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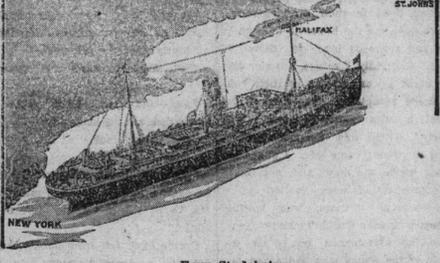
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The Web; OR, TRUE LOVE'S PASSION.

CHAPTER XXIX. Only a Dream.

They shouldered the easel and things and climbed the beach, talking as they went, and Jack noticed that Cyril talked continuously, as if he were afraid of a pause.

They reached the house, and were soon seated at the meal which served Cyril as dinner and supper combined.

"And now tell me all the news, old man," he said. "Try some of these cigars; they are not bad. Lord, now you are here, I know how I have missed you!"

"That's nice," said Jack, parenthetically. "In absence the heart grows fonder. Yes, not a bad cigar. News—there is none. The House of Commons—"

"Hang the House of Commons!" broke in Cyril. "I've heard of your success, Jack, and I meant to write to you," he added, rather shamefacedly, "but, though I haven't written, you know I'm glad enough. I always knew you'd be famous. The paper I saw the review of your book in said you were the coming poet, and for once a paper did not lie. And I suppose you are the lion of the off season and will roar all through the next one. Dear old Jack!"

"Not much of a lion," said Jack, gruffly. "There was only one subject he hated more than another, and that was his books. 'I expect you'll do all the roaring, and none of the rest of us will be able to make ourselves heard.'"

Cyril shook his head. "My roar will be a whine," he said, moodily. "I'm good for nothing; a failure of the very first magnitude. But go on."

Instead of going on, Jack, after a glance at him, looked round the room, which was furnished like a fashionable hunting box, but lined with pictures, among them being some of Cyril's earlier ones, showing that Lord Newall had taken a very solid fancy to Cyril's work.

"Comfortable quarters you've got," he said. "But, by the way, where is Lord Newall, for of course this is his place? I beg his lordship's pardon for not thinking of him before."

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July 17, m. w. f.

"Oh, he's gone," said Cyril. "He was to have stayed for a month, but he found a week of my genial society sufficient. He fled the gay and festive scene which my cheery presence was rapidly transforming into a third-class funeral."

"And how did he like the picture?" asked Jack. "I don't think he liked it at all," replied Cyril, "if I may judge from his remarks. He observed that it wasn't up to my usual form, and I could have forgiven him—if I hadn't felt that he spoke the truth, confound him!"

"A little off color," said Jack. "Yes, but I shall be all right now," responded Cyril, with a great attempt at cheerfulness, as he puffed at his pipe. "I wanted a glimpse of you. There will be some heart in the daub old man, that was what I wanted now, you'll see."

"And when do you come back?" asked Jack, making himself comfortable on a rustic couch, over which a costly tiger skin had been thrown. "Never," said Cyril. "That is, catching himself up, 'I'm not sure. I shan't hurry; I like Brittany. It suits me; it's—it's lonely and quiet and—"

"Better than Santeleight?" put in Jack, quietly. Cyril winced as if he had been struck, and his face grew red.

"Yes," he replied, grimly, "better than Santeleight. Jack, if you love me, don't mention the place—not to-night, at any rate. There are chords in the human heart—"

"He tried to laugh mockingly, but the laugh died away, and he turned his head aside. "What's the matter with Santeleight?" asked Jack, in a matter-of-fact tone, but still watching the harassed face before him covertly. "I thought the presence of a certain young lady beautified it and made it a distinct and precious paradise."

Cyril choked back a groan. "For God's sake, don't chaff me, Jack!" he said, and his voice shook. "If you knew all—"

"Man, I can't!" broke in Cyril, in a smothered voice. "It's bad enough to think of; impossible to put into words."

"What has happened? Is she dead?" Cyril started. "That's a good word, Jack. Yes, she is dead—dead to me, at any rate. Jack, I've been almost-mad. I think if you had not turned up this evening, I really should have gone melancholy silly. Don't say a word, and I'll tell you—I've lost her!"

Jack was silent a moment as he slowly refilled his pipe. "You've lost her?" he said, quietly. "That bears rather a wide significance. What do you mean?"

"Do you want the proper word in all its vulgar brutality?" asked Cyril, almost savagely. "Have it, then! She has jilted me! There, now you know what the matter with me, and why you can't find any heart in my picture. I've no heart to put into it. Yes, she has jilted me, thrown me over as she would cast aside a worn-out glove, and I'm such a miserable imitation of a man that I'm wearing myself into a shadow over her."

He laughed bitterly. "You know what the Spanish proverb says, that 'man was made for woman, and woman was made for herself.' And it's true, by Heaven! For if she is false—and she is—there is not a true, unselfish woman in the world."

"That's rather a large order," said Jack, under his breath. "Why has she thrown you over, lad?" "Ask of the winds that blow at even," retorted Cyril, with a bitter laugh. "Why, shouldn't she, you mean? Why should the daughter of an earl be faithful to a man who she thinks is only a poor devil of an artist? I know it all, I can see it all. Heaven knows I've thought enough about it to enable me to arrive at the truth! It was all very well while I was with her, but when she was left to herself, to think of what she had done, to face the fear of her father—and yet—oh, Jack, I believed in her up to the hilt!"

"Why don't you write to her?" asked Jack, after a moment's pause. Cyril laughed.

"Why don't I? Oh, my good Caesar, what a question! I have written to her—twice. I put my heart into the letter, though I haven't into the picture. I implored her—there, that's enough! I begged her to write me one word, and—the rest is silence, as Hamlet says."

"She would not even write?" "She would not write even a word," said Cyril, grimly. "Not even the word 'Go!' Great Heaven, when I think of her I wonder whether I have not been dreaming; so true she seemed, so pure—the driven snow seemed not so pure, so unselfish as she was. And so brave—nothing should separate us, she said over and over again. I can hear her now."

He looked before him with fixed eyes, as if, indeed, he heard Norah's voice, and his head sank upon his breast. "Yes, it was a dream, and sweet enough while it lasted; it's the awakening that is so bad. And it is bad, old man."

"You are in love with her!" "Just so," retorted Jack, philosophically. "I was. I forgot all the rest of the people. I was deaf to the noise of the idiots cackling and laughing; I ceased to hear the man at the piano who had been making life a burden to me. I thought of nothing but this beautiful creature with the face of an angel—angel he hanged; a woman!—and I thought: 'Jack, my friend, if ever you fall in love, fall in love with some one like this, if you can find another like her. For here, enshrined in this lovely casket, is a heart of surpassing tenderness and truth. Here is the great prize for which mankind is ever and ever striving. Here is a pearl and a ruby, not to say a diamond, above price. If ever purity and unselfishness, and innocence of all sordid emotions dwell in a human heart, they dwell in the heart of this exquisite specimen of womanhood. Her smile is as the perfume of Shiraz; her voice is like that of the turtle that flies over Damascus; her face is a dream and a delight—"

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low; the sort that steals over you and sets your heart aching with pleasure and pain nicely mixed." Cyril stifled a groan. "Heaven and earth!" he muttered. Every word recalled Norah, and he seemed to see her float like a vision before him.

"She was dressed," Jack went on, slowly, "well, I suppose she was the best dressed woman in the room. I'm not a painter; but if I were, I'd try to paint that girl, and when I'd succeeded—but I never should succeed—I'd remark, 'Finis,' and lay down my brush."

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or despair abandoned the struggle without achieving the highest purpose for which we entered it, would be guilty of the costliest act of patriotism ever perpetrated by any statesman. I should like to quote the very well-known words of Abraham Lincoln under similar conditions: "We accepted this war for an object, and a world object, and the war will end when that object has been attained. Under God I hope it will never end until that time." Are we likely, continued Mr. Lloyd George, to achieve that object by accepting the German Chancellor's invitation? What are the proposals? There are none. To enter a conference on the invitation of Germany proclaiming herself victorious without any knowledge of the proposals she proposes to make, is to place our heads into a noose with the rope ends in Germany's hands. This country is not altogether without experience in these matters. This is not the first time we have fought a great military despotism overshadowing Europe, and it will not be the first time we have helped to overthrow a military despotism. We can recall one of the greatest of these despots when he had a purpose to serve. In working out his nefarious schemes his favorite device was to appear in the guise of the Angel of Peace. He usually appeared under these conditions when we wished for time to assimilate his conquests or to reorganize his forces for fresh conquests or secondly when his subjects showed symptoms of fatigue and weariness. The appeal was always made in the name of humanity. He demanded an end to bloodshed at which he professed himself to be horrified but for which he himself was mainly responsible. Our ancestors were taken in once and bitterly they and Europe rued it. The time was devoted to reorganizing his forces for a deadlier attack than ever upon the liberties of Europe. Examples of this kind cause us to regard this note with a considerable measure of reminiscent disquietude. We feel we ought to know before we can give a favorable consideration to such an invitation, that Germany is prepared to accede to the only terms upon which it is possible for peace to be obtained and maintained in Europe. These terms have been repeatedly stated by all the leading statesmen of the Allies. Mr. Asquith has stated them repeatedly.

It is important that there should be no mistake in a matter of life and death to millions, therefore I will repeat them again, namely: Complete restoration and full reparation and effectual guarantees. Has the German Chancellor used a single phrase indicating that he was prepared to accept such a peace? The very substance and style of his speech constitute a denial of peace on the only terms upon which peace is possible—he is against the rights of free nations. Listen to this from the German note: "Not for an instant have the Central Powers swerved from their conviction that respect for the rights of other nations is not in any degree compatible with their own rights and legitimate interests." When did they discover that? Where was the respect for the rights of other nations in Belgium and Serbia? That was self-defence, I suppose, menaced by the overwhelming enemies in Belgium. (Laughter.) I suppose that the Germans had been intimidated into invading Belgium, burning Belgian cities and villages, massacring thousands of inhabitants, old and young, carrying the survivors into bondage. They were carrying them into slavery, when this note was being written about their unswerving conviction as to respect for the rights of other nations. Are these outrages legitimate interests of Germany? We must know that it is not the moment for peace, if excuses of this kind for palpable crimes can be put forward two and a half years after the exposure by grim facts of the guarantee. Is there, I ask in all solemnity, any guarantee that similar subtleties will not be used in future to overthrow any treaty of peace you may enter into with Prussian militarism? This note and the speech prove that not yet have they learned the very alphabet of respect for the rights of others (Cheers). Without reparation peace is impossible. (Cheers). Are all these outrages against humanity on land and sea to be liquidated by a few pious phrases about humanity? Is there to be no reckoning for them? Are we to grasp the hand that has perpetrated these atrocities in friendship without any reparation being tendered or given? Germany leaves us to exact damage for all future violence committed after the war. We have already begun. It has cost us much and we must exact it now so as not to leave such a grim inheritance to our children.

Much as we all long for peace, deeply as we are horrified with war, this note and the speech which heralded it do not afford us much encouragement and hope for an honorable and lasting peace. What hope is given in that speech? The whole root and cause of this great bitterness, the arrogant spirit of the Prussian military caste will soon be as dominant as ever if we patch up a peace now. (Cheers). After pointing out that the speech in which peace proposals were suggested resounded to the boast of Prussian military triumph, Mr. Lloyd George declared we must keep a steadfast eye upon the purpose for which we entered the war, otherwise the great sacrifices we have been making will be in vain. The German note states that it was for the defence of their existence and freedom for national development that the Central Powers were constrained to take up arms. Such phrases defeat even those who pen them. They are intended to delude the German nation into supporting the designs of Prussian military caste. Who ever wished to put an end to Germany's national existence or their freedom for national development? We welcomed their development so long as it was on the paths of peace. The Allies entered this war to defend Europe against aggression of Prussian military domination and having begun it must insist that the only end is the most complete and effective guarantee against the possibility of that caste ever again disturbing the peace of Europe. (Cheers). Prussia, since she got into the hands of that caste has been a bad neighbor—arrogant, threatening, bullying, shifting boundaries at her will—taking one fair field after another from weaker neighbors. With her belt ostentatiously full of weapons of offense, and ready at a moment's notice to use them, she always has been an unpleasant and disturbing neighbor in Europe. (Hear, Hear.) It is difficult for those living thousands of miles away to understand what it has meant to those who lived near her. Even here, with the protection of the broad seas between us we knew what a disturbing factor the Prussians were with their constant naval menace, but even we can hardly realize what it has meant to France and Russia. Now that this war has been forced by the Prussian military leaders upon France, Russia, Italy and ourselves, it would be cruel folly not to see to it that this swasbuckling through the streets of Europe to the disturbance of all harmless and peaceful citizens shall be dealt with now as an offence against the law of nations. (Cheers). The mere word that led Belgium to her own destruction will not satisfy Europe any more. We all believe it; we all entrusted it. It gave way to the first pressure of temptation, and

## Recruiting Meeting

AT CHAMBERLAINS.

Last night a recruiting meeting was held at Chamberlains, over which Mr. Geo. J. Adams presided. On the platform were Rev. Canon Colley and three men of the place who have returned from active service. The speakers were Lieut. E. Churchill, Sergt. Nugent, Sergt. Squires, Pte. Jensen, a brother of Pte. Phil. Penson, and Mr. C. J. Fox. The soldiers gave a graphic account of their experiences in Gallipoli and France; also the brighter side of soldier life when in England, and out of the trenches behind the battle front. Mr. Fox reviewed the war from the standpoint of one who through physical unfitness was not eligible to enlist. There will be a recruiting meeting at Torbay, commencing at 8 o'clock, to-night. Mr. T. J. Edens will preside. Among the speakers will be Lieut. H. Ross, Sergt. J. Robinson, Pte. Hall, Mr. W. R. Howley and Mr. L. E. Emerson.

