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WEATHER—FAIR.

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ROMANOFF DYNASTY FALLS; TRYING TO STOP STRIKE

TRANSPORTATION ISSUE SERIOUS ONE IN CANADA

Necessity of Rushing Munitions and War Supplies to Front Might Result in Further Curtailment of Passenger Service—Coal Problem Serious Factor.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Mar. 16.—A serious transportation situation faces Canada if the threatened railway strike in the United States eventuates. This is recognized by the authorities here. The chief problem will be to secure adequate supplies of coal, and it is understood that the railway companies have very little on hand at present. If there is a shortage the transportation interests of the country will be seriously affected, and in the necessity of rushing munitions and war supplies to the seacoast as well as carrying on domestic transportation which are all independent of the authorities here are viewing with gravity the possibility of the strike.

The Grand Trunk Railway announces an embargo on all freight with the exception of fuel coal pending developments in the situation as regards the strike, and it is expected that other railways may take similar action unless the strike does not materialize.

It is said that the coal supply at Oswego is very limited and western coal cannot be hauled economically farther east than the Great Lakes. In the Maritime Provinces recruiting has created a shortage of labor in the Nova Scotia mines and the output has been considerably curtailed. The western provinces will not suffer to the same extent as the east as adequate supplies can be obtained from the Crow's Nest and other mining districts.

Passenger Traffic.

Sir Henry Drayton, chairman of the railway commission, stated this evening that the whole transportation question as affected by the strike situation was being very carefully considered, and if it was found necessary to further curtail passenger traffic an order to this effect would be issued immediately.

Meanwhile he advised the public to conserve all coal supplies. It is realized that a strike will affect other industries, munition plants and other industries.

THE ONCE POWERFUL ROYAL HOUSE OF ALL THE RUSSIAS NO MORE

Emperor Nicholas II. Abdicated at Midnight Thursday on Behalf of Himself and the Heir Apparent, Grand Duke Alexis, in Favor of Grand Duke Michael, but Latter Yesterday Declined the Honor

GOVERNMENT PENDING MEETING OF CONSTITUTIONAL ASSEMBLY IS VESTED IN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF DUMA (PARLIAMENT) AND NEWLY CHOSEN COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

BULLETIN—Petrograd, via London, March 16.—Emperor Nicholas II. abdicated at midnight last night on behalf of himself and the heir apparent, Grand Duke Alexis, in favor of Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovich.

At 2.30 o'clock this afternoon, Grand Duke Michael himself abdicated, thus bringing the Romanoff dynasty to an end. The government, pending a meeting of the constitutional assembly, is vested in the executive committee of the Duma and the newly chosen council of ministers. A manifesto to this effect was issued by the Duma committee today, and it will be telegraphed to the general army headquarters this evening.

Solving Great Problem.

Petrograd, via London, Mar. 16.—Russia today appeared to be in a fair way toward solving the greatest problem with which, perhaps, any nation was ever confronted. Order is growing and the chaos of the past week, and the new government, gathering up the broken threads of national and municipal life, is striving to set the organization of the country in motion so that the conduct of the war will suffer as little as possible from the revolution.

Business as Usual.

The members of the new ministry already have assumed their posts and the government buildings, empty and deserted for four days, are again open for official business. The banks, all the commercial and financial houses, and some of the factories have already responded to the new government's appeal, opened their doors and expressed a willingness to do everything in their power to effect as quick a resumption of the normal life of the country as possible. The soldier policemen are guarding the streets in the place of the old gendarmes.

Hundreds of messages have been received from all over the country declaring the allegiance of important cities and fortresses to the new regime. Moscow, Khar'kov, Taurisya, and Volodga have already formally acknowledged the new government, and so far as is known, not a single quarter of the country still stands out for the old order of things.

Government of People?

Supported by unanimous vote, the present government is in reality a government of the people. According to the latest information the executive committee of the Duma and the committees of soldiers and working men's deputies have reached full agreement, or at least have decided to waive all minor differences until the meeting of the assembly, which will be held in the near future. Meanwhile it is reported that the government of the country will rest for the present on the shoulders of the people.

Proposals Rejected.

"The Emperor rejected the proposal on the ground that it did not harmonize with Russian institutions, and could not be worked by so politically unripe a people. Viscount Milner then proposed that the Emperor appoint a ministry acceptable to the Duma, suggesting Sergius Sazonoff (now ambassador at London) as premier and foreign secretary. This proposal also was rejected. Lord Milner made other suggestions, and also held conferences with various groups of Russian opinion, in the hope of working out some scheme that would avert a revolutionary outbreak. Every effort was made to bring about a compromise, but the Emperor, and the people must work out their own salvation."

CHINA HANDS PASSPORTS TO HUNS

Peking, Wednesday, March 14.—The German minister to China and his staff, and also all the German consuls in the country, were handed their passports at noon today. A note accompanying the passports explained that the German reply to China's submarine warfare protest was unsatisfactory. The passports, the note added, were "for protection while leaving Chinese territory."

HUNS DROP BOMBS ON WESTGATE, ENG.

London, Mar. 16.—The war office announces that at 5.30 today a hostile airplane dropped bombs at Westgate. There were no casualties and the material damage was reported slight.

BRITISH WIN AGAIN IN NO. FRANCE

Also Successful in Mesopotamia—Far Reaching Reforms for Russia—Another Air Raid on England.

Continuing their attack on the German lines in the centre of the Somme region in France, British troops have gained further successes. Almost all of the St. Pierre Vaast Wood, the scene of previous heavy battles between French and German forces, has been occupied, says the official statement from the British war office.

German trenches on a front of 3,000 yards north and south of the wood also were taken, the communication adds. The St. Pierre Vaast Wood lies about midway between Baupenne and Peronne, and its possession by the British would increase the menace to those strong points in the German defence. The wood dominates the outlying positions north of Peronne.

A German attack on a British post northeast of the Somme, London says, was repulsed.

French troops continue to make progress on both sides of the Avre. In Champagne the French carried out a surprise attack east of the Butte De Souain.

While the British troops are advancing up the Dala river from Baghdad, Russian troops have occupied a height west of Kermanshah, Persia. British forces have taken part of the town of Bakubah, 30 miles northeast of Herat, and on the main road to Kermanshah. The Turkish forces continue their retreat up the right bank of the Tigris, from Bagdad.

German airplanes have renewed their attacks on southeastern England. London announces, and bombs have been dropped in the County of Kent.

A German airplane previously dropped bombs at Westgate. Another British torpedo boat destroyer has been sunk as a result of striking a mine.

GREAT BRITAIN RECOGNIZES NEW GOV'T

Provisional Administration of Russia Also Recognized by France and Italy, Says Reuter.

London, Mar. 16.—Official action by Great Britain, France and Italy in recognition of the provisional government of Russia was taken in Petrograd yesterday, according to Reuter's Petrograd correspondent. The despatch says that the executive committee of the Duma and the Provisional Administration of Russia, headed by General Guchkov, received the military attaches and diplomatic representatives of Great Britain, France and Italy, who declared their readiness to enter forthwith into relations with the committee as the sole representative of authority in Russia. The judgment of the trial judge for the respondents was sustained. M. G. Teed, K.C., for the respondents.

"MOST CRITICAL PERIOD OF WAR," SAYS SIR ROBERT

Important Cable Received from Premier—Canada Calls for 50,000 Men for Home Defence in Case of Emergency.

Men Will Be Needed Along Border to Repel Possible Raids Should United States and Germany Actually Commence Hostilities.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, March 16.—Sir Edward Kemp, Minister of Militia, announced tonight that fifty thousand men were required for home defence in case of emergency. It will be a volunteer force. They will be organized and enlisted in connection with the present militia regiments. They will be clothed and equipped similarly to the overseas troops but the latter will wear a distinguishing badge on the arm. Until May the men will train in the evenings and then they will go to camp along with the overseas units. Pay will be slightly less than for active service. Sir Edward stated that in the event of hostilities between the United States and Germany there might be trouble along the border and these home defence troops would be required. The service would be for one year but, if the war lasted longer, until it was over and for six months afterwards if necessary.

National Service.

With regard to the question of national service in connection with necessary industries, the minister said that tribunals would be appointed to decide whether a man who wanted to enlist in the new force could be spared from his civilian duties. Sir Edward handed out the following statement:

Of the troops which have volunteered for service overseas there still remain in Canada approximately 50,000. It is necessary that the country should not be left without an adequate force for home defence in case of emergency. The prime minister, who has recently visited the front, states that the desire of the men who have already enlisted and who are still in the men overseas as well as of their Imperial government that we should send overseas with as little delay as possible the troops now in Canada which have enlisted for overseas service. These men have been warned and are making ready to depart from Canada for the scenes of active warfare.

Proud of Her Sons.

Canada has every reason to be proud of her sons who have taken such a noble part in winning the war, and their deeds of valor have been recounted time and again. And now, when the British Empire is struggling to maintain its existence and secure liberty and justice for the world, it is Canada's duty to do still more. In order that the 50,000 troops of the Canadian expeditionary force at present serving in Canada may be released for active warfare, an appeal is now made to the manhood of Canada for an equal number of men to volunteer for home defence by joining the active militia. An opportunity is therefore now afforded to those who have been prevented from enlisting for active service to join this movement of active service for home defence, and to entrust the whole task of home defence to this historic force which never yet has failed to rally to the service of our country. A tribute must be paid to the admirable work done by the existing units of this force and kindred associations in recruiting the Canadian expeditionary force which has largely been accomplished through its aid.

Recruiting for Overseas.

It is to be clearly understood that the enlistment of the above mentioned force for home defence is not intended in any way to lessen the strongest possible effort for recruiting for active service overseas, the necessity of which at this critical stage of the war cannot be too strongly urged. The troops to be mobilized will consist of infantry and field artillery, with a due proportion of supply and transport, medical and other administrative services. Men who enlist for active service in the C. E. F. will be formed into companies, etc., and attached for training to the home defence units until required for overseas service.

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DESPERATE ATTEMPT TO STOP BIG R. R. STRIKE

All Night Session of National Council of Defence and Both Sides of Struggle Began Before Midnight in New York—Wilson May Interfere.

New York, March 16.—Three of the four members of the National Council of Defence, appointed with the sanction of President Wilson to act as mediators in the hope of averting the nation-wide "progressive" railroad strike, called to begin at six o'clock tomorrow night, went into conference at 11.30 o'clock tonight with the chiefs of the four railroad brotherhoods.

Secretary of the Interior, Franklin K. Lane, and Secretary of Labor, Wilson, arrived in the city at 8.30 o'clock. Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railway, had preceded them from Washington. No one knew at what hour Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, the fourth mediator would arrive.

All Night Conference.

It was the purpose of the defense council's committee to carry their discussion with the representatives of the men as far as possible. Then call in the members of the National Committee of Railroad Manpower. All the persons concerned in the conference believed it might last all night.

When Mr. Wilson arrived at the hotel where the meeting is being held he declared he brought no mandate from Washington. The mediators had no "cut and dried" plan, he said but it was their purpose to bring about a compromise, although they had no idea along what lines.

Mr. Lane declined to discuss the programme of the mediators, except that it was their mission to bring about a settlement, if possible.

"I have not come here with a 'cut and dried' plan," he said, "but to listen and investigate."

He and Mr. Wilson held a preliminary conference with the representatives of the men pending the arrival of their conferees. The brotherhood chiefs refused positively to discuss for publication their probable attitude. They admitted, however, that they had sent no message to President Wilson in response to his plea that they strive to bring their controversy with the railroads to "immediate accommodation," for patriotic reasons.

President Wilson Anxious.

The managers committee made public, however, a telegram sent the president in which they assured him they would co-operate in "an earnest effort to avert the national calamity which would result from an interruption of railroad service."

Both sides to the conflict continued the policy of reticence they had maintained all day. The managers were making plans to combat the strike, if it is not to be averted through the efforts of the mediators. Wilson's representatives, and the brotherhoods were sharply marking time, as all their plans have been made to meet an emergency. Both sides expressed willingness to renew their joint conferences, but at 6 o'clock.

JUDGMENTS GIVEN BY APPEAL DIVISION

St. John Lawyers Successful in Cases Decided at Fredericton Yesterday Afternoon.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Mar. 16.—The appeal division of the Supreme Court delivered judgments in Culligan vs. the Graphic, on appeal from the Restigouche County Circuit, the application of counsel on behalf of the Graphic to set aside the verdict of the trial judge was refused. Attorney-General Baxter, K.C., and Hugh A. Carr for Mr. Culligan, and Arthur T. LeBlanc for the Graphic.

In the matter of Traflet vs. Deschamps, another appeal from the Restigouche County Circuit, where judgment was given for the defendant, the court set aside the verdict of the trial judge and ordered that judgment be entered for the appellant. Attorney-General Baxter, K.C., for the appellant and Arthur T. LeBlanc for the respondent.

In the matter of the Prescott Lumber Company vs. Jardine and Clinch, the judgment of the trial judge for the respondents was sustained. M. G. Teed, K.C., for the respondents.

WORKMEN AND SOLDIERS ARE BACK OF NEW GOVERNMENT

This Statement was Made by New Russian Minister of Justice, According to Reuter Despatch from Petrograd—Sensational Address.

London, Mar. 16.—Addressing an assemblage of thousands of soldiers and civilians from the gallery of the lobby of the Duma, Deputy Minister of Justice, says a Reuter's despatch from Petrograd, dated today, announced that the provisional government took office by virtue of an agreement with workmen and soldiers' delegates. The agreement of these delegates approved the council of the new government, and the agreement by several hundred votes of the Duma, M. Kerenski declared, has been the immediate publication of a decree of full amnesty.

Siberia An Issue.

Continuing the despatch adds, the minister of justice said: "Our comradery of the second and fourth Dumas, who were banished illegally to Siberia, will be released forthwith. In my jurisdiction of the old regime, the ministers are all guilty of crimes against the people. They will answer before the law for all crimes against the people. 'Show them no mercy,' many voices in the crowd are reported to have exclaimed."

"Comrades," added M. Kerenski, "re-generated Russia will not have recourse to the shameful methods utilized by the old regime. Without trial none will be condemned. All prisoners will be tried in open court. 'Comrades, Officers, Citizens: All measures taken by the new government will be published. Soldiers, I ask you to co-operate. For Russia is now born and none will succeed in wresting liberty from the hands of the people. Do not listen to the promptings of agents of the old regime. Listen to your officers. Long live free Russia.' The speech was greeted by a storm of cheers. The labor leader Chkheidze, addressing officers and soldiers, paid a glowing tribute to the soldiers and working men who had participated in accomplishing the revolution. He recounted the despatch says, the recent provocative efforts of the secret police in publishing proclamations regarding the murders of officers by soldiers. He exhorted the soldiers to regard their officers as citizens who had helped raise the revolutionary flag, and as brothers in the great cause of Russian liberty. Subsequently officers, soldiers and working men carried Chkheidze off to their shoulders through a cheering throng of soldiers and civilians.

