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Slight Gain By The British On West

Bombers Improve Position East of Bullecourt; Enemy Apparently Massing for Offensive, Say Travelers in Switzerland

BARRACKS ON THE ISLAND BURNED

Wind Fortunately Blows Down Building and Helps Soldiers in Fighting Blaze

No. 2 barracks, the old quarters of No. 9 Siege Battery, Partridge Island, was this morning burned to the ground. The fire was first noticed coming from under the building, near the furnace room. An alarm was given and the members of the Composite Battery were immediately on the job and with the means they have on the island to cope with fires, they did remarkably good work. The strong wind fortunately blew the building down or the matter might have been a lot more serious. In about ten minutes from the time the fire was first noticed the building was enveloped in flames, and for a time it looked as though every building on the island would be wiped out. The fire was at times scorching the walls of No. 3 barracks. The wind took a sudden change and with the shift the building collapsed and in a very short time the fire was under control. Several kit bags, belonging to members of No. 9 Siege Battery, were destroyed.

ON BLACK'S ALLEYS

The Sweepers not only defeated the Maples in the City League fixture on Black's bowling alleys last evening, but mentally clinched the championship of the first series. The individual score of the game follows:

Table with columns: Name, Total, Avg. Includes names like McIlveen, Jenkins, Black, Gambin, Sullivan, etc.

MAJOR MORGAN IS TO COMMAND THE 62ND HOME GUARD HERE

Major J. S. Frost, who for the last two years has been the commanding officer of the 62nd Home Guard, is soon to be transferred to Moncton, to take command of the temporary depot being established there, under the Military Service Act. His position as C. O. of the 62nd is to be filled by Major Gilbert Morgan, a returned officer of the 12th Battalion, and who while the 288th Kiltie Battalion was recruiting acted as commander.

WHAT WE ARE FIGHTING

A correspondent of Paris Temps writes: "When the Germans retreated they left snares everywhere. Barrings in the way to dugouts were tied to grenades. Nails half-hammered at the middle of staircases exploded detonators if trod upon. Stoves full of shavings blew up if lit. Wreaths on graves were connected with infernal machines. Boxes of sweets were poisoned with arsenic, and stables were infected with glanders virus." Vote for union government and the men who are fighting to crush these monsters.

COAL FOR EXPORT TO BE DEARER THAN THAT FOR USE IN UNITED STATES

Washington, Dec. 14.—Decision of Fuel Administrator Garfield to permit an increase of \$1.85 a ton over the domestic price scale on export and foreign bunker coal will permit American producers to reap at home profits which heretofore have been collected by foreign dealers.

WOULD YOU?

If the German ships came sailing up the harbor of St. John, And the German troops came marching through the town, If an army of their Zeppelins were bus-sing overhead, And devastating bombs were falling down, If the homes you love and cherish were destroyed by German shells, And the little ones were slaughtered right and left, Would you think of petty trifles that amused you long ago, Before the world of peace had been bereft?

Would you stand and watch your loved ones killed, or taken by the Hun, To suffer—God knows what—before they died, And never lift a finger to defend them from the guns, But rather run away somewhere and hide, And more—would any one of you, AS-SIST these savage beasts, To plunder—burn—destroy—perhaps to kill? Ye gods—the thought is monstrous—yet a moment will I ask, Is your VOTE for Loved Ones or for Kaiser Bill?

Will you stand as British subjects to defend your hearth and home? Will you keep the cursed Boches from our soil? Or will you vote for William, and invite him to come on, A TRAITOR to your HOME, your KING, your GOD? Oh! men—British subjects—as Christian men and true, Stand faithful to those boys who've gone before, Be true to those you cherish, to the homes you hold so dear, And then—please God—well fight and WIN THE WAR!

THE CALL FOR MEN

Gunner Frank Hickling, of Norton, writing from Belgium to his wife, says: "You can think yourself lucky that you are in Canada. Some people there don't appear to know that there is a war on. It is a good thing that they have conscription, for we have got to have more men."

Big Attack Staved Off

"We took only a handful of prisoners because in the close grip of a struggle of this character it is usually a fight to the finish. Talks with prisoners give the idea that an attack of considerable magnitude was designed, but the promptness and intensity of our barrage prevented its development. There was expectation that a further attack had been planned for Thursday morning, and a little before dawn a tremendous bombardment blazed up, but our guns immediately thundered back their reply and no infantry action followed. It is reported that the struggle has been going on again this afternoon, but I am unable yet to ascertain with what result. Our guns got wind of a formidable concentration of trench mortars designed to cover an infantry assault. They turned such a heavy fire upon the spot that nothing happened."

Enemy Aeroplane Losses

London, Dec. 13.—The official statement on aviation operations issued today reads: "In spite of low clouds and mist on Wednesday a great many of our planes were in the air. Enemy troops were engaged with machine gun fire during their operations at Bullecourt. Some bombs were dropped and low reconnoissances were carried out. There was much fighting in the air in which the German and our other German machine were brought down. Three others were driven down out of control and another was shot down within our lines and its crew captured. All our aeroplanes returned."

TO REDUCE ALCOHOL IN BEER

Washington, Dec. 14.—At the request of Food Administrator Hoover, President Wilson will issue a proclamation reducing the alcoholic content of beer to 2.84 per cent. The use of grain for brewing will be cut by the order about 30 per cent. The proclamation has been held up pending a decision as to whether the percentage should be based upon volume or upon weight. It finally was decided to set a weight standard to protect brewers of ales and stouts in whose heavier product the alcoholic content runs higher by volume.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, L. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service. Synopsis—The disturbance which was near Sible Island yesterday passed out to the Atlantic, and another which developed on the south Atlantic coast has moved quickly northeastward and is now centred near the Bay of Fundy. Fresh to strong winds from Ontario eastward, and decidedly cold weather continues in the west. Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence—Fresh to strong winds from Ontario eastward, clearing and very cold tonight and on Saturday. Lower St. Lawrence—Northeast to north gales with snow, clearing tonight and becoming very cold. Gulf and North Shore—Heavy easterly gales and snow, clearing again on Saturday. Fair and colder. Maritime—Heavy east shifting to southwest gales with snow and rain. Saturday strong northwest and west winds, generally fair and much colder. Washington, Dec. 14.—New England: Fair and much colder tonight and Saturday; strong northwest winds on the coast.

PROPERTY TRANSFER

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded: Jennie A. McGoldrick, widow, et al, to John McGoldrick, property in Sutherland street.

Party Predictions As Campaign Nears End

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—With the close of the dominion campaign practically at hand, it looks as though the seats in which there would be no contest on Monday will number twenty-five. Ten of these are in the Unionist column, while the Liberals have fifteen acclamations, all but one—Turgeon, of Gloucester, N. B.—being from the province of Quebec. The Unionists will have acclamations in two Nova Scotian, one New Brunswick, one Manitoba, one Ontario, four Saskatchewan and one British Columbia seats. Two ministers of the crown, Frank Carroll and Hon. Martin Burrell are already elected, while W. F. McCurdy, under secretary of the department of militia, is also sure of a seat in the next house.

SIXTY-FOUR MILE GALE SWEEPS CITY; SCHOONER DRIVEN ASHORE

The Wanita Wrecked at Fort Dufferin; Exmouth Street Methodist Church Partially Unroofed

There was quite a sea running in the harbor this morning as the result of a hurricane which swept over the city. The gale started about 6 o'clock this morning and reached a velocity of sixty-six miles an hour. The wind was from the east and southeast and was accompanied by snow. In all two inches of snow fell on the level, but owing to the gale drifted considerably. The temperature rose to one degree below freezing. In the city proper the alarm whistles were crossed and frequently a blast from the fire horn was heard. This caused citizens considerable apprehension as they felt a fire would result, in a serious conflagration.

THE WORK OF THE EXEMPTION BOARDS HERE

The work of the exemption boards in the city is drawing to a close, and it is hoped that the work will be concluded by the afternoon. The exemption appeal courts have been sitting in the judges' chambers in the Pugsley building for four days. Chief Justice Hazen, hearing appeals from Kings, Queens and St. John counties has heard thirty cases a day, having finished 120 cases to date. Judge Armstrong, having only one day transferred for business and judicial obligations, the decisions are being sent to the registrar and he in turn notifies the appellant.

COL. CHURCHILL SAYS

From Politicians Who Advocate Making "Peace With the Victorious Huns"

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LOCAL SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR HALIFAX RELIEF

Table listing names and amounts for Halifax relief: Subscription list of St. John city and county for funds to be given to the city of Halifax, to assist in alleviating the suffering caused by the catastrophe which has overtaken their city. Previously acknowledged: \$8,932.50. Sir E. McLeod, St. John, 100.00. W. A. Ewing, St. John, 10.00. T. G. T. St. John, 10.00. J. & A. McMillan, St. John, 50.00. T. P. Bourne, St. John, 10.00. Can. Drug Co., Ltd., St. John, 25.00. R. Ewing, St. John, 5.00. Mrs. E. C. Elkin, St. John, 25.00. W. H. Taylor & Son, St. John, 20.00. W. W. Titus, St. John, 5.00. W. J. Stein, St. John, 5.00. W. H. Bell, St. John, 5.00. A. E. Henderson, St. John, 5.00. H. M. Jones, St. John, 10.00. J. E. Secord, St. John, 15.00. F. E. Holman & Co., St. John, 10.00. G. M. Edgett, New York, 25.00. E. W. McCready, St. John, 25.00. N. J. Ambrose, St. John, 15.00. A. G. Staples, St. John, 25.00. Ross Drug Co., St. John, 10.00. J. H. McElbottle, St. John, 25.00. Edwin A. Ellis, St. John, 10.00. Annie Nixon, St. John, 25.00. Florence Meles, St. John, 1.00. A. Friend, St. John, 25.00. H. Shand, St. John, 25.00. Hoy Bros., St. John, 5.00. H. W. Emerson, St. John, 5.00. W. H. Simson, St. John, 5.00. E. H. Fitzgerald, St. John, 2.00. (Continued on page 2, sixth column)

BOLSHEVIKI HAVE WON IN THE FIRST CLASH

Capture of Two Towns By Them Is Reported SOME HEAVY FIGHTING

MIXED REPORTS AS TO KORNILOFF—MAKING ROOM IN JAILS FOR COUNTER-REVOLUTIONISTS—DAUGHTER OF EX-CZAR REPORTED SERIOUSLY ILL

Washington, Dec. 14.—Herbert C. Hoover, food administrator, yesterday sounded a warning that the American people were to be called upon to sacrifice far more in order to feed the Allies and friendly neutrals than was at first thought necessary. "The food situation in Europe," he said, "is far graver than the preliminary survey of the food supply of the world indicates, to retain for our people an ample supply of every essential foodstuff. The harvests of our Allies have proved less than we had contemplated and the great curtailment of shipping by the submarines during the last few months has further prevented them from access to remote markets. "Beyond the demands of the Allies there is a call upon us by the friendly neutrals for food and if we cannot at least in part respond to these neutral calls starvation on an unparalleled scale must ensue."

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EX-CZAR'S DAUGHTER ILL

Petrograd, Thursday, Dec. 13.—It is reported from Tobolsk, Siberia, that Olga, eldest daughter of former Emperor Nicholas, is seriously ill.

MAKING ROOM IN JAILS

Petrograd, Dec. 13.—Civil offenders in the Petrograd prisons have been removed to jails in the provinces to make room for counter-revolutionary suspects who are being arrested continually.

AUSTRIA ADMITS SHE'S HARD PRESSED

Amsterdam, Dec. 14.—The Austro-Hungarian war minister, Gen. Slogger Steiner, is quoted by the Neue Freie Presse, of Vienna, to the effect that the relief resulting from an armistice with Russia would depend upon the details of the agreement, but in any case it would relax considerably the strain on the transport system. Discussing the question of disarmament, the general said he agreed with the recent statement of Count Czernin, the foreign minister, that army and navy expenditures had reached a level it was almost impossible to maintain permanently.

NINETY-NINE PER CENT OF GERMANS WANT PEACE

London, Dec. 14.—Phillip Scheidemann, leader of the German Socialists, either in Stockholm or on his way there and pan-German newspapers ask what he is going there for, according to an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen. The vorwärts, the Socialist organ, says that Herr Scheidemann is working for what "ninetynine per cent of the German people want, namely, peace."

GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

STORM TODAY AND HALIFAX SUFFERERS

Suggests Braving the Weather To Attend Imperial's Benefit Programmes

No matter how bad the weather may be tonight those able to go as far as Imperial Theatre will not only be repaid for it with a remarkably good show but they will be contributing their admission money directly to the Halifax sufferers. Surely the streak of bad weather of late—first zero blasts, then this blizzard—suggests that we hustle along our assistance as fast as possible. Only one show, 7 to 9, then union meeting.

So far the benefit receipts have been generous when one stops to consider the inclement elements and the Christmas shopping activity, let alone the Halifax relief work going on among the women everywhere. But the Imperial's benefit receipts are bent on bringing out a good fat total by Saturday night, no expense is being spared to elaborate programmes. George Behun, famed delineator of Italian characters, as in "The Alien" and "Pasquale," will be shown in a Paramount success, "Lost in Transit," the tale of a baby waif and her vaudeville orator. The vaudeville will be The Mimic Four and the Halkings in their wonderful shadowgraphy. Then there is the seventh chapter of the Vitaphone serial, "The Fighting Trail," and a comedy. New acts tomorrow afternoon. Persons attending first show may remain for political meeting.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS AT THE STAR THEATRE FRIDAY AND TOMORROW

The week-end programme at the Star Theatre is surely an attractive one. Mollie King is in the thirteenth chapter of "The Double Cross" entitled "The Face of the Stranger." This episode will help you determine the identity of the Masked Stranger. Lonsome Luke and his company will be found funnier than ever in "Luke Loses Patients," a brand new two-act Luke comedy. The other subjects are "A Regeneration," Lubin drama, and Helen Gibson in another railroad drama entitled "A Daring Chance." First show, tonight, at 6.45. Come early.

AT THE OPERA HOUSE

Last chance tonight to have a good laugh with the four colored comedians in the Georgia Four, at the Opera House—also enjoy four other good vaudeville acts and the current chapter of "The Red Ace" serial drama. Usual time, 7.30 and 9. Tomorrow comes the regular weekly change of programme, the new bill including Ward and Curran in vaudeville's most laughable sketch, "The Terrible Judge," or Fun in a Police Court; Hunkey and Francis, in "Bits of Variety"; Jewett and Pendleton, two dancers from danceland; Mollie, piano accompanist; Moore and Watson, comedy skits; "Breaking the Pledge," and Eddie Polo in "The Gray Ghost" serial. Two complete evenings in the afternoon, at 2 and 8.30; showing at 7.30 and 9. Usual people's popular prices.

COME TO THE GEM

It's a comfortable place on a night like this, and the programme is a rich one. See particulars in advertisement. You'll enjoy it all.

SACRED CONCERT FOR HALIFAX

One of the best musical concerts of the season will be given in the Opera House next Sunday evening by the city's best talent under the direction of Mrs. A. C. D. Wilson, who has attained several national successes in this city. A silver collection will be taken at the doors, all of which will be for the relief of the Halifax sufferers. Besides helping along a worthy cause, those who attend will hear a high class musical programme; in fact, the best talent available in St. John. Remember Sunday evening, Opera House, at 8.30 o'clock.

WAR NOTES

Lord Montagu says that interest in aviation will increase after the war. He predicts mail service and passenger service by the air route across the Atlantic. The London stock market continued irregular with a drooping tendency today.

Has Been Promoted

Bangor Commercial—Friends of Simon O'Leary, Jr., of this city, who took a position as constable with the Canadian Pacific railway at Brownville last year, will be pleased to learn that his ability has been recognized by promotion to the rank of investigator and he now travels all over Maine and New Brunswick, with headquarters at McAdam Junction, N. B.

Hunter mistakes trapper for a deer,

says a familiar headline. And, as usual, proceeded to make his one shot which never misses.—Chicago Tribune.

DEATHS

FLEMING—In this city, on the 14th inst., Frederick A. Fleming, eldest son of the late Capt. H. Fleming. Funeral from 11 Pagan Place Saturday at 2.30 p.m.

CODNER—In this city on the 14th inst., at 84 Cranston Avenue, Mary Ann, beloved wife of Hezekiah Codner, leaving besides her husband, two sons and one daughter to mourn.

Funeral Sunday from her late residence; service at 2 o'clock.

ELLSWORTH—At the Mater Misericordiae Home on the 13th inst., Mary, widow of James Ellsworth, leaving two daughters to mourn.

Funeral from the residence of her daughter-in-law.

Queen street, on Saturday morning at 8.30, to St. John the Baptist church for requiem high mass. Friends invited to attend.

EMITH—At her parents' residence, 39 Barker street, on 14th inst., Marie Rosalie, aged two months, infant child of Joseph and Elsie Smith.

Burial tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

THE WHOLE BODY NEEDS PURE BLOOD

The bones, the muscles, and all the organs of the body depend for their strength and tone and healthy action on pure blood. If the blood is very impure, the bones become diseased; the muscles become enfeebled, the step loses its elasticity, and there is inability to perform the usual amount of labor. The skin loses its cleanness, and pimples, blotches, and other eruptions appear. Hood's Sarsaparilla makes pure blood. It is positively unequalled in the treatment of scrofula and other humors, catarrh, rheumatism, dyspepsia, loss of appetite, that tired feeling. Be sure to get Hood's and get it today. All druggists.

POND STREET FIRE

Box No. 8 rang in this morning for a small chimney fire in a house in Pond street. In half an hour the flames were extinguished. Little damage was done.

Extra Cash Specials - For - Friday & Saturday BUY NOW



EXTRA CASH SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY. BUY NOW

- Fresh Shredded Coconut, 29c. lb. Shelled Walnuts..... 55c. lb. Shelled Almonds..... 55c. lb. Best Creamery Butter..... 50c. lb. 1 lb. block Pure Lard..... 31c. 1 lb. tin Crisco..... 33c. 1-2 lb. Baker's Chocolate..... 29c. 12 oz. pkge. Seeded Raisins..... 9c. 16 oz. pkge. Seeded Raisins..... 12-12c.

- 16 oz. pkge. Fancy Seeded Raisins..... 13-12c. 10c. 1 pkge. Golden Dates..... 10c. 1 drum Figs..... 10c. Knox Gelatine..... 17c. Cook (Eng) Gelatine..... 13c. 3 pkgs. MacLaren's Jelly..... 25c. 15c. pkge. Prepared Corn, 13-12c. 12c. bottle Eagle Vanilla..... 9c. 12c. bottle Eagle Lemon..... 9c. 5c. pkge. Cow Soda..... 4c. 1-4 pkge. Cream of Tartar..... 20c. Citron, Lemon and Orange Peel, Mixed..... 40c. lb. Fresh Cranberries..... 14c. qt. 4 lbs. Rolled Oats..... 25c. Shrimps..... Only 1/2c. tin New Pack Lobsters..... 27c. tin 55c. lb. Lipton's Tea..... 47c. Corn for Popping..... 10c. pkge. Clark's Pork and Beans, Plain, Chili or Tomato Sauce, 18c. tin Snider's Tomato Soup..... 15c. tin

FANCY ENG. BISCUITS

40c. line, Special..... 29c. lb.

NEW NATURAL FIGS

From California, Extra..... 40c. lb.

XMAS PLUM PUDDINGS

In Sealed Tins, Always Fresh, in 45c., 60c. and \$1.00 tins

SWEET OILS

CRACKERS Or Don-Bons, 1 doz. in a box, from 35c. to \$2.00 a box

FILLED STOCKINGS

For the Kiddies, 25c. to \$2.65 each

SWEET SHOPS

REELY, TROOLY DOLLS To cut out of paper and linen, six in box..... For 27c.

DRESSED DOLLS

(Large), extra value, big assortment..... \$1.33

MIXED NUTS

Almonds, Walnuts, Brazils and Filberts..... 25c. lb.

TABLE RAISINS..... 18c. box

In obxns..... 25c. box Special, new..... 30c. lb.

CANDY

See Our Sweet Shop

FRUIT

Special Show Next Week Commencing Saturday, 15th, our store will be open every evening. No Delivery of Specials Alone We will not promise delivery of C.O.D. orders until Monday, but will do our best.

GILBERT'S GROCERY

SAYS SUGAR COMING HERE BECAUSE OF HIGHER PRICES

Washington, Dec. 14—Declaring that there is no shortage of sugar in the United States, and that the famine is local to the Atlantic seaboard, President Speckles of the Federal Sugar Refining Company today at the senate committee's investigation placed the responsibility on the food administration. Sugar, he declared, was now passing through New York for Canada, and was raw, and the Canadian refiners paid a higher price. "We entered into an agreement with the food administration to pay a certain price for raw sugars. We adhered to that agreement and the product normally imported in this country went abroad because better prices could be obtained. We were forced to close our refineries for lack of supplies." Mr. Speckles said there were still 900,000 tons of last year's crop unused and estimated the world's 1917-18 crop, exclusive of that produced by Germany and her allies, at 12,200,000 tons in excess of the amount produced in the same territory last year. "While the 900,000 tons of old sugar exist it is a question of tonnage in distributing it." By eliminating Java, there would be 180,000 tons less than the available in sight last year. He estimated the Cuban crop this year at about 600,000 tons more than ever before.