Europe has been plunged into the vortex of blood. We will therefore wait until we hear what terms and guarantees the German Government offer other than those, better than those, surer than those which she so limply broke and in the meantime we shall put our trust in an unbroken army rather than in a broken faith. (Loud cheers.) Let us for a moment, continued the Premier, look at the worst. The Roumanians' blunder was unfortunate, but the worst is it prolongs the war. It does not alter the full damage facts of the war. I cannot help hoping that it may even have a salutary effect in calling the attention of the Allies to obvious defects in the Allies' organization, not merely in the organization of the whole. If it does that and braces them to fresh effort it may prove, bad as it is, a blessing in disguise. It has been a real set back. It is the one cloud, it is the darkest cloud that appeared on a clearing horizon. We are doing our best to make it impossible that that disaster should lead to a worse one. (Not finished.) (To be Continued.)

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By RUTH CAMERON.



A letter friend has brought the old question to the surface. She was talking with a man about my articles and spoke of me as "she". He said, "What is your reason? Did you ever see that that writer ever claimed she is a woman?" I said, "Mr. L. if two people have knowledge about a picture and one has seen it and the other merely read about it, which one will give you the better description?" He replied, "The one who has seen it, of course."

I said, "Just so. Would a man ever see or be able to write as she does?" He replied, "I guess you are right." People seem to like to think they are being fooled.

Why is it that people so firmly persist in believing that any articles claiming on the face of them to be written by a woman are written by a man? I sometimes think it is all to be traced back to a jest which appeared in some periodical years ago. The writer told of a woman who went in to see Peggy Quincy, the column writer of a certain Boston paper. She wanted to talk to her about a certain point in baby discipline. She was introduced to a large, black-bearded man who said, "I am Peggy Quincy."

Now even if that were true, that would not necessarily imply that all newspaper columns signed by women writers are conducted by men. But as a matter of fact, it was not true. I was living in Boston at the time. I knew Peggy Quincy and she was just as much a woman as I am.

"Give a lie an hour's headstart," the

old saying goes, "and it will take the truth a year to catch up with it." And this lie has had some year's headstart.

There may, of course, be woman's columns conducted by men, but I never knew of one; and I have been more or less behind the scenes in the newspaper world.

Women are fitted for the work and it is just as easy for them to do it.

**Now Are You Satisfied?** Once or twice before I have assured my reader friends of my femininity, but they seem to require assurance about once in so often.

I am still a woman, much as I'd like to try being a man for a change. Think how fascinating it would be to see things from both sides of the fence.

As I have answered a question, I am going to ask one that has always puzzled me.

Why do the readers persist in thinking I am a man? Would they prefer to have me one?

### Hr. Grace Notes.

Another of our old and well known residents passed away yesterday in the person of Mrs. Thomas Sparkes, Harvey Street. The deceased had been sick for some time. We tender our sympathy to her aged husband thus bereaved and also to her daughter, Mrs. William Harris.

Yesterday and last night were very disagreeable, with high east wind and rain. The churches were consequently poorly attended.

A schooner from White Bay with a load of herring for Halifax put in here yesterday out of the storm. As the day was so stormy no doubt the crew were pleased to make a safe harbor.

The funeral of the late Mrs. George

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Upper V (Com.)—J. Newhook.  
Lower V (Classical)—G. LeMessurier.

Lower V (Com.)—H. Noonan.  
Upper IV—H. Ellis.  
Lower IV—H. Ellis.

Upper III—C. Duder.  
Lower III—C. Smith.

The Bowring Medal—A. A. C. L. Stein; Intermediate, A. Johnson; Preliminary, G. LeMessurier.

The Steele Medal—H. Ellis.  
The McQueen Medal (for Order and Discipline)—E. Parrott.

The Berrian Medal (for English Composition)—A. Johnson; The Rhodes Ideal Scholar Medal (presented by W. W. Blackall)—E. Parrott.

The Knowling Scholarships and Medals (for Best all-round boy)—Form VI. A. W. Johnson; Form V. G. White; Form IV. H. Ellis.

The Hoel Medal—E. Parrott.  
The McNeely Medal (for knowledge of Newfoundland)—Form VI. D. Torrance; Form V. R. Clapp; Form IV. H. Ellis.

The Manual Training Medals—Upper V. C. Bayly; Lower V. A. Goodland; Upper IV. (Hayward Medal), G. Lewis; Lower IV. E. Coaker; Form III. C. Press.

The Rapid Arithmetic Medal (presented by J. C. Crocker)—A. Perlin.  
The Miller Medals—Best Drill (open), A. Johnson; Best Drill (recreation), G. LeMessurier.

Attendance Badges—Lv. VI. C. Windeler, E. Ewing, H. Flett, E. P. Hiscock; Form V. J. Pearcey; Form IV. H. Ellis, G. Lewis; Form III. C. Press, F. Press, F. Calver.

Divinity—Form VI. E. Parrott; Form V. R. B. Clapp; Form IV. E. Wood; Form III. J. Penston.

English—Upper VI. E. A. Parrott; Lower VI. A. W. Johnson; Form V. R. B. Clapp; Form IV. G. Lewis; Form III. C. Duder.

History—Form VI. B. Way; Form V. G. LeMessurier; Form IV. H. Ellis; Form III. A. Baird.

Geography—Upper VI. E. A. Parrott; Lower VI. E. P. Hiscock; Form V. J. D. Newhook; Form IV. H. Ellis; Form III. C. Crossie, C. Press.

Classics—Form VI. A. W. Johnson; Form V. R. B. Clapp.

French—Form VI. W. A. Anderson; Form V. R. B. Clapp.

Mathematics and Science—Upper VI. C. L. Stein; Lower VI. A. W. Johnson; Form V. G. LeMessurier; Form IV. H. Ellis; Form III. C. Duder.

Commercial Subjects—M. W. Cornick; Form V. J. D. Newhook.

Elocution—Senior, R. Smith; Jun., C. Duder.

Theory of Music—E. Wood.

### Your Boys and Girls.



WALTER MASON

School children rarely have time to reach home for the noonday meal, and in consequence eat a picked up lunch that is in no way calculated to give them the nourishment required at the time. On their return home, half famished, they immediately rush to the other extreme and eat much more than they require or than is good for them, and probably in a few hours consume a hearty dinner.

The health of a child should come first in the care of the parent even above the necessity of going to school. School methods, should, in some way, be made to fit the needs of children in this important particular, not only to prevent contracting the habit of overfeeding later in the day, but to allow for the provision of proper nourishment at the proper time.

Walter's Linctum Cures Distemper

### In Milady's Boudoir.



No hand will present the well groomed and cared for appearance that good form demands if treated only to a casual soap and water washing several times a day with an accompanying hasty use of a nail stick; and thought because more than mere time must be given to the subject if one is to make the very best of one's hands.

Cultivate the habit of whisking the orangewood stick about whenever its point has been used to push back the cuticle around the edge of the nail with the blunt or rounded end of the stick. If this is done systematically, several times a day, the valuable half moon at the base of the nail will always be in evidence, and the nails will maintain their correct shape.

Then when a sudden invitation comes to "fill in" at a neighbor's afternoon tea, you will not have to spend a frantic half hour pushing back the hardened cuticle, and perhaps acquire a sore finger into the bargain, trying to put the nails hastily into presentable shape.

Never clip the nails into shape unless you want them to become thick and coarse at the edges. Clipped nails also break off more readily, especially in cold weather. Every woman should have a pair of curved manicure scissors on her dresser, but they should be put to use seldom, and then only for clipping hangnail, or for cutting off the end or sides of an over-long nail.

### Here and There.

**Fresh Irish Hams and Bacon at ELLIS'.**

**CALENDARS**—We thank Mr. Kenneth Ruby and Mr. J. J. Whelan for neat wall calendars.

**LEFT LEWISPORTE**—The steamers Thetis and Louisburg left Lewisporte to-day.

**Stafford's Essence of Ginger Wine.** Price 15c. a bottle.—if

**REACHED OPORTO**—The schr. Aroca, 33 days from this port, has arrived at Oporto with a cargo of fish.

**THE DURANGO**—The Furness Liner Durango is due here on Saturday next from Liverpool.

**Don't forget Stafford's Essence of Ginger Wine for Xmas.** Price 15c. a bottle.—dec16,17

**WEATHER REPORT**—The weather across country is strong S. E. wind and raining, temperature 30 to 50 above.

**LEAVES FOR MEDITERRANEAN**—The S.S. Sohag will finish loading fish to-night when she will sail for the Mediterranean.

**OUR VOLUNTEERS**—The men had rifle practice at the Southside range yesterday afternoon and at the Highlands' Armoury at night.

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Handkerchiefs. A  
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Fresh Oysters.  
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Anchovies.  
Olives.

**Soups.**  
Real Turdie.  
Cream of Celery.  
Cream of Tomato.  
Cream of Green Pea.

**Fish.**  
Fresh Salmon.  
Lax.  
White Bait.  
Clams.

**Entrees.**  
Chicken a la King.  
Sweetbreads in Tomato  
Sauce.  
Scotch Haggis.  
Wild Boar's Head.  
Carried Fowl.

**Relieves.**  
Turkeys.  
Geese.  
Ducks.  
Chicken.

**Game.**  
Partridge.  
Pheasants.

String Beans.  
Brussels Sprouts.  
Vegetable Marrows.  
Cauliflower.  
Tomatoes.  
Cucumbers.  
Asparagus.  
Sauerkraut.  
Artichokes.  
Leeks.  
Celery.  
Egg Plants.  
Garlic.  
Okra.  
Fresh Horseradish.  
Table Onions.

**Savory.**  
Pate de Foies Gras.  
Spaghetti a L'Italienne.

**SWEETS.**  
Plum Pudding.  
Fruit Salads.

**FRUIT.**  
Alligator Pears.  
Pineapples.  
Tangerines.  
Pomegranates.  
Pears.  
Red and Green Apples.  
Grape Fruit.  
Oranges.  
Bananas.  
Cranberries.  
Apples.  
Chestnuts.

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**War News.**

**Messages Received**  
Previous to 9 A. M.

**THE PREMIER'S FIRST APPEARANCE IN THE COMMONS.**

LONDON, Dec. 19.

The first appearance of David Lloyd George before the House of Commons as Premier was made to-day in circumstances seldom if ever faced by a new holder of the office. Even if the peace proposals of the Central Powers had not intervened, his statement of the policy of his Government which was chosen in reply to public demand for a more vigorous prosecution of war, would have marked an important step in the world conflict. The peace note, however, shifted the interest, and every corner of the world awaited the announcement as to the British attitude toward the move of the Central Powers. The secret was so well kept that the best informed Parliamentary correspondents differed as to the treatment the peace proposals would receive. London papers which support the Lloyd George government most strongly expressed the hope that the Government had decided that a conference on Germany's peace terms would not be considered. Even moderate provincial newspapers warned the pacifists that they had best make up their minds that a prompt refusal would be forthcoming. But the hope was expressed in many quarters, notwithstanding the fact that the German government's note contained no terms, that Premier Lloyd George would be a little more communicative.

Premier Lloyd George announced that it has been decided to give recognition to the agents of former Premier Venizelos of Greece, speaking of the western front. Lloyd George referred to the growth of the British armies there, and continued: "I am convinced that ultimate victory is sure if the nation shows the same spirit of endurance and readiness to learn as the mud-stained armies at the front." Turning to more purely political and domestic problems before the new Ministry, Lloyd George said, "We are anxious to avoid all controversial questions. The functions of the Premier and Leader of the Commons have been separated, because it was believed the double tasks were too much for one man. The organization of the new cabinet was best adapted for the purpose of war. In war you want proper decision. The Allies suffered disaster after disaster from tardiness of decision. Lloyd George said the time had come when the Dominions would be consulted more formally as to the war. An Imperial Conference would be summoned at an early date to discuss vital questions. The speech of Chancellor Von Hollweg before the German Reichstag was characterized by Lloyd George as constituting in substance a denial of the only terms upon which peace was possible. The Premier analyzed the German Chancellor's speech, and then declared emphatically, "Without reparation peace is impossible. Moreover, what guarantee is there that subterfuge will not be used in the future to overthrow any treaties of peace wherein we might now enter. We must keep a steadfast eye toward the purpose for which we entered the war. We entered it to defend Europe from aggression of the Prussian military caste, and prevent it ever disturbing again the peace of Europe. Prussia has been a bad neighbour, and now that the war really had been undertaken it would be folly not to see to it that this swabbering through the streets of Europe disturbing peaceful citizens, is dealt with here and now as a most serious offence against the law of nations. We will wait until we hear what terms and guarantees there are other than those, better than those, and surer than those which Germany so lightly broke. Any one who wantonly prolongs this conflict has a crime on his soul which oceans of tears could not cleanse, the Premier declared, but any one who abandoning the struggle without obtaining the objective would be even more guilty. Are we likely to attain our object by accepting the German proposal? To accept the proposal would be to put our heads into a noose. The Premier said it was proposed to appoint a Director of National Service, and that all industries and services would be scheduled as essential or non-essential to war. He said he was convinced that the Irish question was the result of misunderstanding and that he hoped this misunderstanding would be removed. The settlement of the Irish question, the Premier added, would be a great war measure. Referring to the mobilization of labor the Premier said that no man would be taken into the Army if he were capable of rendering more useful service out side it. Arthur Nevell Chamberlain, he announced, had been appointed Director General of National Service. The Government had been fortunate in inducing Neville Chamberlain, Lord Mayor of Birmingham, to accept the post, and under this scheme he would immediately proceed to organize a system of enrollment for industrial purposes. With reference to the mobilization of labor, Lloyd George said it had been decided to adopt the principle of universal national service, and that a new department in two sections, military and civil, would be created. It was proposed to have a scheduling of industries. Certain trades being regarded as indispensable, labor was being provided for them. Volunteers would be asked to come forward for this work, but if they did not do so, the Government would not shrink from asking for compulsory powers. In the course of his speech, Lloyd George referred briefly to his break with Asquith, saying, it is one of the deepest regrets of my life that I parted from Mr. Asquith. Some of my friends have known how I strove to avert the parting. I am proud to say that we never had a personal quarrel."