RECRUITING DROPPED OFF AT WEEK-END

Only Three Men on the Roll of Honor Yesterday—General News of the Military Units

ROLL

F. R. Griffin, St. John
E. N. Deadman, St. John
16th Field Ambulance
Patrick McGowan, St. John
216th Battalion

Recruiting dropped off yesterday in St. John. Three men only signed the honor roll. The Siege Battery received a communication yesterday from St. Stephen informing the officer commanding the unit that good results are expected from the campaign which is being carried on in that town. The members of the battery will start an active campaign next week for the men required to complete the establishment of the 9th Siege Battery.

Sergeant-Major McCollum will leave on Monday for Fredericton to solicit recruits for the battery.

According to a semi-official report the 18th Field Ambulance is to leave shortly for a new place of training. Lieut-Col. Corbett told The Standard last night that there was still room for about fifty men. Yesterday Sergeant R. T. Murray was promoted to staff sergeant.

It is officially announced, through the chief press censor office, that the following troops have arrived safely in England:

Balance of the 230th Forestry Battalion No. 1 section, skilled railway employes, Montreal; Drafts for heavy and garrison work, 1st and 2nd Divisions; Medical Corps; Draft Infantry, French-Canadians; Railway Construction personnel.

Included in the above list are several New Brunswick boys. The last draft from the Siege Battery is among the units to safely arrive in England.

Several members of the Canadian Buffs were entertained at the German street Baptist church last night. A choice programme of music was thoroughly carried out after which the boys were treated to refreshments.

NERVOUS CHILDREN

The Trouble is Often Really St. Vitus' Dance—Do Not Neglect It

Many a child has been called awkward, has been punished in school for not keeping still or for dropping things when the trouble was really St. Vitus' Dance. This disease may appear at any age, but is most common between the ages of six and fourteen years. It is caused by thin blood which fails to carry sufficient nourishment to the nerves, and the child becomes restless and twitching of the muscles and jerking of the limbs and body follow. In severe cases the child is unable to hold any thing or feed itself. St. Vitus' Dance is cured by building up the blood. The most successful treatment is to remove the child from all mental excitement, stop school work and give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These pills renew the blood supply, strengthen the nerves, and restore the child to perfect health. Here is proof of their power to cure. Mrs. S. Sharpe, Oakville, Ont., says: "When my daughter was nine years old she was attacked with St. Vitus' Dance. She was sent to a sanatorium where she remained for blue weeks, without any benefit. Indeed, when we brought her home she was as helpless as a baby. I got a supply of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and continued giving her half pill after each meal for several months, when she had fully recovered and has never had a symptom of the trouble since."

You can get Dr. Williams' Pink Pills through any dealer in medicine or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

London, Mar. 16.—A British torpedo boat destroyer of an old type struck a mine in the English Channel yesterday and was sunk. All the officers were saved. One man was killed and 28 sailors are missing. It is presumed these men were drowned.

Rich and Mellow

King Cole Tea

You'll Like the Flavor

GENERAL ELECTION IN BRITAIN AND IRELAND IS POSSIBLE

Andrew Bonar Law Declares Attitude of Irish Nationalists May Force Issue—St. Patrick's Day Issue in Dublin Brought Up by John Dillon

London, Mar. 16.—In discussing the Irish situation in the House of Commons today, Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, declared the attitude of the Nationalists might compel an appeal to the country on the ground that the Nationalists were unwilling to permit the government to get on with the war.

Replying to a question by John Dillon as to whether orders had been given to the people of Dublin to remain indoors on St. Patrick's Day, Mr. Law said that Henry E. Duke, chief secretary for Ireland, had gone to that country. He declared that no such orders had been issued.

Mr. Bonar Law's review of the Irish situation was a long and careful one, giving the government's point of view.

"Nothing which has happened in the House of Commons since I have been a member," he said, "seemed to me more deplorable than the lamentable result of our recent discussion of the Irish question. This was despite the fact that there exists among all parties a stronger desire than ever before to get some settlement of the vexed question."

"If goodwill could do it there would be a settlement tomorrow. The whole house desires it, and I am not sure but that there is much sympathy with the Nationalists in the country generally as in the Commons."

May Be Election.

The Nationalists have threatened to establish themselves as an opposition on the 16th. But the government cannot be conducted in times like these on the ordinary methods of party procedure, and it may be their procedure will compel an appeal to the country, this appeal being on the ground that the Nationalists members will not let us go on with the war.

"Surely there could be nothing worse for that. The premier has already indicated that if there was any hope of results from the appointment of a commission he would be glad to consent, but he has received no answer from any of the Irish parties, and we are now earnestly considering whether any action on the part of the government is possible."

Mr. Bonar Law's statement was in reply to a question by Sir Henry Dalziel, Liberal member for Kirkcaldy, burghs, who urged a statement on the situation, which he said was "important in a time like this, when revolution in the air, and the view of the grave state of things in Ireland it is desirable that we have a frank declaration from the government as to the present position and future possibilities."

WILL ASSIST IN TRAVELLERS' AID WORK

Local Council of Women to Help—Special Sock Day for 165th.

An executive meeting of the St. John Local Council of Women was held yesterday afternoon at 3.30 in the King's Daughters rooms, Prince William street, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith presiding. Several matters of routine business were disposed of and plans were talked over for increasing the finances of the council. It was felt by those present that if the council were to do the best possible work that a stronger effort would have to be made toward the unifying and consolidation of the various units and securing from them a closer co-operation and in that way further the interests of the council.

The new societies, the S. C. C. Children's Aid and Junior Natural History association were affiliated with the council. Two new committees were formed, a civic and a military, and these will respond to any call which the mayor may make upon them in connection with any work which falls within the province of the council. A request was read from the Playgrounds Association for assistance from the council in carrying on the Travellers Aid work, and a special committee was appointed to consider the request and report back to the council the best way of aiding this worthy enterprise.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TREAT.

The Sunday school of Queen Square Methodist church held a very successful indoor winter picnic yesterday afternoon and evening. The primary children with their mothers were entertained in the afternoon with games and pastimes after which supper was served.

At 6.30 o'clock the older members of the school with the teachers and officers met for supper. An entertainment was then put on by the school children, the programme being in charge of Miss Bessie Thompson.

A feature of the programme was the orchestra under the leadership of Henry Dunlap. R. Duncan Smith was presented with a bouquet of 21 carnations by the pastor on behalf of the teachers and officers. Mr. Smith has been superintendent of the Sunday school for the past 21 years.

The affair was in charge of the Ladies' Aid Society and Mrs. E. G. Stephenson and Mrs. Hammond Johnson headed the committees.

AT HOME TO BOYS OF 190TH BATTALION

Brotherhood and Philathes Class of Germain Street Church Hosts at Enjoyable Function.

About 200 members of the 190th Battalion were the guests of the Brotherhood and Philathes class of Germain street church last night and spent a most enjoyable evening. The programme was contributed by the boys of the 190th and needless to say was all that could be desired. At the conclusion of the formal programme cake and coffee were served by the young ladies. The programme was as follows:

Plano solo, Pte. Sharp; mouth organ quintette, Cpl. Ellis, Pte. Peterick; Pte. Rollins, Pte. Mulhern, Bugler Hutchings; recitation, Pte. McCormack; debate, "The Elevating Qualities of Pie vs. Ice Cream," Serjts. Saunders and Whitney; mouth organ solo, Pte. Hutchings; quartette and chorus, Ptes. Gray, Hird, J. Douglas and G. Douglas; whistling solo, Pte. Hugh Moore; comic duet, Cpl. Ellis and Pte. Peterick; reading, Pte. Bennett; comic song, Pte. Peterick; solo, Pte. Elliott. God Save the King.

BOYS' SUITS.

At Wilcox's are the kind that bring them back. They are made well and fit well and some of the best suits in town for the money. Prices from \$4.50 to \$13.00. It pays to get your boys' suits at Wilcox's, corner Charlotte and Union.

Itally mobilize the active militia of Canada. A splendid response to these proposals is vitally necessary in order that the full strength of our Dominion, in co-operation with the whole Empire, shall be thrown into the struggle with the least possible delay.

Veterans of War.

Application will be made to parliament this session for an act incorporating "the army and navy veterans in Canada." The notice of application is dated from Winnipeg. Amongst the objects mentioned are to increase the influence of such veterans, to stimulate patriotism, to promote closer unity in Canada with the mother country, and to assist recruiting.

MOST CRITICAL PERIOD OF WAR SAYS SIR ROBT.

Continued from page one. During April men enlisted for home defence will train two evenings and one afternoon weekly. Men enlisted for the C. E. F. will, of course, train full time.

During May units, unless detailed for special duty, will go into camp and stay there during the summer.

The Medically Unfit.

Men between the ages of eighteen and forty-five and who are medically unfit for active service, are urged to enlist. They will enlist for one year or during the term of the war should it last longer, and for six months after the war provided His Majesty should no longer require their services.

Men enlisted for home defence will be provided with clothing and necessities on an adequate scale. Men who enlist for the C. E. F. will be furnished with some distinguishing badge.

Pay for the officers, non-commissioned officers and men will be the same as that provided for active militia called out for active service. There will, however, in addition be a separation allowance of \$18 per month for married men and a proportionate allowance for officers and N. C. O.'s graded according to rank.

Additional Directorate.

There has been created for the duration of the war, with a view to assisting the militia council in the special work of mobilizing the active militia, an additional directorate in the branch of the chief of general staff. This directorate will be under Major General S. C. Mowbray, director-general of the Canadian defence force, an officer who is well known throughout Canada and who has performed splendid service since the beginning of the war, and who has occupied the position of assistant adjutant general in charge of administration, military district No. 2.

Special attention is directed to the appeal of the Prime Minister, who has just returned from the front, and who emphasizes the importance of the successful carrying out of the action which is now being taken.

Sir Robert's Cable.

The following cable was received from Sir Robert Borden to the Canadian divisions in France, from which I have just returned. I found their spirit, their physique and their training all that could be desired. Having traversed some of the front lines, from the enemy during recent months, I was proud to know that at Courcellette and elsewhere our troops distinguished themselves by a courage, death and determination which evoked the highest admiration, including railway construction and forestry battalions, the value of whose services cannot be overestimated. Canada now has one hundred and thirty thousand men in France.

"We are entering upon the most critical period of the war, and I voice the feeling at the front when I appeal to Canadians to support with the most earnest effort the proposals which you are putting forward to pass."

LESLIE STEADMAN'S FUNERAL.

A very large number attended the funeral of Leslie Steadman, who on Monday was killed in the Island Yard, St. John.

The funeral was held from the residence of his widowed mother, Mrs. Alma Steadman, in Moncton, yesterday. Many citizens attended to pay their last respects and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, of which the deceased was a member, turned out in a body and marched to Elmwood cemetery, where the body was laid to rest.

Rev. Bowley Green, pastor of the First Baptist church, conducted the services at the house and at the grave.

HELP JACK TAR.

Young and old can help the British Man of Warman who night and day patrol the sea, by sending ten cents in stamps to Mrs. J. H. Tillotson, 141 Sydney street. The stamps will be converted into English currency and sent to a fund for sailors' comforts in the mine sweeps and patrol flotilla recreation room in the base at Peterhead. Boxes will be placed in stores for reception of stamps, or cash for the fund and should receive generous response. Magazines for home and abroad distribution will also be accepted.

St. James' Y. W. A. The St. James' Girls' branch of the W. A. held their annual meeting in the Sunday school room of St. James' church last evening. The following officers were elected: Honorary president, Mrs. H. A. Cody; president, Miss A. J. Keer; 1st vice-president, Miss G. H. Holder; 2nd vice-president, Miss F.

Allen; secretary, Miss F. Murray; treasurer, Miss V. Gregory; Dorcas secretary, Miss M. Murray; extra cent a day treasurer, Miss E. Lewis; mission study leader, Miss E. Fairweather; leaflet secretary, Miss H. Gregory; delegates to annual meeting, Misses M. Murray and V. Gregory. The president made a short address and splendid reports were heard from the various secretaries showing a satisfactory year.

LOCAL BOWLING

CITY LEAGUE.

In the City League on Black's alleys last night the Sweeps were successful in annexing the whole four points and blanketed their opponents the Specials. The feature of the game was the breaking of the single string record for this season when Poshay bowled over 145 pins in the second string. The score was:

McIntyre	114	70	94	278	92	23
Gambell	93	112	81	251	97	
Poshay	93	145	94	332	110	23
Ferguson	96	120	87	303	101	
Sullivan	102	85	106	293	97	23
Sweeps.						
McIntyre	503	532	462	1497		
Specials.						
McIntyre	98	107	82	287	96	23
Chase	90	87	89	266	88	23
Pitzerald	85	79	77	241	80	13
White	76	91	85	252	84	
Wilson	107	103	123	332	110	23
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HEADAM, Alex. Skene
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NEWCASTLE BRIDGE, A. McE. Therrott
PORT ELGIN, McLeod & Spence
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BOYS OF 26TH CARRYING ON--CANADIANS HOLDING MOST DIFFICULT POSITION

Major McArthur Tells of Good Work Done by New Brunswick's Battalion--Germans Retiring Very Methodically Before Advance of British

"The Canadians are now holding one of the most difficult positions on the entire front," said one of the senior officers, who arrived in the city last night direct from the firing line. "The position which I have reference to is one which cost the French nearly 600,000 men to take from the Germans," emphasized the officer.

With her deck and railing fringed so to speak, with khaki, cheerful face at each porthole, and returned men up in the rigging, the big liner docked at 6:30 last night. "O Canada," played by the Canadian Buffs' band evoked outbursts of applause from the men and they cheered repeatedly as the steamer docked. There was one person on the steamer who attracted more attention than any of the others--this was a St. John boy, Major Douglas McArthur of the 26th Battalion. There were a large number of people in the shed to greet the St. John boys. Lieutenant W. J. Brown who left St. John with the 140th Battalion but was later transferred to the 26th, also arrived home. The men were warmly greeted by the Citizens' Reception Committee and members of the different patriotic societies in the city.

There was one chap in the party, notwithstanding the many sorrowful incidents, which has crossed life's path within the past eighteen months, who attracted considerable attention. He was Lieutenant J. Neil of New Toronto, who spent eighteen months on the firing line without missing his turn in the trenches. He was called home on account of the death of his two brothers, Thomas and George, and his father, Corporal John Neil, all of whom were killed at the front. His father enlisted with the 46th Battalion and shortly afterwards his brother enlisted in the same unit. They were killed in June in one of the heavy engagements on the western front. Lieutenant Neil enlisted in the 24th Battalion as a private. He was transferred to the 60th Battalion and by sheer ability and energy he won his commission on the field.

