

BRISH AT GRIPS WITH ENEMY ALONG SECTION OF FRENCH LINE WHICH THEY HAVE TAKEN OVER

ROYAL COMMISSION TO PROBE SHELL CONTRACTS

Premier Borden, on Own Initiative, Asks Sir Wm. Meredith and Judge Duff to Act as Commissioners, Asks Laurier to Name Third and Cables Lloyd George for Authority to Investigate Alleged Profits of Col. Allison and American Munitions Makers Named by G. W. Kyle—Sir Sam Hughes Returning Home.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, March 30.—Sir Robert Borden will not tolerate the suspicion of wrongdoing in connection with shell contracts, or any other contracts. Earlier in the session he declared that he would not grant an inquiry into contracts which were the sole business of the British government, although made by the shell committee, but if a member of parliament had a definite instance of what he believed to be wrongdoing, there would be a full and complete investigation.

Hon. Wm. Fugatey made a bluff at making a charge. He performed all the duties associated with the making of a charge, but he left out the vital part, he made no charge. His intended spectacular move was laughed out of court.

However, two evenings ago G. W. Kyle, of Richmond, N. S., gave the House a list of profits that Col. J. Wesley Allison and some American munitions manufacturers are alleged to have made on contracts for fuses. He named the names of the companies and decided that an investigation would be held. He named two of the most prominent jurists in Canada, Sir William Meredith, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Ontario, and Justice Duff, of the Supreme Court of Canada, and he asked Sir Wilfrid Laurier to name a third. This is a remarkable example of fairness, and one which was never exhibited by Sir Wilfrid when he was prime minister himself. In fact he never allowed an inquiry at all. In the case of the matter connected with the South African war contracts—one of which involved F. B. Carvell, and was also in the House by Hon. Martin Burroughs some weeks ago—he refused to have the matter considered at all until the war was over. He has altered his opinions nowadays.

However, it is worth noting that Judge Duff, one of the Royal Commissioners was not yet time a Liberal organizer in Manitoba, and through all the appointments of Sir Wilfrid Laurier to find one Conservative would be in vain.

But the remarkable fairness of the proposed Royal Commission would not be acceptable to the opposition. He did not remark that the minister had acted upon his own initiative, that he had called for authority to hold the inquiry, and although he has not yet received a reply from Lloyd George, he had actually asked the judges mentioned if they would be prepared to act, and they had acquiesced.

action had any charge to make against any member of the government as shown by this in his place, make a personal statement on the responsibility as a member and conclude the statement with a charge. The charge would then be investigated thoroughly and completely.

"This has not been done," continued Sir Robert Borden, "and the course which I am about to announce is, strictly speaking, not demanded by any action which honorable gentlemen opposing had taken. Not one of them has risen in his place and taken the responsibility of making a charge in the sense set forth above."

Royal Commission to Investigate. The honorable member for Richmond, N. S. (Mr. Kyle), however, made statements late on Tuesday evening as to the connection of the minister of militia with certain contracts entered into by the shell committee and as to the enormous profits or commissions springing out of those contracts to certain companies which he mentioned. It is alleged that Mr. J. Wesley Allison had a very large interest in those profits or commissions, and it is suggested that through his influence with the minister of militia the shell committee were induced to make the contracts in question. The minister of militia had previously stated to the House his close relations to Mr. J. Wesley Allison and his great confidence in that gentleman.

"Having regard to these considerations, I think it desirable that an inquiry should be made into the fuse contracts made by the shell committee with the American Ammunition Company and the International Arms and Fuse Company, and the cartridge case contract made by the shell committee with the Edwards Valve Company."

"Upon careful inquiry I cannot find that any of the other contracts out of which it is alleged by the member for Richmond that J. Wesley Allison obtained profits or commissions, were made either by the shell committee or any department of the government of Canada. However, as it has been alleged that the shell committee made a contract with the Providence Chemical Company, of St. Louis, that alleged contract will be included.

"I, therefore, propose to recommend to His Royal Highness, the Governor-General, that a Royal Commission shall issue appointing one or more judges to make a thorough investigation into these four contracts and all matters connected therewith."

RUSSIANS HAVE SPOILED VON HINDENBURG'S CHANCES FOR OFFENSIVE IN SPRING

Are Now in Positions to Renew Drive as Soon as Thaw is Over.

BATTLE LINE EXTENDS OVER 30 MILE FRONT.

Germaans Brought from Other Fronts to Take Part in Expected Attack Forced to Maintain Defensive.

Petrograd, March 30, via London.—The Russian offensive manoeuvres along the Dvinsk-Riga front, although apparently local in character and unimportant as compared with more sweeping spectacular movements which have marked warfare on the Eastern front, have already rendered the carefully constructed positions of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg less secure and well, it is thought here, determine the course of the coming Spring campaign.

The fighting has now developed from isolated encounters along a ten-mile front to a general engagement, extending more than thirty-five miles along the line. German troops which were being pushed to this front instead of taking part in an advance believed to have been intended by the Germans, are occupied in defending their positions of last fall, and it appears to observers here that Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's Spring campaign will be defensive rather than offensive, the one which was expected. Since the first blows struck by the Russians along the northern sector the Russian situation has continually improved, and the heights which they now command along the left bank of the Dvina, and their successful operations in the Riga district, are considered a solid foundation for a further advance as soon as the Spring thaw is over and the ground becomes firm.

PRIZE WINNERS IN PUZZLE CONTEST

The second puzzle offered by The Standard turned out to be less difficult than was anticipated. It had been believed that among those who successfully solved the first puzzle there would not be found very many who could solve the second puzzle at its maximum. However, out of almost three hundred who attempted this second puzzle six tied on the highest number of points and fourteen other tied on the second highest number sent in.

This being the case the prizes offered have been divided among the successful ones, the first six prizes being distributed on the dividend basis as originally announced. The winners and amounts which they receive are given herewith:

- The highest correct solution received was 9,409. D. S. Boone, Aroostook Jct. \$29.16. Irene M. Rand, Parrsboro, N. S. 29.16. Arthur L. Robertson, 208 Duke St., City. 29.16. Capt. J. Spicer, Parrsboro, N. S. 29.16. C. S. Gaines, Aroostook Jct. 29.16. Louis D. Clarke, 55 Pitt St., City. 29.16. Rod McLean, Moncton. 5.00. A. C. Adams, Campbellton. 5.00. Fred W. Strong, Upper Granville, N. S. 5.00. A. W. Kyle, Hartland. 5.00. Wilfrid Candemire, Aroostook Jct. 5.00. E. C. Morgan, Hartland. 5.00. Vernon F. Noddin, Hartland. 5.00. Beecher Steeves, Edgerts Landing. 5.00. Miss L. M. Reid, Hartland. 5.00. Miss E. L. Coles, 175 Charlotte St., City. 5.00. Geo. H. Barnes, Hampton Station. 5.00. Wesley C. Dunlop, Renforth, N. B. 5.00. R. Allan Christie, 136 Carmarthen St. City. 5.00. W. Brown, 326 Rockland Rd., City. 5.00. A number of incorrect solutions were received.

GERMANS TWICE HURLED BACK BY FRENCH FORCES

TWICE ATTACKED NEAR FORT DOUAUMONT, EMPLOYING LIQUID FLAME, BUT HURLED BACK—EIGHT GERMAN AEROPLANES BROUGHT DOWN OVER ALLIED LINE.

Fighting is still going on between the British and Germans along the British end of the French line, particularly near St. Eloi, where bomb throwers have succeeded in reaching a portion of a mine crater held by the British. Near Boesinghe the British put down an attempted attack by the Germans.

Strong forces of Austrians and Italians are aligned against each other in the Gorizia sector of the Austro-Italian front. On the heights of Seltz spirited fighting is taking place for the possession of trenches. Elsewhere along the front the artillery duels continue. Berlin says the big offensive of the Russians in the region of Postavy has ceased, and that the Russians also have given up their attacks around Lake Narocz. Artillery duels, however, are going on around Jacobstadt, and to the north of Wlady.

Great Britain has put in effect an order-in-council under which neither a vessel nor her cargo is immune from capture for a breach of the blockade and the moment is on her way to a non-blockaded port.

Paris, March 30.—The official communication issued by the war office tonight on the campaign in the western zone reads as follows: "To the west of Nouvion an enemy aeroplane was brought down by our special guns. The machine fell about five metres in front of our trenches. The passengers were killed. We brought back to our lines one of the

machine guns of the aeroplane. "To the north of the Aisne the fire of our batteries, directed against the enemy organizations on the plateau of Vauclere, caused a powerful explosion.

