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WEATHER—UNSETTLED

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HUNGARIAN AND GERMAN TROOPS MAKE CROSSING NEAR RECEANU

Receanu Lies About Midway Between Bucharest and Important Junction Town of Buzeu—Before the Invaders and Buzeu Now Lie About 35 Miles of Plains, with No More Rivers to Cross Until Buzeu is Reached.

ENTENTE ALLIES MAKE ADVANCE OF SEVERAL HUNDRED YARDS AGAINST TEUTONS WEST OF SUHODOL, NORTHEAST OF MONASTIR AND ANOTHER NEAR VALAKLAR—SMALL ENGAGEMENTS IN FRANCE, BELGIUM AND IN AUSTRO-ITALIAN THEATRE.

The Hungarian and German troops fighting on the center of the line in Roumania have emerged from the swamp lands of the Jalomitza river and made a crossing of the stream near Receanu, about midway between Bucharest and the important railroad junction town of Buzeu.

Before the invaders and Buzeu now lie about thirty-five miles of plains, with no more rivers to cross until the Buzeu itself is reached. Despite heavy rains and soggy ground the forces of the Teutonic allies all along the front in Roumania continue to make progress. The Roumanian attacks which had held the invaders in the Ploesti region have now been broken, according to Berlin. Several thousand additional Roumanians have been made prisoners.

Berlin Claims Victory.

In the fighting in the eastern Carpathians and along the Moldavian front the Roumanian attacks have all been repulsed, says the Berlin war office.

Considerable heavy fighting has again taken place in the Cerna river region of Serbia. Both the Berlin and Bulgarian war offices report as repulse of strong Entente Allied attacks in this sector. Berlin asserting that the French and Serbians suffered sanguinary losses. However, an advance of several hundred yards against the Teutonic allies west of Suhodol, northeast of Monastir, is reported, as the Serbian general staff reports. The French official communication records the pushing forward of the Entente line about 800 metres near Valakar.

Artillery Actions.

Artillery actions and small engagements continue to prevail on the western front in France and Belgium, and also in the Austro-Italian theatre. Quiet prevails in Russia and Galicia. The Greek situation remains tense. Conferences between the Entente Allies in an endeavor to reach a very radical solution of the problem are in progress, according to an announcement of the British foreign office. Unofficial reports say a revolution has been started in the Cyclades Islands, in the Aegean Sea.

A speech by the German imperial chancellor at the opening of the Reichstag Tuesday is being awaited in Germany with much interest. The speech, it is said, will be the "most remarkable since the outbreak of the war and of world-wide historical importance."

British Statement.

London, Dec. 11.—The official statement from British headquarters in France tonight reads:

"Last night we carried out successful raids east of Neuville St. Vaast and southeast of Arrmentieres, destroying machine gun emplacements and taking prisoners.

"An attempted enemy raid east of La Boutellierie failed. Hostile work was dispersed by our fire.

"During the past twenty-four hours the artillery and trench mortars on both sides have been active in the Loos, Arras and Ypres areas, and the section north of the Acre. South of that river there has been some hostile shelling of the Monquet Farm and the extreme right of our front."

French Statement.

Paris, Dec. 11.—The bulletin issued by the war office tonight reads:

"Violent artillery fighting occurred during the course of the day in the region of Ville Au Bols (northwest of Rheims) and the Donaumont sector. A surprise attack on the enemy trenches in Le Prete Wood (west of Pont-A-Mousson) gave good results. There is nothing to report on the rest of the front.

"Army of the east: On December 10 attacks by the Allied troops in the sector north of Monastir were hampered by bad weather. The Germano-Bulgarians made desperate resistance. The struggle was particularly spirited north of Hill 1050, where a height, attacked by the Russians, changed hands several times. Near the village of Vlaskar the French advanced about eight hundred metres. In the rest of the front rain and mist have caused a suspension of operations."

The Belgian communication:

"North of Dixmude and also in the region of Steenstraete there have been reciprocal bombardments. Nothing of particular importance occurred on the whole front."

A British airplane also attacked the

GEN. PETAIN SUCCESSOR OF JOFFRE

Washington Gets Private Advice That Former Will Command Allies.

Defender of Verdun Little Known in America—Change in Bavaria.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Private advices from Paris received here today, telling of the secret proceedings in the French chamber of deputies during the last week, confirm previous reports that Gen. Petain, the defender of Verdun, is to succeed Gen. Joffre in supreme command of all the allied forces on the western battlefield, as the first result of radical changes in organization which are to follow concentration of management of the war in a small council, as has been done in England.

General Petain, little known outside the French army, was a colonel at the outbreak of the war.

Change in Bavaria Also.

Munich, Bavaria, Dec. 11, via London.—Lieut.-General Philip Von Selting has been appointed Bavarian minister of war, according to an official announcement made here today, in succession to Baron Kress von Kressenstein, who resigned last week.

SECRETARY OF C.P.R. RETIRES FROM POST

Leaves Railroad at Own Request—President, Lord Shaughnessy, Pays Him Handsome Tribute.—E. Alexander, Successor.

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, Dec. 11.—Mr. W. H. Baker, C.V.O., secretary to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and assistant to the president, has at his own request been relieved from his duties and placed on the retired list. Interviewed yesterday Lord Shaughnessy, president of the C.P.R., said: "Mr. Baker's association with the company dates from its inception in 1881. In 1883 he resigned to become general manager of the Manitoba and Northwestern Railway and in 1900 when that railway was acquired by this company Mr. Baker returned to the services as executive agent at Winnipeg. His assistance in straightening out the affairs of the acquired property was of material value, and his other duties, many of them of a most important and confidential character, were performed with a singular zeal and intelligence. After these thirty-five years of association Mr. Baker retires with the confidence, good will and best wishes of the directors and his brother officers.

Mr. E. Alexander, formerly assistant secretary to the company, succeeds Mr. Baker.

An Attractive Calendar.

The Standard has received an attractive wall calendar from the Wilson Box Company.

School Closing.

The public schools will close for the Christmas vacation on Friday, the 22nd inst, and will reopen on Monday, the 8th of January.

Radical Solution Of Thorny Greek Problem Expected

King Constantine Denounced as Traitor to Country by Cretans, who Demand His Dethronement for Having Turned Arms of Greece Against Sons of Liberators of the Nation.

London, Dec. 11.—The foreign office today stated that the British government was consulting with Great Britain's allies in an effort to reach a very radical solution of the Greek problem.

Greek King Denounced.

Paris, Dec. 11.—A despatch to La Liberté from Crete, says the inhabitants of the city held a largely attended meeting and passed a resolution declaring for the dethronement of King Constantine, and denouncing

him as a traitor to his country for having turned the arms of Greece against the sons of the liberators of the nation and the guarantors of its independence.

The monarch also was denounced for having, it was declared, diplomatically tried to impose a policy contrary to the traditions, interests and aspirations of Greece.

The troops present, the despatch adds, tore the crowns from their uniforms and sang patriotic hymns.

WILL HUNS DECIDE TO END WAR?

Amsterdam, via London, Dec. 11.—The Berlin correspondents of the Dutch newspapers emphasize the importance of the session of the Reichstag, which will be held tomorrow, and which they characterize "as the most remarkable sitting since the outbreak of the war, and of world-wide historical importance."

All the members of the Reichstag, even those in the fighting line, have been summoned to Berlin by telegraph.

The imperial chancellor today received the ministers of all the federal states, and discussed with them the subjects which he will bring up in the Reichstag. It is stated that the chancellor's statement has been received with approval by the governments at Vienna, Sofia and Constantinople, where similar parliamentary sittings will be held simultaneously.

UNITED STATES TO GET AFTER BERLIN AGAIN

Washington, Dec. 11.—Information assembled at the state department by some officials are believed to present a clear cut violation of German pledges in the sinking of the British steamer *Marina*, with the loss of six American lives, has been forwarded for submission to the German foreign office.

It was announced at the department today that the evidence had been sent as a matter of courtesy, to allow the imperial government to offer any other facts it may have before the United States takes its first step. Officials indicated also that any move by this government might be delayed until complete information concerning the British liner *Arctica*, for which Great Britain has been asked, could be sent to Berlin.

In response to inquiries, Germany has admitted the torpedoing without warning of both the *Marina* and *Arctica*, stating that her submarine commanders took them for transports.

It is generally believed that when President Wilson and Secretary of State Lansing are ready to act, the next step will take the form of a communication to clear up any doubt that may exist at Berlin as to the interpretation given by the American government to the German pledges given after the attack upon the *Sussex*.

HUNS ROB ROUMANIA

London, Dec. 11.—Telegraphing from Jassy, the new capital of Roumania, under date of December 9, the Times correspondent says:

"The Germans have levied a heavy war tax on Bucharest.

"Prince Wilhelm of Hohenzollern, brother of King Ferdinand, who is with the German army, in a manifesto, declares that he has come not to punish the Roumanians but those who have broken their solemn pledges, thereby severing their family ties."

Royal Arcanum Officers.

St. John Council No. 133, Royal Arcanum, held its annual meeting last night in the Market building and elected the following officers:—Regent, George D. Martin; past regent, H. A. Porter; vice-regent, W. S. House; orator, Robt. G. Carson; secretary, George G. Wetmore; treasurer, Wm. A. Wetmore; collector, W. S. Clawson; chaplain, W. W. McAllister; guide, Wm. A. Coleman; warden, F. E. Wetmore; sentry, H. L. P. Lindsay; trustees, C. D. Strong, G. A. Kimball and J. H. Burley; representative to Grand Council, George D. Martin; alternate, T. A. Ramsey.

The Standard yesterday interviewed J. S. Gibbon & Co. in regard to coal in paper bags and the reasons for the recent increase in price. They have increased the price to the consumer two cents, and the bag of coal which formerly sold for ten cents now brings twelve. They claim that the raise in price is due solely to the increase in the cost of coal and of paper bags in which the coal is sold.

They do not weigh the bags but fill them as nearly as possible uniformly, and a ton will fill an average of 110 bags. These are sold to grocers at \$1.25 per dozen or 10 5/12 cents each. This would amount to about \$11.50 per ton for the dealer, and at 12 cents each, the price the grocer is supposed to sell at, it would cost the consumer \$13.20 per ton. Should he buy the same coal and have it delivered by the ton it would cost between \$7.50 and \$8.50 per ton.

The bags in which the coal is delivered cost Messrs. Gibbons \$20 per thousand from the printer and they estimate that breakage of bags adds another \$5 in each thousand.

Average the retail cost of coal at \$8 per ton, add to that the price of bags, \$2.48 for 110, which is the aver-

APPEAL FROM HOLLAND IN BEHALF OF BELGIANS

Officials of League of Neutral States Ask United States Government to Interfere to Stop the Enslavement and Exile of Belgian People.

Situation Daily More Tragical, Says Carton De Wiart, Belgian Minister of Justice—Meeting of Protest to be Held in New York Friday Night—Germans Claim Belgians Not Treated Unjustly.

London, Dec. 11.—The Associated Press has received from Amsterdam an "appeal to the American people" by the Holland section of the League of Neutral States. The appeal is signed by President Niemeier and Secretaries DeLafaille and Walsh. The appeal, in part, says:

"Your president has said that sooner or later a moment would come when the war would make the position of neutral nations unbearable. For us Hollanders that moment has arrived; not through our own offerings, but because we cannot longer passively contemplate the ghastly suffering inflicted by Germany upon Belgium, our neighbor. To us the cruelty inflicted on the Belgians by Germany is more vivid every day.

Many Fugitives.

"Every day numbers of fugitives, in spite of the deadly electric wire which the Germans have erected along the frontier, succeed in escaping to the Netherlands. From them we learn the painful details of the unutterable despair of the women and children who are left behind, and of the agonizing scenes which take place when husbands, brothers and sons, dragged from their homes and women folk, are placed into cattle and freight cars and thus transported, slaves, to an unknown destination and to an unknown fate.

Hellish Scourge.

"To put an end to this—to arrest this hellish scourge, which at this moment lacerates the whole of Northern France and Western Russia—there is but one way open, and that is collective action on the part of the neutral nations.

"And for you, citizens of the mightiest of the neutral states it is, in our opinion, the right and duty to take the leadership upon you. This tyranny is not to be borne in patience, and the neutral nations can no longer stand idly by while in Western Europe the most primitive laws of humanity, observed even by uncivilized races, are trampled under foot.

Strong Appeal to U. S.

"We appeal to you to urge your government to energetic and decisive action, and to call upon the other neutral nations to rally around you. We do not hesitate to take it upon ourselves to speak with firm conviction in the name of humanity, and our hope is firmly fixed on that sense of justice which has always formed one of the most cherished traditions of citizens of the United States. Americans, we are convinced that you will not disappoint our expectations."

Huns Try to Explain.

Berlin, Dec. 11, by wireless to Sayville.—Through the intermediary of the Spanish embassy at Berlin, which is charged with the representation of the interests of Belgium, the Belgian government protested against the transportation of Belgian workmen to Germany for employment. This protest, says the Overseas News Agency, has not been accepted to, as the order announced by the German government or general at Brussels on May 15 stipulated that persons who enjoyed public charity and nevertheless refused to accept or continue at work, according to their abilities, would be punished by prison confinement or forced employment.

Even though this order has been carried out no means contrary to international laws have been employed, the news agency says, since paragraph 43 of The Hague convention on land war makes obligatory the maintenance of public order by the occupying powers, and if the laws of the country are insufficient for this purpose permits the issuance of additional orders. The Overseas News Agency continues:

Defines Public Order.

"Public order without doubt implies that able-bodied persons, so far as possible, should not impose themselves upon public charity. Since work is scarce in Belgium a large number of Belgian workmen have voluntarily applied for employment in Germany. The others naturally have been treated in accordance with the quoted orders of the German governor-general in Belgium.

"The occupation of unemployed persons by municipalities was made conditional on the request of the German administration only in order that the endangering of their financial situation

should be made impossible.

"There were no scenes of terror during the transport of the working men, which was done without any harshness, and with all possible consideration."

Daily More Tragical.

New York, Dec. 11.—The situation affecting the deportations of Belgians by the Germans is "daily more tragical," according to a cable message received by Pierre Mall, Belgian consul here, from Carton De Wiart, Belgium's minister of justice.

The despatch, dated yesterday at Hambre, was made public today by the committee of citizens, which is arranging the meeting to be held in Carnegie Hall on Friday night as a protest against "enslavement of Belgians."

STEAMER LOADS IN DEC. AT CHATHAM

Miramchi Lumber Co. to Abandon Rossed Wood Business and Enter Deal Trade.

Special to The Standard.

Chatham, Dec. 11.—A steamer which arrived to load rossed wood for the Miramichi Lumber Co. is one of six that the company has been endeavoring to secure for a long time. She comes from the Great Lakes and is en route south for the winter carrying trade.

It is the intention of the Miramichi Lumber Co. to ship all the rossed wood from this mill this season, either by boat or rail, and to convert the plant into a sawmill for the manufacture of deals, men being already engaged in removing the machinery. The change will mean the employment of a good many more men next summer. The arrival of the other steamers, if they come at all, will establish a record for incoming vessels on the Miramichi. Some years ago, it is said, a steamer arrived here on December 4.

CARDINAL AND BISHOP SUED FOR \$100,000

New York, Dec. 11.—Cardinal Gibbons, Bishop David H. Greer, (Episcopal), Hamilton Holt, Oscar S. Straus and many other men, conspicuous in religious intellectual or philanthropic life are made defendants in a \$100,000 damage suit filed in the Supreme court by Rabbi Edward B. M. Browne, who alleges he was ejected from a meeting in the Century Theatre, Oct. 17, 1915, held under the auspices of the American committee on Armenian atrocities. Those mentioned as defendants, Rabbi Browne charges on information and belief, were in control of the ushers who hustled him into a vestibule.

KILBANE OUTPOINTS MILLER.

Youngstown, Ohio, Dec. 11.—Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion, easily outpointed Alvie Miller, of Lorain, here tonight in 12 rounds. Miller kept covered up most of the way.

CITY SCHOOL TEACHERS HAVE PETITIONED SCHOOL BOARD FOR INCREASED SALARIES

Claiming that with Higher Cost of all Necessaries of Life it is Not Possible to "Make Ends Meet" at Present Salaries—Board will Consider Request at Special Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Board of School Trustees was held last evening. Present: Trustees R. B. Emerson, chairman; Mrs. Devor, Mrs. Taylor, R. H. Green and Dr. Manning, with the superintendent, Dr. Bridges, and Secretary A. Gordon Leavitt.