THANKS MOTHERLAND FOR FINE GIFT FOR STRICKEN HALIFAX

Ottawa, Dec. 13—The governor-general has cabled to Walter Hume Long, colonial secretary, expressing the thanks of the dominion for the proposed gift by the imperial government of £1,000,000 towards the relief of the Halifax sufferers. The governor-general's cable read: "My ministers, on behalf of the people of Halifax and of all Canada, desire me to express their profound appreciation of your message. This magnificent expression of sympathy from the people of the United Kingdom will be received by all the Canadian people as an abundant evidence of their common purpose and effort which animates the entire empire. Your message has been communicated to the mayor of Halifax and it will do much to comfort and sustain the many thousands who have been bereaved." Announcement of the proposed gift was made in a cablegram received yesterday from Mr. Long, on behalf of Mr. Lloyd George and the British war cabinet. \$26,077 for Relief. New York, Dec. 13—The Atlantic division of the Red Cross announced tonight that it had received contributions aggregating \$26,077 for the relief of Halifax sufferers. Gives \$3,000. Toronto, Dec. 13—Barton Smith, of Toledo, Ohio, sovereign grand commander of Scottish Rite Masons for the northern jurisdiction of the United States, has sent through Benjamin Allen, Toronto, sovereign grand commander for Canada, the sum of \$8,000 for Halifax relief. Winnipeg, Dec. 13—Premier Harris announced today that the provincial government had made a grant of \$25,000 to the Halifax relief fund. "Desperate Fellows." (Correspondent London Morning Post.) "I hear that within twenty minutes the Canadians were rooting out the occupants of the Passchendaele cellars. They met a hot machine gun fire from the chuk, supported by isolated gun crews in adjoining placements. The most distinct impression I have been able to obtain of the scene is the village of Prussians bolting out of the cellars and trying to escape down the eastern slope. The Canadians brought up their Lewis guns and killed many of these fugitives. They went through the dugouts with their bombs and dragged out little groups of prisoners. "I think I have found a reason for the reported precipitate retirement of the Prussians from Passchendaele in the observation of one of our prisoners. He do not like the Canadians; the Germans think they are very desperate men."

LOCAL NEWS

IN USE AGAIN

This morning a steamer was at No. 3 berth, Sand Point, for the first time since the shed collapsed several months ago. It is now ready to receive freight.

LITTLE ONE DEAD

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith of 89 Barker street will have the sympathy of friends in the death of their little baby girl, Marie Rosalie, who died today.

FREDERICK A. FLEMING

The death of Frederick Archibald Fleming, elder son of the late Captain R. H. Fleming of this city, took place this morning in the General Public Hospital. Mr. Fleming was an electrical engineer at the C. P. R. elevator and sixteen weeks ago he fell, breaking his leg. He never recovered. Mr. Fleming was forty-four years of age. He leaves one brother, A. E. Fleming, of 11 Pagan Place, and one sister, Mrs. E. F. Hastings of San Francisco. Mr. Fleming had been a life long member of St. David's church.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect Head

Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature is on box. 30c.

PERSONALS

Miss Vera Page, of Vancouver, is a guest of her cousin, Mrs. Arthur L. Macleod, Elliott row. Miss Page is a Canadian war nurse and is here on her way to take up her duties. Dr. J. D. Maher returned today from Halifax.

SCHOONER ASHORE

Chatham, Mass., Dec. 14—A seventy-mile southwest gale, which swept over Cape Cod this morning, accompanied by the highest tide in years, drove a four-masted coal-laden schooner onto Stone Horse shoal and her position today indicated she would be a total loss. The crew of the coal-laden schooner at Dartmouth, and it was believed the crew had taken refuge in the forward hold.

Wall Street Assignment

New York, Dec. 14—Jewett Brothers, members of the New York Stock Exchange, who have conducted a brokerage business in this city since 1894, today made an assignment for the benefit of creditors.

Death of Girl

Frederick, Dec. 14—Dorothy Christian, daughter of James Dunbar, of Barker's Point, died last evening, aged sixteen.

Appeal Not Successful

Montreal, Dec. 14—An appeal from the relief committee in Halifax to send thirty large motor trucks with drivers to the stricken city, met with a response of only two or three trucks from Montreal.

Halifax Election Postponed

Ottawa, Dec. 14—The Halifax election is postponed under authority of the war measures act. January 28, polling day in the Yukon, is indicated as a likely date.

The Recognized House of Superior Eye Glass Service D. BOYANER, 111 Charlotte St.

Watches for Christmas The Best Quality at a Reasonable Price One never forgets the Christmas when "My Watch" was received. It is an ideal Christmas present—intensely practical—handsome in appearance, and the most useful gift a person can receive. If you are trying to make this Christmas an exceptionally cheery one, have at least one watch on your list. This year we have a splendid assortment of watches. It includes all grades of movements in Solid Gold and Gold-Filled cases. The latest models—the extra thin for men and the bracelet styles for women are on display. Boys' Watches..... \$2.50 to \$15.00 Men's Watches..... 10.00 to 125.00 Ladies' Bracelet Watches..... 17.00 to 50.00 Soldiers' Military Wrist Watches..... 6.50 to 25.00 L. L. Sharpe & Son Jewelers & Opticians 21 King St., - St. John, N. B.

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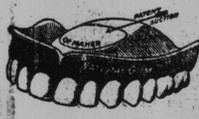
LOCAL NEWS Grand sailors' concert tonight. Advanced class Saturday our perfect orchestra. 12-17 Good skating, Victoria Rink, tonight. Band Saturday night. For sale wholesale, fruit, grapes, oranges, apples, 20 Mill street. 12-16. New laid eggs at 60c. per dozen at our stores, 5 Brussels street, 518 Main street, 505 Wall street. Phone Main 2720. SAILORS' CONCERT. Seaman's Institute tonight (Friday) at 8. Admission 10 cents. Rubbers, overshoes, moccasins, and bedroom slippers at lowest prices.—C. J. Bassen, corner Union and Sydney. 12-15. Grand sailors' concert tonight. Photographs up to the minute in English folders, 83 down up, 518 Main street, night—Lugin, 88 Charlotte street. 12-17. If you want lowest prices, best quality groceries and confectionery call at Two Barkers, 100 Princess and 111 Brussels. Do your Christmas shopping at C. J. Bassen's, corner Union and Sydney. 12-15. NOTICE. Wiesel's Cash Stores will be open every evening up till Christmas. 241-248 Union street. SLIPPERS. Bedroom slippers for men, women, boys and girls, at special low prices for Christmas, at C. J. Bassen's, corner Union and Sydney. 12-16. FOR XMAS. Fancy neckwear, handkerchiefs, gloves, silk waists, sweaters, skating sets, gaiters, and all kinds of toys for Christmas gifts, at C. J. Bassen's, corner Union and Sydney streets. 12-15. How many coupons have you now? Come and select your Christmas gifts free from our new stock of jewelry, chinaware and novelties.—Louis Green, Charlotte street, gives these coupons with every purchase of smokers' goods. BENEFIT FOR HALIFAX RELIEF. Proceeds of tonight's concert at Opera House 9 p. m. by 62nd regiment under auspices of St. John Council of Women will be given for the Halifax relief fund. Tickets 25 cents. WHY BUTTER COSTS MORE. Because you don't buy it at the Lancaster Dairy where they sell good fresh dairy butter at 45c. per lb., and the finest creamery butter at 48c. Our stores 3 Brussels street, 518 Main street, 50 Wall street. Phone Main 2720. If you want to save money on your purchase of dolls, books, games, toys, fancy china, apply at Two Barkers, 100 Princess street. Dolls 15 cts. up; rocking horses, \$1.25 up; books, 5 cts. up; toys, 5 cts. up; regular \$1.00 toys for 60 cts.; fancy cups and saucers, 18 cts. up; and hundreds of other articles at less than wholesale prices. Two Barkers, 100 Princess. GRAND UNION MASS MEETING AT THE IMPERIAL TONIGHT AFTER FIRST SHOW After the first show at the Imperial tonight, there will be a union mass meeting to be addressed by the Hon. James A. Murray and Rev. (Capt.) G. M. Campbell. It is expected there will be a large attendance. Persons attending the Imperial's first show will doubtless stay for the speechmaking as well.

LOCAL SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR HALIFAX RELIEF (Continued from page 1) J. H. McR., St. John..... 1.00 J. A. Graham, St. John..... 10.00 C. E. Rupert, St. John..... 1.00 A. V. Armstrong, St. John..... 1.00 Frank F. Murphy, St. John..... 1.00 D. M. St. John..... .85 H. H. Upham, St. John..... 2.00 H. V. Vaughan, St. John..... 2.00 E. Collins, St. John..... .50 H. Hilkey, St. John..... .50 T. McIl, St. John..... .25 Wm. H. Arker, St. John..... .45 H. Chase, St. John..... 5.00 E. P. Dykeman, St. John..... 1.00 H. E. Palmer, St. John..... 5.00 W. McDonald, St. John..... 1.00 F. W. Daniel Co., St. John..... 2.00 J. W. S., St. John..... 2.00 Friend, St. John..... 1.00 Friend, St. John..... 2.00 W. P. Bonnell, St. John..... 5.00 W. J. Driscoll, St. John..... 2.00 Friend, St. John..... 10.00 S. J. Forhall, St. John..... 10.00 Cash, St. John..... 1.00 A. Sienford, St. John..... 1.00 R. B. McAfee, St. John..... 1.00 M. Squire, St. John..... 1.00 R. P. & W. F. Starr, St. John..... 250.00 F. W. McPherson, St. John..... 1.00 K. O'Malley, St. John..... 1.00 Cash, St. John..... 5.00 Jas. McFavish, St. John..... 5.00 M. B. Edwards, St. John..... 1.00 R. B. McAfee, St. John..... 1.00 F. H. McHale, St. John..... 1.00 B. Preston, St. John..... 1.00 C. A. Conlon, St. John..... 2.00 Thos. Mowry, St. John..... 10.00 L. L. Sharpe & Son, St. John..... 10.00 A. C. Thompson, St. John..... 5.00 L. D. Morse, St. John..... 1.00 F. W. Daniel Co., St. John..... 100.00 F. A. Dykeman Co., St. John..... 50.00 J. Calman, St. John..... 2.00 DeWitt Cairns, St. John..... 5.00 Thos. Totten, St. John..... 1.00 J. H. Burnham, St. John..... 2.00 A. M. Burton, St. John..... .50 John De Angelis, St. John..... 2.00 C. E. Everett Ltd., St. John..... 10.00 G. W. Smith, St. John..... 2.00 Don. Hunt, St. John..... 1.00 Dr. J. E. Leonard, St. John..... 5.00 M. V. Paddock, St. John..... 10.00 D. Monahan, St. John..... .50 E. Cheyne, St. John..... 5.00 Miss R. N. Harrison, St. John..... 5.00 Friend, St. John..... .50 Isaac Frh, St. John..... 1.00 C. Darling, St. John..... 1.00 Wm. McAlary, St. John..... 10.00 J. A. McNeill, St. John..... 5.00 Miss A. B., St. John..... 1.00 John Cairns, St. John..... 1.00 A. Larmon, St. John..... 1.00 E. H. Wetmore, St. John..... 1.00 Hum. Wing, St. John..... 1.00 E. R. Machum Co., St. John..... 50.00 S. Edith Alward, St. John..... 50.00

LOCAL NEWS Wanted, housemaid. Royal Hotel. t. f. Poyas & Co., Christmas Jewelers, near Imperial. TOYS! TOYS!! TOYS!!! 12-16 At Amurd's, W. E. We sell the best men's overcoats for less money than other stores. Turners, out of the high rent district, 440 Main. T.F. SACRED CONCERT Reserve Sunday evening next for the Grand Sacred Concert in the Opera House for the Halifax sufferers. A silver collection will be taken at the doors. FINE SHOW, NEAR IMPERIAL. All the best in jewelry, rings, signet or set; brooches, bracelets, lockets, tie pins, watches. Poyas & Co., King Square. The average man appreciates cuff links, the pin, the clip or some personal jewelry gift at Christmas. Our stock is complete. Poyas & Co., near Imperial. GRAND LIBERAL RALLY. Grand Liberal rally will be held this evening in the City Hall, West St. John. The meeting will be addressed by the candidates, Dr. A. F. Emery, Dr. W. P. Broderick and others. A PLEASANT EVENING. Last evening Mrs. Samuel T. Cogle entertained a "ten" at her home in Main street, Fairville. More than twenty guests were present and a most enjoyable time was spent. Toward the close of the evening refreshments were served by Miss Lillian Finley and Muriel Cogle.

Woman to Keep Poll. Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 14—Mrs. A. O. Glenn, treasurer for York county, has been appointed deputy returning officer for one of the polls in Fredericton. She has the distinction of being the first woman to be appointed to such an office. Death of Postmaster. Fredericton, Dec. 14—James D. Blair, postmaster of North Devon, died today. 70223-12-18.

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Breakfast  
Fried Sausage Tea  
Toast Dinner

Kidney Stew Mashed Potatoes Parsnips  
Emergency Biscuits Butter

Supper  
Lyonnaise Potatoes Rolls  
Date Bread Stewed Figs Tea

The recipe for Kidney Stew, mentioned above, is as follows:

**Kidney Stew—**  
Soak, pare, trim and slice the kidneys. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and fry in butter. Remove to a hot dish. Cook some finely chopped onions in 2 tablespoons butter until brown. Add two tablespoons flour and one cup of boiling water. Put the kidneys in this and cook five minutes. Season to taste and serve. (Wheat and meat saving recipes by Domestic Science Experts of the Canadian Food Controller's Office.)

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**EASTPORT WANTS SERVICE**

At the meeting of the Eastport Chamber of Commerce on Monday evening a committee was appointed by President Atwood to take immediate steps towards securing a boat to run on the route between Boston, Eastport, Lubec and St. John, to take the place of the steamer North Star, which has been taken over by the United States government for war purposes. This committee is to act with representatives from the Board of Trade in St. John. It was also announced at the meeting that A. H. Leavitt, agent for the Eastern S. S. Lines company, who was called to Boston to attend a meeting of the different agents, had been notified by the Lubec business men who have been in Boston for some time in consultation with Calvin Austin of the Eastern S. S. Company, that there was every prospect that a passenger and freight boat would be placed on the down east route by Monday, Dec. 17.

**FRENCH ZEPPELIN SEEN OVER HOLLAND**

Amsterdam, Dec. 15—An airship, said to be a Zeppelin, flying the French flag, descended on housetops in the Dutch village of Ennesse this morning, the Telegram reports. The crew had previously left the airship.

The cup of woe of stricken Halifax is indeed being drunk to the dregs.—Buffalo News.

**FLOUR**

Royal Household—Barrels	\$12.50
Royal Household—98 lb. bags	6.15
Victory—98 lb. bags	6.00
Five Roses—98 lb. bags	6.15
Victory—Barrels	12.25
Victory—Barrels	12.00
Choice Dairy Butter	48c. lb.
6 lbs. Choice Winter Onions	25c.
1/2 lb. Todhunter's Cocoa	24c.
1/2 lb. Baker's Cocoa	24c.
1/2 lb. Baker's Chocolate	20c.
Best Mince-meat	18c. 2 lbs. 38c.
3 large bottles Lemon or Vanilla	25c.
2 bottles Tomato Catsup	25c.
2 bottles Worcestershire Sauce	25c.
Choice Potatoes	37c. peck, \$4.00 bbl.
3 cans Old Dutch Cleanser	25c.
2 cakes Bon Ami	25c.
2 cans Blueberries	25c.
Chase & Sanborn's Coffee	35c.
3 cans Sardines	25c.
4 pkgs. Bee Jelly Powder	75c.
3 pkgs. Jello Jelly Powder	25c.

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The opening in the ballot box on Monday will be the channel through which

**PRICES**

We have made another deep cut in prices on Flour, Canned Goods and Soap for Saturday and Monday only, making it possible for you to save money on these big items of household expense. Saturday and Monday only.

**FLOUR**

Purity, 55lb.	\$12.70
King's Quality, 55lb.	12.35
Five Roses, 55lb.	12.35
Forest King, 55lb.	11.85
24 lb. bags Five Roses	1.62
24 lb. bags Royal Household	1.62
24 lb. bags Star	1.60

Soap has advanced. Your last chance to buy at the old prices. Gold, Surprise, Fairy, White Naptha and Ivory, all at 4 for 25c. \$5.85 per box.

White Knight Soap, only	\$5.35 box
Lenox Soap, only	\$4.85 box
Corn 20c. per can	\$2.35 per doz
Peas 15c. per can	\$1.75 per doz
Tomatoes 24c. per can	\$2.45 per doz
Clams 15c. per can	\$1.75 per doz
Peaches 17c. per can	\$1.95 per doz
Crisco, only	30c. per tin
Largest tin of Crisco only	\$2.65

**OATMEAL**

4 lbs. for 25c.; 20 lb. bags	\$1.25
90 lb. bags	\$5.25
1/2 lb. tin Baker's Cocoa, only	21c.
1/2 lb. tin Lipton's Cocoa, only	20c.
1/2 lb. tin Bunsdorf's Cocoa, only	40c.
Snider's Tomato Soup, 14c. tin, \$1.60 doz	
Pure Lard, only	36c. per 20 lb. pail
3 pkgs. McLaren's Jelly	22c.
3 bottles Extract for	20c.
80c. bottle Pure Gold Extract, only	60c.
Pure Cream of Tartar	70c. per lb.
Compound Cream of Tartar	35c. per lb.

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**CASH SPECIALS** Friday and Saturday

R. H. Flour, 24 lb. bags	\$1.65
Purity, 24 lb. bags	\$1.70
Pure Lard, per lb.	30c.
Crisco, 1 1/2 lb. tin	45c.
Mixed Peas, per lb.	25c.
"Not a Seed" Raisins, 2 pkgs for	25c.
Seeded Raisins, 2 pkgs for	25c.
Wetley's Mince Meat, 2 pkgs for	25c.
Royal Excelsior Currants, 14 oz. pkg.	25c.
Pure Fruit Jams	20c. lb.
Everybody repeats on our Home Made	Cooking, Baked, Cake, Pastry, etc.

**SAM IRONS**  
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**BYRON BROS.** 231 Brussels St. Phone M 1402

Royal Household Flour, per bbl.	\$12.10
Royal Household Flour, 98 lb. bag	6.15
Royal Household Flour, 24 lb. bag	1.65
Purity Flour, per bbl.	12.90
Purity Flour, 24 lb. bag	1.75
3 lb. pail Pure Lard	.85
3 lb. pail Shortening	.75
5 lb. pail Shortening	1.30
Best Delaware Potatoes, per pk.	35c.
2 cans Campbell Soup	25c.
Orange and Lemon Peel, per lb.	.33
Cheese, per lb.	.15
Dates, per pkg.	.15
Knox Gelatine per pkg.	.15
Orange Pekoe Tea	.50
Sunbeam Tea	.50
2 cans P. C. Salmon	.35
Mince Meat, per lb. 16c. 2 lbs.	.35
Corn per can	.21
3 lb. can Tomatoes	.22
Peas, per can 16c., 2 for	.18
Peaches, per can	.15
2 pkgs. Wetley's Mince Meat	.25
3 pkgs. Not a Seed Raisins	.25
Clark's Chili Sauce Beans	.25
7 lbs. Onions	.25
4 Surprise or Gold Soap	.25
5 Lenox Soap	.25
2 pkgs. Red Ribbon Raisins	.25
1 lb. Purity Oats	.25
2 pkgs. Shredded Wheat	.25
3 pkgs. Jello	.25
3 McLaren's Jelly	.25
3 Bottles Extracts	.25
4 Bee Jelly	.25
6 pkgs. Cowbrand Soda	.25
3 lb. Barley	.25
4 lbs. Catmeal	.25
2 tins Evaporated Milk	.25
3 lbs. Graham Flour	.25
2 Tomato Catsup	.25
2 Worcester Sauce	.25
2 pkgs. Cornstarch	.25

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Golden Dates, 10c., 3 for 25c.  
King's Quality Flour—98 lb. bags, \$6.15  
24 lb. bags, \$1.65  
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Jersey Cream Baking Powder	.22
Purity Baking Powder, 1 lb. cans	.18
Eze Baking Powder	.10 and .20
McLaren's Baking Powder	.5, 10, 15

All Soaps have advanced but we are still selling our Soaps at the old prices.

