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French Repulse Germans South of Somme River

Germans Infantry Tried to Come Out of Their Trenches But Were Stopped Everywhere by French—In Champagne and Verdun Region French Gunners Have Done Considerable Execution—French Airmen Have Been Active

LITTLE FIGHTING ON ITALIAN-AUSTRO FRONT

Albanians Are Reported to Have Reached Adriatic Sea West of Kavaya—In Asia Minor the Russians Are Following the Turks Who Flew From Erzerum—British Aviator Has Blown up Turkish Forward Stations on Ottoman Front East of Suez Canal

LONDON, Feb. 22.—Another of Germany's big zeppelin airships have come to grief. Probably some, if not all, of its crew perished, as it was enveloped in flames as it fell to the earth a victim of incendiary shell fire from French anti-aircraft gun.

Paris official communication reports an airship, southward, bound from the region of St. Menhoult when French guns at Revigny began shelling it. At least on the missiles found its mark, a huge aircraft took fire and fell in the vicinity of Brabant LeFol.

The Germans near Lihons, to the South of the Somme River have met with a repulse at the hands of the French in an intended attack extending over about four and one-third miles. An offensive movement was preceded by heavy bombardment and clouds of asphyxiating gases.

When the German infantry endeavored to come out of their trenches for an attack, however, a barrier of fire and fire from French riflemen stopped them everywhere, according to Paris. Germans at Artois were prevented from occupying the crater of a mine by a strong counter offensive of the French.

In Champagne and the forest of Argonne, and in the entire region of Verdun there has been much artillery activity food which Paris claims considerable execution accomplished by French gunners. The Germans report additional repulses of British grenade attacks against captured positions along the Yser canal, who are putting down Entente Allied offensive along the Lens Arras road. Numerous air fights between German and French aviators have taken place. Paris reports that several German machines were brought down by fire from the French airmen. Aeroplane raids have

been carried out by French and British aeroplane squadrons, notably on the German aviation field at Halshheim Mulhansee and on the munitions factory at Pagny Sur Moselle. A British aircraft bombed the town of Don, southwest of Lille.

There has been little fighting on the Eastern and Austro-Italian fronts. Albanians fighting with Teutons are reported to have reached Adriatic Sea, west of Kavaya. This would indicate that the Austro-Hungarians and Allies have completely surrounded Durazzo.

In Asia Minor the Russians are persistently following the Turks who fled from Erzerum and also are pushing their way northward from the captured fortress to the Black Sea with the purpose of establishing a base there for their warships and transports. Bitis, on Lake Van, has been captured by the Russians. The Turk power station on the Ottoman front east of the Suez Canal has been blown up by a British aviator.

Again Constantinople has been thrown into a state of consternation over her presence of an Allied submarine in the Bosphorus, according to unofficial report, under water boat said to have torpedoed six transports laden with munitions, and one tug.

Objects to U. S. Deputy Marshall On Board Appam

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Representations against the presence of a United States Deputy Marshall on the captured British liner Appam, the German prize in Hampton Roads, were made to-day to the State Department by the German Embassy. Prince Von Hatzfeldt, Counsellor of the Embassy, discussed the whole subject with Counsellor Polk. It was said that while the Embassy realized that the feature was out of the hands of the State Department and in the Courts, it was anxious to know when some decision might be expected. The presence of the Marshal was objected to, it was said, because it was feared some friction might develop.

Counsellor Barclay of the British Embassy, to the great dismay of officials, was shown by mistake into the room where Prince Hatzfeldt was waiting. If the British Counsellor and the German Prince recognized one another, as they sat on opposite sides of the room, neither betrayed that he felt he was in the presence of an enemy. The situation was relieved by the departure of Counsellor Barclay to Polk's office.

Why Bulgars Didn't Attack Saloniki

Withdrawal of German Troops Made it Impossible For Them to Attack Allies—Kaiser Blocks Bulgar Aims For Possession of Saloniki, Kavala

MILAN, Feb. 21.—News received here throws new light on the reason why the Bulgarians abandoned their plan to attack Salonika. At a council of war recently held in Sofia, the Bulgarians complained of the wholesale withdrawal of German troops from Macedonia and the Balkans, and declared it would be impossible for them to undertake the campaign alone against the Allies. The Germans replied that they had given sufficient assurances to the Bulgarians, that the fall of Serbia had not left the Balkans' field entirely to them and the Turks, and that they (the Germans) would guarantee a sufficient supply of guns and material for the campaign.

The Bulgarians then declared that if they were to make another great effort with the scant assistance from the Turks, they would do so only if they would guarantee large compensations in Greek Macedonia. In other words, possession of Salonika, Kavala and all the hinterland. The Kaiser, however, in consideration of his promise made to King Constantine, put a halt on Bulgarian ambitions for the possession of Salonika, with the result that the Bulgarians resolved to remain in their trenches. Germany, seeing that the Balkans campaign had come to a deadlock, withdrew still more troops, declaring that she had need for them elsewhere.

Allied Airman Bomb Hun Positions

London, Feb. 22.—A British official as to the campaign in the West was issued to-night. It says: In an attack on the enemy depots at Don about 12 miles south-east of Lille, was carried out by 26 aeroplanes yesterday. Extensive damage is believed to have been done to stores and railways. All machines returned safely.

Our artillery actively bombarded hostile trenches about Hultuch, north of Ypres and Comines Canal. Heavy explosion resulted from our severe howitzer fire against enemy gun positions at Radingham area.

Enemy aircraft during the past few nights made several attacks on various towns in our area, but with no military results. A few civilians, however, were killed.

Six Transports Sunk by Allied Submarine causes Panic at Stamboul

London, Feb. 22.—An Allied submarine passed through the Dardanelles on Tuesday last and reached the Bosphorus and torpedoed one the tugs and six transports laden with munitions, according to an Athens despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company.

The presence of a hostile submarine caused a panic in Constantinople.

RUSSIANS STILL ADVANCE

LONDON, Feb. 21.—The Russians have occupied the entire Lake Van district, the Turks retiring southward, and even evacuating Bitlis, according to a Petrograd despatch received in Rome and given out here.

On the other wing, according to the despatch, Russian advance guards have arrived within a short distance of Trebizond, on the Black Sea coast.

ECONOMY & EFFICIENCY NECESSARY

Premier Asquith Says These Are the Main Issues—New Credits Now Asked With Balance in Hand May Last Till End of May

LONDON, Feb. 21.—Munitions for the Army and Navy from April 1st last to Feb. 19th, cost £834,800,000, the Premier stated. He said that loans to the Allies of Britain and the Dominions showed a substantial increase since November, and that the growth in the rate of expenditures was entirely due to loans to the Allies from the vote of credit. These by no means represented the total advances there were advances made by the Bank of England at the request of the Government. Expenditure under this head, he said, would probably reach £423,000,000.

The vote of credit for the remainder of the financial year allowed an ample margin for contingencies, such as the purchase of American securities, he added. The vote of credit of £300,000,000 raised the total votes of credit for the war to £2,922,000,000. The Premier emphasized the steps taken to secure economy in expenditure. The financial committee of the Cabinet had appointed a special committee of business men to bring about economy and efficiency. He did not think this system could be improved on.

The war, said the Premier, is being conducted under rigorous conditions, which prevented any money voted in Parliament from being devoted to any other purpose than the just cause would prevail. Asquith said he was uncertain what sums must be spent before the end of the financial year in purchasing American securities. He anticipated that the extra credits now asked, with the sum still in hand, would last until the end of May. The House, before rising, went into Committee of the whole and passed the vote of credit.

Derby Head Air Defense Of London

Will be Known as Air Member of Cabinet—Lord Robert Cecil will Enter Cabinet and Control Naval Blockade of Germany—Britain Determined to Win War

New York, Feb. 22.—The London correspondent of the New York Herald cables:

I am informed that the organization of air defence of Britain is to be entrusted to Lord Derby and that when he has co-ordinated both naval and military air services, the post of Director General of Military Aeronautics will be conferred on General Sir David Henderson, who is an aviation expert, assisted by Brigadier General Trenchard, who has had much experience in aviation and is now Aide de Camp to the King.

Lord Derby it is understood is to be the air member of the Cabinet, and it is also understood that Lord Robert Cecil is to be raised to Cabinet rank and entrusted with the responsibility for the rigid enforcement of the naval blockade of Germany and Austria.

I have met Lord Robert Cecil many times and I believe the Minister, while exercising a due care for the rights of neutrals, will make Germany feel the pinch of hunger and want of materials with which to wage successfully her terrible war. The creation of these two new posts is convincing evidence that Britain finally is awake to the monumental efforts required to win the war.

Bryce Says Wilson Is a Puzzle

He Tells Paris Journal That Great Majority of Americans Favor Allied Cause—Does Not Expect Any Real Difficulties to Arise Between States and the Allies

Paris, Feb. 22.—Viscount Bryce, who heads the British Delegation of Both Houses of Parliament to the Anglo-French Parliamentary Committee which is to hold meetings here to-day and on Wednesday, has given an interview to the Paris Journal on the situation in the United States.