Applications for positions on the teaching staff from Miss Dorothy Milton, of Salisbury, and Miss Janet Hamilton, of Millville, were ordered placed on the application list. The chairman read a communication from W. Frank Hatheway offering a prize to High School pupils for the best essay, written in French, on the subject "French Writers of the Nineteenth Century." On motion of Dr. Manning the offer was accepted.

Applications were read for increases of salary from the janitors of Sand Point, La Tour, Winter street and Alexandra schools. These were, on motion of Trustee Green, referred to the special meeting of the board to be held for the purpose of taking up the estimates. Walter Cook, a returned soldier, applied for the position of janitor of one of the schools. His letter was filed.

Teachers Want More Money.

A resolution passed at a recent meeting of the city teachers was read. It set forth the difficulties of living with a fair degree of comfort on the salaries at present paid to teachers, notwithstanding economy and self-denial called for by reason of the war, and asked the board to make up their estimates to provide for such increases in the salaries of all teachers as shall be considered a fair and just recognition of their work. The matter was referred to the special meeting on motion of Trustee Green, seconded by Mrs. Taylor.

A. D. McDonald wrote as to a coal-aver, samples of which had been supplied for experimental purposes in the schools. The writer explained that for registration purposes it had been found necessary to change the name of the product. Letter filed.

Trustee Day inquired why the portrait and tablet in memory of the late Lieut. Lawson had not been placed in the High School building. Dr. Bridges stated that the portrait was ready but the tablet was not yet ready. It was arranged to have both in position before the school closing.

The New Bentley Street School. Mr. Day reported the progress was satisfactory with regard to the new school in Bentley street, considering the time of year and other conditions, and that it was expected the roof would be on in about a week. He pointed out that a few modifications would be necessary in minor details of the plans, but that only a trifling expense would be occasioned. The matter was left with the buildings committee.

Opposed to "Noisy Pavement." Trustee Green referred to the project to pave part of Union street with

CONFIDENT U. S. CAN KEEP OUT OF WAR

Expert Management Being Exerted in Favor of Easy Money with Ample Gold Supplies Available.

New York, Dec. 11.—British influence is reported by international banking circles as being exerted to the utmost to prevent money rates in this country from rising above recent low levels because such a condition would result in the withdrawal of funds from London, operate against new allied credits and disturb exchange conditions. Expert management is therefore being exerted in favor of easy money with ample gold supplies available.

Unless outside sentiment becomes seriously disturbed public holdings of stocks are not likely to come upon the stock market in any volume according to our investigations which show these factors to be operating for a retention of stocks, large margins, big earnings, huge gold imports and confidence in Washington to keep the country out of the war, confidence in the currency system and confidence in the stability of brokers.

Midvale Steel affairs are arousing new speculative interest. Philadelphia sources are recommending the purchase of the stock again during declines, saying that dividends will be commenced next year and the stock will probably be listed on the New York stock exchange. Factors which were prominent in the first big rise of the stock are noted as commending it to the attention of their followers. American Smelting is being quietly accumulated during all declines according to indications of a very positive character.

Specialists say large buying orders are below 118. The Guggenheim following seems to be very friendly to it. Current earnings are reported to be at the rate of fifty per cent. annually against 16 p. c. last year.

MINISTER OF LABOR GETS AFTER OIL CO.

Imperial Co. Declares that Any Dealer at Liberty to Sell at Any Price.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Dec. 11.—A few days ago the Minister of Labor was informed that the Brantford agent of the Imperial Oil Company had refused to sell coal oil to dealers in that town unless they agree to keep the price up to the figures named by the company. He immediately wrote the agent for a statement of the case.

Today he received a reply from the head office of the Imperial Oil Company in Toronto stating that they had no record of refusing to sell coal oil to any parties unless they had kept up the price fixed by the company, but that they had written all their agents "advising them not to refuse to sell to any dealers."

The company also stated to the minister that it was not correct that they had a fixed price and any dealer was at liberty to sell at any price he thought fit.

A Fuel Trust Case.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Dec. 11.—The town council of Sturgeon Falls has written the Minister of Labor stating that a wood dealer named Martin Dwyer has bought up all the fire wood from farmers in the vicinity and after creating a monopoly is holding up the townspeople for stiff prices. Hon. Mr. Crothers has advised the council to take action under the cost of living regulations.

LOYD-GEORGE SLIGHTLY ILL

Unable to Go to Buckingham Palace to Receive Seals of Office Yesterday.

London, Dec. 11.—Premier Lloyd George is ill. He was unable to go to Buckingham Palace today with members of his cabinet to receive the seals of office from King George.

Premier Lloyd George has sent the following to all members of the House of Commons, it was announced officially today:

"The king has entrusted me with the task of forming a government. I have carried out the command. I had hoped to make a statement to the House on Tuesday. I find it to be impossible. On Tuesday Mr. Bonar Law, as leader of the House, will move adjournment till Thursday. The one predominant task before the government is the vigorous prosecution of the war to triumphant conclusion. I feel confident the government can rely on your support as long as they devote their energies effectively to that end."

Official announcement was made that the premier was suffering from a severe chill, and that on the advice of his physicians he was remaining indoors today.

It was announced tonight that the condition of Mr. Lloyd George is improving, and that he expects to be out in a day or two.

Herbert H. Asquith is suffering from influenza, and will be unable to leave his house for a few days.

Mrs. James Adams. Adams of Pontelle, Gaspe, Que., occurred in the city Saturday morning after a lingering illness. Mrs. Adams who had been ill for some time came to St. John and entered the General Public Hospital, where an operation was performed, but it failed to restore her to health and she passed away Saturday morning.

Mrs. Adams who was 62 years of age is survived by her husband, five sons one of whom is overseas, and four daughters.

The body was taken to her home at Pontelle yesterday where the funeral will be held Wednesday.

DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT GRATEFUL

Sends Message Thanking Women of Canada for Their Farewell Gift.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—Through Miss Dorothy Yorke, lady-in-waiting to H. R. H. the Duchess of Connaught, Lady Borden has received a message of thanks to the women of Canada for the splendid farewell gift to Her Royal Highness, which has been applied to the Duchess' prisoners of war fund. The letter reads:

"Clarence House, 'St. James, S. W., London. 'My Dear Lady Borden: Her Royal Highness has asked me to write you informally and to express to you how very much delighted and pleased she was to receive the cable announcing that the splendid sum of 11,115 pounds had been placed to her credit at the Bank of Montreal in London. This wonderful farewell gift of the women of Canada has touched her very deeply, and she hopes you will convey to all those who worked so hard in collecting the money her very great appreciation of their kindness. She feels especially grateful to you for all the trouble you have taken in the matter. The sum has been placed on deposit at the bank, so the interest upon it will add to it substantially until the money is needed."

"Yours very sincerely, 'DOROTHY YORKE"

FARMER AND HIS WIFE MURDERED

Boath Found Dead in Bed, Victims of Robbers, Near Stonewall, Man.

Winnipeg, Dec. 11.—James Vincent, a farmer living five miles northwest of Stonewall, and his wife were found dead in their home by neighbors today. They had been murdered and robbed of a considerable sum of money, the proceeds of a recent sale of wheat. Mr. and Mrs. Vincent were each about thirty-five years of age and had been married for two years.

PROPOSE SHEDIAC MAN FOR SENATOR

A correspondent writes to The Moncton Times:

"In connection with the vacancy in the senate, a commercial man reports that the name of R. C. Tait of Shediac is frequently mentioned in different sections of the province as a most desirable man for the high position. He is closely identified with the industries of the North Shore, and the commercial interests of the province. He would prove a valuable member of the high chamber. If it is desirable to have the best minds in parliament, Mr. Tait will no doubt be considered in the choice."

SIR WILFRID'S OLD FRIEND STILL LIVES

Congressman Wants Reciprocity Act, which Defeated Liberals, Repealed.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Repeal of the Canadian reciprocity act, still on the statute books of the United States, but rejected by Canada, is sought in a bill introduced today by Representative Sloan of Nebraska, Republican, of the ways and means committee.

At present, he pointed out, Canada may take advantage of it at any time, and he urged that the act should be repealed, leaving the United States free to contemplate the commercial situation which will follow the war.

ATTEMPT TO CLOSE GAMBLING HOUSES

Montreal, Dec. 11.—Two gambling houses were raided by provincial constables, as a result of the charges made on Saturday by J. J. O'Connor, ex-gambler, that there are a number of such resorts in Montreal controlled by a "trust." This morning George Dimitri, arrested in the raid at 229 St. Catharine street, and Bob Wilson, taken from 324 Bleury street, appeared before Judge Leet in the arraignment court and pleaded not guilty to keeping gambling houses. Crown Pro-

WARNED TO BEWARE OF HUN BOAT

Report of German War Ship in South Atlantic—War Insurance Risks Advance.

Miami, Florida, Dec. 11.—British cruisers in West Indian waters are sending out frequent warnings to all merchantmen, urging them to watch for an armed German steamer believed to be in the South Atlantic. Wireless messages picked up here today from the cruisers described the enemy craft as having two funnels and a straight stern.

Members of the crew of the United States naval auxiliary ship Proteus, declared on arrival at Norfolk, Va. that a German war submarine was sighted off the Virginia Capes ten days ago. Officers of the Proteus declined to deny or confirm the report. The men said the U-boat and the Proteus kept in sight of each other for an hour.

War Insurance Advances.

New York, Dec. 11.—Marine underwriters received word today that war risk insurance in London had been advanced from 5 to 10 per cent. for transatlantic and Cape of Good Hope trade, due to the announcement that a German commerce raider was at large. It was said that the New York rates would probably follow the London lead.

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- Children's Page
- Daily Cartoon
- "Bringing Up Father"
- Alone Worth the Subscription Price.

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The Belgian Fund.

The chairman read revised figures showing the amounts subscribed by the children in the different schools for the Belgian Children's Fund. Permission was given for the use of Centennial School from Dec. 19 to 22 for civil service examinations upon application of School Inspector McLean.

The annual report of the chief superintendent of education was brought forward by the secretary and ordered received. Dr. Manning said that recent tests of the fire alarm systems had proved satisfactory in King Edward and Victoria schools, the former having been cleared in sixty seconds and the latter in eighty seconds. He said, however, that the arrangements in connection with Victoria annex were not quite satisfactory as regards fire protection. This matter was placed in the hands of the visitors and Dr. Bridges.

There was some discussion as to matters of detail concerning the formalities to be observed in connection with financial brought about by the recent issue of debentures to cover the cost of the erection of Bentley street school. The secretary was instructed to confer with the chairman of the financial committee, Trustee Russell, on the subject.

Special analysis are very optimistic in their conclusions.

There is an expansion of short interest for professional account in the industrial list in issues representing companies which may have difficulty in getting their requirements for raw materials filled.

The equipment stocks in some cases have been sold on this account. N. Y. F. B.

HON. MR. CROTHERS HEARS LABOR CASE

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—The Canadian Northern Express Company is involved in a dispute with its employees over the question of wages, and the men have applied to the minister of labor for a board of conciliation and investigation, naming David Campbell of Winnipeg as their representative. The men receive in some cases only sixty-five dollars a month. The company has not yet named its representatives.

"NERVILINE" STOPS ERACHE IN 10 SECONDS, FIXES TOOTHACHE IN 2 MINUTES

It Seems to Possess Almost Some Divine Power Over Pain.

RUBON NERVILINE

Toothache is usually due to neuralgia in the gums or to the congestion and swelling of the nerve pulp.

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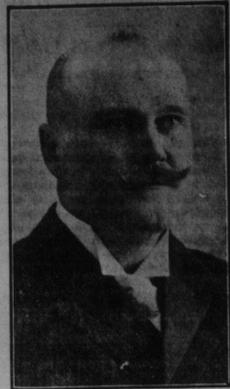
HON. J. A. MURRAY TELLS PEOPLE OF BRITAIN ABOUT PROSPERITY OF PROVINCE

Minister of Agriculture. Interviewed in London, Discusses the "After the War Plans" of the New Brunswick Government—An Aggressive and Up-to-Date Policy That Cannot Fail to Produce Beneficial Results.

Since going to England Hon. James A. Murray has been very active in advancing the interests of the Province of New Brunswick. He has made a splendid impression with the business men of the old country, and in letters to friends here he expresses himself as sanguine that New Brunswick will come in for a big influx of immigrants after the war.

The following interview, written by Imperialist in the London Financier of November 27th last, will be read with interest:

"Last week I had the pleasure of a long chat with Hon. J. A. Murray, Provincial Minister of Agriculture, New Brunswick, in regard to the present position and prospects of that Province. Mr. Murray was born in New Brunswick 52 years ago and has witnessed its growth from very small beginnings. In recent years he has played a not unimportant part in its development. Ten years ago he was elected Mayor of Sussex, N. B. In 1908 he became a member of the Provincial Legislature; in the Flemming Government he was Minister without portfolio, and in 1912 he was appointed President of the Executive Council. Since 1914 he has been Minister of Agriculture, and during the absence through illness of the Hon. G. J. Clarke in the early part of the present year was Acting Premier. Ask Mr. Murray what he thinks of New Brunswick and he will doubtless tell you, as he told me: 'We have got one of the finest provinces in all Canada. We have a splendid climate, we occupy a commanding position (our port of St. John being the gateway of Canada), we have unlimited agricultural possibilities, vast undeveloped resources, a splendid type of people, and we are advancing and making progress all the time. There has been no great boom in New Brunswick, and consequently no corresponding depression.'



HON. J. A. MURRAY.

It is hoped that this will be extended. Province Stands Well.

Nothing will be charged to the settler for administration. Employment will also be given returned soldiers in preparing these holdings. Should any of the soldiers desiring to settle in the Province have sufficient capital to make it unnecessary for him to take advantage of the community settlement idea, as outlined, the Government can, through the Farm Settlement Board, supply such a person with a good farm in a good locality—farm that will be capable of greater production and consequently a larger income the first few years. These can be obtained at from 1,500 to 2,000 dollars each. This scheme practically outlines the immigration policy of the future so far as New Brunswick is concerned.

Opportunities for Settlers. There are abundant opportunities in the Province for sheep-raising and dairy farming. Just before Mr. Murray left he engaged Professor J. W. Mitchell, who has been for the last eight years with the Agricultural Department of Manitoba, and who is an outstanding figure in the agricultural world of Canada, to take charge of the live stock and dairying work in the Province. Agricultural schools have been established at Woodstock and Sussex, and a dairy school at Sussex and St. Hilaire, in the French district.

Another branch of agriculture to which the Government are paying particular attention is fruit growing, and Mr. Murray says that the apple exhibition he mentioned at the top of the New Brunswick Fruit Growers' Association last month was pronounced the finest show ever held in Canada. During the past six years the Government has assisted and encouraged the extension of orchards, and thousands upon thousands of apple trees have been planted, some of which are just beginning to bear. In order to show the possibilities in this direction he mentioned that the biggest prize-winner at this exhibition was a woman who arrived in New Brunswick eight years ago from Ireland and purchased a fruit farm near Fredericton. She had no previous experience in apple growing, yet she successfully competed with growers from all over the province. The potato industry, Mr. Murray said, is also growing to enormous proportions and large shipments are made to Cuba and Bermuda, Ontario and Quebec and the New England States.

A Mineral Exhibit.

With regard to my suggestion made in this column last week that the London agency should be removed from Southampton street to a more central position, Mr. Murray said the Government had in mind a more central office where the products of the province could be more prominently brought before the British public. They were having prepared an exhibit of minerals, which was to be sent to London. Mentioning some of the natural products, Mr. Murray said, 'We have oil and gas and shale; we have gypsum, iron, bark and tungsten; we have silver, lead and zinc ores, anti-mony and graphite; we have infusorial earth or tripolite; we have red and black granite, and in some parts of the province nickel ore. We have salt springs and mineral springs and bituminous coal. Then, of course, there are our various woods. Our natural resources in all these directions are far too little known and they should prove attractive to capitalists who wish to exploit our country. Our fishing industry is worth about five millions a year at the present time, and is capable of great expansion. Arrangements have been made by which Canada is to send to this country 2,000,000 lbs. of fish per week. We send our salt fish chiefly to Upper Canada, but large quantities of hake and cod are exported to the West Indies, and the young herring is sold to American buyers as a sardine. You would not accept it as such in this country.' With regard to the weekly frozen fish exports referred to by Mr. Murray, I may point out that the whole of the Canadian soldiers in this country in camp and in hospital have now one fish dinner a week and two fish breakfasts, and the British army has started the consumption of Canadian frozen fish with a dinner a week at some of the camps, and

NEARLY TWENTY MEN BURIED IN RUINS

Fire Destroys Half of Quaker Oats Plant at Peterboro, Ont., Causing Loss of \$400,000.