4 cakes Surprise Soap	.25
4 cakes Good soap	.25
4 cakes Ivory Soap	.25
4 White Knight Soap	.25
5 cakes Lenox Soap	.25
5 cakes Fairy Soap	.25
Gold Soap, per box	.595
Surprise Soap, per box	.595
White Knight Soap, per box	.575
Lenox Soap, per box	.495

**CAN GOODS**

Cream Corn, per can	.21
Cream Corn, per doz.	2.40
Standard Peas, per can	.16
Standard Peas, per dozen	1.80
Tomatoes, per can, 3 lb. tins	.22
Tomatoes, per doz	2.50
2 pkgs. Cornmeal	.10 and .20
Peaches, per doz cans	2.00
Larger size can Peaches, per can.	.23
Larger size can Peaches, per doz.	2.50
75c. pails of Strawberry and Rasp- berry Jam	.58
Tumblers Jam, 3 for	.35
Tumblers Jam, per doz.	1.35

**SHORTENINGS**

All shortenings have advanced considerably. We have a large stock on hand.

3 lb. pails, 5 lb. pails, 10 lb. pails.	
3 lb. pails Domestic Shortening	.75
5 lb. pails Domestic Shortening	1.25
10 lb. pails Domestic Shortening	2.50
3 lb. pails Swift's Pure Lard	.89
1 lb. blocks Pure Lard	.31
Choice Country Butter, per lb.	.46
Choice Country Butter, 10 lb. lots	4.50
Choice Creamery Butter, per lb.	.48
Choice Creamery Butter, 10 lb. lots	4.70
New Waxed Cheese, per lb.	.28
New Waxed Cheese, 5 lb. lots	1.35
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Five Shamrocks—24 lb. bags	\$1.65
Dominion—Best Manitoba Blend, for Bread or Pastry	\$12.00 bbl.
Strathcona—Best Blend	\$11.75 bbl.
Strathcona—1/2 bbl. bags	\$5.80
Seeded Raisins, largest pkg., 12c. up	
Mixed Peas	35c. lb.
Cooking Figs	15c. lb.
New Shelled Almonds	55c. lb.
New Shelled Walnuts	60c. lb.
Table Raisins	15c. lb.
Mixed Nuts	20c. and 23c. lb.
Choice Mixed Candy	Only 15c. lb.
Christmas Mixture	Only 19c. lb.
Hand-made Barley Toys	Only 20c. lb.
Reg. 50c. Chocolates	Only 30c. lb.
5 lb. box	\$1.25
Reg. 60c. Chocolates	Only 40c. lb.

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The Evening Times and Star

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 14, 1917.

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GERMANY AND CANADA

Referring to the need of reinforcements for the Canadian divisions at the front, Canadian Finance of Winnipeg, a stout upholder of union government, says:

"The military issue is still far from certain. In 1914 Germany controlled three countries; today she controls thirteen—and tomorrow may control Russia too. She has conquered and annexed Belgium, Poland, Courland, Serbia, Roumania, and northeast France. Their people are in abject slavery. Their rescue from misery and the preservation of Canada from a like fate is our task.

There will be no next time, if the struggle now goes against Britain and her Allies—not in our day nor in that of our children's children. One last ounce of force—perhaps Canada's ounce at that—may decide the balance between victory and defeat. To the Kaiser the union government's defeat would mean more than miles of captured trenches."

Now let us see what Mr. Henri Bourassa has to say about upholding the policy of sending speedy help to the Canadian divisions in France. He says this: "There is only one efficacious way of preserving the nation from the mowing down of men and the forced requisition of popular savings, and that is to put an end to voluntary enlistment as well as to conscription, to cease the effort to destroy, to stop the dance of millions, and to begin the recuperation of our productive energies."

In other words, Mr. Bourassa wants Canada to sink out of the war. He would send no more men overseas. He would break faith with the men who have given their lives for Canada. He would defend Canada only when the Germans come to Canada. Let him be answered in the words of a soldier now in France:—

"Surely any country worth living in is worth fighting for. If those young, fit men of Canada who still hold back could only see the way the iron hand of the Hun has dealt with the land, and realize that if possible he would deal even worse with Canada, I do not think they would any longer delay. In one ruined home here I picked up a baby's shoe—and I can tell you I am not by any means a sentimentalist, but the sight of that baby shoe will not soon be forgotten."

"Only a baby's shoe," says Winnipeg Finance. "Scarce worth the mentioning, one would think, in the grim shadow of unnamable horrors! But how close that trifling incident would come home if the shoe belonged to some little tot in Halifax or Quebec?"

Or St. John. The place to defend Canada is in France and Flanders. If the Germans win there the rest will be easy for them. The Canadian people should see their duty clearly before them, and vote for union government, and the men in the trenches.

ST. DAVID'S CHURCH.

Commenting on the destruction of St. David's church by fire yesterday, a man in khaki remarked that boys now widely scattered would hear the news with the deepest regret. In every unit that had been in St. John since the war started were men who had gratefully enjoyed the hospitality of St. David's, and would now sympathize with its warm hearted people in their great loss.

THE CHILDREN'S AID.

The Local Council of Women has presented to the Children's Aid Society the sum of \$2,055.20, the net proceeds of Rosebud Day. The amount is added to the building fund, which amounts altogether now to \$2,600. If the Society had \$12,000 in all it could provide itself with a permanent home, fully equipped, and adequate for its needs for many years to come, with ample ground on which to provide more accommodation if it should ever be needed. As institutions go, the amount is far from being a large one, and the work is so necessary in the life of the city under present social conditions that it should appeal to citizens of means and of a generous nature.

A young girl taken from most wretched surroundings is now in an adopted home, is receiving a good education, has been given the name of her foster parents, and is a bright and happy member of a well-to-do family. Another, who was a delinquent through no fault of her own, is now a happy member of a minister's family. Another minister took a little child on trial, and writes that he is coming to fill out the adoption papers; for the child has brought brightness into his home and is loved by all.

With adequate facilities the Society could do a great work in giving many neglected children a fair start in life. It is for the children's sake the facilities should be provided. The Women's Council, whose president, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, is a member of the board, has set a fine example of sympathy and kindly aid.

A notable fact is that no large subscriptions were asked for, and the large sum raised was the tribute of all the people.

Montreal Star: Lacking compulsory military service, Canada would offer sanctuary to the dregs of other countries. Criminals, dope fiends, white slavers and the like would slip through the boundaries into Canada, and we would experience a wave of crime of unprecedented virulence. Compulsory military service is needed in Canada, by those at home, in order that the authorities may be enabled to keep a proper watch on the floating population. Only when every man in the country may be called on to show his status, is there adequate protection in wartime.

One of the tasks of the friends of union government is that of countering false canvasses and exposing utterly incorrect representations made to women voters by some of the active partisans on the other side. Among the latter are said to be some young gentlemen of military age.

In the last three months of voluntary enlistment (August, September and October) there were over 22,000 Canadian infantry casualties—and less than 4,000 infantry enlistments. There have been further heavy casualties since October. The facts are so plain that no reasonable citizen can deny the urgent need of reinforcements.

Major McMillan, Major Magee and Lieut. Vassie appeal from the front for support for union government. The Fighting 26th, which lost over 250 men at Passchendaele, sends an appeal to New Brunswick for reinforcements. They must not be denied. The union government will send the needed help.

One of the meanest tricks to deprive women of their vote is that of giving them blue pencils with which to mark their ballots, and thus have them thrown out. Union government workers must be on their guard against such contemptible tactics.

The men on the firing line are under no illusions. They know the need of men, when the Germans were able to snatch from the British some of their recent victory at Cambrai. If Canada fails to respond to the appeal of her sons in the trenches she will stand disgraced among the democracies of the world. To carry on or quit—that is the issue in Canada today.

Major C. W. Gordon (Ralph Connor) said a few days ago at Edmonton that "if Canada should withdraw now, every French soldier would feel a chill, Britain would have her first tremor of fear, and in Germany all would be triumphant rejoicing."

BIRKS CUT GLASS advertisement featuring an illustration of a glass dish and text describing various styles of cut glass and their quality.

FATHER BRADLEY DEAD. Bishop LeBlanc received word yesterday that Rev. Francis Bradley had passed away in Montreal.

Palpitation of the Heart and Nerve Troubles. WERE CURED BY Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills.

When the heart begins to beat irregularly or intermittently, palpitate and throb, skip beats, beat fast for a time, then to slow as to seem almost to stop, it causes great anxiety and alarm.

La Tour FLOUR DIRECT FROM MILL TO HOME AT MILL PRICES.

MILBURN'S LIGHTNING HITCH advertisement with an illustration of a shoe and text describing the product.

Buckled Up In a Second advertisement for Colonial HOLIDAY DAINTIES.

Francis & Vaughan advertisement for Foley's Stove Linings.

PYREX Transparent OVEN-WARE advertisement featuring an illustration of a glass dish and text describing the 11-piece set.

Appropriate - Practical - Christmas Gifts advertisement for CARVERS, featuring an illustration of a carving set.

POCKET KNIVES AND SCISSORS advertisement listing various types of knives and their prices.

PEARL AND CELLOID TABLE CUTLERY advertisement listing various types of cutlery and their prices.

Emerson & Fisher Ltd. advertisement for various goods.

TESTIMONIALS FOR MEDICINES advertisement for Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine.

CHEYNE & CO advertisement for groceries and fruits.

New Electric Reading Lamps advertisement for BRASS or COPPER lamps with art shades.



THE EVENING TIMES AND STAR, ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1917

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FOR SALE

FOR SALE GENERAL

FOR SALE—A FUR BEAVER COAT—man's, at reasonable price. Apply J. Gluck, 106 King street. 70250-12-18

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TWO TENEMENT, LEASEHOLD, with barn, at price to net 10 per cent on investment. Near Haymarket Square. Picket & Lewin. 70084-12-18

FOR SALE—HOUSEHOLD

NEW SILVER MOON STOVES, high class Ranges. J. P. Lynch, 270 Union street. 70222-12-21

AUTOS FOR SALE

FOR SALE—CHEVROLET FIVE Passenger Automobile, also Ford Runabout. Both in good condition. Bargains. J. Clark & Son, Ltd. 70123-12-18

WEALTH CONSCRIPTION

How it Will Work Out Under Union Government Plans (Canadian Finance.) Less than fifteen cents out of every dollar of its profits for the year ending March last is all that the Wm. Davis would have been able to obtain had the union government's regulation of packing houses been then in effect.

AUCTIONS

Only Three More Nights of the Great Auction Sale at 157 Brunswick street, tonight, Dec. 13, Friday, 14th, and Monday, 17th, at 7:30, your last opportunity to buy Christmas Presents at your own prices—Dolls, Toys, Books, Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Silverware, Watches, China Cups and Saucers, Vases, Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Dry Goods and a large assortment of goods suitable for Xmas Gifts.

"THE GODSAKERS OF CANADA"

(From Maclean's Magazine.) It was Wells who invented the term "Godsakers" to apply to that numerous and useless class who rail at everything and demand with righteous heat, "For God sake, why doesn't someone do something about it?" The trouble with the Godsaker is that he never sees that he ought to do something about it himself.

ARE YOU GOING TO MOVE; OR HAVE YOU A HOUSE OR FLAT TO RENT?

This page of the TIMES is the city directory for the home seeker; and for the landlord who wants a tenant.

FLATS TO LET

TO LET—FLAT 54 ELLIOTT ROW. Apply 304 Princess street, immediate possession. 70288-12-21

FURNISHED ROOMS

HEATED ROOMS, 25 PADDOCK. 70240-12-25

BOARDING

BOARDING, \$5.00 WEEK, 27 BRUSSELS, opposite Union. 70147-12-19

ROOMS TO LET

HEATED ROOMS, 18 MILL. 69870-12-20

WANTED

WANTED—FURNISHED FLAT about 4 rooms, suitable for light housekeeping. Apply Mrs. Graham, St. John Hotel. 70231-12-17

HELP WANTED

WANTED—MALE HELP

WANTED—MAN AT CRYSTAL Creamery, 207 Charlotte street. 70196-12-20

COOKS AND MAIDS

WANTED—COOK. APPLY MORNINGS, Mrs. Carleton Lee, 100 Leinster. 70248-12-21

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—BETWEEN UNION AND Main streets, Lady's Small Mink Fur Collar. Finder return to Times Office or Phone M. 173-31. 70217-12-14

AGENTS WANTED

PORTRAIT AGENTS—THE DEMAND for portraits is greater than ever before. Best oval convex portraits at lowest prices, oval frames and convex glass at manufacturers price. Write for catalogue today. Oak Park Supply Co., 510 N. Kedzie Ave., Chicago, Ill. 70022-12-18

STORES, BUILDINGS

TO LET—LARGE HALL, 40 x 40, well lighted, King Square, north side. Will be fixed to suit tenant. Apply D. B. Dole, Phone 3870. 70189-12-21

SITUATIONS WANTED

WOMAN WISHING WORK AS housekeeper or any work in city or county. Box 118, Times. 70256-12-21

COAL

BEST QUALITY REASONABLE PRICES R. P. & W. F. STARR, Limited Wholesale and Retail Dealers 40 SMYTHE ST. 151 UNION ST

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"Is Good Coal" All Kinds on Hand. Phone West 17 J. FIRTH BRITAIN, Mgr.

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"Will burn longer than any other Soft Coal on the market. (Good Goods Promptly Delivered) — See — A. E. WHELPLEY 238 Paradise Row. Main 1227.

FURNISHED FLATS

FURNISHED FLAT, 7 ROOMS, CENTRAL, gas, steam, desirable. Phone 1939-21. 70257-12-21

HOUSES TO LET

TO LET—WEST END HOUSE, South Market wharf. Immediate possession. H. C. Schofield, 102 Prince William street. Telephone Main 2738. T.F.

STERLING REALTY, Ltd.

Flat 43 Elm, \$10.00. Lower flat 239 David, rent \$11.00. Flat 5 St. David, \$10.00. J. W. MORRISON 97 Prince Wm. St. Phone M. 3441-21

DOLLS

Largest Stock, Lowest Prices in St. John Canadian Dolls, United States Dolls, Japanese Dolls. Brigade Dolls, 2c, 5c, 10c, 12c, 15c. Rag Dolls, 3c, 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c. Brigade Baby Dolls, 5c, 6c, 8c, 10c, 12c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 55c, 60c, 65c, 70c, 75c, 80c, 85c, 90c, 95c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.25, \$3.50, \$3.75, \$4.00, \$4.25, \$4.50, \$4.75, \$5.00, \$5.25, \$5.50, \$5.75, \$6.00, \$6.25, \$6.50, \$6.75, \$7.00, \$7.25, \$7.50, \$7.75, \$8.00, \$8.25, \$8.50, \$8.75, \$9.00, \$9.25, \$9.50, \$9.75, \$10.00.

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WANTED—FEMALE

TWO SALES GIRLS WANTED. Apply Two Barkers, 100 Princess street. 70240-12-21

WANTED—WOMAN FOR COUNTRY HOME, 128 Union street. T.F.

GIRLS WANTED—APPLY GENERAL Public Hospital. 70181-12-19

WANTED—HOUSEMAIDS. ROYAL Hotel. T.F.

WANTED—GIRL OF 16, 27 BRUSSELS street. 70028-12-19

GIRLS WANTED, PANT MAKERS, power machine work. L. Cohen, 107 Germain; entrance to Church. 70028-12-19

WANTED—TWO GIRLS FOR DINING room. Apply 54 Mill street to the manager, Jung Shing. 70078-12-18

WANTED—FIRST CLASS STENOGRAPHER. Answer to Box C 79, care Telegraph, stating wages and experience. T.F.

Bliggins' Specialty. "Bliggins reads a great deal." "I wish he wouldn't," commented Miss Cayenne. "He can take the greatest author who ever wrote and quote him in a way that makes him sound perfectly foolish!"

NOTICE

The application filed this day with the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities by the New Brunswick Power Company praying that the Board may approve of a new and revised toll charge and tariff for its street railway, electric light power and gas services—to go into effect on the first day of January next, will be heard on Thursday, the 27th day of December next, at the hour of 10:30 of the clock in the forenoon at the Government Rooms, in the City of Saint John, when all parties interested may attend and be heard.

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such as are sold by FRASER, FRASER & CO. The Leaders in Low Prices

Attractive neckwear for men, beautiful assortment from which to select a useful and pleasing gift.

Fancy Umbrellas, Raincoats, Mufflers, Hosiery, Gloves, Braces, Caps, Shoes, Rubbers, Fancy Vests, House Robes, Smoking Jackets, Overcoats, Suits, Trousers, Shirts, Sweaters, Underwear.

FRASER, FRASER & CO. The Leaders in Low Prices CLOTHIERS 200 UNION ST.

By the Board, FRED P. ROBINSON, 12-28 Clerk.

Women on Juries? (New York Herald.) The reduction through the war in the number of men available for service as jurors and the fact that women in this state have obtained the suffrage, suggest that before long we shall have women in the jury boxes.

If the next legislature makes woman eligible it will be interesting to see whether they will willingly serve or whether they will like the men who daily beseege the office of the commissioner of jurors seeking exemption and resorting to questionable devices in the attempt to obtain it.

In the case of a woman on trial for crime women jurors would have a hundred clues to character and conduct that are imperceptible to men. And when passing upon one of their own sex there would be no danger of women being so emotionally biased as men have shown themselves to be.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT YOUR BOY

(Galesburg Evening Mail.) The impression prevails in America that enlistment or conscription in the army means the probable death of the soldier in battle. It has even been stated that an Allied officer at the front has only so many days to live; that the life of a man in the trenches is a matter of a limited number of days.

THE IMPRESSION IS FALSE

The impression is false, and the statements are lies. The death rate in the Allied armies on the western front is only about four times that of the same age in civil life—and there are many occupations of peace which are no less hazardous than the occupation of making war.

ON THE AUTHORITY OF THE EQUABLE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

We have it that less than 21,000 out of nearly 500,000 Canadians who have been sent overseas have been killed. This is only about four per cent—and many of the Canadians have been in action for nearly three years.

Perhaps more to the point is the case of the French army, whose definite casualties (including killed, prisoners and missing) were reduced to only 1.28 per cent in the last half of 1916. It is safe to assume that the American soldiers will make use of the experience of the French army and that its casualties will be no higher—if, indeed, we are not able to reduce them.

Don't worry about your son, your brother, or your sweetheart who is in the army. He may perhaps be killed or hurt, but there are ninety-six chances out of a hundred that he will come back to you—and in the great majority of cases he will be better physically, mentally and morally for his experience.

Ex-Ambassador Gerard—"The splendid message of the Germans, who have stiffened the hearts of Americans to breathing steel."

Lord Shaughnessy—"Frothy Jingoism and incendiary speeches, emanating as a rule, from those whose only contribution to the war is in the form of language, and which may tend to encourage domestic strife, should be suppressed, and every utterance that suggests any disloyalty should bring prompt punishment to the offender."

James M. Beck—"Every nation, with the exception of Germany, loves France, while tonight there is not a nation in the world that loves Germany, and not only her vassal allies can be said even to respect her in the same way that the slave respects the last of the slave-drivers."

At any time and under any conditions, the news of ruin so wide and appalling as that which fell lightning on Halifax must have stirred all American hearts to compassion. In this hour of war the force of the blow is doubled—Boston Transcript.

SHOPS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW

Designed to Place Before Our Readers The Merchandise, Craftsmanship and Service Offered By Shops and Specialty Stores

ASHES REMOVED

IF YOU WANT YOUR ASHES REMOVED call up W. G. McInerney, 804 Union street, Main 965-11.

ASHES REMOVED PROMPTLY. Eastern Ash Co. Tel. M 8049-11. 69768-12-18

BRASS PLATING

ELECTRIC LIGHT FIXTURES REFINISHED in all colors. Brass beds refinished and made as good as new.

BARGAINS

SANTA CLAUS HAS ARRIVED with lots of goods for Christmas presents at Wetmore's, 59 Garden street.

WANTED TO PURCHASE—GENTLEMEN'S cast off clothing, fur coats, jewelry, diamonds, old gold and silver, musical instruments, bicycles, guns, revolvers, tools, etc.

CLEANING

CLOTHES CLEANED, REPAIRED and Pressed. Orders left at 150 Brasels street.

COAL

NOW LANDING, FRESH MINED Reserve Sydney Coal. Tel. 42. James S. McGivern, 5 Mill street.

BURN OLD MINE SYDNEY Reserve coal in grate and range. Jas. W. Carleton, corner Duke and Market Place. West 82.

T. M. WISTED & CO., 142 ST. PATRICK street. American anthracite, all sizes; Springhill Reserve Sydney soft coal also in stock.

ENGRAVERS

F. C. WESLEY & CO., ARTISTS AND ENGRAVERS, 89 Water street. Telephone M. 952.

FILMS FINISHED

FILMS DEVELOPED AND PRINTED by hand at Watson's, Main street. No machine work. Enlargement 8x10 for 35c.

FUR CLEANING

FUR CLEANING BY EXPERT FURRIER. Prices moderate, goods called for and delivered. H. L. Currie, called for C. & E. Everett's. Tel. Main 1094-21.