The Standard representative had the pleasure of interviewing another very interesting passenger in the person of Captain B. W. Pullinger of the 46th Battalion. "The spirit of the

deserving of a few days' leave it is the gallant St. John officer. His home was besieged last night by his many friends who warmly greeted one who has played a noble part in the war. Corporal Thomas, another St. John boy to pass safely through the turmoil of battle, also reached the city last night. He was wounded twice and has spent considerable time in the hospital. He was met at the boat by his sister and friends.

Lieutenant L. Fish of the 5th C. M. R.'s after three months in the trenches was compelled to leave on account of illness due to trench exposure. He enlisted in Montreal.

One noticeable feature in connection with the arrival of the men who returned last night was that the men, although many of them permanently discharged, were fortunate enough to return without losing any limbs. Of the 235 men to return there was not one who needed to use crutches. This speaks well for the medical men and surgeons who are looking after the men who are wounded. "If it is at all possible to save a man's life without amputation the Canadian doctors will do it," said a chap who had received a nasty wound in the wrist.

Sergeant Harry Yates, who went overseas with the 25th Battalion, arrived home on furlough. He said that although the Germans were putting up a hard fight they were gradually giving away.

One senior officer who kindly requested that his name be withheld told The Standard that the German retreat which is now taking place is being systematically executed. "No doubt the Germans were aware that the Allies were pushing ahead the retreat. The artillery of the Allied forces on the western front is forcing the Germans back all along the line and judging by the preparations which are now being made by the French and British you will see some terrific fighting this spring," said the officer.

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The following Maritime men are at the discharge depot: J. Robertson, Hillsborough; C. J. Johnson, Fredericton; W. Estabrook, Amherst; J. P. Keating, Mulgrave, N. S.; R. K. Greenough, Halifax; W. J. McGuire, Queens County, N. S.; F. L. Smith, 173 Carleton street; W. H. McLeod, 109 Marlborough street; F. G. McArthur, Sussex, N. B.; J. G. Hunter, Springhill, N. S.; G. Fitzwilliam, Halifax; N. J. Scott, River Herbert, N. S.; E. Lockwood, 9 Gilbert's Lane; B. White, Amherst; C. T. Cook, Halifax; E. W. Crossman, Dorchester; C. Nominson, Truro; J. M. Broadfoot, Halifax; W. S. Wilson, Woodstock; P. E. Roon, Kentville; E. J. Campbell, New Perth, P. E. I.; C. Miller, St. John; A. J. Charlton, Toronto; J. S. Gallant, Campbellton, N. B.; C. L. Walker, Digby, N. S.; H. S. Hamilton, Liverpool, N. S.; E. N. Roseman, Kingston, N. S.

The Maritimes Province men will go before a medical board today, and a few of them will leave tonight for their homes.

NEW SPRING SHIRTWAISTS.

The very latest styles in all sizes from 34 to 50 bust at prices from \$1.00 to \$5.50 at Wilcox's, corner Charlotte and Union.

SOLDIERS ENTERTAINED BY YOUNG LADIES AT Y. M. C. A. LAST NIGHT

No. 6 Platoon, B Co., Given a Great Reception--Some New Stunts Pulled Off

No. 6 platoon of "B" Co. were entertained by the young ladies' league of the Y.M.C.A. at the association building last night and a right royal time they had.

The platoon, under the command of Lieut. Gray, marched up to the building where they were welcomed by the girls, after the introductions had been made by the informal method of tagging each person with their name on a slip of paper, a programme of sports was carried out, some of the events being between the ladies and soldiers,

and of course the lads in khaki were gallant enough to allow themselves to be vanquished by the ladies. The boys indulged in a boxing match, pillow fight and awkward squad drill blindfolded and it sure was some scream to see some fellow make a swipe with the pillow at the air and then sit down on the floor. Some of the girls on the gymnasium floor had narrow escapes from going home with black eyes, for several times the blindfolded boxers, in chasing their opponents, made swings which landed perilously near the fair observers.

About ten o'clock a most tempting lunch was served and the boys of "B" Co. left for barracks voting the girls the best of "good fellows."

In the afternoon 250 members of the battalion visited the Y.M.C.A. and took advantage of the baths and were given the use of the gymnasium floor. At four o'clock they were served with lunch in the lobby of the building and the afternoon was enjoyed by them all.

Ill in Ottawa.

The many friends of Arthur T. Thorne, brother of Senator Thorne, will be sorry to learn that he is seriously ill in Ottawa.

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There are many imitations of this great treatment for coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis and whooping cough. They usually have some sale on the merits of the original, but it should be remembered that they are like it in name only.



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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 WEARING OF THE GREEN. We're wearing the green, boys. Beneath the English rose: We're wearing the deeper green That Home and Ireland know!

The green av halm and bogland. The green av lough and lake. The green that takes us back again And brings the olden ache!

High School Alumnae Tea and Sale.

For the benefit of the Military Hospital in which many of the members are serving as V. A. D. S., the High School Alumnae held a tea and party sale in the German street Institute yesterday afternoon.

A patriotic dance was held last evening at the residence of Major Corbett, Coburg street.

WHAT THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE IS DOING FOR THE WOMEN OF N. B.

The theoretical and practical cook-

ing classes are directed by Miss Ada B. Saunders of Florenceville, N. B. Miss Saunders graduated from Mount Allison Ladies' College at Sackville, N. B.

Miss Grace Tompkins, milliner and dressmaker of Hartland, N. B., is in charge of the millinery and sewing classes.

MISSING Now Believed Dead Carter Wesley McLeod Chatham, N. B. Aged 20 Years



CARTER W. McLEOD. OUR MEMORIES

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IMPERIAL. "The Secret Kingdom." For those who like costume plays (as I do) the first two episodes of The Secret Kingdom will furnish them with some really beautiful pictures of court life in the mythical kingdom of Atlantis.

each lady attending Friday afternoon's performance. The imperial orchestra played some fine selections during the picture, particularly the music during the hunting scenes.

PLAYS THE SCIENTIST IN "CRIMSON STAIN" MYSTERY

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NEWS AND COMMENT FROM THE FINANCIAL WORLD

WALL STREET WAS CALM YESTERDAY

Traders Indifferent to Big News—Market Evidently in Sold-out Condition and in Waiting Attitude.

New York, Mar. 16.—The calmness, amounting almost to indifference, with which Wall Street today accepted the strike order of the railway brotherhoods and the upheaval in the Russian Empire, was regarded by impartial observers as strong proof of the market's sold-out condition and inherent strength.

At no time was the market heavy or weak, although it experienced frequent periods of irregularity. Rails were sluggish for the greater part of the day, but developed strength in the final hour. Reading, Union Pacific and New York Central gaining from 1 to almost 2 points.

Foreign Conditions Unchanged. Foreign conditions in the local market were not materially altered, rates on Petrograd holding at or slightly above recent levels. Marks were lower and sterling and francs were steady. Iron, however, hanging around the minimum of the previous day.

United States Steel and kindred industrials made various but steady progress towards higher prices. Steel showing an extreme gain of 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 points. Lackawanna Steel was somewhat erratic, but Virginia Coal and Iron rose 5 points one to 64.

Activity in coppers was restricted to Utah and Kennecott, although American Smelting was in occasional demand. Motors and accessories figured to a fair degree in the activity of the late session. General Motors gaining 3 1/2 points at 125.

Shipments, except Marine preferred, which rose almost 3 points to 80, were uneven with minor equipments, Sugars, Industrial Alcohol and Central Leathers. Ohio Gas featured the utilities at a gross gain of 3/4 to 1 1/4. Sales amounted to 380,000 shares.

Bonds were barely steady on narrow dealings. Internationals again being subjected to pressure. Total sales, par value, \$3,125,000.

EASTERN CANADA CAR DEFERS PAYMENT ON \$750,000 PREFERRED

Montreal, Mar. 16.—Eastern Canada Car, the subsidiary of N. S. Steel, which was stated in the recent report of the parent company to have had a disappointing year, has deferred payment on its \$750,000 preferred stock.

The directors say the trouble was due to shortage of labor, deferred deliveries of certain materials and especially to quite unforeseen difficulties encountered in connection with the manufacture and delivery of foreign cars.

The financial report shows an operating loss of \$148,496 for the thirteen months to Dec. 31. To this must be added \$58,829 bond interest, \$43,576 interest on bank advances, and \$43,553 representing sinking fund payments and provision for war profits tax on 1915 business, making a total deficit of \$294,454.

SHIPPING NEWS

Miniature Almanac. March—Phases of the Moon. Full moon—5th—5 hr. 58 m. p.m. Last quarter—16th—3 hr. 53 m. a.m. New moon—23rd—0 hr. 53 m. a.m. First quarter—30th—6 hr. 36 m. a.m.

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived Friday, March 16. Steamer Patrician, Sydney, Cleared. Schooner L. A. Plummer, New York.

FOREIGN PORTS. Mobile, March 15. Arr sch'r Jekoi, Gibara. Sid March 15, sch'r Longfellow Cuba.

Norfolk, March 13. Arr sch'r Jerome Smith, Providence. Sid March 13, sch'r Chas. D. Loveland, Para.

STOCK MARKET HOLDS CONSIDERABLE STRENGTH

Trading Not Active, but Rails Remain Steady Notwithstanding Threatened Strike.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.) New York, Mar. 16.—Stocks maintained a considerable degree of strength this afternoon and held moderate gains at the close, although the trading was not active. The rails remained steady and some were fractionally higher.

Announcement of general freight embargo in preparation for the threatened strike were not regarded as of much importance in themselves. Wall street persists in its belief that the strike will go up in smoke some time before Monday's opening. Comment on the Russian revolution includes the suggestions that it may have been engineered by Great Britain and France.

MONTREAL SALES

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.) Morning. Montreal, Friday, Mar. 16th.—Steamships Com.—10 @ 38 1/2. Tram Debentures—500 @ 73 1/2. Can. Loco.—50 @ 5 1/2. Brazilian—50 @ 4 1/2, 2 @ 4 1/2. Textile—10 @ 82.

Can. Cement Ftd.—1 @ 92. Can. Cement Bonds—2,100 @ 97 1/2. Dom. Iron Com.—25 @ 62 1/2, 10 @ 62. Steel Canada—500 @ 66, 25 @ 66 1/2, 150 @ 66 1/2, 160 @ 65 1/2, 350 @ 65 1/2, 45 @ 66 1/2, 150 @ 65 1/2.

Dom. Iron Com.—25 @ 67 1/2, 80 @ 67. Civ. Power—21 @ 81 1/2, 65 @ 81 1/2. Dom. War Loan—3,800 @ 97 1/2, 3,000 @ 97. Detroit United—10 @ 117 1/4. Can. Car Ftd.—80 @ 71.

Afternoon. Steamships Com.—50 @ 38 1/2. Can. Cement Com.—5 @ 63. Steel Canada—24 @ 65 1/2, 510 @ 66, 25 @ 66 1/2, 20 @ 66 1/2, 25 @ 68. Dom. Iron Com.—186 @ 67, 10 @ 66 1/2, 1 @ 66.

Shawinigan—75 @ 124. Civ. Power—70 @ 81 1/2. Bell Telephone—75 @ 147. Can. Car Com.—25 @ 29 1/2. Detroit United—175 @ 116 1/2. Smelting—10 @ 31 1/2. Ontario Steel—125 @ 20, 100 @ 18. Quebec Ry.—25 @ 24 1/2, 3 @ 25, 10 @ 24 1/2.

N. Y. QUOTATIONS

Table with columns: Name, High, Low, Close. Includes Am Beet Sug, Am Car Fy, Am Loco, Am Sug, Am Smelt, Am Sil Fy, Am Woolen, Am Zinc, Anaconda, A & H and L Pfd, Am Can, Atchafon, Balt and Ohio, Bald Loco, Brook. Rap Tr, Brook. and Sup, C P I, Ches and Ohio, China, Cent Leath, Can Pac, Cons Gas, Cruc Steel, Erie Com, Erie Ist Pfd, Gr Nor Pfd, Gen Elect, Gr Nor Ore, Indus Alcohol, Inspira Cop, Kansas Cop, Lehigh Val, Mer Mar Pfd, Mex Petrol, Miami Cop, N Y Cent, Nor and West, Nor Pac, N Lead, Nevada Cons, Penn, Press Sil Car, Reading Com, Round Steel, St Paul, Sou Pac, Sou Rail, Sioux, Studebaker, Union Pac, U S St Com, U S St, Utah Cop, Westinghouse, West Union, U S Steel Pfd.

NEW YORK COTTON

Table with columns: Name, High, Low, Close. Includes Mar, May, July, Oct.

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TRADING BULL IN MONTREAL MARKET

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.) Montreal, Mar. 16.—Trading on both the Montreal and New York exchanges was very dull. There are so many important world-wide happenings not adjusted, such as the railroad strike in the States, the revolution in Russia, and the United States foreign policy, that, until the outcome of these is seen, we will have erratic markets of a professional nature with small public participation.

To some, the action of Steel Co. of Canada after declaring a dividend of one per cent, and a bonus of one-half of one per cent, may be disappointing, but, at present prices the stock is cheap, and they will show over thirty per cent, after depreciation, on the common stock. The fluctuations which took place in the balance of the list were, as a rule, only fractional with a weaker tendency.

NEWS SUMMARY

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.) New York, Mar. 16.—International Mercantile Marine directors voted yesterday to pay initial dividend on preferred stock.

President Wilson planning appeal to patriotism of men on both sides of controversy not to bring on the strike. Representatives of four brotherhoods of railroad employes of six roads entering Kansas City declare they will not participate in the strike.

STEEL CO. OF HAMILTON INCREASES DIVIDENDS. Hamilton, Mar. 16.—Directors of the Steel Co. of Hamilton at their meeting yesterday placed the common stock on a four per cent dividend, but brought the distribution up to a six per cent basis by adding a quarterly bonus of one-half of one per cent, payable May 1.

The earnings statement for 1916 is understood to have been submitted at yesterday's board meeting, but will not be issued for publication for a few days. It is expected to show a surplus of about \$3,200,000 available for the common stock or earnings at the rate of twenty-eight or thirty per cent, after all deductions except the four per cent, declared on the common shares towards the end of the year.

NEWS COMMENT. New York, Mar. 16.—Times—"The Germans will go far astray if they assume the Russian revolution will be helpful to them." Financial America—"The stock market again indicates a disposition to break away from all unfavorable influences. Reading and Union Pacific are in good demand."

Bank Clearings Larger. Clearings for week ending yesterday, \$2,057,324; corresponding week last year, \$1,543,750.