It is much too complicated and changes too quickly from day to day, he said, for me to be able to form any conjectures as to the manner in which events concerning the Washington Government are liable to develop. There is, however, one thing which should be known, and it is that the sympathies of the great majority of the American people go out clearly and indisputably to the Allies.

I never had the slightest fear of real difficulties arising between the United States and the Allies, because it is hardly necessary for me to say that there are historical reasons why genuine friendship should be felt in the United States for France (and Great Britain).

Lord Bryce expressed his satisfaction at the fall of Erzerum. He said: "The cause of the Armenians is especially dear to me; there is no people in the world which has suffered more."

OFF AGAIN

LONDON, Feb. 21.—The British steamer Cymric Castle, which went ashore last week on a reef off Mombasa, British East Africa, has been refloated.

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House Hears Asquith Ask for New Credit Votes

The Premier Said the Sum Raised Since Outbreak of War Was Not Only Beyond Precedent but Was Beyond Imagination of Any Financier—McKenna Followed Asquith and Pointed Out the Fact That the Government Had Succeeded in Holding Down the War Expenditure to Below £5,000,000 a Day

AMERICAN EXCHANGE REGARDED SATISFACTORY

McKenna Points Out Strong Position of Britain in Financial World—After 18 Months of War Our Paper Can be Exchanged For Gold at any Bank—Liberal Member Says Munitions Received From United States Are Not up to the Mark

LONDON, Feb. 22.—The House of Commons to-night passed a new vote of credit to the amount of £420,000,000. This is expected to carry the war to the end of May, bringing the total sum appropriated by means of votes of credit since the outbreak of war to £2,982,000,000. This sum, according to Premier Asquith, is not only beyond precedent, but is actually beyond the imagination of any financier in this or any other country. Parliament was occupied to-day entirely with financial questions. Asquith spoke for fifty minutes, presenting the Government's motion for new war credits. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Reginald McKenna, followed with a statement regarding American exchange, which he declared is now as high as the British Government wishes it to be. The point emphasized by the Premier was not the enormous totals necessary for war, but the fact that by casual economy and safeguards the Government had succeeded in holding down the expenditure to well below £5,000,000 a day, which figure he thought unlikely to be exceeded at any time. "I feel an enormous overwhelming responsibility in asking the House for this gigantic sum," said the Premier, "and could

not do so unless I was satisfied we had most carefully explored the ground so that we are not asking for a penny more than the exigencies of our cause and great historic responsibilities which we have undertaken require and unless we are satisfied that every possible precaution is being taken to see the tax-payers money is not being wasted."

"Touching on the loans to Great Britain's Allies, Asquith stated that the amount had now grown to nearly £169,000,000, to which must be added loans made to the Allies by the Bank of England at the request of the British Government. The amount of this latter item was not made clear by the Premier, but he declared that the provisions of the September budget, allocating £423,000,000 for loans to Allies would not be exceeded."

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, in an optimistic statement regarding the condition of British credit, said: "Criticism has been made that we are not taking proper steps to maintain our credit, particularly with reference to American exchange. I merely ask the House to compare our American exchange with that of other belligerents. At the present time the rate is \$4.76 and the Government does not wish it to be higher than that. It is still ten cents below normal, but we do not wish it to go either up or about normal for the simple reason that we are discouraging imports by keeping exchange a little below par and checking the export of gold to America. It is an absolute marvel that after eighteen months of war we are still almost the only open gold country in the world. Our paper can be exchanged for gold at the bank and every sovereign paper money had gold at the back of it. It would never have been believed two years ago that British credit could stand such an extraordinary test as it has been subjected to. Notwithstanding gigantic expenditures we have maintained our credit. We have greater resources, but must husband them with prudence. I have no doubt that a year hence I shall be able to show that our credit is still unimpaired."

"Touch on the question as to whether after the war the acceptance and discounting of German bills would be discouraged in London the Chancellor said this subject must be left for the future, but I am sure that the commercial interest of the country will oppose the relinquishment of trade by accepting and discounting bills drawn abroad which has made London the admiration and envy of all the world's great commercial cities."

During the course of the evening's debate Sir Joseph Walter (Liberal), criticized the Government for not having more carefully inspected the munitions from the States. "Care should be taken that we do not get had supplies from the United States," he said, "I am informed that out of twenty-eight shells recently fired by one of our howitzers at the front, only four of them burst."

VON BERNSTORFF'S RECALL MAY BE ASKED FOR BY UNITED STATES

Asserted in Washing he Has Violated Pledge he Gave Secretary Lansing to Keep Lusitania Negotiations in Entire Confidence—Washington Officials Know Facts Have Been Made Public Although They Were Only Known to Bernstorff and Lansing

DECIDED TO REMAIN

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—The Rev. Dr. Chas. A. Eaton has withdrawn his resignation as Pastor of the Madison Avenue Baptist Church. The announcement to this effect was made to-day by the Rev. J. W. Bronger, of Los Angeles, who occupied the pulpit in place of Dr. Eaton. It was urged that the urgent plea of the congregation induced Dr. Eaton to stay.

SAWS HUN RAIDERS WERE CONVEYED TO SHORE IN SUBS

New York, Feb. 22.—A cable to The Tribune from London says, it is reported that the German seaplanes which raided the East Coast of England Sunday, were transported to within short distance of the shore by submarines. If the suspicion is correct it accounts for the fact that the invaders were not discovered until they made their appearance over British territory.

FIRE CAUSES LOSS IN NEW YORK RESTAURANT

New York, Feb. 22.—Several people are believed to have lost their lives in a fire which destroyed the Colonial Restaurant in the theatre district early to-day.

OTHER MESSAGES

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Advertisement for W. H. Jackman coats, featuring an illustration of a man in a long coat and a woman in a dress. Text describes the quality and fit of the clothing.

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## All "Gringos" Must Die, Says Francisco Villa

Has Only a Small Force of Twenty-Five With Him, But Still the Raids go on.

EL PASO, Feb. 16.—Francisco Villa with only twenty-five men is peened up in the Nidos Canyon, on the Santa Clara ranch, according to official advices given out to-day by Gen. Gabriel Gaviira at Jaurez.

Villistas are reported in the vicinity of Laguna, at Rio Tinto, a mile from Terrazas station, at another point twenty-five miles north of Chihuahua city and at Fresno, twenty-four miles west of Chihuahua city, according to information brought to the border to-day by Americans from Chihuahua city. Villa himself led the small band which invaded the Rio Tinto mining property near Terrazas, it was said. Swinging back in a small circle from Sanz Laguna and the Samaniego ranch, Gen. Villa made his way toward the Santa Clara Canyon and the Canyon Del Oso country, striking within twenty-five miles of Chihuahua city with another of his small bands under Col. Pablo Lopez, who is held responsible for the Santa Isabel massacre, reaching as far as Fresno, about 140 miles from the capital. Lopez's band numbered twenty men and he rode boldly into the little town, killing four of the Carranzista garrison with his own hand.

One thousand Carranza troops are hunting Villa. Gen. Quevedo has reported to Jaurez from Las Cruces, in western Chihuahua, that four days ago he met and defeated a band of former Villistas under Gen. Pedrosa and Gen. Jesus Rodriguez, killing ten and capturing ten.

Americans arriving from the south say it has been confirmed in Chihuahua city that Villa repeatedly made the statement that he intends to kill "every gringo" he can find in Mexico.

Stories continue to reach Chihuahua properties in the mountainous districts and others at the door of Chihuahua city. A week ago Villa and his following are reported to have been at Pielagos mine, which they sacked of whatever could be carried away. Last Wednesday Villistas returned to the place and forced the departure of all laborers, saying Villa had decreed that operations of mining claims should not continue under the Carranzista Government on pain of death to those disobeying his orders. The train which reached the border before dawn to-day brought 200 Mexicans and four foreigners, including two French merchants.

Villa is sending unladen pack mules to the border for ammunition, heading them for a point near Ojinaga, to get supplies of ammunition, according to an American who came from Chihuahua city by automobile to Ojinaga.

Bands of Villistas travelling with unladen pack mules have been seen at many points along the automobile route from Chihuahua city to Ojinaga. Mounted armed men to the number of not more than ten or twenty made up the small detachments.

## Woman Shot The Parson

SHERMAN, Tex., Feb. 17.—Because she claimed Rev. C. J. Cagle, aged 40, a prominent Baptist minister, had slandered her, Mrs. Andy Faust, wife of a farmer, sought out Cagle on the public square here this afternoon and shot him four times. The preacher is dying. A flying bullet hit an elevator boy in a building nearby, inflicting a flesh wound.

Cagle declared he had only a few hours to live and demanded that he be taken immediately to his wife. "I want to talk to her before I die," he declared. The shooting followed an interview Mrs. Faust's brother-in-law had with the preacher recently in which the minister had talked about the woman's reputation.

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## Hatred for Britain Greater Than Ever

France and Russia Hardly Mentioned—German People Led to Think England is on Her Last Legs.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—Nearly 200 incapacitated soldiers, many of them captured in the retreat from Mons, and repatriated civilians arrived here to-day from Germany via Hallond. An educated woman among them, who was head of a nursing home in Berlin before the war, said that there was undoubtedly a shortage of several necessities in Germany, but that it was felt more in the provinces than in Berlin, where the authorities seemed determined to keep things as nearly normal as possible.