GOLD PLATING

TABLEWARE OF ALL KINDS REPAIRED and plated. Knives, forks, spoons, cake baskets, castors, teapots, etc. Mesh bags repaired and plated. Also jewelry repaired and plated, gold or silver, at Grandines, the Plater.

HATS BLOCKED

LADIES VELOUR BEAVER AND Felt Hats blocked over in latest styles. Mrs. T. R. James, 280 Main street, opposite Adelaide.

HAIRDRESSING

MISS McGRATH, N. Y. PARLORS. Imperial Theatre Building. Orders taken now for new hats, colorings, hair work a specialty. Gents' manicuring—Floor 2. Phone M 2695-81. New York graduate.

IRON FOUNDRIES

UNION FOUNDRY AND MACHINE Works, Limited, George H. Waring, manager, West St. John, N. B. Engineers and machinists, iron and brass foundry.

MEN'S CLOTHING

GOOD RELIABLE WINTER OVERCOATS at reasonable price. W. J. Higgins & Co., custom and ready-to-wear clothing, 182 Union street.

NOW SHOWING—A BIG RANGE of men's overcoats, from \$12 to \$24; guaranteed. Call early and make your selection. Turner, out of the high rent district, 440 Main street.

MONEY TO LOAN

MONEY TO LOAN ON CITY FREEhold or leasehold. Apply Leonard A. Conlon, Solicitor, Ritchie Building.

NICKEL-PLATING

AUTOMOBILE PARTS REFINISHED, made to look like new. Bicycle parts, sewing machine parts, stove fittings, bath-room fittings, etc., re-nickled at Grandines the Plater.

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FINANCIAL

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET. Quotations furnished by private wire of J. M. Robinson & Sons, St. John, N. B. New York, Dec. 14.

Table of stock market quotations including Am Car and Fdry, Am Locomotive, Am Beet Sugar, Am Can, Am Sugar, Am Stead Faries, etc.

MONTREAL TRANSACTIONS (J. M. Robinson & Sons, Members Montreal Stock Exchange). Brompton—15 at 89. Steel Co—11 at 40 1/2.

George T. Holyoke, of Houlton, is dead. He was born in Jackson (N. B.), Dec. 8, 1866, being the son of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Holyoke, of Woodstock.

MRS. ASQUITH'S EPIGRAMS. Mrs. Asquith contributes a series of what are described as brilliantly witty "love letters" to the November Pearson's Magazine.

Women and Men. You'll think me stupid, I know, but I did not find her agreeable clever. She is like so many well-educated women—she has her knowledge like you might a water-color or any other piece of workmanship.

WEATHER STRIPS. FOR FREEDOM FROM DRAFTS, saving in fuel, and for comfort, equip your windows and doors with Chamberlain Metal Weatherstrip.

WALL PAPERS. GREAT BARGAINS IN WALL Paper at H. Baig's, 74 Brussels. 68985-12-28

WOOD. FOR SALE—DRY KINDLING wood. Telephone Main 3295-21. 12-15

DRY SLAB WOOD, KINDLING and deal ends \$1.25 per load in North End. Phone Main 9471-11. 69048-1-8

EQUITABLE FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY. ANDREW JACH, Agent. 65 Prince William Street

Douglas Fir Sheathing. 7-16 x 2-1/4 V Joint, or 7-16 x 5-1/4 V and Centre V. Clear and kiln dried. Makes beautiful ceiling and wainscot. Special Cash Price on quantities, \$36.00 per M. ft.

J. Roderick & Son. Britain Street. Phone Main 854

Quo Vadis Club. Thirteen students of Mount St. Vincent University, at Columbia, have formed an organization known as the Quo Vadis Club.

RESTAURANT and QUICK LUNCH FOR QUICK SALE. We have been instructed to make immediate sale of high-class restaurant and quick lunch business in the heart of the select business district.

So That The People May Know

Big American Street Car companies could not operate on a five cent fare basis, even with cheaper materials and heavier patronage. Many have had to raise their rates, others are seeking relief. Public Utilities face critical times.

Friday, December 14, 1917.

Our street railway troubles can be traced right back to depreciation of wearing of cars, rails, and material, and this in addition to the higher rate of wages, greatly increased cost of coal, and materials.

All properly operated companies must provide a reserve for depreciation. And the reserve must be gotten out of the fares or borrowed, but the consequence of such borrowing is too obviously wrong to even be mentioned.—It couldn't be borrowed today, anyway.

In normal times the street railway never made even five per cent on the value invested therein; it did not make sufficient to provide for ordinary depreciation. How then, today, with everything needed to provide you with service increased in price from one hundred to four hundred per cent, can we possibly continue to give service on a 4.31 cent fare.

It is an utter impossibility. In our previous talks, I have endeavored to give you a brief and concise outline of the essential facts concerning the operation of our street railway—facts necessary to enable you to arrive at a fair conclusion as to the justness of our petition for a six cent fare with one cent for transfer.

The facts I have outlined do not apply only to St. John. No, indeed. Their application is world-wide—wherever there is a street railway to be operated; Albany, Troy, Schenectady, Syracuse, Rochester, Ithaca, Poughkeepsie and other cities in the State of New York have been obliged to seek relief from the ever increasing burden of expense in the shape of increased fares.

In Massachusetts, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, the Public Utilities Commission has already permitted the street railway companies to increase their fares. They had been suffering from the same causes which affect your street railway.

EVER INCREASING EXPENSES AND A FIXED RATE. The number of companies which have increased their rates in the United States is over one hundred. In some cases they have been permitted to increase their fares to six cents; in others to seven cents, and, in other instances, they have changed to two cents per mile.

Is it not better for you to pay a six cent fare with one cent for transfer, a moderate increase, today, than to make it an utter impossibility for your street railway company to give you what you want and what it wishes to supply—SERVICE?

Think, for a minute, what it would cost you to drive from place to place in the city, if there were no street car service; how much it would cost you, for instance, to drive from Glen Falls to West St. John.

Supposing the street railway were to ask you to pay TWENTY-FIVE CENTS for that distance—which it has no intention of doing? It would yet remain cheap for you, because no lively man in the city of St. John, or no company running an automobile service would transport you nine miles for less than four times twenty-five cents.

Did you ever look at the matter from that angle of solid fact? If you have, I am sure you will see that what our street railway company is asking is as nothing to the service given. You will say: "It's worth ten times what you're asking"—and you would be perfectly correct. It is limousine service—minus the price.

L. R. ROSS, President New Brunswick Power Company.

BEIJARD HITS NEW YORK AND COAL IS SHORT. New York, Dec. 13.—A snowstorm of blizzard proportions which is sweeping New York city tonight finds the coal supply of the metropolis virtually exhausted and transportation lines experiencing great difficulty in moving coal awaiting transport from New Jersey.

Patetic. "Do you believe in signs?" "Not in electric signs, when coal is so scarce." Biting Comment. Mr. Bellows—O wife, these look like the biscuits my mother baked twenty years ago.

Old Country cricketers have paid heavy toll in the war to maintain the British ethics of cricket in international dealings.—Ottawa Citizen.

WOMEN VOTERS IN THE CITY WARNED

Don't Use a Blue Pencil—Use a Black One—Contemptible Trick Intended to Deceive is Discovers

The unionist women's organization which is looking after women voters lists has discovered a contemptible conspiracy in Lansdowne ward. While on a trip through the ward yesterday afternoon members of the organization were asked why they were making a second visit to the homes of female voters. They replied that this was their first visit and were told that other women, representing themselves as Unionist workers, had previously called and left blue pencils with instructions that these pencils were to be used in marking the ballots on election day.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND SERVICE. Prince Edward Island service via Tormentine and Port Borden commencing Tuesday, Dec. 11. The route to Prince Edward Island will be via Sackville to Tormentine and Ferry Prince Edward Island to Port Borden.

STRONG WARRIORS. (New York Evening Sun). As a result of what she can do and apparently is doing, Germany passes from a state of insufficiency to one of strength. But what of the western Allies? They, too, are stronger than ever before.

A concert was held in the Gaiety Theatre, last night, in Fairville, in aid of the Halifax relief. In addition to a five-reel picture the programme consisted of a solo by Mrs. Blake Ferris and selections from the Carleton mixed quartet, composed of Mrs. Blake Ferris, Mrs. F. K. Stewart, J. R. Crulshank and Rippey. Uptairs in the Orange Hall a home cooking and fancy candy sale was also held.

A Grumble from Maine. It's getting so it costs a Maine man as much to get a jag in Boston as it costs him to get there.—Waterville (Me.) Sentinel.

Perplexing, Isn't It?

If there is any one thing harder than another, it is for a man to choose a gift for another man.

A woman may not select to suit, but what's the odds, being a woman she's excused.

With our well-selected stock of men's wear, cravats, mufflers, suspender sets, armbands, garters, sweaters coats, khaki goods, etc., you will have no trouble making a suitable choice.

We will be pleased to help you make your selections.

Gilmour's 68 King St.

A PLEASING CHRISTMAS GIFT

To father or mother would be a new pair of glasses, fitted by K. W. KAPSTEIN & CO., Optometrists.

A useful gift, a lasting gift—one that brings the giver to mind every day. 193 UNION STREET

OSCAR LEWISOHN'S ESTATE

His Wife is the Only Beneficiary—Value \$6,000,000.

New York, Dec. 14.—The will of Oscar Lewisoohn, who died suddenly on Dec. 5, was filed for probate this week. It leaves the entire estate of more than \$6,000,000 to his wife, Edna May Lewisoohn, former actress, with the exception of a bequest of \$500 to a servant. The testator also asked his wife to pay out of her share of the estate legacies of \$500 each to each person employed in his household more than two years.

While the petition accompanying the will stated that Mr. Lewisoohn left no real estate in this country and had personal property of more than \$100,000, it was stated that the value is at least \$6,000,000. He had valuable realty holdings in London.

USE THE WANT AD. WAY

His Christmas Slippers

It matters not how many Christmas remembrances you may provide for a man—He must have a pair of Christmas Slippers. No Man's Christmas is complete without a pair of our Slippers. They are always right and always appreciated.

SEE OUR SLIPPER SHOW! Kid Slippers, black or colors, Everget and Opera styles, Romeos, Slippers, Felt Slippers, etc., etc. 98c., \$1.35, \$1.85, \$2.25 to \$3.35



WIEZEL'S CASH STORE

IF YOU WANT CREDIT YOU WANT ME! IF YOU NEED WINTER CLOTHING FOR MEN, LADIES, BOYS AND GIRLS—WATERPROOFS AND FURS you should see me. I sell to you good, stylish, up-to-the-minute in style, workmanship, fit and quality for Credit at Cash Prices.

Payable Weekly, Fortnightly or Monthly. I treat all business confidential, and will not send collectors if you do not wish it.

Alex. Lesser's Cash & Credit Store (Formerly The People's Cash & Credit Co.) 553-555 Main St. Phone Main 2909. Store Open Evenings

WIEZEL'S CASH STORE

'The Conversion of Carvell'

A Study In Political Psychology

Mark Kells writes as follows in the Canadian Courier under the heading here given—

And Frank Carvell has been elected to the House of Commons by acclamation; another mile-stone passed. But I am too far ahead in my story.

It was a little more than six years ago that it seemed to Carvell the horizon had dropped out of life. To have commended recognition as one of the country's ablest platform speakers, to have been selected for committee leadership by a powerful government, to have been within grasp of a portfolio, and then to have lost all in a single day's pollings; to have been elected by a majority of one to support a hopeless minority—the reward of twenty years' political effort. Is it strange that Carvell should have asked himself that favorite question of politicians in middle age: What's the use?

Two or three years later came the war, and in its train new problems and new aspects of life. The Honorable Frank Carvell found himself in this atmosphere. He had been a politician, not a statesman; he had sought for party advantage, struggled for it, devoted every fibre of his ability towards securing it—and had been elected by a majority of one to support a helpless minority. With a realization of the seriousness of the war, came a new sense of public responsibility. Carvell is a Methodist, and went manfully to the duty, unworn, political penitent-bench, confessed the errors of the past, and made a silent, sincere vow for the future.

And the vow was for honesty. Mistake me not, Carvell had never been dishonest in mere matters of money; the vow was for thorough-going intellectual honesty, a quality possessed only by those despised of men, the lonely idealists.

The secret could not be kept, and was soon passed around in select circles at Ottawa. Those politicians who knew not Carvell, shyly concealed their laughter; and those politicians who knew him well, prepared to write his political epitaph. For intellectual honesty is generally believed to be incompatible with political success—and it is only Carvell's subsequent career that convinces one that the belief may not be well-founded. If you believe this an exaggeration, speculate upon the fate of a conscientious protectionist in Saskatchewan, or the fate of an honest opponent of government ownership in Toronto. The ordinary—and extraordinary—members of parliament have to trim their political whiskers to suit the fancy of their constituency. Their one business is to find majorities, and, as we all know, majorities are not always right, and of course not always in accord with the convictions of the men who seek to represent them.

Carvell's new programme contained no provision for trimming. He had decided to think for himself, to settle all public questions according to the standard of his own reason and conscience, stand by his convictions and let the consequences take care of themselves. When the Allison enquiry came along, it is no secret that prominent Liberals—by no means all of them—were opposed to its prosecution. And it was in the Allison enquiry that the first test came.

"It will be a boomerang," said one of them to Carvell.

"What makes you think so?" asked the M. P. from Carleton, N. B.

"Well, some of our fellows are in munitions," was the reply.

"The enquiry won't hurt them if they are honest," was the answer, "and if they are dishonest then may someone else have mercy upon them, for I won't," continued Carvell, turning on his heel.

The Allison enquiry was the first milestone in the new career of Carvell. Since then the miles travelled by Carvell have been recorded on the political speedometer with bewildering frequency. Suggested by the western Liberals as leader of the new union party, suggested by eastern Liberals as the successor of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, chosen by Sir Robert Borden as minister of public works, and now one of only two ministers of the Crown that can call seats in the House of Commons their very own!

The suggestion of Union government came easily to Carvell. "Is it an honest attempt to do the right thing?" he asked. That was the only question, and upon its answer Carvell made his decision. His former colleagues say Carvell's judgment went wrong. Be that as it may, it was Carvell's expediency, that led him into Unionism. That's the point.

There was no silly sentimentality about the conversion of Carvell. Politics had been unsuccessful, and Carvell, concluding they were out of joint with the times, tried something else. That is the simple secret of Carvell's conversion. Some day we will see if the old adage that honesty is the best policy, holds true of the intellect in politics. We shall

ably destined to fighting appellations. We have a "Fighting Frank" Cochrane, "Fighting Frank" Oliver, and, of course, a "Fighting Frank" Carvell. If more proof along this direction is required, I may cite the case of Frank Lator, an old member of the House of Commons, who is not called "Fighting Frank." Surely this clinches the argument by the exception necessary to prove every well-regulated rule.

It is an out-of-the-way place, Woodstock, Carleton County, New Brunswick, the home-town of the man who has been experimenting with a straight talk based on conviction as an asset in politics. Woodstock is somewhere back of Fredericton, and Fredericton is the least visited of provincial capitals. But this out-of-the-way place, famous for potatoes and politics, will some day be the home of—a distinguished Canadian statesman.

CASTELLANE DIES OF INJURY.

Father of Anna Gould's First Husband Was 75 Years Old.

The Marquis de Castellane, father of Count Boni de Castellane, died last week at his residence in Paris. The marquis was knocked down by a wagon as he was entering his home. He was rendered unconscious by the shock and his condition from the first was regarded as serious. He was seventy-five years old. The Marquis de Castellane was a member of a famous old French family. His mother, who was the daughter of

the Duchesse de Dino and the grand-niece of Talleyrand, established a salon in Paris in an age which has vanished with the changes of Parisian social history. The family was strictly Catholic.

In 1870 the Marquis de Castellane became a "moblot" joining the hastily mobilized forces, forming a sort of territorial army to resist the steady progress of the invader. He did not consider that he was fighting for Napoleon III, he related, but entirely for France.

At the time of Boni de Castellane's marriage in 1896 to Miss Anna Gould his father surrendered to him and to his two other sons, Jean and Stanislas, all his rights to the family property in return for an annuity to which his children contributed an equal share.

A Reckless Fire Dog.

(New York Sun.)

Kimmel, a big Dalmatian hound and one of the finest of the fire department's mascots, has for several years been to the firemen of hook and ladder company 5 about what the little lamb was to Mary—wherever the firemen went there went Kimmel also. They have never been in a place that Kimmel considered too hot for him, so yesterday when the men of No. 5 carried lines of hose up the stairways and to the roof of a burning seven-story left building at the corner of West Tenth and Greenwich streets, Kimmel just naturally went along. The firemen were too busy to notice

Kimmel, and when the fire broke through the roof and cut off their escape by way of the trapdoor, they climbed hurriedly down the fire escape, leaving the dog on the roof. Fifteen minutes later Lieut. Pieper, Kimmel's real owner and first master, noticed that the dog was missing, and a minute after that he heard Kimmel barking. Looking up, he saw the dog standing on the edge of the roof, barking and squirming around as the fire got hotter and hotter and closer and closer. Several other firemen saw him about that time, and there was a rush for the fire escape, but Lieut. Pieper won and a few seconds later he clambered down again with Kimmel clasped in his arms. After that Kimmel ripped the fire tied to a fire engine wheel.

TO THE WOMEN OF CANADA

Who Have Done Wonderful Things In This War

Women of Canada—Read what Sarah Bernhardt, the world famous French actress, and glorious woman said recently in Montral.

"And your Canadians. What wonderful soldiers, too! They have done wonderful things, marvellous things. The world will not forget them. And France will never forget. They have won our hearts. They have fought, and sacrificed, and won—and France is ever grateful."

"But remember, the war is not over yet. There is work to be done—grim fighting yet to come. Reinforcements—yes, you must keep them up, you must not give up the fighter now. You will not. That would be unbelievable. I know you will not. Your boys have been so splendid—you will give them all the help they need to the end, of course."

Yes, it is unbelievable that the women of Canada would go back on the boys at the front. They will never do that.

Every woman loves a fighter, and hates a quitter.

It is impossible to believe, therefore, that any woman voter will be found voting on the same side as the French-Canadians who have shirked their duty in this war.

Women! Bear in mind it is because the French-Canadians did not, and would not, do their duty that Conscription had to be resorted to. They stand isolated and aloof from the civilized peoples of the world—and not only are they unabashed and unashamed, but they are brazenly defiant.

The grievous suffering of their mother country—France—glorious, heroic, self-sacrificing France—the wreck, ruin and devastation of Belgium—closely akin to France—touches no responsive chord in their hearts.

SUPPORT UNION GOVERNMENT

Union Government is pledged to procure the 100,000 reinforcements so urgently required by the strong and impartial enforcement of the Military Service Act, 1917. There will be no evasion. Quebec will be made to contribute its quota of men. Union Government has no alliances with the interests. It is composed of representative, patriotic

men, Liberals and Conservatives, on a fifty-fifty basis, who have cast aside all political differences in this great hour of Canada's history, determined to prosecute the war to ultimate and victorious peace, and to direct the economic life of Canada to the one end of making her more efficient to wage battle on the Hun.

Shall Laurier and Bourassa block the way? Shall Canada's honor be trailed in the mud by the Province of Quebec? Shall our boys in France and Flanders be supported, or shall Bourassa sacrifice them to the world's enemy?

Women of Canada: The answer may rest with your vote on Dec. 17th. You who are the wives, mothers, daughters and sisters of those men who have fought heavily for Canada in the muddy trenches, who have borne discomfort and have made untold sacrifices in the cause of our liberty. Are we to let them dwindle to a mere handful, or are we to place OUR WILL on Canada on Dec. 17th by an overwhelming majority for the Unionist Candidates.

Women Who Vote: Every Woman may vote who is a British subject, 21 years of age, resident in Canada one year, and in the constituency 30 days, who is the mother, wife, widow, daughter, sister or half-sister of any person, male or female, living or dead, who is serving or who has served without Canada in any of the Military forces, or within or without Canada in any of the Naval forces of Canada or of Great Britain, in the present war, or who has been honorably discharged from such services, and the date of whose enlistment was prior to Sept. 20, 1917.

Unionist Party Publicity Committee

Women Who Have Votes

Some deceitful canvassers and fraudulent enumerators are telling a number of women who have soldier relatives overseas that the woman suffrage law has been changed and there is no need to bother any more about their vote.

The law has not been changed and all women who come under the following classes can vote in the coming elections:

Those of the full age of 21 years, a British subject (not of alien enemy race), and residing at the address given within the electoral district, and who is either the wife, widow, mother, sister or daughter of one of the following persons:

- 1.—Of a Canadian soldier now overseas;
2.—Of a Canadian soldier who has died overseas;
3.—Of a returned Canadian soldier;
4.—Of a Canadian army nurse in the forces of Canada or of Great Britain;
5.—Of a person who during the present war has been on active service in the Imperial Army or the British Navy;
6.—Of a member of the Canadian naval forces.

For the benefit of women who are entitled to have a vote there has been opened at 84 Charlotte street a Women's Central Committee, where information will be given. T.P.

