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The Russian Armies May Resume Hostilities Against The Teutons

VIRTUAL COLLAPSE OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE CENTRAL POWERS AND RUSSIA STAGGERS THE KAISER

Surprise and Perturbation at Berlin and Vienna and Realizing Seriousness of Situation German and Austrian Emperors Confer at Length with Their Chiefs of State and German and Austro-Hungarian Foreign Ministers.

German Socialist Leaders as Well as the Russian Counter-Revolutionary Leaders Dissatisfied—On All Battlefronts Infantry Continues Virtually Inactive and Nothing of Importance Has Occurred in France or Italy.

The virtual collapse of the negotiations between the Central Powers and the Russian Bolsheviks for peace and the possibility that hostilities again may be resumed by the Russians on the eastern front, even though with only a comparatively small army, have caused surprise and perturbation in Berlin and Vienna.

Realizing the seriousness of the situation the German and Austrian Emperors have conferred at length with their chiefs of state and the German and Austro-Hungarian foreign ministers, who were attending the peace negotiations at Brest-Litovsk, have been sent back there post haste, probably for the purpose of attempting to moderate the situation.

Not alone is Trotsky, the Bolshevik foreign minister, and other leaders of the counter-revolution in Russia utterly dissatisfied with the terms of the peace proposals of the Central Powers, but the heads of the German Socialist factions also have volubly expressed their antagonism to those sections of them which call for the retention of Poland, Lithuania, Courland and other territory now in possession of the invaders.

May Resume Fighting.

Trotsky, as the mouthpiece of the Bolsheviks, has announced in unmistakable terms that the Russian workers will not accept the peace proposals, which he terms "hypocritical."

He asserted that if the Central Powers did not agree to the free destiny of the Polish and Lithuanian nations it would be urgently necessary to defend the Russian revolution. The central committee of council of workmen's and soldiers' delegates in a resolution approved Trotsky's stand. Apparently by adding to the crisis the refusal of the Germans to transfer the adjourned meeting of the peace conference from Brest-Litovsk to Stockholm. The financial situation in Hungary seemingly is not what it was once for the seventh war loan from which it was expected eight billion kronen would be realized brought forth only three billion kronen.

According to reports the greater part of the amount subscribed was forced from the leading banks, the populace generally taking only an insignificant portion of it.

Infantry Inactive.

On the battlefronts the infantry continues virtually inactive, but bombardments of considerable proportions are taking place on various sectors.

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Misapprehension On Part of Farmers As To the Militia Act

General Mewburn, Minister of Militia, States That Men Who Failed to Secure Exemption at Hands of Local Tribunals Should Prosecute Their Appeals in the Usual Manner as Provided in the Act—Minister's Powers Limited Under the Law

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—General Mewburn, Minister of Militia, announced today that there appears to be a misapprehension on the part of a considerable number of farmers as to his powers in connection with the discharge of men called up under the Military Service Act. In a statement issued today he says: "The minister stated during the election campaign that, notwithstanding the machinery of the Military Service Act, if bonafide farmers effectively engaged in the production of foodstuffs, failed to secure exemption and were called up for military service, he would consider it his duty to relieve such men from military service, in order that they might return to their work on the farms and increase the production of foodstuffs."

Should Prosecute Appeals. "It is pointed out that it was not intended nor was it within the power of the Minister of Militia to abrogate the provisions of the Military Service Act and the execution of the act referred to could not in any case be enforced except when men were actually called up under the act. It follows, therefore, that farmers who failed to secure exemption at the hands of the local tribunals should prosecute their appeals in the usual manner, as provided in the Military Service Act. Applications for leave to appeal should be addressed in all cases to the registrar of the district concerned. If a farmer, who has actually joined up, still considers that he has grounds for exemption, he should state his case to his commanding officer, who will take necessary action on his behalf."

Will Aid Farmers.

Farmers claiming exemption should take advantage of the advice and assistance of the representatives of the department of agriculture, who were appointed under order-in-council in each county. These representatives will take cases up with the district military representative and will prosecute appeals on behalf of farmers wherever they think it necessary to do so. These representatives of the department of agriculture were appointed for the purpose of facilitating and not interfering with the operation of the Military Service Act. They are not tribunals, with power to give judgment, but were appointed to advise as to the merits of individual cases and will themselves prosecute on behalf of farmers such appeals as they consider worthy of attention."

MASSACRE OF PASSENGERS

Yaqui Indians Hold Up Train in Mexico and Commit Fearful Atrocities.

Tucson, Ariz., Jan. 3.—A train on the Southern Pacific railroad was attacked yesterday, 32 miles south of Empalme, Sonora, and from twenty to thirty passengers killed. The conductor and the express messenger were among those killed. Some of the passengers were from the Yaqui Indians.

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NEW BRUNSWICK POSSESSES 161,000,000 TONS OF COAL

Canadian Fuel Problem Serious One and in Time United States Supply May Not Be Available—New Brunswick and Nova Scotia are Plenty of Coal and Mines Should Be Developed.

Jan. 3.—The Ministry of Mines has issued a four-page article in the White on Canada's coal resources. Mr. White is consulting the conservation commission.

United States 4,500,000 tons of coal, and from ten to four hundred million tons of bituminous coal, which is largely for power purposes. It is believed that the American fields, even at the present rate of production, will be exhausted in a hundred years. The friends of the United States towards this country have recently been emphasizing the question of the coal supply, but instances are conceivable in which our neighbor to the south might be compelled in the interests of her population, to completely shut off export of anthracite, and to barter bituminous output for particularly necessary Canadian products, such as electrical power.

Much Coal in N. B.

"Canadians need never expect," he says, "to have electrical energy replace coal and other fuel for heating purposes, except to a relatively limited extent. We must direct ourselves to the development of our coal resources," and he gives the extent and position of these supplies. Nova Scotia has over ten and a half billion tons of bituminous coal, New Brunswick 161,000,000 tons, Ontario has a small quantity of lignite, Quebec and Prince Edward Island have none. Besides lignite and sub-bituminous coal, there are reserves in Canada of 312,000,000 tons of bituminous and 845,000,000 tons of semi-anthracite coal, although a small part of this, lying in remote and frigid regions, may not prove available. The peat bogs of Canada are estimated to produce twenty-eight billion tons, equal in fuel properties to sixteen billion tons of good coal.

TROUBLE WITH AMBASSADOR

Dr. R. S. Naon, Argentine Representative at Washington, Said to Have Resigned.

Buenos Ayres, Argentine, Jan. 3.—It is reported without confirmation that Dr. R. S. Naon, the ambassador at Washington, has resigned in consequence of friction arising from the publication of the secret telegram sent by Count Von Luxburg, before his dismissal as German minister to Argentina, to Berlin through the medium of the Swedish legation there. In these telegrams Count Von Luxburg advised the "sinking without trace" of Argentine vessels and advised his government concerning German propaganda in South America. Some of the despatches were withheld from publication for several weeks, and it has been reported previously that Ambassador Naon, who sent them to his government with the expectation that they would be given out, was to be recalled.

RAILROADS HARD HIT BY SEVERE STORM AND INTENSE COLD

LOOKS FOR LONG WAR

Rep. Tinkham Returns from Italian and French Fighting Lines.

WAS INJURED ON ITALIAN FRONT

Boston Man Says England is Fighting as She Never Fought Before.

RUSSIAN ACTION A SEVERE BLOW

United States Must Wake Up, He Says, and Face Hard Fighting.

Boston, Jan. 3.—Congressman Tinkham, of this city, who has returned from the battle front, predicts a long war. The congressman fired the first French gun on the Italian front. He was severely injured when an automobile went over a precipice. Congressman Tinkham said: "The spirit of the French people is fine. They will go through England is fighting as she never fought before. It's going to be a long war in my opinion. The Russian situation is bad and there's no denying her withdrawal was a severe blow to the Allies. Practically everybody over there takes the ground that it is now up to the United States to finish the job. Americans must wake up and realize that they have a big job on their hands over there. Must Deny Much.

"We have got to deny ourselves many things and contribute the best blood and thought of the country to win this war.

"Germany is fighting hard, but one can see that her man power is not what it was a year ago. Everybody I talked with in France realizes the seriousness of the situation and knows that even now there is a tremendous amount of them in the putting down of Prussianism. The loss of life, the cost of the war, the suffering and misery of it all is appalling. One does not realize the state of affairs for himself the havoc of war and talks with those in authority who know the situation."

"What do the Allies think of our forces in France?" he was asked. "They regard the American soldier as a fine type of the fighting man. He is their hero, their pride and their joy."

Lacks Equipment. "Is the American soldier well cared for?" "I should say that he is well fed and clothed, but he lacks equipment. This deficiency, however, has been supplied by France and England."

Serbian Minister Hopeful.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Confidence in the ability of the Allies to secure a complete victory over the Central Powers was expressed by the minister of foreign affairs of Serbia, in his new year's greeting to the state department. The message, made public today, said: "I hasten to take the occasion of the new year to tender to your excellency in the name of the royal government of Serbia and my own name, our best wishes in the firm conviction that it will bring us final victory over the common foe. I don't not think it will open a new era which will insure the reign of justice, equality and liberty to all peoples, great and small, as a lasting and prosperous peace in which mankind will find guarantee for a new future of free development of all its intellectual and economic forces." (Signed) FASCHITCH, Foreign Minister.

Wreck on Cape Tormentine Branch of Canadian Government Railways Twelve Miles East of Sackville—Ten Cars Derailed and Line Blocked—Montreal, St. John and Halifax Trains All Behind Schedules.

Ocean Limited Which Left Moncton Last Night for Halifax Stuck in Drift at Memramcook and the Maritime Express from the East Snowbound at College Bridge—St. John Train Hours Late.

Special to The Standard. Moncton, Jan. 3.—A partial paralysis of train service on the Canadian Government Railroad system has been caused by the past week's extensive cold weather which was the worst experienced in many years. These conditions were greatly aggravated by a big snow storm which has raged for the past day or two in Cape Breton. Another storm from the south moved to New Brunswick this afternoon. East of Moncton the storm was very severe.

Up to midnight almost a foot of snow had fallen and between Memramcook and Amherst it was drifting badly, with the result that the C. G. R. was temporarily blocked. The Ocean Limited, leaving this evening for Halifax, was stuck in the snow at Memramcook and tonight's Maritime from Halifax was snowbound at College Bridge. The blockade was raised about midnight.

FREIGHT RUN-OFF

The Cape Tormentine Branch of the C. G. R. was blocked today by a freight run-off. Ten cars were off the track about twelve miles east of Sackville, but none of the train crew was injured. The storm is not so bad on the northern division.

The train from St. John this evening was several hours late reaching Moncton. The extreme cold resulted in freight congestion at some points, notably at Cape Tormentine and the storm will cause still greater delay in getting the transportation situation back to normal.

CHINA HAS MANY MEN IN FRANCE

In All There Are 125,000 in That Country and Mesopotamia—China Now a Real Force in World War.