"In Champagne our guns brought down a German aeroplane, which fell inside the enemy lines near Sault-Marie-A-Py.

"In the Argonne we energetically bombarded the Malancourt wood. At La Fille Mortie one of our mines shattered a German trench, and another destroyed an enemy post at Hill 283.

"To the west of the Meuse, in the course of the day, the bombardment continued in the region of Malancourt. There was no infantry action.

"To the east of the Meuse the Germans directed, this morning, on our positions in the neighborhood of Fort Douaumont a violent attack, accompanied by jets of liquid flame. The enemy was completely repulsed. A little later a second attack at the same point was no more successful, and similarly cost the Germans very appreciable losses.

"In the course of the day our aerial forces displayed much activity. In Champagne, in the region of Dontriville, one of our pilots brought down a Fokker, which fell in flames within the enemy lines.

"In the region of Verdun five German aeroplanes were brought down in the immediate proximity of our lines. Our aeroplanes were hit many times, but all of our pilots returned safely."

COLLAPSE OF CLYDE STRIKE IS IMMINENT

Important Development Late Last Night Expected to Break Backbone of Strike—Commons Discusses the Conspiracy.

London, Mar. 30.—During a discussion of the Clyde strike in the House of Commons tonight, David Lloyd George, the munitions minister, declared that the big guns which the army wanted had been held up through all stages of manufacture, and that the strikers were holding up most important guns needed by the army.

That the Clyde strike caused a ferment out of all proportion to the number of men involved is explained by Mr. Lloyd George's statement that it was responsible for holding up of guns needed at the British front.

Long discussions on the subject of the strike took place in the House of Commons today. They were mainly concerned in an endeavor to shift the responsibility for the continuance of a

strike which has been denounced alike by the general public and the responsible labor leaders.

William H. Pringle, Liberal, blamed the government authorities for breaking off negotiations which would have secured a settlement of the strike.

Mr. Lloyd George replied that it was impossible to negotiate with men who were defying the law. It was in the course of a warm defence of Dr. Christopher Addison, parliamentary secretary of the munitions department, who was accused of thus breaking off negotiations, that Mr. Lloyd George started the house by declaring that the strikers were holding up the big guns.

Mr. Pringle, who had placed all the blame on the obstinacy of the ministry of munitions, flatly denied that there was any such reasonable conspiracy as had been alleged.

Late tonight it was announced at Glasgow that an important development had occurred, promising the immediate collapse of the strike.

Three More Labor Leaders Deported. Glasgow, Mar. 31.—Only 365 of the Clyde strikers have thus far returned to work.

Three more labor leaders have been deported, each being given a railway fare and ten shillings, and being sent away with a command not to return to Glasgow. Two prominent Glasgow Socialists have been arrested under the Defence of the Realm Act.

Arthur Henderson, president of the Board of Education, is on his way from London to Glasgow, and much is hoped from his personal intervention with the men.

Soldier Dies in Hospital. Private West, of the 116th Battalion, died about seven o'clock last evening in the General Public Hospital after an illness of two weeks. His home was in Victoria Co.

Any Means, If Success Can Be Attained, Germany's Motto For Submarine Campaign

London, March 30.—An agreement has been reached by the Reichstag main committee that "Germany's sea warfare should be carried through by all the means most instrumental in securing a successful issue of the war," according to a despatch from Berlin today. During an exhaustive discussion of the subject, Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg, Admiral Von Capelle, secretary for the admiralty, and Dr. Selt, the colonial secretary, again delivered speeches.

The agreement reached in committee is said to have been unanimous. It was especially emphasized in the discussion, the despatch adds, that any interference with the authorities in command was far from the purpose of the movers of the recent action regarding the conduct of submarine warfare, and the chancellor declared that he recognized the motives of the movers.

DOCK WORKERS VOTE TO REMAIN ON STRIKE

Liverpool, March 31, (8.45 a.m.).—Ten thousand dock workers here have decided to continue their strike, rejecting the terms of the arbitration award, which granted about half of their demands.

The strikers disregarded the advice of their leaders to return to work pending an effort to obtain a readjustment of the award, and declared it was their intention to remain out until all their demands were granted.

JAS. KEOUGHAN CHATHAM MAN IS WOUNDED

Ottawa, Mar. 31.—The casualty list issued at midnight contains the names of the following Maritime Province men:

Fifteenth Battalion. Wounded—Joseph H. Appleby, New Glasgow, N. S.; James Keoughan, Water street, Chatham, N. B.

Twenty-fifth Battalion. Killed in action—Collis McElachern, East Harbor, Boctie, Antigonish, N. S.

Wounded—Charles Bragg, 40 Lookman street, Halifax, N. S.; Levi Guthrie, Sydney Mines, N. S.; Sidney R. Hallamore, Middle Cornwall, Lunenburg Co., N. S.

CANADIENS WIN DECIDING GAME.

Montreal, Mar. 30.—Canadiens tonight defeated the Portland, Oregon, team in the final game for the Stanley Cup and the hockey championship of the world, winning by a score of 3 to 1. Each team had two games to its credit previous to tonight's contest, hence there was great interest in the outcome of this deciding game. The game was hard and fast throughout.

KINGS CO. BRANCH OF TEMPERANCE ALLIANCE MEETS IN SUSSEX

Sussex, N. B., Mar. 30.—A meeting of the Kings County branch of the Temperance Alliance was held in the Madley Hall, President C. W. Weyman in the chair. Representatives were present from Hampton, Norton, Bloomfield, Sussex, Havelock and Studholm. The meeting opened with prayer by Rev. H. C. Rice. It was moved and carried that the constitution of the New Brunswick branch of the alliance be adopted and by so doing affect the reorganization of a county alliance.

The following officers and committee were appointed: J. C. Mills, president; J. H. Brown, vice-president; M. A. MacLeod, secretary; C. W. Weyman, treasurer.

Executive: John Frost, H. W. Polkies, Rev. R. H. Stavert, H. P. Cochran, M. Garfield White, J. E. McCaulley, Arthur Rouse, P. W. F. Brewster, Rev. M. Sheven, L. C. Floyd, Abram Branscombe, John Leiper and J. T. Prescott.

Finance committee: S. H. White, M. G. White, Murray Parmer and J. I. Calhoun.

Mr. Wilson, field secretary of the Dominion Alliance, addressed the convention on the necessity of thorough organization through the county. He asked that all the parishes be organized and every voter interviewed regarding his position on prohibition and that a campaign of publicity be entered upon in order to combat the attempts that are being made to undermine the passing of a prohibition law. It was decided to hold meetings in all parishes in the county, and a big mass meeting will be held in Sussex in the near future.

"PORKY" FLYNN WINS FROM GUNBOAT. New York, March 30.—"Porky" Flynn, the Boston heavyweight, out-fought "Gunboat" Smith, of this city in a ten round bout here tonight. Flynn weighed 198 pounds, and Smith, 183.

THE 140TH BAND FUND

There were two contributions to the 140th New Brunswick Band Fund yesterday. The committee in charge of the purchasing are now getting together and arranging the specifications of the instruments required. It is expected that an order will be sent forward in a few days for the complete equipment.

- Previously acknowledged. \$397.17. Louis Ready, Fairville. 5.00. C. P. Baker, Randolph. 25.00. \$427.17

N. B. MAKING BIGGER DEMANDS ON PATRIOTIC FUND

Nearly \$400,000 Needed to Carry On Patriotic Fund Work in New Brunswick This Year

Conference at Fredericton Yesterday Called by Lieut.-Gov. Wood and Addressed by Sir Herbert Ames Passes Resolution Favoring Poll Tax of \$1 on all Males Over 18 Years Old and Recommending Assessment of Municipalities.

Fredericton, N. B., Mar. 30.—The Dominion government was giving very generous assistance towards agricultural instruction work and it impressed representatives of the province with the idea of getting the best men available, although it cost more to secure such men and in that way to show results.

Repeating to an inquiry in the House a day or two ago as to the number of weeks the agricultural schools at Sussex and Woodstock were in use last year he had said twenty-one weeks.

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ONLY ONE SPEECH ON BUDGET; HOUSE INTO SUPPLY

equal opportunities to take advantage of what was offered. If they did not take advantage of their opportunities when presented to them by the department, the department could not very well be blamed.