**DENIES UNION IS AGAINST ANY BUT THE ENEMY**

Sir Robert Borden Closes His Campaign With Meeting in Ottawa

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—Sir Robert Borden concluded his campaign here this evening. The Russell Theatre, where he spoke, was packed. Outside there were hundreds unable to secure admission, many of whom had waited long in the falling snow. The first rows of seats, both in the body of the hall and in the lower gallery, were filled with returned soldiers, who gave the premier a cordial welcome.

Sir Robert strongly challenged charges that union government was an alliance against any community or any province. "It is not an alliance against any person or any thing," he emphatically declared, "except against the enemy."

"I want to say," he announced a little later, "that so long as I am in power there will be no referendum. You cannot win a war on a referendum." This declaration aroused loud laughter and cheers.

He indicated revision of the income tax next session, if the government were returned, "so that those enjoying large incomes may expect to contribute more largely to the public treasury; and consequent increase of the tax upon war profits.

**Message of Strength.**  
"Let your message to the men at the front," the prime minister concluded, "be not one of despair but of strength and victory. The issue is in your hands. I care as much for you."

If, Sir Robert said, the same spirit animates the people of Canada on Monday as animates the men overseas, there could be no doubt as to the result of the election.

"I should be unworthy of standing here as prime minister of Canada," he proceeded, "if I did not declare to you that all personal considerations attaching to myself or to any of my colleagues are utterly and absolutely insignificant, and the fortunes of either party, Liberal or Conservative, are not to be regarded in the face of the questions facing us at the present time. I speak on behalf of the cause that union government represents. That cause is a national cause, not a political cause, in the ordinary sense of the word. It profoundly affects the future of this dominion, of the whole empire, and perhaps more than that, the future of humanity itself."

Did any man or woman know any reason why there should not be union government at the present time, Sir Robert asked. The men who held the first line of the front did not ask when they were going over the top whether the man to the right or left of them was a Liberal or Conservative. The second battle line as in Canada; and there was just as much necessity here for unity of effort.

**Alliance Only Against Enemy.**  
"There is a cry abroad," the prime minister said, "that this government is an alliance against some community or some province or some class of people. It is not an alliance against any person or any thing, except against the enemy or the purpose of throwing the full force of our country and our empire into the war."

Referring to the Liberals who had entered the union government, Sir Robert declared that more representative ones could not be found in Canada; and Sir Wilfrid could not find able Liberals among those who were members of the government.

A general election, Sir Robert said, had been forced on the people of Canada, "much against my will and, I believe, much against the will of the great majority of the people of this country; there should have been no general election until this war had been brought to a conclusion."

He claimed that already the union government had more than justified its existence.

Sir Robert then read a telegram which

he sent to General Currie on November 19, after the battle of Passchendaele, congratulating him upon the work of the Canadian corps. He drew the attention to General Currie's reply, in which the general asserted the firm belief of the Canadian soldiers at the front that they would be supported by the people at home.

front," concluded Sir Robert, "be not one of despair, but one of strength of victory."  
**ALMANAC FOR ST JOHN, DEC 14.**  
A.M. P.M.  
High Tide...11.29 Low Tide...5.44  
Sun Rises...8.03 Sun Sets...4.38  
Time used is Atlantic standard.

**APPEAL TO RETURNED SOLDIERS TO SHOW THEIR COLORS.**  
An official of the Great War Veterans' Association last night made the following statement:  
"Owing to the fact that a false canvass is being used around the city that

a large percentage of the returned soldiers are supporting the Laurier candidates, it is requested by some of the returned soldiers that all of their comrades in favor of Union government attend the meeting at the Imperial tonight and thus demonstrate to those present the absolute falsity of this canvass."

**How To Deal With The Pro-German Lie-Mongers**

War Ananias Clubs are advocated for the identification and segregation of malicious rumors and false reports tending to cast suspicion and distrust upon the United States Government and thus hamper the prosecution of the war.

We are all familiar with the "treason-factory output," telling of American battleships being sunk by the German navy and the news suppress; of thousands of American soldiers who have been killed; of a German army to invade us through Canada; of hundreds of thousands of Germans who are drilling in this country for a revolt; of Secretary Tamm being charged with treason; of our troops in France suffering for food and of their having quarreled with the British, and the hundred-and-one other rumors that are being industriously whispered from mouth to mouth.

In THE LITERARY DIGEST for December 15th, the details of the subject are taken up and various suggestions made for the suppression of this most insidious form of propaganda. A copy of the "fake" letter which has been going the rounds is reproduced and directions as to what patriotic Americans should do to suppress this and other "fakes" are given.

Other articles of more than ordinary interest in this issue of "The Digest" are:

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- Why Germany Drove at Italy
- Our Economic Weapon
- Scouting for U-Boats
- Dishwashing and Disease
- Bandit Bees and Doped Honey
- "Mob-Singing" in the Army and Out
- New Fears of a Holy War
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- Blacklisting German Firms in South America
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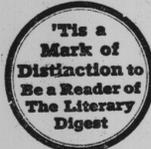
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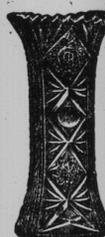
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**THE MAN WHO SAVED THE TRAIN FROM ST. JOHN**

Vincent P. Coleman Died at Telegrapher's Key in Halifax But His Message Halted Train

The Halifax Echo contains the following: "The funeral of Vincent P. Coleman, city railroad telegraph operator at Richmond, who is given the credit in railroad circles of saving the incoming St. John express from the explosion, was held today. He died at his key and his last message, sent out as far as Truro, was: "Boys, an ammunition ship is on fire. Watch out for explosion. Goodbye!"

"This message held the St. John train up at Fairview. Mr. Coleman's house was torn down and Mrs. Coleman badly injured. The five children escaped serious injury. Edward F. O'Flaherty of St. John, Mrs. Coleman's brother, has arrived from St. John.

"Mr. Coleman was the man who last July jumped on a runaway engine at Richmond and stopped it just in time to save a collision with the suburban train.

"No praise is too great for Mr. Coleman's heroism in sticking to his key to send the warning message which saved many St. John people on the approaching train, although he himself was subject to imminent danger. There should be an inquiry into the condition of his family and see if something might not be done for them. There are many thankful citizens in this city who owe their lives to his work and who no doubt would be only too glad to show their gratitude.

**GALLANT ST. JOHN SOLDIER WHO HAS WON THE D. C. M.**

Private George D. Scott Hit By Sniper While Trying to Carry Wounded Officer to Safety

Mrs. Daniel E. McKim of 119 Britain street has just received the D. C. M. won by her brother, Pte. Geo. D. Scott, won somewhere in France. He sent it home for safekeeping. Prior to donning the uniform he was in the employ of the St. John Railway Company as conductor and went overseas with the 116th battalion under command of Colonel Wedderburn, and after being in England a few weeks was one of the first to be drafted to go to France to reinforce a battalion. He was in the fight at Vimy Ridge and had been in the Battle of Arras and came out of it unhurt. He was batman for Lieut. Drummond and it was while endeavoring to carry his officer to a place of safety, as he was badly wounded in the side, that Pte. Scott was wounded by a bullet in the head from a German sniper's gun. But for the steel helmet that he wore the wound would have proved fatal. He was taken back to England to recover and was recently decorated with the D. C. M. and has now returned to France to take his place again in this great struggle. The many friends of this young soldier will wish him success and a safe return to his home in St. John.



PTE. GEO. D. SCOTT, D. C. M.

**LOCAL NEWS**

**FOR THE FIREMEN.**  
Chief Blake of the fire department has received substantial checks for the firemen's benefit fund from James Ryan, Dr. Thomas Walker and Senator Daniel. In acknowledgement of the fine work done by the firemen yesterday.

**SENT CHRISTMAS BOXES.**  
The minister will deliver a sermon at St. Philip's church having received a letter of thanks from the boys of No. 2 Construction Corps, thanking them for Christmas boxes and for their march. The letter was signed by Seymour Tyler and Harold Bushman.

**TRAINS AGAIN LATE.**  
As a result of the heavy storm of last night the Boston train will be several hours late in arriving in the city today, as also will be the Montreal. The Boston train is reported four hours late and the Montreal two hours.

**TO HOLD CONFIRMATIONS.**  
The Right Rev. the Bishop of Quebec will administer the rite of confirmation at Trinity church on Sunday morning and in the Mission church in the evening. His Grace the Archbishop was to have officiated, in the absence of Bishop Richardson, but is unable to leave Halifax.

**RETURNING FROM HALIFAX.**  
The Halifax train was two hours and fifteen minutes late in arriving in the city this morning. The passengers were chiefly doctors and nurses, part of the Massachusetts relief contingent. As the Boston train was not held, the party is spending the day in the city.

**KILLED IN ACTION.**  
Private Robert H. Long, recently killed in action, was a resident of Plumwood, N. S. He was one of the first men to enlist from this county, joining the colors in August, 1914. Pte. Long was a young man of high character and was a member of the Reformed Episcopal church, Sussex Corner. He is survived by his father, David Long; one brother, John Long, of the Canadian Government Railways employ; and two sisters, Mrs. James Woodwell and Mrs. E. W. Bannister of Plumwood.

**THE NAVY LEAGUE.**  
A meeting of the officers and executive of the St. John branch of the Navy League was held yesterday, the first since the organization meeting. It was reported that no further information had been received from Montreal, so it had been found impossible to proceed with the details of the canvas for members. It was also reported that the constitution was being revised, when it is hoped that this will facilitate matters here. It was therefore decided to postpone any further action until information is obtained, and in the meantime any subscriptions for the British Sailors' Relief Fund will be forwarded by the president to the head office in Montreal, where a big drive is now being made for this object.

**ROCKEFELLER, IN 10 MONTHS, GIVES \$70,000,000 TO WAR**

(New York Times.)  
Tarrytown, N. Y., Dec. 14.—From authoritative sources it is learned that during the last ten months John D. Rockefeller has personally expended \$70,000,000 in aid of the war. His money has gone to Belgian relief, the Liberty Loan, the Red Cross, the Y. M. C. A., and other war funds. This huge sum has no connection with the money spent by the Rockefeller Foundation.

A friend said that Mr. Rockefeller was keenly interested in the war, and intensely patriotic, and was ready to stand behind his country to the limit of his resources.

**NEW SWISS PRESIDENT.**  
Bern, Switzerland, Dec. 14.—Felix Calonder, vice-president of the republic and head of the department of the interior, was yesterday elected president of Switzerland for 1918. He received 176 votes. Dr. Eduard Miller was elected vice-president by a vote of 185 to 44 for Gustave Ador, president of the International Red Cross.

**Died in Boston.**  
Word of the death of Cecil N. Duffy of the city hospital, Boston, of acute bronchial pneumonia, was received last evening. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. R. J. Duffy, Mrs. P. N. Crandall, of Moncton, and Mrs. H. G. Marr are sisters of the deceased.

**ASSESSORS FOR CITY APPOINTED**

A special meeting of the common council was held this morning, with Mayor Hayes presiding and Commissioners Russell, Wigmore and Fisher present. It was decided to accept the recommendation of the finance commissioner for the appointment of four assessors for the city of St. John. His report was as follows:

Timothy T. Lantalum, John Ross and James Collins be appointed under the provisions of "The Saint John City Assessment Act 1909" assessors of taxes for the city of St. John, to constitute with the chairman, E. Murray Olive, the board of assessors of taxes for the city of St. John for the year 1918.

Commissioner Russell asked for permission to call for tenders for lighting No. 5 shed in West St. John. On motion of Commissioner Wigmore, seconded by Commissioner Fisher, the matter was referred to the commissioner of harbor and ferries with power to act.

**AFTER YESTERDAY'S FIRE**

The once beautiful St. David's church, in Sydney street, this morning presented a picture of desolation as the result of yesterday's fire. An empty shell is all that is left. Roof, floors and fittings are destroyed and the whole is frozen over and glazed with ice.

A considerable quantity of Red Cross articles as well as a large amount of Halifax relief material was destroyed. The shipment was to have been made to Halifax yesterday afternoon and the sewing and other goods prepared for Halifax were destroyed.

Rev. J. A. McKiegan announces that next Sunday's service will be held in the old St. John church, in King street east, which has been idle since the congregation united with Knox church congregation. A force of workers was in the church this morning, dusting and sweeping and putting everything in order.

At a meeting of the board of trustees of St. David's last night a resolution was passed expressing thanks and appreciation for the many kind offers of assistance which have been coming in from the other churches in the city.

**POLICE COURT**

Three boys were brought before Magistrate Ritchie this morning in the police court charged with creating a disturbance in Mill street after 10:30 on the evening of Dec. 7. They pleaded not guilty, but the evidence of the policeman reporting them was sufficient for the magistrate to act upon in sending them below. He said that they were liable to a fine of \$8 each, and one of them who used bad language was liable to \$8 extra.

Four boys over sixteen, articleed seamen on an English vessel, were brought up on charge of desertion. They were remanded until the officer of the ship who brought the charge could prove the articles which held them.

There was a charge against a man and a soldier's wife of Erin street. They were remanded.

A young girl was charged with being in the streets late at night and not being able to give a satisfactory account of herself.

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TWENTY PAGES

What Medical School Inspection Has Done For City of New York

Striking Facts Set Forth by Dr. L. DeV. Chipman Before Rotary Club and Natural History Society of This City; It Is a Plain Business Proposition

The following is the very striking paper read by Dr. L. DeV. Chipman before the Rotary Club and then before the Natural History Society of this city, on the subject of how New York cares for her children, presenting a mass of irrefutable facts and arguments in favor of medical inspection in schools.

We speak of New York and her care for her children, because she is perhaps the best example of a city carefully and systematically organized to protect the health and development of her children. New York is essentially a business city and looks at things in a practical way. She wants to know the cost of things and the business value of things, and so her Board of Health sat down and asked itself, "What is it costing us to have sickness and disease among the school children? and what would be the value of health instead?" As nearly as may be stated they figured it out this way:

(1) Unhealthy children are apt to indicate unhealthy parents. (2) Disease means inefficiency. Inefficiency means poor workmanship, deterioration of many city activities, pauperism, and crime, with its burden of loss and suffering for all.

On the other hand with the children healthy, the future is assured, and industry improved. The training of the children at school into healthy habits starts an influence which reaches out through them to raise the health standards of the community. Hence as a plain business proposition they reasoned; (1) that the health of the children was to large extent a purchasable commodity; (2) that it was well worth the price; and (3) that the city welfare demanded that they purchase it. So they set to work to obtain it.

How well they have succeeded we may judge from the report of Dr. Thomas D. Woods, professor of physical education at Columbia. In this report, health conditions in the country districts are compared with those in New York city. Taking official statistics gathered from all parts of the country an illustrated table of health defects is the result. It shows that New York with her present system has made her school children anywhere from 34 to 14.22 per cent more healthy than country school children. Think of it! The children in the country districts, the centre of the things we have always associated with the very source of health; the simple country life, mother's home cooking, the old wooden bucket, and invigorating country air, these children are actually in poorer physical condition than children of the crowded city slums! It makes us want to argue the proposition, and then, if convinced by the overwhelming array of figures drawn from so many as fifty sources, to find out the means by which New York has accomplished this, in spite of an enormous foreign element and crowded tenements.

The principal means has been the system of school inspection. The present efficient system, like most successes, has been of gradual growth, and the result of experience. The first steps towards systematic care for the school children were taken in 1897, when one hundred and fifty doctors were appointed by the Board of Health at a salary of \$80 a month, to constitute a staff of medical inspectors. They visited the school each morning before ten o'clock, and examined the children sent to them by the principal or teachers. The main object was to detect contagious and infectious cases, and exclude them from the schools.

The condition revealed by these physical examinations soon aroused the health authorities to the necessity of further action. Over 70 per cent of the children were found to need treatment of some sort. The great majority of the postal card notification system was the lack of facilities for seeing that proper treatment was carried out. The notification system in only about 6 per cent of the physically defective children. It may readily be seen that while such a method has value in definitely determining the physical condition of the children in the school, the records soon amount to little more than a complicated statistical device unless some effective effort be made to insure the children competent medical care.

It was the recognition of this fact that led to the organization of the "Bureau of Child Hygiene." With its formation, and the appointment of a largely increased staff of trained nurses, it became possible for the nurses to visit the defective children in their homes, and to induce parents to provide proper treatment. This system of home visits by the nurses was inaugurated in Sept. 1906. As a result of their efforts during 1909, 89 per cent of the physically defective children obtained treatment as opposed to the six per cent under the postal card system.

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The present system, then, is carried on by a regular staff of medical inspectors and trained nurses, with the following objects in view:— (1) The repeated and systematic inspection of all school children for the purpose of early recognition of physical defects. (2) Exclusion from school of all children affected with acute contagious diseases. (3) Subsequent control of such cases by isolation. (4) Control and enforced treatment of communicable eye and skin disease at school, with the purpose of diminishing the number of children excluded from school attendance. (5) A complete physical examination of each school child during the first, third and sixth school year is made by the school authorities, unless the parents wish to employ a private physician for such examination. (6) Education of the parents as to

the necessity of obtaining proper medical care for physical defects.

This system was in effect until 1902, when the salary of inspectors was raised to \$100 per month, and they were required to remain in the schools from 9 a. m. to 12 noon, and to make an inspection of all the children in the class room, to detect contagious eye and skin diseases. Each day they obtained from each school a list of children who had been absent for three days for any unassigned cause. Home visits were made in each such case, for the purpose of discovering cases of contagious diseases that had not been hitherto reported to the Board of Health.

This routine inspection of the children in the class room resulted in the exclusion of large numbers of cases of contagious eye and skin diseases. Such exclusion, however, had a limited value and was in many instances actually harmful. If the disease were mild in character they were not considered by the parents as of sufficient importance to warrant medical treatment. But the children were not allowed to return to school until cured. The result was that they played on the street with other children, thus spreading the infection as much as if in school, while the enforced absence not only interfered with their education but it tended to make them habitual truants. At this time, at the request of Commissioner Lederle of the Department of Health, Miss Lillian Wald of the Henry Street Nurses Settlement, offered to make experimental studies to determine the value of trained nurses in public school work. Miss Laura Rogers, a resident of the settlement and a trained nurse, volunteered to do the work. Children who did not receive treatment for the contagious eye and skin diseases outside the school, and allowed to remain in attendance as long as they were continuously under treatment. This resulted, not only in a marked improvement in school attendance, but demonstrated that all danger of infection could be controlled by this method, and that children could remain in school without danger to themselves or the other children. In this way semi-contagious cases such as the popularly termed pink eye and eczema were treated.

As a result of this work the first staff of municipal school nurses to be employed in the United States was established in November, 1902, by the Department of Health of the city of New York. The entire inspection in the class room was made by the nurses, subject to confirmatory diagnosis by the medical inspectors in all cases suspicious of disease. This work, which was maintained according to this system with increasing gratifying results in the control of contagious diseases among school children until 1906. Not satisfied with this, in March of that year it was determined to examine each child thoroughly to determine the presence of all untreated physical defects. Previous to this attention had been limited to contagious cases. The doctors made one complete routine inspection at the beginning of each term and devoted the remainder of their time, after the morning inspection to the physical examination of each child. In each instance where a physical defect was found, the parents of the child were notified, by a return postal card, of the nature of the defect and the necessity for treatment. The return half of the card was for the use of the physician or dispensary that treated the case, in notifying the Department of Health that the child was under medical care.

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(7) Provision of facilities for the treatment of the physical defects discovered.

This system is carried out in 771 public or other free schools with the registered attendance of 928,466 pupils, 99 medical inspectors and 200 nurses are detailed to do the work of school medical inspection, under the immediate direction of the staff of supervising inspectors and supervising nurses in each borough. Each inspector is assigned to duty in a group of schools with an average registration of 9,200 pupils. Each nurse is assigned to duty in a group of schools with an average of 4,000 pupils. i. e., two nurses and one doctor work together. Each public school in the city is visited every day by a nurse, except in certain outlying districts where visits are at longer intervals.

The above plan, has proved very efficient and most beneficial, as can well be imagined. The work has shown that the predominant defects during school age are connected with teeth, eyes and nose.

Bad teeth were found to be the most prevalent defect. On an average, 30 per cent of the children needed treatment in this respect. Various states were examined, and various clinics, when private treatment was beyond reach.

By correcting defective vision with glasses, a very large class in the percentages of these cases from 13 per cent in 1909 to 8.9 per cent in 1914. When parents are unable to pay for glasses, the nurses accompany the various relief organizations of the city. While the department has no legal authority to demand that glasses be worn when needed, the nurses accompany the desired ends in most cases by following up advice with home calls.

Children with defective nasal breathing sit for hours breathing vitiated air, often with damp feet and clothing. (2) The general sanitary conditions of a child's home are often unseemly. The fly as an active carrier of germs is ignored, poor drainage results in damp cellars and musty homes, ignorance of food values leaves the children undernourished and anaemic.