New York, Jan. 3.—China already has 125,000 men behind the firing lines in Mesopotamia and France. Dr. Wellington Koo, Chinese ambassador to this country said in an address here today before the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York. When the Chinese commission now in the United States returns to their country, their advice to their government, Dr. Koo said, undoubtedly will result in increased military activity. "China intends doing her utmost in this struggle against autocracy," the ambassador declared.

STEFANSSON AT HERSHEL ISLAND

Explorer Expects to Reach Nome, Alaska, Next Summer—Party in Good Health

Dawson, Y. T., Jan. 3.—Vilhjalmar Stefansson is at Herschel Island and expects to reach Nome, Alaska, next summer, according to reports reaching here from Fort Yukon, Alaska. The entire Stefansson party was reported in good health. The Northwest mounted police winter patrol left here today with mail for Fort McPherson to connect with a similar patrol from Herschel Island. The patrol will probably return here in March with full details of the results of Stefansson's expedition.

CARDINAL BEGIN ISSUES APPEAL

Calls for Prayer Sunday Next for Armies of Empire and Allies and for Peace.

Quebec, Jan. 3.—His Eminence Cardinal Begin, in conformity with the proclamation designating Sunday, January 6th, as a special day of prayer throughout the Empire, has made the following appeal to the faithful of the diocese in "La Semaine Religieuse," the official organ of the diocese: "We ask all the faithful of the diocese to unite on Sunday next in a fervent prayer, to bring divine protection on the armies of the Empire and her allies, and to implore the mercy of God in favor of that peace which is so much desired.

"It is needless to insist on the importance of such an appeal to God, who holds in His hands peace and war, victory and defeat. Happy the peoples who admit this fundamental truth, and who know how to add to the force of arms the irresistible power of prayer.

"Let us then raise our hands in supplication to heaven, in the magnificent and universal outburst of a humble but pious and confident prayer. Let us also cause the atoning homage of our mortifications and our sacrifices to ascend towards God. By these supernatural arms let us climb to the assistance of God's mercy, let us give to His justice the satisfaction which it demands that it may bend over the warring nations and to give them the kiss of reconciliation and of peace: 'Jesu, Mitti Et Pax Oculis tuis Sicut.'"

THE CANADIANS ARE ONCE MORE BEFORE LENS

WEARERS OF THE MAPLE LEAF ARE BACK AGAIN AT THEIR OLD FAMILIAR POSITIONS

They Have Been at Their Former Posts Before Lens Ever Since the Passchendaele Battles, But It is Only Now That the Censor Permits Mention of Their Location.

CANADIANS IN FRANCE NEVER WELCOMED THE NEW YEAR IN BETTER SPIRITS

Comparative Quiet Reigns in Front Line and the Boys Were Never Surrounded at the Front by Better Conditions—Trenches Good, and the Old Hun Dugouts Well Ventilated, Boarded and Dry

By Walter A. Willison, Canadian Press Correspondent in Flanders. Canadian Army Headquarters, Jan. 3.—The New Year has found the Canadians back in the old familiar positions before Lens. Indeed they have been here ever since the Passchendaele battles, but it is only now that the censor permits mention of their location.

Canada in France has never welcomed the new year in better spirits or under better conditions. While a bit of wind and many degrees of frost bitterly cold officers and men call this area home after years of great battles at Vimy, Hill 70, Lens and Passchendaele.

Comparative quiet continues in the front line. The trenches are good, particularly where we are occupying old enemy lines and enjoying the deep dugouts. They are well ventilated, boarded and dry. It is so with his deeper dwellings, while in what were once villages further behind the line the officers and men find some degree of shelter, warmth, and comfort.

Winter Hardships I do not mean to minimize the hardships of winter campaign, forwardships are inseparable for war, but the conditions are immeasurably better than they were on the same last year or in the silent six weeks ago. The health of all ranks is reported good. The physique and training of the reinforcements has given much satisfaction. The Canadian corps, which since its formation has never been out of the front line, remains there still but it is having comparative rest. As on New Year's day the officers and men celebrated the event with becoming festivities. Dinners, mov-

ing picture shows, and concert parties all contributed to dim the reality of war, while the extensive list of Canadians mentioned in despatches added to the general good cheer. Outstanding amongst the performances given for the men was one by a division known to its friends as the "Printers' Devil."

New Year's Eve. On New Year's eve at its headquarters and in a great lecture hall, with a seating capacity of 3,000 the Maple Leaf concert party, made up of men from its ranks gave the opening performance of the first pantomime played by any of the forces—British or French—within the war area. It was a unique opening performance of the first pantomime played by any of the forces—British or French—within the war area. It was a unique opening performance of the first pantomime played by any of the forces—British or French—within the war area.

Food Controller Baron Rhoder Announces Completion of Plan Which Only Needs Sanctioning by the Cabinet. London, Jan. 3.—Compulsory rationing is to be put into effect in England soon, it was announced officially today. The food controller, Baron Rhoder, stated that his department had completed a plan of rationing, and that it would be carried out as soon as the sanction of the cabinet had been received.

Much difficulty has been experienced recently, chiefly among the poorer classes, in obtaining supplies of some articles of food, but this has been due to faulty distribution rather than to lack of supplies. The English labor unions have made insistent demands for compulsory rationing, stating that the present system was unfair, and at the labor congress last week the government was warned that a crisis would arise unless energetic measures were taken.

FAVORS KEEPING TO THE RIGHT. Fredericton, Jan. 3.—The municipal council of York county today placed itself on record as favoring a change in the "rule of the road," making the rule to turn to the right instead of to the left. The change was advocated in order to make the rule in New Brunswick correspond with that in other provinces and the State of Maine. There was some opposition. Charles Pitt-Randolph gave a statement of the expenditures of the county grant for Halifax relief, and will report further. The usual grant of \$100 was voted. Victoria Public Hospital.

Shedbrook, Que., Jan. 3.—E. Lemay, of this city was seriously burned this morning when he attempted to start the fire with kerosene.

A DELEGATION FROM RESTIGOUCHE HEARD

Provincial Government Continues Its Sessions—H. A. Powell, K. C., Present.

Fredericton, Jan. 3.—The January meeting of the government which opened last night was continued today. A delegation from Restigouche county, with regard to the disposal of certain lands was given a hearing. Hon. W. L. Murphy, P. P. A. T. LeBlanc, M. P. T., and the Town Clerk of Dalhousie were in the delegation. H. A. Powell, K. C., of St. John, also is here in connection with business with the government. The appointment of the patriotic fund assessment among the various municipalities is one of the subjects before the government. Departmental conferences for the purpose of planning work for 1918 have been held or are being held this week. The conference of the Chief Superintendent of Education with the school officers of the department was held yesterday. The officers of the department of agriculture conferred with Hon. J. P. Tardif, the minister, and W. R. Rock, his deputy. The subjects discussed by the government included the holding of a winter campaign for co-operative marketing on a local basis; the establishment of the boys' pig and poultry clubs for every county; school farm station, enrollment and agricultural societies.

QUEBEC OBEYS MILITIA LAW

Everything Proceeds Smoothly and No Trouble Expected.

Quebec, Jan. 3.—Everything passed quietly here today with regard to the enforcement of the Military Service Act. All eligible men who had elected to serve had already reported for duty some of them coming in as late as last week. No trouble is expected by the authorities here who are determined to employ the institutional means to enforce the law.

SHOULD LISTEN TO AN HONEST PEACE

Gov. McCall of Massachusetts Thinks That While Concentrating Resources to Win War, Country Should Not Ignore Sincere Offer.

Boston, Jan. 3.—Governor Samuel W. McCall in his address to the legislature today upon his inauguration for a third time, said that the United States must concentrate all its resources to win the war, but that this country ought not to refuse to give attention to any honest proposal for peace.

\$350,000 FIRE

Niagara Falls, N.Y., Jan. 3.—The International Hotel, one of the landmarks of Niagara Falls, was destroyed by fire today and the International Theatre, an adjoining building, was badly damaged. The damage is estimated at \$350,000, covered by insurance.

WAS EXCHANGED.

James Armstrong, son of St. John, has received the glad news that his son, Sergeant Major Roy Armstrong, has been 15 months a prisoner in Germany, has been exchanged and was in Switzerland.

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BOARD OF HEALTH.

The monthly meeting of the local Board of Health, which was postponed from Tuesday, will be held this afternoon in the Board of Health rooms on Princess street.

MARRIED.

FOSTER-HALL—At Trinity church, San Jose, California, U. S. A., on December 29, 1917, by the Rev. E. MacNally, Edward Harry Foster, to Ethelwyn Lilian, youngest daughter of the late Stephen S. Hall.

DIED.

BRUNDAGE—At Greenwich, on December 30, Thos. C. Brundage, aged 69 years, leaving three sons to mourn.

KEARNEY—At her residence, 77 St. Patrick street, on January 2 after a short illness, Mrs. Jessie Kearney leaving three daughters and four sons to mourn.

Notices of funeral later.

BLAIR—At Massachusetts General Hospital on New Year's day, Thomas B. Blair, youngest son of the late Robert and Mildred Blair. Funeral on Saturday 5th inst. service at house 5.30 p.m., St. Andrew's.

WILL CONSIDER LABOR PROBLEM

Ottawa Committee Will Shortly Take Up Relations Between Employer and Employed.

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—A sub-committee of the reconstruction committee of the cabinet council will, it is understood, shortly take up consideration of labor problems, especially with regard to the effect of the war on relations between employer and employed and incidental questions. The sub-committee will be presided over by Senator Robertson, minister without portfolio.

GRAY GHOST JOB IN MONTREAL

Montreal, Jan. 3.—During daylight hours, heavily armed, each man in possession of two revolvers, boldly entered the jewellery store of G. Ernest Pommer, 681 Mount Royal avenue east, at noon today and after covering the proprietor, removed jewels and precious stones from the display case and decamped.

In less than two minutes they had swept the jewellery into one pile and walked out of the store with \$5,000 worth safely stored in the overcoat pocket of the leader of the gang. The three jewel thieves quietly walked to a waiting automobile and made their escape.

MILITIA CHECKS TO BE MAILED JAN. 7

Explanation of System of Sending Separation Allowances and Assigned Pay Cheques.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 3.—The following statement was given out today by the militia department: "The attention of the militia department has been called to erroneous statements which have found their way into the press, to the effect that separation allowance and assigned pay cheques for the month of January would be mailed on the 2nd instant. In order to avoid disappointment and unnecessary correspondence, the military authorities desire it to be understood that these cheques will reach the payees on different dates, between January 10th and 30th. Mailing will commence January 7th and will continue in such quantities as can be handled by the post office during a period of ten days."

HYMN AUTHOR DEAD

Bennington, Vt., Jan. 3.—Mrs. Annie Shurwood Hawke, author of many famous gospel hymns, including "I Need Thee Every Hour," died at her home here today at the age of 83.

ONLY TWO HELD IN NORFOLK, VA.

