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ing to furnish particulars of same in writ-
ing duly attested to the undersigned
Solicitor for Sir William F. Liord, Ad-
ministrator of the said Estate on or
before the 18th day of January, 1926,
after which date the said Administra-
tor will proceed to distribute the said
Estate having regard only to the
claims of which he then shall have
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Dated at St. John's this 14th day of
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Dated at St. John's this 19th day of
December, A.D., 1925.

J. A. W. W. McNEILLY,
Solicitor for Executors.
dec22,41,tu,th,s,m

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In the matter of the Will and Estate
of Sarah C. McDougall, late of St.
John's, Spinster, deceased.

All persons having claims against
the Estate of Sarah C. McDougall,
late of St. John's, Spinster, deceased,
are requested to furnish particulars
of the same duly attested to Howard J.
McDougall of Commercial Cham-
bers, Water Street, St. John's, Char-
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ecutor of the said Will on or before the
1st day of February, 1926, after which
date the said executor will distribute
the said Estate, having regard only to
such claims as he shall then have had
notice of.

Dated, St. John's this 19th day of
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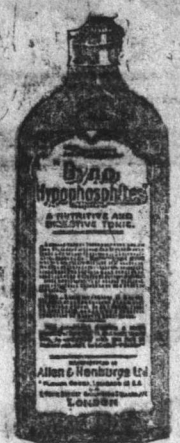
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— AND —

THE HEIR TO REGNA COURT.

CHAPTER VIII.

The moment the words had left his lips he regretted them, for though Miss Sartoris' face had shown no resentment, he feared she might think the response presumptuous. He changed the subject with some skill and presently rose.

"I will take the sketches home and get to work, Miss Sartoris. Good-afternoon, and thank you very much."

There was a moment or two of silence after he had gone, then Mrs. Lexton remarked:

"How well he said that."

"What?" asked Claire, absently.

"That he would rather be himself and rebuild the wing than be a lord. Claire looked straight before her.

"It was rather a foolish speech," she said, quietly.

When Gerald had reached the stables he remembered the ladder. He pulled it with a slight feeling of annoyance. It would not do to leave the ladder stuck up against the house, for, though burglars might be rare as yet, the thing was a temptation to the curious as well as to the dishonest. He did not like to go back and yet he could not allow the ladder to remain there.

"What nonsense," he said, jeering at himself for his reluctance. "Miss Sartoris will not notice my return any more than she would that of any other workman about the place!"

But he was relieved when he got back to find that the ladies had gone. He shouldered the ladder and was returning with it when he saw Claire and Mrs. Lexton standing in the cottage garden beside Mrs. Burdon and the little girl. He intended to walk past them without any sign, but as he came up to the group, the old lady dropped a curtsey and quavered out:

"Good-morning, my lord!"

He could scarcely tell the quaint pantation go without any response, and so he smiled and nodded.

Claire laid her hand on the woman's arm, which she had drawn within her own.

"You do not know that gentleman, nurse?" she said.

The old woman looked up at her with a shrewd, half-secretive expression in the faded dim eyes.

"Yes, yes!" she said, in her thin voice. "I know him well enough, and so do you, my lady!"

Claire changed color for a moment, then she said, gently:

"And now you don't know me! I am Claire Sartoris, your little girl, as you used to call me."

"I know, I know!" crooned Mrs. Burdon, nodding her head and half closing her eyes, as if she were sharing a jest with Claire.

"And that gentleman is Mr. Wayre," said Claire.

"Yes, yes! quite right!" said the old woman. "Quite right, my lady. I know his lordship as well as I know you! Why do you plague me so?" she broke off suddenly, with the fretful resentment of extreme old age.

The ivory of Claire's face grew rosy tinted and Gerald hastened to her relief.

"It is of no use, Miss Sartoris!" he said. "Mrs. Burdon insists upon my nobility—even with a ladder on my shoulder," and, with a laugh, he hurried on.

CHAPTER IX.

Gerald went to work at his plans that same evening. The lamp, as he had said, was large; it was also hot, but he did not realize how warm the little room had become until he felt the perspiration starting out on his forehead. Then he rose with a laugh, and, lighting his pipe, strolled out for a stretch and a breath of fresh air.

It was a lovely night, with a delightful breeze from the sea, and he sauntered down the steep, roughly-paved path to the jetty. He was quite absorbed in his work, and looked at the beautiful seascape absently enough; but presently he became conscious of the figure of a young girl walking along the beach and close to the cliffs, which rose perpendicularly from the very edge of the sea-line.

As the moon emerged from a bank of cloud he saw that the girl was Lucy Hawker. He was thinking, absently and casually, that it was rather strange for her to be walking alone at that time of night; but, concluding that she was tempted by the beauty of the evening, he was turning away, when he saw another figure come down a path and join her. It was a young man this time, and Gerald fancied he bore some resemblance in form and bearing to Mr. Mordaunt Sopley; but he was too far off for Gerald to identify him, and while he was looking, the two figures disappeared around a bend of the cliff.

Gerald was just at that moment trying to decide upon a knotty question in connection with the plan, and forgot all about Lucy and her companion directly they passed from his sight. He solved the problem in about half an hour, and, relighting his pipe, started to return to his plans.

There was another road, a mere track, leading direct from the beach, and he decided to take it for a change, and was climbing up the steep path when Lucy dropped in front of him from the overhanging rock.

"Miss Lucy!" he said.

She started, and uttered a faint cry of surprise and alarm, and stood looking at him for a moment or two with wide-open eyes, then glanced simply over her shoulder.

"You—you startled me, sir!" she said.

"I am very sorry," said Gerald. "Where did you spring—or rather, drop—from? I thought for a moment that it was a goat. Is there a path here?"

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"Yes," she replied, looking at him sideways. "It is not often used. I was taking a stroll; it is such a fine night."

"So it is," assented Gerald. "Too fine for indoors. I think I saw you down on the beach by the cliff, didn't I?"

She was silent for a moment; then she said, with a forced laugh:

"I daresay, sir; I was down there."

"And not alone?" said Gerald, with a faint smile.

"Oh, yes!" she said; "I was alone."

"That's strange," said Gerald. "I thought—"

Then he stopped. It was scarcely fair to make any remark upon the girl's movements.

"At least almost all the time," she said. "One of the fishermen spoke to me; perhaps it was him you saw."

Gerald accepted the explanation unsuspectingly. After all, it was extremely improbable that Lucy, who seemed always so truthful and modest, should volunteer a falsehood. He must have been mistaken in thinking the man like Mordaunt Sopley.

"I suppose this is good fishing weather?" he remarked.

She assented, and they talked about the fishing as they walked up the path side by side. Presently he said:

"I hope the lamp is full of oil, Miss Lucy? I have a lot of work to do to-night. Perhaps you know that I may be employed at the Court, rebuilding the old wing?"

"I heard you were there looking at it, sir," she answered. "I am, very glad! It is a beautiful old place, the Court, and Miss Claire is a kind young lady."

"You like her?" said Gerald.

"Oh, yes, sir! She has always been good and kind to me! Everybody likes her, though sometimes she seems—seems proud and standoffish; but she is never so with me—always, very seldom." She stifled a sigh at the correction. "I've known her ever since she came here; we were girls together like—though different, of course. I think she is the loveliest young lady I have ever seen," she added, warmly.

Gerald felt as if he should like to shake hands with Miss Lucy on the spot; but he wisely made no response.

"This is a lonely path," he remarked, after a pause. "But I suppose you don't mind being out alone?"

"No; I'm used to it, sir," she remarked, simply. "Very few people come along here; only the coastguard and a fisherman now and again."

"And here comes one of them," said Gerald, as a man came slowly upon them.

The path was narrow, and he drew aside to allow the man to pass, and, as he did so, he peered at them curiously, and then touched his sou'wester and gave them "good-night."

"It's Jenks, the coastguard," said Lucy, when the man had passed on.

But after he had gone a few a few paces, he stopped, and came back to them.

"Beggin' your pardon, sir," he said, civilly, with another touch of his cap, "but could you oblige me with a pipe o' bacca? I've run out, and—"

"Certainly," said Gerald, and he opened his pouch, and emptied the contents into the man's horny hand.

"Oh, I won't take it all, sir," he said.

"I've half a pound at home," said Gerald; "you're welcome to this."

"Thank you, sir. Mr. Wayre, beart it?"

Right the first time," assented Gerald. "Good-night."

(To be continued.)