Peterboro, Ont., Dec. 11.—The Quaker Oats plant, one of the finest of its kind in Canada, is now a mass of ruins. Seven persons are dead, and a dozen or more employes are in the hospital suffering from burns and injuries, two of them seriously injured the result of an explosion and fire at the plant this morning at 10.30, when the boiler room and dry room above were demolished and rapidly consumed by the fire which immediately followed.

It is supposed that the explosion occurred in the dry room, and was caused by spontaneous combustion.

A north wind fanned the flames so that they ate through the whole length of the building. Following the noise of the explosion and the cry of fire, the 200 girls and women in the packing department made for the exits. Several girls had parts of their clothing burned by the flames, and also their hair. How they all escaped without serious injury is almost a miracle, so great headway had the fire gained.

The loss on the factory buildings is estimated at about \$500,000, covered by insurance.

NEWS SUMMARY.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
Western Union Oct. net after taxes inc. \$398,300.
Twin City fourth week Nov. inc. \$11,900.
Officially denied in Washington that United States has made offers of mediation or suggestion of peace to Europe; also state that Gerard is not returning to Germany with peace proposals from Wilson.
Chairman of Imperial munitions board for Canada says when English shell contracts in United States expire they will not be renewed but will be raw materials.
General Elec. Co. to increase wages of employes.
Cost of war to France and Great Britain by end of March will be tallied \$22,500,000,000.
Control of Honor trade in England to be taken over by new government.
D. J. & CO.

GIRL ADMITS SHE KILLED HER FATHER

Shoe Factory Operative was Scolded for Not Turning in More of Weeks Wages.

Lynn, Mass., Dec. 11.—A confession that she had killed her father, Gen-tano Gangi, has been made by Grace Gangi, according to a statement given out by the police after they had questioned the young woman about the shooting of Gangi at his home.

The girl admitted, the police allege, that she obtained her father's pistol and shot him after he had scolded her for not turning more of her week's wages as a shoe worker, into the family purse. She said she warned him that she would kill him if he continued to call her names, according to the alleged confession, and when this warning was disregarded she carried out her threat.

When the police were notified of Gangi's death, the family insisted that he had shot himself after a domestic quarrel. Upon a further investigation, Miss Gangi who was found scrubbing the floor where her father had fallen, was detained. After her statement to the police she was locked up on a charge of murder.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Minnie Boyd.
The death occurred at Cole's Island a few days ago of Mrs. Minnie Boyd, widow of the late Thomas Boyd, in the 25th year of her age. The deceased leaves besides a father and brother, two small children. She was of a kind disposition and beloved by all who knew her. She was a devoted member of the Methodist church. Interment took place Sunday in the Baptist cemetery.

W. J. Stephenson.
Westfield, Dec. 11.—The death took place of Mr. W. J. Stephenson this morning at his residence, Hillside. He was in the 77th year of his age. He leaves besides his wife, six sons, three daughters and one sister to mourn.

James H. Myles.
James H. Myles, aged 56 years, died at the Public Hospital on Sunday. He was a native of St. John and was well known throughout the province as a commercial traveler. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Esther Myles, and one son, Frederick.

Peter W. Anderson.
The death of Peter W. Anderson took place on Sunday at the home of his mother, Mrs. Sarah Anderson, 222 Millidge avenue. The deceased, who was 34 years of age, leaves his wife two small children and four sisters, Mrs. Harry Morrison of Main street, Mrs. Wm. Sullivan of Chesley street, Mrs. John Craney of Millidge avenue, and Miss Maud at home.

Mrs. George Dick.
Last Saturday in Brooklyn, N. Y., the death of Mrs. Geo. Dick, widow of Captain Dick, took place, aged 75 years. She is survived by three brothers, Nevin Cameron of St. George and Angus and Wallace Cameron of this city. The body will be brought to the city for burial at the end of the week. While in Brooklyn the deceased made her home with her niece, Mrs. Grace Simmons.

Miss E. C. Reid.
The death of Miss Edna Gertrude Reid took place on Sunday at the residence of her brother-in-law, Dr. N. G. Trueman, Salem, Mass. Miss Reid was the daughter of the late David and Mary Reid, a member of Centenary church and of the King's Daughters' Guild. She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Trueman.

Mrs. Sina Mortensen.
The death took place suddenly on Sunday of Mrs. Sina Mortensen, wife of Capt. M. Mortensen, at 19 Winslow street. She is survived by her husband, three sons, one of whom is in Denmark, and two daughters, one in this city and one resident in Denmark.

Adam Murray.
Apoahqui, Dec. 11.—After a protracted illness, caused by an affection of the heart, supplemented by the infirmities of age, Adam Murray of this village passed away on Sunday morning, Dec. 10th.

The late Mr. Murray was born in Pearsonville Kings Co., 83 years ago and had lived practically all his life in the place of his birth. About three years ago he retired from business



MURAD CIGARETTES

TO-DAY—

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Everywhere—Why?

life, being an exceptionally prosperous farmer, and after selling his valuable property at Pearsonville, he built a cozy residence in this village, where he has since resided, he and his amiable wife being warmly welcomed, and have been much esteemed residents.

The deceased was twice married, his first wife being Mary Jane Campbell, and his second, formerly Margaret Hamilton, who survives him. Neither union was blessed by children.

The only other immediate relatives are two sisters, Mrs. Angus Campbell, Belleville, and Mrs. John Little of this village. Also—his brother, David Murray of Pearsonville.

In the presence of this grand old man the Presbyterian church loses a

devout member and office bearer, the wife a kind and devoted husband, and the community and surrounding country suffers an irreparable loss. His disposition was unusually cheerful, and even at his advanced age, his intellect was unimpaired, and through all the years he has ever been a friend to those in need, charitable and unselfish, and many will mourn the end of such a noble life, whose good example will surely live on.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday morning at nine o'clock. Rev. T. A. Mitchell will be the officiating clergyman. After a brief service at the home a service will be held in the Methodist church after which the funeral cortege will form and wend its way to Pearsonville where interment

will take place in the family lot.

Miss Josephine McFadden.
Moncton, Dec. 11.—Miss Josephine McFadden, student nurse at Moncton Hospital, died at the hospital yesterday from the effects of hemorrhage. She was 21 years of age and had been a nurse at the hospital for nine-months. Deceased was a daughter of Conductor John McFadden, of Moncton and Buctouche Railway. The body was taken to her home in Buctouche this afternoon.

The Fairville Court.
In the Fairville police court yesterday, before Magistrate Allingham, James H. Kingston was fined \$50 and costs for pocket peddling.

Financing the Scheme.

"It is proposed that the Government borrow sufficient money for the purpose of carrying out the work, and in return the holdings will be sold on long easy terms for the actual cost of improvement, which will probably be in the vicinity of from 700 to 1,200 dollars each. Regulations governing the whole matter are now in course of preparation. Until these are completed it is impossible, Mr. Murray says, to give complete details of the scheme, but it is probable that the amount assumed by each settler for his holdings will be the cost price, less an initial payment of 5 per cent in cash, the balance to be paid in possibly, twenty annual instalments at the lowest possible rate of interest.

GinPills FOR THE KIDNEYS PAIN IN SMALL OF BACK

From time to time we learn of cases where the free sample of Gin Pills is sufficient to relieve the distressing pains in the back. Here is such a case coming from the British West Indies.

Britton Hill, St. Michael's, B.W.I.
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By Nancy I have not lost sea; It is a mystery A miracle, a w I falter, faint, Yet often, who deep On the hot hills sleep— Across the mll sand That bound this ed land— A strange wild streams The old, dry dreams Pungent and keen, It washes all clean; And my soul, me: Be still! The sea!

MOTHER AND BANG
The Girl Guides Waterloo Street U day school held mother and daughter evenings. Each girl her mother or the place of mother for Jacob Smith, the Guides, presided. ing of the bountiful repeated the law of the evening the "guide songs" and undrums and enter with a musical drive were also part of gramme. Three Morrison, Mrs. W. Green, read into their conception of And three of the Marjona Hamilton, Emma Wood, read views of the ideal

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THE HOME THE WORLD

NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

THE MOVIES THE PLAYERS

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

THE HILL DWELLER

By Nancy Byrd Turner. I have not looked upon God's sea; It is a mystery to me, A miracle, a wonder thing— I falter, faint, imagining, Yet often, when the dark is deep, On the hot hills, across my sleep, Across the miles of pine and sand, That bound this land beleaguered land— A strange wild scent, upflooding, streams, The old, dry reaches of my dreams, Pungent and bitter—salt and keen, It washes all the close night clean; And my soul, shaken, speaks to me: Be still! The sea, the sea, the sea!



There is nothing that can quite come up to the charming and becoming appearance of furs. The model pictured above has a chapeau that is daring and has more than a touch of the bizarre.

Three young ladies of the church, the Misses Dora Parlee, Lottie Parlee and Mary Tiplady, served at the tables, for which they received a hearty vote of thanks and three cheers from the guides.

MOTHER AND DAUGHTER BANQUET

The Girl Guides and the girls of the Waterloo Street United Baptist Sunday school held a very enjoyable mother and daughter banquet last evening. Each girl sat by the side of her mother or the lady who took the place of mother for the evening.

Women's Canadian Club. On Saturday evening at the German Institute there will be held a meeting of the Women's Canadian Club at which Lady Gwendolyn Guinness, who is accompanying her husband, the Hon. Rupert Guinness, will give an address on the Grand Fleet.

The Canadian Club some time ago sent to each of its members a collection card for the British Soldiers' Relief Fund. The card had on it a string of beads with this motto: "On the anchor true, Are the faithful hearts at home."

Below was written "they stood by you, will you stand by them?" The collection was made in response to an appeal from the local executive

of the British Sailors' Relief Fund. It is expected to close up the fund during the coming week.

NEW BRUNSWICK INSTITUTES. Preparing Christmas parcels for the boys overseas and reporting the fourth yearly convention of the Women's Institute, form the nucleus of recent reports sent to the supervisor.

Other interesting, and at the same time helpful news, include:— One of the Institute tags sewn on a pair of socks, has come back to the office pinned on a letter, which reads as follows:

49th Batt., C. E. F., France. New Brunswick Women's Institute, Dear Ladies:— Dare a western soldier ask for a pair of socks, thick grey and white, with the label on, for they are the best ones we ever had for our job? I do not know how I got them, but have valued them ever since I did, and take this liberty to ask for another pair. If I ever get back I will pay with the greatest of pleasure. Your work is invaluable to your "Tommys". Remain yours very truly, Corpl. T. W. Scott, No. 10057.

The Institute women, ever since the war started, have been recognized as splendid knitters, and the good work they are doing has been vouched for by this western soldier. Needless to say, another pair of socks are on their way to this appreciative scoldier, and a box of eatables as well. Aren't you glad we have woven labels for all the war work that goes overseas?

At the Blackville Institute October meeting, "Co-operation of Home and School" was the main subject for discussion. Several teachers were present, who gave helpful suggestions as to ways and means whereby parents can help teachers.

The school children of Bloomfield had the hearty backing of the Bloomfield and Central Norton Institute in the entertainment they gave in aid of Belgian children. "Christmas in War Times," was a subject all were interested in at the December meeting. Christmas baskets will be sent to the poor of the neighborhood during the festive season.

OPERA HOUSE.

Romeo and Juliet. To judge this Metro picture you will have to see it for yourself, and if you are not pleased you may have to satisfy. One hardly knows where to begin in writing of this wonderful production there is so much to say. In the first place it is Shakespeare on the screen. No liberties have been taken with the play, or only such minor ones that they are not noticeable. If you are familiar with the words you can follow the play for only the exact and perfect lines of the immortal Bard are used throughout. The scenes are sumptuous and the funeral procession of Juliet something to be remembered for a very long time.

The costumes cost what many people would consider a small fortune, but strangely enough beautiful as they are, to my mind, Miss Bayne looked far the loveliest in the black cloak she wore the night of Romeo's banishment. Beverly Bayne betrays an art that is greater than might have been expected, in the face even of her many fine interpretations. She brings to the Capulets a charm and sweetness which that stamps her as a dramatic actress of the first order. Francis X. Bushman is not an ethereal type of Romeo, but do we know that Romeo was ethereal? He evidences a thoroughly artistic conception of the requirements of the role. There are moments when he rises to heights, and indeed both the leading players portray their parts with a dignity and finish that is in strict keeping with the general high tone of the production.

The cast is a large one, and there are no members who offend either by under or over acting. The street brawl between the Montagues and Capulets, scenes requiring numbers, have been handled well. W. Lawson Butt deserves special mention for his convincing work as Tybalt and Robert Cummings for his interpretation of Friar Lawrence. John Davidson's Paris is highly satisfactory and Fritz Leiber is a good Mercutio. Comedy is supplied in a temperate degree by Joseph Duffey and Adele Barker who, in the part of the nurse, is splendid throughout.

The introduction is most artistic and the whole production ranks with the best. The orchestral effects were very fine, special music being used, adding much to the enjoyment of the picture.

IMPERIAL. The House of Lies. It certainly required strength of character for Edna Coleman to disfigure herself with a horrible scar. Most of us try to make the best of ourselves, but here was a girl who de-

Who's Who and What's What in the Picture World and on the Stage—Favorites and What They Say and Do.

liberately made a blemish on her beauty. The plot of this story is the kind sometimes described as a "good yarn." It would take a pretty good stretch of one's imagination to really believe that such things could actually happen, but that does not contradict the fact that this is an interesting picture. Edna Goodrich is beautiful—they tell us so in the subtitles—but most of us realized it for ourselves and the whole story has a punch which is worth waiting for. I was greatly taken with Juan de la Cruz, the foreign looking hero, and Herbert Standing as Dr. Barnes was an old dear. The pictures are mostly taken in some beautiful estate.

Also at the Imperial were Seance America First and a Pathe British Weekly, showing just what we all want to see, pictures of happenings at the front, and some of the important events taking place in England and France. There was a good view of Russian troops given.

LYRIC.

The Voice of Love. Winifred Greenwood and Edward Coxon are shown in this Mutual de luxe feature. Miss Greenwood plays the part of Marie Clarke, who is in love with Philip (Ed. Coxon). Philip is a youth who does not know his own mind very well and after telling Marie that he hoped to tell her what was in his heart when he returned from New York, promptly when he reached that fascinating city a Gypsy stole his susceptible heart away. The Gypsy was only Violet acting as fortune teller at the Allites' bazaar, but Philip fell very deeply in love and Mrs. Clarke's charms faded from his mind. Then when he returns and tries to tactfully tell Mrs. Clarke "I love another," she does not take it calmly but starts something going. This is a good story and is in the hands of capable actors. A trio of men were the vaudeville attraction. They were Forest Brothers and Falke, who give songs and tell stories and jokes.

UNIQUE.

The Shielding Shadow. The chief feature of this installment is the spectacular leap from a roof to the ground, done by Leon Barry. The chapter was full of shootings and explosions of gunpowder and hairbreadth escapes, and the small boys behind me told me everything that was going to happen so that I was not a bit surprised. There was also a

very good comedy at the Unique, "That Doggone Baby." Now I don't often praise a comedy, but I did think this one was funny. The Pathe Weekly had many splendid views, especially the Allied fleet at Salonika and some gun firing. ALICE FAIRWEATHER.

OPERA HOUSE

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WHAT OUR SOLDIERS ARE DOING: Pathe's British Gazette Brimful of Patriotic Pictures

THE HOT SPRINGS OF ARKANSAS

A Sparkling Comedie Comedy

UNIQUE — TODAY — LYRIC

The Great Sacrifice. Eleventh Edition of the Serial Wonderful. "The Shielding Shadow" MORE MYSTERY! Allied Fleet in Action And Other Interesting Items in PATHE WEEKLY A Comedy, Too—A Dandy Next Thur.—Fri.—Sat. THE MUTUAL CHAPLIN COMEDY "BEHIND the SCREEN" NEVER BEFORE SHOWN

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Uncle Dick's Corner.

TODAY'S LITTLE JOKE

Story From Overseas. At a recent fete held in one of the suburbs of Birmingham, England, in aid of the Star and Garter Home the gentleman who was in charge of the "Strafing the Kaiser" side-show met with a most puzzling experience. He commenced his "three balls a penny" with an abundance of shot (tennis balls), but during the afternoon, while business was at its brisk-est rate, he found the ammunition quickly vanishing, and was unable to account for the gradual disappearance of the whole stack of nearly forty balls. Had he heard the remark of a seven-year-old innocent to her mother, "Look, mummy, a kind gentleman gave me these three balls for a penny," he would have received much enlightenment.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Uncle Dick wishes many happy returns to the following kiddies, who are celebrating their birthdays today: Clara Brown, Chipman, Olive Boyle 153 Duke St.

