches, has received a call to Grace church, Baltimore, Md. If the conference in Maryland sanctions the choice, Rev. Mr. Colpitts will accept. He is a native of this province and has been in Springfield five years.

Schooner Can Be Saved.
The three-masted schooner Anne Lord, which was abandoned on a passage from this port to New York and subsequently towed to Boston by the United States revenue cutter Freshman will be repaired in that city, as it has been found that the damage is less than was originally supposed. The vessel's cargo of lumber has been sold and she is now being unloaded at Curtis & Pope's lumber wharf in the south end of Boston.

More Ridiculous Yarns.
Evidently the people who kept the Amherst stories going—stories of men being shot for assisting German prisoners to escape—have branched off in a new direction of "patriotic" endeavor. During the past fortnight and particularly Friday and Saturday, stories were rife in this city of threatening letters being sent to clergymen, recruiting managers and men having to do with munition supplies and shipments. These letters were reported to be warnings as to what might happen if the recipients did not desist from their patriotic activities. Such sort of letters were not received by anybody in St. John. The reports, like a lot of senseless stuff handed around of late months, are absolutely without foundation. It seems strange that thoughtless Canadians will keep this kind of enemy "dope" going the rounds of gossipy people, upsetting the calm of susceptible folks and acting counter to the aims of sacred purposes of the hour.

Soldiers Entertained.
About sixty-five soldiers were present at the social held in the Sunday school room of St. Stephen's Church, last evening. The gathering was one of the most successful of all the winter's series from all points of view.

A McArthur was chairman; while to the enthusiastically received programme, Miss H. Triggs, Mrs. Luther, Pie, Harris and Mr. Wry contributed vocal solos; a quartette by Misses Blanche, Stammers, McLean and Brown, and Pte. McDonald a reading.

The boys of the 15th Battalion did the occasion proud with songs and choruses. At the conclusion of the musical programme the ladies of the congregation served coffee and delicacies to which the boys did ample justice.

Dollar Waists.
There is one store in St. John where you can get better value in ladies' waists than any other. They make a specialty of securing the very best waists that are made to sell at the popular price of \$1.00, and before these waists are permitted to come into that store the buyer must be satisfied that they are right in style and fit and any lady buying a waist at F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s can feel assured that she is getting the most for her money possible. They are showing a table full of vols, lawn, plique and dimity waists all at the one price of \$1.00. They come in sizes from 34 to 46.

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