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Reduction in Tax Burden in Canada

GOVERNMENT MAY ABOLISH THE SALES TAX AND RESTORE "PENNY POSTAGE."

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—Some reduction in the tax burden upon the Canadian people is to be expected during the coming session of Parliament. This is to be made possible by the drastic pruning of estimates now in progress, and the satisfactory showing to be made at the close of the present fiscal year together with the reduced expenditures planned for the following year will be given back to the tax payers in the form of a lighter levy.

Four different courses are open to the Government. One is the abolition of the sales tax which since its inception has been a source of annoyance to the collector as well as the taxpayer.

Another is the restoration of penny postage, the benefit from which would be shared by every citizen of the Dominion.

Some time ago Hon. George H. Boulton, the new Minister of Customs and Excise, promised consideration of the reiterated demands for abolition of the luxury tax on automobiles.

Then there is the income tax on which some reduction would be welcomed.

While there are heavy obligations to be met by the Dominion Government in connection with the war and with the Canadian National Railways, there is reluctance to relinquish any large sources of revenue. Something substantial is expected to be done, either with the abolition of the sales tax or the restoration of penny postage.

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TAKING THE DEAD

While I'm feeling hale and hearty, I'm an optimistic party, and I'll smile as I pay the taxes due; I will sing and smile and charle at the tax collector's portal as, I'm only mortal, soon my journey will be through. I have saved some silver pieces which are stored in large valises, that my loving auntie and niece may not suffer when I'm dead; it would soothe me when I perish if I knew the ones I cherish would not hear the sound night-march of the tax collector's tread. When I'm in a churchyard sector, with the blessing of the rector, then will come the tax collector, saying to the mourners pale, "Where's the money you inherit? For the Government must share it, from your keeping I must bear it—where's the plunder, where's the kale?" I'll be lying cold and senseless, down and out and all defenceless, while the mourners, sad and penceless, are reduced to scrubbing floors; they will have to sew and launder while the tax collectors ponder o'er the coin they hoped to squander in the large department stores. It's a crime I long have wanted, taxing people when they're planted, spoiling all the dreams enchanted of our legacies and heirs. "Pay up gaily," is my motto, "in the tax collector's grotto," but no tax collector ought to chase me up the golden stairs.

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MILLIONS OF GALLONS OF BAD ALCOHOL WENT TO BOOTLEGERS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Less than two per cent. of the liquor sold now is genuine, according to United States Attorney Buckner in an address before the Aldine Club.

Buckner said that the real Rum Row was in the lofts, cellars, barns and garages of New York City and not forty miles at sea. He added that 40,000,000 gallons of poisoned alcohol, officially poisoned under Government supervision went into bootleg channels last year and that the fountain-head of bootleg liquor was illicit trade in denatured alcohol.

The speaker made public the annual toll of deaths from alcoholic poisoning here, which has increased from 84 in 1920 to 511 for the first 11 months of 1925.

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NEWFOUNDLANDER DROWNED UNDER SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES.

CANSO, N.S., Dec. 26. John Malay, of Newfoundland, seen on the steam trawler Rayouder, was drowned under mysterious circumstances sometime between Christmas Eve and this morning, when his body was taken from the water near where the trawler was at anchor. The carcass of the trawler bore evidence of a collision, and money drawn from Malay when last seen was missing from his body. The matter is being investigated by the Attorney General.

FINANCE PROPOSALS SUBMITTED.

PARIS, Dec. 26. Finance Minister Doumer submitted the finance proposals to the Cabinet and its decision is expected Tuesday next.

ROUTE FREE FOR MANCHURIAN WAR LORD.

TOKIO, Dec. 26. The War Office to-day received a despatch from Mukden that the commander of the Japanese forces had withdrawn the prohibition against war within a 6-mile radius of Mukden, from which it is assumed Marshal Chang Tso Lin will be permitted to re-enter the Manchurian capital.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS IN PERSIA.

BASKRA, Irak, Dec. 26. Severe earthquake shocks were felt yesterday in the region of Bushire, Persia, where much damage resulted and many are homeless.

A ROYAL PARDON.

SOPIA, Dec. 26. King Boris has extended a full pardon to sixty persons condemned to death for complicity in the conspiracy to the bombing of the Cathedral last April.

STATE OF ILL-FEELING AGAINST GERMANY.

ROME, Dec. 26. An anti-German sentiment is flaring up in Italy where the Fascist newspapers denounce Germany as "our intractable racial enemy" warns against trade or other activities of Germany.

DIVORCE CASES TO BE DECIDED BY COURT.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 26. A clause in the new Turkish civil code puts an end to the right of a man to divorce his wife at all without trial. Henceforth divorces will be granted only by a decree of the courts.

ANOTHER CABINET CRISIS EXPECTED.

PARIS, Dec. 26. With the Government and the parties composing a majority in the Chamber of Deputies in a political race

French Senate Uphold Policy

ADOPT RESOLUTION OF CONFIDENCE IN PROCEDURE IN SYRIAN SITUATION.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—(A.P.)—The Senate gave a vote of confidence last night to the Government's Syrian policy. It adopted a resolution by a show of hands in which it is declared the Upper House trusts the Government to exercise full publicity in Syrian events and "end the era of sacrifices and adventures."

Throughout the session, General Sarraill, former High Commissioner in Syria, was scathingly attacked for his conduct in the past. He sat in the galleries during the debate, but gave no sign of being concerned. Premier Briand promised to do all possible to hasten the coming of the day when France would no longer be obliged to keep large forces in far-off countries like Morocco and Syria, but he added: "It is impossible to leave Syria, now, for it would cause a massacre to-morrow."

N.S. MINERS FACED WITH DESTITUTION.

GLACE BAY, Dec. 27. The Dominion Coal Company adopted a resolution at a mass meeting to-day declaring unemployment conditions that were worse than ever this winter, and urging the Government to do something for them or else they would be forced to take what they need whenever they could find it. Attorney General Douglas told the men he would call a Government meeting to-morrow and suggest a plan by which allowances could be kept in operation during the winter months.

No Protectorate.

He laid stress on the fact that France had no protectorate in Syria, but a mandate under the League of Nations, and France's effort to create a definite status for the Government of the mandated territory, has been "possible of explanation. The Syrians had been misled by hostile propaganda concerning France's intentions."

The formal instructions to M. de Jouvenel are that the liberty and property rights of the population shall be determined by the same rules as govern western peoples, said the Premier. A mandatory power merely plays the role of councillor and tutor.

"We bring peace to those desiring peace; we use force only against those employing force, as M. de Jouvenel has so well defined our aims."

The Premier reiterated that France had not accepted the Syrian charge for reasons of conquest or imperialism, because she was called there by the population itself. He cited the French construction of roads, hospitals and other works in the territory.

Check Revolt.

M. Painleve, the former Premier, defended General Sarraill's administration. He asserted that Sarraill's treatment of the Mussulmans had prevented the Damascus revolt assuming larger proportions.

M. Poincare intervened, defending General Weygand, General Sarraill's predecessor. He declared that the Government's error in the last few months was in considering Syria as a protectorate and not mandated territory.

France's death toll in Syria since July 1 of this year has been 861 men, of whom 392 were native Frenchmen or foreign legionnaires, War Minister Painleve told the Senate to-day in reply to an interpellation from General Bourgeois.

The losses since 1920 have been 6,960, the War Minister added, saying that "there were painful incidents in Syria in 1920, but, out of patriotism, we veiled them."

Golden Wedding

On December 22nd, last, Capt. and Mrs. Robert Fowlow, Hillside Cottage Trinity, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary. They were married at Christ Church Trinity East by the Rev. Benjamin Smith December 22nd, 1875.

Of their family of nine daughters, seven are living, five of whom were with their parents on that auspicious date. Katherine of the Springdale, St. School Staff and Etta M. of the Postal Telegraph Staff, St. John's, having obtained special leave of absence in order to be present. To the great regret of the family, the two remaining daughters, Mrs. E. B. Lilly of Montreal with her two children and Mrs. W. A. King of Corner Brook with her four children were unavoidably absent. The two grandchildren present were Harry and Rosalind Morris.

At an "At Home" in the afternoon, Dr. Sinclair in a few well chosen words congratulated Capt. and Mrs. Fowlow on attaining that unique and most desired epoch in their married life, considering Capt. Fowlow's precarious state of health for the past few years.

