

ON WESTERN FRONT, ALLIED TROOPS CAN STRIKE AND WIN AS SUITS THEIR PLEASURE

Laurier Goes After Unionists But Does Not Go Very Far

Liberal Leader's Criticisms Are of a Piffing Nature—He Objects to Everything That Everybody Has Done Resulting in His Defeat—No New Government, But the Same Old Bunch with a Little New Blood, He Says.

Takes Objection to Method of Reporting Soldiers' Vote Which Endorsed a United Canada—Premier Borden Shows Quebec Leader Where the Opposition Stands Today, and Promises an Even More Decided Attitude for the Future.

Ottawa, Ont., Mar. 19.—The debate on the address came to a sudden and unexpected termination at ten o'clock this evening, with a speech by Hon. Charles Murphy, the feature of which was a vigorous attack on Hon. N. W. Rowell. The ex-minister asserted that Mr. Rowell had commercialized Christianity and that he had, previous to his entry into the union government, entered into a conspiracy to supplant Sir Wilfrid Laurier as Liberal leader.

Mr. Murphy accused the government of having raised the racial and religious cry in order to win the election. He asserted that Mr. Rowell had sent his agent to London to offer a prominent Liberal of that city, as a bribe to desert the Liberal candidate, the chairmanship of the War Purchasing Commission; that he had deputed Mr. C. G. S. Lindsay of Toronto to interview Liberals to see if they would stand for the appointment of a member of the present government to the Ontario supreme court bench and that he had induced Robert H. Mulholland to make way for himself as candidate in Durham by offering him a seat in the Senate.

Mr. Rowell was not in attendance when Mr. Murphy spoke. (Continued on page 3)

BOASTED GERMAN OFFENSIVE STILL FAILS TO CONNECT

But Press Representatives Have Been Notified to Attend, and Probably Moving Picture Operators—Chancellor is Worried Over the Chilly Reception Accorded His Wonderful Peace Proposals.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Germans, for some time past, have advertised largely their intention to begin a general offensive on the allied fronts at no distant date, nothing beyond intensified bombardments and here and there infantry attacks on various sectors have been forthcoming.

In both these kinds of manoeuvres the Germans have met more than their match in the guns of the men of the allied armies—the Belgian, British, French, American and Italian and Portuguese. Probably realizing that their efforts to weaken the people at home are beginning to require something more substantial than words, another tack has been taken, which either must result in an attempt to carry out seemingly vain-glorious promises or result in the German population believing, as the allied leaders long have believed, that with their strength in every department and prepared to counter any assaults the German high command is strong on holding out chimeras and weak in endeavoring to make good their boasts.

Almost as perfunctorily as invitations are issued for attendance upon state functions, the Germans now have hidden journalists of neutral countries to appear on the western battle front to witness the commencement of the German offensive operations. The correspondents, it is stated, are expected to begin their journey toward the scene of the proposed line, figuratively speaking, the allied armies, their guns shotted and their men in serried ranks, are waiting with confidence the sound of the "toots."

Probably not unconnected with the latest announcement of the Germans is the apparent sensitiveness displayed by the German imperial chancellor, Count Von Hertling, over the decision of the United States and the attempt to accept at its face value Germany's latest proffer of peace.

Running the gamut from Germany's good intentions to the fate that ultimately will befall the allies for their refusal to be taken in by Germany's sweetened words, the chancellor ended his address with the well-worn adage that for all future bloodshed the allies must accept full responsibility.

In the meanwhile all along the battlefronts in the west, from the North Sea to the Adriatic, the hostilities continued to be carried out by means of the big guns of the opposing sides and by small units of infantry in raids and counter-raids. In none of the raids has any material result been achieved by either side, except possibly by the French troops of General Petain, who in the Rheims region have penetrated German positions to a depth of about three-fifths of a mile and put down effectively an attempt by the German Crown Prince to pierce the French line.

The Germans are trying out, with relatively heavy stacks, positions held by the Belgians. Although they succeeded at several points in their objectives they later were driven out from the greater portion of the positions gained, leaving prisoners and machine guns in the hands of the forces of King Albert.

Everywhere the airmen of both sides are keenly active. Particularly so are the British, who, in addition to numerous air raids behind the lines, bombing points of vantage and indulging in fights in the air with enemy aviators, since October, have carried out 255 flights, or 38 raids, into German territory. The important town of Mannheim has been their latest target, explosive bombs exceeding a ton in weight having been dropped there. Both sides are claiming a heavy toll in aviators shot down during combats in the air.

While scant news is now coming from Great Russia, advice received from Siberia seemed to indicate a pre-

DOMINION BONE DRY NEXT YEAR, HE SAYS

Speaker at Hamilton Declares Canada Has Made Unexampled Progress Toward National Prohibition.

Hamilton, Ont., Mar. 19.—Representations from British Columbia, Manitoba and Quebec were presented yesterday at the first session of the Dominion Council, Royal Templars of Temperance. The feature of the morning session was the address of J. A. Austin, the Dominion councillor, who dealt with the progress prohibition had made. Alluding to the fact that many countries had curtailed the drink traffic as a result of the war, he said: "But no country has made such progress towards absolute prohibition as Canada. In another year the Dominion will be bone dry from ocean to ocean." Mr. Austin warned delegates that the prohibition law was only for the duration of the war and one year thereafter, and the temperance people should be prepared then to meet the liquor forces and crush the evil forever.