She learned, she said, that the people of Leipzig obtain only the equivalent of two thin slices of bread a day, but hope that by this measure the supplies will last. Lamp oil is not obtainable and candles are eight cents apiece. Nobody expects butter and it is often impossible to secure substitutes such as lard and oleomargarine.

Nearly every one evades the regulation prohibiting the eating of meat on two days a week by buying beforehand, but the restaurants are obliged to comply with the rule. The same is true of "fatless" days when everything is boiled.

"The overwhelming confidence in victory," she says, "and the belief that Britain is on her last legs prevent the Germans from feeling the pinch of food shortage. The hatred of Britain is greater than ever. France and Russia are seldom mentioned. Nobody in Germany has the slightest doubt, but that the Germans are winning, but there is far less ringing and waving of flags than formerly."

A young man released from Rullin expressed surprise at these statements because he said that things were much better, the Germans seem to be quietening down and had ceased their bad treatment.

## BULGARIAN ARMY NOW DOWN TO 150,000

LONDON, Feb. 17.—A Rome despatch to the Daily News says that a neutral diplomat who recently returned from Bulgaria, says that the Bulgarian losses so far amount to 150,000. The army is now reduced to about 180,000. This is absolutely insufficient to aid the Germans in an attack on Salonika.

The soldiers, who are on short rations, as the Germans requisitioned all available supplies of wheat, are disheartened and tired of the war. They fear Russian reprisals in the near future. The King is openly blamed for selling the country to the Germans and is becoming very unpopular. His journey to Germany and Austria was taken because he feared it would be impossible to avoid revolution unless Austro-Germans took the precaution of organizing timely measures. These the King personally urged in Berlin and Vienna.

## THE REAL PROBLEM

"I wonder how Flubtub can afford an auto. Don't you?"  
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## U.S. Feeds World — Needs Big Fleet Says Mr. Daniels

Both Adequate Merchant Marine and Greater Navy essential he told the Chamber of Commerce—Daniels Calls Himself a Disciple of Benjamin Franklin.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Joseph Daniels, Secretary of the Navy Department, defended the administration naval increase programme and advocated immediate building up of an adequate merchant marine in a speech here to-day before a session of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, devoted to discussion of national preparedness.

"We can no longer live unto ourselves," said Mr. Daniels. "On our farms we grow more than the republic can consume. We must feed much of the world. We have the right also to have a large share in clothing the world and supplying people in every climate with whatever is manufactured in our mills and factories."

But how can we fill our larger mission? What ails teeming harvests and large production in factories without adequate and reasonable water transportation? The obtaining of an adequate merchant marine is a pressing problem and it is so tied up with the enlarging and strengthening of our navy that the two cannot be wisely separated.

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Mr. Daniels declared himself to be a disciple of Benjamin Franklin on the question of preparedness. "This philosopher-statesman declared that 'there never was a good war nor a bad peace', but he did more to prepare for the impending revolution than any other man," said Mr. Daniels.

"No man in the revolutionary period could be preferred before him in preparations for defence. His achievements for preparedness may well be studied by the people of this day and generation."

## Laurier Wants Enquiry Made

OTTAWA, Feb. 16.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier has given notice of a resolution calling for a Parliamentary enquiry into the purchases of munitions in Canada by the Imperial Government. It is in the following terms:

"That a special committee of members of this House be appointed to enquire into all purchases of shells or other munitions or goods by the Shell Committee formed by the Minister of Militia as stated to this House by the Prime Minister on the 15th of April, 1915, together with all contracts made or orders given by the said committee for any shells or other munitions or goods, with authority to the said committee to examine witnesses under oath and to require the production of any documents, books, letters, or papers; and that such special committee be directed to report from time to time to this House in such manner as it may think advisable."

## THE DRUG SHOP SNAP

"Can you wait on me immediately?" demanded the richly dressed woman.  
"I'm in a great hurry."  
"Yes. Let me have your prescription," said the druggist.  
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**Additional Information**  
 351 Private William May, Botwood. Previously reported to be transferred to Ghain Tuffieha Convalescent Camp, Malta, Dec. 30. Now reported to be dangerously ill, enteric, 15th General Hospital, Alexandria, Feb. 20.  
 357 Sergt. Wm. E. Barnes, 193 Le-Marchant Road. Previously reported to be transferred to No. 6 Convalescent Home, Ramleh, Dec. 13th. Now reported to be admitted to the Third London General Hospital, Wandsworth.  
 1947 Private B. B. Harris, 15 1/2 Prospect Street. Previously reported to be out of danger, Jan. 23. Now reported to be admitted to the Third London General Hospital, Wandsworth.  
 625 Private J. W. Maddock, Water Street. Previously reported to

be admitted to the Military Hospital, Imtarfa, Malta, Dec. 22; dysentery. Now admitted to the Third London General Hospital Wandsworth; dysentery.  
 325 Private H. A. Butler, Kelligrews. Previously reported to be removed from serious list, Jan. 1. Now reported to be admitted to the Third London Hospital, Wandsworth; enteric.  
 1020 Private A. W. Keeping, Forest Road. Previously removed to be removed from serious list, Jan. 14. Now reported to be admitted to the Third London General Hospital; enteric.  
 692 Corporal M. F. Coffield, Allendale Road. Now reported to be discharged to Convalescent Camp, Ghain Tuffieha, Malta, Dec. 31. Now reported to be admitted to the Third London General Hospital; enteritis.  
 995 Private Wm. Harding, Renew, North Side. Previously reported to be admitted to the 27th. General Hospital, Mudros West, Dec. 19; trench feet. Now reported to be admitted to the 3rd. London General Hospital; frost-bite.  
 197 Private Harold W. Jones, 85 New Gower St. Previously reported to be admitted to the St. John's Military Hospital, Sliema, Malta, Dec. 29; jaundice, slight. Now reported to be admitted to the

Third London General Hospital; heart trouble.  
 270 Private W. W. Bartlett, Brigus. Previously reported to be at the Third Canadian Stationary Hospital, Mudros. Now reported to be admitted to the London General Hospital; pneumonia.  
**MRS. BUTLER ARRESTED ON CHARGE SIMILAR TO THAT OF LAST YEAR**  
 We learn that this morning Mrs. Butler, the woman whose arrest last year caused such a sensation and whose house was filled with goods alleged to have been stolen was again arrested by Sgt. Byrne and Const. Tobin on a charge somewhat similar to that of last year. For months past burglarious raids have been made on many city residences and invariably these occurred on Sunday nights. As near as we can hear the police have been shadowing this woman for some time past and that evidence had been obtained of late sufficient to warrant the arrest which has been made. It is likely that she will come fore the magistrate to-morrow.

**AT THE NICKEL, MONDAY & TUESDAY.**

A GREAT VITAGRAPH THREE PART FEATURE, ENTITLED:  
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 Anita Stewart and Earle Williams in THE SERIAL BEAUTIFUL.  
 Note:—CHARLIE CHAPLIN in "WORK" will be repeated at the Matinee performances to-day for the benefit of those that were unable to gain admission on Saturday.  
 Wednesday:—EDWIN ARDEN in THE NEW EXPLOITS OF ELAINE.

**WAR MESSAGES**

**CHURCH BURNED IN QUEBEC**

QUEBEC, Feb. 21.—Sensational talk is going about a fire to-day, which completely destroyed the \$400,000 Beaufort Church, in this city.  
 The editor of the "Le Soleil," Quebec's leading daily, admits, this afternoon, that some days ago he received an anonymous letter from Beaufort, saying that Pastor Desell of that parish had been threatened by anonymous letters, presumably coming from sympathizers of Germans interned in the Beaufort Armory.

**RESULT OF AIR RAID ON WALMER OVERESTATED**

London, Feb. 22.—A British official communication issued to-night concerning the air raid made by a German aeroplane on Sunday over Walmer says:  
 Later information is to effect that casualties at Walmer were overestimated. The total being one killed and another injured; about twenty shop fronts in the town were blown in.

**ANOTHER ZEP SENT TO SCRAP HEAP**

PARIS, Feb. 21.—A Zeppelin airship was brought down by French guns in the vicinity of Brabant Le Roi, on the Meuse, to-day, according to an official announcement made this evening.  
 The Zeppelin was flying from St. Menehould towards the South, and was attacked by cannon from Revin, and hit by an incendiary shell. The Zeppelin fell in flames in the vicinity of Brabant Le Roi.

**STORMY AND COLD WEST**

It was very stormy up West yesterday and last night and the rotary plow had to be kept running over the Topsails. At the Quarry last night the thermometer registered 12 below zero, and at other stations from 5 above to zero.

**MAKING LONG PASSAGE.**

The schr. Passport, Capt. Bill Carroll, of Job Bros., which left Indian Hr. P.B. on the 6th inst. with 250 bbls. herring for Sydney from Job Bros. has not yet arrived at her destination and is making a long voyage of it. She carries a crew of six men, but as she is a fine staunch vessel there is no anxiety about her. It is possible that she is storm-bound in some port remote from a telegraph office and, therefore, her whereabouts would not be known.