Twenty-Three Suspects Who Were Caught in Fire Investigation Dragnet Are Released.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 3.—All but two of the twenty-five suspects caught in the police dragnet thrown about the city to find responsibility for the \$2,000,000 fires New Year's day have been released. Johannes Zmor and his son Otto still held because they are unaturalized and have no enemy alien permits to be in a barred zone.

THE WEATHER

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 3.—An important disturbance, which developed near the south Atlantic coast is now centred off Nova Scotia, causing a northeast gale with snow in the maritime provinces. It has continued fair and very cold in Ontario and Quebec and quite mild in the western provinces. Maritime—Strong northerly winds; snow in eastern districts at first, then clearing and very cold.

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- \$17.50 for Coats that were \$25.
- \$15.50 for Coats that were \$22 and \$25.
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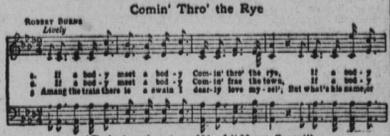
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(To be found on page 113 of "Heart Songs")

The popular idea of this song which pictures the two lovers coming through a field of rye is a peculiar error. The "Rye," in the song is a little river in Scotland and "To Meet a Body Comin' Thro' the Rye," meant to meet someone crossing the river on the stepping stones. meeting a lassie crossing on the stepping stones, was privileged to exact a toll of

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ARIO ELECTION

Jan. 3.—Sir Wm. Hearst
of Ontario, stated that the
government has not considered
of the coming provincial elec-
tion is the most likely month
the legislature will likely meet
in the 1st.

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physician regarding your
condition.

NEGLECT A COUGH.
have a cold and it has left you
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not to neglect it.
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secured at once. Delaying
may mean that the cough
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ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, JANUARY 4, 1918.
"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down
our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H. M. The King.
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can
send to the front means one step nearer peace.

THE PROVINCIAL FINANCES

When Hon. C. W. Robinson delivered the budget speech in the
Legislature at the last session he estimated that the receipts of the
Province of New Brunswick for the fiscal year would be \$1,564,365.15,
and that the expenditures, with \$246,900 added interest for the St. John
and Quebec Railway bonds, would be \$1,559,441.40. This showed an ex-
cess of anticipated expenditures over anticipated revenues of \$395,
078.25.
The financial statement for the year was published in the Tele-
graph yesterday morning and is reproduced in this morning's issue of
The Standard. That statement shows the receipts for the year to be
\$1,572,318.25, or \$8,453.10 more than anticipated. The total expenditure,
according to the published figures, was \$1,588,267.54. The total deficit on
ordinary account is, therefore, \$415,449.59, or an increase of \$20,373.34
above the estimate. It is evident that there are more accounts to come
in, because the Telegraph, dealing with the statement, says:
"Every effort has been made to get the accounts of 1917
with respect to roads and bridges in the year's business. The books were
held open for that purpose, but some of the accounts were not
received. A supplementary statement will show how much was not
included."

At the time the estimates were made up the Government had the
benefit of the report on the examination of the accounts made by Price,
Waterhouse & Co. of Montreal. That report has since been published in
pamphlet form and on page 4 of that pamphlet appears the following:
"The vouchers covering expenditures during the period from
November 1, 1916, to April 30, 1917, were carefully scrutinized with
a view to determining the amount of liabilities outstanding at Octo-
ber 31, 1916, and March 31, 1917, respectively. Invoices received by
the Public Works Department and held back pending disposal by the
Minister of that Department were produced to us, and we have re-
ceived letters from the Acting Secretary of the Department certifying
that the accounts so submitted included all such accounts still
to be dealt with of which he had knowledge."
During our examination we noted certain bills received for
ordinary and special road expenditures aggregating \$15,271.06, on
which the proportion applicable to the period prior to October 31,
1916, and that of the subsequent period was not shown, and the
amount referred to was therefore allocated between the two peri-
ods in accordance with the basis suggested by the Minister of Pub-
lic Works.

It is, therefore, quite clear that when the estimate of \$405,300 was
made for the Public Works Department for the year the Government
had full information as to the amount already expended and whether or
not it was attributable to the previous year. Despite the anticipated
deficit however the Foster government increased the Public Works ordi-
nary expenditure by \$58,000 above that of the previous year, which
had been, in round numbers, \$347,000. By their own statement they
appear to have spent over \$33,000, of which they claim \$37,000 was in-
curred prior to October 31, 1916, leaving nearly \$418,000 attributable to
their own management.
Apart altogether from the consideration that a war-time year would
not justify any avoidable increase in ordinary expenditures the question
remains: WHAT HAVE THE PEOPLE GOT TO SHOW FOR THE
MONEY? Large expenditures on roads have been made in the North
Shore counties but comparatively small expenditures in the rest of the
province. It may fairly be said that all the roads cannot be made good
at one time and that a beginning must be made somewhere. Assuming
that the North Shore is the proper place for such a beginning, IS IT
POSSIBLE FOR THE FOSTER GOVERNMENT TO SHOW AN EX-
PENDITURE OF ANY OTHER CHARACTER THAN THAT OF THE
ORDINARY WASTEFUL KIND which has been more or less preva-
lent in New Brunswick under every Government?

People are familiar with the roads, and experience in every coun-
ty in the province demonstrates that the road work has been given out
to political favorites and that the expenditures have not produced dur-
able results. The Hazen, Flemming, Clarke and Murray administra-
tions suffered from the unbusinesslike methods pursued by Hon. John
Morrissey as Minister of Public Works. Under the last named Govern-
ment Hon. B. Frank Smith attempted to make a departure from previous
methods, which would have resulted in a great saving to the province, but
his term of office was not sufficiently long to enable him to achieve the
results which he planned nor for the public to appreciate them.
THE FOSTER GOVERNMENT IS SUFFERING, AND WILL CON-
TINUE TO SUFFER, FROM MORRISSEY METHODS JUST SO LONG
AS HON. PETER J. VENIOT IS IN CHARGE OF THE LARGEST
SPENDING DEPARTMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATION.
Entirely apart from the question of surplus or deficit the fact re-
mains that until there is an entire change in the methods of adminis-
tration of the public roads, increased expenditures, while they may be
politically profitable in certain sections, only mean increased waste of
the people's money.

The report shows that the expenditure on agriculture has risen to
the sum of \$82,553.50. This includes \$20,000 for the purchase of seed
and \$5,000 for the campaign for greater production. No one will find
fault with any expenditure for these purposes, no matter how large it
may be, and more particularly at a time when increased production is
vitaly important to the welfare of a nation, but this is no reason why
the expenditure of the money should be on any other than a business
basis.
Of the \$30,000 spent for the purchase of seed the receipts are shown to
be \$18,891.68. At the time that purchase was arranged friends of the
Government made much of the cause that the seed would be disposed
of to the farmers at the cost of purchase and transportation and that
while the Government would immeasurably benefit the farmers by the
transaction the province would receive back all the money originally ad-
vanced to finance the undertaking. As the receipts are under \$19,000,
and the cost of the undertaking is \$30,000, it is but fair to ask: WHAT
HAS BECOME OF THE BALANCE OF UPWARDS OF \$11,000? HAS
THE GOVERNMENT FAILED TO COLLECT FROM SOME OF ITS
FRIENDS? There is no question but that the farmers of the province
have been receiving a good return for their products during the past
year, and there seems no reason why more than one-third of the ad-
vance made to them on the seed proposition should be in default.

In his statement, published in the Telegraph of January 4th, 1917,
Mr. Foster, not then premier, criticized the cost of executive government
under the former administration and said:
"Executive government cost us the tidy sum of \$45,852.89, an in-
crease of \$200 over last year, and nearly \$8,000 more per annum
than in the first year of the Hazen administration. The taxpayers,
themselves may judge as to whether the cost of executive govern-
ment, as administered today, is worth the difference, and whether
value for the difference is being handed out."
The figures as published by Premier Foster's government, in the
Telegraph yesterday, and reprinted in The Standard this morning, show
that last year that Government spent for this service \$50,749.15,
of which say \$213.33 should be charged to the previous year. PREM-
IER FOSTER MAY NOW EXPLAIN WHY HE HAS INCREASED
THIS COST BY \$48,223 ABOVE THE FIGURES WHICH HE CRITIC-
IZED? He may well ask "whether the cost of executive government,
as administered today, is worth the difference?"

Perhaps the Premier will also explain why his Government paid
\$60,096.76 more for interest than they estimated. When the Foster
government prepared their estimates they had the expert assistance of
Price, Waterhouse & Co. Interest is easily calculable, and a "business
man's administration" should not have made a blunder such as this.

Again, in connection with agriculture it will be interesting to
know from the Premier at the same time why the published receipts
show a Dominion subsidy payment of \$23,052.40, with expenditures of
\$53,419.79 on account of the same subsidy. It may be that part of the
Dominion subsidy was not received until after the close of the provin-
cial fiscal year, but, if so, there seems little reason for attributing over
\$20,000 of the apparent deficit on this account to the acts of the former
Government.

The Telegraph suggests that some members and supporters of the
old regime are just now, seeking to bring about a coalition and that
they will use the big deficit as an argument in support of that scheme.
This is simply drawing a red herring across the trail and an unfortu-
nate attempt to engage the people of this province in a conflict of par-
tishanship at a time when it is important, as never before in the history
of New Brunswick, that the arts of the politician should be laid aside
and replaced by true statesmanship.

The Valley Railway, the construction of which was demanded by
both political parties, has imposed a tremendous burden upon this
province. But for the war relief might have been afforded by the Do-
minion Government assuming part of that burden. Whether that can be
done under present conditions is, to say the least, problematical. With
the increased cost of labor, material and living, practically all the ser-
vices of the province require more money. The problem of increased ex-
penditure is notoriously difficult, but it is, nevertheless, a problem which must
be realistically faced. BEFORE, HOWEVER, THE PUBLIC WILL AC-
CEPT INCREASED TAXATION FROM THE HANDS OF ANY GOV-
ERNMENT IT WILL REQUIRE TO BE SATISFIED THAT THE
MONEY ALREADY RECEIVED HAS BEEN PRUDENTLY AND ECON-
OMICALLY EXPENDED. THE STATEMENT SUBMITTED BY THE
FOSTER GOVERNMENT DOES NOT SHOW EVIDENCE OF ANY
ATTEMPT TO CONTROL EXPENDITURES SO AS TO MAKE THEM
COMPATIBLE WITH LIMITED REVENUES.

While practically every department of the Government shows inefficiency
it is particularly in the road appropriations that the province is not
getting value for the money expended, and it never will get value until
the system is radically changed.