New Member's Letter

California, N. B. I saw your advertisement in the St. John Standard for to join the Children's Corner and I would like to join it very well. Besides I am sending you some picture I painted for you, and you said you would send a nice story book, and I would be very glad to get it, and besides a camera, complete with one film. Hoping to be my luck to get them. Yours truly, Dorothy A. Davenport.

Hadn't Time to Call Lower Jemseg.

Dear Uncle Dick:— I was in St. John this fall, but I hadn't time to get in to see you. From your nephew, Willie Sharp.

Sent in Her Vote Sussex, N. B.

Dear Uncle Dick:— In that contest about who has the best answer to why we like the Corner, vote for Olive Berry of Sussex, because here is the most childish. Your affectionate niece, Dorothy Berry.

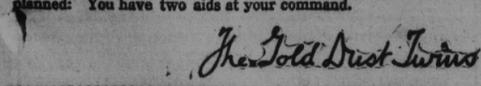
The Gold Dust Twins' Philosophy

If you have ever fumed and fussed, because of dirt and grime and rust, and said unto yourself, "Oh, dear! This household work will kill, I fear"—then it is time that you should find some other method far more kind.

Of all the woes a housewife bears, one always fills her day with cares: The kitchen after-meal-time muss, is quite enough to make one fuss. What, with the pots and pans and pans, the knives and forks and plates and cans, no task of man, however grim, the half as mean is handed him.

Two little willing workers aim to enter in this household game: their job, the lessening of work, a task that neither of them shirk. With active little hands and brains they grab the irksome household reins, till soon each kettle, pot or dish, is just as bright as you could wish. And not until the chores are done, from sink to silver, sun to sun, could anything inspire the two, to drop the tasks they have to do.

Therefore, if you have never known, assistance such as we have shown, your troubles end, where joy begins. Now, Mrs. Drudge, the Gold Dust Twins! Henceforth, as dishes congregate, and dainty pots that cannot wait, when cutlery, in sad array, awaits you at the close of day—"Cheer Up!" Forget the labor planned: You have two aids at your command.



G. B. CHOCOLATES

A Few Favorites—Cereals, Almondines, Almond Crispetts, Nougatians, Burnt Almonds, Maple Walnuts, Caramels, Cream Drops, Milk Chocolate, Creams, Fruit Creams, etc. Display Cards With Goods. EMERY BROS. 82 Germain Street. Selling Agents for Ganong Bros., Ltd.

Advertisement for Chenette's Renowned Band, featuring the 211th Battalion of Calgary. Includes program details like 'The Great Sacrifice', 'The Voice of Love', and 'The House of Lies'. Also mentions 'The Crack Band' and 'The Program'.

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

THE WAR OUTLOOK.

There seems to have come over the Allies a feeling of depression that is not at all justified. True, the occurrences of the past week have not been encouraging. The Roumanian defeat and the political crisis in England, have been disturbing factors, no doubt. But in what particular have they operated to cause misgiving to the Entente? Is Russia less strong? Has Great Britain been weakened? Is Italy affected? Has France lost strength? Not at all. The Roumanian army itself is intact. If there has been loss, it has been to the Germanic forces fighting with the Roumanians, and to these but lately added friends of the Entente. The Roumanians fought fiercely and must have occasioned heavy losses to the enemy armies.

As for the British political crisis, what does it matter? says the London Free Press. The more so, since the issue in no sense involves a suggestion of weakened resistance to the enemy. There have been many political crises in English politics in war time. There were six or seven British ministries during the war against France. War is a disturbing element, unsettling and enervating to politicians and statesmen. And yet, through all the eruptions at home the British have maintained a bold front abroad, and have finally won out. So it will be in the present day. Asquith, Bonar Law, Lloyd George—all these may disappear from the scene. But the war will go on to a conclusion. Other statesmen will arise, if need be, to give effect to the indomitable will of the British people.

Rather we should take courage in that there are men in the British Government who feel impelled to give the nation yet more vigorous leadership. It will be cause for surprise if Lloyd George does not bring to bear a "speeding up" in the military operations of the Empire comparable with his achievement in the production of munitions. The slacker must be uneasy today as he regards the little Welshman as Premier. Inactive wealth and every latent resource of the British people must feel that at length there will be no dodging the issue, no avoiding playing the game.

SCHOOL TEACHERS' SALARIES.

The request of the city school teachers for increased salaries, which was brought before the Board of School Trustees last evening and will be specially dealt with at a later date, is one that should receive the most sympathetic consideration which the times and the circumstances permit. In most cases where public employees ask for increased remuneration they are met with the statement that war conditions and the necessity for public economy render it impossible to advance salaries. Such a rejoinder may have much to commend it, but it should not be forgotten that the same increased costs that cause a department of public service—be it schools or police force—to hesitate before adding to the salary lists, furnish the reason why more salary is necessary. In the case of school teachers this is particularly apparent for no branch of public service is more poorly remunerated than that which should be the most efficient. The education and training of the youth of the land is the most important of all public undertakings but, as it stands now, and in the Maritime Provinces, particularly, the teaching profession is the most poorly paid of any in which a young man or young woman can engage as a life work. In many cases, regrettably too many, teachers use the school as a stepping stone to more lucrative life work. This tendency is frequently deplored by the wise men and women of the nation when they gather in public convention, but the most potent of all reasons why a young man or woman hesitates before deciding to tie for life to a school room is just as frequently overlooked. No department of the public service is deserving of more consideration at the hands of those it serves, than that which has to do directly with the education of the young. The school teacher should be paid to the last cent of the ability of the municipality in which he or she

is engaged, even if some other "thought to be needed" improvements must await a more favorable season.

LLOYD GEORGE'S TASK.

It is not surprising to find some newspapers inclined to question whether Lloyd George's plan of concentrating the Empire's management of the war will prove successful. His proposal is a radical change from traditional political methods in Great Britain. Also the cabinet with which he has surrounded himself differs very materially from its predecessors. Lloyd George, a Liberal, has called fifteen Unionists to the council board of the nation, including several men who, in normal times, differed strongly from the proposals laid down by "the little Welshman." It must not be forgotten, however, that this man of dynamic force has not yet failed in anything he has undertaken to do.

While there is ground for questioning the ethical standard of his action in taking to himself powers which he denied to his former chief, yet, if he succeeds in his undertaking to speed up the Empire's war programmes and policies, everything else will be forgotten. The British press, excepting only the most rabid opponents of the premier, are inclined to regard the new cabinet with favor, but however they view it all must agree that the premier has cast aside all conventionalities in his selection of his colleagues. He has picked his men, not for past performances or their political affiliations, but because he believes they can best accomplish the task before them. In this he has shown rare courage and for it he will be very generally endorsed. The Empire's chief business today is to win the war and it does not much matter whether the men who do it agree with the premier on other questions or not. If they hold together on this their selection will be amply justified and the Empire will be satisfied.

THE "COMMODORE'S" OPINION.

Our friends of the Telegraph and Times oftentimes find much comfort and inspiration in the writings of "Commodore" Stewart of the Chatham World and occasionally they think so well of his opinions as to give space to them in the columns of their own journals as representing the highest political wisdom.

As they have not published Mr. Stewart's opinion of the Grit candidate in the county of Westmorland it is quite evident that this important contribution to political discussion was inadvertently overlooked, and that they may not be deprived of the enjoyment to be found on perusing it we reproduce it herewith. Mr. Stewart, in the current issue of the World, has this to say:

A GRAMAPHONE CANDIDATE.
"Mr. Copp, on being re-nominated for Parliament by the Westmorland Liberals, the other day, astounded the country by speaking briefly instead of voluminously. It was, he said, a battle between the masses and the masses. Several parrots have learned to say that, so often has it been said and sung, and a gramophone record would have been as original as the member for Westmorland. Mr. Copp ought to start something new. He ought to have more sense than to repeat old played-out cries like that. All legislation, all governmental policies, all parties, are for the masses, because the masses have the majority of votes, and no party could get in power that appealed to the masses and not to the masses for support."

The Times is pleased to quote Sir Wilfrid Laurier to the effect that "when England is at war Canada is at war," and use it as indicating the high patriotic character of his statesmanship. But the Times carefully refrains from stating that the first occasion on which Sir Wilfrid used those words was when he was fighting with might and main to prevent the people of this country from contributing to the support of the British navy. If the Times desire to quote Laurier on this point it should at least have the decency to print the whole sentence.

"When England is at war Canada is at war," says Sir Wilfrid Laurier. It is too bad that "the Old Cock" could not drive that much of his opinions home to his own people in the Province of Quebec. The recruiting returns for this country indicate that the people

of Canada realize that Canada is at war—also that Quebec is not.

Hotels in Great Britain are to be limited to the two and three course meal. This may be a hardship, yet there are very many in this country who would be quite willing to worry along indefinitely on one course, provided they got it regularly.

St. John welcomes the Calgary Battalion. The Province of Alberta in proportion to her population has supplied more men to the Empire armies than any other part of Canada, and judging from the fine specimens of sturdy manhood seen in the ranks of the 211th the quality is up to the quantity.

THE ANSWER IS WEAR RUBBERS

Many People Will Don Goggles Early This Season To Combat The High Cost of Leather Footwear.

"Buy rubbers," says the shoeman, the dealer who plays fair with his customers. Leather is up and shoes are up to such an extent that the buying of a pair of shoes is almost on a level with the acquiring of a new suit or coat. Shoes must be worn, but the economical person will don rubbers as soon as the weather gets the least bit "damp under foot," not only for the protection to the health that the rubbers afford, but to save the costly shoes he or she wears. There was never a problem in economics that was not solved sooner or later, and rubbers and overshoes seem to be the answer to the augmented price of shoes this winter.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Royal.
A W Jones, Halifax; Major Clarke, Lieut T L Tibbs, Lieut Col W M Sage, Major H Cowell, Capt Trainor, Lieut E W Spofford, Capt W E Higgit, Capt G M Gill, Calgary, Alta; S W Budith, W H Higgins, M A Tweeddale, N A Edgecombe, Fredericton; Geo Logan, W W White, Montreal; E Epstein, New York; Mrs A E Holstead, Montreal; A B Fisher, Montreal; M Busley, W P Lowell, Calais, Me; Mrs Robert Gore, New York; L K Fuller, Halifax; H F Alward, Moncton; H C Fay, Quebec; N F Napier, Charlottetown; F E Neale, Chatham; T F Sweeney, Moncton; A A Bray and wife, Mount Vernon, Wash; Mrs G K Prescott, E C Harris, Lieut H Reed, Calgary; J H Dougherty, Houlton, Me; L P Carver, Howard, Me; Lieut E M Smith, O A Boucher, Calgary; H E Moss, Montreal; J W H Roberts, Moncton; H E Beek, St Stephen, N B; R H Webster, Moncton; Mr and Mrs G R Campbell, Sackville; J D Tolckner, Millerton; E G Clarke, Montreal; R W Hewson, J W Frazer, Moncton.

PERSONALS

Rev. Gordon Dickie is in St. John on a short visit.
Hon. J. D. Hazen and Mrs. Hazen expect to spend Christmas here.
Hon. W. H. Thorne has returned to the city from Ottawa.
Judge R. W. Hewson, H. F. Alward, R. H. Webster, T. F. Sweeney, J. W. Frazer and J. W. H. Roberts, all of Moncton, were guests of the Royal yesterday.
F. E. Neale of Chatham was at the Royal yesterday.
M. A. Tweeddale and N. A. Edgecombe of Fredericton were at the Royal yesterday.
Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Campbell of Sackville, were guests of the Royal yesterday.

St. David's Y. P. A.

The regular fortnightly meeting of the Young People's Association of St. David's church, was held last evening in the vestry of the church. The subject for the evening was "Folk Songs of Different Countries." Prior to the singing of each song Miss Ethel Shaw

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Scene, Switzerland.
King (riding by). Wat a handsome day! Look at all the Swiss mountains! Who is that big Swiss cheese that didn't tip his hat to me when I went past?

Prime Minister. That's William Tell, the famous bow and arrow shooter, your majesty.

King. Tell him something, all rite. Wats the matter with him, dont he know Im the king?

Prime Minister. Yes, your highness, but he thinks all men were created equal.

King. Well then hes got another think coming. Command him to appear before me at my palace this afternoon.

Act 2.

Scene, the Kings palace.
King. Why didnt you tip your hat to me this morning?

William Tell. Why didnt you tip yours to me?

King. Are you crazy?

William Tell. No sir. Are you?

King. Have you got a son?

William Tell. I sertyny have.

King. I thart so. Well you think your some shot with the bow and arrow, dont you? Well if you dont shoot a apple off of your sons head out in front of the palace after suppr today, you will be shot at sunrise like a copenon villin.

Act 3.

Scene, Switzerland.
William Tells son. Go ahead, shoot, pop. Youll do it.

William Tell. Sertyny Ill do it, but G, wat if I dont?

The arro. Bzzz!

Everybody but the King. Hurray!

William Tell (opening his eyes and looking). Darn if I didnt.

The end.

gave a brief history of the song, showing how it originated and the influence it had on the people. The programme was as follows: Russia, solos, The Red Sarasaan and the Little Karen, sung by Miss S. Jenkins; France, solo, The Marsellaise, sung by C. Girvan; Italy, solo, Sailing on the Summer Sea, sung by Miss Ermaline Climo; England, vocal trio, Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes, Mrs. R. B. Osborne, Mrs. E. M. Nicol and Mrs. M. Girvan; Wales, solo, All Through the Night, sung by H. Colwell; Ireland, solo, The Girl I Left Behind Me, F. J. Punter; Scotland, duet, O, Wer't Thou in the Cold Blast, sung by Messes W. Spencers and Nita Brown; Annie Laurie, sung by Ralph Smith; America, Southern Male Quartette, Old Black Joe, sung by Messrs. Stephens, Colwell, Punter and Archibald; Canada, chorus, Our Own Canadian Home, God Save the King, Miss Besse Carmichael was the convener of the entertainment and Mrs. I. F. Archibald acted as accompanist.

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The recruits secured in each county were as follows:

St. John County—	45
9th Siege Battery	2
8th Field Ambulance Train	6
Machine Gun Draft	2
236th Battalion	5
Canadian Engineers	23
R. C. N. V. R.	7
Northumberland County—	4
12th Artillery Draft	1
C. A. S. C.	1
236th Battalion	1
Home Service	1
Restigouche County—	4
23th Battalion	2
12th Artillery Draft	2
Charlotte County—	4
6th Field Battery	1
236th Battalion	1
Home Service	2
Westmorland County—	2
16th Battalion	2
Carleton County—	1
6th Field Battery	1
York County—	1
236th Battalion	1
Kings County—	1
Home Service	1
Madawaska County	0
Albert County	0
Queens and Sunbury Counties	0
Gloucester County	0
Kent County	0
Victoria County	0
Total	60

J. L. McAvity, Lieut.-Col. Chief Recruiting Officer for N. B.

"LET ME ENTER, IF 'TIS ONLY TO DIE."

Serbian Colonel Who Took Monastir Shows How His People Love Their Country.

The news of the triumph of Monastir has been received by the Serbians with pathetic joy. "Now," said one, "we have a home again." Colonel Vassitch, when pleaded with to go to the hospital, being seriously ill, said, "No, only let me enter Monastir, if it is but to die there."

If proof were needed, these two incidents in the news of today would demonstrate the spirit of the home-loving Serbians.

And these are the people who were driven out of their homes, whose property was destroyed by fire, who were forced to flee over the mountains in the dead of winter, thousands dying by the wayside, and who, but for the generosity of their Allies would have starved after escaping the terrors of the Hun.

The Serbian Relief Fund has made it possible to shelter and feed the refugees and now aims to complete its great work by helping to re-establish in reconquered Serbia what is left of the nation.

Those of us to whom real want is a stranger should seize the opportunity England offers us of participating in putting the Serbians back to their farms, helping them to acquire farm implements, seeds, etc., and so tide them over an even more critical situation than now confronts them.

A number of excellent efforts have already been made in various parts of the Dominion, but it is felt that Canada as a whole is capable of putting forth a much greater effort, therefore a Canadian Serbian relief committee has been formed to disseminate accurate information and to arouse interest regarding the needs of Serbia, to receive contributions throughout the Dominion for relief, and to co-ordinate all work which is done or may be done in Canada on behalf of the Serbians.