Mr. Slipp said that there had not been an officer of department in Queens County for two years. However, he was glad to think of progress that was being made throughout the province, but he could not think that farmers of Queens County were behind those of other counties in taking advantage of opportunities which the department offered.

Mr. Murray said he hoped that the ideas would not get abroad that there was any disposition on the part of the agricultural department to favor one county as against another. Such an idea was so far as could be from actual fact for it was the aim of the department to distribute any advantages it had to offer equally to all parts of the province so that all would be given the same advantages and the same opportunity.

Mr. Slipp said there were more agricultural societies in Queens county than in any other county in the province with two exceptions.

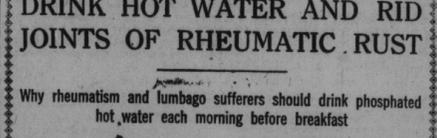
Mr. Murray—Then how is it neglected? Mr. Slipp—in a general way. Mr. Murray—Make some definite statement so that it can be looked into.

Mr. Slipp—That Queens county was a purely agricultural county and worthy of the very best efforts of the department of agriculture for encouragement.

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How Sickly Women May Get Health

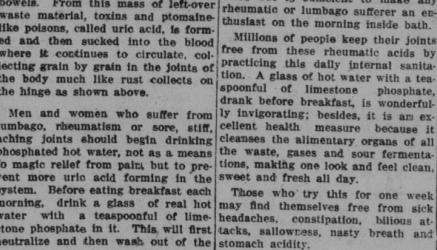
If they could only be made to see that half their ills are caused by impure blood, it wouldn't take long to cure them with Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Truly a wonderful medicine that invigorates, strengthens, renews. Every tired, worn out, woman that tries Dr. Hamilton's Pills will improve rapidly. For forty years Dr. Hamilton's Pills have been America's most valued family medicine, 26c per box at all dealers.



At this time of the year Dr. Wilson's Herbine Bitters are especially valuable. The blood is apt to be clogged with impurities which are the cause of headaches, indigestion and that tired feeling which comes with the spring.

DRINK HOT WATER AND RID JOINTS OF RHEUMATIC RUST

Why rheumatism and lumbago sufferers should drink phosphated hot water each morning before breakfast.



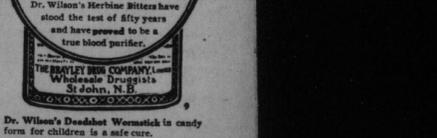
Just as coal, when it burns, leaves behind a certain amount of incalculable material in the form of ashes, so the food and drink taken day after day leaves in the alimentary canal a certain amount of indigestible material.

Men and women who suffer from lumbago, rheumatism or sore, stiff, aching joints should begin drinking phosphated hot water, not as a means to magic relief from pain, but to prevent more uric acid forming in the system.

Those who try this for one week will find themselves free from sick headaches, constipation, bilious attacks, allowness, nasty breath and stomach acidity.

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Woman Tells How Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Restored Her Health.



Lima, Ohio.—"I was all broken down in health from a displacement. One of my lady friends came to see me and she advised me to commence taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I took \$5.00 worth and in two months I was a well woman."

After three doctors said I never would stand up straight again. I was a middle-aged woman and I recommended the Vegetable Compound to every woman I came in contact with.

Women who suffer from displacements, weakness, irregular menstruation, backache or bearing-down pains, need the tonic-strengthening properties of the roots and herbs contained in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

If you want special advice, write the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential), Lynn, Mass.

How Thin People Can Put On Flesh. This men and women—that big, hearty, filling dinner you ate last night. What became of all the fat-producing nourishment it contained?

BADLY INJURED IN ALBERT QUARRY

Hillsboro, N. B., March 30.—Roy Jones, a contractor for the Albert Manufacturing Company, was quite seriously injured here last night while working in a quarry. Rock plaster fell, striking him on the back and crushing one of his feet. It is not known yet whether or not the foot will have to be amputated.

The death of Patrick Dacey took place at his residence, 118 Brunswick street, yesterday morning, in the 33rd year of his age, leaving one daughter, Miss Catherine, to mourn. The deceased was formerly engaged in teaming, and was a freeman of the city. The funeral will take place on Saturday morning.

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SUBMARINE SHELLER MEN IN LIFEBOATS

Paris, March 30.—An official report concerning the sinking of the French steamer Algerian, made today after an investigation at Marseilles, states that the steamer was torpedoed without warning. The report says:

"The Algerian was on route from Tunis for Marseilles when a submarine fired on her without warning. The steamer stopped at the first shot, but the submarine continued to fire on her until she was sunk, and then on the lifeboats filled with the shipwrecked persons. On this account only eight of thirty-seven men on board reached land."

The French steamship Algerian was sunk on November 25. Press despatches at the time said she was torpedoed without warning.

Yesterday morning in the police court Otto Thyrstadt for deserting from the Donaldson liner Esperand was remanded to jail.

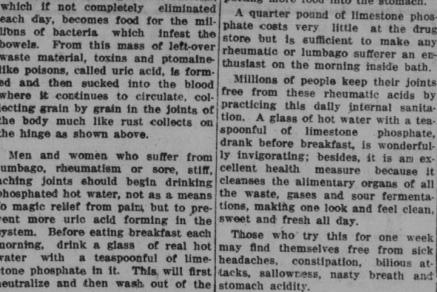
Francis Hughes was sent to jail for twelve weeks for deserting from the steamer Ormidale.

Joseph Foley, for being drunk and begging, was fined \$50 or six months jail.

Two drunks were fined \$8 each.

Fishermen! Investigate this Offer

HERE'S a full 5 h.p. Fairbanks-Morse Engine—built especially for fishing boats—the same type you see all around you—and it is being sold at a reduced price of \$50 in price, making the cost less than that of many inferior engines of smaller power.



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ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 1916.

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

KEEP THE ISSUE CLEAR.

This is the question the citizens who attend tonight's meeting will be asked to vote upon:

Construction of the Valley Railway from Gagetown to St. John by the West Side route, which will mean the expenditure of millions of dollars on bridges that will cripple the road and give St. John nothing more than we have today.

Construction of the Valley Railway from Gagetown to St. John by the West Side route which will give a new bridge across the Reversing Falls, will eliminate the troublesome level crossings at Mill street, and will secure a new passenger station and a remodeling of our entire passenger and freight facilities.

By the West Side route every one of these desirable developments can be accomplished; ultimate entrance to the East St. John docks is not interfered with or delayed one day, possibilities for National Transcontinental Railway traffic are vastly improved rather than diminished and, eventually, the road so built can be turned over to the Federal Government and the Province of New Brunswick relieved of every dollar of expenditure. This is the issue. Do not be deceived by false canvases or attempts to give the question political color. It is a business proposition, treat it as such.

THE VALLEY RAILWAY AND POLITICS.

Fearful, lest the independent business men of St. John tonight, may endorse the proposed change of route for the Valley Railway, the Times, the evening organ of the leaderless provincial opposition, is frantically attempting to make a political question out of what is solely a matter for calm, dispassionate discussion by business men. While that newspaper professes to desire that there shall be no political influences brought to bear on the consideration of the question, yet every contribution it has made to the discussion of Valley Railway matters has been biased and partisan and intended to arouse prejudice against the Provincial Government and General Manager Guelinus of the I. C. R., rather than to add to the sum total of information the people possess in regard to a vital question.

For instance, last evening, on its first page, paraded as an alleged Fredericton despatch, dealing with the meeting of the Fredericton Board of Trade and the Standard's expose of the methods used by Liberals of Fredericton to oppose the West Side route, the Times paints the new proposal as a "Tory scheme" and "Tory politics." Yet on another page it admits that at the St. John meeting the resolution opposing the West Side route was seconded by Mr. A. H. Wetmore, himself a life-long "Tory." It might also be pointed out that the resolution favoring it was moved by Mr. P. W. Thomson, a Liberal. If, as the Times alleges, it is a "Tory scheme" then the gentlemen named are hardly consistent party men.

On page two of last night's Times a small item relating to the business done in Halifax is headed "Guelinus Helps Halifax"—a crude and cheap attempt to arouse a prejudice in St. John against the manager of the I. C. R., who has pronounced in favor of the West Side route for the Valley Railway. Is that business or is it politics? On page seven the Times publishes trade statistics from Halifax and while the figures include bank clearings and building permits, the article is headed "The Guelinus Port Boasts of Great Trade This Winter." Clearly the intention is to arouse in St. John jealousy against Halifax and prejudice against Mr. Guelinus as the result of our neighbor's prosperity.