The new Government professes to have a road policy, but have allowed
a session to pass without bringing it into force. The delay might
have been excused, because people are naturally tolerant of a new ad-
ministration during its first session, though it will be remembered that,
with no more time in which to prepare, the Hazen Government enacted
legislation at once to carry its road policy into effect. The weakness of
the present administration is, perhaps, not so much in not having enacted
road legislation at the last session, as in wantonly increasing expendi-
tures in this department before they had submitted a policy to the
Legislature and brought it into force.
It is no answer to say the old Government had anticipated a portion
of the expenditure for the year; this has always been done to some ex-
tent and the fact that the Foster government treats the special im-
provements on the roads for 1916-17 amounting to \$32,787.15, as part of the
extraordinary, and not of the ordinary expenditure, is a complete reply
to their contention that the deficit on ordinary expenditure was caused
by the Murray Government.

As matters stand today, and judging from their own statement, "the
Business Man's Government" is sadly in need of business men and business
methods.

LITTLE BENNY'S
NOTE BOOK

BY LEE PAPE

Hamlet
A Play.
Scene, a mist in a fog.
Hamlet. Who goes there?
Ghost. I am your father's ghost.
Hamlet. The cheek you are
ghost. The heck I sat.
Hamlet. You can't be, because I
don't believe in ghosts.
Ghost. What! Don't you even believe
in your own fathes' ghost?
Hamlet. Well, I believe in that one
but that's the only one I believe in.
Ghost. Well, it's a darn good thing
for you do do. If I started to haunt
you you'd soon believe in me all right.
Hamlet. Yes sir. Do you want me
to go any errands for you or anything?
Ghost. Your uncle the King, mur-
dered me, and I'd like a little revenge.
Hamlet. To be or not to be, that is
the question.
Ghost. What are you changing the
subject for?
Hamlet. (waking away) To be or
not to be, to be or not to be.
The King. To be or not to be?
Hamlet. That's the question.
The King. Why fool knows that.
But what's the answer?
Hamlet. To be or not to be, that is
the question.
The Queen. Hamlet, you see that
wants.
Hamlet. Actions speak louder than
words. (Kills the queen.) To be or
not to be, that is the question. (Kills
himself.)
The end.

A BIT OF VERSE

THE TALE OF THE BEAVER.
Ho! Beavers are the boys, my lad,
To gather up the crew,
To lay out what they have in hand,
And then to get up and
With a nibble of their nippers,
And a flicker of their tails,
They throw across the swelling stream
The tail and stately rill.
Oh! We workers are the beavers,
We must cut into the "green";
We must keep the roll a-rolling
To the bank and hold the stream;
To hearken every soldier,
To feed the splitting gun—
A dam to dam the German horde,
A dam to dam the Hun.
Ho! Beavers are the workers, lad,
With power to their tail;
They never think of quitting, lad,
Nor let their courage fail;
For every nook and cranny,
With moss and mud they cram;
To hold the rising water, lad,
To stiffen up the dam.
Oh! We folk are all the beavers,
More power to our tale!
That will keep the dollars rolling,
We can have the dollars fall
To hearken every soldier,
To feed the splitting gun—
A dam to dam the German horde,
A dam to dam the Hun.
—C. J. Wolfe.
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A BIT OF FUN

SETTLING THE SCORE.
Was it envy that caused the elderly
spinster to criticize so severely the

home and furniture of her newly mar-
ried friend?
Whatever it was, the young wife was
getting tired of it.
"Yes, it is rather nice," she said presently
as she pointed to a pretty little china
clock, "if you don't like my furniture
you must surely like that."
"Yes, it is rather nice," said the
visitor graciously. "Who gave it to
you?"
"Oh, it wasn't a present!" exclaimed
the bride. "I won it in a raffle."
"A raffle!" the spinster drew her
angular figure rigidly up. "I never
lend my face to such things."
"Perhaps that's just as well," retorted
the younger woman as she gazed
meaningfully at the bride's new dress,
"because if you did I'm afraid nobody
would buy the tickets!"—London
Globe.

ON THE RIGHT TRAIL

"I guess we're on the trail," declar-
ed the great detective.
"Yonder is a shepherdess."
"Well, it's a darn good thing
for you do do."—Louisville
Courier-Journal.

WHAT IT WAS.

Our society editor tells us that she
could not find a bride for the other day
in order to get some eleventh-hour
dope on some details of the affair. She
succeeded in getting the young lady on
the wire, but the information was
somewhat confused.
"Oh, dear, I'm afraid I can't tell you
myself," said the bride-to-be. "I'm
so distracted, I simply don't know any-
thing. What? Oh, the gown is—"
(Here she described the gown. Ex-
cuse.)
And what about the veil," asked the
S. E.
"The veil is of real old Chantilly
lace," answered the B. B. B.
"Is it an heirloom?" prompted the
S. E.
"A what?"
"I asked if it was an heirloom."
"No, it was a bargain!"—Cleveland
Plain Dealer.

ENJOYABLE ENTERTAINMENT.

A very enjoyable entertainment and
dance was held by the Junior Natural
History Society in the museum rooms
last evening. There were about 150
young people present. The programme
included twelve dances and several in-
teresting games. Refreshments were
served at the close of the evening. The
convener of the committee were:
Entertainment, Miss Edith Patterson;
refreshment, Miss Georgie Seeds; mu-
sic for dancing was provided by S.
Thorne, violin, and Kenneth Robb,
piano. Miss Florence Ooster also
played several piano selections. The
chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mc-
Intosh.

MILITARY NOTES.

Capt. A. B. Blanchard, C. E., who
has been stationed at Fredericton
will report to St. John for duty.
Lieut. H. C. Parker, C. E., will also
proceed from Fredericton to St. John.
A communication from Ottawa yes-
terday to headquarters stated that
Lieut.-Col. C. D. Spittal is to be known
as the Water Transport Officer. His
duties will consist of looking after all
the inland soldiers arriving in St.
John and the transportation and dis-
embarkation of freight and people
from this port who are connected
with the militia department.

DIED OF WOUNDS.

On December 8th last Mrs. Robert
H. O'Brien, of 124 Britain street, re-
ceived a telegram informing her that
her son, Gunner Alfred Patrick
O'Brien, artillery, was officially re-
ported killed in action on November 23th.
A second telegram received on Decem-
ber 29th, reported that the young
hero had died of wounds in the 18th
Field Ambulance on November 25th.
Gunner O'Brien was a very popular
young man with a wide circle of
friends.

THE RETREAT AT
THE CATHEDRAL
BROUGHT TO CLOSE

Many Hundreds Have Attend-
ed the Services—Masterly
Sermons by Rev. Father
Healy—High Tribute to
Men Responsible for Erec-
tion of Y. M. C. I.

The inclement weather held forth
so terribly for the men making the
retreat at the Cathedral, which was
brought to a close last night by posi-
tive benediction of the Blessed Sacra-
ment by His Lordship Bishop LaBanc
assisted by Rev. C. P. Carleton, of
Peterville and Father DeLoe, of
Father Healy, the first Dominican
to speak in the Cathedral, was heard
in a masterly sermon on perseverance.
Since the opening services the holy
edifice has been taxed to its utmost
capacity by the young men of the city.
Through the colder period experi-
enced in St. John those making the
retreat turned out in hundreds to
hear the eminent clergymen. Each
morning mass was celebrated at 5
o'clock and again at 7 o'clock, and
after each mass a short instruction
was given.

Father Healy paid a high tribute to
the men responsible for the erection
of the Y. M. C. I., and spoke in high
favor of the institution. He urged
both father and son to give it their
support.
Father Healy will leave St. John
for Florida, where he will preach a
sermon on Sunday night.

FIRST MATCH
OF THE SEASON

Four Hampton Rinks Lose to
Carleton by Score of 45 to
37 — Visitors Entertained
After the Game.

They came, they saw, but unlike the
immortal Caesar, they did not con-
quer. This was the fate of the Ham-
pton curiers when they invaded the
streets of St. John last night. The
West Side last night, for the Carleton
defeated them by the score of 45 to 37.
This was the first match of the season
and the opening of the season in the
city. There were four rinks a side and after
the match the visitors were right
royally entertained by the victors.
The rinks and scores were as fol-
lows:—

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| Hampton | Carleton |
| A. A. Fowler | E. G. Howard |
| C. Wetmore | J. Brown |
| L. Ross | M. F. McGee |
| F. F. Gagey, | J. Fred Belyea, |
| skip 9 | skip 7 |
| R. W. Bovard | W. Jewett |
| H. E. Shilwell | C. Clark |
| W. Fleming | J. M. Belyea |
| R. Z. Fleming, | James Scott, |
| skip 7 | skip 13 |
| C. Robertson | C. Morris |
| W. H. Parise | F. T. Bolyea |
| R. H. Smith | S. Irons |
| William Bovard | H. Lingley |
| skip 10 | skip 12 |
| R. Barnes | C. Emerson |
| A. McGowan | F. Tilton |
| H. L. Worden | N. Pentzay |
| S. Irons | H. Belyea |
| skip 11 | skip 13 |
| Total score 37 | 45 |

ATTACK AGAINST
CIGARETTE HABIT

Evangelist Kenyon Makes
Statement Regarding Use of
Cigarettes—Strong Plea
Against Sending Same to
Soldiers Overseas.

Taking "Man" as his subject,
Evangelist Kenyon gave a powerful
discourse last night at the Charlotte
street Baptist church, West St. John,
which was comfortably filled despite
the severe storm. In elaborating on
the subject Mr. Kenyon stated that
other scholars, in that he contended
that man occupied the supreme place
on the earth, and that this globe was
brought into manifestation for him
alone. He ridiculed the idea that
man was a product of evolution and
he illustrated by quoting passages
from the Bible that man was born in
the image of God.
Mr. Kenyon startled his audience
by stating that the farther we go
back in civilization the higher we
find the standard of the human race.
He stated that God gave to Adam,
which is translated "man," the privi-
lege of naming the animals and all
inanimate things, and he asked his
audience if any man of the present
day could name the animals so ap-
propriately or even remember all the
names as Adam presumably did. He
stated that Adam was created to be
a companion to God, and was therefore
a superman until he lost this inheri-
tance through the serpent's temptation.
In closing Mr. Kenyon made a
strong attack against the cigarette
habit, which he contended was a
barrier and debilitating the young man-
hood of today. He stated that there
were three million boys and young
men, who were cigarette fiends, that
were public charges or were fast
heading that way. He made a strong
plea against the sending of cigarettes
to the soldiers overseas because of
their character and body destroying
properties.
A song service led by Prof. Duffey
was given at the beginning of the
services. Besides several songs by
Prof. Duffey a duet was acceptably
rendered by he and Miss Mable Forter.
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INSTALLATION POSTPONED.
Owing to the inclemency of the
weather the installation of offices
which was to have taken place at the

meeting of Golden Rule Lodge, I.O.O.F.
in the Oddfellows Hall, West St.
John, last evening, was postponed un-
til next Thursday evening.

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PROHIBITION HAS DONE WONDERS IN ST. JOHN SINCE LAST MAY

Interesting Facts Learned by The Standard at Police Headquarters and County Gaol—Remarkable Now to See a Drunken Man—No More Habitual Drunkards—Saving of Over \$200 a Month in Gaol Maintenance.