At 8:30 p.m. dinner was served to the family and immediate relatives when the customary toasts were duly honored. After dinner games were indulged in and recitations rendered by members of the party, the most appropriate rendering of the evening being that beautiful poem entitled "The Golden Wedding," viz:—

Oh love, whose patient pilgrim feet, Life's longest path have trod; Whose ministry hath symbolized sweet, The dearest love of God. The sacred myrtle rears again, Beside this altar's burn, And what was green with summer then Is mellowed now to gold.

Not now, as then, the future's face, Is flushed with fancy's light; But memory, with a milder grace, Shall rule the feast to-night. Blest was the sun of joy that shone, Nor less the blinding shower, The bride of fifty years ago, Is love's perfected flower.

Oh memory, ope thy mystic door, Oh dream of youth, return; And let the light that gleamed of yore, Beside this altar burn. The past is plain, 'twas never designed, 'E'en sorrow's iron chain, And mercy's shining thread has twined With the dark warp of pain.

So be it Lord, oh Thou who hast, That younger bridal blest; 'Till the may morn of love has passed, To ev'ning's golden west. Come to this later cana, Lord, And at thy touch Divine, The water of that earlier board, To-night shall turn to wine.

Capt. and Mrs. Fowlow were the recipients of many valuable gold pieces as well as letters and messages of congratulations. A very sociable evening was brought to a close, by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

THIRD PRIZE CLAIMED.—The third prize in the Feildian Travel Sweepstake has been claimed by Mr. N. P. Hunt.

CALENDARS.—We thank the Bank of Nova Scotia and Confederation Life Association for wall calendars for 1926.

English Theatrical Co. Coming Here

Francis Compton English Players Will Play in Canso.

Arrangements have been made between Ron A. Young, theatrical promoter of this city and Francis Compton of the Francis Compton English Players for the appearance of this celebrated company in St. John's soon.

Mr. Compton is of the well known Compton family—one of the most famous theatrical families of England. He is the son of Edward Compton of the celebrated Compton Company, is the grandson of Henry Compton the famous Haymarket comedian. His aunt is Mrs. R. C. Carton, who originated as "Lord and Lady Algy," "Lady Huntwell's Experiment," etc. Mr. Compton has been connected with the best theatrical managements in England and also Australia. Last season he played with the famous Coppley Theatre Co., Boston, Mass., with much success. In Victoria, B. C., he ran his Stock Co. for 35 weeks with most gratifying results and was considered the best artist they ever had there and supported by the best company and presenting the best plays.

Among the plays to be presented during the engagement are: "David Garrick," "The Hottentot," "A Little Bit of Fluff," "The Belle," "Passing of the Third Floor Back," "Blinded," "The New Boy," "A Marriage of Convenience," "Face on the Barroom Floor," "The School for Scandal," "Grumpy," "Too Many Husbands," "Captain Applejack," "Tilly of Bloomsbury," "Importance of Being Earnest" and other big successes.

This is the first time for many years in the history of theatricals in Newfoundland, that St. John's has had the pleasure of the appearance of an English theatrical company, and we wish to congratulate Mr. Young on his success in inducing this company to come here. The grand opening will be shortly after the New Year.

SHIP HAD EVENTFUL TRIP. S.S. Airedale, which left Quebec on Dec. 19th, arrived in port early yesterday, bringing a part cargo from Montreal. The passage was rough and some minor damage was sustained. The Airedale had an eventful time since leaving Montreal nearly a month ago. Coming down the St. Lawrence she went ashore near Quebec and immediately after the stranding the pilot disappeared and has not since been heard of. The ship was taken off the rocks after part of the cargo had been jettisoned and she was towed to Quebec for repairs. It was found that ninety plates had been damaged. Repairs were completed in six days and the voyage was continued on Saturday week past. The trip down here was a trying one for Capt. Boucher and his crew. The Airedale is discharging at Shea & Company's premises and will, when finished, proceed to the West Indies with a quantity of cement.

S.S. Airedale Reaches Port

S.S. Sachem Arrives From Liverpool

S. S. Sachem, Capt. Westgarth, D.S.O., arrived in port from Liverpool yesterday afternoon with a large cargo and mail and the following passengers: Mrs. R. S. Grieve, Miss H. E. H. Grieve, Miss Ruth C. Jameson, Mrs. P. H. Knowling, Mr. John McCloudy. A splendid passage was made until coming within 375 miles of this port when the ship ran into a storm which compelled her to heave to for fifteen hours. The ship received a bad drubbing but only minor damages about deck resulted.

Harry Emerson Fosdick Defines True Prayer

"Prayer is not crying to a mysterious individual of somewhere; prayer is not bouncing the ball of one's own aspiration against the wall of one's own soul and catching it again; true prayer is fulfilling one of the major laws of the spiritual world and getting the appropriate consequences. "Just as around our bodies is the physical universe, in dependence upon which we live so that we create no power of our own, but assimilate it—eat it, drink it, absorb it—so around our spirits and in them is the Spiritual Universe. It is really there and it is as law-abiding as the physical cosmos with which the scientist deals. True prayer is fulfilling the conditions of our relationship with this Spiritual World. We cannot create inward power any more than we create our physical strength. We assimilate it. We fulfil the laws of its reception and it comes. So Spirit, which is God, surrounds our lives, impinges on them, is the condition of their existence, in whom we live, and move, and have our being." To see the truth of this is to believe in God; to pray is to make earnest with it and avail ourselves of the resources of strength waiting for those who fulfil the conditions and get the results.

SIDE TALKS.

By Ruth Cameron.

WHY WOMEN NEED PRETTY CLOTHES.

How much clothes do mean to a woman! Not precisely a new thought. But one of those facts that are so familiar that we sometimes forget their full significance and potency.

What Clothes Did. I met one of my childhood friends last week for the first time in years. It was a girl whom I did not know well but always admired and felt I would like to know better. We met on a street corner in my old home town to which I had come back for a Spring visit. I wore visitor's clothes—the smartest I had, of course. She had been taking her youngsters down to school and had on a morning frock and a carelessly hung on coat. And in the five minutes that we talked I don't think she once forgot that she wasn't dressed to best advantage. There was no reason why she should be, and if she had met me in my own ballroom early in the morning when I was still in the middle of the morning work, I doubt if I would have looked half as well as she. But because I happened to be dressed up and she didn't, she was unconsciously clothes-conscious and showed it by the nervous way she pulled her coat about her, and by other subtle signs.

And I came away from that meeting filled anew with the sense of how much clothes mean to a woman even the least frivolous, even those who have plenty of other attractions to recommend them, and plenty of other things to interest them.

More Than Mere Vanity. Men don't realize it. Women don't always realize it themselves, but the love of being well dressed is more than a mere vanity with woman, it is something deep and primal in her. The psychologists call it a secondary sex manifestation and I suppose that explains its deep rootedness. Though I must say that I think that more women select their clothes with an eye to what other women will think than what men will think. Doubtless, however, the sex rivalry enters into that wish to outdo the other woman and make her feel defeated.

Women need pretty clothes to help them hold their self-respect. If I were a doctor prescribing for a woman in one of those melancholy moods that sometimes come to women, I would prescribe a becoming outfit, (a costly prescription, you may say, but not so much so as the long rest, or the trip or stay in a sanitarium that doctors often prescribe so blithely, and perhaps it would help avoid the need of one of these). If I were a wealthy philanthropist I knew of no philanthropy that I would enjoy more than giving the woman who hasn't had a whole new outfit at one time since she was married a cheque to buy herself frock and coat and gloves and hat and shoes and stockings all matching (and I would make it an iron bound stipulation that every cent was to be spent on herself and none peeled off to buy music lessons for sister or a football outfit for Junior).

But I Don't Write For Them. Of course there are many women who do not need to be encouraged in expressing this primal instinct. They put no bounds upon it and let it make them forget commonsense and other people's rights. They don't need to be given any further justification. But I do think there are women who try to suppress this clothes instinct to a degree that is unhealthy for them. And I think there are men who, not understanding its power and force, expect their women folk to suppress it and accept the sacrifice of that suppression without any idea of how great it is. And it is for such that I write this.

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To Hon. W. J. Woodford, M.H.A., Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, St. John's Newfoundland.
Christmas 1925.

Dear Mr. Woodford:
We, the officials of the Postal Department of the General Post Office of St. John's Newfoundland, take this opportunity to extend to you the Greetings of the Festive Season and also to ask you to accept the accompanying gift, which, as words, is merely a slight token of our esteem and admiration for your good self and the office which you hold.