**VESSELS SAIL FOR MARKET**

The Minnie, Helen Stewart, Russel R. Pentz and Mary and the Mildred, all fish laden for the Brazils and Europe left port to-day with the vessel together this evening and to-morrow. The S. S. Corma also sailed to return with a cargo of coal from Sydney.

**GRAND FALLS MEN ARRIVE**

The first contingent of the Grand Falls recruits arrived here by the express at 12.30 p.m. to-day and were given a warm reception at the railway station. His Excellency the Governor, the members of the Patriotic Committee and a number of citizens being on the platform to receive them. The men accompanied by H. Co., carrying their rifles, paraded down Water Street and thence to the Armoury.

**ANXIETY ABOUT "LAKE SIMCOE"**

We have had repeated references within the past few weeks to the tardy voyage which the Lake Simcoe is making from the Mediterranean to this port. The ship is now well over 100 days out, but when we remember the Grace's voyage of 108 days some years ago on a similar run, there is no necessity to be unduly alarmed about the Simcoe. She is a fine vessel of 350 tons gross and her crew are: Capt. S. W. Halfyard St. John's; H. V. Peppas, mate, Mexico; E. Newhook, bosun; R. Fleming, steward; S. Dawe, T. White and John Coady, St. John's; Duncan Breeby, Barbadoes; Noah Smith, C. Butler, W. Erson, Manuels and Daniel Carey, of Witness Bay.

**ICE WITHIN AND WITHOUT**

We learn that the Florizel which when she left here for Sydney had 200 tons of ice on board as ballast, has had much trouble with it. While caught in the Gulf to dispose of it an effort was made to melt it by steam but owing to the severe frost it all caked together and report has it that this frozed Newfoundland product is still in the hold in one congealed mass displacing therefore about 200 tons of the more valuable 'black diamonds.'

Inspector General Sullivan who underwent a very successful operation at the General Hospital recently is now able to be about again and daily attends to his official duties in the Court House. Mr. Sullivan's health has greatly improved since he left the hospital, the disease from which he suffered being permanently cured.

**WHERE TO GET THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE**

The Mail and Advocate can now be had at the following stores:—  
 Mayo's—Duckworth Street.  
 Mrs. Gallivan—Duckworth St. East.  
 Mrs. Peckford—Foot Signal Hill Rd.  
 Mr. Gosse—Plymouth Road.  
 Mrs. Kelly—King's Bridge Road.  
 Mrs. Hayse—King's Bridge Road.  
 Mrs. Brien—Colonial Street.  
 James Whelan—Colonial Street.  
 F. Fitzpatrick—Gower Street (top of Nunnery Hill).  
 Mrs. Organ—Military Road.  
 Mr. Parsons—Corner Hayward Avenue and McDougall Street.  
 Mrs. Wadden—Pleasant Street.  
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 Mrs. Doughton—Fleming Street.  
 Mr. Fitzpatrick—Field Street.  
 Miss E. Lawlor—Head of Long's Hill.

Mrs. Bulger—Head of Carter's Hill.  
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 Mr. Horwood—Catherine's Hill.  
 Popular Store—Casey Street.  
 Mrs. Tobin—Casey Street.  
 Mrs. Cummings—Head of Casey St.  
 Mrs. Healey—Corner Water St. and Hutchings Street.  
 Mrs. Fortune—Corner Water Street and Alexander Street.  
 A. McCoubrey—(tinsmith) New Gower Street.  
 Mrs. Joy—New Gower Street.  
 Mr. Ryan—Casey Street.  
 Mrs. Collins—Foot Patrick Street, Water Street West.  
 Mrs. Keefe—Hamilton Street.  
 P. J. Morgan—Pennywell Road, Axford's—South Side.  
 Chas. Truscett—New Gower Street.  
 Miss Murphy—Water St. West.  
 Capt. Flett—Cor. Gower and Prescott streets.  
 Royal Tobacco Store, Water Street.

Where is Bob, did he join the Navy? Now mother dear, don't worry about me. Hope you are all good to Aunt Jennie. Did you get the Prince's Mary's box I sent you Mother. I will say good-bye and God bless you one and all till we meet again.  
 Your loving son,  
 WILLIAM TILLEY.  
 [The above writer is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Tilley, Summerside Bonavista Bay.]

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 Men's Tweed Overcoats. Reg. \$7.00 value. \$6.00 Now.  
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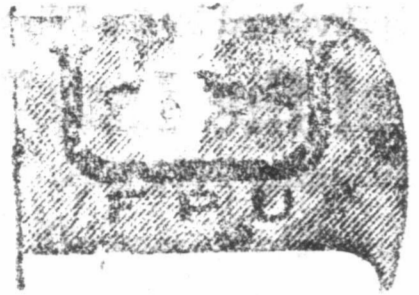
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SLACKERS

PEOPLE seem to have got distorted and exaggerated ideas about labor troubles in England, and even our local press is very loud in denunciation of supposed "slackers." It is supposed consequently that British workmen as a body show a rebellious and unpatriotic state of mind.

The friction which has arisen in England between the workmen and employers has been, for the most part confined to two places, the South Wales coalfields and the Clyde shipyards.

The chief cause of contention is the employment of unskilled workmen on skilled labor. This has been resented by the Trade Unions; hence the difficulties that have arisen.

It is not lack of patriotism; but the action of certain individuals which has brought about the friction; and it is now apparent that these difficulties will be satisfactorily adjusted.

We even hear some of our fishermen denounced as slackers in certain quarters. There are some people who have contributed very little to the cause of Empire who are very denunciatory of the fishermen because they are not falling over each other to enlist.

If the gentry whom we have in mind are so desperately enthusiastic, what about their own sons?

There are many who would enlist presumably if they got commissions? We believe that in the distribution of commissions, there has not been sufficient regard paid to young men from the outports.

MOSDELL'S BOOMERANGS!

NEWFOUNDLAND Toilers awaited a Champion, an Organizer and a Leader. Men there were a-plenty to pose as champions of the cause of the Fishermen, but it generally transpired that they were politicians at heart and not true friends of the Fishermen.

MEN looked for the saviour and the deliverer to come from legislative halls or from so-called upper classes. They had decided that he must be one learned in law or politics; prominent in business or some other department of public life.

is the cause of the great shortage of fish now found on the upper part of the coast. All the offal is dumped over the stage-head, and even to our own sense of smell the places have become offensive.

We should direct the attention of the Fisheries Department to the custom now prevailing along the South Coast during the winter fishery. There should be some regulation as to splitting fish on the inshore grounds.

Canada has enacted special laws regarding the dumping of offal into the inshore waters of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the harbors along the Canadian Labrador.

We have practical demonstration of the disastrous effects of gurryng the waters where fish, especially herring, frequented in former years, namely, in Fortune and Placentia Bays.

Sound Island, in Placentia Bay, was, some twenty-five years ago, a favorite resort for herring; but owing to the fact that tens of thousands of barrels were barred in certain areas and allowed to die and rot, there is now a great scarcity of this valuable fish in the areas where such large hauls were formerly made.

A more patent illustration is found in Fortune Bay, especially at Bay du Nord. This, in the eighties of the last century, was regarded as "the home of the herring." American fishermen came here in large numbers; and the shores were lined with scaffolds for freezing the herring.

From an old fisherman (who was himself one of the "worst sinners"—as he expressed it) the writer obtained quite a lot of valuable information regarding the nodus operandi in Bay du Nord when herring were plentiful. The American herring buyers were monarchs of all they surveyed; and they culled every skiff load to suit their requirements.

Naturally the entire section became gurryng; and the herring disappeared from their former haunts. There is now every indication that herring are returning to Fortune Bay and it behooves the Department of Fisheries to get busy and see to it that the old customs are not repeated.

While on this subject, we would say that there is a market for small herring as well as the larger variety; and we have it on the authority of Dr. Hjort, the Norwegian fish specialist, who visited here two years ago, that tens of thousands of two and three year old herring are shipped every season from Norway to the markets in Europe.

Experience will never open a correspondence school.

Happiness is not the one final aim of this world. It is the complete development of our faculties.

THE HARVEST OF THE SEA

INTERESTING AND USEFUL TO THE FISHERMEN OF THE COLONY

ECONOMIC VALUE OF KELP

WE have abundance of kelp of various forms along our shores; and we do not seem to realize its value, though in some sections it is extensively used in the green state for manure.

The fertilizing value of kelp is attributable chiefly to their potash content, and in some small part to their phosphate content. They also contain definite small quantities of iodine, although this probably does not increase their value as manure.

The United States Government have charted out the kelp beds of the western coasts, even as far north as Alaska; and several companies have been organized to extract potash from kelp.

It is estimated that the United States Pacific kelp could furnish annually over six million tons of chloride of potassium, worth at present prices more than \$250,000,000 a-year, and over 19,000 tons of iodine, worth at present fully \$100,000,000.