But the question may be asked why should the Times desire to prejudice the people of St. John against the general manager of the Government Railway System, who has always been most kindly disposed towards this city and port and under whose direction the Valley Railway as a part of the Canadian Government Railway system, will be administered? Clearly because that gentleman believes that the Valley Line should be built by any of the opponents of the present

government should feel bound to follow the lead of the Times and the Mail and attempt to inject politics into what should be and is purely a business matter, they will probably find that they will be readily accommodated.

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Editorially the Times scores the Government and everyone connected with it. A few extracts from its leading article will suffice to show the absolutely "non-political" character of its arguments in favor of the East Side route. In its opening paragraph, referring to Mr. Guelinus, the Times says: "He is not at all concerned about giving St. John the shortest and best connection with the National Transcontinental." This is an utterly unwarranted and uncalled for statement which the Times cannot substantiate.

Again the Times says: "The gentlemen who favor the West Side route for the Valley Railway talk with easy assurance of what the Dominion Government will do to bring the road eventually to Courtenay Bay; but if that government breaks its pledge to build the bridges for the eastern route what dependence can be put in any other pledges it may make?"

It may be said that the Dominion Government has broken no pledges. The understanding was that the Government would guarantee the bridges if it was found they could be safely built. That has not been found and the Government would be acting most unwisely if it did not insist that such expenditure before being made should be established as absolutely safe and sane. As a matter of fact, the Minister of Railways and his officials favor the West Side route and it is not betraying confidence to say that the road when so built will eventually be taken over by the Dominion Government and operated as a part of the public railway system of the country. This very fact constitutes one of the strongest and most convincing arguments in favor of the change.

Further on in the same article the Times becomes positively frantic and asks, "What lies behind the whole story of humbug and deceit?" There has been no "humbug," no "deceit" and the fact that the Times finds it necessary to use such typically Carrol-like terms exposes at once the weakness of its argument. The people of St. John should not be deceived. If they consider the question on its merits as a business proposition, as Mr. Likely and Mr. Thomson, both Liberals, by the way, request, the West Side route will meet their favor and the result of tonight's meeting will not be in doubt. The frantic opposition of the Times will aid, not injure, the adoption of Mr. Thomson's resolution.

KEEP POLITICS OUT.

Although the President of the St. John Board of Trade, at Tuesday evening's public meeting, particularly requested that political considerations should have no place in the discussion of the Valley Railway question, and although the gentlemen at the meeting, with one or two minor exceptions, acceded to his wishes, the idea does not seem to have commended itself to the editor of the Times in St. John or to those in control of the Fredericton Mail.

The Mail, the principal backer of which is Mr. George W. Hodge, who moved the East Bank resolution at the meeting of the Fredericton Board of Trade on Wednesday evening, can have no interest in the subject under discussion except a political interest for it will make no difference to Fredericton which route the railway takes from Gagetown to St. John. Despite this fact that newspaper, on Wednesday, took occasion to make vicious and uncalled for attacks upon the good faith and integrity of two of St. John's leading citizens whose sole object had been that they had the common sense to favor the West Bank route. Fortunately the gentlemen concerned are so well and favorably known in this city that they can afford to ignore the scurrilous observations of the Mail.

It is to be hoped that at tonight's meeting the discussion will be conducted on business lines solely and that the Valley Line should be built by any of the opponents of the present

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Allan Wetmore Writes About That "East Bank" Motion

St. John, N. B., March 30. To the Editor of the Standard: Sir,—Considering what has been published as to where the resolution emanated from, which was submitted at the meeting held in the Board of Trade rooms on Tuesday evening, favoring the "Eastern Route" for the Valley Railway, I think, in justice to those whom it has been intimated I should state that I (a life-long Conservative) prepared the resolution, as chairman of the Valley Railway committee of the Board of Trade, with the facts before me which I have gleaned in my work on that committee, and with the knowledge I received as a member of the delegation who waited on the Government at Fredericton on the 16th inst.

Mr. Skinner, Mr. Foster, Mr. Carter or any other person, except Mr. Burditt, who was my associate at Fredericton, were not consulted as to what it should contain nor did they know, as far as I am aware, until they came to the meeting, that a resolution was prepared.

In an effort to have the matter brought before the meeting in such a way that it could not be laid to either political party, it was thought best to have a Conservative move it and a Liberal second it or vice versa. Mr. Skinner kindly consented to move the resolution.

Why the Fredericton Board of Trade used practically the same resolution, I, nor the Board of Trade, have no knowledge, but it was not at the suggestion of myself or any official of the St. John Board.

I thank you for allowing me, through your columns to correct any wrong impression which has been created regarding this matter.

Yours respectfully, ALLAN H. WETMORE.

Wants a Badge For Physically Unfit

St. John, March 30th, 1916. To the Editor of The Standard. Dear Sir,—With reference to the account, in today's Standard, of the way in which members of the 115th Battalion "made things interesting for young men in khaki" yesterday, I should like to say that whilst every means should be used to get at the real slacker, it is very hard to be challenged in the way mentioned, as the writer was, after having tried to get into several battalions, and failed owing to unfitness. It makes both the well-meaning soldier and the peace-loving civilian feel it, because those near do not know the circumstances and the patriotic but unfit young man is classed with the shirker and coward.

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Yours truly, "ONE OF THE UNFIT."

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

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Victoria. H. H. Hill, chef arm, H. M. C. S. Niobe; J. L. Chisholm, Truro, N. S.; C. P. Rogers, B. F. Jones, Grand Bay; E. M. Cratley, McAdam Jet; Dr. Vernet Jackman, Oromocto, N. B.; Scott D. Guphill, Grand Manan; John S. Eagles and wife, St. John; E. Crandall, Vancoboro; H. W. Robertson, St. John; Geo. P. Wallace, Pictou, N. S.; Jos. Oldham and wife, Woodstock; Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Mills, Moncton; Kenneth Scott, Paradise Island; S. E. Vaughan, St. Margaree; R. C. MacNeil, E. L. Price, Paradise Island; J. W. Kirkpatrick, Farnborough; G. Winfield, Geo. R. Crookby, H. G. Gibson, H. L. Crocker, St. John; E. W.

Little Benny's Note Book

THE PARK AVE. NEWS.

My sister Gladis gave a party in our parlor, dancing to the fonograf and everything, and after a while the bell rang, and it was Miss Evans with a little man with a little mustash, and her and Gladis kissed each other and sed they hadent saw each other for a week, and then Miss Evans sed, And, Gladis, I want to persent Mr. Busby to you, Mr. Busby, Miss Potts.

Deatiled, Im sure, sed Gladis. Ive herd so much about you, sed Mr. Busby. Mr. Busby is a writer, sed Miss Evans. O, how intrisating, how existeing, how fascinating, sed Gladis, Ive always wanted to meet a reel live writer, how luvly.

You faster me, sed Mr. Busby. Not in the leest, sed Gladis, and do you write every day? Practically, practically, sed Mr. Busby. Just think, sed Gladis, but dont you ever haf to wait for an inspiration, I thawt all writers had to wait for inspirations.

Well, of course I wait for a serien length of time, and if it dont come then, I go ahead without it, sed Mr. Busby. How fascinating, sed Gladis, O, I wonder if Ive ever red anything youve written, because I read all the time, Im practically always reading.

You must, of surely, sed Mr. Busby. O, do you think so, tell me sumthing youve done, sed Gladis. O, sed Mr. Busby, perhaps you remember seeing a line in the advertisements for reverbry hostery. You may tramp, you may run, till the lawng day is done, and your neverbrr stockings are holeless.

But whats that got to do with it, sed Gladis. Why, hes an advertisement writer, silly, sed Miss Evans. O, surely, how intrisating, now you must take your things off and meet the rest of the people, sed Gladis. Wich Miss Evans and the Little man with the little mustash did.

Shells, Fredericton; A. E. Griggs, N. E. Gutelius, Brownsville Jet; D. A. Seanan, Moncton; H. M. Warramford, George Gregory, St. John; S. J. Moore, S. C. Merritt, Grand Falls; Ross Thompson, St. John.

OBITUARY.

Clarence Spooner.