Premier Lloyd George said in the House of Commons to-day that it was felt that they should know before entering upon negotiations that Germany was prepared to accede to the only terms wherein it was possible for peace to be obtained and maintained in Europe. The Premier said that without reparation peace would be impossible. He said there were no proposals for peace and to enter into proposals of which they had no knowledge, was to put their heads into a noose with the rope end in the hands of Germany. Much as they longed for it, the Premier added, the Central Powers' note and the speech preceding it, afforded small encouragement and hope for an honorable and lasting peace. Mr. Lloyd George said our answer will be given in full accord with our Allies. Each of the Allies has separately and independently arrived at the same conclusion. I am glad of the first answer given by France and Russia. Lloyd George said the Allies would insist that the only end of the war must be a complete guarantee against Prussian militarism disturbing the peace of Europe. When the Premier entered the House he was cheered enthusiastically from all quarters, former Premier Asquith who entered a moment later also was cheered vociferously by the Liberals.

**ATTITUDE OF THE POPE UNCHANGED.**

LONDON, Dec. 19.

A Rome despatch to the Daily Chronicle says: "I am able to state from the most reliable source that the Pope's attitude toward an initiative for peace is unchanged. While he earnestly desires a cessation of war, he will partake in no peace movement unless he is assured of the consent and desire of both sides. Germany's plea of throwing the blame on the Allies for a continuation of the war has no effect at the Vatican, which is horrified at the latest German excesses, particularly at the French and Belgian slave raids."

**AIRMAN KILLED.**

PARIS, Dec. 19.

Capt. DeBeacamp, who in November, made a flight to Munich and

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dropped bombs on that town, has been killed. He met his end in an airfight near Douaumont, his machine falling within French lines.

**GENERAL VON FABECK DEAD.**

LONDON, Dec. 19.

General von Fabeck, Commander-in-Chief of one of the German armies on the western front is dead, according to German newspapers, says a despatch from Amsterdam. Von Fabeck commanded on the Somme front. He became sick after the summer fighting.

**VOTING ON THE REFERENDUM.**

LONDON, Dec. 19.

Soldiers from British Columbia who are among Canadian troops at the front have been voting during the past week on the referendum inviting prohibition and women suffrage in their own province. It is said that they have voted largely against prohibition and in favor of suffrage.

**HUN RAID WITHOUT EFFECT.**

PARIS, Dec. 19.

A raid was undertaken by German troops last night on the Somme front, north of Sully Saillisset. To-day's war office reports state the effort was without effect. At Verdun, artillery fighting occurred in the region of Leuvenmont and Chambrettes.

**MACEDONIA.**

PARIS, Dec. 19.

An official communication given out here to-day in regard to the campaign on the Macedonian front, says nothing of importance occurred yesterday in that theatre of the war.

**GENERAL MANGIN ISSUES ARMY ORDER.**

PARIS, Dec. 19.

In an army order addressed to the men of his command after Friday's success General Mangin, who was in direct command of the troops which forced back the Germans over the Verdun front, said in part: "After the battles of October 24 and December 16 fought on ground offering facilities to the defence and with further advantages owing to weather, none can doubt any longer that it is possible to defeat the enemy. Superior in number and disposition of formidable artillery, with minute preparation of the ground by good artillery and the assistance of vigilant aviators, brave and well-trained infantry can break through and then manoeuvre under the high command of General Nivelle."

**BLAIKIE WILL BE LOOKED AFTER.**

LONDON, Dec. 19.

In the Commons to-day, Bonar Law said that the German Foreign Office had given assurance that Capt. Jas. Blaikie, who was taken prisoner by the Germans at the time the British steamer Caledonia was sunk, would not share the fate of Capt. Fryatt, of the British steamship "Brussels," who was put to death after being convicted by a German court martial. Personal assurance to this effect, Bonar Law said, had been given the American Embassy at Berlin. It is added that Germany considered the Caledonian an armed cruiser, and that Capt. Blaikie in attempting to ram the submarine was merely performing his duty.

**STEAMER SUNK.**

LONDON, Dec. 19.

The Spanish steamer Azon has been sunk.

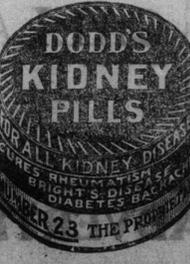
**JOFFRE HANDS OVER COMMAND.**

PARIS, Dec. 19.

General Joffre handed over the command of the French armies of the north and northeast yesterday morning to General Nivelle. In a brief speech General Joffre congratulated General Nivelle upon his appointment. The principal officers of the grand headquarters staff, who will remain at their posts until General Nivelle forms his own staff, likewise tendered their congratulations. General Nivelle replied expressing admiration for the high military qualities of the victor of the Marne, whose selection as President of Allied Military Council he alluded to as a merited promotion.

**IDEAL XMAS GIFT.**

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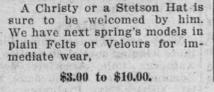
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**Evening Telegram**

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H. A. WINTER, B.A., - - - Editor

WEDNESDAY, December 20, 1916.

**The Bank of Montreal Statement.**

We publish to-day the Statement of the Bank of Montreal for the year ending October 31st, 1916, issued at the 99th annual meeting. Always interesting, the statement itself and the addresses of the President and Manager of the great bank are unusually so this year, when the finances of the world are in so abnormal a condition and those of Canada, with whom they are chiefly concerned, so altered.

Looking first at the statement, we see therein reflected the general prosperity of the country. The usual quarterly dividends of 2 1/2 per cent. and two bonuses of 1 per cent. each have been paid, leaving a balance of profits carried forward of \$1,444,423.93, as against \$1,293,952.95 of last year, a most gratifying increase. In addition to these dividends a war tax of \$160,000 on the circulation was paid to the Dominion Government. The increase in deposits is also to be noted, amounting to just over \$100,000,000 above those of two years ago. This is ascribed by the President partly, of course, to the savings of the people but partly, also, to the "husbanding of resources" by the large corporations, a prudent precaution against the uncertain future. The Bank has wisely increased still further the ratio of its quick assets to liabilities, bringing it up to 75 per cent. as against 55 per cent. in 1914.

The report is most instructive in its bearing upon the wider matter of Canadian finances in general and their relation to the times and the outside world. The most striking feature of all, the reversal in the position of Canada's foreign trade, her change from a debtor to a creditor nation, is commented upon by the President, Sir Vincent Meredith. In 1913, for the last seven months of the year, the adverse balance of trade was no less than \$145,000,000, while in the same time this year it has changed to an excess of exports over imports of \$160,000,000! This almost inconceivable fact, which is coupled with a great increase of imports themselves, is due almost entirely to two causes—the sale of the bumper crops of last year and the shipments of war supplies. The reduction in borrowings and increase in deposits were only to be expected under such circumstances.

These are indications of a quite unexampled prosperity, and it is perhaps only natural that these experienced financiers should sound a note of warning. It is impossible that the huge improvement in the fortunes of Canada and the United States, at a time when the world is wasting daily and prodigally its most precious capital, can have any lasting foundation. The great influx of gold into America naturally causes concern and a fear of inflation, though it is not without its good present effects to the Allies. He is a wise man, however, who can foresee what the post-bellum conditions will be and how the world's loss will be distributed among the world's peoples. Canada and Newfoundland,

at any rate, have stable assets in their agriculture and fisheries and are fortunate in the possession of such an institution as this bank, whose business methods and attitude towards these uncertain dangers command admiration.

Of particular local interest are the observations of the General Manager on Newfoundland trade. He says: "The trade of the Colony during the past year has been good. The only exception is the lumber industry. A good market exists for pit props in Great Britain, but the scarcity of tonnage has prevented shipments and a large stock will be carried this winter in consequence. The Bell Island Iron Mines have been working most of the year at full capacity and with profitable prices prevailing for the products. It is too early to get reliable information regarding this year's catch of codfish, but expectations are that it will be about equal to last year's and bring greater returns because of the high prices now prevailing. Out of total exports of \$18,989,000 during the Colony's last fiscal year, codfish represented \$10,234,000. Lobster exports show improvement. The seal catch this spring yielded \$637,000, as against \$34,000 in 1915. The latter, however, was one of the worst seasons ever experienced in the history of Newfoundland. Manufacturers on the whole have had a good year and in the wholesale and retail trade demands have been good and payments satisfactory. The revenue of the Government during the current year has exceeded expectations and on the whole the Colony is looked upon as being very prosperous at the present time. It is interesting to note that Newfoundland, in company with other borrowing countries, has for the first time in its history floated a public loan in New York and on terms favourable to the borrower."

We congratulate Mr. Paddon and his staff on the fine showing of the Bank and of Newfoundland's share in its business.

**The British Prime Minister's Message**

From The Right Honourable The Secretary of State for the Colonies to His Excellency Sir W. E. Davidson, K.C.M.G., Governor of Newfoundland.

19 December, 1916.

Following for your Prime Minister from Prime Minister:  
On taking in hand the high office with which His Majesty has charged me, I send you on behalf of the people of the Old Country a message to our brothers beyond the seas. There is no faltering in my determination that the sacrifices which we and you have made and have still to make, shall not be in vain, and that the fight which we are waging together for humanity and civilization shall be fought to a triumphant issue. We realize we shall need every man that we can put into the field, every pound that rigid public and private economy can provide and every effort which a united people can put forth to help the heavy task of our soldiers and sailors. The splendid contributions to the common cause already made by the Dominions give me sure confidence that their determination is no less high than ours and that however long the path to final victory we shall tread it side by side. LLOYD GEORGE.

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**Casualty List.**

Received 11 a.m. Dec. 20.  
1737—Private Wallace T. Bennett, Flat Bay, St. George's, 2nd London General Hospital; myalgia.  
1172—Corporal Patrick Murphy, 192 LeMarchant Road, King George Hospital; trenchfoot.  
2238—Private Thomas Ellis, 28 Field Street; trenchfoot.  
J. R. BENNETT, Colonial Secretary.

**Reids' Boats.**

The Argyle left Miramheen at 1 p.m. yesterday, inward.  
The Clyde left Lewisporte at 4.15 p.m. yesterday.  
The Dundee left Port Blandford at 7 a.m. to-day.  
The Ethie left Lark Hr. at 6.30 a.m. yesterday, going north.  
There was no report of the Glencoe since leaving Port aux Basques on account of wire trouble.  
The Home left Lewisporte at 12.30 a.m. yesterday.  
No report of the Sagona on account of wire trouble.  
The Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques at 3.05 a.m. to-day.  
The Wren left Trinity at 12.30 p.m. yesterday, outward.  
The Meigle is at North Sydney.

The majority of ladies use perfume and never before was the opportunity presented of carrying it in such a beautiful and attractive form. See the new Perfume Ball, the season's daintiest novelty at DULEY'S. —dec20,21,22,23

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**Khaki Guild.**

Sale of Cakes Most Successful.

A large number of supporters and admirers of the Ladies' Khaki Guild attended the sale of cakes, puddings, etc. held at the Presbyterian Hall, yesterday afternoon. The affair, which proved to be a splendid success, was opened by Lady Davidson, who in a brief speech complimented the Guild which is doing such good work to all returned soldiers and sailors who may be disabled. At the close of her address Lady Davidson intimated her intention of becoming a member. Lady Davidson was afterwards entertained to tea by Mrs. A. W. Harvey, Hon. President of the Guild, and Mrs. C. W. Tessier, the President. Those in charge of the various stalls did a rushing business: over \$350 was realized from the sale of cakes and puddings. After tea had been served an enjoyable concert was held, those taking part being: Mrs. King, Misses Ryan, Hanlon, Trappell, Strang, Messrs. McIntosh, Trappell, Young, R. Ross, A. Ross and King. At the close Mrs. King sang "Keep the Home Fires Burning," and Miss Strang rendered "Auld Lang Syne." A vote of thanks to Lady Davidson was carried by acclamation. To Mrs. Tessier, the President, and Mrs. McKean and the energetic ladies of the Guild congratulations are due. The object is a most deserving one, and should have the good will and support of the whole country. The Guild will resume their efforts early in January.

**S. A. College Closing Exercises.**

The closing exercises of the Salvation Army College took place last night. Col. Otway presided over a large audience, mostly parents and friends of the pupils. The exercises were gone through with care and precision by the pupils and reflected credit upon Ensign Pitcher, Principal of the College. Col. Otway made a speech at the opening, referring to the good work of the College for 1916, as well as in previous years. On the school training of the child depended the future success or failure of the man, he said, and illustrated his remarks by citing the Christian heroism of Rev. F. T. Pudge of Natal, South Africa, an old S. A. school boy. He then congratulated pupils and teachers alike. After Mrs. Otway had offered prayer, this programme was carried out:

Song, "Newfoundland," by School; Recitation, Miss May Barter; Song, Miss Jean Joyce; Dialogue, "Mother's Reform Club"; Presentation of Book-keeping Prize; Song, G. Skirving; Recitation, "Ray North"; Action Song, "Dolly's Lesson"; Recitation, R. Radford; Song, Miss Lilly Moulton; Dialogue, "School Scene"; Distribution of Certificates; Song, "Keep the Home Fires Burning"; Recitation, Miss Maud Best; Wand Drill by Girls; Recitation, Jean Skirving; Action Song by Boys; Recitation, Miss N. Barter; Chorus, "My My Flowers"; Dialogue, "Behind the Scenes."