We have often wondered, since we began our studies in this direction, if we could not make our own kelp of importance. We believe, if sufficient quantities could

effect in the granting of commissions. To this we may attribute, in some measure at least, the apparent lack of enthusiasm which now exists. Merit alone should be the reason for promotion; and the sooner we realize this the better.

be secured that a profitable industry might be built up by some enterprising capitalists if our kelp beds could be utilized.

WHY FISH ARE OFTEN DRIVEN OFF THE GROUND

WE often have heard fishermen wonder why in certain sections around the coast salmon, herring and even codfish are not so abundant as they formerly were. There are various reasons for this slacking off; but we think there is one reason which stands out prominently with which we never reckon, namely the pollution of the waters where the fish were usually found in abundance.

Formerly in some of our Northern Bays salmon were found in abundance; but since the establishment of lumber mills on the rivers which debouch into these Bays, the salmon have practically disappeared, due, without doubt to the pollution of the rivers by certain agencies which have their source at the mills.

The poisonous effects of sawdust, when allowed to pass into rivers and streams, are so manifold and self-evident to the practical observer, that it would appear almost needless to discuss its effects upon aquatic life. Whenever mill-dams have been built across streams, and where sawdust, mill rubbish and other deleterious substances have been cast into the waters from saw-mills and other manufactories, fish-life of all kinds has been almost wholly destroyed.

This is particularly noticeable amongst the higher order of fishes, especially of the salmon family, which are largely of a migratory nature, many of them ascending rivers and other streams for breeding purposes. The chief reason for the destruction of salmon, however, is not so much that the fish are actually poisoned by sawdust, as that the sawdust and other mill obstructions prevent the fish from ascending the rivers to spawn.

Another source of river pollution which is likely to affect the spawning of salmon is the manufacture of pulp-wood. The floating of pulp-wood is stated to be very injurious on account of the tearing off of the bark and fibrous bast tissue, leaving an offensive deposit in the river beds. This is a matter which should receive the attention of our Fisheries Department.

Perhaps the chief cause of the depletion of certain areas is due to the pollution which comes from the throwing of offal into the harbors and coves where fishermen congregate in the summer time; and one who has studied this subject for many years assures us that the "gurryng" of the waters on certain parts of the Labrador

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GLEANINGS OF GONE BY DAYS

- FEBRUARY 22
GEORGE WASHINGTON, born 1732. Valentine Born, died, 1860. Daily Sessional registered, by H. Winton, 1861. Trial of citizens who refused to pay city water taxes; judgment in their favor, 1864. Sealing steamer Bloodhound (second of that name) arrived, 1873. Sealing steamer Panther first arrived, 1867. James Kenney, cooper, died, 1877. Bishop Howley's installation, 1895. The Raid railway resolutions introduced in legislature, 1898. Rev. W. J. Hoyles, C.E. minister, died at Carbonar, 1888. Summons first issued against unlicensed selling of garden beer, 1890. John Jacob Astor died, 1890. Over one thousand bottles of garden beer seized this day, in stores round town, 1890. T. J. Murphy's first speech in

ITEMS OF INTEREST

- Better look out for severe winters now for some years to come. According to Abbe Moreaux, the French meteorologist, the world's rain cycle has come to an end and from now on for a period of 20 years we must expect some unusually cold winters. In Europe, he predicts, France will suffer the most seriously. The war has curtailed the supply of castor oil in the United States and now threatens to cut it off entirely. The U.S. have been getting it principally from the castor bean imported from Bombay, but now shippers there are unable to fill their orders despite the fact that premiums have been offered in all markets. At a sale of autographs recently held in New York City, G. D. Smith paid \$352 for a letter written by John Brown, opponent of House of Assembly, 1887. Three young men, named Noseworthy, Ryan and Elgar, lost in a snowstorm seven miles from town, bodies recovered; 1876.

slavery, while he was awaiting execution for his raid on the Harpers Ferry arsenal. The letter was written to a Miss Stans in reply to a note of condolence from her. Astronomers at the Lowell observatory, Flagstaff, Ariz., have discovered a number of comet-like rifts in the north polar cap of Mars. These rifts, it has been suggested, show the effect of the vegetation coming through the snow. The course of the most conspicuous of the openings is said to coincide closely with that of the known canal, Cadmus. People may be astounded to learn of the enormous rates of interest that some of the national banks throughout the United States have been charging. In his recent report to congress, Comptroller Williams declares that some of the New York banks rates up to 12 per cent a year in Oklahoma from 25 to 34 per cent is commonly collected, and 200 per cent has been charged in some cases. Drastic action to stop these practices is being considered.

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## Unionists of Conception Appreciate Visit of Mr. R. Hibbs Who is Fast Making Friends Around Con. Bay

(Editor Mail and Advocate)  
Dear Sir:—  
Friend R. Hibbs, F.P.U. agent for Conception Bay paid us a visit on the 8th inst and held a very interesting meeting, an account of which would have sent in long before this if it were not for the presence of King Grippe who has been making himself so conspicuous for the past week or more that he has given some of us such a grip that there was nothing to do but to lie low and await His Majesty's pleasure. However, as he has relaxed his hold somewhat I hasten to give you an account, though a rather belated one—of our meeting. It was decided by the officers of the different Councils that Conception should form a centre and the energetic Chairman, Friend J. J. Wade, in order to give all members who were desirous of attending, a chance to hear Friend Hibbs, notified the Councils two days previous of his visit. Owing to the inclemency of the weather many were prevented from putting in an appearance, but when the time came to open, quite a goodly number of familiar faces could be seen. Friend Hibbs, in a few well-chosen words, was introduced to the meeting by Chairman Wade. He spoke for about two hours and dwelt at length on the question of taking and more shares in the Export Co. Trading and Publishing Companies. Mr Hibbs spoke so forcibly on these matters that many came forward at the close of the meeting and took shares in the Export Co. It is not every day that one gets the pleasure of listening to such a speaker as Friend Hibbs for his oratorical powers are such that they can command the attention of any assembly—even the House of Assembly—for which I believe he is destined and a seat in which he would adorn as an orator, for there are enough wallflowers there, and one which we all wish to see him occupying in the near future.

Many important matters were discussed during the meeting, particularly the erection of a Union Hall at Conception. As the different Councils intend to unite in erecting a Hall, it is a foregone conclusion that this much-needed building will be nearing completion before another year has passed away. The speaker pointed out that if we kept before the motto "United we stand but divided we fall" our labours should most assuredly be crowned with success.

After his speech it was moved by Friend Mahoney and seconded by Friend Gushue that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded the visitor. The motion was carried unanimously. The speaker then spoke of the success which he deserves, for in him he has found an energetic worker and an able lieutenant and a more suitable man for the position could not be found.

Whenever Friend Hibbs can make a convenient time to pay us a visit he can be assured that he shall always receive our hearty 'Cead mille failte'.

UNION MAN.  
Conception, Feb. 15, 1916.

### OBITUARY

There passed peacefully away on Sunday Feb. 13th inst., after an illness of 16 months of that dreadful disease consumption, Stedman, darling son of Isaac and Maggie House, aged 17 years. He leaves to mourn a fond father, mother, two brothers and a sister, besides a number of relatives and friends, to whom the writer extends her deepest sympathy. A precious one from us is gone.

The voice we loved is still a place is vacant in our home which never can be filled. The Father in his wisdom called "The boon his love hath given And though on earth the body lies The soul is safe in Heaven."

(Western Star please copy.)

COR.  
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February 19, 1916.

### THE WORST TO COME

He has just been accepted. "Does your father know I write poetry?" he asked anxiously. "Not yet, dear," she replied. "I've told him all about your drinking, and your gambling debts, but I couldn't tell him everything as once."

Only those who climb the hills are first to see the rising sun.