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SCARCITY OF OFFERINGS IN WALL STREET

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.) New York, Mar. 16.—Scarcity of offerings in the feature of reports from floor brokers who have had buying orders. Little stock is for sale above the market in the hands of specialists, according to well informed quarters. Bulls, as well as industrialists, reflect this technical sign of strength. The character of buying of Ohio Copper is constantly referred to in good houses as very significant from a speculative viewpoint. It is intimated in some circles that floating supply is now practically all in hands of people behind the property. New England private banking interests are privately quoted as saying that Utah Copper stock bought in the past few days remains where it was put and that there is no intention of sales of same until certain important developments shall have spent their speculative force upward.

Lackawanna Steel is being held for par by well informed interests. These sources confidently expect extra dividends during the current year. They make mention of increasing earnings. The stock is still declared to be earning at rate of \$50 a share.

CHICAGO PRODUCE

Table with columns: Name, High, Low, Close. Includes Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork, Lard, Eggs, Butter, Beans, Peas, Clover, Hay.

Special to The Standard. London, Mar. 16.—Money was plentiful and discount rates were quiet today. The surprising news from Petrograd had the immediate effect of easing Russian and French exchange rates and creating a more secure feeling generally in financial circles. The stock market was cheered by war and Russian news and Russian bonds and oil and mine shares were all marked higher.

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Lloyd George and the War Loans

The words which Lloyd George used in connection with the recent great British loan apply equally as much to the new Dominion War Loan. They were: "A big loan will shorten the war, a big number of subscribers will shorten it further. If you cannot give me what you can, it will swell the number of our soldiers. Let the Army at the front know that at home there is an Army behind the Army, and every one who has got anything to give, I ask to enlist in that Army."

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MONTREAL MARKETS

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THREE DECISIONS

Lieut. W. R. Elliott and Won Somme—Capt. for Sergeant H. "Could you tell me if you buy a package of cigars a bright-looking youth the city yesterday afternoon, arriving at St. John, N. B. The speaker was Lieut. M. C. travelling with a gallant raid on the Somme. The reporter obliged Lieut. Elliott as he have a spare package of cigars. The gallant officer in return reported an idea of his own and while he refused to own experiences, Lieut. Elliott of the 60th Light Infantry kindly gave an account of his gallant feat. "It was during the raid on the Somme, one of the raids which have served an enviable reputation. The gallant officer in return reported an idea of his own and while he refused to own experiences, Lieut. Elliott of the 60th Light Infantry kindly gave an account of his gallant feat. Elliott Saved the Day. He crossed the trench the boys effective raid on Fritz. ever, for a while looked boys kept on going for trench in the front. If other officers had wounded, Lieut. Elliott and carried on with the did gallant work. He succeeded in receiving the for having assumed a company in a heavy attack marked courage and organizing his men as the position. A number of O's were already decimated gallant work in this Elliott was invested with cross by the King on last. Enlisted as a Lieut. Elliott enlisted with a battalion front he transferred to a base camp, Ont. and on arrival Camp transferred to a Calgary. He crossed the the fourth division in front through all the on the Somme. "The fourth division France received immediate orders. We carried on pected to go over the ment," said Lieut. Elliott. He crossed the trench and a sea of mud brigadier had the one Tommy's kit, and are weight of the cross is about sixty-two pounds weighed no less than

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Vertical text on the right edge of the page, including "THREE DECISIONS" and other fragments.

THREE DECORATED MEN AMONG RETURNED HEROES

Lieut. W. R. Elliott of Peterborough Rose From the Ranks and Won the Military Cross in Famous Raid on the Somme—Captain Gibbon, M.C., Here—Military Medal for Sergeant Hynes—Other Returned Men

"Could you tell me where I could buy a package of cigarettes?" asked a bright-looking youth who reached the city yesterday on one of the steamers arriving at Sand Point.

The speaker was Lieut. W. R. Elliott, M. C., travelling in multi, who won the coveted cross for connection with a gallant raid on the German trenches. The reporter was able to oblige Lieut. Elliott as he happened to have a spare package on his person. The gallant officer in return gave the reporter an idea of life at the front, and while he refused to talk of his own experiences, Lieut. A. F. Macdonald of the 50th Battalion very kindly gave an account of his friend's daring feat.

"It was during the heavy fighting on the Somme, one of those famous raids which have served to establish an enviable reputation for the Canadians. Lieut. Elliott was one of twelve officers to participate in a most daring raid on the German trenches on November 18. Four divisions with twelve officers went into the attack, which was a most successful one. Elliott with three other officers commanded his company which was almost entirely wiped out. The company on his immediate right and left were practically obliterated, and of the twelve officers only five came back.

Elliott saved the day. "It was Mr. Elliott's great work that saved the day. He covered himself with glory. Jumping off from the Regina trench the boys made a most effective raid on Fritz. Things, however, for a while looked bad, but the boys kept on going for the Guards' trench in the front line. When the other officers had been killed or wounded, Lieut. Elliott took command and carried on with the company. He did gallant work. He was officially credited to receive the military cross for having assumed command of his company in a heavy attack. He showed marked courage and ability, reorganizing his men and consolidated the position. A number of his N. C. O.'s were already decorated for their gallant work in this attack. Lieut. Elliott was invested with his military cross by the King on February 21st last."

Enlisted as Private. Lieut. Elliott enlisted as a private with a battalion from Belleville. Later he transferred to a battalion of Lind-say, Ont., and on arrival at Bramshott Camp transferred to a battalion from Calgary. He crossed to France with the fourth division in August last and went through all the heavy fighting on the Somme.

"The fourth division on arrival in France received immediate operative orders. We carried on daily and expected to go over the top at any moment," said Lieut. Elliott. "The weather conditions were most disagreeable. Day after day the rain fell in torrents and a sea of mud developed. Our brigadier had the weight taken of one Tommy's kit, and while the average weight of the complete apparel is about sixty-two pounds, the clothes weighed no less than 105 pounds, the

duration of the war, but the boys are there to see it through to a clean and honorable finish," said Lieut. Elliott. Lieut. Elliott, M. C., is home to recuperate after an operation for appendicitis. He says he is feeling fairly well but he feels that the rest will do him good.

Calgary Man in Party. Lieut. Macdonald of Calgary was hit in the Somme fighting on November 18. He is permanently disabled and will be unable to return to resume his duties at the front. The young officer has been in hospital since that date until the day of sailing.

Another decorated man who reached the city yesterday was Captain Gibbon, a medical officer with the 5th Royal Berks. He received the military cross for gallantry in action. Captain Gibbon hails from Brace-bridge, Ont., but he was glad of the opportunity to get to the front with this imperial force.

The third decorated man to arrive here yesterday was Sergeant Major Hynes of the 57th Battalion from Vancouver. He received the military medal for daring work in connection with a raid on the German trenches. The sergeant major looks well and is glad of the opportunity to return to Canada for a short visit.

Expected July to End It. The majority of officers who reached the city yesterday look for an early termination of the war. While there were many who did not desire to express an opinion, Lieut. J. Downey of the 21st Regiment, who has been through several severe engagements, told The Standard that the first of July in his opinion would see the finish of the Germans. Lieut. Downey is a Belleville man and is loud in his praise of the work of the men of his regiment. He returns to Canada to accept a command with the 25th Battalion now being recruited at Belleville.

Other who Arrived. Capt. F. Hancock of Toronto, who was in charge of the Y.M.C.A. work with the 1st Battalion, returned yesterday to Canada on three months leave of absence.

Rev. Canon Daw, of Hamilton, who has served fifteen months with various Canadian battalions, also reached the city yesterday. He is home on a short leave.

Lieut. R. Malcolm, a son of the late Thomas Malcolm of Campbellton, arrived here yesterday for special duty. Lieut. Malcolm is now with the Canadian Forestry Corps. He was on duty for several months with the C.P.R. Engineers. He has practically recovered from the effects of the wounds he received at the front.

Lieut. James Walker, a member of the famous Black Watch Regiment from Scotland, also arrived in the city yesterday. He was through the heavy fighting with this brilliant regiment. He proceeded to his home in Montreal last evening.

Captain (Dr.) O'Connor, an American citizen, who has been serving with the Canadian forces in France, was another passenger on yesterday's steamer. The doctor will be remembered as the star full-back on the all-American football team of a few years ago.

BURNED ARCHIVES OF THE RUSSIAN POLICE

London, Mar. 16.—Practically the entire archives of the Russian secret police were burned by the revolutionists, according to a Times' despatch from Petrograd. When the building in which the notorious third-section had its headquarters was captured, eager crowds sacked the offices, blasted open safes, wrecked strong boxes and rushed into the streets carrying masses of documents which were quickly converted into blazing bonfires. Not all of the documents, however, were destroyed. The new government has obtained possession of lists of spies and informers who are being fast run to earth.

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Delivery of scrip certificates and of bonds will be made through the chartered banks.

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The bonds will be paid at maturity at par at the office of the Minister of Finance and Receiver General at Ottawa, or at the office of the Assistant Receiver General at Halifax, St. John, Charlottetown, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary or Victoria, or at the Agency of the Bank of Montreal, New York City.

The interest on the fully registered bonds will be paid by cheque, which will be remitted by post. Interest on bonds with coupons will be paid on surrender of coupons. Both cheques and coupons, at the option of the holder, will be payable free of exchange at any branch in Canada of any chartered bank, or at the Agency of the Bank of Montreal, New York City.

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Application will be made in due course for the listing of the issue on the Montreal and Toronto Stock Exchanges.

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ST. JOHN MAN THOUGHT DEAD IS NOW SAFE

Sergeant O'Brien, who was Believed Killed has been Doing Gallant Work in Saloniki — Recommended for Commission.

Sergeant Fred O'Brien, the St. John boy who was believed to have been killed in action, is safe in Saloniki according to letters from the young soldier which reached his relatives in this city yesterday. Sergeant O'Brien who was one of the first to enlist with the overseas forces under Col. Corbett was a regular correspondent for several months, but when he had not been heard from for over ten months his relatives here feared that he had fallen in battle. Inquiries were made from every available source, but these only served to increase the belief that he had made the supreme sacrifice. Yesterday a letter from the young soldier brought the good news that he is alive and well. It is thought that his former letters went down on ships which met the destruction through the activities of the German submarines.

Sergeant O'Brien's letters also brought the welcome news that he had been recommended for a commission for gallant work in the field. The young officer has had several thrilling experiences since he enlisted in the king's army in this city and on several occasions fellow soldiers have written home of his glorious deeds. The commanding officer of the forces at Saloniki took a great personal liking to Sergeant O'Brien and was only too pleased to endorse the recommendation for his commission. The local friends of this popular young officer will rejoice in the welcome news that he is safe and will attend genuine congratulations to him on his well earned promotion.

TWO SONS OF W. E. RAYMOND ARE PROMOTED

Commissions for Two Local Men who have Done Their Bit in Support of the Allied Cause—One goes to the Imperial Forces.

The English mails have brought welcome news to W. E. Raymond of the Royal Hotel. His two sons, William and Harold N. Raymond, who gave up lucrative positions to enlist in the ranks, have been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant for gallantry in action. Both young men have splendid war records and their many local friends will be pleased with the news of their well-merited promotion. William Raymond has been promoted to his lieutenancy in the Canadian Engineers. Following a successful course in mining engineering at McGill university he went to Mexico and was engaged there on engineering work at the outbreak of the war. He returned to Canada to answer the call and went overseas in the ranks.

Harold N. Raymond is a graduate of Boulder College, Colorado. He was forced to leave St. John on account of the climatic conditions interfering with his health. He was a successful electrical engineer with the General Electrical Company when war broke out, but joined the forces in a desire to do his bit. He carried on in France for over nineteen months, when he was recommended for a commission with the Imperial Forces.

OBITUARY.

Thomas J. Barnes.
The death of Thomas J. Barnes, took place in the Carney Hospital, Boston, Thursday, after a short illness. Mr. Barnes was a former well known business man of this city, and previous to going to the states was a printer in Prince William street at the site of the present printing house of Barnes & Company, the members of which firm are cousins of the deceased. His wife, who survives, was Miss Margaret Doherty, a daughter of the late George Doherty of St. John. Mr. Barnes was about sixty-three years of age, and a son of the late Jacob Barnes. Besides his wife, he is survived by four sons, Thomas, Austin, Jackson and George, all of Boston, and one daughter, Alice, also of Boston.

Irma Snow.
Moncton, Mar. 16.—Irma Snow, a former resident of Lewisville, and well known in this part of the province, known in East Somerville, Mass., on Thursday, aged sixty-eight years. The deceased went to East Somerville about twenty-five years ago. Prior to that she was a member of the firm of Humphrey & Snow, who operated the woolen mill at Humphrey's Mills, the business being taken over by J. A. Humphrey & Son. The deceased is survived by his wife, one son, two daughters and one brother, Weston, Mrs. Howard Safford and Mrs. Elmer Green, and Mr. John Snow of Lewisville. Mrs. Snow was formerly Miss Laura Colpitts of Forest Glen, and a sister of Mrs. W. C. Snow and Mr. T. W. Colpitts of Lewisville.

Miss Mary MacFarlane.
Newcastle, Mar. 16.—The death of Miss Mary MacFarlane, daughter of Mr. Alexander MacFarlane, occurred Saturday night, after an illness of several weeks. She is survived by her father, one brother, Pte. George Edward MacFarlane of the 6th Mounted Rifles, at present wounded and in an English hospital, and one sister, Miss Ethel of Boston.

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Social Notes of the Week

"Oh blest be the days when the Green Banner floated Sublime o'er the mountains of free Unifall— When her sons to her glory and freedom devoted to tread her soil Defied the invader to tread her soil When back o'er the main they chased the Dane, And gave to religion and learning their spoil, When valor and mind together combined, But wherefore lament O'er the glorious departed? Her star shall stand out with as vivid a ray, For ne'er had she children more brave and true hearted Than those she now sees on St. Patrick's Day."

March 17th is once more here, and today every good Irishman does honor to his patron saint—Thursday and Friday the dramatic society of the Y. M. Society of the Immaculate Conception presented the dramatic success "The Man of the Hour" in aid of the Roman Catholic orphan and expressions of praise were heard on every side for this excellent amateur effort.—The annual meeting of the W. A. in the various Anglican churches of the city have taken place this week, and in every case the reports of the different departments showed excellent work accomplished during the past year—in face of so many and so varied calls—Several military openings, both wholesale and retail, took place this week—a forecast of spring—even if our streets are still ice-bound and the chill of winter in the air.