**PRIZES.**

Many prize-winners came forward, those winning special distinction being Katherine Cole, Associate Medalist; Edmund Brown, Intermediate Medalist; Allister Cave, Preliminary Medalist; Fanny Chislett, Primary Medalist; Mathematics, Allister Cave; Extra Prize for Book-keeping, Wianis Kearley; General Improvement, James Pike, Julia Joyce, May Barter; Industry, Willie Cave, Fred Perchard. After the presentation of medals and certificates the National Anthem was sung, and at the close the Doxology.

**McMurdo's Store News**

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20, 1916.  
If you want a present for one of our soldier boys, you can get nothing more appropriate than a steel mirror or a writing case. Both of these indispensable articles are appropriately put up in khaki cases and they take up almost no room. The mirror is made of toughened steel polished on both sides, and is worn in the breast pocket. The writing case contains papers, envelopes, post cards and a pencil, and is very compact. Both these articles have proven extremely useful at the front, and no soldier's kit is quite complete without them. Price 90c. each.

**From Private To Lieutenant.**

The friends in the city of Pte. Arthur E. Batson of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, will be pleased to learn that he has recently been granted a Lieutenant's Commission, and by a recent letter from him was about to leave England for France again. Lieutenant Batson enlisted on the outbreak of the war at Calgary in the 31st Battalion and on reaching the front in Flanders was attached to the scouting corps of that Battalion. After spending the greater part of a year at the front he was recommended for a commission, but getting wounded at the time it had of necessity to be put off. Upon recovering from his wounds he undertook a special course of instruction in England and passing the necessary exams obtained a Lieutenant's Commission. This soldier was for years in the employ of Messrs. Ayre & Sons, and left for the Canadian West about seven years ago. He is a son of Mr. H. G. Batson, of English Harbor, T.B., and was formerly a prominent member of the C. L. E. The Telegram wishes Lieut. Batson the best of luck in his future career.

**From Cape Race.**

Special to Evening Telegram.  
CAPE RACE, To-day.  
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Amongst those presented Prizes in the following:  
His Grace Archbishop, Rev. Mons. McDermott, Fathers Donnelly, Kelly, McCarthy, O'Shea, Sheehan, Conway, G. Sir E. P. Morris, Judge V. P. Burke.

**PRIZE LIST**

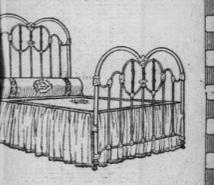
Gold Medal—Prof. Grace Archbishop, General Excellence to Carthy.  
Gold Piece—Presented Mons. McDermott, a High Composition to O'Connor, ex equo to Miss Kathleen O'Connell.  
Gold Medal—Presented Tierney, awarded for an observation of the pupils to Miss Mary Tierney.  
Gold Cross & Chain—Rev. Father O'Callaghan, proficiency in Christian Science to Miss Kathleen O'Connell.  
Misses H. Williams, S. Carthy.  
Gold Medal—Presented Renout, awarded for Miss Bessie Dunphy, K. McCarthy and K. O'Connell.  
Gold Medal—Presented Sheehan, awarded for Pauline O'Toole.  
Gold Medal—Presented Maher, awarded for gunges to Miss Kitty O'Connell.  
Gold Medal—Presented Langauge and Little Grace Cowney.  
Gold Cross—Presented Ker, Esq., awarded for try and Application.  
Gold Cross—Presented Mullowney.  
Gold Cross—Presented Ker, Esq., awarded for pure and typewriting.  
Silver Medal—Presented O'Reilly.  
Renout, awarded for Miss Hilda Krentzlin.  
Scholarship of \$25—E. in Intermediate Grade, Kitty McCarthy.  
\$4 Prize—Offered First Place in English Intermediate Grade, we Cowney.  
\$4 Prize—Offered First Place in Arithmetic Grade, won by Mary (with full marks) Kathleen O'Connell.  
Special Prize—For Christian Doctrine & Solms Power.  
Special Prize—For Shorthand awarded Williams.  
Special Prize—For Prisms and Hygiene Bride Wade.

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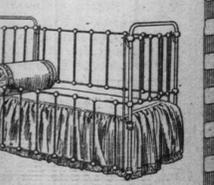


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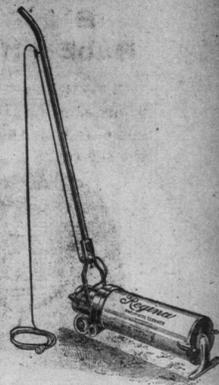
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His Grace Archbishop Roche, Rt. Rev. Mons. McDermott, V.G.; Rev. Fathers Donnelly, Tierney, Renouf, Kelly, McCarthy, O'Callaghan, Pippy, Sheehan, Conway, Green and Carter; Sir E. P. Morris, Judge Kent, Doctor V. P. Burke.

#### PRIZE LIST.

**Gold Medal**—Presented by His Grace Archbishop Roche, awarded for General Excellence to Miss Kitty McCarthy.  
**Gold Piece**—Presented by Very Rev. Mons. McDermott, awarded for English Composition to Miss Kathleen O'Connor, ex equo Miss B. Dunphy.  
**Gold Medal**—Presented by Rev. Fr. Tierney, awarded for good conduct and observance of rules (by votes of pupils) to Miss Margaret Hogan.  
**Gold Cross & Chain**—Presented by Rev. Father O'Callaghan, awarded for proficiency in Christian Doctrine to Miss Kathleen O'Connor, ex equo Misses H. Williams, S. Power, K. McCarthy.

**Gold Medal**—Presented by Rev. Fr. Renouf, awarded for Mathematics to Miss Beattie Dunphy, ex equo Misses K. McCarthy and K. O'Connor.  
**Gold Medal**—Presented by Rev. Fr. Sheehan, awarded for Music to Miss Pauline O'Toole.  
**Gold Medal**—Presented by Rev. Fr. Maher, awarded for Foreign Languages to Miss Kitty McCarthy.

**Gold Medal**—Presented by Rev. Mons. Renouf, awarded for English Language and Literature to Miss Grace Cowney.  
**Gold Cross**—Presented by Jas. Parker, Esq., awarded for Eloquence to Miss Eileen O'Brien.  
**Gold Cross**—Presented by Jas. Parker, Esq., awarded for Special Instruction to Miss Minnie Mullowney.

**Gold Cross**—Presented by Jas. Parker, Esq., awarded for Physical Culture and Typewriting to Miss Gladys Silver Medal—Presented by Rev. Fr. O'Reilly, awarded for Vocal Music to Miss Hilda Krentzlin.  
**Scholarship of \$25**—Offered by C. H. E. in Intermediate Grade, won by Miss Kitty McCarthy.  
**\$4 Prize**—Offered by C. H. E. for First Place in English Literature, Intermediate Grade, won by Miss Grace Cowney.

**\$4 Prize**—Offered by C. H. E. for First Place in Arithmetic, Intermediate Grade, won by Miss Kitty McCarthy (with full marks) ex equo Miss Kathleen O'Connor.  
**Special Prize**—For Mathematics and Christian Doctrine awarded to Miss Selina Power.  
**Special Prize**—For Mathematics and Short-hand awarded to Miss Hilda Williams.  
**Special Prize**—For Christian Doctrine and Hygiene awarded to Miss Bridie Wade.

**Special Prize**—For Languages and School Management awarded to Miss Mary Allan.  
**Special Prize**—For English and Needlework awarded to Miss Gertrude March.  
**Special Prize**—For Progress in Mathematics and Short-hand awarded to Miss Evelyn Cunningham.  
**Special Prize**—For Geometry awarded to Miss Norah Maher.  
**Special Prize**—For Typewriting awarded to Miss Mary Maloney.  
**Prize for Mathematics and School Management**—Awarded to Miss Ellen English.

**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Lizzie Moore.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Monnie Turpin.  
**Prize for Hygiene and General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Blanche Fitzpatrick.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss May Dooley.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Gertrude Bowdring.  
**Prize for General Improvement and Needlework**—Awarded to Miss Stella Duffy.

**Prize for Improvement in Mathematics and English**—Awarded to Miss Mary Howlett.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Isabel Jackman.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Mary Eyles.  
**Prize for Improvement in Mathematics**—Awarded to Miss Marie O'Brien.  
**Prize for Improvement in Music and Class Subjects**—Awarded to Miss Anne Barrett.

**Prize for Music and General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Katharine Jackman.  
**Prize for Mathematics and English**—Awarded to Miss Mary McKenzie.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Bertha Bennett.  
**Silver Medal**—Presented by His Grace Archbishop Roche, awarded for First Place in Preliminary Grade to Miss Vera Cunningham.

**Silver Medal**—Presented by Rev. Father O'Callaghan, awarded for Proficiency in Christian Doctrine to Miss Pauline Campbell, ex equo Misses Carmel O'Reilly and Genevieve Channing.  
**Silver Medal**—Presented by Rev. Father Maher, awarded for Music (Junior Division) to Miss Helen Channing.  
**Special Prize**—For success in C. H. E. Examinations awarded to Miss Elsie Dempster.

**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Lucy Stack.  
**Prize for Drawing and Music**—Awarded to Miss Clare Mullowney.  
**Prize for Music and Class Subjects**—Awarded to Miss Genevieve Channing.  
**Prize for Music and Arithmetic**—Awarded to Miss Gertrude Burke.  
**Prize for Industry and General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Carmel O'Reilly.  
**Prize for Needlework**—Awarded to Miss Katie Hammond.



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**Prize for Needlework and Class Subjects**—Awarded to Miss Mary Eldstrom.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Maud Griffin.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Rose Berrigan.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Annie Walsh.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Bridie Ryan.

**Prize for Arithmetic**—Awarded to Miss Cecelia Giovannetti.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Katie Brennan.  
**Prize for Reading and English**—Awarded to Miss Gertrude Parsons.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Alice Walsh.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Margaret Parsons.  
**Prize for Music and Arithmetic**—Awarded to Miss Maud Hartery.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Stella Neville.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Madeline Neville.  
**Prize for Improvement in Music & Reading**—Awarded to Miss Irene Hanaford.

**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Gertrude Walsh.  
**Prize for Music and Reading**—Awarded to Miss Alice O'Hagan.  
**Prize for Drawing**—Awarded to Miss Mary Breen.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Sadie Kelly.  
**Prize for Punctual Attendance**—Awarded to Miss Eva Patrick.  
**Prize for Improvement and Regular Attendance**—Awarded to Miss Claudine Cowney.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Violet LeMessurier.  
**Prize for Reading and Spelling**—Awarded to Miss Bridie Hartery.  
**Prize for General Improvement**—Awarded to Miss Helen Neville.  
**Prize for Marked Improvement**—Awarded to Master Charlie Cowney.  
**Prize for Reading**—Awarded to Master Harold McCoubrey.

**BUOY ADRIET**—It has been reported to Deputy Minister of Customs LeMessurier that a spherical buoy was passed on December 11th at 9.35 in Lat. 45.25 N., and Long. 57.50 W.

### TO-DAY'S Messages.

1.30 A.M.

#### THE PRIME MINISTER'S SPEECH

LONDON, To-day. The following are a few of the most striking sentences from the latest part of Lloyd George's speech: "An absolutely new army! The old had done its duty and spent itself in the achievement of that great task. This is a new army. But a year ago it was of the earth of Britain, yes, and of Ireland. It became iron; it has passed through the first furnace and the enemy knows that it is now fine steel. An absolute new army, new men, new officers taken from the schools, boys from the schools, from the colleges, from the counting houses, who were never trained to war, and never thought of war. Many, perhaps, had never handled weapons of war. Generals never given an opportunity of handling great masses of men. They have faced the greatest army in the world, the greatest army the world has ever seen, the best equipped, the best trained. They have beaten them, beaten them, beaten them. Battle after battle, day after day, week after week, in the strongest entrenchments ever devised by human skill, they have driven them out by valor, a valor which is incredible. When you read the story of it, I have no doubt that the old Cabinets were better adapted to navigate the Parliamentary river with its shoals and shifting sands and perhaps for a cruise in home waters, but a Cabinet of twenty-three was raterop heavy for a gale. I don't say that this new craft is best adapted for Parliamentary navigation, but I am convinced that it is best for war. You can't have absolute equality in sacrifice. In war that is impossible, but you can have equal readiness to sacrifices from all. There are hundreds of thousands who have given their lives. There are millions who have given up comfortable homes and exchanged them for daily communion with death."

"Let us proclaim during the war a national lent. The nation will be the better and the stronger for it, morally and physically. It will strengthen its future and enable its spirit; without it we shall not get full benefit of this struggle. Our armies shall drive the enemy out of the battered villages of France and across the devastated plains of Belgium. They might hurl him across the Rhine in battered disarray, but unless the nation as a whole shoulders its part of the burden of victory it won't profit by the triumph, for it is not what a nation gains, but what it gives that makes it great." The Premier's peroration was as follows: "If in this war I have paid scant heed to the call of party, it is because I realized from the moment the Prussian cannon hurled death at a peaceable and inoffensive little country that a challenge had been sent to civilization to decide an issue higher than party, deeper than party, wider than party."

St. John's, Dec. 19th, 1916. [No. 66] Regimental Order. By Colonel Sir W. E. Davidson, K.C. M.G., Commanding Officer. 1. Retirement—The following officer has been found unfit for General Service, by a Medical Invaliding Board, and is retired and struck off the active list, from December 22nd, 1916: Lieut. F. H. Knight. This officer is placed in a special (Hon.) Reserve of Officers without pay or emoluments. J. J. O'GRADY, Captain and Adjutant.

His Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint Rev. Canon Feld, to be a member of the Council of Higher Education, in place of Hon. John Harvey, resigned; Mr. Henry Monks, to be a member of the Church of England Board of Education for the District of Task's Beach, in place of Mr. James Brown, resigned; Mr. John George (of Francis), to be a member of the Church of England Board of Education for the district of Heart's Content, in place of Mr. G. E. Charlton, deceased; Rev. C. M. Strickings, Messrs. F. J. Morris and James D. Lockyer, to be members of the Church of England Board of Education for the District of Trinity, in place of Rev. H. V. White-

all parties in the issue, upon the settlement of which will depend the fate of the men in this world for generations, when existing parties will have fallen like dead leaves on the highway. These issues are issues I want to keep in front of the nation so that we shall not falter or faint in our resolution. There is a time in every prolonged and fierce war when in the passion and races of the combat men forget the higher purpose with which they entered it. This is a struggle for international right, international honor, international good faith, the channel along which peace and honor and good will must follow among men. The embankments laboriously built up by generals of men against barbarism have been broken, and had not the night of Britain passed into the breach, Europe would have been inundated with a flood of savagery and an unbridled rush of power."

I was cured of Rheumatic Gout by MINARD'S LINIMENT. Halifax. ANDREW KING. I was cured of Acute Bronchitis by MINARD'S LINIMENT. LT.-COL. C. CREWE READ. Sussex. I was cured of Acute Rheumatism by MINARD'S LINIMENT. Markham, Ont. C. S. BILING. Lakefield, Que., Oct. 9, 1907.

**Fined Ten Dollars For Indiscreet Act.** A young fisherman of Foxtrap was haled before Mr. Hutchings, K.C., today for an indiscreet act he committed a few nights ago and ordered to pay \$10, or as an alternative spend the festive season a guest of Mr. Parsons by the lakeside. It appears that the accused left Foxtrap by train on Saturday evening last to come to St. John's and when between Mansel and Kelligrews he raised a window in the passenger car and discharged a revolver, though he did not aim at any particular object. The train officials reported the matter to the authorities and the passenger was arrested under warrant last night by Sergt. Savage. This morning he gave a lame excuse for his negligence and had to take the consequences mentioned.

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The simplest skirts are shirred the waist line. Your coat may be belted across front only. Evening frocks have long trains short skirts. Leg-o-mutton sleeves have a degree of favor.

The waistline of the fashionable coats is merely a seam.

## Dried Fruit for XMAS!

Three Crown California Raisins, loose, 50 lb. boxes.  
Seeded California Raisins, packages, 36 lb. boxes.  
Evaporated Apricots, 25 lb. boxes.  
Evaporated Peaches, 25 lb. boxes.  
Evaporated Prunes, 25 lb. boxes.  
Also, Citron Peel, 7 lb. boxes.  
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house, left the District, Mr. H. J. Burnett about to leave the District, and Mr. O. J. Morris, missing at sea. Department of the Colonial Secretary, December 19th, 1916.

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Big, Sturdy, Reliable Motors, operating cheerfully on Kerosene.  
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Follow the lead of the best men in the game. Shop for furs to wear, and get accurate, complete and reliable returns.  
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Our Specialty  
Our furs are the best in the world. No shipments too small. We buy your furs for cash. If you don't want them, we'll pay you for them.  
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SHOP EARLY, PLEASE!

It is the consensus of opinion among the managers of the stores that the people cannot be too strongly urged to do their Christmas shopping early. In the first place, the Christmas stocks are now all in and the early buyer has the advantage in the matter of selection. Shop Early, Please!



**Don't DELAY!**

Extraordinary BARGAIN SPECIALS suitable for Christmas Gifts, in

Gem Rings, Cuff Links,  
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Manhattan and Martini Cocktails.  
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Fresh Oysters. Shrimps.  
Lobsters in Aspic. Prawns in Aspic.  
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Fresh Salmon. Norwegian Anchovies. Fresh Cod.  
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Real Turtle Meat and Real Turtle Extract.  
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Partridge. Pheasants.  
Red Currant Jelly.  
Irish Hams. Irish Bacon.  
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Turkeys. Cranberry Sauce.  
Fresh Sausages. Scotch Beef Ham.  
Chicken. Ducks.  
Plain and Stuffed Olives.  
Geese. Champignons.  
French Truffles.  
Sweet Potatoes. Brussels Sprouts. Cauliflowers.  
Haricot Verts Extra.  
Fresh Tomatoes. Eng. Garden Peas.  
Peeled Asparagus and Tips.  
Plum Pudding. Apple Pudding. Tart Fruits in Glass.  
Mince Meat. Custard Powders.  
Bartlett Pears. Pineapples.  
Cherries in Creme de Menthe.  
Grape Fruit. Maraschino Cherries.  
Fruit Salad in Glass. Pineapple in Maraschino.  
Peaches and Pears in Brandy.  
Purple and Green Grapes.  
Dessert Apples. Bananas.  
California Oranges. Tangerines.  
Crystalized Asstd. Fruits. Compote of Fruit in Jelly.  
Crystalized Cherries, Pears, Apricots, Greengages.  
Canton Ginger. Imperial Fr. Plums.  
French Plums. Tunis Dates.  
Filled Turkish Figs. Filled Dates. Almond Paste.  
Blanched, Salted and Jordan Almonds.  
Naples Walnuts, Brazil Almonds and Hazel Nuts.  
Stilton Cheese. Canadian Cheese.  
English Cheddar Prize Cheese.  
McLarren's Cheese. Ingersol Cheese. St. Ivel Cheese.  
Mocha and Java Coffee. India, Ceylon Teas.

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**WINES, SPIRITS and LIQUEURS.**

Convido Port. Newman's Old Port.  
Dry Sack Sherry. Don Carlos Sherry.  
Madeira. Vintage Claret.  
Moet & Chandon Champagne. 1904 and 1906.  
Pommery & Greno. G. H. Mumm Extra Dry.  
Krug, Extra Quality Extra Dry.  
Beaune. Pommard.  
Sparkling Burgundy. Still Hocks and Moselles.  
Russian Kummel. Cherry Brandy. Creme de Menthe  
Orange Curacao. D. O. M. Benedictine.  
Cherry Whisky. Blackberry Brandy.  
Green and Yellow Chartreuse.  
Italian and French Vermouth.  
Anisette, Extra Dry. Absinthe.  
Koosh Bitters. Angostura Bitters.  
Sloe Gin—"Pedlar". Kirchenwasser.  
Martell's & Hennessy's Brandies.  
20 Year Old Liqueur Brandy.  
20 Year Old Medicinal Brandy.  
Ellis' Old Scotch Whisky.  
E. C. Liqueur Whisky. Walker's Canadian Rye.  
Johnnie Walker's Whisky—Black Label.  
Plymouth, Old Tom, and London Dry Gin.  
Schweppé's Mineral Waters.  
"Perrier", the Champagne of Table Waters.  
Tennent's Lager Beer. Bass's Beers.

**Cigars and Cigarettes.**

"CALIXTO LOPEZ,"

Havana Cigars. Flor Fina.  
Panetelas Extra. Eminentes and Invincibles.  
Regalia Reina Finn. Belvederes.

"La Sabrosa" Jamaica Cigars.

Governors—Conchas Especiales.  
H. L. Savory's Egyptian, Turkish & Russian Cigarettes

**A Merry Christmas to All!**

# Christmas Slippers.

**EVERYBODY  
COMES HERE FOR SHOES!**



Our showing of Christmas Slippers is a regular beauty show. For men we have Black and Tan Leather Slippers at .80c., \$1.00, \$1.30, \$1.60 to \$2.50 Men's Carpet Slippers from .50c. to \$1.00 Men's Grey Felt Slippers . . . . . \$1.50 and \$1.60 A large stock of Women's Felt "Kozy" Slippers and Juliets, assorted colors, turn soles and flat heels, from .90c., \$1.00, \$1.30, \$1.50 to \$2.00 In Grey, Saxe Blue, Purple, Claret and Red, Fur trim or Ribbon trim.



**Gaiters**

MAKE VERY ACCEPTABLE XMAS GIFTS.

We have Women's Gaiters from . . . . . \$1.60 to \$2.70 Men's 1 Buckle Gaiters, as cut, only . . . . . \$1.50 pair Men's 2 Buckle Gaiters from . . . . . \$2.30 to \$3.00



A FULL LINE OF WOMEN'S, BOYS' AND GIRLS'

**Rubber Boots**

IN STOCK.

Women's Rubber Boots . . . . . \$2.10 to \$2.50 Girls' Rubber Boots . . . . . \$1.45 to \$2.80 Boys' Rubber Boots . . . . . \$2.00 to \$3.00

ANY EXCHANGE MADE AFTER CHRISTMAS.

**PARKER & MONROE, Ltd.**

THE SHOE MEN.

## Beautiful and Useful Gifts!

We are offering a new suggestion to the Christmas shopper, one that will be surely welcome to those who want to give SOMEONE a really good Christmas present. This suggestion is that you make some such desired—or perhaps needed—articles of Furniture your Christmas Gifts for this year.

While a new Cosy Chair, pretty sitting-room Table or some other dainty article of Furniture is always a lovely Gift, wartime will surely make it doubly welcome.

Think over this idea—and then come along and see our well-nigh inexhaustible stock of beautiful things, for here you'll surely find the solution of the Christmas present puzzle.

**U. S. Picture and Portrait Co.**

Water Street, St. John's.

**J. J. St. JOHN.**

**Before Flour goes higher put in your stock.**

1500 barrels on hand and to arrive, of best brands.

Pork, Beef, Jowls.  
Spare Ribs at \$19.00 bbl., or 10 lbs. for \$1.00.  
Molasses—1st runnings.  
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Our ECLIPSE TEA is the best in Newfoundland at 45c. lb.

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On Monday night last named Goose, about 9 or 10 days old, died in a house in the W. city. She had lived with and step-mother. Heard the effect that the child attributed to neglect attention on the part of the authorities had the coroner's mortue for examina mortem was held on it

# BLAIR'S

GREAT

## CASH SALE!

Buy Early and avoid Disappointment

for goods mentioned in this ad. cannot be repeated at present prices when once sold out. We can only give you these special prices because goods advertised were bought some time ago.

### Wonderful Values in Underwear.

Men's Stanfield Wool Underwear, all sizes. \$1.29 gar.  
Men's New Knit Wool Underwear, all sizes. \$1.10 gar.  
Women's Heavy Cream Fleece Vests and Pants, 35c. garment.

Women's Heavy Grey Fleece Bloomers. 50c. garment  
Children's Cream Fleece Vests and Pants from 15c. garment.

Ladies' and Boys' Stanfield Wool Underwear at Reduced Prices.

### Ladies' and Children's Winter Coats.

ALL NEWEST STYLES AT SLAUGHTER PRICES.  
Superior Quality Nap Coating, \$3.50 values at \$2.70 yd.  
Great Reductions in Ladies' and Children's Felt Hats.  
Ladies' Waterproof Hats. Reg. \$1.25. Now 80c. each  
Ladies' and Misses' Newest American Fancy Wool Caps and Hoods. Reg. \$1.00 each. Now 50c. each  
All our Stock of New Smart Millinery at Reduced Prices.

### Big Money Saved on Purchases of Ladies' Wear.

This includes:

Ladies' Flannelette Underwear and Nightdresses.  
Ladies' Costume Skirts of all kinds and Ladies' Blouses of all descriptions.  
Ladies' Imitation Fur Sets from \$1.50 set.  
Ladies' Real Fur Sets at prices which no woman who is a judge of a bargain can afford to pass.

### Wool Blankets at Bottom Prices.

Best Quality Wool Blankets. Sale Price. . . \$4.30 pair  
Coloured Cotton Blankets only . . . . .70c. pair  
Best Quality American Floor Coverings only. .98c. yd.  
These are regular \$1.20 values, are two yards wide, and we show a large variety of patterns.

### Splendid Values in Rubber Foot-wear.

Ladies' Superior Quality Canadian made Storm Rubbers from 55c. pair.  
Men's Superior Quality Canadian made Storm Rubbers from 79c. pair.  
Men's Eastern Winter Caps from . . . . .75c. each  
Boys' Navy Sweaters from . . . . .79c. each

# Henry Blair.

### Post Mortem Held on Little Girl's Body

On Monday night last a little girl named Goase, about 9 or 10 years old, died in a house in the West End of the city. She had lived with her father and step-mother. Hearing a rumor to the effect that the child's death was attributed to neglect and harsh treatment on the part of the parents, the authorities had the corpse removed to the morgue for examination. A post mortem was held on it last evening by

Doctors Rendell and Scully, after which the body was again taken home and prepared for burial. Meanwhile the authorities are investigating, though no arrest has yet taken place.

**MOVE TO THIRTY-SIX HOURS.**—The S.S. Cape Breton arrived at Clarendville this morning from Sydney with a load of coal. The ship had a very stormy trip and was thirty-six hours late.

**ASK FOR MINARD'S LINIMENT AND TAKE NO OTHER.**

### Santa Claus Visits Botwood Hall.

Yesterday afternoon and night good old Santa Claus was "At Home" to the children of St. Mary's Parish, at Botwood Hall, Hutchings Street. The Hall, which was beautifully decorated, was greatly admired by Santa Claus who came all the way from Merry England to visit the children. On arrival he proceeded to the Christmas Tree, where he was surrounded by the children, and for each child, according to age, selected the most suitable toy. Rev. H. Uphill, Rector of St. Mary's, and the Curate, Rev. L. G. Pike, were also present. Teas were served by Mrs. Uphill, Miss Whitten, Miss Ellis, Miss Worrell, Miss Bennett, Miss Peters, Mrs. Chafe and Mrs. Footon. It is not exactly known what route Santa Claus came by but it is reported that Mr. Hill of H.M.S. Briton is in possession of the information.