All actual administrations will be proceeded with by the present very efficient English committee under the patronage of Her Majesty the Queen.

MILK DEALERS REPLY SHOULD BE IN TODAY.

The replies of the milk dealers to the set of questions prepared by the City Council are supposed to be in the hands of the common clerk today at noon, in order that they may be taken up by the council at its meeting in the afternoon. No replies had been received up to yesterday afternoon and it is just possible that the council may not have a very strenuous time in looking over the replies which come in.

So far as could be learned yesterday about the usual quantity of milk came in from Kings county, and the dealers are paying the increased price of 48 cents per can to the farmers, meanwhile the number of persons cutting down their usual quantity of milk is growing, and the sale of condensed milk has increased.



GILLETTS LYE
CALGARY VISITORS
STAY WILL BE BRIEF

The 211th Likely to Remain in St. John but Few Days—Street Parade Today, Band Concert Wednesday Night.

In conversation with Lieut. Colonel W. M. Sage, O.C. the 211th Calgary Battalion, he informed The Standard that the stay of the unit in the city will not cover many days. He said he was very much impressed with the city, and the people he had met, and was very sorry that he could not remain longer. He appreciated very much the way in which the battalion had been received and said St. John would always be remembered by him.

He has kindly loaned the band for the purpose of raising funds for patriotic purposes and a concert will be held in the Imperial on Wednesday night after the second show.

The men were granted a "night off" last night in order to make themselves acquainted with the city. The battalion was formerly a part of the American Legion and many of the men are from the American side.

The Standard representative also met another very interesting member of the battalion in the person of Capt. (Rev.) Frank Bushfield, the battalion chaplain. On his breast he wears the South African ribbon. When asked what battalion he saw service with in Africa he was modestly reticent in replying. He went to South Africa as a member of the 1st C.M.R. Another member of the 211th who saw service in the Boer war is Capt. Cozt.

The battalion numbers 692 men. Two of the companies were recruited in Calgary and another in Victoria.

It is the intention of the officer commanding to hold a street march today in order that the citizens may have an opportunity of seeing the battalion in marching order. The band of the battalion is composed mostly of members, who travelled the United States and western Canada in the "World at Home" show.



AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Now here's a list of practical presents appropriate to any man and a decoration for any Xmas tree—a good filling for any stocking.

Silk Underwear, 50 and 75 cents to \$1.50; Negligee Shirts, soft and stiff cuffs, from \$1.00; Dress Shirts, soft and stiff fronts; Mufflers; Khaki Mufflers and other military articles; Tuxedo and Dress Vests; Overcoats, Suits and Sweaters.

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"CHRISTMAS GIFTS" FOR W.U.T.C. MEN

Western Union Telegraph Company Distributes Substantial Bonus Checks to Its Employees.

Meet a Western Union man these days and take particular note of his smile. It is broader than ever before. "What's it all about?" asked The Standard reporter yesterday of Chas. W. McKee, the district superintendent, and H. C. Farmer, the district manager, at the local office of the company yesterday.

These officials very kindly explained the whole affair to the reporter. The reason for the smile is that a big bonus has been announced. The letter from the head office of the company describes the remembrance as a "single special payment," and states further that it is made on account of the exceptional conditions now prevailing. The decision to make the payment was arrived at a meeting of the directors of the Western Union Telegraph Company, Inc., at New York on Tuesday last. The Western Union officials are no more mercenary than the average individual, but still they know what a good thing it is and it is especially appropriate at the present season of the year.

Mr. McKee explained that the bonus will be received by all ranks receiving a compensation at the rate of \$2,000 a year and less, who have been continuously in the employ of the company from January 1st last. The bonus, which will be paid as soon as practicable, will be based on the salary received on November 1st. Men secured and those in independent offices will receive a flat payment of \$25, while employees with incomes of less than \$1,500 will receive seven per cent and those earning \$1,500 to \$2,000, both inclusive, will receive six per cent of their salaries.

As regards the application of the bonus to the officials of the company who are on active service, Mr. McKee explains that the policy of the company of the present time is to pay those existing a half of their full salary and that those men would share in the bonus on the same basis as outlined above for the other officials. Over forty employees of the company in the Maritime Provinces are now on active service.

Local officials of the company are usually paid semi-monthly. During December, however, provision was generally made for the advances of salaries before Christmas. With the handsome bonus which has been announced it will not be necessary to follow the usual policy this year.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Mrs. Eliza Georgiana Marven took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of W. F. Hatheway, 71 St. James street to the Stone church, where services were conducted by Rev. H. A. Cady. Interment was made in Fernhill.

The body of Mrs. Margaret Adams, who died at her residence, Rock street, on Friday, was taken yesterday morning to Matapedia for interment. The body was accompanied by Miss Adams, daughter of the deceased.

THEY WERE RUNDOWN

How often we hear it said of a man or woman that "they were rundown in health" which accounts for their present sickness. For that reason it is important that when you find you tire easily, when your nerves are troublesome or your work is irksome, you should strengthen your system immediately with the blood-enriching, tissue-building food in Scott's Emulsion which contains the purest cod liver oil and is free from harmful drugs.

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NEWS AND COMMENT FROM THE FINANCIAL WORLD

STRAIN ON N. Y. MONEY MARKET RELIEVED

Gold Shipment of \$50,000,000 Sent from London by Way of Canada Lifts Strain on Market.

Special to The Standard.
New York, Dec. 11.—The strain upon the money market has been lifted, as \$50,000,000 gold has been deposited in New York from Canada, making \$75,000,000 from all sources since January 1. If every time there is a money spasm London can send us \$50,000,000 no serious money damage can happen, but there must be a limit of help that London can extend.

London Market Easy.

Special to The Standard.
London, Dec. 11.—The money market was well supplied with funds to day, and discount rates were quiet. There was good demand for short dated treasury bills.

The stock market commenced the week in a quiet fashion and with a better undertone, oil and rubber shares were in good demand and Canadian Utility shares were strong features. Otis Steel and City Service were prominent and foreign funds were steadier, but shipping stocks were flat and copper weak on the report of declines in the metal. American securities were quietly steady and featureless. Consols for money 64.

\$3,000,000 CONTRACT FROM DOMINION IRON

Orders for Construction of Coke Ovens Placed in Pittsburgh for Sydney Plant.

Special to The Standard.
Pittsburgh, Dec. 11.—A contract involving \$3,000,000 has been given to the H. Koppers Company here by the Dominion Iron and Steel Company of Canada for the construction of a large number of coke ovens at Sydney, N. S.

MONTREAL SALES

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
Morning.
Montreal, Monday, Dec. 11.—
Steamships Com.—190 @ 44½, 210 @ 44.50 @ 43½, 25 @ 43½, 25 @ 43½.
Steamships Pfd.—140 @ 95, 40 @ 94½, 400 @ 95½.
Can. Loco.—100 @ 56.
Brazilian—10 @ 44½, 15 @ 45.
Textile—3 @ 86½.
Can. Cement Com.—120 @ 72, 150 @ 71½, 110 @ 71½, 10 @ 72.
Steel Canada—600 @ 87, 460 @ 87½, 505 @ 86½, 75 @ 86½, 220 @ 86.75 @ 86½, 355 @ 86½, 790 @ 86.
Dom. Iron Com.—100 @ 79½, 570 @ 80, 275 @ 79½, 155 @ 79½, 25 @ 79½, 175 @ 79½, 150 @ 79½, 410 @ 79, 80 @ 79, 25 @ 78½, 50 @ 78½, 50 @ 78½, Civic Power—10 @ 81½, 20 @ 81½, 16 @ 81½.
Dom. War Loan—400 @ 98½, 1,600 @ 99, 500 @ 98½.
New War Loan—500 @ 98½, 200 @ 99, 10,000 @ 98½.
Can. Car Pfd.—120 @ 83.
Toronto Ry.—25 @ 79½, 20 @ 80.
Detroit United—185 @ 122, 10 @ 121½, 25 @ 121½, 100 @ 121½.
Smelting X. D.—50 @ 38½.
Laurentide Pfd.—100 @ 208.
Riduron—25 @ 142.
Crown Reserve—200 @ 40.
General Electric—70 @ 120½, 5 @ 120.
Scoti—300 @ 145.
Dom. Bridge—10 @ 195.
Tram Power—200 @ 39½, 295 @ 40.
40.
Forgings—25 @ 219, 25 @ 220, Brompton—55 @ 72, 5 @ 72½, Ames Holden Com.—50 @ 24.
Afternoon.
Steamships Com.—80 @ 43½.
Steamships Pfd.—75 @ 95.
Can. Cement Bond—2,000 @ 97½.
Brazilian—10 @ 44½.
Can. Cement Pfd.—2 @ 95.
Can. Cement Com.—155 @ 71½.
Steel Canada—380 @ 86, 25 @ 85½, 390 @ 85½, 200 @ 85½.
Dom. Iron Com.—405 @ 78½, 35 @ 78½, 115 @ 78½, 550 @ 78, 150 @ 78½.
Civic Power—10 @ 81½, 20 @ 81½, 100 @ 98½.
New War Loan—2,000 @ 98½, 400 @ 98½.
Can. Car Pfd.—5 @ 83.
Ogilvie—25 @ 145.
Smelting—140 @ 38½.
Riduron—5 @ 142.
Quebec Ry.—100 @ 43½, 350 @ 43½, 75 @ 44, 425 @ 45, 100 @ 44½, 100 @ 44½.
Toronto Ry. Bonds—2,000 @ 71.
Loyal—10 @ 75.
Spanish River Com.—25 @ 21.
Tram Power—40 @ 40, 100 @ 39½.
Can. Cotton—50 @ 61.
Can. Cotton Pfd.—25 @ 82.

EASTERN TRANSPORT TO GO AHEAD WITH PLANS

Company's New Steamer will be Constructed on Miramichi River for East River Service.

Special to The Standard.
New Glasgow, N. S., Dec. 11.—That money is always available in New Glasgow for a good business proposition has once more been demonstrated by the success achieved by the new steamship company, Eastern Transport Limited. Though stock in the company has not yet been publicly offered, enough has been subscribed to enable the company to go ahead with their plans for the development of the harbor and East River routes.

Considerable credit for this success must be attributed to the strong directorate with which the promoter, S. R. Gordon, has surrounded himself. The president, H. G. Grant, is one of the most successful of our younger business men. E. A. Fullerton of Pictou, the vice-president, in addition to being the sole owner of the long established firm of D. Fullerton & Sons, is also president of The Atlantic Milling Co., Ltd., and a director in the Logan Tanning Co., Ltd. E. M. Macdonald, K. C., M.P., is also director in the Pictou Trust Co., Ltd., and in the Pictou County Electric Co., Ltd. The remaining director, C. M. Crockett, is best known as the manager of the I. Matheson & Co., Ltd. S. R. Gordon is secretary-treasurer. Each is a hard-headed business man recognized as a leader and characterized by shrewdness and good judgment. They in turn are making a success of Eastern Transport, Limited.

The superintendent of the company, Captain R. D. Powell, and the secretary, recently made a trip to the various shipbuilding centres and are satisfied that no better boats of the type desired are being constructed at the present time than along the Miramichi river, where it is proposed to have the company's new steamer built for the East River service.

N. Y. QUOTATIONS

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
Open. High. Low. Close.
Am Beet Sug 106¼ 106¼ 103½ 103½
Am Car Pfd. 77 77 74½ 75
Am Loco. 92½ 92½ 90 90½
Am Sug. 115¼ 115¼ 114½ 114½
Am Steel 114½ 115¼ 112½ 113
Am Steel Pfd. 71¼ 71¼ 70¼ 71
Am Wood 54 54 53 53
Am Zinc. 59 59½ 56 56
Am Tel. 126½ 126½ 125¼ 126
Anaconda. 97½ 97½ 93¾ 94
A. H. and L. Pfd. 78½ 78½ 77 77
Am Can. 61½ 61½ 59½ 59½
Atchafalaya. 104½ 104½ 104 104
Balt and Ohio 85¼ 85¼ 85¼ 85¼
Bald Loco. 80½ 81¼ 78¼ 78¼
Butte and Sup 70¼ 72 68½ 69
Calif Pet Pfd. 27 27 26¼ 26¼
C. P. I. 55½ 55½ 54½ 54½
Ches and Ohio 67½ 67½ 65¼ 66¼
Cent Lead. 110 110 110 110½
Can Pac. 166½ 166½ 165¼ 165¼
Citic Steel. 86 86 82¼ 83¼
Erie Com. 37¼ 37¼ 36¾ 36¾
Erie 1st Pfd. 51½ 51½ 51½ 51½
Gr Nor Pfd. 117½ 117½ 116½ 116½
Good Rub. 68½ 68½ 68¼ 68¼
Gen Elect. 179¼ 179¼ 178¼ 178¼
Gr. Nor Ore. 43¼ 43¼ 41¼ 41¼
Indus Alcohol 136 137¼ 136 136
Balt Gas. 127½ 128 127 127
Inspira Cop. 68½ 68½ 67 67
Kans City Sou 27 27 26¼ 26¼
Kenne Cop. 56½ 56½ 55 55
Lehigh Val. 81¼ 81¼ 80½ 80½
Mer Mar Pfd. 118 118¼ 115¼ 115¼
Mex Petrol. 108 108¼ 106¼ 106¼
Miami Cop. 45¼ 45¼ 45¼ 45¼
Miss Pac. 18¾ 18¾ 18¾ 18¾
NY NH and H 56¾ 56¾ 55½ 55½
N Y Cent. 107¼ 107¼ 106½ 106½
Nor and West 139½ 139½ 137½ 137½
Nor Pac. 111 111 110½ 110½
Nor Lead. 66¼ 66¼ 66¼ 66¼
Nevada Cons 31¼ 31¼ 30¾ 31¼
Ont and West 32¼ 32¼ 31 31
Penn. 56½ 56½ 56¼ 56¼
Press Stl Car 83 83 81½ 81½
Reading Com. 110 110 108¼ 108¼
Repub Steel. 87¼ 88 85½ 85½
St Paul. 93¼ 93¼ 91¼ 92
Sou Pac. 98½ 98½ 98¼ 98¼
Sou Rail. 30¾ 30¾ 29¾ 30
Sloss. 82½ 82½ 81 81¼
Studebaker. 120¼ 120¼ 119 120¼
Union Pac. 145¼ 145¼ 144¼ 144¼
U S Stl Com. 125½ 125½ 123¼ 123¼
U S Rub. 66¾ 69¼ 66¾ 68¼
Utah Cop. 122¼ 122¼ 119¼ 120¼
United Fruit 160¼ 160¼ 159¼ 159¼
Westinghouse 61¼ 61¼ 59¼ 59¼
West Union. 102¼ 102¼ 101¼ 101¼
U S Steel Pfd. 121¼ 121¼ 121¼ 121¼

FOREIGN CONDITIONS AFFECT WALL STREET

Early Prices Above Last Week's Closing, but Market Sagged Late in Day.

New York, Dec. 11.—Trading in today's market was governed largely by the course of foreign affairs and a late rise in call money to 10 per cent, the professional element utilizing these developments to depress the general list. In point of fact, the ten per cent. money rate was more or less artificial, most loans being renewed at half that rate, or lower. Some public liquidation occurred as a result of the political conditions in England and France, and apprehension was heightened by further declines in Anglo-French 4's and City of Paris 6's to new low records. Inidentally, Austrian exchange registered a new minimum, with further unsettlement in marks.

Early prices were mostly above last week's final quotations, the United States bank statement and the United States Steel November tonnage report being viewed as bullish factors. The list recovered its course before the end of the first hour, however, with lower prices towards the feverish close. Leading shares showed net declines of one to three points, with four points for Bethlehem Steel on a single transaction.

Pressure was most pronounced in the copper group, prominent equities and railroads, investment issues in the latter group yielding one to two points on moderate offerings. United States Steel held steady for a time, but fell over a point on the more extensive selling of the later dealings. Among the few noteworthy exceptions to the lower trend were Adams Rubber, which rose over four points to the new high record of 89½, and Central Leather, the latter, however, forfeiting much of its 3½ points advance. Ohio Gas was the only utility to display marked strength at a gross gain of 5 points. Total sales amounted to 1,025,000 shares.

Sentimentally, at least, today's market was affected by the further break in commodities, especially cotton, and advices from the west, where agitation resulting from the increased cost of necessities has caused speculative interests to modify their commitments.