(3) The poor people, the little included to seek aid from physicians, dentists or opticians, except in extreme cases. Defects of the teeth, eyes, nose, throat and ears that can be ignored are ignored, because the people have not been taught that "slight" things like adenoids, or enlarged tonsils, or bad teeth, work havoc with efficiency both physical and mental, and that the child backward apparently stupid child is abnormal because of these "slight" things.

We think with a shudder of the great war with its awful accompaniment of death and aftermath of cripples, but how little we think of the thousands of children that are turned out by our schools and homes every year, youths and girls who must face the struggle of life handicapped by pain and misery where all should be joy and vitality. The crooked back with its constant ache, the weak digestion with accompanying headaches, malnutrition with its attendant nervousness, what the writer can speak most feelingly of—the blocked nose with its accompaniment of flat chest, poor resistance, frequent colds in the head, poorly developed teeth and impaired hearing; all of these, and more, our schools turn out by the thousands and we sit idle by. Ninety per cent of them arise from defects caught in our early stages, or were perhaps caused by unsanitary conditions in the school.

These conditions which impair the health of our children must be remedied. Oh! we need a proper system of school inspection, and school hygiene. Look around you! How many girls the age of twenty years do you know who have been through our educational mill and are perfectly healthy, free from headaches or backaches or other signs of defects that are turned out by our schools, or are content to lag behind themselves, who should be examples to the children physically as well as mentally, are too often worn out nervously and far below par. This in itself is a fearful comment on our school hygiene. If you could only see the results of early neglect as I see them daily; developing just when the man or woman is about to come into his own, when the possibilities of attainment are greatest!

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Let me help you to see, if I can, what neglect of these children means, along the lines I am especially interested in. Take defective vision. This is only too commonly overlooked in school children unless a systematic examination is made, and far below par. This in itself is a fearful comment on our school hygiene. If you could only see the results of early neglect as I see them daily; developing just when the man or woman is about to come into his own, when the possibilities of attainment are greatest!

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tement child lives under, and in many cases is not the same true of your own child in school? When a child is taken to the country in summer it becomes fat, brown and rosy checked, the picture of health and vitality. How often do we see it fade like a flower on returning to school and winter conditions? Rosy cheeks and plumpness are soon lost, apathy takes the place of superabundant vitality, and the child becomes dull and fretful. There is usually a chronic catarrhal cold in the head, and if you look at the back of the mouth you will see a thick mucoid discharge dropping down from the naso-pharynx, which the child is constantly swallowing. This may be all that appears, though in more serious cases there is mouth breathing with the resulting stupid look.

Such children come into the New York clinics in droves. In the Manhattan Eye, Ear & Throat Hospital alone, we did 5,000 operations for adenoids and tonsils in 1915, an average of over fifteen a day. In our little clinic at the General Pulmonary Hospital here we can handle only about five cases a week and, although we have no school inspection and no means of educating the parents in health matters, we are booked up over a month ahead of time with cases. This is a vital matter for St. John. If we fully realized the necessity for more accommodation the men who have worked during the best part of their lives for the improvement and development of our city hospital would not have had their plans shelved again and again in the past, until they almost gave up the struggle in discouragement.

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Little gents' overcoats, real beauties, at retreating prices at our Monster Retreating Price Sale. Bassen's, 14-16-8 Charlotte street. No branches.

A large assortment of buy's suits and overcoats from \$1.75 to \$15—Turner, out of the high rent district, 440 Main. T.F.

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Remember Arnold's big auction sale of Christmas goods at 137 Brussels street Friday night at 7.30. T.F.

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AT AMDUR'S, W. E. Millinery at less than cost will be sold at Amdur's until Christmas. Remember the address, 228 King street, West End. 12-16

WE REACH THE HEART THROUGH THE FEET. Our wonderful display of Christmas Footwear will not fail to please the most fastidious taste. Wiesel's Cash Store, 241-243 Union street.

MILLINERY. Latest style Hats, regular \$5.00 up for \$1.99; regular \$6.00 for \$2.75, at Amdur's, W. E. 12-16

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Ladies' and gentlemen's tailored suits from \$25 to \$35 at Morin's, 92 German. 12-17.

All persons having accounts against the commissioners of the Saint John Municipal Home are requested to send the same to the office of the secretary on or before the 20th inst., to insure payment this year. By order of commissioners S. M. WETMORE, Secretary. December 12, 1917. 12-20

S. S. EMPRESS TO BE HELD. On Monday, Dec. 17, the Bay of Fundy steamer Empress for Digby, will leave St. John at 8 a. m. instead of 7 a. m. This to enable employes to vote. There will be no change in the departure time from Digby. 12-16

Very large assortment of toys, Christmas novelties at Amdur's, W. E. 12-16

SHORTAGE. Of tree tinsel is very great. We have only a limited supply. Don't delay, get it at 210 Union street. 12-18

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STEVEDORES WHO GAVE UP THEIR LIVES

(Halifax Echo, Tuesday.) About sixty-four of the longshoremen who were at work discharging cargo of a steamer at the sugar refinery pier, Richmond, on Thursday morning last are still missing, and hope of any of them being found to be still alive is fading away. The facts of the situation on board the ship at the time of the explosion of the ammunition boat a short distance away, as gleaned from the few survivors of the party as they recovered from the dazed conditions into which the shock left them are a tribute to the way in which Halifax workmen do their work even in the face of danger.

There were explosives—shrapnel—on the steamer from which the longshoremen were discharging provisions to be stored on the refinery premises and when it was seen that there was fire on the ammunition boat passing up the harbor the men were called up out of the hold to cover and close the hatches as a precautionary measure because of the shrapnel down below. They stayed on the job and had just about completed the hatching covering and closing up work when the shock came and brought to so many of them on the ship and pier instantaneous death.

Experienced men in the stevedoring line figure that the work of closing the hatches as it was done in this case would under normal conditions take about fifteen minutes. In this case of danger the work may have been done more quickly, but the fact remains that this particular gang of longshoremen on the ship's deck worked for ten or fifteen minutes to protect the shrapnel down in the holds from explosive connection with the burning steamer. Had they thought of themselves alone and fled from the danger at the moment it was realized they might have gotten out of the danger zone and lived to tell the tale. But, gallantly like men on the battlefield, they did their bit in the face of danger and paid the penalty of loyalty to their duty.

As the shock came the pier to which the steamer was made fast, collapsed into a mass of wreckage and the brick wall of the refinery building fell to the land level, burying beneath them, it is thought, numbers of the men who have been at work there or passing the building at the time. Representatives made a survey of refinery premises yesterday and found that the moment it was realized that the pier was falling, the bodies of men in the building debris and perhaps in the water under the pier wreckage though there were no signs of the presence of bodies. After the collapse of the pier the ship went adrift and was towed out from shore and later towed down the harbor. There was no fire on the pier, but while she was anchored down the harbor a day or two ago fire in some way broke out on deck and was extinguished by 68rd Rifles men from MacNab's Island and some civilians. In view of this the naval authorities had her removed and sunk, a party of navy men volunteers going on board and opening the sea cocks, which were merging gradually as the inpour from the sea flooded and filled her.

Yesterday there were landed from a ship at one of the railway piers at Richmond the bodies of four more stevedores and two other hands who died on board as a result of the explosion.

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The Story of "Bill" Williams And His V. C.

How British Admiralty Took Care of His Parents so That They'd Be At Buckingham Palace When Honor Was Conferred by King

(By Mordaunt Hall, New York Herald)

Richard Williams was about to take to his bed when he heard the double rat-tat-tat on the door of his home in Amlywch, Anglesey, Wales. It was the announcement which told him that for the second time in his life he was to receive a telegram.

Mr. Williams was an aged man, with stocky, sloped shoulders and, like the husband in "The Monkey's Paw," he feared going to the door, not because of ghosts or burglars, but because he had an intuition that this telegram would tell him of his son's death at sea. Moreover, Mrs. Williams had heard the knock and she also was loath to learn the news. She was in the rear room of the little cottage, and for the last month had been extremely anxious on account of receiving no news from her son, William Williams.

Darkness had fallen. To Mr. Williams it seemed as if it might have been so much better if the telegram had been postponed until the sun streamed into the little window on the face of the tiny structure. That son "Bill" had won the Distinguished Service medal, and tears had welled from the eyes of both parents when he returned for the first time since August, 1914, when he had joined the Royal Naval Reserve, among others from Amlywch.

Amlywch is a quaint old town in the northeast corner of Anglesey. Nearby is Pary's Mountain, once renowned as the richest copper mine in the world. But so many of the young men have gone to the war that the mines are not worked

now, and the quay of the once flourishing little port is deserted and bare. Undoubtedly that the majority of the men folk belonging to the Amlywch were seafaring men, and they all went to the war at the first call—the "call of the sea" they termed it. In fact, seventy-five per cent of the boys who have left the elementary schools of the town for the sea have been sent to sea, some of them rising to command the largest vessels that steam from Liverpool.

William Williams was a typical Amlywch sailor. His mother believed in him and so did his father. And when they learned that he had, through great gallantry, won the Distinguished Service medal they were not so surprised, but were nevertheless filled with gratitude.

The elder Williams opened the door. He hoped that he had given the telegram bearer long enough to give up hope of anybody being in the place. But such could not be the case in Amlywch, as Mr. Williams knew, for some time that night in the tiny town he would be found and the dreaded message delivered to him. It chanced that his eyes met a girl instead of a boy—a girl bearing a brown envelope. He wondered how she would put the death of his son, and as his education had been neglected he preferred to leave the reading of the message until he could get it read by some man or woman who could read it quickly.

Thereupon, after snatching the message from the uniformed girl, Mr. Williams closed the door on himself and as fast as his aged legs could carry him he went to the home of W. F. Jones, chairman of the Amlywch Urban City Council, thinking all the time that he might be followed by his wife.

In throbbing voice, eyes dry, he told Mr. Jones that he had just received the last message that he ever might get about his son.

"Ah! I'd like you to read it to me quickly," said he, fumbling with his hands. Mr. Jones took the brown envelope and glanced at the telegram form, and when he looked at Mr. Williams, he discovered the old man's face buried in his hands.

"This is good news," he said. "Something to make Amlywch prouder than she has ever been of her mine or any-

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thing in the world 'Bill' has won the Victoria Cross. The old man looked up, and then waited expectantly, as Mr. Jones continued to read silently to himself the rest of the message. "And you are invited with your wife to go to Buckingham Palace the day after tomorrow, to be present at the investiture—the ceremony at which the King of England will pin the Victoria Cross on your son's breast." "The King—the Victoria Cross," said the old man, and without waiting for the message to be read to him he slipped out of the door and hastened to tell Mrs. Williams. He was not called back by Mr. Jones, who knew that he had better be prepared to hear the details a little later. But as a matter of fact the message read: "Your son, William Williams, seaman in the Royal Naval Reserve, has been awarded the Victoria Cross for contempt of danger and conspicuous courage in the face of the enemy's fire. You are invited to be present at the investiture in Buckingham Palace on Thursday morning, and an Admiralty automobile will meet you and your wife at your home to take you to Bangor, where you will find seats reserved for your journey to London. At Euston station you will be met by an Admiralty automobile, which will take you to a hotel and the following day you will be driven to Buckingham Palace to view the investiture." Mr. Jones re-read the message several times. Even to him it was like a page from a novel of the war. It was hard to imagine that the youngster was one of those who had won the greatest distinction which the empire could give to a man, a distinction which remains as unblemished as it was the first time it was won by a gallant soldier, Captain H. M. Jones, another Welshman, in the Crimea, on September 25, 1857. Thereupon Mr. Jones, of the Urban City Council, went to the Williams cottage. He found the old folks sitting up in silence, the door having been left open. He read the Admiralty telegram, and after he had finished Mrs. Williams said that "it was very kind and thoughtful of the Admiralty to pay so much for such a long telegram," but that neither she nor her husband had money enough to go to London, even if their mouths they had not heard from their son, and that he had been sending them money regularly and that it must have gone astray. "You haven't enough money?" laughed Mr. Jones, approvingly. "Mr. Jones," said Mrs. Williams, "we have just one shilling and sixpence in the world (thirty-seven and a half cents), and it's a shame, because I know that Bill would like us to be there in the palace when he receives the medal." "Medal be blowed!" ejaculated Mr. Jones. "It's the V. C.—the Victoria Cross." He then left the couple to talk it over, but in less than half an hour, although it was desperately late for Amlywch, and soon, with their little bags, they were under way for their hotel. They had never stopped at anything more than a cheap inn in their lives. The British admiralty believes in entertaining the relatives of a hero with due ceremony, and to this aged couple it was unbelievable when they feebly walked from the darkness to the brilliancy behind the blinds of a London hotel. Before them were French officers, American officers

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**LABOR MATTERS  
IN THE STATES**

**Annual Report of Secretary Wilson to Congress Contains Much That is of Interest**

Washington, Dec. 10.—Conscription of labor, Secretary Wilson told congress in his annual report today, is not likely to be necessary for the winning of the war, but he suggests that should it become necessary for the government to conscript labor, it should at the same time conscript the industries on which they are engaged.

missal. Since in such cases the workmen have no responsible business representatives, only one party to controversies can be conveniently or satisfactorily heard. In such cases, also, the workers, being prevented by their employers from organizing on a business basis, tend to fall away from the pacifying influence of conservative, constructive, and responsible labor organizations and to come under that of irresponsible revolutionists. As most labor lawlessness is traceable to this cause, responsibility for it cannot be wholly diverted from the policy—hardly patriotic in time of war—of arbitrarily obstructing labor organization of the conservative type.

able. It would seem—that is, if workers were to be conscripted for industrial purposes—that they were assigned ought to be commanded, so as to make such workers not coerced servants of employers but employees of the government itself.

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"In a large number of instances the conciliators have been able not only to bring about agreement in cases of existing differences—often arising from misunderstandings—but to avert the threatened strike altogether.

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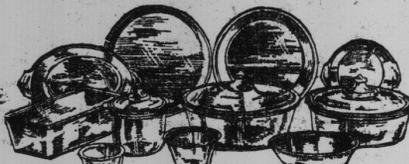
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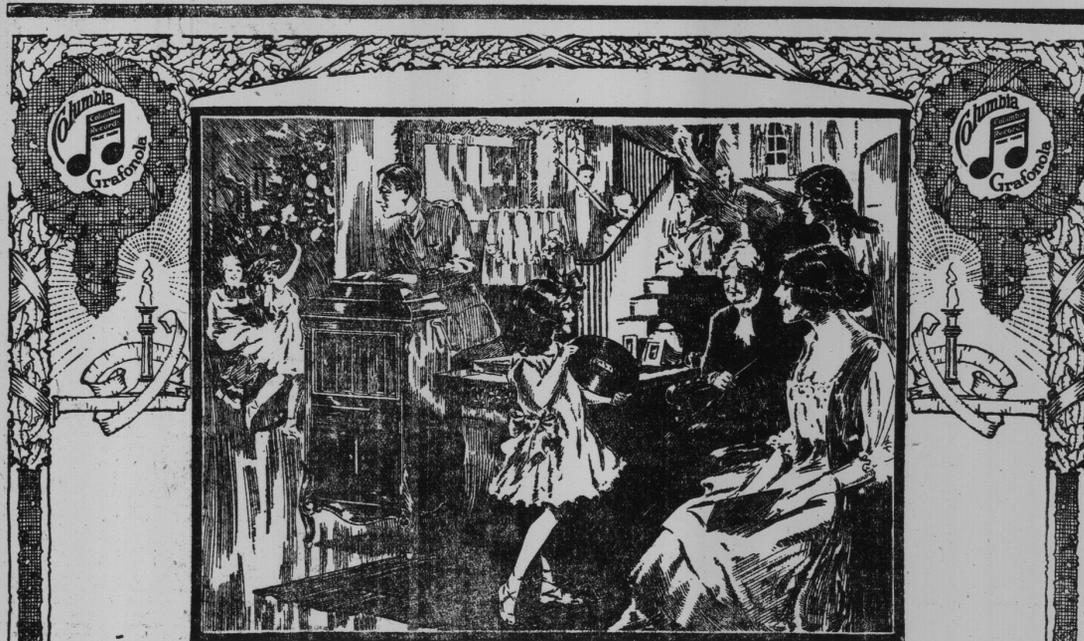
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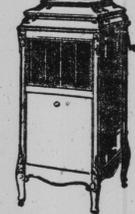
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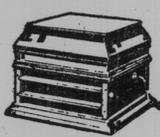
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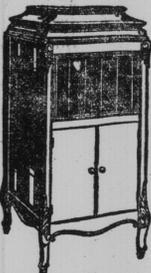
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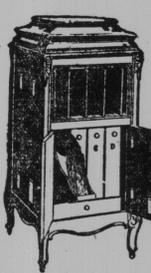
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Some Wounds of the War

Poor Torn Faces and The Marvels of Plastic Surgery That Are Being Performed

(By Arthur Mason, special correspondent of the Empire Press Union.)

London, Nov. 7.—At Sidcup, in the county of Kent, there is a war hospital which is assured of distinctive fame, even though the war hospital of today is universal and its relief of suffering a very miracle of beneficent achievement, to say nothing of the preventive effort of medical science, by means of which tens of thousands of lives have been saved to the British army, the surgery of war-time is accomplishing a work whose value cannot yet be measured, and perhaps is immeasurable. And it is the surgery of war-time, in one of its branches, that is so successfully active at this hospital of Sidcup—specialized surgery, concerned solely with men who have suffered facial wounds.

Facial wounds are necessarily among the most distressing of all the varied hurts of war. They are rarely less than disfiguring, and very often they are disfiguring to the point of shocking unsightliness. More than that they are usually wounds which, directly or indirectly, have injurious effect upon the functions of vital organs. The surgery intended to relieve them employs itself, therefore, not only with the repair of facial deformity, but also with such restoration of the injured parts as will assure to the body as a whole its normal health and vigor. An institution which should specialize in the surgery of wounds of this class was not always regarded as necessary. But the gradual increase in their number and their severity, the surgical problems they set up, and the intractably protracted treatments they demand now, make it clear that the facial wounds of soldiers and sailors, too numerous, too complex, and too specifically a study in their own right for general surgery can be adequately handled only by men of specialized training and experience. Major H. D. Gilles, R. A. M. C., who is in charge at Sidcup, and the staff assisting him, are of that quality. They have in their care some 600 patients, of whom 150, more or less, are now in residence but await on furlough—though under supervision—the operations that are the next stage in their relief. The administration of the hospital and its auxiliaries is in the care of Lt.-Col. Colvin, commandant, and it is increasingly an interest of the medical profession and the army authorities. To the layman, even a glimpse of its work such as one was recently allowed reveals unthought-of and almost incredible wonders of surgical science.

Rather gruesome. The patients are very fortunate in respect of surroundings. The hospital wards and necessary offices are built up in a series of airy and admirably lighted huts spread about the grounds of a large country house, while the walks abroad available to the convalescents are of typically Kentish charm. The visitor may, as he prefers, see the patients themselves and their injuries, or photographs of patients at progressive stages of their treatment, or masks and models of the injured faces as they were first presented for that treatment. There is, for example, in one corner of the hospital a little museum. Hung about its walls are plaster casts, and water-color drawings from life, of wounded faces, and within its cabinets are faces modelled in wax with all their injuries plain to see. It is not a pretty display. On the contrary, it is rather gruesome—and for that matter the whole array of what is to be seen at this Sidcup hospital will distress the visitor until he is able to set against the pitiful ugliness of this aspect of war the unmastering agency of the surgeon's work upon it. In the light of that, he will begin to bear the shock, to look without shuddering upon these pathetic distortions of the human features, and to think less of the wounds which so maimingly heal and hide them.

The nose, the mouth, the jaws, and the cheek surfaces suffer grievous hurt in the battles of today. Here is a typical case—that of a nose-wound, the bullet inflicting which has torn most of the feature from the face and has left in its stead a rather dreadful wreckage. The staff at Sidcup, however, see the injury as one eminently suited to the magic they call plastic surgery. By virtue of plastic surgery they will make

As a first step, measurements are taken and models are made which determine the shape and size of the restoration called for, and the surgeon begins to work upon the damaged tissues, preparing them by operation for efficient contact with the surface covering of the nose to come. That repair of the tissues is more or less familiar surgery, but at Sidcup it is a matter of infinite variety and exhaustive and often novel methods. And as for the actual provision of a nose, that is a wholly new marvel of the healing art. It is quickly in being, nevertheless. From the man's rib is removed a spread of cartilage equal to the measurements already taken—removed from his rib and grafted upon his forehead, and shaped and fashioned there with due regard to the model already made. And from each cheek a flap of skin is lifted and attached by one end to the transferred cartilage, the other end remaining affixed to the face. The cartilage, built into due shape, is now a nose merely out of position. It is left to grow upon the forehead until the tissues awaiting it are healed, and then, when all is ready, it is lifted again, drawn down by the flaps of skin and fit-

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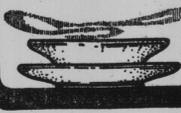
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Grape-Nuts and one level tablespoonful of sugar, boil six minutes, cool and serve with milk or cream. Add raisins if desired.