Mrs. Laura Spooner arrived from Providence, R. I., yesterday, bringing with her the body of her husband, the late Mr. Clarence Spooner. The deceased will be well remembered by many friends in Charlotte and Kings counties and elsewhere throughout New Brunswick. Born in Boston 54 years ago he was for a time engaged in newspaper work in that city and later went to Grand Manan, where he established the Island Press, a weekly newspaper. He later moved to Sussex, establishing the Record and afterwards printed the Kings County News, returning to the United States some years ago he established himself in Providence and has lately been publisher of a labor magazine and The Atlantic Homestead. Mrs. Spooner was formerly Miss Laura White of Sussex, a sister of Mrs. J. E. Irvine, Hampton. Three daughters also survive, Alice, Dorothy and Doris. The interment will be at Sussex today on arrival of C. P. R. train.

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LECTURE ON ITALY
BY MRS. F. D. ELLIS

Picture Talk in Natural History Museum Yesterday Proved Most Instructive and Interesting.

The excellent lecture on Italy, delivered by Mrs. Frank B. Ellis, in the Natural History Museum, yesterday afternoon, was a fitting close to what has proved a most entertaining and instructive course of picture-talks in which past and present conditions in Serbia, Turkey, France and Russia were all aptly dealt with by various ladies interested in the educational work of the society. These lectures while under the auspices of the Ladies' Association, owed much of their success to the untiring efforts of Mrs. Harold Lawrence, convener of the committee in charge.

In her paper, Mrs. Ellis gave a brief sketch of the political history of Italy from earliest times, dwelling more particularly on the happenings since the Napoleonic era and the intermingling of the Austrian princes, which for so long a time prevented the national aspirations of the Italian people from being realized. Since the reconstruction of Italy as a state, she has asserted herself in the world of nations as a factor of moderation, concord and peace, and today stands to gain, by Allied victory, a rich heritage of a vast territory in the Balkans, and the name—that part of Austria, populated by Italians, and which ought of right to be under the Italian government.

The lecture was illustrated by an exceptionally fine series of lantern slides of the world-famous architectural wonders of Italy. Interesting photographs of scenes in the Italian military camps showed the immense difficulties of the campaign against Austria, based as the army's route is by overhanging precipices on one side of the narrow mountain roads and with dizzy depths on the other.

MANY PROVINCIAL FOXMEN IN NEW YORK

Hundreds of Pelts Sent There for Big Sales in Progress this Week.

Foxmen in the Maritime Provinces are greatly interested in the fur auction sales now in progress in New York City. Hundreds of pelts have been sent from Prince Edward Island. More than a dozen foxmen from the island are in New York and Sheriff Davidson of Cumberland Co., N. S., secretary of the Amherst Black Foxes, Ltd., is also there with a consignment. The January sale in New York was declared to be a pronounced success. Charges to the shippers are 5 per cent, and 1 per cent. discount to the buyer. L. R. Allan of Summerside had eighty fox pelts, twenty-five of which were silver, when he passed through St. John, recently.

No June sale will be held this year, but an early fall sale is anticipated.

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Wrist Watch Recovered.

Detectives Barrett and Briggs, who on Sunday night last arrested Private Ullman of the 116th Battalion, on charges of stealing seven one pound notes from Private Wherry of the same battalion, have recovered the notes in different business places in the city. Yesterday the officers located a wrist watch which they believe to have been purchased with some of the stolen money. They are now ready to go on with the case in the police court.

MAYOR FRINK PAYS TRIBUTE TO MEN OF SIEGE BATTERY

Inspection by Brigadier McLean Yesterday Afternoon Followed by Address from Chief Magistrate—Cheque from City for Comforts for Major Barker's Men.

No. 4 Overseas Siege Battery was inspected yesterday afternoon at three o'clock on King street by Brigadier McLean. He was accompanied by Lieut. Col. Powell and Major Sifton. The men were drawn up on King street and on the arrival of the Major they all came to the salute while the band played. Col. McLean passed down the line and inspected each man's equipment after which the men were marched past in column at the salute, and then in fours.

The brigadier was much impressed by the appearance of the men and said they were as fine a unit as any he had had the pleasure of inspecting. Ninety-five per cent. of the men are from the city and Col. McLean said he was personally acquainted with the fathers of most of them and knew that, coming as they did from fighting stock, they would do credit to themselves and bring honor to their native city.

After the inspection they were marched around the square and formed up in front of the band stand, where Mayor Frink made a short address. The officers of the battery are O. G. Major L. W. Barker, Capt. R. A. Ring, Lieut. W. G. Kerr, J. A. Bruce, G. B. Wetmore and J. H. A. L. Fairweather.

Mayor Frink's Address.

After the men had formed up in front of the band stand, Major Barker introduced the Mayor, who addressed Major Barker, officers and men of the No. 4 Overseas Siege Battery, said it was his pleasant duty on behalf of himself and the city commissioners to extend and express the appreciation of the citizens of Saint John of the courage and valor shown by all the front line principles who would be on their way to the theatre where they would have the best wishes of the citizens for a safe return home again. While in one sense citizens were sorry to see them go, in another they were proud of them because they were doing what they believed to be their duty. They expected to do their share in bringing to an end the most terrible war of all time. A number of their friends had gone already and they had made a record which would live forever, but he felt sure that the men of No. 4 would equal that record and if such a thing were possible add lustre to the fame of the boys from Saint John.

Presentation of Cheque.

He knew he was voting the sentiment of all the citizens of the city when he wished them a hearty God-speed and a safe return home after the war was over. Being so largely composed of Saint John men they had an especially warm spot in the hearts of the people and in talking the matter over with the commissioners they had come to the conclusion that it would be a just and proper thing to in some tangible way give expression to that feeling. He had decided that the best way to do this would be to place in the hands of Major Barker a cheque for a substantial sum, to be used in providing comforts which the regulations did not furnish them with. At the conclusion of his address the Mayor called for three cheers for Major Barker and they were given with a hearty good will.

Major Barker expressed the thanks of himself and his men for the splendid gift of the city. He said they had enlisted to go overseas and while it was hard to leave home still they would get away and do their bit to bring the great Hun to his knees. They were given for the King, Col. McLean and the Mayor and Commissioners. At the conclusion of the ceremonies in front of the band stand the men were marched to the Imperial theatre where they saw the pictures of the soldiers which were taken some time ago in the city.

CHILDRENS AID SOCIETY HOLDS MONTHLY MEETING

Arrangements Made to Secure Elliott Row Property as Detention Home.

The monthly meeting of the Board of Management of the Children's Aid Society was held last night in the Y. M. C. A. rooms. The president, M. C. Belding, occupied the chair. A gift of \$30 for the work of the society was received from the North End W. C. T. U. through the treasurer, Mrs. Alice Eagles. A vote of thanks was passed, and the secretary ordered to forward same to the Union. President Belding and Secretary Robinson were authorized to negotiate a three year lease of the Calkin house, 110 Elliott Row, as a detention home. T. H. Estabrook was appointed convener of a committee of repairs and improvements, which might have to be made to the home. C. D. Howard was appointed agent of the society and Mrs. Howard matron of the home. Their term of service will begin May 1st. The following committee was appointed to confer with Warden McAllan in reference to the work and future support of the home: A. M. Belding, M. E. Agar, Rev. J. A. H. Anderson, Rev. G. F. Scovill and Rev. W. H. Barraclough.

President Belding, Secretary Robinson, Hon. Solicitor J. King Kelley, Mrs. J. H. Doody, Mrs. W. B. Tennant, Mrs. J. Willard Smith and Miss Pratt were appointed to nominate commissioners to the home, a committee on the purchase of supplies, and a committee on the furnishing of the home.

A special meeting of the society will be held on Tuesday evening, April 11th, in the Y. M. C. A. rooms to hear the reports of the committee and transact other business.

Agent Howard's report showed that over 200 children had been cared for in various ways since the organization of the society. In some cases home conditions had been bettered, in others good foster homes had been provided, some had been cared for in the Home of the Good Shepherd, Evangeline Home, the Maritime Home for Girls at Truro, and the Municipal Home. Quite a few children and parents had been helped to reach their old homes in the country both in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

Mrs. John McDonald.

The death occurred on Thursday, the 23rd inst., of Mrs. John McDonald. Deceased leaves to mourn her loss, a husband and twelve children; three sons of whom are now of the front. The sympathy of the community goes out to the family in the great loss they have sustained. The funeral was held Saturday. The service was conducted by Rev. Mr. McVie, assisted by Rev. M. Brown.

SOLDIER HERO, KNOWN HERE, DIES IN TORONTO

Lance Corporal R. Gordon Stewart Passed Away on Tuesday Following an Operation.