### Keep the Pot Boiling.

To-morrow will be seen the familiar figures of the Salvation Sisters with their Pot, at certain points on Water Street and elsewhere, with their annual request to "Keep the Pot Boiling."

The general public of St. John's have yearly patronised these Pots, because of the knowledge that the Salvationists are in close touch with the poor, and they will this Christmas season endeavour to bring cheer and gladness into the homes of the poor by Keeping the Pot Boiling.

With many it will be an anxious Christmas owing to the high prices of food. Our Salvation friends, however, will do a little towards brightening the lives of a large number of the poor of St. John's, this Christmas time.

No doubt again they will receive the hearty support of the passers-by, who having bought their Christmas presents, and their own stock of Christmas goods, will drop in a coin, remembering that every dollar will keep someone's Pot Boiling.

### Train Notes.

Monday's mail and freight reached Port aux Basques at 7.40 p.m. yesterday.

The incoming express with the Kyle's passengers left Port aux Basques at 10 a.m. to-day.

The Trepassey train reached the city on time to-day.

### Here and There.

**Colds Cause Headache and Grip.** LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE removes the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine" for the home. CHESELEY WOODS, 282 Duckworth Street.—dec16,t

**One 15c. bottle of Stafford's Essence of Ginger Wine makes 3 quarts.**—dec16,t

**LARGE PARCEL MAIL.**—The parcel post mail from the United States, which arrived by the Florida yesterday, consisted of 77 bags, the largest for some time.

**POULTRY CARGO COMING.**—The S. S. Sabie I. is leaving Charlotte town to-day for this port with a cargo of poultry.

**ORGANS.**—We offer this Xmas two Mason and Hamlin Organs, slightly used. Secure one for the home. CHESELEY WOODS, 282 Duckworth Street.—dec16,t

**THE SUSU ARRIVES.**—The S.S. Susu reached port at 8 a.m. to-day from the Fogo mail service, bringing a large freight and the following first class passengers: T. W. Peckford, Stanley Gill, Wm. Norris, Wesley Howell and 2 in steerage.

The Perfume Ball, the season's daintiest novelty, something really new, something that every lady covets at sight, not only a novelty but something really useful. Just opened at DULEY'S.—dec20,21,22,23

**KYLE'S PASSENGERS.**—The Kyle reached Port aux Basques at 8.05 a.m. to-day with the following first class passengers: M. Walsh, Mrs. W. Monroe, C. Noonan, M. Chaplin, Miss A. Chaplin, Mrs. G. Cook, L. B. Moore, W. H. Kelly, Thos. Dwyer, W. Vincent, S. Pretty, Miss C. Keating, Miss N. Keating, H. J. Murphy, M. J. Garland, Mike Walsh and J. F. Lacey.

## SCOTT'S EMULSION

**WHALER AND COASTER PURCHASED.**—The little steamer, Port Saunders, which had been running the passenger and freight service between Bell Island and Portugal Cove, has been sold to parties on the other side, negotiations for the purchase of the vessel having been made by Tacker Cook, Esq., Norwegian and Danish Consul here. A Norwegian crew are now en route to St. John's to take across the vessel. Formerly the Port Saunders was a well known whaler.

**REMEMBER Callahan, Glass & Co., Ltd., when starting out to buy Linoleum.** They have the largest stock in the city and every piece and quality at the old Genuine Prices. No advance in our prices at CALLAHAN, GLASS & CO., Ltd.—dec13,t

Driving coats of gold-colored rubber are among the latest.  
Quaint sleeve caps of various forms are much in evidence.

### Mary Visits Her Friends

Finds the Harbor Grace Roads Dangerous, Especially at Night Time.

Dear Sir,—Would you allow me space in the columns of the People's Paper to wish all my old friends and acquaintances through former letters, the compliments of the season, and best wishes for the coming New Year.

This is the season, you know, of visiting our friends; friends we have not seen perhaps since last Christmas, are now visited and old acquaintances renewed. Well, as this has been my custom for years, last week I began and poor old Aunt Millie, who lives alone, below Bear's Cove Bridge Hill is well known to be rugged and hard to walk on, I went down Park Road, thinking that and Death Hill would be an easier way to reach Harvey Street, but my sakes alive Death Hill had like to be death hill in earnest for me. It is almost impossible to walk along owing to ruts, caused by last spring's freshets. Yes, sir, I said last spring and I mean it, as not a dollar has been spent on that public road, during the past summer.

About this time last year we elected a Road Board, and to my mind we made an excellent choice of men. But what is the use of placing an Act on the Statute Book giving the people the right to elect its own Board, when the Government cannot or will not supply that Board with sufficient money to do the much-needed work on the roads? The money that this elected board did receive was all judiciously spent, and listen, sir, to this, a statement of the receipts and expenditures has been on exhibition in the window of Strapp's Pharmacy. If the local member could procure the receipts and expenditures each year for the former eight or even four years, what interesting reading it would give the public! Yes, Mr. Parsons, put it in your shop window that we all may see it.

But I am now off Death Hill and on Harvey Street. I go to Bear's Cove by way of Water Street, which is, I think, well lighted by electric lights, but as one gets down Bear's Cove the lights get thinner and thinner, and in some places Emerson's Cottage; then it is total darkness, and on a dark night, sir, it is dangerous to go there at all, fearing one would go over Bear's Cove Bridge. I think that a light should be placed on that Bridge. This road is much used, in fact, altogether used in winter, by people coming from and going to Bristol's Hope. It would not cost much, Mr. Editor, to have a lamp put there; it would be of immense advantage to every person whose business takes him or her in that way.

I am told the Road Board did not spend any money that road during the year, for the very good reason that they could not get any money to spend.

The elected board seems to be determined to do its work ship-shape, as it summoned a man for working on Harvey Street a short time ago. The case was heard in the District Court here on Saturday and the defendant pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined 25 cents and costs. He was not asked who supplied him with the money to do the work, but other cases are spoken of and it is whispered that the board may employ a lawyer to "ferret" out where such money comes from.

The board is given the whole charge

## T. J. Edens

By Rail to-day, Dec. 19, '16:  
XMAS TURKEYS,  
DUCKS,  
CHICKEN,  
GESE.  
Selected Dressed P. E. I. stock.  
Don't miss it.

## FRUIT, Etc.

ORANGES—Cal. Flor., Valencia  
TANGERINES.  
APPLES—Selected Table,  
LEMONS—California.  
GRAPE FRUIT.  
PEARS.  
GRAPES—Blue and Green.  
TOMATOES.  
OYSTERS.  
FINNAN HADDIES.  
KIPPERS.  
Wallace & Co's.  
"MOST EXCELLENT"  
CHOCOLATES,  
½ lb., 1 lb. and 2 lb. boxes.  
MOIR'S CHOCOLATES and  
CAKES.

Salted Almonds,  
Strawberries & Raspberries,  
Preserved, in bils.  
Sultana Raisins, 1 lb. cartons.  
Fruit Symps, 15c. & 30c. bottles.  
Eggs, Washed and Stuffed, bils.  
Poultry Dressing.

## HAVANA CIGARS.

BOCK & CO. HY. CLAY,  
CABANAS, BUCKTROTTS,  
BORNEO CIGARS.

## T. J. EDENS.

Duckworth Street and  
Military Road

## THE WIFE HE LEFT BEHIND HIM

Pursues her daily round of Domestic Duties

The homes of our Gallant Soldiers & Sailors are not neglected in times of war. The Motto of Sweethearts and Wives is

"CLEANLINESS AS USUAL"

with  
**SUNLIGHT SOAP.**

We see to it that their hardships are not of a physical nature, for the guaranteed purity

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**SUNLIGHT SOAP**  
ensures  
**REST AND COMFORT**  
for all who use it.

**£1,000**  
Guarantee of Purity  
on every bar



The Name Lever on soap is a guarantee of Purity & Excellence  
Lever Brothers Limited Port Sunlight

### Fears Prohibition

When the last John Collins is punished, And the glasses are wiped and away, And the wine clerk has gone to another town Where the populace still get gay, We shall thirst—yes, we shall be thirsty, Just as dry as a lime-burner's boot, And no one shall carry a bottle, And no one shall go on a souf.

We shall have real snakes in our porridge, In fancy I now see them crawl, And we shall have jumps in our slumbers But hair from dogs tail, not at all, And those who have lived life the simple, Will be happy and glad indeed, But those who have been high rollers, Will certainly be off their feed.

And many will have the Willies, And many shall seek in vain For a friend with a jug in the cellar, That he may go to it again, (The above lines were written by one who is looking forward to Prohibition with fear and trembling.)

### THE FIRST PAIR.

Don't make any mistake this year. Let your first pair of rubber shoes be Bear Brand. Times are too hard for anyone to take chances of being out of work for two or three weeks with a cold which could have been avoided by getting satisfactory rubber shoes. The good old BEAR BRAND shoes, which are becoming more widely known every day, are being sold in St. John's by:  
John Anderson,  
W. R. Goobie,  
Nicholls, Inkpen & Chafe, Ltd.  
Royal Stores, Ltd.  
F. Smallwood,  
Steer Bros.  
Jesse Whiteaway.  
Wholesale by  
**CLEVELAND RUBBER CO.,**  
New Martin Bldg.  
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### Everyday Etiquette.

"What is the proper number of cards for a single woman to leave when calling on a married woman whose sister lives with her?" inquired Mary.  
"Two cards should be left in this case," said her mother.

### MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR SALE EVERYWHERE.

### Here and There.

**BOWLING'S SHIPS.**—The Portia left St. Jacques at 7 a.m. to-day; due here on Friday evening. The Prospero left Grisee last night, coming south.

**BAND WILL PLAY.**—The C.C.C. Band are now preparing special music which they will render during mid-night Mass on Christmas Eve in the R. C. Cathedral.

**TRAIN OFF THE TRACK.**—At 12.30 p.m. to-day as the local train from Carboner was passing Waterford Bridge, the engine went off the track, but fortunately very little damage was done. The despatching office was immediately informed of the accident and sent out a special train to bring in the passengers and baggage. The accident is accounted for by the rails being wet. A large gang of men were despatched to the scene and are expected to straighten out the wreck this afternoon. The special with passengers reached the city shortly after 1 p.m.

### DIED.

On December 18th, after a short illness, Ellen, relict of the late Edward Mulrooney aged 69 years; funeral on Thursday, at 2.30 p.m., from her late residence, 94 Circular Road; friends will please attend without further notice.

### MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES GART IN COWS.

# 1916 Bank of Montreal.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Held 4th December, 1916.

### THE ANNUAL REPORT.

The Directors have pleasure in presenting the Report showing the result of the Bank's business for the year ended 31st October, 1916.

Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 30th October, 1915	\$1,293,952.95
Profits for the year ended 31st October, 1916, after deducting charges of management, and making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts	2,200,471.04
	\$3,494,423.99
Quarterly Dividend 2 1/2 per cent. paid 1st March, 1916	\$ 400,000.00
Bonus 1 per cent. paid 1st June, 1916	400,000.00
Quarterly Dividend 2 1/2 per cent. paid 1st Sept., 1916	400,000.00
Quarterly Dividend 2 1/2 per cent. payable 1st Dec., 1916	400,000.00
Bonus 1 per cent. payable 1st December, 1916	160,000.00
	\$1,920,000.00
War Tax on Bank Note Circulation to 31st Oct., 1916	160,000.00
	2,080,000.00
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward	\$1,414,423.99

Since the last Annual Meeting, Branches were opened at West Toronto and Kennew, Ont., and the Sub-Agency at East End, Calgary, was closed.

Also temporary offices were opened for the payment of the Troops while in Camp as follows:

- In Ontario—Camp Borden, Exhibition Camp, Toronto; Potawawa Camp.
- In Quebec—Valcartier Camp.
- In Manitoba—Camp Hughes.

All of these, with the exception of the Branch at the Exhibition Camp in Toronto, have now been closed.

The name of Berlin (Ont.) Branch has been changed to Kitchener.

All the Offices of the Bank, including the Head Office, have been inspected during the year.

(Signed) H. V. MEREDITH, President.

Bank of Montreal, 4th December, 1916.