Get a package of Grape-Nuts from your grocer and try this pleasing recipe.



ted carefully into the place where it should be. Other magic is wrought upon it by way of finishing touches, and the scars upon the forehead and the face are excised by grafting and by massage. The scar upon the body already has vanished, but in any case was of no great moment. The surgeon's triumph—and the patient's—is in the fact that a nose has been provided, the contour of the face has been restored, and the wounded man is saved a distressful unsightliness. Sometimes, of course, the injury is less severe. Sometimes the nose needs only partial restoration. Most often, it seems the bridge is shot through, and the wizardry called for is that which will fit new bone and new tissue into almost invisible junction with the old. Sometimes, on the other hand, they get at Sidcup a case such as that of a man the entire front of whose face had been blown in by an explosion of cordite, a dreadful injury which, however, was healed with marvellous result by the transplanting of the skin of his chest. But whatever the injury may be, these

Sidcup surgeons seem prepared for it, and in case after case of nose-wound they are restoring terribly disfigured men to the normal, men who will bear upon their faces only negligible scars to suggest the affliction they have escaped. There are many cases, too, of mouth-wounds, in which the lips and their surrounding have been shot away, wholly or in part, and are restored again by similar wonder-working. In each case an operation or two—plastic surgery—flaps and attachments—transplantings of skin and mucous membrane from one place to another—great skill and anedible patience—and the thing attempted is done. The mouth emerges as it was before its injury. Threatened disfigurement is replaced by scarcely perceptible lines upon the new surface. The man is whole again.

Jaw injuries are more serious and often are very complicated, almost always, indeed, needing the closest care of the dental specialists whose task it is to build anew upon the ravage of bone and tissue confronting them. The dental department is necessarily one of the most important centres of the work at Sidcup, and every possibility of jaw injury is known there and assured of highly expert attention. A typical jaw patient is a man whose wounds are a matter of disastrously cut and torn flesh and lost or fractured or splintered bones. Apparently, the mouth is ruined. The line of the face is destroyed seemingly without hope of repair. But the surgeons are soon at work, the X-ray disclosures are read, the operations begin, and the shattered framework of the jaw is restored by graftings of bone and tissue and by mechanical supports—palate plates, vulcanite splints, biting flanges, etc. Then, with the foundation firmly laid and the functions of jaw and teeth once more efficient, the exterior miracle is wrought, the miracle of plastic surgery with its grafts and flaps and all the accessory magic of its healing and its ceasing. This, surely though slowly, science and skill and patience prevail, deformity and ugliness give place to presentable contours, and one more sufferer is transformed and restored.

All this, however, is merely to hint at the marvels of daily achievement at Sidcup by virtue of plastic surgery and the wealth of specialized skill within the meaning of that word. It is comparatively recent work, but already it is established as a brilliant contribution to the unparalleled surgery of this war-time. Furthermore, it is increasingly of interest to the dominions, for, while wounded dominion soldiers are already treated there, it has now been decided,

thanks to the efforts of Sir Arbuthnot Lane, Bart., C. B., consulting surgeon, to attach to the staff at Sidcup surgeons and dentists from the dominions, who

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—Urgent Call Now for Men  
Enough to Build Needed Ves-  
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London, Dec. 13.—"A vast extension of our shipbuilding facilities is necessary if we are successfully to counter the enemy submarine depredations," said Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the admiralty, in the house of commons today, in a speech appealing for men to meet the requirements of the government's ship-repairing and shipbuilding programme. After giving figures of the progress already made, showing that the construction of merchantmen for this year would be as great as that of the record year of 1913, and in all classes of shipping 18 per cent higher than in 1913, if the October and November records were kept up, he said that this programme would be greatly increased next year. Private yards had been authorized to increase their accommodation by forty-five berths, while the new national shipyards on the Severn would provide thirty-four berths. "The demands on our merchant shipping," continued the first lord, "are greater than they have ever been. The submarine menace is, in my opinion, held, but not mastered. Our shipbuilding is not yet replacing our losses. I deprecate drawing deductions from the experience of one week or a month, be it good or bad. It is the general curve which we must watch. "But we must have ships, more ships and still more ships, and now I want men to build them. "Our plans are laid. We have got the steel, and I want the men. Unless I have entirely mistaken the spirit of the country we will have a response which will demonstrate to the world that our grip tightens as the great struggle continues."

WITH CANADA'S YOUNG  
MEN NOW LEARNING  
WORK OF THE AVIATOR

The work being done by the Royal Flying Corps is hardly realized. This organization has accomplished wonders since its inception here about a year ago, having established five aerodromes (with a sixth under way) for training young Canadians as aviators, and employs a staff of hundreds of officers to give instruction in flying, theory of flight, aerial gunnery, observation, photography, wireless telegraphy and the many branches of military aeronautics. For the present moment two wings (100 machines) have been taken to Texas for winter training and one wing (90 machines) has remained in North Toronto where they are developing for the first time in northern North America continuous mid-winter flying. The factory at Toronto, owned by the British government, employs more than 2,000 skilled artisans, and is now turning out aeroplanes for training purposes at the rate of about five a day. Each machine costs approximately \$7,000; therefore, the value of one year's output is about \$11,400,000, which, of course, will be increased as time goes on.

CAUGHT BETWEEN FIRES  
IN "NO MAN'S LAND"

Experience of Colonel Kirkcaldy  
of Canadians Who Had Answered  
Call for Help

(Special Cable to Times by F. A. McKenzie. Copyright.)

London, Dec. 12.—Colonel Kirkcaldy now is able to get about freely, although still in hospital. His wound was received on the night of Nov. 1 when out in "No Man's Land" where his men were making a sap. A man seventy yards away calling for help, the colonel, thinking he possibly was one of our own wounded, ordered the remainder of his party to remain behind while he moved forward guided by the cries. He got within twenty yards and then called and suddenly a German opened quick fire on him, the second bullet crashing into Colonel Kirkcaldy's left shoulder. The colonel, who carried a rifle, dropped into a shell hole and blazed away in reply. Our troops on either side and behind, not knowing that the colonel had gone forward and believing the Germans were attacking, opened fire. The colonel thus was between two fires but eventually he got safely back to the trench. He walked to the dressing station, refusing a stretcher. A doctor sent him back in ambulance to the Australian hospital at Ypres. Here his battalion were unable to get in touch with him for three days. Consequently reports spread that he was dead. He speaks in greatest admiration of the conduct of all his battalion at Passchendaele where, amid exceedingly severe fighting, every rank from officers to runners, showed amazing coolness, cheerfulness and resources. "The troops through the German lines so quickly at one point that they came upon officers emerging from their dugouts, hands in their pockets, to see what the disturbance was about."

In Newtown, Kings county, on Dec. 5, Mrs. Henrietta G. Harrison, wife of Lemuel Harrison, died at the age of sixty-seven years. She leaves her husband, four sons, Melbourne and Fred in New Hampshire; Gilbert in Florida and Harold at home; and two daughters, Mrs. W. Nickerson of Newtown and Tina at home. She was a daughter of the late Charles Wesley Stockton of old Loyalist stock and sister of the late Fred Stockton of Sussex.

The death of Mrs. Harvey Tingley took place at the residence of her son, Irvine Tingley, Point de Bute, on Thursday. She was seventy-five years old and leaves one son, Irvine. Her brothers are Leasby Oulton, Jollicure; Albert Oulton, Skowhagan, Me., and George J. of Moncton. The sisters are Mrs. Robertson of St. Louis, Me., Miss Mary Oulton of Boston, Mrs. Leonard Richardson, Amherst.

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POLITICAL SITUATION  
IN GREAT BRITAIN

(New York Times.)

London, Dec. 11.—Rumors have recently been in circulation of an impending political crisis and the decision of the government to appeal to the country by a general election. Premier Lloyd George has now held office for a year, and his opinion is divided as to whether he has, in the common phrase, "made good." The daily newspaper press generally continues to give his National ministry loyal support, but the weekly organs, particularly, make many criticisms of it. Among politicians, however, there is, according to the rumor, a strong current against the government, and, although Asquith is understood to be opposed to any cabinet against Lloyd George, there is an idea that at any moment certain disaffected sections of parliament may unite to oust the government on one of the other of several measures now before the house. Feeling is in position to be insecure, the government, it is reported, is determined to present this alternative to parliament, "Either you give us adequate assurance of your support, or we appeal to the country."

There has just passed through the House of Commons an electoral reform bill which enormously alters the present electoral situation. Women will have the vote, and soldiers and sailors are to have their rights of franchise secured, even if under the present registration they have lost their electoral qualifications. This measure could be pushed through the upper house and a new register made up in two or three months' time. The question among politicians is would the government go to the country on the present electoral register, which is now four years' old, or wait until the new register was completed?

The Canadian Khaki College.

(London Canadian Gazette, Nov. 22.) Nothing could be more happily conceived than the so-called Khaki College which has been brought into existence in the Canadian overseas forces. By means of classes in Latin, Greek, mathematics, and other subjects the thousand Canadian soldiers now in British camps (nearly 600 of them are in the ranks, and 200 of them are French-speaking Canadians), who were at the time of enlistment students at Canadian universities, will be enabled to continue their studies. Canadian chaplains are ex-university professors, constitute the teaching staff, and no difficulty has been found in raising the \$50,000 needed to carry out the scheme. The organization is possible in the midst of such a war as this, is the best possible evidence of the high morale to be found in the Canadian army.

RECENT WEDDINGS

**Buck-Macfarlane.**  
At the home of Fletcher Macfarlane, Moncton, on Wednesday evening, his only daughter, Miss Annie May, was united in marriage to Reuben Allen Buck of Dorchester.

**Hatfield-Tower.**  
The marriage of Miss Ada Tower of Sackville to Otto Hatfield of Port George, N. S., took place on Wednesday in the Sackville Baptist church.

**Urquhart-Siddall.**  
At the Methodist parsonage, Amherst, by Rev. Mr. McConnell, on Wednesday, Miss Annie Siddall of Sackville post office was married to Daniel Urquhart, formerly of Springhill, but now of Sackville.

Col. Roosevelt: "There must be nothing half-hearted in our attitude in this war. Therefore, we must not only be loyal to all our Allies, we must also make war on all our foes."

WILSON CALLS ON ALL  
TO JOIN THE RED CROSS

Proclamation Sets 10,000,000 as The  
Mark of New Membership Aimed At

Washington, Dec. 14.—President Wilson has issued an appeal in which he urges every one not already a member to join the Red Cross in the course of the membership campaign, starting next Sunday, and continuing until Christmas Eve. An effort will be made to add 10,000,000 new members to the 5,000,000 in the organization. "The President's appeal reads: "To the People of the United States: Ten millions Americans are invited to join the American Red Cross during the week ending with Christmas Eve. The times require that every branch of our great national effort shall be loyally upheld, and it is peculiarly fitting that at Christmas season the Red Cross should be the branch through which your willingness to help is expressed. "You should join the American Red Cross because it alone can carry the pledges of Christmas good-will to those who are bearing for us the real burdens of the world war, both in our army and navy, and in the nations upon whose territory the issues of the world war are being fought out. Your evidence of faith in this work is necessary for their heartening and cheer. "You should join the Red Cross because this arm of the national service is steadily and efficiently maintaining the overseas relief in every suffering land. Administering our millions wisely and well, and awakening the gratitude of the people, our conscience will not let us enjoy the Christmas season if this pledge of support to our cause and the world's weal is left unfulfilled. Red Cross membership is the Christmas spirit in terms of action."

**WOODROW WILSON,**  
"President of the American Red Cross."

PARIS FEARS PORTUGAL  
WILL FOLLOW RUSSIA

Resemblance Seen in Recent Re-  
vel to First Act of the Work-  
men's and Soldiers' Delegates

Paris, Dec. 14.—The situation in Portugal inspires more apprehension as the details arrive here concerning the recent revolutionary upheaval. It is felt to bear a disquieting resemblance to the first act of the Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegation in Russia. Dr. Sidonio Pais, who fomented the revolution, says the Matin's correspondent, has put under lock and key the revered President Machado and Premier Costa, the two men to whom Portugal's entry into the war on the side of the Allies is due. The correspondent says Senor Costa had a strong majority in parliament, while the opposition which has overthrown him has very slight support in the electoral body. Machado Santos, the rebel leader, who is one of the three men who have taken power, the correspondent adds, had been in prison since December, 1916. While not accusing the members of the new government of working knowingly for Germany, the Matin points out that the insurrection was directed against the most trustworthy of the Allies, and says that as long as anarchy is likely to result it can only be of benefit to Germany and to have a serious effect on the role of the Iberian Peninsula. If only by giving dangerous encouragement to the Chauvinists in the Spanish military

Liberal Rallies

Thursday Evening, Dec. 13th  
Temperance Hall, Fairville.

Friday Evening, Dec. 14th  
City Hall, West St. John,

SPEAKERS:  
Dr. A. F. EMERY,  
Dr. W. P. BRODERICK, and others

BOMB FOUND ON SHIP AT SEA

An Atlantic Port, Dec. 13.—The report that a bomb was found in the shaft alley of the Norwegian steamer Bergsdalen, which sailed from here last week for a foreign port, has been verified by a letter received today from the ship. It stated that the infernal machine was discovered by the chief engineer. When it was timed to explode was not disclosed. The bomb was placed on the ship at this port.

**Gourley-Gibbons.**  
At the Brunswick Baptist parsonage, Fredericton, on Wednesday, Rev. G. C. Warren united in marriage Clarence Gourley and Miss Bessie May Gibbons, both of Devon.

Don't Diet Yourself  
TO CURE  
DYSPEPSIA  
IT ISN'T NECESSARY

The sufferer from dyspepsia and indigestion who has to pick and choose his food, is the most miserable of all mankind. Even the little he does eat causes such torture, and is digested so imperfectly that it feeds him little good. "What dyspeptics need is not dieting, or artificial digestants, but something that will put their stomach right so it will manufacture its own digestive ferments. For forty years now Burdock Blood Bitters has been making weak stomachs strong, and curing severe cases of dyspepsia and indigestion that other remedies were powerless to reach. It restores the stomach to a normal healthy condition so that the food no longer causes distress, but is thoroughly digested and assimilated, and goes on its way making red, red blood. Mrs. Henry Shaw, Campbellton, N. B., writes: "I was for five years troubled with a weak stomach, and could not eat any food that would agree with me. I tried different medicines, but could not get cured. A friend advised me to take Burdock Blood Bitters. I took four bottles, and now I am in perfect health." B. B. B. is manufactured only by The T. Millers Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS  
Notice is hereby given that the light at Quaco, N. B., will be stationary until certain repairs are effected. J. C. CHESLEY, Agent, Marine and Fisheries Dept. 12-18.

MUTT AND JEFF—AND ONCE AGAIN JEFF'S SPILLS THE BEANS  
BY "BUD" FISHER

LISTEN, JEFF, I CAN GET AWAY WITH THIS VENTRILOQUIST ACT EASY. THE BOOKING AGENT IS COMING UP AT TEN O'CLOCK. NOW YOU GET UNDER THE TABLE AND TALK FOR THE DUMMY. THE AGENT WILL THINK IT'S ME THROWING MY VOICE. I'LL GET A FAT CONTRACT.  
SURE! I'LL HELP YOU OUT!  
HE'S ALMOST AN HOUR LATE. HE OUGHT TO BE ALONG ANY MINUTE NOW. REMEMBER YOUR PART, JEFF. WHEN I SAY "WATER" YOU START TO SING.  
SHOOT! I'VE LISTENED! I'VE LISTENED!  
ALL RIGHT. I'LL THROW MY VOICE AND MAKE THE DUMMY SING WHILE I DRINK THIS GLASS OF WATER.  
SHOOT! I'VE LISTENED! I'VE LISTENED!  
GO AHEAD, MUTT, I'M LISTENING!

MUTT AND JEFF—AND JUST THEN MUTT GOT HIS  
BY "BUD" FISHER

MUTT, WHAT'S THIS THING?  
THIS IS ONE OF THE STOCKS USED IN SALEM IN 1692 TO PUNISH WITCHES!  
HOW DID IT WORK?  
THE HEAD AND HANDS BIT IN THESE HANDS. I'LL SHOW YOU.  
YEAH, BUT WHAT WAS THERE TO PREVENT THE PRISONER FROM FREING HIMSELF?  
OH, THERE'S A LOCK ON THE END!  
SEE IT?  
YES! IT WORKS, TOO!  
NOW YOU DIE CHEESE, AT LAST I GOT YOU WHERE I WANT YOU.

### STIRRING APPEAL FROM OUR BOYS IN FIRING LINE

The Union executive at St. John has received the following message from the 26th New Brunswick Battalion:

"Straight from the trenches New Brunswick's fighting battalion sends a supreme appeal to her province to bury politics and do her duty for the good name of the battalion of New Brunswick and of Canada. We must maintain the strength of the regiment. We must know that behind us will come more reinforcements of the kind that have made the 26th famous. We lost over 250 men at Passchendaele. The province knows where and how these men must be replaced. We look to the province to see that it is done."

### ST. JOHN MOTHER OF FIGHTING SONS TAKES STAND FOR UNION

Secures a Convert When She Explains Why She Intends to Vote for Union Government.

"If I had a vote I would use it to stop this awful war." The speaker, a lady who looked anything but a pacifist was addressing a little group of ladies in a local store recently. "How would you use it to that end," piped in a mild little woman who has three sons overseas, two of whom are in hospital.

"How?" questioned the first speaker, "why how else but voting against this horrid Military Service act," she replied. The mild little woman was roused. Her eyes seemed to flash fire and with heaving breast she returned to the battle of words. "It's easily seen Mrs. why you haven't a vote and if you had qualified for the franchise, by letting your boy go over there to fight, you wouldn't talk to me."

"Oh! I'm not afraid," she continued almost gaily, "I know the strong men at home, the true Canadian electors will not leave my boys in the lurch, but will vote on Monday for their protection." The conscientious objector was silent and looked convinced as she replied, "I guess you're right after all, little mother of fighting men," and a chorus of "yeas" came from the other ladies present.

Little mothers, wives and sisters of fighting men, display your spirit on Monday as you did when the strong man with tears in his eyes said, "I must go and fight for my country," and you with breaking heart and tightly compressed lips replied, "Yes, 'tis right you should, God bless you."

### A SOLDIER'S ADVICE

Mrs. John McMillan received the following cablegram yesterday from her son, Major Alexander McMillan of the 26th Battalion, now on the Fifth Brigade staff:

"Hope that you, Sue and Florrie will not fail to vote at general election, for union candidates."

(Signed) "A McMILLAN."

### Eczema Cured Five Years Ago

A Treatment Which Has Proven a Wonderful Healer of the Skin—Certified Evidence of Lasting Cure

Jordan, Ont., Dec. 12.—The old notion that eczema is a disease of the blood is refuted time and time again by the cures that are daily being effected by Dr. Chase's Ointment.

It matters not what the cause may have been if you apply Dr. Chase's Ointment regularly you will obtain relief and cure of eczema. Here is the proof.

Mrs. Stephen G. Thwaites, Box 205, Jordan, Ont., writes: "My brother had a bad case of eczema on his legs. He was troubled nearly all one fall and winter with it, and could not work for days at a time. He tried different salves and ointments, but none cured him. One day he tried Dr. Chase's Ointment, and it gave almost instant relief. He continued its use, but had not quite finished the second box when he was cured. It is now about five years since then, and it has never returned. We certainly can recommend Dr. Chase's Ointment, and are very grateful for my brother's cure."

(Rev. S. F. Coffman, Vineland, Ont.), states: "This is to certify that I know Mrs. Thwaites and the party to whom she refers, and her statements are correct."

Mr. J. E. Jones, 228 University avenue, Kingston, Ont., writes: "I had eczema in my hand for about five years. I tried a great many remedies, but found that while some of them checked it, none cured it permanently. Finally I tried Dr. Chase's Ointment, and in six weeks my hand was completely better. I would not do without a box of Dr. Chase's Ointment in the house if it cost \$2 a box. I am giving my name to this firm so that it will get to those who suffer as I did."

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shall it be? Surely the soldiers shall never want while the exercise of sacrifice, economy and care lies within reach of any Canadian.

The Kaiser calls treaties mere scraps of paper and we in turn call him a fiend; our ballots on Monday, by their markings, will indicate if we will carry out the terms of our treaty to our Canadian fighting men or like the Kaiser treat it as a mere scrap of paper.

"Men must work and women must weep" runs the old couplet, Armageddon has added the stipulation that women must vote to protect all they hold dear.

### THE VICTORY LOAN

The dominion executive committee which had charge of the Victory Loan has been advised of a total number of subscribers of over 841,000,000.

The whole of the actual subscriptions themselves, with the accompanying cash, representing the 10 per cent, will not be in the hands of the minister of finance for a few days. It will take that time for the distant mails to reach Ottawa. Until practically all the subscriptions have been received the minister will not be in a position to make a final allotment.