After a period of almost two years under your supervision and direction, we cannot but express our deep appreciation of the very many acts of kindness and courtesies extended to us, officially and otherwise, and we likewise sincerely hope that your term with us in the future will be equally as successful and congenial as it has been since the commencement of your administration.

In asking you to accept this piece of silver and our good wishes, it is also our desire to convey to Mrs. Woodford the Compliments of the Season, and hope that you both may live to enjoy many more.

We are honoured, Sir, in subscribing ourselves on behalf of the various Departments—(Sgd.)—J. G. Hodder, Deputy Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, W. Campbell, Asst. Deputy, G. Lloyd, Supt. of Money Order Branch, M. F. Aylward, Inspector of Postal Department, J. Milley Postmaster, J. Clarke, Overseer and Clerk in Charge of Assorting Department.

At the conclusion of the reading of address, the gathering applauded vigorously.

The Hon. Mr. Woodford in reply was deeply touched by the remarks of the Deputy and the expression of good will which manifested itself and as he himself stated, he could hardly find words to show the assemblage how much he appreciated the gift and the spirit which prompted the officials to offer him along the address, which in itself would live with him for all time and cause him to ever remember the good feeling that existed throughout the Department so much so that he was determined more than ever to do all he possibly could to espouse their cause and endeavor at all times, particularly during his administration of the Department, to avail of every opportunity to advance their work and welfare. He was deeply impressed with the kind thoughts and wishes of the officials and thanked them sincerely, as it was the first time during his public career that he was greeted thus. The Minister then went on to review the work and progress made, and was pleased to have it to say that he felt from the knowledge he gained from various sources, that a decided change and improvement was clearly demonstrated during the short period that he has been head of the Department. It was true enough that some mistakes and differences must crop up from time to time where such a tremendous amount of work and service is involved, but he was satisfied to state nothing of a serious nature had so far occurred and he hoped ere his term of office expired, to be in a position to show to the Government and public that when the time came to retire, he would hand over a Department that would be a credit to the officials, the Colony, the Government, and himself. Very often complaints are made which the Department is in no way responsible for; Mr. Woodford cited many instances, one in particular during recent months, which at first appeared to be of a serious character, but resulted in a complete vindication of the service and Department concerned. He then went on to pay tribute to the heads of the different branches, Mr. Hodder, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Milley, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Aylward and Mr. Clarke, all of whom were tried and faithful servants who were doing their utmost in assisting him in bringing the work of the Department up to

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It has been said time and again Newfoundland affords the best salmon fishing to sportsmen that can be found in any part of the world. This is particularly true of the rivers along the West Coast as shown by the record which we publish herewith, showing that one man in less than one month's fishing in the Codroy river, landed 129 fish with a total weight of over twelve hundred pounds, for which he paid a road tax of only ten dollars. Here is the record of J. E. Mullen.

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STOCK MARKET NEWS

Supplied by Johnston & Ward, Board of Trade Bldg., Water Street.

TO-DAY'S NEW YORK OPENING.
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.

Assoc. Oil	114
Baldwin	131 1/2
Brooklyn Gas	76 1/4
Belding Bros.	40
Anaconda	50 1/2
C.P.R.	148
Calif. Petrol	32 1/2
Cuba Cane Sugar Pfd.	42
Delaware and Hudson	149 1/2
Erie 1st Pfd.	45 1/2
Gen'l Motors	117 1/2
Gen'l Petrol	54 1/2
Gen'l Cigar	111
Hudson Motors	111
Imperial Oil	37 1/2
Missouri Pacific Pfd.	89 1/2
Marland Oil	53 1/2
North American	64 1/2
Phillips	44 1/2
Pacific Oil	75 1/2
Ray Copper	12 1/2
Studebaker	56 1/2
Union	149 1/2
U.S. Steel	137 1/2

Montreal

Abtibi	73 1/2
Brompton	27
Brazilian	84 1/2
Can. Steam Pfd.	54 1/2
B.E.S. 2nd Pfd.	9 1/2
Alcohol	16 1/2
Laurentide	89 1/2
Smelters	181 1/2
Spanish River	107 1/2

Wheat

Chic. Dec. New	187
Chic. May New	189 1/2-3/4
Winnipeg May	182 1/2
Cotton	19.30

STEEL BUSINESS IS STILL BOOMING.

(Halifax Chronicle, Dec. 21.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The weekly views of the steel trade reveal few changes of importance in the industry. Production has been increased slightly in a number of steel making centres. Incoming orders this month are slightly below the November level, as is usual after the heavy rush of buying last month. Every prospect, however, is for active operations during the first quarter of 1926. Prices are steady. The Iron Age says:

"Railroad demand stands out in the new business of the week as an offset to lessened buying by consuming industries, which were actively in the market in November. More than 5000 steel cars were placed mostly in the East, also several large contracts for truck supplies, while considerable railroad inquiry has appeared for bars, plates and shapes of 1926 delivery. December new business naturally

is not expected to keep up the November rate, and hence the last month's increase in the steel corporation's booked tonnage will not be duplicated. The 478,000-ton gain was made in large part of the formal entering of rail orders previously announced and to the annual contract of the country's largest buyer of the plate."


Big Mail for Green Bay

The Department of Posts and Telegraphs received word this morning that the steamer Home left Lewis-ports with 163 bags of mail matter, to be distributed on the north and south side of Green Bay. The Prospero arrived there in the early morning, and landed mails and passengers. She will take the mails for the south side of Notre Dame Bay.

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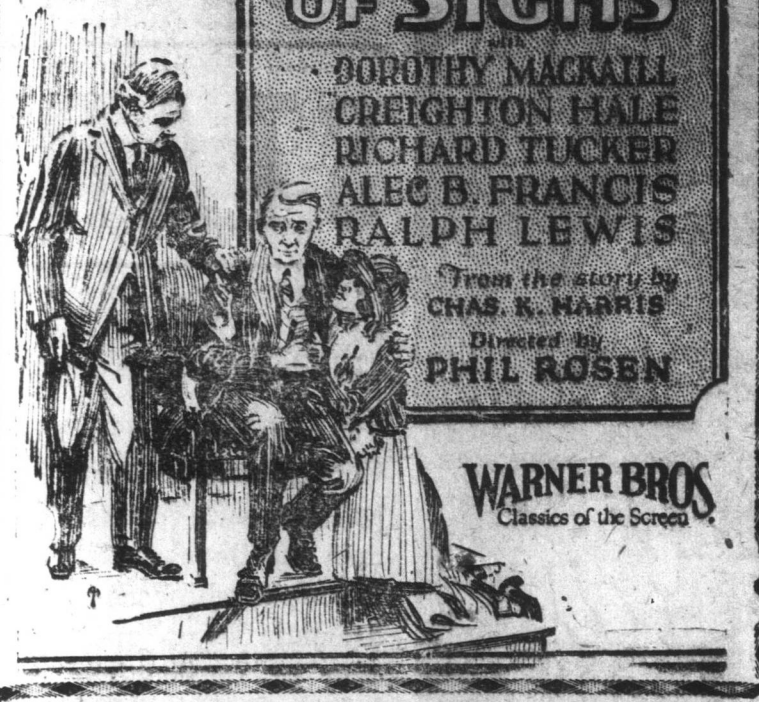
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Royal Ghosts of Britain

(By A LADY OF THE COURT)

Everybody knows all about the ghosts that haunt the ancient manors and ducal palaces of England and Scotland. Every time the death or wedding of a son or daughter of a haunted British home takes place the family ghost haunts the magazines and newspapers.

The Glamis ghost, for instance, is as familiar in the Far West as in the Vale of Strathmore. But practically unknown to the world at large are the Royal ghosts of Britain. Only a privileged few have heard that there are ghosts in Kensington Palace, that Queen Elizabeth sometimes returns to Windsor Castle, that Buckingham Palace and Richmond also have their own familiar Royal spirits.

It was late one autumn evening, on such a night as ghosts walk abroad, that I was first introduced to some of the Royal ghosts of Britain. With another guest and a lady-in-waiting, I sat at the dinner-table of one of the British Royal Princesses, who has apartments in Kensington Palace, a Princess who is the aunt of King George the Fifth and one of Queen Victoria's daughters. For many reasons I do not give her Royal Highness' name.

"What a lot of ghosts there must be in this old place!" remarked a member of our party.

"Oh, for that matter," laughed the Princess, "I think there are rather few ghosts in Kensington Palace considering its long history. I, personally, only know of two Royal ghosts—Caroline of Brunswick and Queen Mary, wife of William the Third."