Major P. W. McAvity left on a short trip to Fredericton on Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. H. Fielding Rankine who have been on a trip to New York, arrived home on Tuesday. Mrs. C. W. Sweet and little daughter Marion, who have been visiting for two months at Fredericton, guests of Miss Wilson and Miss Beatrice Crockett, have returned home. Most enjoyable was the dinner given at the Cliff Club on Wednesday evening. After the sumptuous dinner had been partaken of, music was played. Among those present were Colonel and Mrs. Powell, Captain and Mrs. MacEachern, Mrs. George K. McLeod, Mrs. Leigh Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Skinner, Miss Helen Sidney-Smith and Senator Thorne. The parishioners of St. John's (Stone) church will be pleased to hear that a cable received by Mrs. G. A. Kuhring conveyed the good news that the rector Captain (Rev.) G. A. Kuhring was sailing soon and would take the services in Stone church on Easter Sunday. Mrs. Kuhring left on Wednesday for Montreal where she will give evidence before the parliamentary committee on provision for returned soldiers. Colonel (Dr.) Thomas Walker and Mr. Charles Robinson left for Montreal on Thursday on the same mission.

Colonel J. J. Sharpley Colonel Alfred Thompson and Major J. F. Taylor who have been visitors in the city left on Wednesday evening for Halifax. Miss Lois Grimmer and Miss Bingham left last night for Brookline, Mass. Miss Bingham, who has been Miss Grimmer's guest, has made many friends while in St. John. Mrs. J. Lee Babbitt, Fredericton, is the guest this week of Mrs. J. B. Cudlip Carleton street.

Mr. A. W. Adams returned home on Tuesday from Clifton Springs, N. Y. Mrs. Adams will remain at Clifton Springs for some time. Mrs. Schmidt arrived from Boston last week and is the guest of her sister, Miss Purton, Union street.

A party of young people chaperoned by Mrs. Wilfred Campbell, spent a social evening with our brave boys in khaki at the Convalescent Home on Friday of last week. Music, games and a beautiful supper was provided, also spoken for the boys. Those present were Mrs. Noel Sheraton, Mrs. Frederick Girvan, Miss Edith Miller, Miss Ethel Evans, Miss Blanche Beaty, Miss Marion Campbell, Miss Ada Williams, Miss Constance Campbell and Sergeant Rowe, 198th Canadian "Buffs" Battalion.

Mrs. William Montzambert, Amherst, N. S., is the guest of Mrs. M. G. Teed, Hazen street this week.

Mr. Kenneth Golding who has many friends in St. John, read with much interest and pride that he had enlisted and been accepted by the Royal Flying Corps. Mr. Golding is the youngest son of Mrs. I. E. Golding, Paddock street, and has for some time occupied the position of manager of the Parkdale Branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Powell who have been spending last week-end at Sackville, guests at Government House, returned home this week.

It was of much interest to many friends in St. John to read that Major J. H. Parks has been decorated with the Order of the White Eagle by the King of Serbia. Major Parks, it will be remembered, has also received the D. S. O. Medal from His Majesty King George.

Major T. E. Powers returned home from Ottawa on Tuesday.

The engagement has been announced of Miss Clara Smalley, daughter of Mrs. A. B. Smalley, to Sergeant Major Archer F. Manks, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Manks. The wedding to take place in April.

It was certainly a very complimentary letter received by Lieut.-Col. J. L. McAvity from the Boston City Club, which read as follows:—"Today we are placing on the walls of our club house a framed photograph of yourself, bearing your signature. It is impossible for me to express to you the pleasure and satisfaction you gave the crew of 100 men assembled here in your honor. It gave us a close touch of the spirit of Canadian troops and installed a new spirit of patriotism in us. It is easy to understand the success of the Canadian overseas contingents when they are led by such men as yourself. I feel that you may be assured that you have many friends in Boston, and while in Boston many new ones." (Sgd.) Addison Winship, Civic Secretary, Boston City Club.

Mrs. F. B. Black, Sackville, was a guest at the Royal this week.

The Misses Campbell, Leinster street, entertained most delightfully on Tuesday evening at their home in honor of Sergeant Rowe, 198th Battalion's birthday. Music and dancing was thoroughly enjoyed, and supper served. The well appointed dining table being centered with a huge birthday cake beautifully decorated with the Union Jack and "Canadian Buffs." Among the guests were Miss Blanche Beaty, Miss Edith Miller, Miss Marion Campbell, Miss Elizabeth Morrison, Miss Constance Campbell, Corporal Castleman, Corporal Rourke, Corporal Ballestrine, Corporal Abemethy and Sergeant Rowe and others.

Mrs. John E. Moore was hostess at a very delightful patriotic chain party at her residence, Germain street, on Thursday evening, the proceeds being for the Military Ambulance Fund. During the evening a very interesting talk was given by Mrs. Warren on women's work in "war time" and what she had seen in England—men's work now being successfully done by women. Delicious refreshments were served during the evening, sandwiches and fancy cakes cut in shape of the shamrock and emblems of St. Patrick. About forty guests enjoyed the hospitality of Mrs. Moore.

Many friends have heard with sincere regret that Mr. and Mrs. Frederick T. Short are leaving shortly to reside in New York. Mr. Short having been transferred to the Union Bank of Canada in that city. Mr. and Mrs. Short are deservedly popular in St. John and will be greatly missed.

Mrs. J. F. Tilton, King Street East, entertained yesterday afternoon at a very delightful children's party for her little daughter.

Mrs. Webster, who has been visiting Mrs. F. C. MacNeill, left for her home, Shediac, yesterday.

Major Gunn, 198th Battalion and Mrs. Gunn, have taken a suite at the La Tour Apartments.

Miss Catherine McAvity entertained at a very pleasant dinner party at the Bangor on Tuesday in honor of Captain and Mrs. MacEachern. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Angus, Miss Mary Blizard, Miss Dorothy Blizard, Miss Edith Schofield, Major Watts, Captain Ham, Lieutenant Hudd, Lieutenant Haywood, Lieutenant Webber and Mr. Allan McAvity.

Word has been received in the city that a colonelcy has been granted Major Frank Magee of the 1st Divisional Column. Colonel Magee's many friends in this native city will add their congratulations.

His Honor Judge Forbes and Miss Homer who have been visiting Mrs. Harry Morton at Trinidad, left there on March 14th for Barbados and after a short stay there will come north to Bermuda and will then sail for home the middle of April.

On Saturday last nearly three hundred little hearts were made happy through the thoughtfulness and kindness of Mrs. W. H. Golding who entertained the pupils of the Froese Kindergarten at the Imperial Theatre when the beautiful fairy-tale picture "Snow White" was shown. The picture has called forth such admiration in its to be hoped in the near future Mr. Golding will have it repeated.

On Saturday last at the annual meeting of the Local Council of Women Mrs. E. Atherton Smith was elected president, Miss Grace Leavitt, Mrs. Richard Hooper, Mrs. James H. Doody, Mrs. H. A. Powell, Mrs. Harold Lawrence and Mrs. F. E. Holman, vice-presidents; recording secretary, Mrs. A. W. Estey; corresponding secretary, Miss Amelia J. Haley; treasurer, Miss Alice Estey; and T. H. Bullock, president of the society last year, retired from office owing to other matters demanding her attention. The local council are to be congratulated upon the splendid general they have so wisely elected to the presidency by acclamation. Mrs. E. Atherton Smith has undertaken in whatever she has undertaken has always met with success.

Mrs. Busby is visiting Mrs. E. R. Burpee at Bangor.

The Red Cross tea given at the residence of Mrs. G. G. Corbet, Coburg street, was a unqualified success. The house had been beautifully decorated with red crosses, flags and red streamers. The prettily decorated tea table was presided over by Miss Williams, head nurse at the St. James' street military hospital, the Deputy Commandant of the Pitt street military hospital, assisted by members of the V. A. D.—Miss Dorothy Purdy, Miss Sturdee, Mrs. H. A. Powell, Mrs. A. D. Young, Miss Virian Freeze. The V. A. D. uniforms were their uniforms. The proceeds of the tea will be given to the 15th Field Ambulance.

Miss Mary McCarthy, daughter of Mrs. R. W. McCarthy, formerly of this city who is an accomplished pianist in Toronto where she now resides, was one of the performers at a concert given recently in that city by members of the Women's Musical Club under the distinguished patronage of Mr. E. A. Estey. Among the guests of Devonshire and Lady Hendie, Miss McCarthy is a sister of Mr. R. Max McCarthy of this city.

One of the most enjoyable of the patriotic chain parties given in aid of the military ambulance under the auspices of the Royal Standard Chapter, I. O. O. F., was given on Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. E. Atherton Smith at her residence, Carleton street.

When the guests had assembled Mrs. Smith presided each lady with a catalogue with pencil attached and indicated them to wander through her "art gallery," and to make a note and guess the name of twenty clever and witty portraits. The names of the different rooms. After a great deal of guessing Mrs. Humphrey (of New York) proved the fortunate first prize winner which was the beautiful book, "My Beloved Pollux," letters written by Miss Annes Warner which is at present receiving so much publicity and deserved praise. Mrs. James H. Doody, Mr. A. P. Crockett, also won pretty patriotic gifts.

Delicious refreshments were served. Miss Louise Anderson, delightful in many guises by rendering in her usual artistic manner a choice solo. Quite a substantial sum was raised for the Ambulance Fund.

Friends in this city heard with keen regret of the death which occurred at Fredericton on March 11th of Miss Ann C. Simons, daughter of the late Edward Simons. Much sympathy is extended to the bereaved ones.

SHEDIAC

Shediac, March 16—Posters are out for a St. Patrick's tea, to be held in Tipperary Hall, on Saturday afternoon in aid of Red Cross funds.

At the business meeting of the Red Cross held on Tuesday afternoon, it was decided to send \$50.00 to the upkeep of our two prisoners in Germany.

Mr. T. N. Vincent of St. John, was in town this week.

Miss Jean Chase, who has been a guest at the home of Mrs. R. C. Tait, has returned to Nova Scotia.

Rev. Thos. Hicks of St. John, was among visitors in town this week.

Mrs. Williams has returned from St. John, where she was present at the military openings this week.

Mr. A. J. Webster is the guest of St. John friends.

Mrs. O. P. Wilbur of Sussex, is a visitor at the home of Mrs. D. S. Harper.

The Anglican Guild meets this week at the residence of Mrs. E. A. Smith.

Mrs. Jas. Scott will be the hostess

for the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church.

Mrs. E. A. Smith entertained at an informal bridge on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Wilbur of Sussex, was the stranger present.

Mrs. Richard of the millinery establishment of Mrs. C. H. Galland, was present this week at the openings in St. John.

Rev. Edwin Turner spent part of the week in Dorchester.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Gibson are home from Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Allison Dysart of Bucouche, were among recent guests to Shediac.

Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson have taken up their home on Sackville St. in the residence lately occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Bedford Legere. The latter have moved two doors above their former residence.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Charters of Moncton, were week-end guests of Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Murray.

Mrs. Avard White and baby daughter intend going to Millerton this week, to visit Mrs. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thurber.

FREDERICTON

Fredericton, March 16—Mrs. J. F. Allison of Sackville, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. de Lancy Robinson, Queen St.

Miss Lucy Morris on entertained informally at tea last week in honor of Miss Patterson, at her home on St. John St.

Mrs. F. A. Good has gone to Waltham, Mass., where she will visit her sister, for several weeks.

Congratulations are being conveyed to Mr. and Mrs. Aldrich upon the arrival of a daughter at their home, March 15th.

The many friends of Captain Rev. J. H. McDonald, formerly of this city, and editor of the Maritime Baptist in St. John, will be pleased to learn that he has been appointed assistant director of chaplain services executive in London. Capt. McDonald has accomplished splendid work in the chaplain services since going over to England. The promotion comes as an acknowledgement from the military authorities of the splendid service he has rendered his country.

Many letters of appreciation of warring conditions in France have been read with a great deal of interest.

After spending several days guest of Mrs. W. J. Scott, Mrs. C. J. Meresereau returned to her home in Sackville.

The Afternoon Bridge Club met at the home of Mrs. A. T. McMurray, Queen St., on Monday, the prizes being won by Mrs. R. N. MacCunn and Mrs. Ross Thompson.

Miss Patterson who has been visiting the Misses Thompson, Regent St., returned home on Friday of last week.

The funeral of the late Miss Annie Symonds took place on Tuesday afternoon and was very largely attended. The remains were taken to Christ Church Cathedral, where Rev. Dean Neale assisted by Canon Cowie and Canon Smithers conducted the service, which was full choral. The pallbearers were Messrs. A. B. Wilnot, R. S. Barker, G. A. Taylor, J. S. Armstrong, Henry Wilnot and A. D. Thomas. The deceased is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Neales, Miss Frances and Miss Louise Symonds in Canada. Mrs. McGregor is the guest of Mrs. W. W. Hubbard, the Experimental Farm.

Mr. John Stephens entertained informally at tea on Wednesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. J. F. Allison. The guests included Mrs. Ketchum, Mrs. Holden, Mrs. Lawson, Mrs. Chandler, Mrs. Colston, Mrs. Harris, and Miss Stopford and Miss Mary Thorne.

Senator Thorne and Mr. J. M. Robinson of St. John, were in the city this week to attend the funeral of the late Miss Symonds.

After an absence of some weeks recruiting through the province, Lieut. F. W. C. Walmers of the 136th Battalion, returned with his bride, Mrs. May Raymond of Norton.

Mrs. Ketchum returned from Moncton Monday, and was accompanied by Mrs. Colston of St. John, work for Miss Nellie Babbitt returned from Halifax, where she was visiting her sister, Mrs. Beresford Oxley, for some weeks.

Prof. Mitchell, superintendent of live stock, and Mr. J. B. Daggett, secretary of Agriculture, left on Monday, for Woodstock, to deliver lectures before the short course of agriculture going on there during the week.

The Ashburnham Club, which was instituted by Miss Anderson in 1913 and which since the outbreak of the war has done such good work for the soldiers is now reorganized at Ottawa as the Ashburnham Branch of the Red Cross Society. The necessary charter had to be sent to England to be signed by H. R. H. The Duchess of Connaught, and as soon as it is received here, a meeting will be called and will be addressed by Lady Tilly, president of the New Brunswick Branch of the Red Cross.

The Women's Volunteer Reserve held a most successful afternoon tea on Saturday last at the Knights of Pythias rooms on Queen St. The tea table at which the Countess of Ashburnham and Mrs. Richardson presided was centered with red streamers. Over \$50 was made and will be given to comforts for the Military Hospital.

Mrs. Arthur Tweedle entertained a number of her friends at a sewing party on Tuesday afternoon.

There is no change in the condition of Mrs. John Babbington, who is seriously ill at her home with pneumonia.

On Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Stewart Morrison entertained at a chain party at her home on St. John St. Mrs. Morrison was assisted by Mrs. R. B. H. Phillips, Miss Lucy Morrison, Miss Bertha Harvey, Miss Jean Hodde, Miss Benzie Morrison and Miss Helen Morrison.

Mrs. B. A. Brown of Vancouver, formerly of St. John, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Sherwood, Waterloo Row.

Lieut. F. H. Ryder, who has been in Vancouver recruiting, returned here on Wednesday.