There is an old saying of which writers used to be very fond—"the times change and we change with them." Isn't it a good thing that we do change in some respects. The particular change we must have struck almost every thoughtful person this holiday season is the difference which the New Brunswick Prohibition Act has made in the celebration of both Christmas and New Year's Days. In former times these days were ones to be marked by the common sight of drunken men in the streets. "Celebrating" another man would say with a smile, while the woman who witnesses such a sight thought of the home which would be tragic instead of happy, for the mother and children.

The sheet at the police court used to be filled with names in the week following Christmas. This year there are only a very few. In the streets the sight of a man intoxicated would be thought very strange indeed, and late at night is as safe as noon day for anyone to walk to their home. Then there can be no question as to the amount of human happiness which this act and its splendid enforcement has produced. In the recent cold snap there was no doubt much discomfort, but it appalls one to think how much greater would have been the suffering if the homes of many had not been well provided with fuel. Last year, when the bars were open, the money found its way into the pockets of the men who owned those bars, while now the families are well provided for and the little ones care for and kept warm.

At the movies it is no uncommon sight to see whole families, the hard-working mother, the eldest daughter holding the littlest one by the hand and the father, all enjoying the pictured world flashed upon the screen and all happy together. No more wondering how father will be when he gets home on pay day, but comfort and enjoyment in the return of the wage-earner. No shrinking quietly into a corner for fear of a blow, but the children running joyfully to meet "Dad." A very large amount of credit must be given Chief Inspector Rev. W. D. Wilson and Inspectors Crawford and Barrett for the faithful and efficient way in which they have discharged their duties, also for the great assistance given by Chief of Police Simpson and his police constables. Comparative Statement. The actual figures show that from December 25th, 1916, to January 1st last year, the number of arrests for drunkenness was 24, while during the same period from Dec. 25th, 1917, to Jan. 1st, 1918, only five were arrested for the same offence. Not one woman has been in the jail for drunkenness since May 1st, not even one of the "old timers." The officials speak with interest of the improved appearance of these habitual offenders, who when met upon the street look like different men and women. That the act has made no difference in the number of juvenile criminals is a deplorable fact stated by the chief of police. Juvenile crime has increased to a very large degree not only in the city and Dominion, but in every part of the world since the war. The absence of a parental discipline may account for this in some way, but in the case of these young sinners against the law.

LETTER OF THANKS

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 24, 1917. Dr. Walker, Pres. Board of Commissioners, General Public Hospital, St. John, N. B. Dear Dr. Walker:— I feel that I should not allow another day to pass without acknowledging in this way the invaluable services rendered us, and our stricken city, by the General Hospital of St. John. I do not believe that I need to express in words, for I know that you will understand our hearts in trying to have you understand in all its meaning, the deep sense of obligation and gratitude, sent us by the General Hospital of St. John. And led by Miss Retallick, how well they worked, and cheerfully, adapting themselves without a murmur or comment, to the more or less confused and disorganized conditions of the first days of the disaster. Apparently to them there were no disorganized conditions and so their relief work was of a dual nature, both the sufferer and we were relieved, the one in pain, the other in anxiety. We shall never forget you and them, and shall hold in pleasant remembrance all that relates to the kindly efforts and sacrifices made for us by your institution. We can do no more now than make this acknowledgment, less than this we would be ashamed to do, and from the depths of our aching hearts we hope we shall never never under similar conditions have occasion to reciprocate your splendid and cheerful assistance. If I may be personal it will be to say that, of the many events, and experience of my twenty years of hospital administrative life and work, none will afford me more pleasant remembrance than the outstanding and self-sacrificing aid so promptly rendered us by the General Hospital of Saint John in our hour of dire distress. With kind regards to all. Yours sincerely, W. W. KENNEY, Superintendent.

Funerals. The funeral of Mrs. Annie Johnston was held yesterday afternoon from her late residence, Upper Loch Leam, where the body was taken this morning from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. George T. McMurtry, 27 Richmond street, following service by Rev. R. T. McKim. Interment was in the family lot at Lake View cemetery. The funeral of Dennis Daley took place yesterday morning at 8:45 o'clock from his late residence, 32 Brussels street, to the Cathedral for burial high mass by Rev. W. L. Rourke. Interment at the new Catholic cemetery. One daughter of the deceased, Mrs. G. Gamache, is a resident of New York. The funeral of Arthur M. Sanction took place yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from his late residence, 233 James street, to St. John Baptist church, where Rev. J. McMurtry conducted the burial service and interment was in the new Catholic cemetery.

Dangerous Gas and Acids That Hurt The Stomach—Sour The Food, Cause Dyspepsia, Indigestion

Recommend a Safe Way to Treat Stomach Trouble at Home. Many stomach sufferers who are always full of gas and whose stomachs burn with acid after nearly every meal think these things are the RESULT of indigestion when in reality they are the CAUSE. It is just as foolish to give artificial digestants such as poppers, etc. to a stomach full of gas and acid as it would be for a man who had stepped on a tack to rub liniment on his foot without removing the tack. Some stomachs generate too much gas and acid. Gas distends the stomach walls causing a full, bloated, oppressive feeling while the acid irritates and inflames the lining of the stomach. Naturally the food ferments and sours, digestion is often delayed and stomach misery is the result. Artificially digestants will push this sour, fermenting mass into the intestines and so relieve the stomach pain, but the acid still remains in the stomach to generate more gas and produce more trouble at the next meal. If you are using digestive aids after meals, stop them at once, and instead get a few 5-grain tablets of pure bisulphated magnesia from any druggist and take two with each meal. Bisulphated Magnesia does not digest food but will neutralize the excessive acid in your stomach, keep your food sweet and will drive the gas and bloated right out of your body. As Magnesia is prepared in various forms be sure to get Bisulphated Magnesia for this purpose as it is not a laxative and is a refined form will not injure the stomach in any way.

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OBITUARY Mrs. Ida May Stuthurd. The death of Mrs. Ida May Stuthurd, wife of Charles Stuthurd, of the C. E. Transportation Company, McBea's Island, Halifax, occurred here Wednesday. The funeral will be from her late residence, 61 Brussels street, this afternoon. Besides her husband, Mrs. Stuthurd is survived by three sons and four daughters. The sons are Oscar, overseas with the 17th Battalion, R. R.; Charles and Joseph, at home. The daughters are Mrs. Banks and Miss Florence, of this city, and Misses Beatrice and Alice, of Halifax. Charles Boos, of Millinocket, Me., is a brother, and Mrs. James L. O'Brien, of East Mapleton, N. S., a niece. Mrs. Mary Jane Hastings.

Valley Railway Enquiry Taken Up Yesterday. Hearing Resumed at 10 o'clock Before Commissioner Stevens—W. B. Tennant and Irving R. Todd on Stand. The Valley Railway enquiry was resumed yesterday morning before Commissioner J. M. Stevens. Before beginning the session Mr. Stevens read a communication from Premier Foster giving him enlarged powers in connection with the investigation of certain sums of money mentioned in the former evidence. W. B. Tennant and I. R. Todd were on the stand at the morning session and no afternoon session was held. The hearing will be resumed this morning at ten o'clock. P. J. Hughes and W. P. Jones represented the government. No other counsel were present. W. B. Tennant was the first witness called. He had not paid the \$20,000 to Thomas Bell direct and did not know personally whether Mr. Bell got the money or not. The witness had given the money to George B. Jones of Apohaunt and asked him to give it to Mr. Bell. He did not remember whether the money was in a package or was counted nor did he remember whether this sum was paid after the Nova Scotia Construction Company had received the contract for the Valley Railway. Mr. Jones called attention to the fact that evidence showed the money was paid after the contract was let. Mr. Tennant said he asked Mr. Jones to take the \$20,000 over to Mr. Thomas Bell. Twenty thousand dollars went to the St. John committee. Mr. Tennant said he did not pay \$2,000 to the St. John committee and did not know who did. He subsequently got \$2,000 from Mr. Bell. It went into the county fund. He got it himself as county treasurer. He did not pay \$4,000 to Kings County fund. He did not pay anything. He did not know what was done with the \$2,000 paid to Mr. Bell. He had a half interest in the N. S. Construction Company's profits. All the amounts he received from the N. S. Construction Company were accounted for. He was \$3,200 in addition to the \$120,000. Mr. Tennant said he might have got an extra \$13,000 from drafts. He was still a partner in the Nova Scotia Construction Company and the drafts had no connection with any election. He had never been asked by any member of the government for a contribution to campaign funds. None of the \$40,000 mentioned had gone for election purposes. In regard to the \$3,200 mentioned the witness said he had used this amount and the \$2,000 referred to above was a part of that amount. The witness had taken advance profits on more than one occasion. He had been paid an advance profit of \$10,000 and made himself liable for \$100,000 for securing the contract and did not know when the receipt was sent to the company. Half of the \$40,000 taken from the Royal Bank was in the office and half in a strong box in the Bank of Nova Scotia. This \$40,000 was largely invested in U. S. Steel, Southern Pacific and a St. John laundry. It was not an uncommon thing for him to have cash in a strong box in one of the banks. In 1908 he had kept \$12,000 in a private box in the Bank of Nova Scotia for several months and he would have taken the whole \$100,000 in cash if he could have got it. The draft of the partnership agreement between himself and the Nova Scotia Construction Company had been in his office for some time before the copy might have been made the day the contract was signed. Mr. Jones asked that George B. Jones be asked to appear before the commissioner but no subpoena was issued. The next witness was Irving R. Todd former president of the St. John and Quebec Railway. Mr. Todd said tenders were called for on a mileage basis on his recommendation. When the tenders came in it was known who had sent three out of the five, on account of the persons

daughters are Mrs. R. T. Wallace, of Boston, and Mrs. J. H. McMackin, Mrs. A. Mason, Mrs. J. T. Wilson, Mrs. Robert Jones and Mrs. G. R. Vincent, all of St. John. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon from the late residence at 2:30 o'clock.

PROVINCIAL ACCOUNTS SHOW IMMENSE DEFICIT

Foster Government's First Financial Statement Shows Prodigious Expenditure Despite War-Time Conditions—Actual Expenditure for Year Far in Excess of Receipts—Province Facing a Serious Situation.

The statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Province of New Brunswick for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1917, as submitted to Hon. Robert Murray, Provincial Secretary-Treasurer, by W. A. Loudon, Auditor General, shows a very large deficit and emphasizes the serious financial position of the province. The statement in full is as follows:

Respectfully submitted,
WILSON A. LOUDON,
Auditor-General.