The friends of Lance Corporal R. Gordon Stewart of the 15th Battalion, C. E. F., will hear with regret of his death in the Toronto General Hospital on Tuesday morning last, following an operation. He was the first patient to enter the Parks Convalescent Home here, and was an interesting figure on the city streets in the uniform of the 15th Highland Regiment to which he belonged before the war. He received much kind attention from the citizens of St. John as well as in the home where every possible privilege was given him because of his condition as a pathetically invalid soldier and for what he had gone through at the battle of Ypres. But, though he was evidently suffering from a serious affection in his head, he would not submit to any treatment here, having set his heart on being returned to the care of the doctor who had treated him at Shorncliffe.

This doctor lately returned to Toronto on a short leave, and Stewart was sent there for the necessary operation. Dr. Goldsmith passed through the city on Monday last. He said the trouble was a very large abscess in front of the brain, this had been removed, and there was a possibility of recovery, but no hope of saving the eye, or of Stewart ever being able to do work of any kind.

News from Toronto last night said that everything possible had been done for Stewart, and for a few days he seemed to be doing well, but a change for the worse was noticed on Sunday, and on Tuesday he passed away.

Lance Corporal Stewart had with him, during his last moments, his wife, his father and other relatives.

Another Body Found.

In a cardboard box, and wrapped in a piece of white cotton, the body of a two weeks old infant was found in an ash heap back of the McLean and Holt Company foundry on Albion street yesterday morning. Wesley C. Almon, the foundry engineer, was dumping ashes when he made the discovery. A policeman was notified and the officer informed Coroner Roberts, who gave instructions that the body be removed to Fitzpatrick's undertaking rooms on Waterloo street. This is the second dead infant found within twenty-four hours, one being found on Wednesday morning in a Brussels street alley. Officers are working on the two cases and both bodies are being held in the undertaker's care pending the decision of the coroner.

BOOM IN TEXTILES IS GREATEST EVER

Most Mills are Rushed and New England May Have to Grant Another Wage Advance.

The textile mills of Canada and the United States are enjoying a period of unusual prosperity. The boom began last fall and continued until it has reached its present high crest.

The cotton, woolen, worsted, silk, thread, linen and yarn mills of New England are producing at the rate of 350,000 operatives fully five per cent. last January. The officials of the Fall River Textile Council, representing the union employees of that great print mill city, announce that a demand will shortly be made for another five per cent. advance. The mills of Fall River employ more than 30,000 operatives. A refusal would probably mean a strike, and a raise would unquestionably be made for another five per cent. advance this year ten per cent.

A further advance in New England would probably have the effect of attracting many operatives from the mills of Ontario and Quebec, across the border, leaving a serious shortage of labor in the textile world here. Operations in the textile world have been so enormous and grown so rapidly in recent months that many manufacturers and merchants are frightened. Their work has suddenly grown too large for their comprehension by the standards of the past. Houses that pondered long on annual orders of \$100,000 have been compelled to order \$200,000 in goods twice within a year. Superstitious ones in the textile world are wishing for some little stroke of ill luck because they are afraid that the present tide of good times must have some current of disaster in it.

One million dollars a year is the amount of the textile trade in the United States. Leaders in its various branches yesterday united in declaring that never in the history of the world have raw materials for their business been so low and so high in price with in short periods. They were unanimous in describing as the man in greatest danger any manufacturer who commits his producing plant and his credit now to fulfillment of advance orders at a fixed price. They declared that stocks have been swept away in their entirety by the enormous buying power that the manufacturing plants working at utmost capacity are unable to meet current demands and that these demands are growing over night in every line of textiles.

Double Male Quartette.

The police managed to gather in eight drunken men yesterday afternoon and last evening.

NEGLECTED COLDS VERY OFTEN TURN TO CONSUMPTION.

Never neglect what at first seems to be but a slight cold. Your head becomes stuffed up; you start to cough; an irritation of the throat follows; it gets lower down; settles on a greenish, yellowish, sometimes streaked with blood, and you cough persistently.

You think perhaps you are strong enough to fight off this trouble, but colds are not easily fought off in this northern climate. Colds if not attended to will sooner or later develop into some serious trouble.

Mrs. Willis H. Monk, Lower Ship Harbor, N.S., writes: "Last winter took a severe cold on my lungs, and I would cough and spit up phlegm and blood. I had the cough for nearly a month, and I got medicine from the doctor, but it did me no good. I thought I had consumption. My friend advised me to use Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, which I did, and it gave me great relief. I am the mother of ten children, and I always keep a bottle of Dr. Wood's in the house. I will highly recommend it to all, especially to all who have little ones to care for."

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup is the best cure for coughs and colds. It has been on the market for the past twenty-five years. It is put up in a yellow wrapper, three pine trees the trade mark; price, 25c and 50c.

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HEAD STUFFED FROM CATARRH OR A COLD

Says Cream Applied in Nostrils Opens Air Passages Right Up.

Instant relief, no waiting. Your clogged nostrils open right up; the air passages of your head clear and you can breathe freely. No more hawking, snuffling, blowing, headache, dryness. No straggling for breath at night; your cold or catarrh disappears.

Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist now. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic, healing cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothes the inflamed or swollen mucous membrane and relief comes instantly.

It's just fine. Don't stay stuffed-up with a cold or nasty catarrh.

EVEN CROSS, SICK CHILDREN LOVE SYRUP OF FIGS

If feverish, bilious, constipated, give fruit laxative at once.

Don't scold your fretful, peevish child. See if tongue is coated; this is a sure sign its little stomach, liver and bowels are clogged with sour waste.

When listless, pale, feverish, full of cold, breath bad, throat sore, doesn't eat, sleep or act naturally, has stomachache, indigestion, diarrhoea, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the foul waste, the sour bile and fermenting food passes out of the bowels and you have a well and playful child again. Children love this harmless "fruit laxative," and mothers can rest easy after giving it, because it never fails to make their little "insides" clean and sweet.

Keep it handy, Mother! A little given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Remember there are counterfeiters sold here, so surely look and see that yours is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup.

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in Bread, Buns and Biscuit, hundreds of householders prefer

LaTour Flour

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We extract teeth free of pain, only 25c. We do all kinds of dentistry. Call and see us. No charge for consultation.

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1 Inclined Type, on skids... 50 H. P.
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All the Latest News and Comment From the World of Finance

QUOTATIONS IN THE ST. JOHN MARKETS

Further advances in the wholesale prices of commodities have occurred in many cases. Sugar has increased another ten cents per hundred pounds for all grades.

Table of market prices for various commodities including Groceries, Flours, Canned Goods, and Meats.

WALL ST. STILL IN SUSPENSE OVER FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Quotations were Mostly Lowest in the Final Hour. Session. Trading in New Canadian Government Bonds Gave Impetus to that Branch of the Securities List.

New York, March 30.—In its salient features, today's market traversed the ground made more or less familiar by preceding sessions of the week.

Industrial and equipment, including the munitions group moved up evenly, with a preponderance of declines. Circumstantial statements indicating a renewal of inquiry for war supplies failed to enlist interest in the stocks of that class.

MONEY PLENTIFUL EXPECT RELEASE OF SEVERAL LARGE WAR ORDERS SOON

Montreal Market Reflects Attitude of Wall St.—Power Stocks in Good Demand. Believed One Will Involve in Vicinity of \$84,000,000.

Montreal, March 30.—The market opened strong and active but the weakness in Wall Street tended to stop it. The Power stocks were in good demand at the opening, and we believe this deal is pretty well accomplished.

CLOSING LETTER OF N.Y. MARKET BY E. & C. RANDOLPH

New York, March 30.—The market did not hold its noon level and the afternoon session was very much the same as that of the morning with some interest in the copper stocks.

STOCK QUOTATIONS ON N.Y. EXCHANGE

Table of stock quotations on the New York Exchange, listing various stocks and their prices.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET SALES

Table of New York Cotton Market Sales, listing sales for various months and grades.

STEAMSHIPS. PLEASURE CRUISES BY R.M.S.P. TO WEST INDIES

Table of steamship schedules for R.M.S.P. to the West Indies, listing ship names and dates.

RAILWAYS. CANADIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS Maritime Express

Table of railway schedules for Canadian Government Railways, listing routes and times.