ST. STEPHEN

St. Stephen, March 16—Miss Geo. Nesbitt entertained a choir of the Methodist Church very pleasantly at her home on Porter St., on Thursday evening last.

Lieutenant Frank H. Ryder, who has been at home for a few days after spending the winter in the west on recruiting business, has left for Halifax where he will take a course in musketry.

The Chapman Concert on Saturday evening last was well attended and most thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Miss Morgana was more delightful even than she was two years ago, and was warmly welcomed back by the audience. The other artists, Miss Williams and Mr. Richardson, while appearing for the first time before a St. Stephen audience, made a place for themselves in the hearts of their hearers, which will assure them a hearty welcome, should they ever return. Mr. Chapman gave his usual finished performance at the piano, and the concert was in many respects the finest Mr. Chapman has given for years. On Sunday afternoon the artists gave a recital in the Congregational Church at which a silver collection was taken in aid of the American Red Cross Society. The sum of \$100 was raised.

Miss Mary Short returned from a delightful visit in St. Andrews, N. S., on the death of Mrs. V. V. Vanstone, which occurred at her home on Rose Ave., was heard with deep regret in the community. Mrs. Vanstone has been ill for some weeks, but hopes of her recovery were entertained by all. Mrs. Vanstone leaves a husband and three children to mourn her loss. She was a devoted wife and mother and had a large circle of friends by whom she will be sincerely missed.

Gunner Fred Waterson is spending a few days at home after having completed a course of instruction at Halifax.

Mrs. Chester Gregory is quite ill at her home in town, much to the regret of her many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stevens have both been confined to the house during the week, with an attack of the very prevalent grippe. Their friends are glad to learn that they are both recovering rapidly.

The W. A. Club meets this week with Miss Jessie McWha at her home on Prince William St.

Mr. A. E. Vesey left on Wednesday night's train for a trip to Montreal.

The Women's Patriotic Association met in the Town Council Chambers on Monday evening. There was a very good attendance of the members and matters of importance were discussed. The association will meet on every alternate Monday evening in the

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In United States the Emergency Peace Federation bestows its admiration upon the filibusters and says that "we believe you represent a vast, though unknown, part of the Americans whose earnest desire it is that this country should not be drawn into war directly or indirectly."

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Where the National Anthem Came From
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SACKVILLE

Sackville, March 16—Mrs. Mersereau who was in last week, attending the screen wedding, has returned.

Mrs. Frederick L. Murray arrived in town last week called by the illness of Mrs. James Rennie.

Miss Gertrude Hanson of few friends very pleasant evening.

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Sackville, March 16—Mrs. C. J. Margerau who was in Fredericton last week, attending the Dods-McCrea wedding, has returned home. Mrs. Frederick L. Murray of Boston, arrived in town last evening, being called by the illness of her mother, Mrs. James Adams.

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Mrs. J. W. S. Black left on Thursday for Montreal, where she will spend some weeks with friends. Miss L. E. VanBuren, who has been teaching millinery at Mount Allison Ladies' College, left Monday for St. John.

Major Morris Fisher of Sackville, who it will be remembered went overseas in command of the 68th Battery, has now been promoted to the command of the 82nd Howitzer Battery in England, and expects to go to the front in command of this unit.

Miss Cassie Hay of Woodstock, who has been visiting friends in Halifax, arrived in town Monday, where she will spend a few days, guest of Miss Greta Metzler, Mount Allison Academy.

The closing Reading Circle for the season of the W. M. S. was entertained by Mrs. Calkin, assisted by Mrs. Wheelock, Monday evening with Mrs. Greenland as leader. A short time was spent in the usual routine business of the society. Mrs. Sprague being elected as the delegate to the branch which meets at Fredericton in June.

Mrs. George Wry then read the story of the wonderful awakening of an African boy, who went all the way to New York for religious teaching and became a power for good among his own people. Miss Gronlund sang a beautiful setting of "Jesus Lover of My-Soul," and the season's study was closed with the usual social hour.

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Special Notes of the Week

over dainty refreshments, all feeling that under Mrs. Huntton's leadership the series of meetings had been both educational and enjoyable socially.

Mr. Gilbert S. Milton of Dorchester, was in town on Thursday.

Professor W. C. Kierstead of the U. N. B. who preached the second university sermon in the Methodist Church last Sunday evening, was the guest, while in town of Dr. and Mrs. Borden at the Ladies College.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bennett entertained at dinner Thursday evening, when covers were laid for nine. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Trites, Mayor and Mrs. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Read and Mrs. Harvey.

Rev. A. F. Baker of New Waterford, C. B., spent part of last week in town. Miss Margaret Gilmore of Mount Allison Ladies' College, spent the week-end at her home in St. John.

Mrs. Aubrey Lane of Amherst, spent a couple of days in town last week, guest of her sister, Mrs. Percy Gillis.

Mr. Fred Ryan of Vancouver, B. C. is visiting in town, guest of Mr. and Mrs. Horace E. Fawcett.

Miss Muriel Elderkin of Mount Allison Ladies' College, spent the week-end in Amherst, guest of Rev. and Mrs. McConnell.

Mrs. Herbert M. Wood was hostess at tea on Saturday afternoon in honor of the officers connected with the various military units stationed here.

Miss Alice Hanson, who has been visiting in Moncton, guest of Mrs. George Wilson, returned home Tuesday.

The hostesses at the I.O.G.E. tea room on Tuesday afternoon were, Mrs. Calkin, Mrs. David Hickey, Miss Calkin and Miss Etta Ayer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Powell of St. John, spent the week-end in town, guests of Governor and Mrs. Wood.

Mount Allison's two debating teams are working hard on the last stretch of their preparation. The team from the Alpha Beta, the literary society of the University girls, under the leadership of Miss Margarette Jonah, 17 will meet the Dalhousie ladies' team at Halifax on Friday of next week. The team consists of Miss Jonah, leader, Miss Anna Jackson, 17 and Miss Jean Kennedy 17. They will uphold the affirmative side of the resolution, "Resolved that England and her colonies should have adopted a system of Compulsory National Service at the outset of the war."

The judges so far chosen for this debate are Canon Vroom of King's College and Mr. Ralph Prieze of Sussex.

The Kiltie concert on Friday night was the big success of the year. On every hand the general remark is that for variety and interest the programme beats anything of the description shown in these business descriptions shown in these business descriptions.

The music of the hands took the crowd by storm and the vanguard acts and other numbers were of the first order. The final sketch in particular, representing a scene in the front line trenches held the attention of the crowd and made a very deep impression. The work of Sgt. Duthie and the cast in the sketch "The Stranger" was also the subject of much favorable comment. The performance was repeated on Saturday afternoon when a large number of students from the Ladies' College and University were in attendance.

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Purdy and Miss Jean Daniel of Rothersey, who are assisting on the nursing staff of the hospital, were also members of the party. Early in the afternoon Mr. Allison brought his guests from the city by automobile to Kinghurst, where coaching and tea were enjoyed. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Allison and party motored to St. John and attended the performance at the Imperial Theatre before returning to the hospital.

Mr. H. W. Frink has returned home from Halifax, where he has been taking a course in military training.

Mrs. L. B. Knight of St. John, spent Monday afternoon here with Mrs. W. C. Rothwell.

There are many who will be interested to know that Miss Marjorie Europe, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Burpee of Vancouver, formerly of St. John, who on route from the West, to England, visited her aunts, Mrs. D. A. Pugsley and Mrs. Harry Gilbert here, was married at the parish church, Woodbridge, Eng., on February 14th to Captain C. W. Trenherne, R.A.M.C., the ceremony was performed by the rector, Rev. S. Buller. The bride has the good wishes of friends here.

Miss Allison returned home on Monday from Truro, where she paid a short visit to her mother.

After several weeks without a service, Rothersey Presbyterian congregation is to have Rev. G. A. Grant, M.A., B.D., on Sunday evening. He is a son of Rev. K. J. Grant of Trinidad.

On Wednesday afternoon Miss Ganong entertained at a greatly enjoyed French tea of Netherwood. Among those present were Miss Pichard, Mrs. Lee, Miss Evans, Miss

At Tuesday's meeting of the Red Cross the secretary, Miss Muriel Robertson gave a fine report of the work accomplished during February, for which she received a hearty vote of thanks. It was decided to send \$200 of funds on hand overseas for hospital supplies. Mrs. John H. Thoson presided. Mrs. William S. Allison was hostess at the usual Tuesday afternoon tea, assisted by Mrs. Hoger.

Mrs. Taylor of Chatham, is here visiting at the home of Hon. William Pugsley and Mrs. Pugsley.

Week-end guests of Mrs. F. J. Nibbett at Renforth, were Misses Audrey and Dorothy Mullin of St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Allison on Saturday very pleasantly entertained five of the soldiers from the Military Hospital, St. John. Men who have done their bit overseas. They were private Bowring, Campbell, Peterson, Aego and Collins. Miss Dorothy

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HAMPTON

Hampton, Mar. 16.—Miss Alice Gibson, St. John, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Coates this week.

Mrs. Claude F. and daughter, Miss Margaret Price, of Moncton, were guests on Thursday and Friday of Mr. and Mrs. George Davidson.

Miss Marie Hayes, en route from Acadia Seminary to her home in Chipman, was on Thursday a guest of Miss Eva Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Ryder were in St. John on Thursday attending the wedding of the latter's sister, Miss Edith Stelle to Mr. F. E. Stephenson of Rosetown, Saskatchewan.

The Reading Club of the Methodist church was entertained on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. G. M. Wilson.

Father E. J. Conway, Chipman, was a visitor in Hampton last week.

The Women's Auxiliary of the St. Paul's Anglican church held their annual business meeting at the rectory on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. W. H. Fobinson was re-elected president, and Mrs. Harold Taylor, president of the Junior W. A. in place of Miss DeVoe, who expects shortly to leave to make her future residence in St. John. During the afternoon tea was served by Mrs. A. H. Croft.

Mr. Louis French has sold his stock of dry goods to Mrs. E. S. Campbell and removed his family to Oxford, N. S., where he will open up new business. On Saturday evening at the Baptist parsonage, Hampton Village, the pastor, Rev. O. N. Chipman, united in marriage Otty Curtis Stanley of Hampton to Kathleen Fowler of Bellefleur. The couple were unattended. Mr. and Mrs.

Stanley will make their future home in Hampton.

On Monday evening, in the Chapel of the Messiah, a very interesting talk was given by Dr. John Antle, the founder of the Columbia Coast Mission. During the course of the lecture Dr. Antle related in a pleasing manner many of his experiences during his 11 years' work among the coast lumbermen. The talk was supplemented by lantern views showing the logging operations, the mission house-boat comprising a well-equipped hospital, a chapel and his own private apartments. Dr. Antle at once won the interest of the audience in his great work and an appeal for funds resulted in a generous response.

Sergt. Fred Chipman, St. John, spent the week-end at his home.

Nursing Sister Duffan, who has recently been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lehrle, left this week for Halifax from which place she will sail for the West Indies to enjoy a month's rest.

Miss Belle Logan is the guest of Chatham friends.

Mrs. Cody of St. John was a week-end guest of her sister, Mrs. C. T. Leonard.

Miss Nan Saunders spent Sunday at her home in Kingston.

Mrs. J. Crockett, Moncton, spent part week as the guest of Mrs. George Barnes.

Pres. Kenneth Hutchings and Blair Brown, 236th Kliffes, have returned to Fredericton after a short leave of absence.

Miss Hattie Barnes returned on Tuesday from St. John where she has been the guest of Rev. J. A. Mackelg.

Miss Pearl Peters of Gagetown was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wilkinson on Wednesday.

Mr. J. Brosman spent Sunday with Mr. Howard Campbell.

Miss Jessie Tait, Sussex, was a week-end guest of her sister, Mrs. H. Worden.

Mr. Charles Wilkinson, St. John, was a visitor to Hampton on Monday.

an and Mrs. MacKeigan, and left on Thursday to visit Rotheray friends. Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Farnes were guests on Sunday of Dr. and Mrs. Burges, Apohaqui.

The hostesses at the Red Cross tea, on Tuesday afternoon, were Mrs. Geo. Wilson and Mrs. R. A. March.

Mr. Fred Sharpe was a visitor in Hampton on Monday.

Miss Althea McLaughlin, St. John, was a week-end guest of Miss Sarah Brewster.

Miss Minnie Travis left on Monday for St. John where she will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harold MacMichael.

Mr. Gilford Flewelling is spending a few days at his home in the village. Miss Hattie Henderson, of Fair Vale, and Miss Stella McKay, St. John, were week-end guests of Miss Louise Schibner.

Lance Corp. Harold Hoyt of the Kliffes, Fredericton, paid a visit this week to his home at Lower Norton. Corp. Hoyt has been taking a course in physical training at Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Henderson were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Seely.

Mrs. A. H. Chipman was the guest for a few days this week of St. John friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Judson Slipp have returned from a visit to Hampton.

Miss Nora Fairweather of the St. John teaching staff spent the week-end at her home, Lower Norton.

Mrs. Bettie, who has been nursing Miss Colla Wetmore, returned to Bloomfield on Tuesday. Miss Wetmore is recovering from her recent illness.

Mrs. N. A. McNeil and young son, Salisbury, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Frost.

Mrs. McGowan and Mrs. Edgett, Moncton, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. Barnes this week.

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SUSSEX

Sussex, March 16.—Mr. C. D. Davis was in St. John Tuesday.

Miss Agnes McPherson of Sackville, N. B., was the guest of Mrs. Ernest Jones over Sunday.

A number of young people enjoyed a sleigh drive to Millstream on Wednesday evening, where a pleasant time was spent at the hall there. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Vickers chaperoned the party.

Miss Ella Lockhart spent the week-end at Pettitodiac with her sister, Mrs. E. G. Crandall.

J. Albert Perkins who severed his connection with the Sussex Mercantile Co. on Saturday last to assume his duties with W. B. McKay Co., was presented with a handsome fountain pen by the lady members of the dry goods and fancy goods staff of the Mercantile Co.

Mr. and Mrs. David Henderson are being congratulated on the arrival at their home of a young son.

Mrs. Price has returned to Moncton, N. B., after an extended visit to her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Daly.

Mrs. Clarence Flewelling entertained a few friends informally at bridge, Wednesday afternoon and evening.

Mrs. J. A. Murray is visiting her brother, Dr. Ross Mills in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Edith Ervine was the guest of Mrs. Clarence Kierstead a few days last week.

Mrs. Harry Chapman entertained a few friends at the tea hour Thursday afternoon.

Mr. B. J. Sharp has rented the Knoll and has moved his family there, where they will reside for the summer.

W. D. Turner, barrister, who for sometime past has held the position of assistant solicitor for the Canadian Government Railways during which he had much experience in corporation law, has returned to Sussex and opening offices in the Mercantile block, Main St.