RECEIPTS.	
Balance October 31, 1916	\$ 660,837.18
Domination subsidies	\$697,974.16
Territorial revenue	\$44,191.84
Seas Provincial Secretary's Office	20,969.02
Taxes incorporated companies	64,384.73
Succession duties	30,436.25
Railway taxes	57,197.00
Private and local bills	2,760.60
King's printer	2,233.05
School books	24,806.16
Liquor licenses	2,639.37
Provincial prohibition	14,096.66
Probate Court fund	19,430.28
Supreme Court fund	2,498.82
Provincial Hospital	42,524.81
Jordan Memorial Sanatorium	30,198.88
Motor vehicles	61,664.85
Interest received	6,710.78
Factory Inspector	300.00
Seed wheat, sale of	50.00
Seed, sale of	18,891.48
Miscellaneous receipts	9,424.44
Total ordinary revenue	\$1,679,818.26
Crown Lands sold	\$ 4,617.05
Bonuses, timber licenses	756.50

N. B. settlement lands	5,373.55
Temporary deposits (Crown Land Dept.)	1,914.40
Agriculture, Dominion subsidy	8,003.33
Contractors' deposits	33,055.40
Probate Court deposits	9,501.13
Supreme Court deposits	372.31
Municipal sinking funds	10,870.48
Official committee re property of inmates	2,387.33
Sale of property for taxes (S. Geo. V. Cap. 66)	1,327.37
Classification Crown Lands (from sinking fund)	92.78
Debentures redeemed (from sinking fund)	20,662.16
Bonds sold (N.B. government stock refund) par value 5 p.c.	38,500.00
Bonds sold (permanent bridges) par value 5 p.c.	415,000.00
Bonds sold (permanent roads) to sinking fund, par value 5 p.c.	400,000.00
Balance	572,072.26
Total	\$3,665,385.58

EXPENDITURE.	
Total	\$3,665,385.58
Administration of Justice	24,226.50
Agriculture	82,853.50
Auditor General's office	4,132.34
Amusements	883.35
Boys' Industrial Home	1,500.00
Colonization roads	7,606.47
Campbellton relief	5,000.00
Commission, Workmen's Compensation Act	2,563.66
Contingencies, departments and legislation	25,835.73
Education	286,270.00
Exhibitions	1,257.50
Executive government	50,749.15
Evangelical Home	92.25
Electricity	13,876.82
Factory inspection	1,941.90
Fish, forest and game	27,772.92
Farm Settlement Board	1,518.87
Guarantee bonds government officials	727.94
Home of Good Shepherd	444.22
Interest, ordinary	444,096.76
Interest, St. John and Quebec Ry.	212,517.51
Immigration	11,977.32
Jordan Memorial Sanatorium	83,146.10
Liquor license fund	12,865.69
Legislative Assembly	29,934.50
Legislative library	711.71
Legislative library, index	325.00
Mining	717.49
Moving picture censors	1,200.00
Maritime Home for Girls	521.71
N. B. Historical Society	125.00
Natural History Societies	600.00
Public health, salaries and expenses	2,425.41
Public health hospitals	10,600.00
Probate Fee Fund	14,632.26
Printing	19,871.93
Provincial Hospital, maintenance	110,806.91
Pensions, school teachers	8,333.99
Provincial prohibition act	3,871.84
Public works, motor vehicle law	513,655.58
Public works, motor vehicle law	6,263.32
Provincial committee of the Military Hospitals Commission	2,000.00
Provincial organizer, food control	800.00
Revisors	1,967.64
Refunds	1,497.34
Railway auditor	3,267.34
Stampage collection	27,582.39
School books	23,107.77
Succession duties	8,930.00
Surveys Crown Lands	3,867.53
Sinking funds	33,230.80
Tuberculosis Hospital, St. John	2,424.30
Tourist Associations	2,000.00
Unforeseen expenses	2,448.51
Ordinary expenditure incurred in 1917	\$1,588,267.84
Ordinary expenditure incurred prior to 31st October, 1916, as above	\$178,941.89
Permanent bridges	426,678.66
Roads, permanent	234,066.66
Roads, special improvements, 1916-17	82,787.15
Jordan Memorial Sanatorium dam	6,600.00
Classification Crown Lands	\$1,030,676.35
Agriculture, Dominion subsidy	80,663.16
Contractors' deposits	58,419.79
Probate Court deposits	18,262.77
Supreme Court deposits	678.45
Temporary deposits Crown Land Department	6,248.02
Government Hall Corporation deposit	6,258.27
Official committee re property of inmates	320.00
Tourist Associations	2,326.00
Debentures (smallpox) redeemed	\$ 8,000.00
Debentures 5 1/2 Vic. Cap. II, and 5 1/2 Vic. Cap. 14 redeemed	7,000.00
Debentures (N.B. settlement lands) redeemed	30,500.00
Municipal sinking funds	48,500.00
Land sinking fund at 5 1/2 Vic. Cap. 1916, invested	5,403.06
Timber bonuses and land sales 1917 invested	427,980.78
N. B. Settlement land installments invested	5,873.55
N. B. government stock refund (redemption)	49,790.98
N. B. government stock refund (expense)	1,942.85
Less gain on refund	\$ 61,733.48
	11,776.37
	\$3,665,385.58

NEGOTIATIONS FOR PEACE BROKEN OFF

London, Jan. 2.—Peace negotiations at Brest-Litovsk have been broken off by the Bolshevik government, owing to the German attitude in regard to Poland and Lithuania, and the enemy's proposal that garrisons be retained at Lubau, Riga and elsewhere, according to a telegram from the Petrograd correspondent of the Daily News, appearing in a late edition of that paper today.

The despatch quotes an article from the Bolshevik newspaper Ivestia discussing "the new phase in the peace negotiations." The article says that owing to pressure from below the Germans have been obliged to sell their lips with the formula put forward by the Socialists at the beginning of the war, but the German imperialists would not be imperialists if they did not try to take back in fact what with gritted teeth they yielded in words.

Cannot Accept.
"The Russian revolution cannot accept their conditions to retain Poland"

STEEL ISSUES LEAD MARKET AGAIN, MOTORS RISING

New York, Jan. 2.—A temporary reaction in the early afternoon was quickly followed by a resumption of the advance. The steel issues led the market, but the motors remained the prominent features and the trading spread through a wide range of issues. The rails alone remained little affected. In explanation it was said that the rails were no longer peace stocks inasmuch as their support from the government would cease if the war should end. November railway earnings no longer to hand are bad, and December results were worse. Decreases in net earnings up to the end of 1917 of course fall upon the stockholders.

LONDON MARKET OPENS FAVORABLY

London, Jan. 2.—The stock market opened the year's trading with a confident undertone. The war news was regarded as favorable and consols advanced seven-eighths. Home rails and Argentine and French bonds improved on re-investment of dividends and mining, rubber and shipping shares showed several strong features. Guatemalan bonds declined 2 points.

JOHN MAGEE INJURED

John B. Magee while in the grounds about his home, Mecklenburg street, on Wednesday evening, slipped and fell, breaking his right leg above the ankle. Dr. J. S. Bentley rendered the necessary surgical aid.

ANCE TOURS OF THE WEST INDIES

Illustrated booklet, about a trip through the West Indies by one of our fortnightly "Royal Mail Steamers from Halifax." It can now be applied to us.

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(New York Sun.) England, we know thee better now! Unuttered all thy sorrow. Thy humor wears the stars day out. And mocks the grim to-morrow.

W. C. T. U.

At the regular meeting of the Women's Christian Temperance Union in their rooms in Orange Hall the devotional service was led by Mrs. Seymour.

PERSONALS

Private Frank Sheehan, who went overseas about a month ago was pleased to hear that his wife, 28 Dorchester street is getting along nicely, and it is hoped that she will be able to get out soon.

EXCEPT THE DOG.

"Are all your family observing the meatless day now?" "Yes, all except Carlo. We can't make him realize that he must bite strangers on Tuesdays."—Baltimore American.

QUEEN MARY SENDS GREETING TO UNITED STATES WOMEN



London, Jan. 3.—Queen Mary has sent a cablegram to Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, the Woman Suffrage leader of New York. The cablegram follows: "I received with much satisfaction and pleasure the friendly message you addressed to me from the women's committee of the Council of National Defense of America."

RED BANK RED CROSS

Newcastle, Jan. 3.—The Redbank Red Cross Society met at the home of the president, Mrs. M. Beaton, on Wednesday, Dec. 12th, to make children's garments for the Halifax Relief Committee.

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Two boxes of clothing, and one of groceries have been forwarded to Halifax. The money will be used to purchase supplies to be sent during the winter to the sufferers. The Red Cross wishes to thank all who in any way helped in this work.

SUGARLESS SWEETS Candies that will satisfy can be made without using so much sugar, in the opinion of Grace E. Frysinger, writing in the December issue of The Forecast, a magazine devoted entirely to the food question. Incidentally sugar that can help win the war can be saved by giving one's children sweets that are not made from cane or beet sugar. For example:— "In America we eat double the amount of sugar per capita of any country, yet we eat far less than the people of other countries of dried fruits, honey and molasses, which contain sugar in such wholesome form that acid stomach never results from it. In the United States we spend annually \$30,000,000 for confectionery and sweet drinks and deserts, which means serious danger to our digestive tract. If, therefore, this dreadful war is the means of our introducing into our diet sweets of a more wholesome character we may improve our health, aid our pocket-book, and above all else, show our loyalty in thus conserving the sugar with which we formerly gorged ourselves.

Growing children, radiating much heat from their bodies in their constant exercising, naturally crave sweets and sugar should be given them in the form of honey, molasses and the dried fruits, such as figs, dates, prunes or raisins. The less they have of cane or beet sugar the better. Maple sugar or maple syrup, although as readily absorbed as cane or beet sugar, is distinctly an American product, and is at once wholesome and delicious. Corn syrup, an-

other American product, may easily be substituted for "cane sugar," in making many candies. "Doctor, my husband is troubled with a buzzing noise in his ears." "Better have him go to the seashore for a month." "But he can't get away." "Then you go."

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The young mother smiled demurely, and said: "His father and I, with a pail of water, have been practicing on him for the last ten days." "Why do you have an apple as your trade-mark?" asked a client of the cash tailor. "Well, well," replied the man, rubbing his hands, "if it hadn't been for an apple where would the clothing business be today?"

Same Treatment. "Doctor, my husband is troubled with a buzzing noise in his ears." "Better have him go to the seashore for a month." "But he can't get away." "Then you go."

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE RECORD

Total Trade of United States
Last Year Estimated at \$9,-
000,000,000 — Canada's
Large Share.

Special to The Standard.
New York, Jan. 3.—In a summary
just made public the National City
Bank predicts that international trade
in 1917 will show a larger total than
in any earlier year. This estimate
was the result of a careful review of
all available figures of world trade
for year 1917. It included eleven
months actual figures for the United
States and the United Kingdom; two
months for France and a somewhat
shorter period for the other principal
countries, covering, however, a suffi-
cient proportion of the year to justify
the estimate.

In the case of the United States
the total trade of the year was esti-
mated at approximately \$9,000,000,000
against less than \$4,000,000,000 in
1913, the year preceding the outbreak
of the war. In Great Britain the to-
tal for the eleven months is more
than \$7,000,000,000, against \$5,500,
000,000 in 1913.