"Yes; but my mother was a young girl when she lived here, and she had no unhappy associations with the place," continued the Princess, and then stopped. For the servants had returned to the room, and it is characteristic of all members of the Royal Family that they will not talk freely before their retainers.

So it was not until the coffee cups had been cleared away that we returned to the subject of ghosts, whereupon her Royal Highness rose from her seat and beckoned us to follow her to her boudoir.

There we settled down round the fire. It was raining hard. The wind moaned fitfully in the old chimney. In the dim light a feeling, not remote from fear, crept over us. Mystery hung in the very atmosphere.

"The spirit of Queen Mary, wife of William of Orange, has frequently been seen in these rooms," declared the Princess. "Only last year a lady-in-waiting to my sister was passing down the corridor of the suite of rooms in which she lived. Suddenly she became conscious of a presence which, though she could not see it, rendered her nervous and fearful. Yet nothing tangible was there to account for her alarm."

"Then, all at once, a tall, stately lady, attired in a flowing black gown and lace veil took form in the waning light. She was carrying a bundle of papers under her arm, some of them heavily sealed. Flitting past, she opened a door, which it is always kept locked; then, closing it noisily behind her, she disappeared."

"The lady-in-waiting was so surprised that she hurried off and made inquiries as to the identity of the stranger. No one else had seen her. It was also discovered that the lock of the door had not been recently turned by human hands."

"The room itself, however, gave a clue to the mystery. For it was in the grate of its big fireplace that poor, patient Queen Mary of England spent the whole night, prior to her fatal illness, burning letters and papers, which for some reason known only to herself she wished no other eyes to see."

"She was the most unselfish of queens. Smallpox was prevalent, and she felt she had succumbed to the disease. With her usual consideration for others, she dismissed all the members of her suite who had not had the illness, and spent that long, weary night in the seclusion of this apartment, tearing up and burning papers. No queen had ever been a more devoted wife. And if ever a ghost should walk it ought to be William the Third. For he only realised what he had lost when it was too late."

"The other ghost which haunts this place is Caroline of Brunswick, the unhappy wife of George the Fourth. She strolls in the herb garden, dressed in the fantastic clothes she wore in life—a long, white chemise-like garment, with crimson velvet cloak, and spangled satin shoes."

"Queen Caroline hated Kensington, and was never happy there. She had few friends, and those who did take advantage of her hospitality only care for what they get to eat and drink. Stupid as she was, Caroline declared: 'Unless I show dem de knifes and de forks no persons will come to Kensington.' She was a little mad, I think, and certainly she was badly treated."

"The ghost of Caroline is supposed to gather flowers and herbs, and she also wanders in the Orangery, the place so favoured by Queen Anne and her courtiers. 'Pat, bold, and fair,' was the description given of her in life. She certainly was not attractive."

"Buckingham Palace is haunted by George the Third, whose ghost is said to wander in the gardens. It is stated, too, that Queen Victoria can be seen on her birthday, May 24th, standing on the central balcony on which she so often stood during her life to receive the salute of her troops."

"Not a few have been startled by the sudden apparition of this little figure in widow's weeds, a spot of darkness against the great Palace frontage."

"The scene of the execution of Charles I. Whitehall, might reasonably be supposed to be haunted. And so it is, but not by Charles I. Strangely enough, the spirit which returns to the great banqueting-hall, from which the king went to his execution, is the ghost of the Earl of Stratford, not of King Charles. At midnight on January 31st the door at the far end of the great banqueting-hall is said to open, and a sepulchral voice gives the password 'Christ,' which was used on the night of the Earl of Stratford's execution. You will remember that the execution of this nobleman was supposed to have led, in the end, to the downfall of the king."

"There is a grim story told of how, when repairs were recently carried out in the banqueting-hall, the hollows between the walls were found to be filled with sawdust, presumably the same used at the execution of the king."

"Taking up a little silver candlestick, her Royal Highness beckoned us to follow her down the corridors which led to the apartments occupied by Queen Victoria in her girlhood. They are gloomy and melancholy in aspect. As we passed along I noticed that the tall, deep-set windows were guiltless of blinds. Outside, the trees in the grounds tossed their naked branches. It was all very eerie. Somehow I felt we might meet ghosts round any corner."

It seemed strange to me as we followed in the Royal wake that a daughter of Queen Victoria should be conducting such very ordinary personages through her palace; but her action is very typical of British Royalty. There are no snobs near the Throne.

The furniture of Kensington Palace is largely of the period of Queen Anne and William and Mary. Heavy oaken settles bank the corridors, and high-backed, leather-seated chairs, great massive oaken armchairs, Court cupboards, and oak coffers jostle each other beneath priceless tapestries and portraits of dead and gone potentates.

Half-way down the passage our eyes were caught by a forlorn little group of doll-like, wooden-visaged ladies, attired in the Court dress worn from 1820 to 1836. They were faded and battered relics of splendour, long dimmed and gone, and they gazed at us from their glassy eyes with doleful resignation. Each of them had a card pinned to her robes, presumably bearing the name of the lady she represented.

"Who are they?" I queried of my Royal hostess.

"Oh, they are all dolls of the Princess Charlotte and my mother."

I glanced back at the poor old dolls, relics of the childhood of Queen Victoria and Princess Charlotte. They were particularly interesting as having been the playthings of a young Princess who, had she lived, would have been Queen of England, but who, by dying, left the throne to her cousin Victoria, the greatest queen the world has ever known.

Victoria also inherited from her cousin a large doll's house and a tiny armchair, both of which we passed on our journey down endless corridors before our hostess stopped at last in front of a closed door. For a moment we wondered what she might be in waiting behind that door. What should we see next?

My hair began to stand on end. Perhaps it was the room Queen Mary died in. Perhaps it was in here that Caroline of Brunswick kept the most precious spoils from her still-room—hairs, drops, eau de lue, Hungarian water.

But our hostess soon dispelled all our wonderings. Putting the key in the lock and throwing open the door, she said simply:

"It was on this very spot that my mother received the news that she was Queen of Great Britain. I expect you thought I was leading you to a haunted room, but, as I have already told you, my mother had no unhappy associations with Kensington."

Certainly the room was the last sort of place you would expect to be haunted. Airy and simply furnished, with lacy windows and an absence of all the trappings one naturally associates with Royalty, it was a room to live in rather than haunt.

St. James's Palace, the residence of the Prince of Wales, is another haunted spot; but it would have scarcely been in good taste to ask a member of the Royal Family to tell the story, because it is connected with the black sheep of the family, the Duke of Cumberland, who was a brother of two kings and an uncle of Queen Victoria.

I was told the story of St. James's by a cousin who was an equerry to three Sovereigns, and a pall-bearer at Queen Victoria's funeral. It is to him also that I owe my knowledge of the ghosts of Windsor and Hampton Court.

"I was sitting one late spring afternoon in the great library at Windsor Castle," he told me. "I was thinking of nothing in particular when I suddenly became aware of a curious presence. I looked up and saw a rather elderly and slight lady, clad in a voluminous hooped skirt and ruff. She was carrying a large, leather-covered book under her arm. I remember her nose perfectly; it was hooked almost like a bird's beak. She appeared to be deeply engrossed in thought, and stood gazing abstractedly out of the oriel window."

"For a moment I was taken aback. There was no one just like her around the castle, and certainly it was not likely anyone would be dressed in these picturesque but out-of-date garments. I spoke to her, and was more surprised than ever to receive no answer. She merely turned round, looked at me as if unaware of my existence, then vanished into thin air, leaving me with a cold, clammy sensation down my spine."

"Collecting my thoughts, I rushed out and told the young officer on duty about the apparition."

"Hallo!" he said. "So you've seen her, too. It was Queen Elizabeth, of course!"

"Queen Elizabeth was very fond of the library at Windsor, and particularly fond of the oriel window. In a niche of which she sat in 1593 and completed her wonderful translation of Boetius' 'De Consolatione Philosophiae' in twenty-four hours. As a courtier of hers is reputed to have said: 'The computation falleth out that in four and twenty hours your Majesty began and ended this great work.'"

"Queen Victoria also claimed to have seen the ghost of Elizabeth when sitting in the library one day. On another occasion a young guardsman, who had seen an elderly lady go into the library, went to tell her it was closing time, but found nobody there. On making inquiries, he was told it must be Queen Elizabeth."

"Little wonder Good Queen Bess haunts the castle. She loved Windsor dearly. When the plague was rife in London she removed her court to Windsor and had a gallows erected in the market-place, where anyone who came to the town unauthorised was hung without trial."