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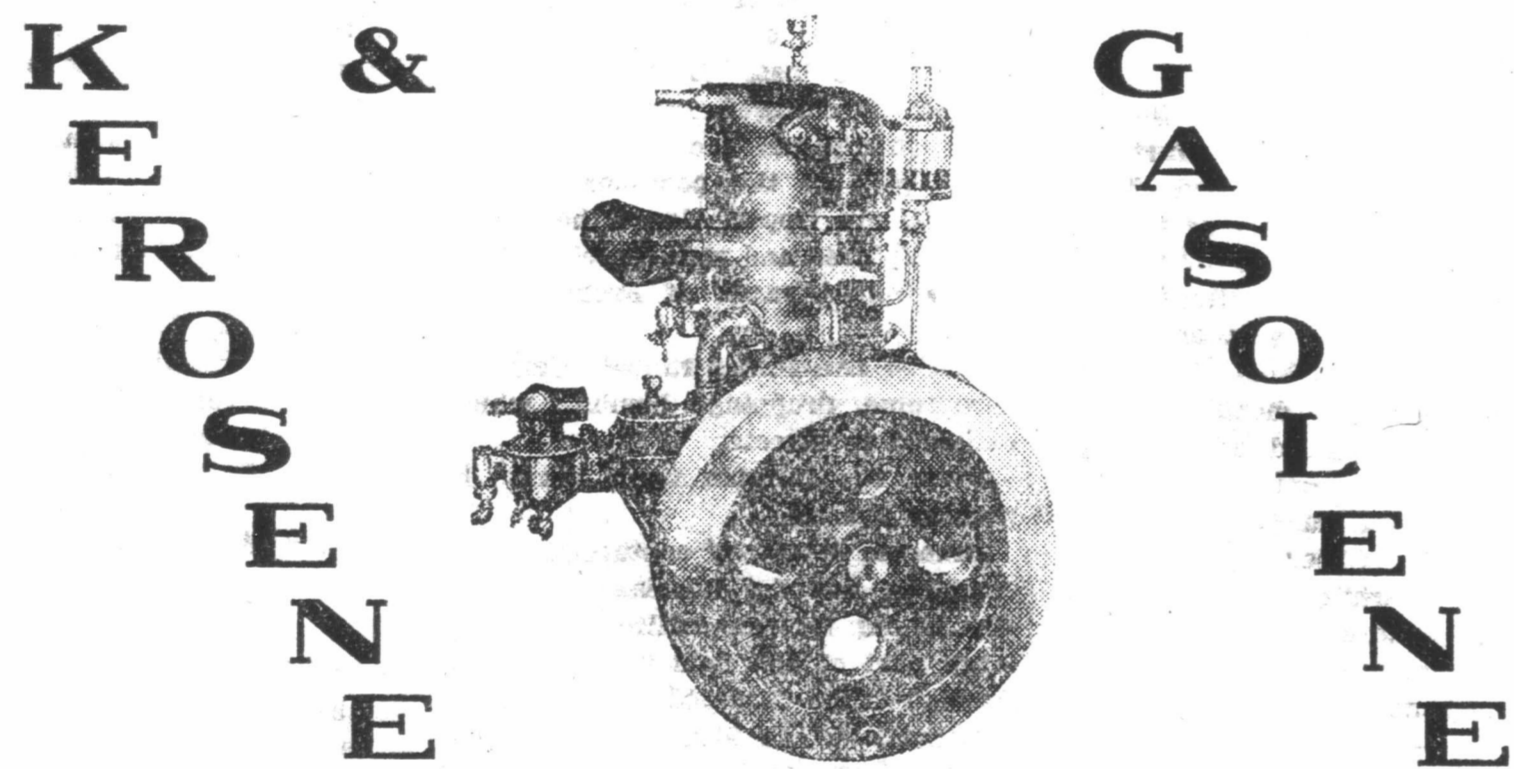
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### PROHIBITION RECOUNT FINISHED.

Total Loss for Prohibition is Only Ten Votes.

Original.	Recount.	Fogo	Yes	No	Change in	
1464	1461	1189	1189	249	Prohibition vote	
97	100	Burgoe	597	251	Prohibition vote	
789	791	Burin	1276	198	Prohibition vote	
2291	2278	Harbour Grace	1172	181	Prohibition vote	
463	457	Harbour Main	333	236	Prohibition vote	
2158	2154	Bonavista	2805	466	Prohibition vote	
262	261	Trinity	2862	239	Prohibition vote	
1095	1095	Ferryland	305	381	Prohibition vote	
110	110	Twillingate	3552	357	Prohibition vote	
559	553	Port de Grave	820	136	Prohibition vote	
236	236	TOTAL VOTE	24966	24956		
1069	1070	Net loss for Prohibition	5348	5362	10 votes	
437	437	To Hon. Mr. Justice Johnson much credit is due. That he has acted throughout with absolute impartiality is a matter of course. He has been untiring in his effort to complete the work at the earliest possible moment, and has succeeded beyond the most sanguine expectation. A Judge of the Supreme Court is necessarily a very busy man, and had the matter been protracted for many weeks there would have been no cause for surprise and little for complaint.				
590	588	To count 30,000 ballots, without a break, means at least 60 hours. In addition to that the ballots had to be tallied, and scrutinized, and the arguments of counsel heard. Indeed the work could not have been accomplished in the time taken but for the long hours of work, night after night, hours which were willingly surrendered by Mr. Justice Johnson so that delay might be reduced to a minimum. A word of praise is due to the Counsel engaged on either side.				
49	49	Messrs Dunfield and Hunt have won a well-merited reputation for ability, efficiency and thoroughness, and have gained the gratitude of the Prohibitionists for their clever and faithful work. And a word of praise is also due to the lawyers engaged for the liquor interests, Messrs Kent and Carter. With the former they have avoided legal quibble and those irritating delays which are only too frequently employed.				
		Counsel generally stated their objections and opinions in a spirit of fair play, with an evident desire to finalize the matter as early as possible. To-day at 11 o'clock Counsel will be heard before Mr. Justice Johnson as to what costs, if any, are to be paid by the applicant. The costs will evidently exceed the \$100 deposited. It will be remembered that the appeal to the Supreme Court endorsed Judge John's decision that the election was one and not eighteen, with the result of \$1700 of the \$1800 paid in was returned. The next step will, presumably, be proceedings in connection with the petition filed by the late Mr. Furlong, K.C. This, however, is not a matter that will cause much anxiety amongst Prohibitionists. The recount shows conclusively that the spirit of the Act has been carried out, and that the Prohibitionists have accepted and fulfilled the terms, hard though they were, laid down for them by the Legislature. They have done their part, and no British Legislature will regard its pledges as "scraps of paper."—News.				
		No man is so ignorant that he can't teach you something.				
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### Passengers Honor Popular Captain

Captain Jos. Kean of the Prospero is Presented With Pipe and Address—Is Well Liked by Travelling Public

A pleasing feature of the last trip of the S.S. Prospero westward was the presentation of an address and briar pipe to Captain J. Kean, just previous to the arrival of the steamer at Grand Bank on Monday evening, 14th inst.

The saloon passengers, who were chiefly commercial, held an impromptu meeting in the afternoon and invited the captain and officers of the ship to a social gathering in the music room in the evening, when the chairman (Mr. J. A. Carmichael) stated the object of the gathering and called on Mr. C. J. James, of Channel to read the Address and make the presentation.

In doing so Mr. James made an excellent speech and Captain Kean responded in pleasing terms. The following is a copy of the Address and signatures thereto.

S.S. Prospero, of Grand Bank, Feby. 14th, 1916.

"Dear Capt. Kean,

On behalf of the passengers on board, we beg to tender your our high appreciation of your estimable qualities as a seaman and navigator, as well as of your unvarying kindness and courtesy to passengers and in asking you to accept this slight token of our friendship and esteem, we do so with the hope that you may long be spared to welcome us and our successors with your genial smile and may all good fortune attend your every venture in the future.

(Signed) S. Elliot, C. J. James F. Reid, F. A. Brazil, J. W. Mitchell, A. F. Buffett, T. Sparkes, J. A. Carmichael, C. McNulty, Phil. Petite and W. Shave.

In connection with this same gathering a collection was taken up amongst the passengers on behalf of the Patriotic Association amounting to \$25, which amount was handed to Capt. Kean to be forwarded by him to the proper quarter.

ON LOOKER.

The Christian Brothers of Mt. Cashel beg very gratefully to acknowledge the following donations towards the funds of the Institution—His Excellency the Governor, \$50; Klark-Urban Company, per J. P. Kieley Esq., \$23.50; A Friend, \$20.

### NOTICE

#### The Society for Protection of Animals.

THE Annual Meeting of the Society for Protection of Animals will be held on SATURDAY, the 26th inst., at 4 p.m., in the King George Institute (through the courtesy of A. Sheard, Esq.) All members and those desiring to join the Society are requested to be present.

CYRIL JAMES FOX, Hon. Secretary, feb 19, 22, 25

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### OBITUARY

MRS. W. T. LONG.

There passed over to the Great Beyond last night another estimable resident of the city, Mrs. Jessie E. Long, wife of Sgt. Long of the Terra Nova Constabulary. Mrs. Long had been suffering from an illness of two years' duration. Deceased was a daughter of the late Matthias Crocker of Trinity, and leaves to mourn her besides her husband, two sons and two daughters, one of the former is Private Long who recently returned on sick leave from the trenches and who was in time to be with his mother for some weeks before her death, and the other is Mr. Wallace Long of the Telegram Staff. Of the daughters, one is Mrs. Hawkins, wife of Corporal Hawkins of Company G, now in Scotland, and Miss Ethel May Long. We extend to the bereaved husband and family our sincere condolence in their affliction.

### MR. JOHN BROPHY

The death occurred at his residence, Colonial Street, last evening after a short illness of a well-known and worthy citizen in the person of Mr. John Brophy. The deceased was in his 79th year and leaves to mourn his four sons and one daughter. One of the former is Mr. Edward Brophy and the others reside in the United States. To the sorrowing family The Mail and Advocate extends its condolence.

### MR. JOSEPH BRIEN.

The death occurred at his residence, Outer Cove, yesterday, of Mr. Joseph Brien of that place. Mr. Brien was in his 63rd year was an independent farmer and a man who was well liked and extremely popular with all in the Eastern settlements. Kindly and affable of disposition, he was also charitable and neighborly and his presence from amongst the people will be missed. He leaves two brothers, one residing in the United States and another at Outer Cove, to whom The Mail and Advocate extends its sympathy. Interment will take place at Torbay to-morrow.