### THE GENERAL STATEMENT.

The General Statement of the position of the Bank on October 31st, 1916, was read, as follows:

LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock	\$16,000,000.00
Reserve	\$16,000,000.00
Balance of Profits carried forward	1,414,423.99
	\$17,414,423.99
Unclaimed Dividends	3,433.00
Quarterly Dividend, payable 1st December, 1916	\$400,000.00
Bonus of 1 p.c. payable 1st Dec., 1916	160,000.00
	560,000.00
	\$17,977,856.99
Notes of the Bank in circulation	\$21,779,134.00
Deposits not bearing interest	88,767,013.22
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date of statement	210,439,031.57
Deposits made by and Balances due to other Banks in Canada	5,663,390.91
Balances due to Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere in Canada	545,282.46
Bill Payable	1,225,935.75
	328,419,792.51
Acceptances under Letters of Credit	2,179,860.30
Liabilities not included in the foregoing	638,531.65
	\$365,215,641.85

### ASSETS.

Gold and Silver coin current	\$21,040,803.21
Deminion notes	20,273,216.00
Deposit in the Central Gold Reserves	7,500,000.00
Deposit with the Minister for the purposes of the Circulation Fund	790,000.00
Balances due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada	\$1,631,237.46
Call and Short (not exceeding thirty days) Loans in Great Britain and United States	113,002,097.27
	144,633,324.73
Deminion and Provincial Government Securities not exceeding market value	419,736.71
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks not exceeding market value	13,947,120.84
Canadian Municipal Securities, and British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian	21,796,159.26
Notes of other Banks	1,749,441.00
Cheques on other Banks	14,832,868.53
	\$246,982,680.28
Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less rebate of interest)	93,729,065.43
Loans to Cities, Towns, Municipalities and School Districts	11,255,571.96
Current Loans and Discounts elsewhere than in Canada (less rebate of interest)	6,478,263.23
Overdue debts, estimated less provided for	350,954.24
	111,813,854.86
Bank premises at not more than cost (less amounts written off)	4,000,000.00
Liabilities of Customers under Letters of Credit (as per Contra)	2,179,360.30
Other Assets not included in the foregoing	239,646.41
	\$365,215,641.85

H. V. MEREDITH, President. FREDERICK WILLIAMS-TAYLOR, General Manager.

### TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE BANK OF MONTREAL.

We have checked the Cash and verified the Securities of the Bank at the Chief Office and at several of the Principal Branches at various times during the year, as well as on 31st October, 1916, and we found them to be in accordance with the books of the Bank. We have obtained all information and explanations required, and all transactions that have come under our notice have, in our opinion, been within the powers of the Bank. We have compared the above Balance Sheet with the Books and Accounts at the Chief Office of the Bank, and with the certified Returns received from its Branches, and we certify that in our opinion it exhibits a true and correct view of the state of the Bank's affairs according to the best of our information, the explanations given to us, and as shown by the books of the Bank.

Montreal, 17th November, 1916.  
J. MAXTONE GRAHAM, Auditors.  
JAMES HUTCHISON, Auditors.  
Chartered Accountants.

### The 99th Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank of Montreal was held at noon yesterday in the Board Room at the Bank's Headquarters.

Amongst those present were: Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., C. R. Hosmer, Hon. Robert Mackay, C. B. Gordon, D. Forbes Angus, E. B. Green-shields, Wm. McMaster, R. B. Angus, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, LL.D., A. D. Braithwaite, Dr. Wm. Gardiner, Alfred Piddington, Chas. Chaput, Major G. R. Hooper, A. E. Ogilvie, C. J. Fleet, K.C., Dr. F. J. Shephard, P. C. Elson, George Caverhill, William Yule, John Patterson, Edward Fisher, James Rodger, Percy R. Gault, Ed. Sawtell, L. Skaffe, C. R. Black, W. R. Miller, R. C. Steven, G. C. Hart, Capt. D. J. Barker, F. J. Cockburn, E. P. Winslow, D. R. Clarke, R. Campbell Nelles, E. Archibald, and Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, K.C.

On motion of Mr. R. B. Angus, Sir Vincent Meredith was requested to take the chair. Mr. C. J. Fleet, K.C., moved, and Mr. Alfred Piddington seconded, that Messrs. George R. Hooper and A. E. Ogilvie be appointed to act as Secretaries, and that Mr. O. R. Sharp be the Secretary of the meeting. This was carried unanimously.

The Chairman then called upon the General Manager, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, to read the annual report of the Directors to the Shareholders at their 99th Annual General Meeting, held Monday, December 4th, 1916.

Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, the General Manager of the Bank, then made his annual address, as follows:

Gentlemen:—In this the twentieth month of the war, it is my duty to present for your approval the nineteenth annual statement of the Bank of Montreal.

Also it is my combined duty and privilege to explain the chief changes in the balance sheet now before you. First, however, let me comment briefly upon the factors that bear most importantly upon the future course of our affairs and that have influenced our banking position in the year under review.

The outstanding business feature in Canada is an industrial condition more abnormal in character than ever before in the history of this Bank, or of this country.

The same statement applies in a greater or lesser degree to several belligerent and neutral countries, but in Canada economic conditions as well as in an unnatural state. This is partly due to the war, also a result of suspended immigration and of a lengthy period of an extravagance of which we are now feeling the cumulative effect.

Canada sold her record crop of last year at high prices, as in the years of the American Civil War, while this year we are disposing of a moderate crop at such steadily mounting prices that we again reap a golden harvest about equal in amount to that of 1915. The total value of last year's crops was \$798,000,000.

### Equipment of Ours

All That Could Be Desired.

The following is an extract from a letter written by "one of Ours," dated the end of November, from "Somewhere in France," on returning to the rear after their turn in the trenches, and may relieve some anxious mothers whose sons do not write so fully:

Dear Mother,—Just a few lines to let you know I am back to safety once more. To-day we are more than comfortable, and all hands are jolly. Par-ties have been coming in and staying from those who are thinking about us across the sea, so all the boys are enjoying themselves.

As for myself, I am feeling grand. . . . N—has just lit a fire in the brazier, and the tent is getting nice and warm. We have plenty to eat and drink and I am not short of clothing. For the winter, I have greatcoat, leather jacket, rubber cape—long, and a pair of boots, all new, with the exception of greatcoat, which is still as good as ever. Have plenty of socks and shirts also. It is very nice to have all these things, but when we have to bring them, it is rather a different matter. Our equipment now is all that could be desired.

We have even been issued soft in-soles for our boots. . . . N—who is in our camp, is just roasting a bit of steak before we turn in.

I guess you are feeling a bit scared at home just now—don't let anything worry you there. I would feel quite contented if I were as far away from the Huns as you are."

The present buoyant industrial conditions are obviously the direct outcome of a steadily increasing demand by the Allies for food, clothing and other munitions of war, at rapidly rising prices, yielding large profits to the producers.

Payment for these war exports and for our surplus crops, coupled with loans of \$275,000,000 effected in New York since the outbreak of hostilities, have brought money into the country at a rate not only unprecedented, even in the days of our heavy borrowing in London, but so undreamed of that we can advantageously ponder on what might have been our condition had there been no war.

An American authority has said, "The war has saved the United States from a great industrial and financial calamity."

In many respects conditions in Canada are comparable with those in the United States. In two notable aspects they differ. Our neighbors across the border are adding to their wealth at apace without precedent in history, but, unlike the Dominion, un-penalized by increasing national debt and loss of human life.

There is another side to this picture on which it is not well to dwell un-duly, but which should be kept clearly before us. Post bellum conditions will surely weigh upon us more heavily or less heavily in proportion to our present indifference or our foresight, and in direct ratio to the steps we take to provide for inevitable problems and difficulties. Our agricultural production hinges not only upon fertility but stability; apart therefrom, though the cost of these alleged good times will not fall equally upon individuals, Canada as a whole will pay, and is paying already, in hard cash, reflected in a formidable national debt and in a great public debt per capita. We are also paying in the most price-less of all treasures, the blood of the manhood of our country. So far the cost to us of the war is 14,000,000 plus 45,000 casualties, and in money \$354,000,000.

The transient nature of our increased exports is a simple index to a situation that commands the attention of all thinking people.

These views may not be acceptable to all, but they are common sense and based upon arithmetical facts. To be forewarned is to be forearmed.

These are the main factors that have influenced and will influence the banking position—the movement in deposits and loans and the safety of both. Therefore, in the conduct of the business of this Bank should be conducted with such views plainly before us until the situation clears.

There are two obvious means of lightening Canada's coming burden, viz., thrift and immigration. The two are closely allied, for only by practicing national and personal economy or thrift can we reduce our high cost of living—that most effective barrier to immigration. Upon immigration we mainly depend for the fuller development of our unsurpassed natural resources.

Thrift is overdue but can be started forthwith; immigration must wait, but should follow in natural sequence. I have no words at my command with which to adequately argue the necessity of an organized and individual effort to promote thrift.

The timely and eloquent "Call to Action" of our Minister of Trade and Commerce commands attention. I am not sure that it should not be preceded by a "Call to Reason" in order that the importance of the problem of the situation be impressed upon those who are living in, let us say, the paradise of the universe. Same optimism and self-confidence are admirable national qualities and should be the order of the day. There is a point where optimism loses its value and the danger of over-confidence begins. That is the point for nations to avoid.

To sum up, we are going to win the just war we are waging, we are bound to win the war, but let us emerge from it unexhausted in order that the victory over our enemies may be perpetuated and recurrence of such insensate destruction rendered impracticable.

With the advent of peace will come relief to our Empire, but to financial and trade conditions will bring a necessity for sudden readjustment that in Canada, as elsewhere, must tax every resource to the utmost. I am satisfied that our Bank stands prepared to meet these new conditions with the adaptability and strength that have made them the bulwark of the Canadian financial situation.

# Xmas BARGAINS

— in —

Ladies' Hand Bags, worth up to 90c. for 50c and 70c.

Photo Frames, 25c.

Red Cross Stationery, Box of Paper and Envelopes for 20c

DAINTY HANDKERCHIEFS, PRETTILY BOXED, 25 cents per box.

WORK BOXES, 25 and 50 cents. Writing Cases, 25 and 50 cents.

CURTAIN NETS.

Brighten up for Christmas. 13, 15 and 18 cents per yard. SEE WINDOWS.

# S. MILLEY.

## A CAPITAL IDEA.

Four Xmas Toys for \$1.00 or One for 25c.

Note the choice assortment and see our window.

Dogs.	Jig Puzzles.	Paint Sets.	Rubber Balls.
Cats.	Roller Chimes.	Tool Sets.	Pencil Sets.
Rabbits.	Story Books.	Drums.	Mechanical Toys.
Goliwogs.	Sets of Blocks.	Dolls.	Box Xmas Cards

Special Value in Flag Sets at 30c.; Teddy's at 70c.; Baby Dolls that speak at \$1.00; etc., etc.

For the next few weeks at

# A. & S. Rodger's

### Is Tommy Afraid.

If you were asked the above question you would reply with an indignant "No!" and regard the questioner as one who ought to be interned.

There are, however, certain things of which Tommy is afraid. Not when he is in health—while the deadly shells are screaming around him he coolly bets with his companions as to where they will fall—but under the influence of shell-shock or trench fever.

He is often haunted then by strange hallucinations. He believes that the trench has been lost and cannot be got back, or that he will fall asleep on duty, or fall to carry out some important instruction. Such ideas as these form his nightmares. His fear is rarely a bodily one.

One of the strangest delusions is the delusion of blindness. Men declare they are totally blind, only to discover that, when the doctor raises their lids, they can see perfectly!

Illness of this kind is frequently hard to detect, and it is inevitable that in certain cases a good deal of hardship occurs. Recently a boy of nineteen was accused by his sergeant

### The Dutch Appeal.

The appeal of the Dutch section of the League of Neutral Nations to the American people is one of the most pathetic and poignantly moving documents of the war. It says that "the ghastly sufferings" inflicted on Belgium by the Germans amount to a "hellish scourge" and have become "unbearable." This is the testimony of a neutral people near at hand. It is, moreover, the brave utterance of a people under the very shadow of the Krupp guns. The world will be interested in seeing if another people, safe behind three thousand miles of sea and a strong navy, will have bravely enough to respond to it—Montreal Daily Star.

### Liens of the Allies.

Complete Patriotic Songs in one book, price only 35c. in stamps post paid. GARLAND'S BOOKSTORE, 177-9 Water St., St. John's—nov4,17

### Fads and Fashions.

Waist lines are both high and low. Even handbags are trimmed with fur.

Brown is a shade for shoes this fall.

Bread bags have come into fashion again.

The new sleeves end very wide at the wrist.

Many of the new toques are without brims.

Softly falling fulness marks the new skirts.

Apparently the picture hat goes on forever.

There are all varieties of the bishop sleeve.

KEEP DOWN HIGH PRICES—We are endeavouring to keep the price of our First-Class Tailor-made Garments within the reach of everyone, and when we say that you can get a first-class Suit or Overcoat from \$25 to \$30, it is not necessary for you to pay more. You can't get any better, no matter what you pay. SPURRIE, BROS., 363 Water Street—dec1,1916



### Special Christmas

Breakfast Table Sets that will make a great gift for your lady. Regular 80c. Xmas Sale Price . . . . .

Duchess Sets 4 piece all over embossed Sets that will make a great gift for your lady. Regular 85c. Xmas Sale Price . . . . .

Damask Tray Best quality English Cloths; size 18 x 27. Regular 60c. Xmas Sale Price . . . . .

Japanese Straw Serviceable platted Straw bed room or lavatory. Straw and Green and Red. Regular 40c. Xmas Sale Price . . . . .

A Few of the Hand Bags Roomy Hand Bags in real leather trimmings, strong rigid frames, a bag for years. 80c. Xmas Sale Price . . . . .

Satin Underwear You're wondering why "Nell" Why not a Satin Underskirt from this party? Saxe, Grey, Navy, Sky, and Black, etc., wide and "She" would be more than with one. Regular \$1.00. Xmas Sale Price . . . . .

"Directoire" Blouses In Cream, Grey and know the comfort of the weather; Jersey material, knee and waist, full. Regular 60c. Xmas Sale Price . . . . .

Blouses Some very handsome in Crepe-de-Chine, Nile, Crepe, etc. They're all and pearl button trimmings. Flesh, Maize, Navy, Grey, White. Regular \$3.00. Xmas Sale Price . . . . .

Ribbons Brilliant Silk Taffetas. Just when most Great demand for Xmas time and knowing present a line of unique value in 4 inch Silks, Navy, Saxe, Sky, Pink, Greens, Black and values for 50c. yard. Xmas Sale Price . . . . .

Child's & Misses In nice bright Crimson front, showing "giddy-looking." Special—Children, 6 to 10. . . . .