"Queen Anne is also supposed to haunt Windsor. It was in the alcoves of the library that she heard the news of the victory of Blenheim. 'As for the ghost of St. James's Palace, there are two rooms in that palace which are never opened. They are the scene of a tragedy which occurred during the lifetime of the Duke of Cumberland. One morning, to the utter consternation of members of the household, the Duke was found in a state of collapse with a slight wounded hand. The wound was certainly not serious enough to account for his disquieting condition. 'A little way down the corridor, in another room, the Duke's valet was found dead, tied to his bed, with his throat cut from ear to ear.'"

"Of course, there was an outcry. 'Who had killed him?' 'History will probably never reveal the secret. But undoubtedly suspicion lay heavy on his Royal Highness, as he was the brother of King William and King George. It was an unpleasant supposition, and the nation earnestly prayed that Fate would not send it such a Sovereign."

"These rooms are never opened. But on certain nights it is said that strange noises can be heard coming from their vicinity, noises which sound like voices raised in violent argument. After comes a cry and the sound of a heavy fall. I have heard these noises myself more than once. But nothing would induce me to go up the dark passage where the rooms are situated after dark."

"Bluff King Hal's ghost has been seen occasionally at Hampton Court, hovering around the tennis-court which he so much loved in life. But the real, creepy, hair-raising ghost of that beautiful place is the ghost of Catharine Howard, one of his wives."

"The story goes that the King ordered her arrest, then repaired to

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Money Prizes at Lottery

It is alleged that those conducting one of the Christmas lotteries have been contravening the permission given for the disposal of fancy raffles, by giving money prizes. It is understood that the Judge's permission is subject to certain conditions, one of which is that no money is to be exchanged other than in the purchase of tickets.

More Forgetfulness

From the appearance of the War Memorial it would seem that the care of this group of statues was nobody's responsibility. The plateau and steps are buried in snow drifts, and the figures uncovered appear to be appealing in vain for the care and protection which they so fully deserve.

Died From Exposure

A message to the Justice Department from Magistrate Summerton of Trinity reports the death from exposure of Wm. Keane, an unmarried man, aged 46 years. The unfortunate victim engaged in trapping on Wednesday last was caught in a storm and becoming exhausted died from exposure. The body has been recovered.

600 Females Shingled

DAILY IN A BARBER SHOP IN LONDON

LONDON, Dec. 22.—London is undergoing the most amazing rush for shingles and bobs ever experienced here, due to the desire of the women and girls to be at the peak of their attractiveness for the holidays.

West End hairdressers are overwhelmed, some shops shingling as many as six hundred daily, being booked to the limit despite the employment of extra help.

Men wishing a haircut are unable to get accommodation in shops which also serve women.

Booked by Rosalind

S.S. Rosalind sails to-morrow for Halifax and New York taking a fair upward freight, consisting mostly of fish and oil and the following passengers: Wm. Warren, Miss Theresa Dunphy, Miss Laura Dunphy, Rev. Canon Bolt, Miss E. V. Bolt, N. Doyle, M. Gatherall, Adrian Canning, Jas. Emberly.

Personal

Rev. Dr. Browne, who has been on a short visit from Washington, D.C., returns by S.S. Rosalind, sailing to-morrow.

CARIBOU SECURED AT BLANC SABLON

Reports from Blanc Sablon state that recently the residents of the place secured twenty-four caribou. It is stated that the appearance of the deer in this vicinity is much earlier than usual.

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Crazed With Liquor

On Saturday night Sergt. Stapleton and a couple of constables were called to Stephen Street, where a sailor, crazed with liquor, was creating a scene. The man, after turning his wife and five children, some in bare feet, out in the snow, barricaded himself in and started to demolish the furnishings. Seeing from an upstairs window the approach of the officers, he smashed out the sash with a chair and issued a warning that if they entered he would brain them. When Sergt. Stapleton stepped up to force an entrance, he threw a chair through the window. It missed the Sergeant's head by a few inches and hit Constable Clarke, fortunately without inflicting serious injury. When the police forced an entrance, everything in the place was in disorder and all the doors had been torn from their hinges. The man had divested himself of his clothing and quite a tussle ensued before sufficient clothing was put on him to bring him to

quest of that peace and happiness which was denied them in life?

chapel to avoid any unpleasantness. When the guards went to fulfill his order the queen, getting wind of their design, escaped from her suite and, running down the passage, which led to a staircase giving access to a private door into the chapel, beat frantically with her hands on the heavy oaken door.

"She hoped if only she could see the king she might obtain mercy, although she knew—none better—how cruel was his heart. But in vain. The king was deaf to her knocking, and her pursuers caught up with her and obeyed his command."

"The door is blocked up these days, because these rooms are now allotted as apartments to the widows of officers who have served their country. But the noises which are heard once in a while are very weird. First comes the sound of small, flying feet, followed by heavy footsteps in pursuit, afterwards loud, frenzied beating on heavy wood, and then a despairing cry as the pursuers close in. Poor Queen Catharine was one of the queens who lost her head in the Tower of London."

"Some say the young princess of the Tower walks there at times. But I think the most interesting figure of that famous pile is the old raven that wears an iron bracelet. It is supposed to have been a contemporary of Henry VIII., and to have witnessed the execution of Anne Boleyn. Like a ghost itself, it is in very sooth."

It is said that the ghost of Queen Elizabeth, who died in the old Palace, Richmond, still come back to the old room where she waited so long for a sign from her favourite, Essex. The present tenant of the house has never seen her. And yet—

One night as we sat at tea together in Elizabeth's old bed-room, this lady told me of hurrying footsteps that at first made her nervous. Along the narrow corridor they seemed to tip-tap, tip-tap, then die away in the direction of a door at the far end. Sometimes she had heard them pacing in the Dutch garden."

Other people tell of having seen a tall vision in white, carrying something in his hand, wandering restlessly round the Palace of Richmond. This is supposed to have been the forlorn widow of Charles the First. One could believe that ghosts lingered at every corner of this old place."

When we stop to think for a moment of the tens of trams concealed in tragedy, which marked the lives of princesses and princesses of bygone days, can we wonder that their spirits return, perhaps in never-ending

the lockup. He appeared before court this morning and was severely reprimanded for his conduct, which merited severe punishment, but for the fact that his wife and children would be the sufferers.

SHIPPING LOCAL AND FOREIGN

S.S. Sachel will probably get away for Halifax and Boston early Wednesday morning.

S.S. Nova Scotia, the new steamer being built for Messrs. Furness Withy & Co. for the Liverpool, St. John's, Halifax, Boston service, will leave Liverpool on her maiden voyage across the Atlantic on May 19th.

S.S. Newton Bay is now en route to this port from St. John, N.B., via Halifax.

S.S. Fidalgo is now en route to this port to load a cargo of fish.

S.S. Pallik, 2 1/2 days from North Sydney, arrived here on Saturday night with a cargo coal to A. Harvey & Co.

Schr. Juan F. Macias has cleared from this port for Macao with a cargo of fish. The vessel is cleared by Nfld. Produce Co.

S.S. Ceuta berthed at Franklin's premises yesterday where some necessary repairs will be made before she proceeds on her voyage to Hampton Roads.

S.S. Silvia left New York at 9 a.m. yesterday with a large general cargo. She leaves Halifax on Tuesday and is due here on Thursday.

S.S. Rosalind sails to-morrow afternoon.

S.S. Pontis is at Twillingate to-day loading fish, and proceeds from there to Port Union. She will return to St. John's to complete her cargo.

S.S. Hathrop is due to leave Boston to-morrow and is due here Monday next.

S.S. Skipper arrived Saturday at Harbor Buffet with a general cargo to W. Wareham and cleared again for St. Pierre.

S.S. Cape Aquilas arrived at Bellemore on Dec. 21st with 175 qts. fish from trailing.

S.S. Sable I. has arrived at Curling with general cargo for there, Humbermouth and Corner Brook.

CARIBOU LANDS ONE PASSENGER.—The Caribou arrived at Port aux Basques 8.30 yesterday morning, bringing a big mail and one saloon passenger, viz. Miss R. Doyle. The Caribou is now awaiting the arrival of Sunday's exprv

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A BOXING HOPE.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Teddy Baldock, a strapping 17, has taken the boxing world by storm. Since he left school, three years ago, he has been in 124 battles, and has never met with defeat. Often he fought twice daily in the east end, where he is regarded as a hero.