MONTREAL MARKETS

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
Bid. Ask.
Ames Holden Com. 24 25
Brazilian L. H. and P. 44½ 45
Canada Car. 44 45
Canada Cement. 70¾ 71¼
Canada Cement Pfd. 94 95
Can. Cotton. 61 63
Civic Power. 81½ 82
Detroit United. 121 121½
Dom. Bridge. 194 195
Dom. Iron Com. 78 78¼
Dom. Tex. Com. 86 86½
Laurentide Paper Co. 207 208
N. Scotia Steel and C. 144 145
Ogilvie. 144 146
Quebec Railway. 44½ 45
Shaw W. and P. Co. 130 133½
Spanish River Com. 21 21¼
Spanish River Pfd. 64 64½
Steel Can. Com. 85¾ 85¾
Toronto Ralls. 78 80

IMMENSE ORDER FOR BUTTER PLACED

Great Britain and France Order Vast Supply in Australia and United States.

New York, Dec. 11.—Only the fact that Great Britain is at present drawing supplies of butter from Australia and buying up a good portion of the available supply. Advances received in the trade today told of two full cargoes of butter that had been sent forward from Australia, but of these one has been torpedoed. The government will not allow export this year beyond the requirements of home consumption, as was the case in the past three years.

As to production, this has been the best year since 1911, but the prices prevailing are equivalent to 200 shillings laid down in London or Liverpool. The French government will need at least 200,000 tons of butter shortly, part of which will have to come from this country.

CHICAGO PRODUCE.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
Chicago, Dec. 11.—Wheat, No. 2 red, nominal; No. 3 red, 1.50 to 1.75; No. 2 hard, 1.75; No. 3 hard, nominal.
Corn—No. 2 yellow, 94; No. 4 yellow, 91; No. 4 white, 90½ to 93.
Oats—No. 3 white, 53½ to 54½; standard, 54 to 54½.
Rye—No. 2, 1.43½.
Barley—90 to 1.23.
Timothy—3.25 to 5.50.
Clover—12.00 to 17.00.
Pork—28.50.
Lard—16.17.
Ribs—13.30 to 15.80.
Wheat.
High. Low. Close.
May. 178¾ 174½ 175½
July. 150¼ 147½ 148
Sept. 167 164½ 164½
Corn.
May. 93¾ 92 92¼
July. 93¼ 91½ 91½
Dec. 92¼ 90¼ 90½
Oats.
May. 52¾ 51½ 51½
July. 52¾ 51½ 51½
Dec. 52¾ 51½ 51½
Pork.
Jan. 27.15 26.65 26.65
Mar. 26.40 26.10 26.15

MONTREAL PRODUCE.

Montreal, Dec. 11.—CORN—American, No. 2 yellow, 1.15 to 1.18.
OATS—Canadian Western, No. 2, 67½; No. 3, 65½; extra No. 1 feed, 65½.
BARLEY—Manitoba feed, 1.00; malting, 1.30 to 1.32.
FLOUR—Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, 10.00; seconds, 9.50; strong bakers, 9.30; winter patents, choice, 9.50; straight rollers, bbls., 8.90; bags, 4.25 to 4.35.
ROLLED OATS—Bbls., 7.05; bags, 90 lbs., 3.40.
MILFEED—Bran, 32; Shorts, 25; Middlings, 38 to 40; Moultrie, 43 to 48.
HAY—No. 2, per ton, car lots, 13.00.
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NEW YORK COTTON

High. Low. Close.
Jan. 18.88 17.40 17.83
Mar. 19.12 17.50 18.11
May. 19.32 17.80 18.35
July. 19.24 17.85 18.38
Dec. 18.75 17.80 17.75

STOCK MARKET TURNS WEAK IN AFTERNOON

Losses of From Two to Four Occur in Metal Issues and Munition Stocks.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
New York, Dec. 11.—The market developed marked weakness in the afternoon, losses of from 2 to 4 points being recorded in the metal issues and munition stocks. A decided break in Cotton helped the downward movement in stocks. Before the close there was some recovery, and Rubber was one of the few stocks that were strong. It was reported that the Allies had issued an ultimatum to Greece demanding full control throughout the country for war purposes. Call money turned sharply upward in the afternoon and by advancing to 8 p. c. gave a good indication that the recent flurry which carried it up to 15 p. c. may be repeated on a smaller scale almost any time. It means that the long period of low money rates which we have been enjoying since shortly after the war started is now a thing of the past. This is due to greatly increased demand for funds for business purposes, and also to the large increase in the amount tied up through market operations in carrying stocks and other speculative accounts. Reason for today's advance in the rate was not given. The market situation remains uncertain. Sales, 1,024,260. Bonds not printed.
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RUSSIA ORDERS 157 MORE LOCOMOTIVES

Of Number Twenty-five Will be Built in Canada—Other Orders Placed.

Special to The Standard.
New York, Dec. 11.—The Russian government has distributed additional orders for 157 locomotives among the American, Baldwin and Canadian Locomotive Companies. Both the American and Baldwin works will construct 66 locomotives each; the other 25 will be built in Canada.

Domestic roads have also placed orders for 60 additional locomotives and are negotiating for 100 more. Car builders are still being asked to make tenders for construction of 15,000 to 20,000 cars. The Great Northern Railway is expected to order forty engines.

FINANCIAL PRESS

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
Wall Street Journal—"There is unrest over the German submarine situation and an entire absence of public support."
Odd Lot Review—"Trustworthy reports from unusually well informed sources are to the effect that a reaction which some people had been expecting in the stock market had not materialized."
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Late Sporting News and Views Local and Foreign

LEJOIE WEALTHY, WILL RETIRE

Larry Lejoie's baseball career probably ended with the last season. The big Frenchman has been drawing \$9,000 a season for the last three years, but with the close of the 1916 season that agreement expired. Connie Mack paid only half of the amount mentioned, the Cleveland club standing for the other half.

It is certain that Mack will not retain Lejoie, for he intends to build up a team with youngsters.

Lejoie came into the National League in 1894. He was a member of the Fall River team at the time. The Philadelphia National League club sent a scout to look over Phil Geier, a Washington boy, and Lejoie was thrown in for good measure in the deal for Geier.

In due time Lejoie became one of the most famous of players. George Stallings, who managed the Phillies at one time, was responsible for the placing of Lejoie at second base, where he became famous, because of his graceful fielding and his terrific batting.

It is not likely that Lejoie will be picked up by any other major league club, now that he is a free agent, and he is not apt to go to any minor league, for his salary demands would be too high, though he could both play and manage a team.

Lejoie is a man of wealth. He has drawn big salaries for many years, and he has been of a saving disposition and is reported to have a lot of his money well invested.

LEVINISKEY AND DILLON NOW RUNNING CLOSE

Jack Dillon and Battling Levinisky, America's most willing scrappers, have run almost a neck and neck race in the number of bouts participated in since Levinisky's star started up from the horizon in 1910.

Dillon has crawled through the ropes to take part in 155 mills and Levinisky had gone him just two better up to the time compilation of their records was stopped by the end of a year. Levinisky hadn't been going very strong this year until a few months ago, so it is pretty near certain that the Indianapolis wildcat has passed him.

In spite of the fact that Levinisky has appeared in the greater number of bouts, Dillon's record as a knocker-out and as a winner on points is far more imposing than that of the "Battler."

This may be due to the fact that Dillon has scattered his record over several states where they allow decisions while Levinisky has been pretty well satisfied to do his boxing in the East, where they lean to no-decision encounters.

Out of his 155 battles shown in the latest record book, Dillon has won 46, giving him a batting average of .34, while Levinisky has been forced to remain content with 30 wins out of his 137 starts, an average of only .21.

Levinisky's busiest year was 1914, when he was called to the front 36 times. He was credited with victory in only four of these "goes." In 1915 his stock took an awful slump and he gained but one decision out of 21 fighting parties. Levinisky's best year shows he engaged in at least one quarrel every week and 16-36ths.

FEW HEAVYS BOX WELL AT SHORT RANGE

"Big boxers of today depend too much on 'haymaker' wallops," says James J. Corbett. "Few of the modern heavyweights box well at short range. Any time a good little man gets by their guard they flounder around like rudderless ships."

"Take the case of Frank Moran. He is considered a good big man. I watched him box Jack Dillon and Willard. If he had fought Willard like he did Dillon, Jess would have slaughtered him. Moran didn't seem to know what to do when Dillon waded through his left and began walloping him in the ribs. He has no short, choppy hook."

"Frank carries a stiff punch, but he starts it down at his heel. In my day every big 'un could use left or right at close quarters. Fitz had a left hook that flattened many a guy. Jack Johnson's deadliest jolt never traveled more than a few inches."

"Battling Levinisky is a wonderful boxer. That let's him out. He can't box. You can't beat the big fellow," said Brady.

"Cover Sullivan's forfeit of \$10,000 and I'll show you," said I.

"Brady rustled around and dug up \$1,000. He had a terrible time doing it."

"I'll never get the remaining \$9,000," said Brady.

"I did, too, collecting \$10,000 from personal friends. I returned Brady's \$1,000. He needed it in his business. Neither of us had anything to spare. I was doing a boxing turn in 'After Dark,' one of Brady's shows. The remainder of the tale is too well known to be repeated. I beat Sullivan. Brady and myself went 50-50 on everything after that. Later we split, but that's another story."

CASUALTIES AMONG THE ATHLETES

The hull in the advance on the western front has caused an appreciable falling off in the number of casualties, but as the result of sniping and night raids by bombing parties, the names of several well known athletes are added to the already long list of British sportsmen who have been killed and wounded in action.

A. E. Sutherland, killed, was one of the best known Scottish athletes. He was runner up to W. R. Sutherland, the Scottish athlete and Rugby International, in the 1911-12 Scottish Border one hundred yards championship; occupied a like position in the two hundred and twenty yards championship in the latter year, when he was only overtaken at the post, and in 1913 he was chosen as Edinburgh University's second string in the two hundred and twenty yards for the Scottish Inter-University sports.

A well known county cricketer has also made the big sacrifice in E. B. Myers, of the Surrey County club.

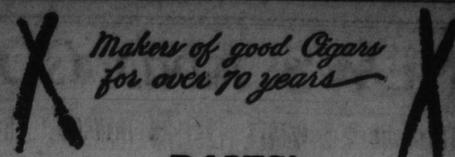
C. T. Cobbold, the famous Cambridge oarsman, killed in action, rowed in the Caius College boat in the Thames Cup at Henley in 1913, in the memorable dead heat against Marlow. Caius were just beaten in the row-off half an hour later.

A. C. Clark, who died of wounds, made his name famous to athletic circles in and around Bristol and was also a member of the Bristol Rugby club.

Lieutenant Colonel H. S. Poyntz, a well known Somerset county cricketer, has been badly wounded.

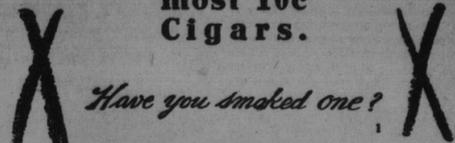
Captain A. R. Gibb, killed, is the twelfth international athlete of Scotland who has died in the war. He was a noted cross country runner, and taking to the track, he won the four mile championship of Scotland and the four mile race against Ireland in 1900.

Two famous English soccer players have also fallen, P. McGuire, the brilliant Manchester City full back, and



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LANKY BOB PROVED THE BEST EVER

J. M. Foster, of the Sunderland club. James Ferguson, the Scottish league footballer of the Third Lanark club and a splendid sportsman, has also laid down his life.

A day or two ago it was observed under one headline that Battling Levinisky was preparing to flatten out Jess Willard.

Directly under this startling announcement was another, to the effect that a gentleman named Miske, or words to the same effect, had beaten Levinisky to a creamy froth.

At which point interest was lost in the proposed Willard-Levinisky jubilee. Finding a man to meet Willard now

is a trifle like finding a man to beat Jeffries around 1903. The only way they could overcome this proposition was to wait four or five years until Jeffries was mostly shell. In about four years from now, when Willard is too portly to get into anything but a 36-foot ring, the job of finding a successful opponent will be in order.

For the present Mr. Willard might just as well be permitted to dally with the lions and leopards, the hard blue seats and lithe-necked graffees.

Prof. Tad, the renowned cartoonist and sporting expert, says that Darcy is the greatest fighter that ever left Australia, not even barring Bob Fitzsimmons. Having unlimited respect for Tad's judgment, other ring critics are still willing to string with Ruby Robert, pound for pound, against any man who ever wore a glove. Darcy weights something over 160. When Fitz knocked out Corbett the Lanky One weighed 156. The ring has never produced a man anywhere near Fitzsimmons' weight who was even close to the Cornishman's class. And quite a drift of water will flow under the bridge before the ring ever does.

LOCAL BOWLING YESTERDAY

In the City League on Black's alleys last night the Ramblers won the four points from the Amateurs. The winners' second string total of 538 is a league record for this season. The scores follow:

Ramblers.	Duffy	94	112	87	293	97	2-3
	Jordan	88	97	85	270	90	
	Beattie	92	106	107	305	101	2-3
	Coughlan	87	124	85	306	102	
	Riley	95	99	96	290	96	2-3
		466	538	460	1464		
Amateurs.	Pugh	75	104	85	264	88	
	Armstrong	74	82	87	243	81	
	Huggard	84	85	74	243	81	
	Lemon	78	94	99	263	87	2-3
	Walsh	83	120	99	312	104	
		405	485	435	1325		

The Specials and Sweeps roll tonight.

Y. M. C. A. BASKETBALL

Two games of basketball were played at the Y. M. C. A. yesterday, one in the senior league and one in the High School league. In the High School league the Crusaders won from the Unknowns by a score of 15 to 3. The line-up was:

Unknowns.	Forwards.	Thompson	Jordan	Centre.	Anglin	Wilson	Cross	Guards.	Day	Marcus
Crusaders.	Forwards.	Tennant	Bates	Centre.	McQuade	Cromwell	Hatfield	Guards.	Legge	King

In the senior league the Clovers put it over the Thistles to the tune of 33 to 18. The line-up was:

Thistles.	Forwards.	Smith	Willet	Centre.	Bambury	Day	Marcus	Guards.	Legge	King
Clovers.	Forwards.	Treat	Perry	Centre.	Long	Legge	King	Guards.	Legge	King

CARPENTIER MAY MEET WILLARD

New York, Dec. 11.—Tex Rickard, who is endeavoring to bring Georges Carpentier, the French pugilist, to this country for a boxing contest with Jess Willard, announced tonight that he had heard from Carpentier and that the latter intimated a furlough would be granted him by the army authorities and he would be glad to come to America and box for the benefit of the French relief fund.

SIX DAY RACE

Inella M. Uppercn, president of the Cycle Racing Association, has announced that the New York six-day bicycle race will start at midnight on Sunday, December 17, and will end on Saturday night, December 23. As usual, the race will be held at Madison Square Garden, and it will mark the twenty-fourth annual running. On the Saturday night previous to the long races there will be a set of sprint races, with many crack amateur and professional riders competing. Frank Kramer, who for sixteen years has held the professional championship of America, will compete, as will John Stachler, the national amateur champion. It is expected that there will be eighteen teams in the race.

Isolation Hospital.

It is understood that the new isolation hospital at Howe's Lake, which is about finished, will be handed over to the Municipal Council next Saturday. The building is up-to-date in all respects.

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WELL I'M GITTIN' DRYER EVERY SECOND LISTENIN' TO YOU TALK ABOUT IT!

Correspondents' Corner.

APOHAQUI

Apoahqui, Dec. 11.—Rev. Bishop Richardson, of Fredericton, was present at the afternoon service at the Church of Ascension on Sunday, where His Lordship performed the rite of Confirmation, 16 candidates being taken into the church. A very large and representative congregation assembled composed of members of all the different churches of the village—who listened with pleasure to the inspiring address given by the bishop, who is alike popular with all creeds.

Rev. and Mrs. M. L. Greig of Halifax are the guests of Mr. Greig's mother, Mrs. George Greig, Mount-Ashdale. The reverend gentleman has recently undergone an operation for appendicitis and is recuperating for a few weeks before accepting a call to a church in Sydney, C. B.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. M. Lawson, Fredericton, spent Thursday last guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harley S. Jones.

Fred Erb, Calgary, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Erb.

Mrs. J. M. Stillings of Truro has returned home, after spending a week very pleasantly with Rev. and Mrs. J. Tingley at the Baptist parsonage, Lower Millstream. Mrs. Tingley accompanied by her guest paid a visit to St. John the latter part of last week.

Rev. R. J. Colpitts of St. John was a guest of his brother, Warren H. Colpitts and Mrs. Colpitts, for a short time last week.

Murray Gilchrist, who is a most successful sportsman, was fortunate in capturing two deer in the wooded land back of the village, one of them had an exceptional spread of antlers and a most beautiful head.