LIVED FOR A YEAR WITH BROKEN BACK

One of Canada's Heroes Whose Case Has Excited Wide Interest Finally Succumbs in Ottawa Hospital—A Great Sufferer in Freedom's Cause.

Ottawa, Mar. 19.—Gunner Gilbert Ross Slack, aged 23 years, who has lived for the past year with a shattered spine, the result of being hit by a piece of shrapnel just before the Vimy Ridge engagement in April, 1917, died in hospital here today. The young man's case has been one of the wonders of this war and although he was given up for dead months ago, he has struggled on clinging to life with wonderful courage. He was brought back to Canada in October last, after having been given up as hopeless by Sir Frederick Treves, the great British surgeon, who examined him in London. In the hope that there was still a chance for his boy to recover, his parents took him to New York a month after he arrived home and he was given up there by a great American surgeon. Since then he has been in a local hospital here undergoing great suffering but happy and cheerful all the time, awaiting the coming of the grim reaper with a courage that will stamp him as one of the heroes of this war.

A GREAT RELIEF TO TITLED CANADIANS

Hon. J. H. Burnham Decides to Hold Back His Proposed Bill While the War Lasts—Will Not Embarrass the Government.

VANCOUVER HAULS DOWN RUSSIAN FLAG

Vancouver, B. C., Mar. 19.—On the ground that Russia had made "an ungrateful and ignominious peace," the national flag of Russia was ordered by a resolution of the city council last night, to be removed from among the flags of the allies at the city hall.

careous situation there. It seems definitely established that former German prisoners are actively aiding the Bolsheviks in their inroads into the country and that in addition to numerous outrages on the population, chaos reigns generally.

SMALLPOX MAY BE SPREAD BY KISSING BIBLE

Judge Chandler Tells of Case in His Experience—Risks Are Taken.

CRIMINAL TRIAL AT KING'S CIRCUIT COURT

St. John Man, Victim of Shotgun, Gives Evidence Against Dan. F. Porter.

PRISONER APPEARS IN OWN DEFENCE

Hearing Was Adjourned Until Today—No Other Business.

Special to The Standard.

Hampton, Mar. 19.—His Honor Mr. Justice Chandler is presiding at the King's County Circuit Court which has been in session here today and now stands adjourned until tomorrow. The only case on the civil docket was that between Col. J. F. Fox of Buxton, Ralph Freeze for plaintiff and defendant. This was an action brought on a promissory note for six hundred dollars but was settled between counsel before the opening of court. One criminal case is being heard, the trial of Daniel F. Porter on a charge of shooting with intent to do grievous bodily harm to Clinton Ward of St. John, at Long Island on January 13th last. An unusual and interesting feature of the case is that the accused has declined counsel and is conducting his own defence. A E. Pearson of Sussex is representing the Crown. (Continued on page 4)

CHANCES BETTER WERE THEY DUCKS

Many Chickens Drowned in Flood Which Raised Ructions on Seven Persons Creek at Medicine Hat.

Medicine Hat, Alta., Mar. 19.—Seven Persons Creek, which flows through the main industrial section of this city, went on a rampage last evening, ice jammed at the railway bridge, leading to the Hedley saw mill, and a big section of the flats was flooded. Four traffic bridges to various industries were carried away and several factories and mills suffered by flood. In some cases factory hands were narrowly escaped and had to be rescued with boats. About 300 houses were flooded and the occupants were brought away on drays. Dynamite was used twice during the night to break the ice jam, and this morning very little water is flowing over the banks of the creek. The flood came on very quickly, and many people lost all their chickens.

SAYS NO EVIDENCE AGAINST COM. WYATT

Halifax, Mar. 19.—Mr. Justice Russell, in the Supreme Court this afternoon, charged the grand jury in the case against Commander Frederick Wyatt, chief examining officer at the time of the explosion. The judge said that in his opinion there was nothing in the evidence to justify the grand jury in bringing in a true bill on the charge of manslaughter. The grand jury is to report at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

COL. BELL IS PROMOTED

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Mar. 19.—Col. McKelvey Bell of Ottawa, who has been the medical officer in charge of the Halifax military district, has been appointed chief medical officer of all the military hospitals in Canada. Col. Bell did duty in one of the Canadian hospitals in France early in the war.

BRILLIANT RAIDS BY FRENCH BRING BATCHES OF PRISONERS

FOURTEEN OFFICERS HOME FOR A REST

Capt. McTier of the Highlanders Carries a Shrapnel Souvenir—Several Others Were Wounded.

An Atlantic Port, Mar. 19.—Fourteen commissioned officers in the British and Canadian forces arrived here today aboard one of the largest steamships in the British trans-Atlantic service. Several of them have been wounded and were on their way home to recuperate. One of these was Captain W. S. McTier of the 18th Battalion Royal Canadian Highlanders, who came hobbling down the gangplank assisted by his father. "Got a piece of shrapnel in the leg at Vimy Ridge" explained Captain McTier directing a rueful glance at his crutches.