The experts are hopeful that he will prove to be a second Jimmy Wilde. The lad comes of fighting stock. His grandfather fought in the bare-knuckle days of the squared circles, and his father also was a fighter. Baldock's latest victory was on Thursday night in Albert Hall, when he defeated a Frenchman, Antonio Merlo, in a brilliant exhibition.

MONTREAL MAROONS IMPRESS AT NEW YORK.

Americans Outsped in Brilliant N.H.L. Tussle—Youngsters Shine.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Everything considered, the Montreal Maroons' 4 to 1 victory here Saturday night over New York was a well deserved one. The combination plays of the forward line, led by Stewart, were scintillating, while time after time the strong defence turned back the mighty drives of the New Yorkers.

The game itself was well received by the newly initiated metropolitan crowd, and both the home and visiting players earned well deserved cheers on their plays. The stick handling of Stewart and Siebert was especially bright and the youthful forward players of the Maroons drew round upon round of applause.

The Maroons clinched the game in the last frame with a brilliant pair of tallies. After 13 minutes of slack play, Stewart got the third Montreal goal on a strategy play.

Drawing the New York defence into an off corner with the puck, he circled to shoot back to Siebert in centre ice and the rubber was netted.

Munro followed with another, going right in on Forbes to bat a back-hander into the goal.

Benedict received a bad gash over the right eye in this frame, when "Shorty" Green crashed with the Montreal goalie bodily in a scoring attempt.

Benedict's head struck the crossbar, but he returned to the game after receiving medical attention on the ice.

UNABLE TO SETTLE HOCKEY QUESTION.

Pittsburgh and St. Patrick's Go Into Overtime Session For Tie Game.

TORONTO, Dec. 21.—Adams, centre for St. Patrick's, opened the scoring in the first period on Saturday night's one-all tie between St. Patrick's and Pittsburgh. He put a fitting climax to the brilliant exhibition of tricky stickhandling he had displayed in the first few minutes of the game, outwitting the Pirate defence and drilling a shot past Worters to give the locals the lead.

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9.00 p.m.—Hotel Ambassador Concert Orchestra. Harry Loventhal, Director.

10.00 p.m.—Dance Orchestra. Traymore Hotel Grill.

10.30 p.m.—Galen Hall Trio. Phyllis Herbine, Violin; Adine Barozzi, Cello; Vera Chadsey, Piano.

11.10 p.m.—Eddie McKnight's Dance Orchestra. Silver Slipper.

CANADIANS LEAD.

Pittsburgh The Only U.S. Team in First Division of N.H.L.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Canadian teams hold sway in the National League race, only Pittsburgh, of the United States contingent, remaining in the first division. Twenty-seven contests have been played. Ottawa and Montreal are tied in points with six victories each.

New York and Boston are fighting at the foot of the ladder.

Ottawa has lost only one game, that to Montreal, on December 12, while Montreal has lost two, one to Ottawa and the other to Boston.

COAST FIGHT EXPERTS PREDICT M'LARNIN NEXT CHAMPION.

(By DAN THOMAS.)

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 19.—Jimmy McLarnin will be featherweight champion of the world before he is out of his "season."

George Blake, one of the leading boxing authorities in America, said

manager of Fidel de Barba, world's flyweight champion, is responsible for this prediction.

"McLarnin has always been one of the cleverest boxers in the game," said Blake. "He used to lack the needed punch. But he has that punch now and nothing in this world should stop him from winning the title."

According to Blake, McLarnin has everything necessary to a champion. He is fast, extremely clever, shifty and has terrific punch.

After McLarnin beat Pancho Villa, the California boxing commission suspended him "because he was too young."

He was recently reinstated on his eighteenth birthday. His first match was with Jackie Fields, Olympic featherweight champion, in 1924.

McLarnin was 10 to 7 favorite for this bout. But even "Pop" Foster, his manager, didn't expect him to do more than win the decision. Jimmy punched and battered Fields all over the ring. He knocked him down five times in the second round, the last time for a long count. His right hand was a battering ram that few, if any, 125 pounders will be able to withstand.

Local promoters are angling for a match between the "Belfast Spider" and Charlie "Phil" Rosenberg, bantam champ. There would not be a title involved, as McLarnin could not make the necessary weight.

After that Foster and his protegee will start on the trail of KM Kaplan. Foster believes that little Jimmy could beat Kaplan today. "I have been studying this boy ever since he first asked me to be his manager," says Foster. "That was nearly two years ago. I know just what he can give and how much he can take. When Jimmy meets Kaplan there is going to be a new champion."

"Pop" Foster made "Spike" Robson middleweight champion of England. He can make Jimmy McLarnin featherweight champion of the world, in the opinion of western ring experts.

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MINARD'S LINTNER FOR DISTEMPER.

Obituary

MRS. JACOB BARTLETT, (Bareneed).

There passed peacefully away on Dec. 23rd, at Bareneed, C.B., Mrs. Jacob Bartlett. Stricken with paralysis five years ago the deceased never recovered from the first stroke, although she bore her suffering bravely, and her last words were: "I am going to be with Jesus." Mrs. Bartlett, nee Miss Annie Winsor of Carbonara, was a daughter of the late James Winsor of that town, who was once a supplying merchant for the Labrador. Mrs. Bartlett also carried on a business of her own for a number of years at Bareneed. The deceased was well known in Conception Bay whose sterling character made for her many friends. She was a member of the Methodist Church and until her illness was president of the Ladies Aid. She leaves to mourn a husband, two daughters, Mrs. Alfred Bishop, of Newington, Ont., Mrs. Harry Bussey of Port de Grave, two sons, Frank in Rhode Island, U.S.A., Hedley in St. John's, two brothers and one sister residing in Boston.

BENJAMIN BARBOUR, Newtown, B.B.

We regret to record the passing on Nov. 30th at his home, Newtown, B.B., of Mr. Benjamin Barbour at the ripe old age of 82 years. The deceased, who was a member of the Methodist Church, was highly respected by all who knew him. The late Mr. Barbour enjoyed the best of health up till five years ago when he retired from work. Since then, however, he gradually failed but was never confined to his bed, and the day before he died he was up and about as usual. On the day of his death he got up as usual and dressed himself, but in the act of doing so fell back dead. His wife, who was nearby called for assistance, but before his sons, who were downstairs could reach him, life was extinct. The late Benjamin Barbour was a son of the late Benjamin and Rebecca Barbour and a brother of the famous seal-killers, Joseph, William, Thomas, George, James and the late Edward and Capt. John, who was drowned near Sydney a few years ago. Another brother, Samuel carries on a very successful business at Newtown. He also leaves to mourn a wife, four sons, two daughters and a wide circle of friends. He was laid to rest on Dec. 2nd in God's acre near his home.

All the toils of life are ended,
He is now where all is love;
And his voice is sweetly mingled
With the Heavenly choir above.

And the dear ones left behind him,
Miss his loving face to-day;
For we never knew a kinder
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Thrilling Fires at Sea Filmed

ONE OF THE MOST REALISTIC SCENES EVER SHOT IS IN "LOVE'S WHIRLPOOL."

Moving-picture thrills, like women's fashions, are continually changing. Not so long ago, train wrecks were "the rage." This season the taste runs to shipwrecks. But a fire at sea is a comparative novelty; a "creation." This time it has been executed by Bruce Mitchell in "Love's Whirlpool," which comes to the Nickel Theatre today.

The fire begins at the pre-dawn hour of three, when the passengers of a giant liner are deep in slumber. Flames blow off the hatch of the forward hold and, battling their way against the efforts of the ship's fire-fighters, send the terrified passengers dashing from their staterooms to huddle on the blistering deck.

With the fire gaining ground, panic sweeps through the ill-fated voyagers. They rush the guards at the lifeboats, crowding into one little craft until its davit-ropes break and the scrambling mass is precipitated into the sea, some to swim and others to sink.

James Kirkwood, Lila Lee and Madge Bellamy have leading roles, while others in the cast are Robert Agnew as Larry, Mathew Betz as "Pinkey" Sellers, an underworld spy; Edward Martindel as the banker, Margaret Livingston as a maid in the Milton home.

Too Much Liberty, Says Humorist

"I feel that the cause of truth is suffering from too much freedom," writes Burgess Johnson in The Lion's Mouth of the January Harper's.