It will thus be seen that during
the war period the United States has
taken the first place in world trade
in the foreign trade.
Canada's total for ten months end-
ing with October, is more than \$2,000,
000,000, against \$885,000,000 in the
same months of 1913; and Japan for
the months ended with September,
\$914,000,000, against \$507,000,000 in
the corresponding months of 1913.

France's official figures are
available for 1917, though imports
estimated by an examination of
figures of exports from other coun-
tries to France are apparently about
50 per cent. more than in 1913.

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with a cold or nasty catarrh—Relief
comes so quickly.

**AMBASSADOR TO
RUSSIA LEAVES**

Sir George Buchanan, Who
Retires, and Health Not
Good.
London, Jan. 3.—The departure from
Petrograd, owing to ill-health, of the
British ambassador, Sir George Buchan-
an, is reported in an Exchange Tele-
graph despatch from that city. The
message says the ambassador was ac-
companied by a number of British mil-
itary and civil officers.

**MARITIME TEACHERS
TO MEET AT MONGTON**

New Brunswick Institute Ar-
ranges for Meeting of Three
Provinces Aug. 27, 28 and
29.

Special to The Standard.
Fredericton, Jan. 3.—The executive
of the New Brunswick Teachers' Insti-
tute has arranged to hold a Maritime
Teachers' Institute at Mongton on Aug.
27, 28 and 29, next. A tentative pro-
gramme has been arranged.

**WM. PROUDFOOT TO
LEAD ONT. LIBERALS**

Will Be in Charge During the
Next Session of Legislature.
Toronto, Jan. 3.—It was announced
this afternoon after a short conference
of the Liberal delegates here that Wm.
Proudfoot, K.C., member for Centre
Huron, was unanimously elected as
leader of the Liberal members in the
Ontario Legislature during the coming
session. After the session a general
party convention will be held at which
a permanent leader will be appointed.

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proves necessary. Zam-Buk will
safeguard you against such serious
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badly and then accidentally caught
cold in it. The pain I suffered was
terrible and the wound was badly
inflamed and festering. I tried dif-
ferent kinds of ointments, but nothing
brought relief. I was by this time
suffering so that I could not sleep
at night, and I feared blood-
poisoning was setting in."
Zam-Buk was recommended to
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LIQUOR MEN WANT TIME EXTENDED

Delegation at Ottawa Asks
That Importation Be Per-
mitted for Time After This
Month.

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—A delegation repre-
senting leading liquor importers in the
Dominion waited on the government
today to present their case in regard to
the recent order-in-council prohibiting
the importation of foreign liquors. Un-
less the order-in-council imposing the
prohibition on and after December 24.

In the case of liquor already pur-
chased, however, importation is per-
mitted until Jan. 31. Liquor import-
ers, it is understood, wish to have the
latter time limit extended. The de-
legation was introduced by Hon. C. B.
Balfour.

WEDDINGS

HALL-FOSTER.
The marriage is announced at San
Jose, Cal., on December 29, of Miss
Elizabeth Lillian Hall, daughter of the
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nion Express Money Order. Five dol-
lars costs three cents.

MONTREAL MARKET
Montreal, Jan. 3.—CORN—Ameri-
can No. 2 yellow, 2 1/2 to 2.30.
OATS—Canadian western No. 3,
91 1/2; extra No. 1 feed, 91-2.
FLYK—Manitoba spring wheat,
patents, firsts, 11.60; seconds, 11.10;
strong bakers, 10.90; straight rollers,
hags, 8.20 to 8.27 1/2.
MILLFEED—Bran, \$25; shorts, \$40;
middlings, \$48 to \$50; moultie, \$56 to
\$58.
HAY—No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$14.50
to \$15.00.
POTATOES—Per bag, car lots,
\$1.90 to \$2.10.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.
Notice is hereby given that the light
on Brier Island, North West Bed-
ford, and whaling buoy, is not burn-
ing. Will be relighted as soon as pos-
sible.
J. C. CHESLEY,
Agent Marine and Fisheries Dept.,
St. John, N. B., Jan. 2nd, 1918.

**Synopsis of Canadian North-
west Land Regulations.**

The sole head of a family, or any man over 18
years old, who was at the commencement of the
present war, and has since continued to be a British
subject or a subject of an allied or neutral country,
may homestead a tract of available
Dominion Land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, or
Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at
Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for Dis-
trict. Entry by proxy may be made on certain
conditions. Duties—Six months residence (not
including quarter-section) as pre-emption.
Price \$3.00 per acre. Duties—Reside six months
in each of three years after earning homestead
patent; cultivate 40 acre estate. May obtain
pre-emption patent as soon as homestead patent on
certain conditions.

A settler after obtaining homestead patent if he
cannot secure a pre-emption, may take a purchase
homestead in certain districts. Price \$3.00 per
acre. Must reside six months in each of three
years, cultivate 30 acres and erect a house worth
\$500.00.
Holders of entries may count time of employment
as farm laborers in the district during 1917, as resi-
dence duties under certain conditions.

When Dominion Lands are advertised or posted
for entry, returned soldiers who served over-
seas and have been honorably discharged, receive
one day priority in applying for entry at local
Agency Office (but not Sub-Agency). Discharge
papers must be presented to Agent.

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**IN THE COURT OF SESSION IN
SCOTLAND.**
Notice to All Persons Having Interest
in the Estate of Zola Shaw, who
Sometime Resided in Lima, Peru.

Intimation is hereby given, in terms
of an interlocutor by Lord Sands,
Ordinary, dated 24th November, 1917,
that Alexander Macle, agent of the
Clydesdale Bank, Limited, at Whit-
horn, Wiltshire, Scotland, Factor of
loco absentis to the said Zola Shaw,
son of James Shaw, a native of Scot-
land, who died in Lima, in the Re-
public of Peru, in 1888, has raised an
action of multiplicity before the
said Lord Sands, in the Court of Ses-
sion in Scotland craving that he
should be found liable only in once
and single payment of the estate
under his charge as Factor foresaid
to such parties as shall be found
entitled thereto, and parties not oth-
erwise cited are hereby called upon
in terms of said interlocutor to enter
appearance in the cause by the 24th
day of May, 1918.

SCOTT & GLOVER,
W. S.
Agents for Factor
1 Hill St., Edinburgh.

MAILED CONTRACT.
SEALED TENDERS addressed to
the Postmaster-General, will be re-
ceived at Ottawa until noon, on Fri-
day, the first day of February, 1918,
for the conveyance of His Majesty's
Mails, on a proposed contract for four
years, six times per week each way,
over Fredericton Rural Route No. 2,
from the pleasure of the Postmaster
General.

Printed notices containing further
information as to conditions of fur-
posed contract may be seen and blank
forms of Tender may be obtained at
the Post Office of Fredericton, Barr-
er's Point and Musquerville, and at
the office of the Post Office Inspector
H. W. WOODS,
Post Office Inspector,
Post Office Inspector's Office,
St. John, N. B., Dec. 20, 1917.

NOTICE.
Department of Marine and Fisheries.
Free Navigation Schools for Seamen.
Free Navigation Schools for Seamen,
in charge of competent instruc-
tors, are now in operation under the
auspices of the Department of Marine
and Fisheries, at the ports of St. John,
N. B., Yarmouth, Halifax and Sydney,
N. S. At any one of these schools
seamen are prepared, free of charge,
for the examinations for all grades of
"Masters and Mates" certificates.
Further particulars may be obtained
from the instructors in charge, Cap-
tain A. P. Owen, St. John; Captain
B. R. Hilton, Yarmouth; Captain John
Simmons, Halifax, and Captain James
Sutherland, Sydney.

A. JOHNSTON,
Deputy Minister of Marine and
Fisheries,
Department of Marine and Fisheries,
Ottawa, December, 1917.

POTTS
Estate Broker, At-
torney and

Around the City CLEARING AND COLDER.

REDUCTION IN SUGAR. One of the Montreal sugar refiners yesterday reduced their price fifty cents per hundred pounds.

EXPECTED HOME SOON. Ronald Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Morris, was in Liverpool, Dec. 12, waiting for embarkation home. He is expected to arrive shortly, no doubt, with many boys who have been at the front. Young Morris went overseas with the Army Service Corps about three years ago.

A STILL ALARM. A still alarm was sent in at 4.10 o'clock yesterday afternoon for a fire in the house 183 Paradise Row, occupied by M. T. Morris. The fire which was caused by a defective register grate was promptly extinguished by No. 2 chemical engine, but slight damage resulted.

HAD FACE FROZEN. A woman while walking along Charlotte street yesterday afternoon had her face so badly bitten by the cold that she had to go into the Marr Millinery store where she was given first aid treatment by the clerks. An application of snow rubbed briskly on her face soon restored the circulation and she was able to proceed on her way.

VITAL STATISTICS. Returns of births and marriages during 1917, received up to date by John B. Jones, registrar, gives the number of births at 562 and marriages 617. The following is a statement of the past three years:

Births 1917 1916 1915 562 621 646. Marriages 617 680 646. Belated returns will increase the figures of 1917.

HAVE A HEART. The very severe storm of last night has made all modes of travel exceptionally difficult and The Standard subscribers are asked to kindly remember this fact if the boys should be a little late in arriving with their paper. In many cases the boys are the first ones to go over the ground and have to break paths, and this naturally delays them and they cannot get around so quickly as usual.

THE SOLDIERS COLLECTED. Archdeacon Raymond, formerly of St. John, in a letter from Vancouver, tells of the sympathy felt in that Western city towards stricken Halifax. He writes to Archdeacon Armistead in regard to old St. Paul's and its parishioners. Last Thursday week he says, scores of wounded soldiers took at all the business corners of the city throughout the day, in a pouring rain and collected, by taxes, \$8,000 on the streets. They talk of sending \$500,000 from Vancouver and its environs.

THE POLICE COURT. In the police court yesterday Robert Smith pleaded guilty to the charge of drunkenness and having liquor in his possession. Charles Kylin pleaded not guilty to the charge of having liquor in his beer saloon. Smith testified that he purchased a bottle of Eye whiskey from Frank O'Neill, who was in Kylin's saloon. Smith was remanded and Kylin was allowed out on \$200 bail. Nothing definite has been decided in the Chinese gambling case, and it will be resumed again on Monday.

SCHROEDER'S MILLER ARRIVED. The schooner Otis Miller arrived at Black's Harbor yesterday morning badly disabled. A few days ago while proceeding from Grand Manan to Farrisboro, she ran ashore on the ledge near Heaver Harbor and for a time the lives of twelve crew members were endangered by the captain. The morning a tug from St. George went to her assistance and succeeded in getting her free and towing her safely to Black's Harbor. Her hull is badly stove in. She is in command of Capt. Arthur Ogilvie.

FOR THE CONVENIENCE of those who are unable to shop during the daily business hours, this store will remain open until 10 p.m. on Saturday evenings, as usual.

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SUDDEN DEATH OF JAMES MOORE

Took Suddenly Ill on Douglas Avenue Yesterday Afternoon—Died Before Doctor Arrived on the Scene.