Rev. Mr. Kennedy, former pastor of the Main Street Baptist Church, passed through Sussex on Monday en route to his home in Hamilton Me. He was given a hearty welcome at the station by a number of old friends.

Miss Julia Keith entertained a number of her friends on Friday evening last. Among those present were Misses Edna White, Pauline Arnold, Frances White, Jennie LeClair, Freda Reid, Hattie Wright, Ada Cripps, Mammie Lutz, Viola Peters, Edith Murray, Marion Shannon, Irene Lamb, Idella Berry, Dorothy Davidson, Margaret Perry, Lenore Mills, Frances Sharp, Hazel Hardesty, Jean Campbell, Susie Miller and Margaret Geldart.

Mrs. M. Garfield White entertained a few friends at a dinner-party Tuesday night. Among those present were Rev. Mr. H. Rice and Mrs. Rice, Mr. and Mrs. J. Everett Keith, Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Reid and Mrs. L. R. Murray.

Miss Allie Jones of River Glade, is in town this week, taking the course at the Agricultural School.

Miss Borden, Sackville, N. B., is registered at the Depot House this week.

Mrs. Walter Lutz and Mrs. Burpee Freese were at Pettitodiac on Saturday attending the funeral of Stuart Crandall, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Crandall, who died of pneumonia on Thursday.

Mrs. O. P. Wilbur is visiting friends in Shediac, N. B.

Miss Greta Hallett has accepted a position in Truro, N. S., in a ladies wear establishment and will leave Monday.

Miss Lucy Barton of Torryburn, was the week-end guest of Miss Helen Keith.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Howes spent Sunday in St. John.

Mr. Otty Tuttle of Tuttle Bros., Moncton, was the guest of F. W. Wallace on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Fairweather and family spent the week-end in St. John.

Horace A. Porter, St. John, was in town on Tuesday.

Mr. David Brown, St. John, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Charles Brown, Church Ave.

Mr. Tilly Mercer returned home on Saturday after an extended trip through California and Mexico.

Sergt. Frank Smith of the firm of Smith Bros., now with a Medical Corps at Halifax, was in town this week. He leaves for Toronto next week to take a course there.

Mrs. H. W. Hatfield, St. John, is the guest of Mrs. George J. Vaughan, Main St., Sussex.

Mrs. O. R. Arnold and Miss May Arnold have gone to Toronto, Ont., where they will reside with Mrs. Arnold's son, R. V. Arnold.

Mr. George S. Dryden spent the week-end in St. John.

Capt. Alfred Shuttleworth of the staff of the Canadian Forestry Battalion, is in town in the interests of the New Brunswick Battalion. Capt. Shuttleworth will address a public meeting on Sunday night at 8.15 in

the Hippodrome.

The ten days course in Home Economics which began at the Agricultural School on Tuesday, is being well attended. Miss Hazel Winter, Fredericton, supervisor of Women's Institutes has charge of the course and the teachers engaged are Household Science, Miss Ada Saunders; House Planning, Miss Elaine Borden; Millinery and Sewing, Miss Grace Tomkins; Nursing, Miss G. MacKinnon, graduate nurse, Fredericton, N. B. The course will end on Friday evening, March 23rd.

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THE APPLE
GAVE HIM TO
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IF YOU WISH
I WILL GO AT
THREE O'CLOCK

Here are seven cards, one a sentence in English, one an animal. There are animals in all. Some you see, but others are not unless you visit the circus.

Uncle Dick's Ch...
With the

My Dear Kiddies:—
What a big surprise you had this week when you read your favorite page in The Standard! You found many general facts out, and several others place. My reason for because I thought it would change to have a page stories about animals, dealing with the kindly it is possible to perform little dumb friends.

You haven't forgotten to of the Corner is "Make Happy Lives," and to remind you that this apply to kindnesses of other, but particularly beasts, who have been both help and pleasure. they are very wise, as a true story which I tell you, about the dog who learned to go to the store and get his supply of food was instrumental in the day of a clever little given a basket containing to carry into the store. He was getting a handle of the basket, a little nervous, jumped the dog was too quick, as kiddy by the soft part of place it back in the basket proceeded to do as he pleased.

Oh, you boys and girls, cats, horses and other far more festive and are often credited with should be always kindly deeds among us they may not be able to say "thank you" but their look often says that words might be received that look of your dog, after you have little kindness for him. It will remind me for I remember once a dog coming to me one day badly, so raising his disapproving a sharp note embedded between the removed the cause of as I finished the swif around and commented hands, as much as to so much, it was hurt no doubt you could see such incidents, and I give me great pleasure tell me them. Just name all about your best. I may publish some of them. You will notice that

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The Fieldov

Here is the Fieldov family nut-cracker. ing on a piece of board and when crayons or paints. ester to copy these on another piece of

MOTTO: "KINDLY DEEDS MAKE HAPPY LIVES"

SOMETHING FOR PUZZLERS

Seven puzzle cards with clues and questions, such as 'AN APPLE BIT THE APPLE I GAVE HIM TO BITE' and 'I FORGET WHETHER IT WAS ON THE FOURTH OR SECOND OF APRIL'.

Here are seven cards, and on each one a sentence. In each sentence hides an animal. There are seven animals in all. Some you may have seen, but others are not common and unless you visit the circus or the zoo...

Uncle Dick's Chat With the Children

My Dear Kiddies:-

What a big surprise you all received this week when you turned to your favorite page in The Standard, and found many special features missed out, and several others taking their place. My reason for doing this is because I thought it would be a nice change to have a page devoted to stories about animals, birds, etc., and dealing with the kindly deeds which it is possible to perform among your little dumb friends.

You haven't forgotten that the motto of the Corner is "Kindly Deeds Make Happy Lives," and I should like to remind you that this does not only apply to kindness done to one another, but particularly to birds and beasts, who have been given to us for both help and pleasure. As you know they are very wise, as illustrated by a true story which I once wrote for you about the dog which not only learned to go to the store with a sled, and get his supply of dog's meat, but was instrumental in saving the life of his little master.

I remember reading, only the other day of a clever little dog, which was given a basket containing a small kitten to carry into the next room. Just as he was getting a firm hold of the handle of the basket, kitty, probably a little nervous, jumped out, but the dog was too quick, as he quickly seized kitty by the soft part of its neck, and placed it back in the basket again, then proceeded to do as he had been asked.

Oh, you boys and girls, the dogs, cats, horses and other animals have far more feeling and sense, than they are often credited with, therefore, we should be always ready to perform kindly deeds among such, and although they may not be able to thank you in the way another boy or girl would, their look often conveys far more than words might. Have you never received that look of gratitude from your dog, after you have done some little kindness for him? I have, and it will remind me for the little trouble. I remember once a dog which I had coming to me one day, limping very badly, so raising her fore paws, she discovered a sharp piece of iron, firmly embedded between the toes. I soon removed the cause of the trouble, and as I finished she twisted her head around and commenced howling, my hands, as much as to say "Thank you so much, it was hurting me." I have no doubt you could tell me of many such incidents, and I am sure it would give me great pleasure to have you tell me them. Just sit down and let me all about your pets, and then later I may publish some of the stories. You will notice that this week, Bob-

each year you will not know them. Can you make up a puzzle something like this one? Try writing six or eight different sentences, and then see if you can find the names of some more animals.

bie and Jean are the means of recuing a poor little pussy cat, which somehow or another had managed to get to the top of a high telegraph pole. I thought this adventure of theirs would be most suitable for the special animal page this week.

I have also written several incidents and stories, which I am sure you will enjoy, but of course you will have to wait until next week for all the hundreds of letters which you have sent during the past few days to be answered, as all the space is so crowded this time.

This is not the only surprise I will have for you, so be sure to watch the Corner every week, in case you should just happen to miss that very time when I spring another. I shall just whisper that in a few more weeks we will be celebrating our second anniversary, and you can be sure that the occasion will be suitably commemorated—but hush! I must not say anything more, or else I may let the cat out of the bag.

I am pleased to see that the subjects of the contests this past two weeks have brought in so many splendidly written compositions. The subject for the week ending March 20th is left to yourselves, so you may choose whatever you desire to write about, whilst that for the week ending March 27th, is "The Legend of St. George, the Patron Saint of England."

I shall have to close this week with best wishes and heaps of love to my thousands of kiddies.

From Your Uncle Dick Children's Editor.

Tales for the Kiddies

(By Uncle Dick)

"Now Jean I want you to run around to the store and get me those few things!" saying which Mrs. Brown handed her daughter a dollar bill, and a note containing the names of several articles which she was in need of.

"All right mamma," said Jean, and away she set off for the store, with a basket hung on her arm. Passing around into the street where the store was situated, she was surprised to see quite a crowd of people gathered at the foot of a telegraph pole, gazing up at the top of same.

Setting into a run she soon joined the rest of the people and also looked up to see what the attraction was. At first she was unable to see anything, but presently she heard the faint "meow" of a kitten, and at last she saw perched right on the very top of the pole, a poor little pussy cat.



The Foldover Family. Here is the Foldover Squirrel, or the family nut-cracker. Paste the drawing on a piece of light-weight cardboard and when dry color it with crayons or paints. You will find it easier to copy these parts much larger on another piece of white paper before painting. Fasten all parts together by using small brass paper fasteners or pins bent over at the back. The holes show where the fasteners are to be placed. One hind leg should be placed on the upper side of the squirrel and one on the lower side. The fore legs should be arranged the same way.



CHILDREN'S CONTESTS

CONDUCTED BY UNCLE DICK.

Table titled 'STANDING OF SCHOOLS IN THE CONTESTS TO DATE MAR. 15TH' listing various schools and their scores.

some of the people were saying, whilst others wondered how it had managed to climb so far. It had been quite an easy matter for the kitten to run up the telegraph pole, but when the frightened creature thought it safe to retrace her steps, she soon discovered it more easy to get up than return.

That was how matters stood when Jean arrived on the scene. At first she was like the rest of those present, helpless and unable to suggest a method of rescuing the animal. Then with a little smothered "I know," she set off at a run for home again. "Mother," she said on arrival, and very much out of breath, "where is Bobbie?" "I think he is in the garden playing with Arthur," Mrs. Brown replied, and before she had time to add, "Where are the things for which I sent you?" she was out of the house calling for Bobbie.

"Bobbie, where is that big boy who is a member of the Boy Scout Troop?" was her first words as she located her brother, and his playmate at the back of the small summer house.

"Oh, you mean Charlie Armstrong?" well he may be at home, Jean? he answered, "but why all this fussing and wanting him quick? Jean cut him short. "Right O, I'll see," and off her brother ran, returning a few minutes later accompanied by the Boy Scout.

After telling him in a few words the condition of affairs, all four set off in a hurry, and arriving at the scene of the kitten's adventure, Charlie edged his way through the increasing number of people, and reaching the telegraph pole, commenced to climb the pole.

A big cheer arose from all present, so they saw what he was about to try and do, and in many a gasp watched him as he proceeded to watch him make steady progress.

Up, up, he went, the firm muscles of his arms contracting and extending, and at first his progress was fairly rapid, but getting higher he began to show signs of the strain to which he was putting his young body.

"He has a swimmer's somersault," "He cannot manage it!" murmured another, as they saw the boy still clinging.

"All there he goes again!" a man at the back of the crowd almost shouted, and sure enough, Charlie had commenced to ascend hand over hand, the kitten's wails of the stranded kitten assailed his ears more strongly, owing to his getting nearer.

Presently the anxious watchers below gave a rousing cheer, as they observed that, at last reach the telephone wires.

Getting a strong hold and standing on each of the poor frightened creature.

"Come on, kitty," he said, as he stretched forth his hand and placed it over her shoulder. A few seconds later he had slid down to the ground, amidst the continued applause of the huge crowd, and then kitty was taken to Jean and Bobbie's house to be fed and sheltered after her adventure.

MICHAEL: THE DOG THAT SAVED A BRAVE SOLDIER'S LIFE. A collection of animal stories retold by Uncle Dick.

Attached to a French command was a dog named Michael, larger, stronger, more intelligent, and made him a general favorite. Michael, although most "sociable," centered his particular affections upon a young French soldier named Henry. Every day at the soup hour Michael would appear carrying a tin can and place it beside Henry, who would fill it as he did his own, and they would drink together.

ARE YOU ENTERING THE COMPOSITION CONTESTS

SOMETHING TO COPY



A hunter once had a little cub which became a great pet and was very playful. The man taught this pet to play hide-and-go-seek; also they would box together. The bear became an expert, and as he grew so quickly soon was more than a match for his master. The man would take a stick and pretend to hit the bear, but Master Bruin was so quick with his paws that the stick would go flying through the air before it ever touched his shaggy coat.

All went well until the call of the wild came to the bear. He remembered the deep woods, the mountains and the rapid flowing river where his mother used to stand on the rocks and flip the lovely salmon out of his watery home for her hungry little cubs on the shore. The call grew stronger day by day, until he broke away from the chain and collar that held him, and ran for miles and miles until he came to the deep woods.

The hunter mourned the loss of his pet but could not find him. Two years later while he was out hunting a huge bear reared up before him. Notice the look on the hunter's face. See if you can copy this picture, making the hunter look frightened. See how the old bear is hiding under the rock. Draw each part carefully with your pencil first and then go over your lines with ink.

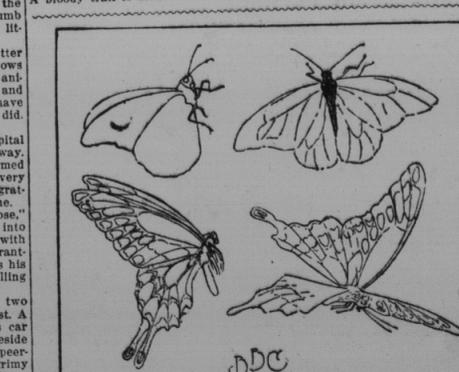
BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Uncle Dick wishes many happy returns to the following members who will be celebrating their birthdays this week:

- Charles Campbell, 65 Brittain St. Phyllis Hall, Edmundston. Arnes Short, Hatfield Pt. Willie Wood, Coles Island. Roy Beesley, Holderville. Isabel Barnes, Hampton. Vivian Soper, Head of Millstream. Louise Johnston, Inebby. Lizzie Barker, Grand Falls. Sisker Fwen, St. George. Allan Mason, 35 Duke St. Francis Mosher, St. Martins.