BRIDGES Buildings and All Structures of Steel and Concrete

I. CUSHING, M. Sc. (M. I. T. Boston) Designer, Estimator and Investigator. Civil Engineer.

W. Simms Lee, F.C.A. Chartered Accountant and Auditor.

Monthly Income Policy New York Life Ins. Co'y J. W. V. LAWLOR, Agent

DONALDSON LINE

From Glasgow From St. John Mar. 11 S.S. "Ormidale" April 1 Mar. 24 S.S. "Athens" April 15

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SOFT COALS Now Landing Sydney and Minudie

Fresh Mined Broad Cove and Old Mine Sydney GEO. DICK, Phone M 1116 46 Britain Street.

ONLY ONE SPEECH BUDGET; HOUSE IN

(Continued from page 3) ment of its interests and promotion of the welfare of its farmers. He hoped that during next year the difficulty which he referred would be overcome.



Whatever our appetites and good to keep mouth refreshed, teeth In other WRIGLEYS DOUBLEMINT

CLEARINGS OF CANADIAN BANKS

Montreal, March 30.—Bank clearings in Montreal for the week ended today were \$55,474,197, compared with \$46,156,961 last week.

TRANSPORTING RUM.

For transporting rum from Boston to the coast of Africa \$40,000 will be received by the owners of the four-masted schooner Fred W. Thurlow.

RECENT CHARTERS.

Schs Annie Anselme, and Willie L. Maxwell, New York to Macoris, Col., \$5,500, and port charges; latter sch back to New York or Chester, with logwood, \$16 and port charges.

STEAMER POTOMAC.

The steamer Potomac, which was floated out of the dry dock at Halifax, is anchored in the Basin and is to permanently repair at New York.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Notice is hereby given that the Submarine Bell Buoy anchored at Yarmouth South West Fairway Gas and Whistling Buoy is gone from position.

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Notice is hereby given that the North West Light, Brier Island Submarine bell buoy, anchored off Beaton Rocks, has shifted one-quarter of a mile from position.

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Glasgow From St. John 11 S.S. "Ormdale" April 1 24 S.S. "Athens" April 12 12 S.S. "Lakonia" April 29 (Dates subject to change).

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Head Line

St. John to Dublin. Torr Head April 23 St. John to Belfast. Inishowen Head Mar. 28 Bengoro Head May 3 St. John to Avonmouth. Bray Head April 5 Subject to Change. WM. THOMSON & CO., LTD. Agents.

MANCHESTER LINE

From Manchester. St. John. 16 Man. Corporation April 1 25 Man. Inverness April 15 11 Man. Merchant April 22 18 Man. Engineer April 24 Steamers marked * take cargo for Philadelphia. WM. THOMSON & CO., LTD. Agents, St. John, N. B.

FURNESS LINE

From London. St. John. 4 Shenandoah Mar. 25 17 Kanawha April 1 31 Rappahannock April 15 WM. THOMSON & CO., LTD. Agents, St. John, N. B.

EASTERN STEAMSHIP LINES.

All-the-Way by Water. INTERNATIONAL LINE. Steamship Canada Austin leaves St. John Thursday at 9 a. m. Eastport, Lubec, Portland and Boston. Returning, leaves Boston Mondays 9 a. m. for Portland, Eastport, Lubec and St. John, due St. John Tuesday afternoon. MAINE STEAMSHIP LINE. Between Portland and New York. Steamships North Land and North Star. Reduced fares—Reduced admission prices. Schedule disturbed—Information upon request. City Ticket Office, 47 King street. C. CURRIE, Agent, St. John (N. B.). E. FLEMING, T. F. & P. A., St. John, (N. B.)

CHANGE OF TIME.

Fall and Winter Time Table of the GRAND MANAN S. S. CO. Grand Manan Route—Season 1916-17. After October 1st, 1915, and until further notice, a steamer of this line will run as follows: Leave Grand Manan Mondays at 10.30 a. m. for St. John, via Eastport, Campobello and Wilson's Beach. Returning leave Turnbull's Wharf St. John, Wednesdays at 7.30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via Wilson's Beach, Campobello and Eastport. Leave Grand Manan Thursdays at 9 a. m. for St. Stephen, via Campobello, Eastport and St. Andrews. Returning leave St. Stephen, Fridays at 7.30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via St. Andrews, Eastport and Campobello. Leave Grand Manan Saturdays at 7.30 a. m. for St. Andrews. Returning same day, leaving St. Andrews at 1 p. m., calling at Campobello and Eastport both ways. Atlantic Standard Time. S. D. GUPTILL, Manager, Grand Manan.

THE MARITIME STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

On March 3, 1916, and until further notice the S. S. Connors Bros. will run as follows: Leave St. John, N. B., Thorne Wharf & Warehousing Company, Ltd., on Saturday, 7.30 a. m., for St. Andrews, N. B., calling at Dipper Harbour, Beaver Harbour, Black's Harbour, Back Bay or Letade, Deer Island, Red Store or St. George. Returning leave St. Andrews, N. B., Tuesday for St. John, N. B., calling at Letade or Back Bay, Black's Harbour, Beaver Harbour and Dipper Harbour. Weather and tide permitting. Agent—Thorne Wharf & Warehousing Co., Ltd. Phone, 2851. Mr. Lewis Connors. This company will not be responsible for any debts contracted after this date without a written order from the company or captain of the steamer.

ONLY ONE SPEECH ON BUDGET; HOUSE INTO SUPPLY

(Continued from page 3) ment of its interests and promotion of the welfare of its farmers. He hoped that during next year the difficulty to which he referred would be overcome. If it was not he would then have some definite statements to make and upon which the minister could operate. Mr. Mahoney said that he did not think hon. member for Queen's knew the geography of the province. He could not agree that Queen's county was up to the standard of Westmorland county as an agricultural district, nor could he agree that Westmorland had been enjoying any better advantages than other counties. There was in the county only one school garden, but he was proud to say that it had taken second prize in a competition that was open to the whole province.

of taking advantage of what the department had to give. It would be a good idea for some of the representatives of farming constituencies to reply to their correspondence more promptly. Mr. Manser Doing Good Work in Cuba. On the item of \$2,500 miscellaneous, including increases on exhibition buildings and representatives in Cuba, Hon. Mr. Murray, in reply to Mr. Tilley's enquiry said that New Brunswick was very fortunate in having such a successful representative in Cuba as Mr. Manser is proving to be.

He (Murray) had persuaded Sir George E. Foster, as Minister of Trade and Commerce, to have his federal department pay half the salary of Mr. Manser, and the province was under obligation to the federal department of trade and commerce for this interest which it had taken in assisting this province to build up a trade with Cuba. Mr. Manser had succeeded in increasing the trade of New Brunswick with Cuba materially in 1915, and he had also been obtaining valuable information for the province as to what could be done in this direction. His statements and bulletins as to Cuban business had been sent out by the department for publication in newspapers.

and hon. members would probably remember one which showed that Cuba had been importing from Germany. Much of these importations from Germany, it was shown by Mr. Manser's report, could be supplied by New Brunswick and when this was in over he believed this province would have established a profitable trade with Cuba. Mr. Manser was now carrying on an educational campaign which must prove of very great value. If New Brunswick would listen to the call of Cuba and prepare our products to suit Cubans there was no doubt as to the opportunity for this province building up a profitable trade with the island. The fact that very many shippers who had been doing business with Cuba had written the department urging that Mr. Manser be continued as representative there was good evidence that his work was being productive of good and was being appreciated by those most interested.

"D." CO. DEFEATS COLBY COLLEGE

Khaki Team Wins Fast and Exciting Game from Maine Collegians at Woodstock Last Night.

Special to The Standard. Woodstock, March 30.—D-company defeated the Colby College team at the armory this evening in a very fast and exciting game of basketball by a score of 46 to 18. Notwithstanding the unevenness of the score the game was the best witnessed here this season. The score at the end of the first half was 19 to 7, with "D" on the long end. In the second half "D" company speeded up and ran away from the college boys. Following was the line-up: "D" Company Colby. Right Forward. Nichols. Left Forward. Green. Centre. R. Hughes. Lockie. Right Guard. Lewis. Left Guard. Taylor. Rogers. Referee, Chas. J. Jones; Umpire, Mr. Dyer; Scorer, A. P. Stewart; Timer, Dr. Martell.

LOCAL BOWLING.

THREE POINTS FOR SPECIALS. In the City League, on Black's alley's, last night, the Specials won three points from the Elks. The individual scores follow:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Hanson 98 79 91 268-89 1-3. Scott 84 82 89 255-78 2-3. Garvin 90 92 96 278-92 5-3. Dunham 72 86 88 246-82. Wilson 113 95 104 312-104.