In the meantime, however, he has decided to allot in full all subscriptions of amounts up to and including one million dollars. This means that only those who have subscribed amounts of \$50, \$100, \$200, \$1,000 or any multiple of \$1,000 up to \$1,000,000 will have their subscription accepted in full.

With regard to the remainder, the minister will make an announcement at a later date when all the subscriptions are in hand.

### ZERO WEATHER AND OAK HALL'S SALE OF WOMEN'S WINTER COATS.

This is indeed a timely sale of these necessary garments. Sale prices on every girl's, Misses' and Women's winter coat, including fine velours, chinchillas, chevots; also fine black silk plush. Plenty of coats to choose from.

Included in this sale is one special lot of coats. Regular \$15.00, \$18.00, \$25.00; sale price \$9.95. Oak Hall (Scovill Bros., Ltd.)

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# The Pledge Required of Quebec Liberal Candidates

THE whole evil intent of Henri Bourassa, idol of Quebec, Nationalist, and Anti-Britisher, is shown in the following pledge which he has required Liberal candidates in Quebec to sign:

"I, the undersigned candidate for the Federal deputation, by these presents agree, if I am elected, to exact the immediate suspension of the Military Service Act of 1917, and of all its effects, until the Canadian electors have been consulted by a plebiscite, and, should the majority of the people condemn conscription in this referendum, I agree to require that it (the Military Act) be considered as void and without effect from its very origin, and that in consequence the conscripts be liberated from service and discharged.

"I also agree to vote against any government that will refuse to adopt the above-mentioned policy."

# Vote for Union Candidates

Vote for the men who have banded themselves together for national unity, national honor, and national salvation.

"Election means just one thing—you are either going to send men to back up the Canadians, or you are not."

Hon. F. B. Carvell

New Brunswick Union Committee

ROSEBUD SUCCESS MAY LEAD TO PURCHASE OF SUITABLE BUILDING

Encouraging Letter Received Meeting of the Society Last Evening - Option Already Taken on New Property.

The receipt of a check for a substantial sum from the Women's Council as the proceeds of Rosebud day made the board of management of the Children's Aid Society last night one of unusual interest. This sum was at once set aside to be added to the building fund. The president, A. M. Belding, who was in the chair, announced that he had secured an option on a suitable property till February 1. If sufficient funds can be secured to warrant its purchase the society will find itself in possession of a home adequate for all its requirements. The secretary read a letter from a lady in Kings county thanking him for sending them a girl for adoption. The little one she says is very bright. In addition to attending the school regularly, she is also taking music lessons and the lady hopes she will eventually be able to play the piano or organ in public. Arrangements were made by which all the children who have been placed in foster homes by the society will have a suitable token of remembrance on Christmas. Following is a brief synopsis of the report of the secretary, Rev. George Scott. During the past month there were two hearings before our commissioners, Rev. A. R. Armstrong and Rev. Wm. Duke. As a result of these three children were committed to the care of the society. Two of these had been deserted by their mother who went to Ontario. Two children from the shelter were removed to the General Public Hospital and one was taken to a prospective foster home. One lad, with the consent of his mother who had been deserted by her husband, was committed to the Boys' Industrial Home for four years by Judge Armstrong. In the police court a non-support case was settled by the husband agreeing to pay three dollars a week towards the support of his wife and child. One case that had been occupying my attention during some con-

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as per our treasurer's statement attached hereto of Rosebud day this council's effort in aid of your society's building fund. With this check may I ask you to accept also the best wishes of our president, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, and our entire council for the continued success of your work for the homeless little ones so deserving of every effort made for their betterment and welfare. It gave this council great pleasure to be of any assistance in so worthy a cause and kindly convey to the ladies of the Children's Aid Society our appreciation for their splendid co-operation with us on December 1. The refreshment committee, under the conrovership of Mrs. D. McLellan, relieved the council ladies of great responsibility and enabled us to concentrate our entire effort on the financial success of the day. Hoping that our work may be of some small help, I remain, on behalf of the St. John Local Council of Women, Respectfully yours, AMELIA J. HALBY, Corresponding Secretary.

The president was authorized to send a letter of grateful thanks to the Women's Council.

CHURCH DISSOLVES MARRIAGE; COURT SUPPORTS DECREE

Montreal, Dec. 13.—Because Emilien Berthelet married the first cousin of his deceased wife without having obtained a dispensation from the Roman Catholic church, to do so, the archbishop of Montreal dissolved the marriage on Nov. 11, 1915, as this relationship, in the eyes of the archbishop, constituted a bar to the marriage.

Today this ecclesiastical decree was confirmed in the superior court here by Mr. Justice Allard, on the petition of the second wife, Flore Laroque. The second marriage took place in St. James church on April 21, 1908, "when the marriage took place," said the judge, "the petitioner was in good faith; she did not know of her relationship to her husband's deceased wife."

Wife Furnished It. Mrs. Jinks—My husband was a confirmed smoker when I married him, but today he never smokes. Mrs. Binks—Good! To break off a lifetime habit like that requires a strong will. Mrs. Jinks—Well, that's what I've got ideas.

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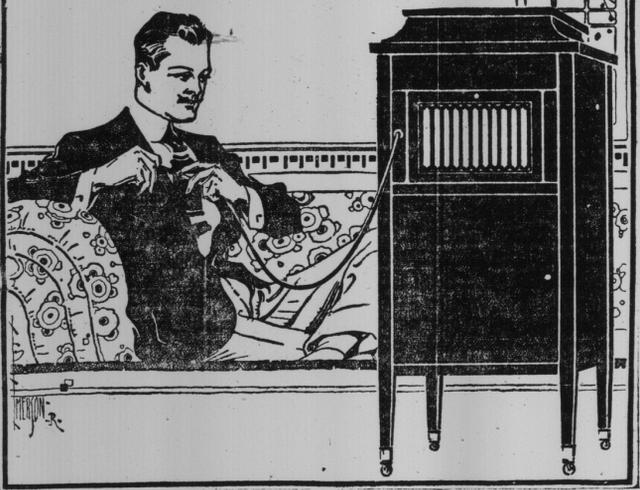
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INDUSTRIAL OCCUPATIONS FOR RETURNED SOLDIERS

Tubercular Men—Take up Vocational Work in New Kingston Building

Kingston, Dec. 12.—Seventy-four of the 186 tubercular patients under treatment at Mowatt Sanatorium are taking some vocational work, and the new building erected by the Military Hospitals Commission for this training is filled daily with classes of ambitious men, who are eager to take advantage of the opportunity to prepare themselves for civilian life, as well as improve their health by this superintended activity. Vocational work in a sanatorium is very different from the vocational work in convalescent homes although the courses may be the same. In a sanatorium a man is under the closest medical scrutiny for daily developments in his case, and while he may be allowed to work so many hours one day, his time allowed for work the next day may be much less. Provision must be made for irregular attendances, and so the men progress not as a class but as their individual conditions will permit. This is more or less true in the convalescent homes of course, but there the men are not usually suffering from impaired health, but from distinct disabili-

ties due to wounds. It is a matter of healing and the progress in most cases is steadily forward. One of the most interesting phases of vocational training in the Mowatt sanatorium is barbering. The men in the infirmary are shaved and shorn free of all charge, but a small fee is paid by the up patients. The instructor is a returned soldier who was a barber before his enlistment and his pupils have been very successful so far. The shop is complete in every detail, a chair of the latest design is installed and a full line of shaving creams, pomades, and massage materials—all the masculine beautifiers—line the shelves. In the motor mechanics' shop they had four cars to work upon and a very complete little garage just finished, in which to carry on the work. There are fourteen men working at fancy work and the results were such as to prove one of the biggest attractions in the Kingston fair in the fall. Christmas work is now absorbing a great deal of their interest. Very fine pieces of craft furniture in use in the sanatorium, desks and tables in many instances, show the fine work being done in the carpentry shops. Here too Christmas presents are under construction and many of the men when they are discharged from the sanatorium as fit for civilian life, will have some furniture to take with them which any man might be proud to have in his home.

The commercial courses and those leading to civil service positions are well filled and the men generally are making fine progress. The top floor of this fine vocational building is given over to recreational features. The library is in a room by itself, and the big room for general play is fitted with lounging chairs, billiard table, a piano, and card tables.

Rousing meetings were held yesterday afternoon and evening at Waterside and Harvey, in Albert county, for the Union cause. J. Charlton Berrie and David Hipwell, of this city, were the speakers. Tonight they are to speak at Hopewell Cape. Edward Lewis presided at the Waterside meeting yesterday, and George Prescott was chairman of the meeting in Harvey.

Any Sickness Leaves Weakness

Even a simple cold strips and reduces your resistive powers to allow other sickness. Only food—not opiates or drugs—creates the rich blood which distributes strength to the body, and the concentrated medicinal food in

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Do Your Xmas Shopping at This Sale!

- Men's \$15.00 Overcoats, Tomorrow, \$10.50
Men's \$20.00 Overcoats, Tomorrow, \$14.50
Men's \$25.00 Overcoats, Tomorrow, \$18.50
Men's \$20.00 Suits, Tomorrow, \$14.50
Men's \$22.50 Suits, Tomorrow, \$18.50
Men's \$25.00 Suits, Tomorrow, \$20.00

Every Boys' Suit and Overcoat in the Store at Cut Prices

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Boys' \$8.00 Overcoats, Tomorrow, \$5.59
Boys' \$5.50 Suits, Tomorrow, \$4.29
Boys' \$6.00 Suits, Tomorrow, \$4.69
Boys' \$7.00 Suits, Tomorrow, \$4.98
Reg. \$1.50 Negligee Shirts, Tomorrow, 98c.
Reg. \$1.75 Flannel Shirts, Tomorrow, \$1.29
Reg. \$1.25 Wool Underwear, Tomorrow, 98c.
Reg. \$1.00 Wool Underwear, Tomorrow, 69c.
Reg. 35c. Socks, Tomorrow, 23c.
Reg. 45c. Wool Socks, Tomorrow, 33c.
Reg. \$1.50 Sweater Coats, Tomorrow, 98c.
Reg. \$2.00 Sweater Coats, Tomorrow, \$1.49
Reg. \$4.00 Sweater Coats, Tomorrow, \$2.89
Reg. 50c. Wool Gloves, Tomorrow, 33c.
Reg. 85c. Wool Gloves, Tomorrow, 59c.
Reg. \$1.25 Wool Gloves, Tomorrow, 98c.

And Hundreds of Other Bargains Suitable for Xmas Gifts Extra Sales People Tomorrow - No Goods on Approval - Store Open Till 11 p.m.

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Premier Expresses Thanks For Women's Support of Union

Ottawa, Dec. 15—Sir Robert Borden gave to the press this morning the following statement:

Only a few days remain before the decision of the people of Canada upon vital national issues will be made and announced. In the meantime I desire to express to the women of Canada who are supporting Union government my intense appreciation of their interest and of their effort for the great purpose that every true Canadian should have at heart.

A St. John member of the 85th Battalion who has passed through the trials at Vimy Ridge and Passchendaele sends the following, addressed to Mother, Father and Sisters residing here: 'The days have passed until another year has closed; but freedom's cause still holds us here. Reliant, confident, our wills are set To reach the glorious goal, unguided as yet. Heroic deeds of comrades true who fell To equal deeds our emulous hearts impel Much we've achieved; much still waits to be done. We 'Carry on' till Victory is won.'

FRENCH LOSE BUT ONE STEAMER IN LAST WEEK

Paris, Dec. 13—In the week ending December 8 only one French steamship of more than 1,000 tons was sunk by German submarines. None under that tonnage were lost. Three French vessels were attacked but none of them were destroyed. No fishing vessels were sunk.

Mrs. E. A. Smith, who is collecting funds for the Christmas dinner for the men of the 29th battalion, expects to cable the money to the battalion's account in London tomorrow. Several fine contributions have been made and all who expect to contribute will have done so at once so that the money may be sent tomorrow.

Hold Imo Helmsman as Spy Suspect

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 13—Charles Jacobsen, helmsman on the Norwegian steamer Imo, the Belgian relief ship, whose collision with the ammunition steamer Mont Blanc led to the disaster of last Thursday, was detained as a German spy suspect today. He was turned over to the military authorities by officials of the Massachusetts relief hospital, where he has been under treatment.

Sensational stories were in circulation today in connection with spies and plots in this city, but so far as can be learned tonight they are mostly discredited in official circles. Charles Jacobsen, who was the helmsman on the Norwegian steamer Imo, which collided with the Mont Blanc, the ammunition ship which blew up a week ago, has been in the Massachusetts hospital here for several days. So far as could be learned there was nothing serious the matter with him, and the nurse from New York becoming suspicious of him, notified the authorities, as she claims, he offered her \$50 to allow him his freedom.

The authorities placed a guard at his bedside and today he was taken into custody by the police and later handed over to the military authorities. The general theory advanced is that Jacobsen has become unnerfed since the day of the disaster and that he was afraid of appearing on the witness stand at the official inquiry. He will be called for examination later. Rumors were in circulation that he had a code in his possession, corresponding with a code found at the home of some Swedes.

The following additional bodies have been identified at the Chebucto mortuary: Mary H. Guess; Helens Guess Shea; Ceconi Matteo; Charles Shortt; Miss Margaret Kelly; Percy Duggan; Mrs. Mary Ann Duggan; Miss Eileen Duggan; Burton McPhee; Edward Foran; William Henneberry; Fred Bailey; Mrs. Nora Bates; James Johnson; Pontleat Lemieux; Alfred L. Hendry; Hugh Hendry; John Whalen; Norman W. Andrews; William Marshall; Alfred Cole; Miss Irene Deakins; Mrs. Annie Marshall; Cyril R. Cann; Miss Elizabeth Brodie; John Royane; Charles Vaughan; Frances Wilson; Mrs. B. Underwood; Walter Fraser; Joseph Holland; Joseph Wier; Private G. Keeble; B. F. Day; Frances Burgess; David Orr; Mrs. Osborne Wallace; P. J. Collins; John Harley; Ira Hubley; Mrs. Annie Thout; Private A. Roscoe.

TWO QUEBEC FIRES

Valleyfield, Que., Dec. 13—Three thousand employees were thrown out of employment when the power house of the Montreal Cottons Ltd. plant here was destroyed by fire this morning. The employees will be out of work until arrangements are made for the introduction of electrical energy, negotiations to which end are already proceeding. The damage involved in the destruction of the power house and the origin of the fire have yet to be determined. There were no casualties.

St. John's, Que., Dec. 13—Fire breaking out in the engine room of the Excelsior Straw Company this morning entailed an estimated loss of \$125,000, only partially covered by insurance. The St. John's Straw Company, owned by the Canadian Bank of Commerce, was destroyed with a loss of \$40,000 in addition to the plant of the Excelsior Straw Company, the loss of which is placed at \$80,000 with \$24,000 insurance. A moving picture theatre and three or four houses at the corner of Richelleu and St. Charles streets were also destroyed. A detachment of men from a local militia unit greatly assisted the firemen in subduing the flames.

BUNKER COAL PRICES HAVE NOW BEEN FIXED Washington, Dec. 13—Export and foreign bunker coal prices were fixed by the fuel administration today at \$1.82 a ton higher than the domestic price scale. Heretofore export and bunker coal have sold at the figures set for sales within the United States. The new prices will

ST. DAVID'S ENTERTAINED THE SOLDIERS, DESPITE FIE

The soldiers' entertainment committee of St. David's Presbyterian church were able to hold their regular Thursday night reception last evening owing to the kindness of the people of St. Andrew's church in placing the rooms of the latter church at the disposal of the committee. There were about 100 soldiers present and a very entertaining and enjoyable programme was carried out. A mandolin solo was given by Private Edwards, a vocal solo by Sergeant Ellis, a Welsh solo by Private Jenkins, vocal solo by Quartermaster Cummings. Men from the 4th Battalion, East Yorkshire, to the number of about forty-two, who were detained in the city on their way to England from Bermuda, helped in no small measure to assist in producing the various numbers on the programme. A solo was also rendered by E. J. Punter of St. David's, and a piano duet given by Mrs. Archibald and Mrs. Leakey.

There were choruses from the soldiers and joined in by all present. Miss Payson was in the chair. Refreshments were served at the conclusion of the programme and everyone pronounced the evening a highly successful and enjoyable one.

London, Dec. 13—The British Red Cross has donated \$125,000 to the Halifax sufferers. The London mansion house fund has reached \$175,000.

Eve was beguiled by a serpent and both she and Adam were driven out of Eden. The modern Eve has the wisdom of generations untold behind her and she will see to it on Monday next that our boys in the trenches and Canadian freedom will not beguile her to cast her vote against union government and a steady and determined prosecution of the war.

Advertisement for Cowan's Cocoa featuring an illustration of a man in a hat and a cup of cocoa. Text includes 'Link Economy with Production', 'Buy according to food values, save by purchasing economically, and do this study food values', and 'Cowan's COCOA - "Perfection Brand" Purest and Best'.

Advertisement for The AutoStop Razor in its New Military Kit. Includes an illustration of a woman presenting a razor to a soldier. Text includes 'Give your soldier this Military Razor', 'It was made expressly for him', 'The AutoStop Razor in its New Military Kit is the real soldier's razor. Why? Because it is compact and takes up so little room, because it is light and adds so little weight, because it is complete with its trench mirror all ready to be hung up on the nearest nail—but especially because it is the famous AutoStop Razor, the only razor that is self-maintaining. It is the only razor that Sharpens its own blades Automatically and keeps them free from rust. This is a big thing because the blades cannot get dull. The 12 blades you get with the AutoStop Razor will give you more than 500 clean, comfortable shaves. It strops, shaves and is cleaned, all without taking apart.', 'Kits in two styles: Black or Khaki Leather. Weight, 5 1/2 ounces.', 'AutoStop Safety Razor Co., Ltd. 83 Duke St., Toronto, Canada'.

WHAT'S NEW AT THE MOVIES

SPORT NEWS OF THE DAY HOME AND ABROAD

In the senior Y. M. C. I. bowling league last night the Crows defeated the Falcons by three points.

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Falcons... 85 91 84 260 862-3

WRESTLING. Catch-as-Catch-Can.

New York, Dec. 13.—In the international catch-as-catch-can wrestling tournament here tonight, three final bouts were contested.

BASEBALL. \$50,000 for Star Battery.

Philadelphia, Dec. 13.—It was learned from a trustworthy source on Thursday that the money consideration involved in the sale of Pitcher Grover Alexander and Catcher William Killifer, by the Philadelphia National League club to the Chicago National League club was \$50,000.

CLUB OWNERS OF MAJOR LEAGUES MEET

Reduction of Player Limit and Other War Measures Discussed

New York, Dec. 13.—Club owners of the National baseball league, having completed the routine business of the annual meeting, arranged to leave Thursday for Chicago, where they will hold a series of conferences with officials of the American League over the various problems confronting the national game during war time.

Regarding division of receipts of the 1918 series it is proposed to pool the money among the first seven clubs of the league.

The National Leaguers favor reducing the player limit to eighteen or twenty men, it is said, but not the proposal to shorten the playing season.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Reduction of the year limit, shortening spring training and other war measures were discussed by the American League club owners during the Thursday, Friday and Saturday sessions with National League owners held.

The league took no action Wednesday on cutting the player limit it is the owners agreed that there should be no reduction.

Several trades were made at the first session, but several are pending.

THE SOX OUTFIT "SHOT TO PIECES"

Frazer Has Lost Nearly Half of His Team Through Dismissal and Draft

St. Louis, Dec. 12.—No one realizes better than does President Frazer of the Sox that he has a monumental task before him in the coming year.

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portant for him to take measures for appointing a suitable manager right away. Any appointment that he does make along this line will be in the event of Jack Barry being retained in the service, and the successor of Barry, if there is one, will handle the reins only as long as Jack is compelled to serve Uncle Sam.

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The discomforts of the journey can be imagined. The seats of the West St. John car were full beyond reason, and no less than thirty-seven persons were standing.

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CHILDREN'S MATINEE SATURDAY AFTERNOON

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from New York that the ship had been properly loaded. To Mr. Mellish witness said that there were fire-fighting appliances on board but they could not be used because the pipe attached to them was near the fire.

Witness told Captain Demers, nautical assessor, that he had been a master for two years. He was making about three knots at the time of the collision. He did not believe the collision could have been avoided by dropping anchor.

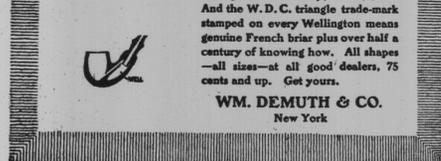
Captain Lamedoc told Captain Hawes, nautical assessor, that he trusted to the pilot for his course. No soundings were taken.

This completed the examination of the Mont Blanc's captain and the inquiry adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

843 Tongues in Africa. (Exchange). Nearly one-fourth of the earth's land surface is comprised within the continent of Africa, and it is as far around the coast of Africa as it is around the world.

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