"Take my own case for example. A teacher, more than anyone else, should have powerful convictions. I

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have plenty of theories and numberless views and a few solid beliefs. But I live in too gentlemanly a world for one of my temperament. People who disagree with my views just courteously disagree and then let me alone. If only someone would try to stop me I might become a force for truth. Martyrs are as necessary now as ever they were. Yet here comes a powerful organization of university professors which tries in the name of "academic freedom" to do away with martyrization. With well-

intentioned earnestness it builds up protections which actually do so protect our venturesome spirits that we soon come to float at ease in a placid harbor. Columbus with the backing of a Research Foundation and a cohort of sympathizers, all socially well established, crying "sail wherever you like," would have talked himself out in some tap room along shore."

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Tales are told ar... arms, of a case of... which 70 watches... sight, in the exam... of several shipments... tiles from which som... disappeared, and th... truck loads of auto... bonded warehouse... stolen automobiles... the Customs House... and handed over to... insurance company.

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REVEALED IN PROBE OF MONTREAL CUSTOMS HOUSE.

The report of the investigations which have been recently made by the Department of Customs into the operation of the Montreal Customs House, will reveal that bolts of cloth, barrels and cases of liquor, boxes of jewellery, automobiles, and an incredible variety of other more or less easily saleable goods, have been carted out from Montreal Customs House, sometimes during the night, but often in broad daylight, without any clearance or any vestige of authority to do so, according to information obtained from parties having access to the Customs House and in a position to know.

It is recalled, in this respect, that during the recent election campaign speeches, R. L. Calder, K.C., declared that the Montreal Customs House was one of "the greatest clearing houses for stolen goods in Canada," and the statement did not provoke any public denial by the Department of Customs.

It was recently announced from Ottawa, that an officer loaned to the Department of Customs by the Finance Department, had been investigating the operation of the Customs House in Montreal, and inquiries pursued locally have elicited information as to the nature of the discoveries which were made by the investigators.

During the last few months, it is stated, these abuses seem to have grown, a fact which fits in rather well with the period during which the Ottawa officials have been investigating. Prior to that, and for five or six years at least, tales are told of the most remarkable disappearances of goods from the examining warehouse at the Customs House.

That things have, from time to time, disappeared while kept in hand has been frequently stated. As the parties who lost goods in the Customs House could not recover any compensation from the department, and could not sue the department in court without first obtaining the department's permission, there was no publicity given to these losses, but it is understood that the present investigation will show that they have been quite serious.

Tales are told amongst importing firms of a case of jewellery from which 70 watches disappeared overnight in the examining warehouse; of several shipments of cloth and textiles from which considerable portions disappeared while in customs; of truck loads of liquor taken out of the bonded warehouse in daylight; of stolen automobiles being sold out of the Customs House and then resold and handed over to the interested insurance company.

The illicit automobile trade is the one in which, next perhaps to the liquor trade, the Customs House is credited with being most frequently employed as an accessory. One of the commercial tricks is to bring in a stolen automobile, have it seized by the Customs authorities for non-payment of duty, and then sell it. The vendor induces his client to believe the car is a regularly seized machine and is due to be sold by auction, as is done from time to time with cars seized in the course of smuggling raids. The vendor informs his client that thanks to a "pull" with someone in the Customs House, he can have the car sold by private treaty at a very low rate, instead of having to bid for it at the auction.

Then he takes his client to the Customs House, procures for him the bill for customs duty and expenses of seizure. The client pays the bill, thinking he is buying the car, receives a receipt for taxes, and thinks he has got a title to the car. The day after he has driven the car home, the man who has negotiated the business reports to the interested insurance company that the stolen car they are looking for is at a certain address, and procures a reward for the information. The victim has no alternative but to hand over the car when claimed by the insurance people, as having receipt for taxes is no evidence of having bought the car.

Many and varied are the systems that are said to have been employed to get liquor out of bonded warehouses by other than the strictly legitimate methods. A Q.L.C. investigator tells of having found a door on a bonded liquor warehouse, in which the heavy padlock was fitted to a staple which was made in two pieces, held together by a little pin. The staple had evidently been specially manufactured for the purpose by the locksmith, and appeared to have been built into the door when the warehouse was built, or at least when that door was put on, with the preconceived idea of serving an unlawful purpose at some future date. —Montreal Star.

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In the last story wasn't Danny Fox trying to get in dear Uncle Lucky's red-shingled house on the corner of Lettuce Avenue and Carrot Street? Of course, he was, and at the same time trying to make believe he was somebody else. But thanks to Little Miss Mousie, the old gentleman rabbit's tiny housekeeper, he hadn't fooled nice Uncle Lucky. No siree, not the least little bit.

"Who are you?" again asked the old gentleman rabbit, with a wink at Little Miss Mousie, and then in a whisper, "If I can only keep him standing outside for a few minutes longer, the good Policeman Dog will arrive, armed with his stout hickory stick and his silver badge."

"It's very cold out here," answered Danny Fox. "Besides, I'm afraid the bottle of liniment which I've brought with me to cure your rheumatism will be frozen."

"Tell me who you are?" replied Uncle Lucky. "Have you a calling card with you? If so, shove it under the door."

"My fingers are too cold to pick one out of my pocket," answered the sly old fox. "Dear me, but he was a crafty old fellow. Mighty good thing Little Miss Mousie had told the old gentleman rabbit that the old fox robber was standing outside. Well, I guess you've seen him."

"Then tell me your name," answered Uncle Lucky, trying hard not to get impatient. And I would hardly blame him if he did grow angry. Who ever heard of a person refusing to give his name when calling. But, thanks to his good mother, the dear old gentleman rabbit had been taught when a boy to govern his temper. Would you mind trying to follow his example, dear little reader? It will please your loving mother. Yes, indeed.

"If you don't open the door mighty quick," snarled Danny Fox, "I'll break in."

"Oh, dear," shivered Little Miss Mousie, growing pale at this dreadful threat.

"Be careful what you do," answered brave Uncle Lucky. "People who break into houses must reckon with the law."

"I don't care a snap for the law," growled Danny Fox, and the next minute crash! went one of the little side glass windows. Then thrusting his paw through the open space the crafty old fox felt around for the latch. But, Hurray! for Little Miss Mousie.

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"Ouch!" yelled the old fox, pulling back his foot. The next minute a pair of handkerchiefs slipped over both his front paws and the good Policeman Dog's voice shouted,



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"Now I have you, Danny Fox. I'll lock you up in the big jail box. Yes, there you'll stay until you are good. With nothing but bread and water for food."

"Well, well, well, you arrived just in time," laughed brave Uncle Lucky opening the door. "I must see that you get a gold medal. I don't know of any one in all Rabbitland who does as much good as you."

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The complaint was laid by Mrs. Germaine Decourcelles, who had almost completely recovered from the effects of the gas poisoning. She was the first of the five sleepers to awake. She managed to crawl from the house and raise the alarm. Detectives carried the other victims out, all of whom were unconscious.

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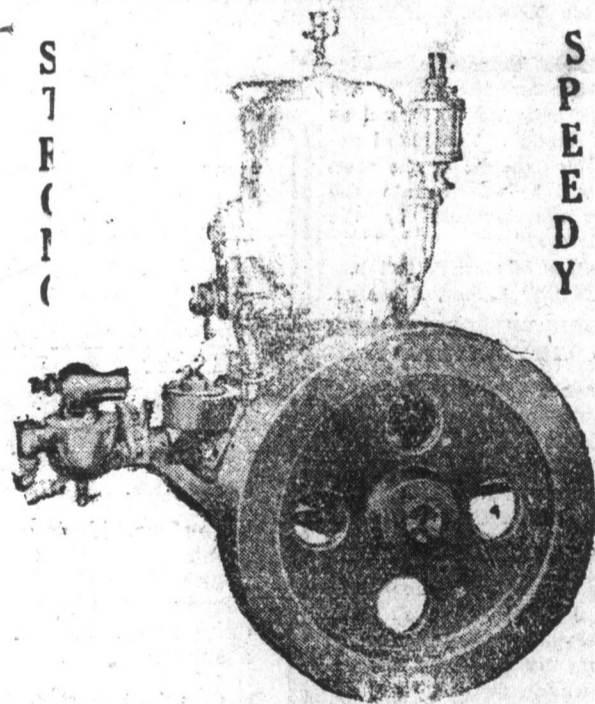
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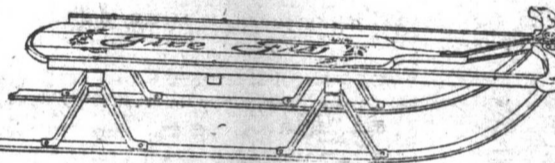
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