Death came with startling suddenness to James Moore while on his way home from his work in the Simms Bush Factory yesterday afternoon. While walking along with his companion he suddenly collapsed, and before medical aid could reach him had passed into the great beyond. The deceased who had resided in Boston until a couple of years ago, was unmarried, and made his home with his brother, David, and sister, Annie, at 340 Main street. He was about 30 years of age and had been employed at the Simms factory since coming to the city. Yesterday afternoon when the employees quit work the cars were not running, owing to the big storm raging at the time and he with his brother David and several others started to walk home. When opposite the residence of Edward Estey, 317 Douglas avenue, Mr. Moore took a weak spell and was carried into Mr. Estey's house and medical aid summoned. Dr. Allingham was the first to respond, but before his arrival the man had passed away. Coroner F. L. Kenney was notified and gave permission to remove the body to Fitzpatrick's undertaking rooms on Waterloo street where he will view the remains this morning. It is thought death was due to heart disease. He is survived by two brothers, David and William, of this city, and two sisters, Annie, of this city, and Mrs. Bourke, of Boston. Band at Victoria Hutk tonight and every night this week.

CHEERFUL AND WILLING WERE MEN WHO REPORTED YESTERDAY

Lieut.-Col. McAvity Says Those Who Reported at Depot for Service Are Fine Body of Men—Civil and Military Authorities Will Apprehend Men Who Failed to Obey Call to Colors—Outside Reports.

Yesterday was one of history making in the Dominion of Canada. It marked the initial step in procuring men to fill the depleted units at the front, other than by the voluntary system, which has served its time. From all sections of the country come gratifying reports as to the manner in which the men responded to the colors. For military reasons the officers are not permitted to make public daily reports, but from other sources thoroughly reliable, The Standard learned yesterday that out of the number of men called to report at the Military Depot in this city, nine failed to report. However, the majority of the men called, and who did report, several others reported at the military depot. Lieut.-Col. McAvity and were attested.

Lieut.-Col. McAvity said yesterday evening that those who did report were a fine body of men, and appeared cheerful and willing in their debut in military life. As to the men who failed to report, steps will be taken by both the civil and military authorities for their apprehension in due time. Chief of Police D. W. Simpson stated to a Standard representative yesterday that he has received instructions from Ottawa respecting the enforcement of the Military Service Act, which would require his prompt attention. In fact all the police departments throughout the Dominion have been circumscribed from Ottawa respecting the procedure to be taken in matters connected with the act.

Upon the arrival of the men yesterday they were met at the depot and escorted to the quarters at the Exhibition building, and after passing through the preliminary routine they were turned over to the quartermaster for clothing measurement. All the men arriving in the city will be vaccinated, and to this end Capt. A. F. Smith, of the Army Medical Corps, and Lieut. A. T. Leatherbarrow have been attached as medical officers at the depot. Fifty men will be called up daily in the same manner as were yesterday's quota.

According to a press despatch from Montreal yesterday all the men called up under the Military Service Act were in barracks by 11.30. Besides the

26 called up about fifty additional men reported for duty.

In Quebec. Quebec, Jan. 3.—Figures as to the number of draftees received at the Quebec district headquarters today are unavailable. However, it is known that very few men have so far reported for active service, most of the men liable for conscription having their case under appeal.

At Sherbrooke. Sherbrooke, Que., Jan. 3.—The men from the township called out on the first draft left for Montreal and Quebec respectively to report for duty at the divisional headquarters. The exemption tribunals have not yet all completed work, and so far only a few appeals have been dealt with by the superior court. Two judges sat today in the appeals court.

Moosajaw Results. Moosajaw, Sask., Jan. 3.—The operation of the Military Service Act, whereby the men of category "A" class one, were called to the colors, went into effect in this city without any noticeable effect. The exemption tribunals here have ordered in the neighborhood of six hundred men to report for service. Two men who failed to comply with the act will be arrested on the order of one tribunal.

In Alberta. Calgary, Jan. 3.—It is expected that Alberta will supply more than its quota under the first draft. The response today was quite up to expectations.

Manitoba. Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 3.—Up to noon today a large number of the men presented themselves at the Winnipeg depot and before five o'clock it was expected all the men ordered to report today would be registered. The work was carried on very smoothly.

Regina, Sask., Jan. 3.—Many draftees called in the first draft are reporting to the depot. The men who failed to report are being referred to tribunals or registrars, are being forwarded to the military representatives at the exemption tribunals.

St. John was in the grip of a terrific snow storm yesterday which completely demoralized the street car system over the city. Snow fell to a depth of four inches up until nine o'clock last night and continued to fall during the night. Accompanied by a strong northeasterly wind, which at times reached a velocity of thirty miles per hour, it proved itself most unwelcome. Snow began to fall shortly before noon yesterday and continued to fall throughout the entire day, reaching the proportions of a blizzard last evening. Yesterday morning the thermometer registered thirteen below zero, but towards noon the temperature moderated. Mr. Hutchinson of the St. John Observatory informed The Standard last night that at noon yesterday the mercury had risen to zero and gradually rose until it showed three above last night at nine o'clock. This would almost warrant the belief that the cold weather period which St. John has experienced since Saturday, Dec. 29th, had ceased, but this is not to be the case according to the announcement from the Toronto meteorological office yesterday which states that the cold weather will continue. Although every effort was made by the New Brunswick Power Company to keep the tracks clear yesterday it was found impossible to do so and shortly after supper last night the car service ceased. During the afternoon the ploughs were kept moving and every available man was at work endeavoring to defeat the wrath of the weather man, and they succeeded in doing so until the snow began to drift in different sections of the city and their efforts proved of no avail. In addition to the snow the frost of the past few days which was in the rails would not permit the wheels to grip. This was most noticeable during the early hours of the afternoon when although the snow was but slight they could scarcely make any headway up the grades. The men continued their work during the night that traffic might be resumed this morning. Hazel McLean, in charge of the work of clearing the tracks, had all the crews at work during the blizzard. The cars were unable to run in West St. John during the afternoon.

Trains All Late. Apparently the same weather conditions prevailed throughout the Maritime Provinces and the State of Maine as all trains to arrive in St. John were late. The train from Halifax which is

due to arrive at 6.20 did not reach here until 7.15, having encountered snow all along the line. The train which is due to arrive at 8.20 from Moncton was about three hours late. The Boston train did not reach the city until an early hour this morning. The train which leaves St. John for Boston in the evening at 6.40 waited until the arrival of the Halifax train, but the S. P. R. did not connect, having departed about seven o'clock.

Wires Not Affected. The telegraph systems were uninterrupted. This is contended was on account of the low temperature and the snow not sticking to the wires. In the city but very few local wires were affected and in the few cases they were repaired without any serious inconvenience.

The Standard herewith publishes the official figures since the cold spell set in: Saturday, Dec. 29, thirteen below; Sunday, Dec. 30, twenty below; Monday, Dec. 31, eighteen below; Tuesday, Jan. 1, eleven below; Wednesday, Jan. 2, ten below; Thursday, Jan. 3, fourteen below.

Up until noon yesterday, covering a period of 130 hours, the temperature registered below zero.

STEAMER ARRIVED YESTERDAY WITH CASE OF SMALLPOX

Colored Seaman Was Removed to Isolation Hospital—Ship Has Been Thoroughly Disinfected—Passengers Will Be Allowed to Disembark Today.

A colored man, a member of the crew of the S. S. Chandlers was removed from the steamer yesterday to the isolation hospital after the quarantine officer, Dr. H. C. Raddick, pronounced his sickness to be smallpox. The passengers of the steamer will be permitted to land today, according to a statement given to The Standard by the shipping agents. The S. S. Chandlers arrived in port yesterday morning. The ship's physician, Dr. J. J. Haggerty, was of the opinion that one of the crew showed symptoms of smallpox and Raddick took this effect. The result of a careful examination revealed the insidious disease. Fortunately for the passengers the crew's apartments are not in any way connected with them, and this fact set at rest the minds of the people on board. The passenger list numbers about twenty-five.

All the baggage on board the steamer and every section of the steamer has been thoroughly disinfected as a precaution against the disease. Dr. Raddick has wired Ottawa, particulars of the case and will follow the instructions received. According to case in a position to know, the disease is not prevalent in the West Indies and the case discovered is of a very light nature.

HALIFAX RELIEF FUND TO BE CLOSED; A MEETING TODAY

Mayor Hayes Asks Victory Loan Executive to Meet This Morning and Pass Report—Subscriptions with City Grant Will Amount to \$50,000.

The Halifax Relief Fund is to be closed and the Mayor is asking the general committee and the Victory Loan executive to meet at the office this morning at 11 o'clock to pass the report. The total received by subscriptions is in the vicinity of \$35,000, and this will probably be augmented by a city grant to bring the total up to \$50,000.

Since the last report the following sums have been received:—British Aid Society, Patterson Settlement, \$40; Harper, \$5; Symington, \$2; W. C. T. U., \$25; T. Rankin & Sons, \$100; Misses McLaren, Liverpool, Eng., \$100; Mrs. James Gamble, Green Settlement, \$20; L. N., \$2; Friends, \$1; residents of Whitehead, Kings Co., \$25; John Scarrly, \$50; Miss Shampier, \$50; Mrs. McParlane, \$50; Mrs. James Kean, \$1; Mrs. Oscar Timpson, \$1; D. Linton, \$1; Mrs. Tom, \$1; Miss J. Phillips, \$5; A. Scott, \$1; J. Harrarty, \$5; William Kean, \$1; Alexander, \$1; J. McPherson, \$1; Kean, \$1; Percy Manchester, \$5; A. W. Clark, Ernest, Pa., \$100; J. V. Ellis, Jr., Yakima, Wash., \$5.

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NOTICE. Subscribers for the Victory War Loan will please take notice that it is absolutely necessary for them to surrender the Provisional Receipts which were provided by the Banks, when making the second payment on account of their subscriptions. Banks are not permitted to deliver the Government Scrip Certificates unless they receive the Provisional Receipts.

It must also be borne in mind that the Banks will not charge the amount of the second payment due on January 2nd to subscribers' accounts. It is necessary for subscribers to forward cheques on their accounts covering the ten per cent. instalment due, or payment in full as the case may be. For the convenience of subscribers, by arrangement of the Canadian Bankers' Association, Banks will remain open on the evenings of Thursday and Friday, January 3rd and 4th, and on the afternoon of Saturday, January 5th. Evening hours 7.30 to 9.00. Saturday afternoon from two until six o'clock.

Gift and assured that it would always be treasured by him. Mr. Flewelling is a charter member of the organization and has been the secretary since its inception.

A very pleasant event took place at the rooms of the Canadian Imperial League last night, when the secretary F. E. Flewelling was presented with a handsome silver service suitably engraved as a token of the appreciation his associates in the League feel for the splendid service he has rendered so willingly since the organization of the body.

The presentation was made by Mayor Hayes at the request of the members of the League. Mr. Flewelling was taken entirely by surprise but thanked the members for the kind wishes expressed by the

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