### OUR VOLUNTEERS

The Volunteers had various drills in the Armoury yesterday. One squad had a short while at rifle practice on the South Side and some of the men got their kit. There are now 2810 on the roll with the enlistment of the following:

- Bonaventure, B.B.—Hy. Stone, Robt. Stone.
- Hopewell, T.B.—Jas. Dunn.
- Hr. Grace—Norman Martin, Fred. G. Chafe.
- Greenspond, B.B.—Jos. Stockley, Saml. Harding.
- St. John's—Gordon Pearcey, A. J. Smith, Jno. Tucker, Jas. A. Royle, Jas. Gosse, Wm. Stevenson, Ed. P. Doyle, Morgan Gallop, Jno. O'Driscoll, R. Hickey.
- Adam's Cove, B.D.V.—Arthur Murray, M. W. Hudson.
- Bay Roberts—Hy. Browne.
- Pouch Cove—Horatio Baldwin.
- Rose Blanche—Garland Hatcher, En Sheppard.
- Codroy—Wm. Mugford, Nath. Fiander, Benj. Young.
- Upper Island Cove—Nath. Mercer.
- Fortune—Wm. Geo. Piercey.
- Placentia—Rd. Delaney.
- Horse Cove, C.B.—Peter Hickey
- Dublin, Ireland—Ml. J. Nash.

### CONGRATULATIONS

We extend our congratulations to Staff Sgt. Major Gerald Berteau of the Royal Canadian Dragoons on his promotion to full Lieutenant of the Regiment. He has been at the front with his regiment about a year and has seen his share of strenuous active service. The young officer is a typical Newfoundland and a son of Mr. F. C. Berteau, Auditor and Comptroller General.

### Jury Disagrees ---A New Trial Ordered

In Case of King vs. Francis Pearcey For Arson—Jury Found it Impossible to Come to an Agreement and Reported so

Before the Chief Justice and the following special jury—John Taylor, Thos. Godden, John Dalton, Wm. Winsborough, Henry Maunder, Peter McLeod, Matthew Kelly, T. J. Daley, Jas. Pidgeon, Wm. O'Neill, Jos. Barnes, Samuel Peet.

In the case of the King vs. Francis Pearcey for arson after recess taken at 1.15 p.m. yesterday the evidence of Jas. Flynn, Francis E. Rendell, E. J. Hoskins, Mary Flynn, W. J. Spurrel and W. T. Colbourne, was taken, the witnesses being examined by Higgins, B.L. for the Crown and Morine, K.C. for the defence. When the case for the Crown closed the accused was put in the witness box and examined and cross examined by Counsel who then addressed the Jury in turn, after which the Chief Justice charged.

The Jury retired at 6.15 and returned into Court at 9 p.m. Mr. T. J. Dufey, the foreman, announcing that they found it impossible to come to an agreement. The jurors were then discharged and Mr. Higgins moved for a new trial. The motion being granted it was ordered that the trial be held at the next criminal sitting of the Court. On application of Morine K.C., the prisoner was admitted to bail.

### ANOTHER NEW BANKER

During the winter Messrs. Lake, of Fortune, purchased a new bank and iron schooner, the knockabout class at Boston, the purchase being made by Capt. Walter Kennedy who brought the vessel from that port to Fortune. The schooner is named the Alice, is 105 tons register and built five years ago. On the sea down she proved an excellent sea boat and fast sailer, easily ticking off twelve knots. She will be in command of Capt. Kennedy this season and is now out-fitted at Fortune for the voyage.

### DIPHTHERIA DISAPPEARING AT POUCH COVE

The outbreak of diphtheria has nearly disappeared at Pouch Cove though there are six patients, all convalescents, now in 2 houses. There were 16 at first but 10 are now able to be about their business. There are only two cases, also convalescent, at Bauline and only one case, a young woman, at Petty Harbor.

### LOOKS LIKE BAD FISHERY

As we stated yesterday reports by the Prospero were to the effect that cod along the S.W. Coast to date is very scarce. There are over 40 schooners fishing and some of them have to date only secured a few quintals, while some of the high liners to date had no more than 100 qtls. The weather the past week has been fairly fine and unless there is a quick improvement the winter fishery this year will be a failure. Up to the present date last year's vessels had secured from 500 to 700 qtls.

### QUOTATIONS AT OPORTO

Yesterday the Marine and Fisheries Department had the following wire as to the Oporto market: "Small fish 37 to 38 shillings per qtl.; large 39 to 41. The market continues in the same depressed state as previously reported."

### TO-NIGHT'S HOCKEY MATCH

In the hockey match to-night between teams of the C. L. B. and Regiment the line-up will be as follows: C. L. B.

- Hunt ..... Inst. Hussey goal
  - Phillips ..... Lt. G. Ayre point
  - Gouldie ..... Lt. F. Rendell cover
  - Rendell ..... Pte. R. Chafe rover
  - Shears ..... Pte. D. Carter left
  - Marshall ..... Pte. Crawford centre
  - Holden ..... Corp. E. Ellis right
- Play will start at 10 o'clock.

### SHIPPING

The S.S. Corma finished discharging her coal cargo yesterday and left for Louisburg to-day to bring back another cargo.

The S.S. Alconda should finish loading this evening or to-night and will sail for England with about 5000 tons of pulp paper for the A.N.D. Co.

The repairs to the S.S. Coban now on the dry dock are being pushed to completion and she should leave the dry dock by Saturday next.

Last night the barqtn. Rosina, Capt. Jones, arrived to Crosbie & Co. after a run of 42 days in ballast. The vessel had fine weather all the way.

The schrs. Arthur H. Wight and Maggie Sullivan are now loading cod at Harvey & Co.'s for Europe and the Nellie M. at Monroe & Co.'s for Brazil. They should get away the latter part of the week.

The brigtn. Alembic, oil laden, from Job Bros. & Co. arrived at New York Sunday last after a good run.

The Duchess of Cornwall, which loaded at Burgeo from R. Moulton got down to Pernam recently after a run of 40 days.

### OUR THEATRES

#### THE NICKEL.

Crowded audiences attended both sessions of the Nickel theatre yesterday. In the afternoon a large number of children were present and at night the older folk were there in force to see the attractive pictures that had been arranged. "The Goddess" is the great drawing card at the Monday and Tuesday performances, but the other pictures are also fine. Anita Stewart and Earle Williams, who play the principal roles in this delightful story, were even more favorably commented on than in the past. Their work was splendid. The Vitagraph feature film, "The Painted World," with Julia Swayne, Gordon and Harry Northrup in the leads, was exceptionally good. To-day the bill will be repeated and all should see it. The new Exploits of Elaine, the greatest sensation of the movie world, will be given to-morrow. We advise all our readers to see the first and other chapters.

### Grand Falls Gives 90 Volunteers

Recruiting is going on apace at Grand Falls and nightly fine young chaps, the bone and sinew of the place, are coming forward to join the colors. Up to yesterday they had 90 registered and the first contingent of 35 arrived here by the express to-day and were given a cordial welcome at the railway station by H. Co. and a number of admiring citizens. Afterwards they paraded through the city and a fine looking lot of men they are. Most of them will reside at King George the Fifth Institute.

### READ THE MAIL & ADVOCATE

WE understand that the Congregational Ladies' Aid Society intend holding a Sociable on WEDNESDAY evening, March 1st. As these gatherings are very popular we would advise all who wish to spend a delightful evening to keep this date in mind. —Feb 18, 22, 24, 31

### DEATH

LONG—Passed peacefully away after a long illness, borne with patience, at 9.10 p.m. 21st inst. Jessie S., beloved wife of Sergeant Wm. T. Long, T.N.C., aged 55 1/2 years, leaving husband, two sons, two daughter at home, and one sister in U.S.A. to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Wednesday at 2.30 p.m. from her late residence 71 Long's Hill. Friends and relations please accept this as the only intimation. No flowers.

### SULLIVAN.—On February 22nd, Elizabeth, beloved wife of Jeremiah Sullivan, aged 74 years, leaving two brothers, three sisters and a large circle of friends to mourn their sad loss. Funeral to-morrow (Wednesday) at 2.30 p.m. from her late residence, 72 Merymeeting Road. Friends please attend without further notice.

### Rev. A. Clayton for Active Service

Will Shortly Leave For Old Country Where he Will Seek a Chaplaincy With the British Forces at the Front

The Rev. Arthur Clayton, who for the past three years has been Senior Curate at St. Thomas's, is leaving on Thursday for the Old Country, having been granted one year's leave of absence. It is Mr. Clayton's intention to follow in the footsteps of his predecessor, the Rev. G. H. Hewitt, and apply for a Chaplaincy with the British forces at the front. Three of his brothers are at present serving their King, and he is anxious also to be of some service to the Empire during the War.