Mrs. Geo. H. Sharpe of Barre, Cal., who has been the guest of the Misses Sharpe, left last week for St. John, en route to her home.

Mrs. Wm. Johnson, who has made an extended visit with Mrs. I. B. Humphrey, has returned to her home in St. John.

Mrs. Albert McArthur and Mrs. Nesbit of Sussex have returned home after a few days visit with Mrs. Douglas Fenwick.

E. McLeod, Penobscot, paid a brief visit to relatives here last week. The numerous friends of his illness, and earnestly hope for his recovery.

I. A. Smith of Elgin, Albert Co., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Colpitts last week.

Miss Martha McVey, primary teacher, spent the week-end at her home in Passadumcook.

L. V. Wright received a letter on Monday, 11th, from his son, Herbert Wright, who went overseas attached to the 104th. Signaller Wright states that there has been a draft already sent to France, taken from the 104th, and that Pte. Percy L. Polking was one of the number. Pte. Polking was formerly an employe of Jones Bros., and his many friends here hope for his safety and eventual return.

Gilbert Upham of Upham, was a visitor with his daughters, Mrs. Chas. Thues and Mrs. Herbert Baird, last week—at their homes Lower Millstream.

Many expressions of sympathy are being received by Mr. and Mrs. Isaac D. Pearson in the death of their son, Corp. Harold Gordon Pearson. Among the numerous letters received was one from Sir Geo. E. Foster.

Miss Annie Greig of Jones Bros. office staff, was a week-end guest at her home in Mount-Ashdale.

The local Red Cross Aid Society acknowledges with thanks the gift of \$5 from Geo. B. Jones, M.L.A., to be added to the funds of the society.

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WESTFIELD

Westfield, Dec. 11.—The members of the Adult Bible Class of Westfield were entertained by Rev. F. T. and Mrs. Bertram at the parsonage on Friday evening. A pleasant evening was spent in games and music, after which refreshments were served.

Miss Helen Hayter returned on Monday from visiting relatives in St. John.

Miss B. Burns of Fairville was a recent guest of Mrs. J. E. Stevens.

Miss M. E. Hoyt spent a few days this week in St. John.

Mr. R. M. Burden left on Saturday for Boston.

Miss Myrtle Porter was the week-end guest of friends in St. John.

Mrs. Hoben left on Friday for Boston, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Grant.

Miss Maud Sewell spent Sunday in St. John.

Mrs. F. H. Gilliland entertained the ladies of the Methodist Aid, at her residence on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. I. Nae was hostess for the Women's Auxiliary on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Patterson of Gasperaux, was the week-end guest of Mrs. A. E. Rowley.

Miss Elizabeth Stephenson, professional nurse of Malden, Mass., arrived here on Wednesday, having been called home on account of the serious illness of her father, Mr. W. J. Stephenson, Hillendale.

Miss Ruth Baxter of Gasperaux, spent Sunday with her parents.

Rev. W. P. Dunham of Fairville, gave a lecture with lantern pictures on Japan, at the rectory, Woodman's Point, on Wednesday evening.

DORCHESTER

Dorchester, Dec. 11.—Mr. W. E. B. Tait, who has been spending several weeks in Boston, guest of relatives has returned home.

Mrs. Reid of Port Elgin, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Nellie McPherson, Government Terrace.

Miss Alice Hickman of Mount Allison, spent the week-end at her home here.

Mrs. A. E. Oulton and daughter, Miss Jo, leave on Thursday for Montreal, where they will spend the winter.

Miss Jean Blanchard of Mount Allison, Sackville, spent the week-end in the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Smith, Church St.

On Tuesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. C. Allen, Church St., the ladies of the Presbyterian church held a sale of fancy work and candy. Afternoon tea was served from 4 to 6.

Miss Isabelle Allen and Miss Ruth Toed had charge of the candy table. Mrs. Robert Sinclair, fancy table. Mrs. Hamilton, Miss Jean Percy and Miss Jean Drillon helped serve. Mrs. McAllister and Mrs. Brown poured tea and coffee. The sum of fifty-three dollars was realized to go for church purposes.

Miss Irene MacArthur of St. John, who spent the past week here, guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Pipes, has returned home.

Rev. F. G. Macintosh of Sackville, spent Tuesday in town, guest of Mr. Jas. Percy and the Misses Percy.

Mrs. A. E. Oulton spent Friday last in Sackville, guest of relatives.

Miss Jean Brown of Moncton, spent the week-end in town the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown, Government Terrace.

Mrs. G. B. Papeana spent Friday last in Amherst, guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank Turner.

Mrs. Willard Crossman of Winnipeg, Man., arrived in town on Monday, and is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John MacCaull.

Miss Lydia Pipes of Amherst, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Pipes.

PRICES LOWER AT CLOSE ON MONTREAL EXCHANGE.

Montreal, Dec. 11.—The closing prices of most stocks showed about a point's decline from the opening. Trading was fairly active, but there are at the present time, so many things happening that affect the market that it keeps it unsettled; such as a German cruiser escaping through the blockade, money again rising today in New York to 10 p. c.; a statement that most finished munition contracts were to be placed in the States affected the munition stocks there; changes in the British and French cabinets, and it looks to us as if the markets would be erratic for a few days.

At the close, Quebec was bid up and sold at 45. Steel of Canada preferred was a strong feature, closing at 107 bid with none offering. The buying of this stock is good and as it shares with the common after 7 p. c., it looks as if more than this was expected for the common near close.

McDUGALL & COWANS.

THE POLICE COURT.

In the police court yesterday the deposits of two prisoners charged with fighting, were forfeited owing to their not appearing.

Cyril Cormier, remanded on a charge of drunkenness, forcing an entrance into the house of Philip McVey, Golding street, and resisting the police, was fined \$8.00 for drunkenness and a fine of \$80.00 on the other charges was allowed to stand.

A case of Louis Herwitz, for having liquor on his premises, was before the court and held for further consideration by the magistrate.

Two boys on the charge of stealing were allowed to go on suspended sentence.

Wm. Ward, charged with stealing a coat from the Princess garage, was committed for trial.

One drunk was fined eight dollars.

HARTLAND

Hartland, N. B., Dec. 11.—A lime quarry has been opened at Ashland, a short distance from here, which promises good returns to the promoters, A. G. Baker and H. N. Dickinson, as well as to furnish employment for a number of hands. The rock formation is of the kind that, when crushed, is used for fertilizer purposes on land, and of good quality and plenty of it. A crushing machine was installed this week and operations will be started at once. There is a short haul to the railway and a good market is assured in the country roundabout, which later may be extended farther afield.

The last few days of the big game season was fraught with much slaughter of deer and moose, many of which found their way to Hartland, so that the market was glutted with same meat, and the prices dropped to a low figure.

On Monday evening the Epworth League of the Methodist church, with a society referred to the matter in several pulpits on Sunday, and the young ladies of the place will start on a canvass for funds on Monday.

At the regular convention of Brighton Lodge, Knights of Pythias, held on Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected for the term beginning January 1, 1917: A. A. Moore, C.C.; V. F. Noyes, V.C.; M. L. Hayward, Prel.; A. P. Henderson, M.W.; A. D. Colwell, K. of R. and S.; W. M. Noddin, M.P.; F. J. Shaw, M.E.; Harry A. Large, M.A.; Fred Hayward, I.G.; D. W. Shaw, O.G.

Arthur Thornton leaves the first of the year for St. John to take a position in the head office of the N. B. Telephone Co.

FUNERAL AT NEWCASTLE.

Newcastle, Dec. 11.—The funeral of the late William Keating, who was injured at the station here on Friday last, was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock with a very large attendance. The service in St. Mary's church was conducted by Rev. Father Prudell. A large number of floral tributes testified to the esteem in which the deceased young man was held by a large circle of friends.

The pall bearers were—Lester Jeffrey, Harold McMaster, Leo Mitchell, Harry Hachey Michael Coughlan and Pearl Steach.

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MANY COLONELS TO RETURN TO CANADA

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—It is announced from the militia department that the number of unemployed Canadian officers in England is to be reduced materially. Officers of higher rank who have not been taken to the front will have to revert to subaltern rank to go to the front or come home and take off the uniform, and no distinction will be made between members of parliament and others. At present there are more than 200 Canadian lieutenant-colonels in England on full pay, and General Turner is expected to weed them out at once.

SHIPPING NEWS

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

December—Phases of the Moon.
First Quarter 1st 9h. 55m. p.m.
Full Moon 9th 3h. 44m. a.m.
Last Quarter 17th 2h. 5m. p.m.
New Moon 24th 4h. 31m. p.m.
First Quarter 31st 8h. 7m. a.m.

Table with columns: Date, D., D. of W., Sun rises, Sun sets, H. water a.m., H. water p.m., L. water a.m., L. water p.m.

PORT OF ST. JOHN, N. B.

Arrived Monday, Dec. 11, 1916.
Coastwise—Str. Stadium, Alma; Scho. Effe Maud, Apple River; Wanta, Economy; Shamrock, Bass River; Packet, Little Bass River; Str. Grand Manan, Wilson's Beach.

Cleared.
Coastwise—Str. Stadium, Parraboro; Hochelega, Sydney; Scho. Effe Maud, St. Martins; Shamrock, Mattland.

BRITISH PORTS.

Glasgow Dock, Dec 6—Arr: Sch Rebecca M Walls, Liverpool, for Barbados.
Liverpool, Dec 3—Signed: Str. Philadelphia, Candy, New York for Liverpool.

Sid. previous to Dec 5: Str. Graciana, St. John's, Nfld, and Halifax.
London, Dec 5—Sid previous: Str. Kanawha, Halifax.

Manchester, Dec 8—Arr: Str. Manchester Corporation, Montreal.
Glasgow, Dec 4—Arr: Str. Athena, Black, Montreal.

Belshis, Dec 7—Arr: Str. Inishowen Head, Montreal.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Delausw Breakwater, Dal, Dec 8—Arr: Scho. George H Ames, New York for New York; T. W. H. White, do for Baltimore.

New York, Dec 9—Arr: Sch. Harry W. Haynes, St. John; Thomas H. Lawrence, St. George.

City Island, Dec 9—Arr: Scho. Emma McAdam, Perth Amboy for St. Andrews, (anchored); Ewa G. C. Buttberg, for Dartmouth N. S. (anchored); Donald A. Crocker, Charlottan, P. E. I., for New York, with potatoes; Waula, St. John, N. B., via Bridgeport, Ct. for New York; John Schmittz, Bridgeport for New York.

Boston, Dec 8—Arr: Scho. Rosalie, Liverpool, N. S.; King Joseph, do; Orosimbo, Bangor; Evin J. Luce, Rockport, Mass.; Ella Clifton, Bangor, Me.; James L. Mabry, Rockport, Me.; Scho. Irene, Scho. Frank H. Adams, St. John's, Nfld.; Ernest T. Lee, Perth Amboy, St. Andrews, N. B.; Ella F. Crowell, Rockport, Me.

Boothbay Harbor, Boston; Willis and Guy, do; Storm Petrel, do; Helen, do; Flora M. do; Julia Frances, New York; Winchester, Bangor, Me.

Calais, Dec 8—Sid: Sch. Sarah Eaton, Fall River.

Bangor, Dec 8—Sid: Sch. Sarah Eaton, Fall River.

Eastport, Dec 8—Arr: Scho. Sarah Eaton, Calais for New York; Jubilee, St. George, N. B. for New York.

New Haven, Dec 8—Arr: Scho. Anna Brown, South Amboy.

Sid Dec 8: Sch. Florence, New York; Rockland, Dec 8—Arr: Scho. Irene B. Meserve, Bangor, Me.

Annis B. Mitchell, Roberts Harbor for Boston; Abensid, Camden for Boston; Kate L. Pray, Seaboard.

Sid Dec 8: Scho. Helvetia, New York; Moonlight, do; Kennebec, do; Lucy May, Boston; Warren B. Potter, do; John J. Perry, do.

Vineyard Haven, Dec 8—Arr: Sch. Henry Wilkinson, Port Reading for Bangor.

Sid Dec 8: Sch. Flora Condon, Norfolk.

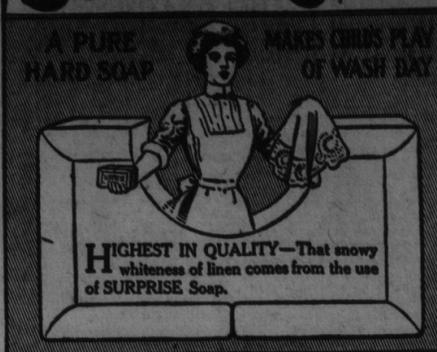
Portland, Dec 8—Arr: Scho. Maple Leaf, St. John, N. B. for New York; Winchester, Rockland, for do; Edna Hazel, Nova Scotia for Gloucester; Fannie F. Hall, Rockland for Boston; Mary Langdon, Bangor for Rockland.

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GERMANY NEARING CRISIS, BROUGHT BY FOOD SHORTAGE

Nations Must Either Win a Great Victory Soon or Sue for Peace, It is Declared—People Are Tired of War.

Germany must win a great victory soon or sue for peace to prevent a revolt of the civilian population being driven desperate by hunger, according to E. F. B. Delaney, general agent for the Holland-America line in Chicago and formerly consul from the Netherlands there.

Mr. Delaney has recently arrived in New York from Holland, where he was married to the daughter of Dr. A. S. Talm, until recently Dutch Minister of Agriculture and Labor. He returned to this country with a party of 50 officials of the Dutch government and engineers sent here to study American waterways, canals and locks and to purchase immense quantities of materials.

The information which came to Mr. Delaney from a Dutch official at Dusseldorf, indicates the plight of the German government in reaching an extreme stage and that their only hope of continuing the war is to win some great victory and thereby placate the growing rage of the people.

The civilian population is underfed, and the aged, ill and weak are dying by thousands because they cannot obtain the necessary sustenance. Food riots are of daily occurrence everywhere in Germany, and in Dusseldorf men and women repeatedly have rioted, to be beaten back by armed soldiers and many cases severely wounded.

"Every ounce of food which enters Germany and but little is going in, is distributed from Berlin," he said the other day, at the McAlpin Hotel.

"The most rigorous censorship is maintained to keep the true state of affairs from the world, but in Holland the general knowledge of exact conditions is becoming known and the people understand why Germany is fighting so desperately at Verdun and why the Austrians are smashing at Italy. It is essential for the continuance of the war that a great victory be won by the Central Powers so that the people may again put out the flag and the hands may play in the streets."

"It has been long since the German people rejoiced over a great triumph, but daily they are seeing the little medium of food they are permitted being diminished and the majority of the civilians are sadly underfed. The wife of the official who attended my wedding, who came from Dusseldorf with him, and who by the way, was an Englishwoman, was so weak and was suffering so from malnutrition that she could hardly walk a few hundred feet."

The civilians receive scant attention from the government so far as food is concerned and the patients in the tubercular and other disease hospitals are succumbing in large numbers because they cannot be fed. The whole attention of the government is centred on feeding its armies. All that food which comes to Germany, no matter who buys it—be it high or low—must go to the central depot in Berlin.

"From there it is distributed. The necessary food stores for the army are made up and what remains is apportioned about the country for the civilians. As an example the official of whom I speak received weekly two ounces of butter, or about the amount one eats at a meal, for the use of his wife and himself. He receives a certain small portion of meat on having his meat card presented and punched, but recently there have been times when there was no meat.

"Holland has placed an embargo on foods into Germany. When the official returned to Germany, his wife took him and spread over these buns three pounds of butter, for she wanted the butter very much. When she reached the border the customs officials, who are very strict, took away the buns and butter, and permitted her to retain but three buns—her individual food allowances for actual consumption.

"The people through Germany are depressed, and recently the lassitude which followed their first outbursts of joy over early victories has been given place to a restlessness that is alarming the government. There have been riots in many places, and though every effort is made to keep them from becoming public they are becoming so frequent that it is impossible to do it.

"The babies, the aged and the weak are suffering. There must be some definite advance on Germany's part or she must admit defeat. In Holland the general belief among those who are qualified to know is that Germany is beaten but not destroyed. About 50 per cent. of the Dutch people are pro-Ally, but the majority, while wishing to see Germany beaten, do not want her smashed. They do not want her to be brought to a realization that 'failure' is not a necessity for the world.