# Let This Page Be Your Shopping Guide

For the Remaining Days of Christmas Week. We have an abundance of GIFT GOODS that must VANISH at OUR CUT PRICES.

PRACTICAL GIFTS for every member of the family. Exchange your greetings with your friends. You're sure to meet them here.

## HALF-PRICE! TOYS, GAMES, and a lot of Fancy Goods



### Special Cut Prices on Home Needs.

#### Breakfast Table Cloths.

Strong unbleached English Damask Table Cloths, size 50 x 60, with crimson hand border and fringed edging; a great save on your better cloths. Regular 80c. Xmas Sale Price 72c

#### Duchess Sets.

4 piece all over embroidery Duchess Sets that will make a worthy Xmas gift for your lady friend, pretty designs. Reg. 85c. Xmas Sale Price 73c

#### Damask Tray Cloths.

Best quality English Damask Tray Cloths; size 18 x 27. Reg. 40 cents. Xmas Sale Price 33c

#### Tea Cloths.

Beautiful White Linen Tea Cloths, size 36 x 36, very pretty embroidered and deep hemstitched edge. These are our regular \$1.00 lin. Xmas Sale Price 85c

#### Table Cloths.

18 only of pure White English Damask Table Cloths, 84" size; these represent pre-war values and we know they cannot be equalled for value to-day. Reg. \$2.60. Xmas Sale Price \$2.25

#### Lace Shams.

Handsome Lace Pillow Shams, Lace Insertion and Embroidered Centre. Reg. \$1.60. Xmas Sale Price \$1.38

#### Japanese Straw Mats.

Serviceable plaited Straw Mats for bed room or lavatory, in Brown and Straw and Green and Straw, bound edges. Reg. 40c. Xmas Sale Price 35c

#### Snap-Shot Albums.

Put your pet snaps in one of these, they look nice to show your friends, and hold about 200 medium size prints, about quarter plate size; black canvas covering and mottled leaves inside. Regular 40 cts. Xmas Sale Price 35c

#### LEATHER COLLAR BOXES.

A worthy gift for him. Comes in light fawn leather, keeps his collars clean, hangs on bureau or stairs. Reg. \$2. Xmas Sale Price \$1.75

#### GLOVE and HDKF BOXES.

These never lose their usefulness nor place on the gift list. They come in Blue or Marone Leatherette, gift lettered. Reg. 45c. Xmas Sale Price 37c

#### NEEDLE CASES.

In wallet form, imitation crocodile coverings, in crimson or green. Special Xmas Sale Price 26c

#### WORK BOXES.

Completely equipped work boxes, imitation blue Leatherette covering and gift finish, satin lined; a gift she would prize. Reg. 95c. Xmas Sale Price 80c

#### BABY'S CRIB BLANKET.

Dainty little two-tone blankets for the new arrival, pale blue and white and pink and white, nicely patterned, button hole edging; they come, each, nicely boxed. Special, Xmas Sale, ea. 59c

### A Few of the Many Showroom Offerings

#### Hand Bags.

Rogmy Hand Bags in black leather, with real leather lining, all steel fittings, strong rigid frame and secure clasps, a bag for years. Reg. 72c. Xmas Sale Price 72c

#### Satin Underskirts.

You're wondering what you'll give "Nell." Why not a handsome Satin Underskirt from this pile, beauties in Saxe, Grey, Navy, Sky, Purple, Fawn and Black, etc., wide pleated flounce. "She" would be more than pleased with one. Reg. \$1.80. Xmas Sale Price \$1.49

#### "Directoire" Knickers.

In Cream, Grey and Navy; you know the comfort of these in cold weather; Jersey make, elastic at knee and waist, full sizes. Reg. 60c. Xmas Sale Price 52c

#### A Blouse Special.

Some very handsome Silk Blouses in Crepe-de-Chine, Nilon, Georgette Crepe, etc. They're all new styles and pearl button trimmed; shades of White, Mauve, Navy, Grey, Striped and White. Regular \$3.50. Xmas Sale Price \$2.98

#### Ribbons.

Brilliant Silk Taffeta Ribbons. Just when most needed. Great demand for Ribbons Xmas time and knowing this we present a line of unmatched value in 4 inch Silks, shades of Navy, Saxe, Sky, Pink, Crimson, Greens, Black and White; values for 25c. yard. Xmas Sale Price 17c

#### Infants' Dressing Jackets.

Don't mind the low price, see these today in White Flannelette, with Pink and Pale Blue crocheted edge; roll collar and cuffs. Special for Xmas Sale 14c

#### Children's Embroidered Dresses, \$1.26.

Handsome make in fine White Muslin, lace edging at neck and sleeves, and others hemstitched; quite a variety of makes; assorted sizes. Reg. \$1.60. Xmas Sale Price \$1.26

#### Brassieres, 89c.

Perhaps you omitted these on your list. Not too late now. See these, they are certainly satisfying; pretty embroidery yoke and medallion front, fastened at back or laced at side, boned throughout; figure improvers. Reg. \$1.00. Xmas Sale Price 89c

#### Children's Corduroy Velvet Caps, 64c.

Warm Caps with ear protectors, tassel at top, in White Rose and Saxe. Reg. 70c. Xmas Sale Price 64c

#### Scarves.

Lots of pretty silk knitted scarves, with long silk fringe ends, long scarfs, too, in Rose, Pink, Eberald, Gold, Wine, Purple and Brown, etc. Regular \$1.30. Xmas Sale Price 98c

### Child's & Misses' Comfort Footwear.

In nice bright Crimson Felt, with padded tender soles and painted front, showing "Mary and her Little Lamb." My! but they're gift-looking.

Special-Children, 6 to 10, 97c Special-Misses, 12 to 2, \$1.08



### Stair Carpets.

3 pieces of pretty Tapestry Stair Carpets, fawn and green grounds, nicely patterned and bordered. Stair Carpet worth \$1.30 per yard. Xmas Sale Price \$1.10



### Helpful Hints for 'HIS' Gift.

#### Men's Mufflers.

Large square cut neck Mufflers in dark striped silks and others in Black and White Shepherd's checks; they're always a welcome gift. Reg. 60c. Xmas Sale Price 49c

#### Shaving Sticks.

The "York" Shaving Stick, something particularly good, gives a rich creamy lather freely; nicely boxed in Green covered case; a useful gift for him. Special Xmas Week Price 19c

#### Mennen's Talcum Powder for Men.

An odorless Talcum Powder, specially prepared for after shaving; a luxury. Special Xmas Week Price 20c

#### Men's Slippers.

A desirable House Slipper for "Daddy" in Tan Crocodile Leather, warmly lined, leather soles and heels. Reg. \$1.90. Xmas Sale Price 1.72

#### Men's Rubbers.

Double Sole and Double Heel, in an entirely new make that we bespeak a demand for; heavy uppers, dull finish, made for wear. Special Xmas Sale 1.75

#### Cuff Links.

In assorted makes of rolled gold plating and pearl; something needed every day; they're strong, dependable and make a sensible and inexpensive gift, that's what you want to-day. Reg. 60c. Xmas Sale Price per 42c set

#### Shaving Brushes.

Best Irish make, long stiff bristle, glue set, nickel binding and box-wood handle; you couldn't desire better. Reg. 55c. Xmas Sale Price 45c

#### Men's Handkerchiefs.

Fine Irish Lawn quality, plain, and others with a hemstitched border, full size; they're always needed. Xmas Sale Price 3 for 28c

### Men's Negligee Shirts.

Give him a new one for Xmas morning. These are a dandy lot, beautiful new stripe effects, soft bosom style and laundered cuffs; others with double soft cuffs if preferred. Reg. 98c to \$1.20. Xmas Sale Price 98c

### Men's Camel Hair Slippers.

The "Acme" of comfort, a pair of those Wool Plaid House Slippers, with warm linings, stitched leather soles. If you are pondering over "His" gift see these. Special Xmas Sale Price, per pair \$1.15

#### Laundry Bags.

A couple of dozen of soiled Linen or Laundry Bags in pink or fawn linen, embroidered lettering and spray front. Reg. 40 cents. Xmas Sale Price 36c

#### Ladies' Hose.

32 dozen of ladies' fast black Hosiery including fine rib with fleece lining and others in assorted rib Cashmere. Regular 45c. value. Xmas Sale Price 39c

#### Dennison's Dolls & Dresses.

Fascinating pastime for the children, cutting out and making up dresses for every day of the week, 3 paper dolls jointed, simple, full instructions and patterns in each envelope. Special Xmas Sale Price 32c

### Ladies' Kid Gloves.

Perhaps the most appreciative gift you can give; these come in Grey, Tan and assorted Browns; excellent quality Kid, put up in Xmas packet folder, they're most attractive. Special for Xmas Sale \$1.55

### Ladies' Lined Kid Gloves.

These come in a pretty Tan shade, 2 glove fasteners, warmly lined, shapely gloves, finely finished; as a gift they're "IT". Reg. \$1.80. Xmas Sale Price \$1.48

### Ladies' "Comfy" Slippers.

Something real pretty, real and cosy and serviceable in Green, Grey, Brown Felt, fur trimmed; leather sole and heel, low heel; a pleasure to wear about the house. Reg. \$1.40. Xmas Sale Price, \$1.28.

#### Writing Cases.

Ladies' portfolios in brown or green leatherette, a new get up, nicely spaced inside, patent spring clasp. Reg. 55c. Xmas Sale Price 45c

#### Infants' Sets.

Put up in half dozens, made of fine White Muslin, narrow hem and embroidered spray in corner. Special, 32c

#### Ladies' Handkerchiefs.

White enamel futed Curtain Rods, 45 inches long, finished with fancy fluted knobs and fittings complete. Reg. 60c. Xmas Sale Price 6 for 28c

#### Curtain Poles.

Something for the baby, a neat little Brush and Comb Set neatly boxed. Special Xmas Sale Price 12c

#### Shelvings.

30 pieces of neat oil cloth Shelvings, assorted widths, bordered, scalloped edge; brighten up your pantry for Xmas. Special, per yard C

#### Boys' Wool Gloves.

Gloves for the boys at just about the price you want to pay; these are fancy knit, heavy make. Reg. to 60c. pr. Xmas S. P. per pair. 42c

### Giant Land Torpedo

Eats Its Way Through Solid Rock.

A remarkable story of a giant torpedo that burrows its own way through the earth like a worm and can be exploded under any desired spot is told in the New York World Magazine.

The inventor is Clifford P. Maryo, a civil engineer, of New York. He calls it the "subterranean" because it may become to land warfare what the submarine is to sea-fighting. The idea is not entirely new, for it was partially developed many years ago as a possible method of tunnelling, but was abandoned because much more expensive than the pick and shovel or the hydraulic shield methods.

The greatest difficulty in ordinary tunnelling is the disposal of the earth as it is dug. The longer the tunnel, of course, the greater is this difficulty as all the earth has to be hauled out the full length of the tunnel.

A torpedo to propel itself through the earth for any considerable distance must be able to go straight ahead, no matter what obstacles it encounters, and it must do this without removal of the earth behind it. In other words, it must eat its way through the earth, drawing this into its interior and passing it out behind thus filling up the tunnel as it goes.

#### First Experiments.

This is just what the subterranean does, says the World. The first one that was tried on Staten Island ate its way through sand and was dug out when exhausted. The second one ate its way into sand, earth and clay, in which were boulders, rocks and the roots of trees. It has never been possible to recover it, and it is still somewhere under the hills overlooking the Narrows. Of course, these two experimental machines contained no explosives.

The Maryo land torpedo is a cylinder, 40 feet long, 8 feet in diameter, with small rigid steel fins standing upright all over the surface—these to prevent it from being deflected from its direct course by obstacles or changes in the character of the earth.

At the fore-end is a revolving cutting head, the full diameter of the cylinder, working on the principle of a gimlet, with the additional facility of grinding or triturating the earth and stones and drawing them back into the interior of the machine. Through the hollow centre is a spiral that turns and passes the "digested" earth out to the rear. At the rear are plungers which revolve intermittently, spreading the ejected matter evenly against the earth already there, and press powerfully against this mass, thus forcing the whole apparatus forward.

#### How it is Worked.

Within the subterranean are two electric motors of 600 h.p. each, one of which moves the cutting head and spiral conveyor, while the other actuates the revolving of the plungers. In addition, there are four 30 h.p. electric motors which work in concert through four hydraulic pumps and make the rear-end plungers behave like hydraulic rams. The whole is operated by engineers from a distance, by means of an electric cable wound upon a drum in the subterranean and unwound as it progresses. This cable may be as much as five miles long. Through it the motors receive their power and the movements of the several motors are governed. Microphones keep the engineers informed as to what progress is being made.

The explosion chamber is situated to the rear of the principal motors and is in the form of a ring, the full diameter of the subterranean, the spiral conveyor passing through its middle. It is large enough to hold 400 cubic feet of any explosive that may be employed. The speed at which this war-monster can eat its way through the earth depends on the skill of its engineers, also upon the character of the earth—rock, for example, necessitating very slow progress. Mr. Maryo says that from 40 to 100 feet an hour is the average. This progress, whatever its speed, consists of alternate forward movements and pauses; during the pauses material is accumulated and deposited at the rear.

When it is planned to fire a subterranean torpedo at a fortress, or a citadel, the machine is lowered into a trench at the desired depth and carefully aimed towards the doomed place. It is then started on its way. Several days will elapse before it reaches its goal, maybe several weeks. All the time, however, the engineers are listening at the telephones that communicate over the cable with the microphones in its machinery and when at last they know it is below the fort they have only to touch the button that closes the electric circuit and makes a spark in the explosion chamber, when 400 cubic feet of dynamite or lyddite send the enemy's fortifications into the air—Sunday Times.

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