THE GRIP OF STEEL

By Helen M. Richardson. The snow lay deep within the woodland ways. Where little wildwood creatures roamed at will; Fleet-footed, fearless, with no thought of ill. To mar their pleasure. Since God's hand had laid This spotted mantle to protect and The flowers sleeping 'neath its whiteness, why Need they fear o'er this blanket to disport Their little limbs? God made them free and wild. Youth interposes and they find a snare That holds them in a cruel grip of steel. Freedom has led them into slavery's bonds, Since that which shields them from the elements Must soon be sacrificed to boyish whim. To be a trapper for the love of snow And so across the erstwhile spotless snow A bloody trail is made. Youth carries



thing like those in this picture. Take your colored crayons or get your best box of water color paints and begin to make these butterflies look just as real as you can. Use plenty of bright colors, yellows, greens, reds, blues, purples, etc. When you have finished coloring these, draw a large butterfly of your own and color him.

CONTEST COUPON

Form for contest coupon with fields for Name, Address, School, Age, Birthday, Grade, and Name of Teacher.

THE WEATHER.

Forecasts. Maritime—Fair, not much change in temperature.

Toronto, March 16.—A pronounced disturbance is centred tonight in Iowa, and pressure is highest in the northwest states. The weather has been fair today in all portions of the Dominion.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes entries for Dawson, Prince Rupert, Victoria, Vancouver, Calgary, Medicine Hat, Edmonton, Regina, Battleford, Moose Jaw, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, Port Arthur, Fort Snelling, London, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax, and Below zero.

Around the City

Arrested for Assault. A soldier was arrested last night on a warrant for assaulting his wife. The arrest was made by Police Constable Gorham.

Before Magistrate Adams. A soldier from the 183rd Battalion was before Magistrate Adams at Brookville, last night, for using obscene language and creating a disturbance. He was fined \$5.

Flags at Half-Mast. Lieut. Gov. Wood who is in the city, received a telegram from the secretary of state yesterday ordering that the flags on all public buildings be placed at half-mast on account of the death of the Duchess of Connaught. Governor Wood requests that the flags remain at half-mast until after sundown on Monday, the day of the funeral.

Fire Investigation. The investigation into the recent fire in J. P. Bullock's residence on Germain street was resumed in the police clerk's office yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Bullock was the only witness and she denied that she ever used gasoline in cleaning clothes. She admitted having had a white pitcher, such as her maid referred to at a recent hearing, but said that it was filled with hot water and not gasoline. The case was adjourned for one week for the purpose of hearing another witness who at the present time is out of the city.

Entertain Soldier Boys. An entertainment was given in the Orange Hall, on Germain street, last evening, by the ladies of True Blue and the Ladies' Orange Benevolent Association to the boys of the 183rd Battalion. The programme was as follows: God Save the King, Highland March, Mrs. Brown's address of welcome, Grand Mistriss Mrs. Akorly; solo, Eva Spencer; recitation, Mrs. Spencer; instrumental duet, Misses Wood and Kierstead; solo, Miss Craig; piano duet, Eva Spencer and Clara Vey; recitation, Mr. Spencer; solo, Eva Spencer, and closing songs by the boys of the 183rd. The evening closed with refreshments.

Sergeant-Major Hanlon Returns. Wearing his characteristic smile, Sergeant-Major "Jack" J. Hanlon of the 26th Battalion, reached the city yesterday. Mr. Hanlon is a Fredericton boy, the son of the late Dennis Hanlon, a former well known resident of the capital. He was with the North West Mounted Police for several years but returned to the east to answer the call to arms in his native province. Sergeant Hanlon looks well and plans on a short visit to his former home before returning to the front. He speaks in the highest terms of the officers and men of the 26th, referring to Major Markham particularly, under whose command he served for a considerable time.

LIEUT. RALPH EATON WON HIS COMMISSION WITH FAMOUS 26TH

Badly Wounded on Somme Front, but Hopes to Return to Join 26th in Three Months—One of the Best of a Gallant Battalion

When Ralph Eaton enlisted with the 26th Battalion in 1915, the community of Kentville, the prosperous Nova Scotia centre, gave one of its most promising young men to the colors. Mr. Eaton joined in the ranks but it was not long before his ability won for him his sergeant's stripes. He crossed with the 26th and was through the many severe engagements in which this battalion participated. Young Eaton's gallant work in the third battle of Ypres in June last was rewarded by his promotion to lieutenant. He was through the heavy fighting on the Somme and was severely wounded in September last. Lieut. Eaton returned to the city yesterday. He was warmly greeted by several local friends, while his inspired eyes are of a serious character. He is expected to return to the front as soon as his three months' leave has expired. He reports that the 26th are at the front and spoke in appropriate terms of the work of many officers and men.

MILLION DOLLAR SHIPBUILDING PLANT FOR ST. JOHN PRACTICALLY ASSURED

The St. John Shipbuilding Company, in Process of Organization, Will Establish Yards for the Construction of Wooden Ships, With Steel Shipbuilding a Probability of the Future

Five Hundred Men Will be Employed at the Outset of New Venture, but this Number will be Largely Increased as the Industry Develops—Citizens of St. John Will Have Opportunity of Investing in Ships to be Built—Thomas Nagle Tells of Plans

That St. John is to have a million dollar shipbuilding company, which will build wooden and eventually steel ships, provided of course that the citizens show sufficient interest in the venture to subscribe for stock in the vessels to be built, was the statement made to The Standard last evening by Thomas Nagle, who has interested himself in the formation of such a company and whose plans now are sufficiently well advanced for public announcement.

The company will be known as The St. John Shipbuilding Company and will operate under a Dominion charter. The capital of the new concern will be \$1,000,000 and its yards will be located at or near St. John. The purpose is to first build wooden ships, with all sail or auxiliary oil burning engines as power. In the vicinity of 500 men will be employed, and the company will be ready very soon to start work on the construction of the yards and plant.

Discussing the matter with The Standard Mr. Nagle said: "So much has been said of the desirability of establishing a shipbuilding industry here that we have now decided to put it to the test. The St. John Shipbuilding Company is prepared to erect the necessary yard and plant for the building of wooden ships of 1,500 tons and over. These ships will be built on the principle that obtained in the old days of shipbuilding here—separate companies being formed for the building of each vessel, the owners to sell or operate the vessels as they may select. The parent company will build the ships for cost plus ten per cent, and turn them over to the owners at that figure."

CAN START VERY SOON. Asked as to when the new company expected to start operations Mr. Nagle said it would require at least a month for the construction of the yard and plant. Then one vessel could be started, and it should be possible to have at least three underway during the summer.

The city will probably be asked for some slight concessions to assist in starting the new venture but Mr. Nagle anticipated that the assistance would be promptly granted in view of the very great benefit the establishment of such an important industry would be to St. John.

"The chief difficulty to be faced at the outset," said he, "is the supply of timber and the securing of workmen. At first it will probably be necessary to bring expert ship-carpenters and ship-fitters here from other places until local men become proficient in those lines, for the old generation of shipbuilders, who made the name of St. John famous all over the world, has passed away and there are comparatively few younger men who are skilled in that line. It may also be difficult to get timber and we expect that it will be necessary to use British Columbia fir in the construction, with birch or American oak bottoms.

ORDERS ALREADY SECURED. "I have no doubt as to the success of the enterprise for already some work has been done in the direction of securing orders and the plant is assured of business sufficient to make a good start. After that it is up to the people. The war has made such great demands upon tonnage that ships of all classes are earning enormous profits and there should be a fine market for all the vessels that can be constructed here for many years to come."

Eventually it is the intention of the company to instal a marine railway for ship repair work, and to engage in steel shipbuilding. At the present time, however, the scarcity and high price of steel makes such a plan impracticable.

The establishment of a plant such as Mr. Nagle has in view would mean an addition to St. John's population of at least 500 skilled and highly paid workmen. This number would of course be increased as the industry develops so the possibilities of the enterprise are very great.

All preliminary arrangements, the selection of site, securing of capital for the parent company, etc., have been completed. A Dominion charter will be applied for at once and unless unforeseen difficulties arise the indications are that the new enterprise will be in active operation during the present summer.

AN IMPORTANT POST IS GIVEN STANDARD MAN

Major Markham, one of the Many Standard Men who have Done Well at Front, Becomes Assistant Commandant at Sussex.

It is learned from an authoritative source that Major Alfred Markham, a returned hero, who has seen much active service, will go to Sussex with in the next few days to take the position of assistant commandant of the troops there. Major Markham will be the chief of the staff which will assist Major J. Hamilton in the administration of the military affairs of Sussex. Major Markham has a long and creditable military record. He was an active figure in the peace regiments before the outbreak of war and was one of the first to volunteer for active service. He did his bit well and was recalled to Canada after a splendid war record, contrary to his own personal desires. Major Markham is one of the large number of men from The Standard to join the colors. He is regarded as one of the most efficient cavalry officers in the Dominion. Is a most successful officer in the various other branches of the service. Two of his sons are now on active service. Major Markham's many friends will congratulate him on his new office. General McLean is also fortunate in having such an admirable officer to recommend for the important duties incidental to the military work at Sussex.

DEATHS OF TWO QUEENS CO. LEADING CITIZENS

John Mitchell Was Former Resident of This City—John W. Smith Passes Away at Home at Olinville

Word has been received by relatives here of the death of two prominent residents of Queens county—John W. Smith and John Mitchell—the latter a former resident of the city. A correspondent from Queens county sends the following account of their deaths:

John W. Smith. The many friends of John W. Smith will regret to hear of his death, which occurred at his home Olinville, Queens county, Thursday, March 15. The deceased was 44 years of age, and besides his wife, daughter of Henry Curran, Link Road, Albert county, two sons, James A., John M., and one daughter, Beatrice M., he is survived by one brother, Richard C. He came to St. John with his parents at the age of seven years, and shortly afterwards to Clones, where he has since resided. He is survived by five children: Mrs. Andrew Appleby, Springfield, Mass.; Mrs. John Quigley, St. John; Mrs. John S. Malley, Mary E. and W. Benjamin, of South Clones; also three brothers and one sister, George and James, of Clones; William, of St. John, and Mrs. Kidner, of Woodstock. Funeral on Saturday afternoon.

John Mitchell. Much regret is felt owing to the death of John Mitchell, which occurred at his home South Clones, Thursday, March 15th. Mr. Mitchell was born in Ireland, October 15, 1841. He came to St. John with his parents at the age of seven years, and shortly afterwards to Clones, where he has since resided. He is survived by five children: Mrs. Andrew Appleby, Springfield, Mass.; Mrs. John Quigley, St. John; Mrs. John S. Malley, Mary E. and W. Benjamin, of South Clones; also three brothers and one sister, George and James, of Clones; William, of St. John, and Mrs. Kidner, of Woodstock. Funeral on Saturday afternoon.

FIRE RATES WILL MAKE A BIG ADVANCE

New Classification of Risks in St. John Will Mean Considerable Increase in Premiums

Consequent upon the report of expert engineers on the fire protection of the city, the New Brunswick Board of Fire Underwriters have decided upon the introduction of a new tariff in insurance rates in this city. The re-rating is now being effected.

Peter Clinch, secretary of the board, was approached by The Standard yesterday afternoon and asked to make a statement relative to the new rates. Mr. Clinch was very reticent, but admitted that the report of the experts necessitated the board in making the change which he felt was absolutely justified. From other sources it is learned that the insurance companies who have been operating in the province have sustained heavy losses during the past five years, the payment for fire damage exceeding the amount of premiums received by hundreds of thousands of dollars. The advance is quite a serious one in some instances, it is said, reaching as high as 100 per cent, but the insurance men claim that the increase is absolutely necessary if they are to continue to do business in this province.

The Standard learns that the rates are being re-classified on an entirely new principle. Fire insurance companies have divided the cities and towns of the Dominion into ten classes, from one to ten, according to their plans of the existing facilities for fire protection. The City of St. John has been placed in class five, which is the lowest classification, and went into effect on Monday. The immediate blocks north of King street, Charlotte street from King to Union, including the Market building, have already been re-classified, while the board is now engaged in re-adjusting the rates on the buildings on the south side of King street.

THE LOCAL I. L. & B. SOCIETY ON RECORD FOR IRISH HOME RULE

Resolution to Canadian Government Unanimously Adopted at the Last Meeting of Organization

At the last meeting of the Irish Literary and Benevolent Society of St. John, at which James Barry presided, the following resolution was unanimously passed: Resolved, That this assemblage of the Irish Literary and Benevolent Society of St. John, New Brunswick, convey to the government of Canada an earnest desire that justice shall at last be done to Ireland, the little nation that is the Motherland of our race—such action being only in accordance with repeated declarations by the English Allies that they are fighting to establish the rights of small nations.

That as we and our fathers have never ceased to protest that the Act of Union was unfairly obtained in defiance of the Act of Remuneration of 1783, and is still maintained by the force majeure in opposition to the will of the great majority of the Irish people we now urge remedial action, this assemblage supporting the plan of Premier Lloyd George that the Dominions shall assist in the settlement of the Irish question. That as Canada has taken an active part in the present war on the ground that "when one portion of the Empire is at war it is all at war"—so too when one part of the Empire, as is the case in Ireland, is unhappily governed in opposition to the will of the great majority of its people, it is the duty of every part of this Empire to take active steps to see that justice is done to that portion of the Empire. And that in our better such justice can only be accomplished if the principle of nationhood be clearly recognized in Ireland, and self-government such as is enjoyed by Canada be accorded to her.

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Special Values Today and Tonight. Trimmings Hats for Present Wear at \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$6.00 each. See our exhibit of Pattern Hats by Gage, Fisk and others—received a shipment from Chicago yesterday. Marr Millinery Co., Ltd.

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NEW GARAGE FOR CHARLOTTE STREET. H. C. Mott Gets Permit to Erect Modern Structure—Will Call for Tenders at Once. one story buildings now occupied by the Sanitary Pressing Company, Union Bakery, Emery-Nordby Co., and Philip Goldstein, from Nos. 120 to 126. The owners of the new garage are Messrs. Ritchie, Sherwood and Ritchie. Now that the permit has been received tenders for the erection of the building will be called for immediately, and it is expected the garage will be opened for business this summer. The building will be of brick, with sandstone trimmings. On the first story, or ground floor, will be the show room with office in the front, and a gallery floor over the stock room and toilets, the rest of the ground floor will be used for the storage of cars. There will be no posts in the building; the roof being supported on trusses, and the light and ventilation will be from a monitor in the centre. The building will be up to date in every respect and as soon as the tender is accepted work upon it will be commenced. New Spring Dress Goods. They have come along as promptly and in as good shape as if conditions were normal. Although prices are a little higher you will find them reasonable, and as F. A. Dykeman & Co. eliminate all middle men in their purchases you can depend on getting these goods at the lowest possible price. They are showing some very attractive serges at prices ranging from 55c to \$2.50 per yard. Tweed mixtures from 75c to \$2.50 per yard. Shepherd Plaids from 55c to \$2.00 per yard. Fancy weaves from 75c to \$2.50 per yard. Three of a Kind. The police station held three of a kind last night. Drinking to excess is the charge.