"All over Holland I found a certain friendliness for the United States as well as a certain criticism. It is believed over there that President Wilson has pursued a weak and vacillating course and that he has lost a magnificent opportunity to place this country in the front of the great nations of the world in not more strongly protesting against breaches of neutrality. Holland has received better treatment from Germany than the United States. She has between 400,000 and 500,000 trained soldiers under arms and this, added to her determined attitude, has been a lever in the discussions she has had with Germany.

"Many to whom I talked believe the President was weak because his people would not let him interfere with their 'dollar' making long enough to take a great place in the world as the

strongest. I was not to be pitied, for I had plenty of taxi-cabs, and I was easily on time at the station half an hour away, with my military permission duly stamped.

We were six journalists—two Americans, one Russian, one Spaniard, one Holland, and one German—swim and four members of various chambers of commerce, a Canadian, an Englishman, and one Frenchman from Barcelona, and another who is president of the French Chamber in Geneva. None of us had seen Rheims since the destruction, and each of us, perhaps, felt the need of being edified.

A few weeks before, an American millionaire had been on one of these visits, and I remembered that importance was attributed to it—"for people in America will believe what he says." So it seems that people, as this war becomes an odd story, are ceasing to believe in its particular horrors. Well, I have seen and I have had the chance and the good-will, and I have taken the pains to examine for myself the state of Rheims—and I should be crazy or perverse or mentally dull not to recognize that the destruction of the cathedral is real and complete, and that it was not war, what is worse—and this seems to have escaped popular attention abroad—efforts at similar destruction have still been carried on in these past weeks—and never with any valid or pretended excuse of war.

Cherry Young Soldier

In the train sitting next me was a cherry young soldier coming back from his few days' leave in Bayonne, on the Bay of Biscay. Common acquaintance in that delightful region opened his mouth, and he said, laughing: "Our officers will not let you get near enough the fighting line to be in danger. One of our members of Parliament was down here, and he complained that the French authorities seemed to think of nothing but protecting his person, whereas the English, from whose line in the Somme he came, had simply led him to the front line and told him to look out for himself."

When I got out of the train, the young Bayonne soldier continued on his way to his post in Champagne, where he stands a good chance of losing his own head. A captain, with his skull bound up, had got out on the way, after telling that he had been trepanned, and that Dr. Carrel's method of continuous irrigation of wounds with our American Dr. Dakin's liquid had saved his terrible wound from killing him.

When I came to Rheims, I found that the journalists' usual few minutes' visit to the first line of trenches would not take place, because the French battery of La Pompeille had opened fire the day before, and, in the nature of things, the Germans might respond. Now, the front line was near for the civilian dangerously near, each other. So this part of our visit was curtailed, and we had to content ourselves with a descent, in and out, up and down and around, what I should think was a fourth-line trench. I studied my raincoat, and my feet stuck to the mud going down, but it was fairly dry below, and its details had been worked out with much ingenuity by the civilized men who have been obliged to live in it so many weary months. There was a little sitting and working place to pass the time, about the size of a sleeping-bunk. There were the endwise holes in the earth, with the sleeping apparatus of the soldiers.

There was the abrupt, deep flight of steps farther down to the shelter, which is bombproof, except for the fact that it is a tunnel. All this has been too often described for me to linger on, though some of my comrades of the foreign press have extracted twenty paragraphs, not to say as many chapters, from twenty minutes in these bowels of the earth. What I should like to have remembered is that Rheims, while it is not subjected now to very dry attacks, is still close up to the firing zone, and receives its dose of German iron when least expected. We were to see this in what I would call the cathedral line of German bombardment.

In fact, the city of Rheims has not been destroyed whole and entire, nor even for the greater part. The destruction is confined to a fairly narrow swath in a straight line before and behind the Cathedral. If it means anything at all, it means that the guns which wrought all this destruction were deliberately aiming at the Cathedral, and nothing else. No excuses can do away with this geometrical fact. Let us go over the excuses as they show up on the spot.

On my return to Paris an American, who had just quitted before the advancing French armies, knew perfectly well. Now, nearly two years after, the Germans have abandoned all such excuses by sending more shells in the same firing line of the Cathedral. In July an enormous shell fell on the stone-vaulted roof of the right transept, broke a disastrous gap through it, and smashed up the pavement below, splintering the near columns which still uphold the vault. The shell passed within a few feet of the two unique windows of green stained glass, which still remain intact. With a few more trials, now that their hand is in, the German batteries may shatter them, too, from civilization's treasures. Indeed, it is a wonder they have not before this brought down the whole cathedral vault.

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who thinks he has an obligation to be neutral and so dispenses with logic, repeated the explanation given when the Germans were first astonished by the explosion of the world's anger at the destruction: they were working; "The Germans fired, not on the Cathedral as such, but on the Cathedral towers, which the French were using as observation posts." The cathedral clergy have taken oath that they could not have helped knowing it, and that the usual ways of hiding movement of the towers had been made. A little spying out of the land as we do not know to Rheims shows the uselessness of such observation posts to find out batteries on the other side of near hills higher than the towers.

First Thrill of Danger

Our auto ran the fifteen miles from the railway station to Rheims along one of these hill roads which are exposed to present German observation. The usual ways of hiding movement along the road as one passes gave the first thrill of dangers of war. "If they located us, they might aim a shot or two at us," the soldier who was our chauffeur remarked soothingly. On our side it was easy to see where French batteries might be, but the Germans would have had to fire over the crest of the hill, for their batteries occupy similar vantage ground on the other side. Now the Cathedral towers give no proper point of observation for either army line; they are high, but they begin low down in the valley where the city is built. This is a topographical fact which the Germans, who could know nothing of what was really going on in Rheims, which they

gave the play of light and shadow in graceful recognizable outlines, has been burned to nothingness for the most part. There are only here and there spaces where we can see what Rheims Cathedral in its flower must have been. The destruction of the window-traceries and stained glass is even more complete.

Restoration, that is, the copying in new structures what has been destroyed, might be possible; but haste must be made to protect the stone vaulted roof from falling in and that very soon—and war is not ending soon. For the shells which still fall intentionally break arches and vaults and the rain filters in and completes the work of artillery until, some day, all that is left may come tumbling down. If something is not done, even the preservation of the cathedral of Rheims as a ruin will become difficult.

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J. C. CHESLEY, Agent Marine and Fisheries Dept. St. John, N. B., Dec. 9, 1916.

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J. C. CHESLEY, Agent, Marine & Fisheries Dept. St. John, N. B., December 11, 1916.

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THE WEATHER.

Forecast. Maritime—Strong easterly to southerly winds with sleet and rain today followed at night by northerly winds and colder again.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Forecast: Northern New England—Snow Tuesday, except possibly rain near the coast; Wednesday local snow and colder; gentle to moderate south winds.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—The disturbance which was over the southwest states last night is now centered near Lake Erie causing light rain and snow over western Ontario. The weather has been fair and a little colder from the Ottawa Valley eastward. It has been a little milder with snow in Alberta but continues cold in Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

Temperatures.

Table with columns for location, Min., and Max. Includes Dawson, Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Edmonton, Battleford, Prince Albert, Saskatoon, Medicine Hat, Moose Jaw, Regina, Winnipeg, Parry Sound, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, and Halifax.

Around the City

Nine Persons Arrested. The police arrested nine persons last night, and of the number five were common drunks.

Arrived in Liverpool Safe. A cable was received yesterday by Mrs. Miles Agar from her husband, announcing his safe arrival in Liverpool, England.

Rotary Club. At yesterday's luncheon of the Rotary Club at Bond's restaurant Mr. Kershaw spoke briefly on "Enemy Goods." Major Tilly also gave a short address on "National Service."

Arrested for Deserting. Louis Austin and George Alberta, two local colored men, who are members of the No. 2 Construction Battalion in training in Truro, N. S., were arrested last night, and are charged with deserting from the battalion. They were locked up at police headquarters and will be dealt with today.

The Honor Roll. Six men enlisted in the city yesterday. They were: Walter Karter, of Glen Falls, for the Royal Navy; James McDonald, of Glasgow, Scotland; and Charles H. Corey, of Rhode Island, both for the Canadian Expeditionary Force; and Charles Sultis, of N. S., for the machine gun crew; and Wm. C. Buchanan for 23rd Battalion.

N. B. People in London. Recent callers at the office of the agent general for New Brunswick included: Lt. Roland J. Smith, St. John; Capt. G. H. and Mrs. Lounsbury, Newcastle, N. B.; Maj. G. S. Kinneer, Sussex, N. B.; Lt. R. E. Patchell, St. John; Capt. A. Crichton, Moncton; Capt. S. J. Goodfellow; Maj. E. E. Wood, Bale Verte; Lt. D. V. White, son of Dr. White, St. John, who is in charge of a R. F. A. battery, and Lt. D. B. Winslow, Fredericton.

Arrested for Fighting. John Travis, a civilian, who resides on North street, and Alfred Ferris, a soldier, were arrested last night about ten o'clock on the charge of fighting together near Travis' home. According to the police, after the two men had been fighting a short time, Travis went into the home of his mother and while there did considerable damage to the furniture. After some difficulty he was ejected from the house and placed under arrest. On being locked in a cell at police headquarters, Travis not only proved very noisy, but in his rage managed to tear his clothing badly.

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WAS PREPARING FEAST WHEN POLICE CAME IN

James Burns Arrested by County Policeman on Charge of Stealing Lamb and Looting Camp at Loch Lomond

James Burns, a colored man, was arrested last evening by County Policeman Saunders on the charge of breaking into Robert C. Gilmour's summer camp at the Upper Loch Lomond, with stealing a quantity of articles from there, also with stealing a lamb from A. T. Baker, a farmer.

Late yesterday afternoon the policeman was notified of smoke coming from the camp chimney, and that Mr. Gilmour was not there. The officer hastened to the camp and found Burns preparing to cook some lamb. The officer found a carcass of lamb, also a suitcase filled with clothing, which Burns had packed ready for removal. From investigation the officer learned that A. T. Baker, who conducts the Murray farm near the camp, had placed some high bred lambs in the pen yesterday morning at eleven o'clock. Shortly after noon Burns stole one of the lambs, and taking it to a field nearby and killed it. He managed to take the hide off and prepare it in a manner that would do credit to a butcher. Taking the carcass to the camp he was preparing to cook part of it for his evening repast, when he was surprised by the officer and placed under arrest. Mr. Baker values the lamb at twenty dollars.

"BACK TO THE LAND" FOR DETECTIVE BRIGGS

Competent Member of City Detective Force to Engage in Farming with His Father

Detective George Briggs handed in his resignation to the Chief of Police last night and commencing next week will go in for farming. The detective will continue on duty until the last of the week, and will then proceed to Kars, Kings county, where he will take over the management of a farm for his father. In the resignation of Detective Briggs the police force loses one of its most valued members. He has been a member of the force for nearly six years, and after doing duty as a patrolman for about a year and a half he was placed on plain clothes duty in the North End. About a year ago he was transferred to the southern division and since then has been working with Detective Barrett. His work in this line has been most commendable. During the entire period that he has been a police officer he has had an exceptionally clean record and has proven an officer whose place will be hard to fill.

REV. WILLIAM MALCOLM CALLED TO ST. STEPHEN

Case will be Formally Considered Today at Meeting of Presbytery of St. John.

The congregation of Saint Stephen's church, Saint Stephen, has extended a call through the Saint John Presbytery to the Rev. William Malcolm of this city. The call will be considered at the meeting of the Presbytery in Saint Andrew's church this morning. Rev. Mr. Malcolm is one of the younger members of the ministry of the Presbyterian Church and has been engaged for some time in mission work at East Saint John, where he has met with much success.

Several important matters will be discussed at today's meeting of the Presbytery. The Rev. W. M. Fraser reached the city last evening from St. Andrews and will be the moderator. The resignation of the Rev. Robert Dewar from the pastorate at Prince William, York County, will be taken into consideration as well as a number of remits from the general assembly. The matter of continuing retired ministers on the roll will be taken up and it is expected that the Presbytery will vote to continue such ministers as members though they may possibly move to other fields. The standing of assistant members as members of Presbytery has also been referred to this meeting by the general assembly. A proposal emanating from the general assembly to reduce the representation from the Presbyteries at the assembly meetings is also on the programme for discussion. At the present time the representation is one in six for both clergymen and elders, while the proposal is to reduce the number to one in eight. Home missions and other matters will also be taken up at today's meeting.

An Alarm of Fire. About nine o'clock last night, the fire department were called out by an alarm from box 152 for a fire in an old building on Smythe street, used by the City Fuel Co. The fire started near the foot of the stairs, and as that portion of the building is only used during the noon hour, when the horses are being fed, it is not known what was the cause of the blaze. Some think it is the work of a fire bug. The damage to the building was slight.

JAMMED TO DEATH BETWEEN CAR AND RAILWAY SIDING

A. R. Richardson, C. P. R. Brakeman, Victim of Tragic Accident Yesterday Afternoon

A. R. Richardson, brakeman on the C. P. R. shunting engine No. 6297, was killed yesterday afternoon by accidently falling between one of the cars being shunted and the platform of the Maritime Mill Works siding. He was wedged in between the car and platform so firmly that those who went to his assistance had to cut the platform away. Coroner Roberts ordered the body removed to Chamberlain's undertaking rooms. He will view the scene of the accident this morning and later on he will view the body. He will also empanel a jury between eight and nine o'clock this morning. An inquest will be held at a later date.

Richardson was a Fredericton man and worked last year on the new bridge at the falls. He was 25 years of age and is survived by his wife. He resided on Prince street, Carleton.

OFFICERS OF THE 211TH ARE CITY'S GUESTS

THE 104TH BATTALION HAS BEEN BROKEN UP

Mayor and Commissioners Hosts at Banquet in Bond's Last Evening — Battalion Warmly Welcomed.

The officer commanding the 211th Battalion, Lieut.-Col. W. M. Sage, and the officers of the battalion, were the guests of honor at a banquet tendered by the civic officials last night at Bond's. The room was attractively decorated for the affair and the whole scene was one of animated good-fellowship.

A splendid programme of music in which several local artists were heard to advantage was enthusiastically received. Among those who participated in the musical programme were Dr. W. P. Bonnell, Steve Matthews, G. D. Davis and W. Evans.

The chairman for the evening was Mayor Hayes. Seated at the head of the table with the Mayor were General McLean, Lieut.-Col. W. M. Sage, A. O. Skinner, chairman of the reception committee, and Commissioners Russell, Wigmore, Fisher and McLellan. Seated on one side of the table were the officers of the battalion, and on the other the members of the reception committee. After the party had done justice to the repast several interesting addresses of welcome were delivered by the civic officials, as well as the members of the reception committee.

Mayor Hayes in a few well chosen words expressed the sentiments of the city when it was learned that the 211th Calgary Battalion were to arrive in St. John. He said it gave him pleasure to welcome to the city such men as those making up the Calgary battalion. He felt sure every citizen would assist in making their stay while in the city a pleasant one.

Lieut.-Col. W. M. Sage in replying to the Mayor's speech, thanked the city for the Liberal hospitality with which they had been received. He felt sure that the officers and men of the battalion would always remember the people of St. John and their kindness while in the city. Lieut.-Col. Sage stated that he would be only too pleased to assist in any undertaking for the prosecution of the war while in the city. He kindly offered the use of the band for any purpose that may require music. He said that the only way that he could repay the citizens for their kindness and hospitality was to give a concert in the Imperial for the benefit of patriotic purposes. Accordingly it was announced that on Wednesday night after the second show the citizens would have an opportunity of hearing the band of the 211th Battalion. The band has already won distinction as a musical organization.

Short speeches were made by General H. H. McLean, Major Lesere, A. O. Skinner, R. E. Armstrong, the commissioners, Captain A. Mulcahy and Colonel Sturdee. The addresses of England, Ireland and Scotland were greatly enjoyed. England was represented by Colonel Sturdee; Scotland by R. E. Armstrong, and Ireland by Captain Mulcahy. The captain caused great laughter when he stated that you had to beat the Irish seven times before they began to fight.

Several officers of the battalion also spoke and all agreed that the reception tendered to them was one that will live long in their memories. Besides the civic officials, the reception committee, General McLean and Major Lesere, the list included: Lieut.-Col. W. M. Sage, O. C., Major L. E. Clark, Major Cowell, adjutant; Capt. Edson, paymaster; Capt. Trainor, quartermaster; Capt. W. K. Turner, physician; Capt. (Rev.) Frank Bushfield, chaplain; Lieut. Spafford, machine gun officer; Lieut. Strick and Tibbs, "A" Company; Lieuts. Boutbee, Christie and Beach "B" Company; Lieuts. Milligan and Jones, "C" Company; Lieuts. Kennedy, Reade, Smith and Heydenhall, "D" Company.

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