437 434 468 1339. Elks. Emmons 62 88 77 227-75 2-3. Alley 81 89 69 239-79 2-3. Corbet 64 73 88 225-76. Bailey 104 97 120 321-107. Stanton 87 106 94 287-95 2-3. 389 458 448 1239.

Tonight the Ramblers and Wanderers will play.

ENGLISH FLYWEIGHT WON.

London, March 27.—"Jimmy" Wilde, the English flyweight champion, knocked out "Red" Smith, formerly flyweight champion, in the third round of

Top Notch Scotch "King George IV" Whisky. The Distillers Company, Limited, Edinburgh.

a fifteen round match here this afternoon. "Wick" Smith, the English light heavyweight champion, was defeated on points by Harry Reeve in a twenty round bout held here tonight.

DUNLOP TIRES. QUALITY FIRST. In towns and villages throughout Canada you will find bicycle riders who believe no other bicycle tire is made in this country but Dunlop. These riders want the time-proven, honest-all-through-the-years tire; and you can rest assured such riders are not misled by imitations of Dunlop. Dunlop Tire & Rubber Goods Co., Limited. Head Office and Factories: Toronto. Branches in Leading Cities.

Tempting! What could be more so than a bottle of RED BALL ALE or PORTER? They are so wholesome, invigorating and refreshing that when you have once tasted them you refuse all other brands. They are manufactured under the most hygienic conditions. In fact we pride ourselves on the cleanliness of the Brewery, as it is one of the secrets of RED BALL ALE or PORTER being in such great demand by doctors, business men and those who know. SIMEON JONES, LTD. Brewers. St. John, N. B.



Steady! Whatever our toil—indoors or out—on big jobs or little: we need keen appetites and good digestions. We need to keep mouth and throat moist and refreshed, teeth clean and breath sweet. In other words we need WRIGLEY'S. For there's where this wholesome, flavor-lasting, impurity-proof refreshment is worth its weight in gold. Yet it costs but a mite. Write for free copy of "WRIGLEY'S MOTHER GOOSE," handsomely lithographed in colors. Address Wm. Wrigley Jr. Co., Ltd., Wrigley Bldg., Toronto. Two Delicious Flavors: WRIGLEYS SPEARMINT MINT LEAF, WRIGLEYS DOUBLEMINT PEPPERMINT. Chew it after every meal. C-28

Bringing Up Father

Comic strip panels with dialogue: 'I WANT YOU TO GET RID OF THIS DOG!', 'WHY, MAGGIE—ME DARLIN'—HE'S ONE OF THE FINEST SETTERS IN THE LAND!', 'YES—AND HE'S ONE OF THE BEST SLEEPERS!', 'DO YOU KNOW—MAGGIE—HE'S GOT MORE SENSE THAN MOST HUMAN BEINGS!', 'THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT HE HAS MORE THAN YOU!', 'I WANT YOU TO KNOW I GAVE FIFTY DOLLARS FOR HIM—HE'S A GOOD WATCH DOG TOO!', 'WHEN I WAS OUT THIS AFTERNOON—HE WATCHED A BURGLAR TAKE ALL THE SILVERWARE OUT OF THE DINING ROOM!', 'HUH!'

THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Northern New England... Fair Friday and Saturday; northeast winds.

Temperatures. Min. Max. Dawson 3 40. Victoria 40 52. Vancouver 42 50.

A tremendous ship-building boom is in progress throughout Canada and the United States, and it is expected that more vessels will be built by December 31 than in any year for a quarter of a century.

Around the City

Boat Investigator Fries. Capt. P. Boucher, who has been in the city has gone to Campbellton to look into a fire in one of the buildings in charge of the militia there.

Hard Coal May Advance. Because of higher wages paid this season to the anthracite coal miners and because of the railroad congestion and shortage of tonnage an advance in the price of hard coal is predicted by handlers.

Glorious Spring Day. Grouchy persons were compelled to take a day off yesterday, for the atmosphere was so mild and balmy that most of the citizens were smiles.

Herring Fishermen Lucky. The herring fishermen of the Bay of Fundy and Passamaquoddy Bay have caught large quantities of fish this week and the markets have been well supplied.

Some Price for Crustaceans. Fishermen in Grand Manan and vicinity have been getting as high as 50 cents a pound for lobsters out of their boats.

Boy Scouts Meet. Members of the St. James' Church Boy Scout Troop met at their headquarters last night, and had a most interesting and instructive evening.

The Isolation Hospital. A special meeting of the Board of Health was convened yesterday in order to prepare plans for the erection of a new isolation hospital to replace the structure destroyed by fire last Monday morning.

A Hotel Change. Thomas B. Reynolds, who as manager of the Royal Hotel for the past few years, has become one of the best known and most deservedly popular hotel men in the Maritime Provinces.

New Corduroy Velveteens. The much wanted shades of new corduroy velveteens have been received at F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s. These come in the small and large cords and the new shades of white, garnet, black, African brown, mahogany brown, fawn, sage blue, russet green, purple, navy and cream.

HEAVY DEMAND FOR VESSELS OF ALL KINDS FOR HOSPITAL FOR SOLDIERS

It Will be Opened in Evangeline Home in Few Days

Names of Those Appointed—Another Parade on Sunday—How Soldiers Spent Yesterday.

The necessary alterations have been completed at the Evangeline Home, and it is expected that it will be opened as a military hospital in the course of a day or two.

Yesterday morning was spent in routine work by the men of the 115th. In the afternoon they were out on a route march.

Yesterday was spent by the men of the 140th in their ordinary round of duties. Sixteen men were added to the strength of the battalion, which is now close to full strength.

The men of the 69th have been spending their time in the more advanced work and yesterday was no exception. In the morning they had bomb throwing and musketry exercises.

On motion the old committee was discharged and a new nominating committee named with instructions to report back to the general committee at the next meeting which will be held on April 15th.

The general opinion of those present was that action should be taken immediately and the entire temperance movement crystallized into one unified body, with one aim and one object in view, viz. the destruction of the liquor business in New Brunswick.

The members appointed on the committee to interview one hundred or more citizens before the assembly of the next meeting were:—A. W. Wilson, Dr. J. H. Manning, D. C. Clark, J. W. Willet, F. Daniel and E. N. Stockford.

Police Officers Clear Up Mysterious Thefts from Emerson & Fisher's Establishment.

It was recently reported to the detective department at police headquarters that some articles were missing from the store of Emerson & Fisher, German street.

Sharp's, 7 Mill Street. The hungry man's home, where you get quality and quantity and then some. We never close.

SELECT COMMITTEE OF ONE HUNDRED

Temperance Men Decide to Follow Ontario Method in Local Prohibition Campaign.

An interesting and enthusiastic meeting of a representative body of temperance workers of the city was held last evening in the Y. M. C. A. room to hear the report of the sub-committee, which was appointed at the meeting held in the Congregational church school room on March 23rd.

The committee appointed at the last conference included Rev. F. S. Porter, Rev. H. Johnston, Rev. R. J. Haughton, C. F. McTavish and J. Willet.

The meeting was called to order by E. N. Stockford, the nominating committee submitted a number of names as members of the board of one hundred, which were the subject of comment.

Rev. R. J. Haughton read the resolution presented at the meeting held in the Congregational church at the conclusion of Tennyson Smith's campaign, which reads as follows:

"Resolved, That a new nominating committee be appointed with authority to add to their numbers, to cooperate with the local temperance organizations for a provincial temperance campaign.

After an animated discussion as to whether the committee of one hundred should follow the lines drafted by the Dominion Alliance or to carry on the work according to the method used so successfully in Ontario, the following resolution was read and unanimously adopted:

Resolved that this citizens meeting ratify the resolutions passed by the previous meeting, and that we organize a citizens' committee of one hundred, having as its aim the suppression of the legal sale of liquor in St. John.

On motion the old committee was discharged and a new nominating committee named with instructions to report back to the general committee at the next meeting which will be held on April 15th.

The general opinion of those present was that action should be taken immediately and the entire temperance movement crystallized into one unified body, with one aim and one object in view, viz. the destruction of the liquor business in New Brunswick.

The members appointed on the committee to interview one hundred or more citizens before the assembly of the next meeting were:—A. W. Wilson, Dr. J. H. Manning, D. C. Clark, J. W. Willet, F. Daniel and E. N. Stockford.

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