The Rector and the Vestry of St. Thomas's thoroughly approve of Mr. Clayton's decision. His place in the parish will only be temporarily filled, and during her husband's absence Mrs. Clayton will continue to reside at the Curate's House. The Mail and Advocate wishes Mr. Clayton bon voyage and trust he may be successful. If, when he gets to the front, he should meet any of our Newfoundland lads, he may depend upon a warm welcome from them. We understand there are considerably over a hundred men from St. Thomas's in the Regiment.

### SUPREME COURT

In the Supreme Court yesterday Mr. Hunt made application before Mr. Justice Johnston that the cost of the Prohibition Account be paid by the parties who applied for it. The matter was argued to-day before His Lordship. Mr. Hunt appeared in favor of the motion and Mr. Kent, K.C., opposed it, while Mr. Dunfield was heard in reply. The Judge took the matter under consideration.

### SOLDIERS DINED

At the McGarry Cafe Saturday night a dinner was given Instructor Hussey and Sgts. Brian and Murrell by the acting non-coms of the Volunteer Contingent. The dinner was served up in Manager Rose's best style and the affair was one of the most enjoyable ever held at the Cafe. There was a comprehensive patriotic toast list discussed and excellent speeches elicited from Inst. Hussey, Sgts. Brian and Murrell and Privates Hirst, Chafe, Cheeseman, Wornell and Crawford, while several fine songs were also rendered, the affair closing with the hearty singing of the National Anthem.

### WAS NOT PAT MULLINS

We are asked to state to-day that it was not Mr. Patrick Mullins, of Colin Campbell's, who was implicated in the coal matter reported by us yesterday. It was an altogether a different man.

### THE IMPOUNDER'S CASE

Before Mr. Hutchings, K.C., to-day, Arthur Dessert, Municipal Impounder, and Messrs. Hackett, Ring and Simms were arraigned, charged with killing goats within sight and hearing of other animals. The case was taken at the instance of the S.P.C.A., whom Mr. Cyril Fox represented. The man Ring was convicted and the further hearing of the case against the others was postponed till Monday. We hear that Mr. Carter, who appears for the defendants, will give notice of appeal to the Supreme Court.

### ANOTHER BIG BLAZE IN TORONTO

TORONTO, Ont., Feb. 20.—Fire in the Seed Warehouse of the William Rennie Company here, damaged the firm's stock of seeds to the extent of about \$200,000 to-night. The damage to the building was comparatively slight, but the large stock of valuable seeds gathered for Spring delivery was almost totally destroyed by fire and water. The blaze was caused by defective electric wiring.

### GERMAN AIRMEN RAID CAMP AT SERRES

BERLIN, Feb. 21.—An official statement issued here to-day says, a German aeroplane on Sunday dropped a large number of bombs on the aerodrome and camp at Serres, west Flanders, and returned safely.

### War Messages.

#### ALL HOPES DASHED THE SHOCK CAUSED MOTHER'S DEATH

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Since the battle of St. Julien last April Private John Harries, who enlisted with the Royal Grenadiers at the outbreak of the war, has been reported missing, but his wife and widowed mother had not given up hope.

On Sunday, however, word reached the family from Ottawa that he had been killed in action. Mrs. Ida Harries, the mother, bore up bravely when the news came, but yesterday morning she was found dead in bed.

A physician stated that the constant worry and the shock of the news had caused heart failure.

#### BULGARIAN GOVERNMENT APOLOGIZES TO GREECE

Athens, Feb. 22.—The Bulgarian Government has made apologies to the Greek Government for the arrest of the diplomatic messenger and seizure of Legation documents while the messenger was on his way from Constantinople to Athens.

### OFFICIAL

#### BRITISH

#### To Governor, Newfoundland:

LONDON, Feb. 21.—Last week in France local hostile attacks were in vogue, especially against our troops in Ypres Salient on a front of four thousand yards. Our front trench entered on a front of six hundred yards. Elsewhere the enemy repulsed with considerable loss. Lost trench has frequently changed hands.

In Champagne the French recaptured part of the positions east of Tahure. In Upper Alsace the enemy were captured and were expelled from two hundred yards of French trenches. British aeroplanes raided Cambal aerodrome, dropping bombs, which exploded in streets. From the Russian front there is nothing special. Erzerum details of capture are incomplete, but the Russians captured the whole fortress-artillery and a large part of the field artillery. One Russian Corps captured 240 guns. The remainder of the 34th Turkish division has been captured. The pursuit continues, the towns of Mush and Arhat being taken by assault.

East Africa—Reconnaissance in force found Salaista hill strongly held and main enemy reserves in neighbourhood. Our casualties resulted in 172. The enemy, 200 strong, attacked Kumbumbe Uganda border. They lost four Europeans, 53 natives, 1 machine gun, our casualties being nil.

#### BONAR LAW.

London, Feb. 22.—An official report received from the British officer commanding in the Mediterranean says in the course of an aeroplane reconnaissance the enemy advanced on posts east of Suez on Feb. 20. One of our aviators descending to a height of six hundred feet destroyed the enemy's power station at El-Hassana with a 100 pound bomb.

A British official communication concerning operations in Mesopotamia was made public to-night. It says the general officer commanding the troops at Mesopotamia states that on the 17th and 19th of February bombs were dropped by hostile aeroplanes on our camp at Kut-el-Amara. No damage was done. Otherwise there is no change in the situation. The despatch of reinforcements to General Aylmer, who is going to the relief of Kut-el-Amara, is proceeding satisfactorily.

#### KITCHENER CONGRATULATES GRAND DUKE

LONDON, Feb. 21.—Field Marshal Kitchener telegraphed Grand Duke Nicholas, Commander of the Russian forces on the Caucasus front, congratulations on his brilliant feat of arms at Erzerum.

The Grand Duke replied, thanking the Field Marshal and his brother comrades in the British Army.

### Premier Introduces Two Votes of Credit in Commons

LONDON, Feb. 21.—Premier Asquith introduced two votes of credit in the Commons to-day. His speech was confined entirely to the financial aspect of the present situation, no reference being made to military affairs in general.

The first vote of credit was on the supplementary estimate for the current fiscal year, bringing up the total war expenditure for the year to £1,420,000,000. This appropriation was for £120,000,000. The second vote to provide funds for the first part of the financial year, beginning April 1st, amounts to £300,000,000.

Mr. Asquith told the House that the daily expenditure from April 1st to July 17th of last year was £2,800,000; from July 18th to Sept. 11th, £2,500,000; from Sept. 12th to Nov. 6th, £4,350,000; and from Nov. 7th to Feb. 19th, between £4,300,000 and £4,400,000. Loans to Britain's Allies and to the Dominions, to November 6th last, amounted to £98,300,000. Between Nov. 7th and Feb. 19th, the amount loaned was £70,600,000, making a total of £168,900,000.

#### FROM GENERAL SMUTS

LONDON, Feb. 21.—An engagement in East Africa, resulting in the repulse of an attacking German force, is reported in an official statement given out here to-day, as follows: "General Smuts states that on February 16th an enemy force of four Europeans and 200 native soldiers attacked the post of Kachumbe on the Uganda border, 1 mile north, north-west of Kyaka. The strength of our post was two Europeans and about 36 native soldiers. The enemy were driven off with the loss of four Europeans, fifty-three natives, a machine gun complete, 45 rifles and a quantity of ammunition. Our casualties were nil."

#### TURNING THE TABLES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The Senate to-day adopted a resolution, introduced by Chairman Stone of the Foreign Relations Committee, asking President Wilson to submit the correspondence between the United States and Korea, when Japan occupied the hermit kingdom during the Russo-Japanese war. Administration leaders, it was said, want to see the information in reply to Elihu Root's attack on President Wilson, because no protest was made against the occupation of Belgium.

#### CREW OF FISHING SCHOONER RESCUED

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Feb. 21.—Six members of the crew of the schooner Anne Lord, of New York, were brought into port to-day by the fishing schooner Flora L. Oliver, which rescued them off Minot's light yesterday. They suffered from cold. The Lord was bound from Windsor to Fall River, and had been nearly a month on the passage. Early yesterday, when off Cape Ann, she was found leaking, with decks awash. The crew were almost exhausted when the other schooner saw the distress signals and took off all hands.

The Oliver made an effort to tow the Lord across the bay, but the hawsers parted and she was abandoned.

#### THEY ARE RUNNING EVERYTHING NOWADAYS

LONDON (Feb. 21.—Over 100,000 women, up to now, have taken the places of men in British industrial life, thus releasing as many men for service in the Army. These figures have been compiled by the Statistical Department of the Board of Trade. They fall short of the correct total, as many firms have not yet made returns. Women predominate in factories which they never entered before the war, and work metal lathes and drills quite like old hands.

#### STATES TO BUY DANISH WEST INDIES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Copenhagen reports a revival of the discussion on the proposal that Danish West Indies be sold to the United States. These reports were said by the State Department officials to-day to be their only knowledge of the subject. The story attracted the attention of Congress and brought out a wide range of personal opinion, particularly among the Senators. Chairman Stone, of the Foreign Relations Committee, said he had no knowledge of such a plan.

#### THE NEW WAR CREDIT

LONDON, Feb. 21.—At the opening of the Commons to-day, Premier Asquith introduced the expected votes of credit aggregating £420,000,000.