BATISCAN WRECKAGE IS DRIFTING ASHORE

Two More Bodies Were Picked Up Yesterday But as Yet There is No Trace of the Steamer.

Special to The Standard.

Yarmouth, N. S., Mar. 19.—There is still no trace of the Batiscan, although wreckage from her is being picked up in small quantities today. The Wedgeport steamer M. & E. LeBlanc picked up two bodies floating about five miles southwest of Seal Island. They were landed on Tuspanina Island and will be later brought to Yarmouth. One of the bodies was clothed in blue pants, jersey and vest. It was held up by a life preserver and was barefooted. Lifebuoys have been found on Calf Island and in Lobster Bay and hatches have come ashore at Solow's Ledge. There was nothing whatever found in the pockets of the Japs whose bodies were brought to Yarmouth yesterday. Whether there are any laundry marks on their underclothes or not will not be known until the coroner makes his examination tomorrow. The steamers Arnamore and Edna R., which are searching the islands and surrounding waters, have seen nothing whatever which would lead to the discovery of the wreck.

FIRST SEEDING REPORT IN THE CANADIAN WEST

Several Mennonite Farmers Near Winkler, Man., Are Said to Be at Work on the Land—An Early Start Despite Hard Winter.

Winnipeg, Man., Mar. 19.—Word was brought to the grain exchange this morning that several farmers in the Mennonite District at Winkler, Man., were busy on the land and that seeding operations had commenced. This is the earliest on record for a number of years.

SHIPBUILDERS ARE AFTER MORE MONEY

Washington, Mar. 19.—Union men employed on ship hulls in the yards of the Baltimore Drydock and Shipbuilding Company, notified the shipping board today that they had gone on strike for wage increases of nearly 100 per cent. The chippers and caulkers demanded \$10.50 a day and riveting gangs of two men and a boy demanded \$24 a day.

HOT TIME IN MANNHEIM

London, Mar. 19.—British airplanes dropped a ton of bombs on the German city of Mannheim on Monday, it was officially announced tonight.

DIED LEAVING CHURCH

Quebec, Mar. 19.—Mrs. Louis Chambrland, of Loretteville, near this city, died as she was leaving church. She dropped on the sidewalk and was picked up dead.

Associated Press Correspondent Sends Vivid Account of Assaults in the Verdun Sector—Germans Although Awaiting Attack Are Surprised and Fail to Hold Positions of Value.

Hun General Nervous Despite Personal Supervision of Crown Prince—Reserves Brought Up Too Late to Stem the Tide of French Advance—Assaults Made Over Very Difficult Country.

On the French Front in France, Monday, Mar. 18.—By the Associated Press.—The centre of military interest during the past few days has passed from the Champagne to the vicinity of Verdun, where both the French and the Germans have broken into marked activity.

In the Verdun region the correspondent watched the execution of trench raids on a large scale, carried out by the French on Sunday evening and at dawn on Sunday the results of which exceeded all expectations. Within twelve hours the French had penetrated the remarkably strong systems of German trenches in both Cheppy Wood and Malancourt Wood to a depth, at some points, of more than a quarter of a mile. They destroyed all the enemy works, his blockhouses and shelters, which had taken the Germans three years to construct and brought back two batches of prisoners, each comprising eighty men, while the French themselves suffered only the slightest losses.

General Von Gallwitz's army acting under the direct orders of the German Crown Prince, displayed evident nervousness under this pressure, as was shown by the hurried arrival of large reserves in motor lorries. They were too late, however, to hinder the French. (Continued on page 5)

RULE OF THE ROAD FORMS SUBJECT OF LONG DEBATE

Highway Act, Introduced by Hon. Peter Veniot, is Picked Full of Holes by Members of Both Sides—Methods of Work, of Collections, of Division into Districts, Are All Subjected to Criticism—An Interesting Discussion.

Fredericton, Mar. 19.—Upon resuming at 8.30 p.m. the house immediately went into committee with Mr. Legere (West.) in the chair and took up consideration of the bill entitled An Act Respecting Highways. The first three sections of the bill, which give the interpretation of the terms used were adopted without discussion.

Mr. Baxter referring to the subsections defining trunk roads, wanted to know that in cases where one of the roads passed through a village, if one of them would be designated as a trunk road.

Hon. Mr. Veniot replied that a trunk road would be a road running through and beyond the village. Mr. Baxter made mention of three roads running from St. John to St. Martins, one of which he said was but little used. He presumed that one of these roads would be designated a branch road.

Hon. Mr. Veniot said that before making a division of the roads, he proposed making another tour of the province. The money collected from the roads was to be expended on the roads, and he wanted it spent in the interests of the people.

Section 5 of the bill requires road engineers to promptly report any unusual damage by frost, needing more than ordinary attention, and it also requires county structural superintendents to immediately report any damage to bridges having more than a 20 ft. span.

Hon. Mr. Veniot explained that it was something of a new departure and he was hopeful that it would give very satisfactory results.

Mr. Baxter said that he did not propose to be a road builder, but he had had some experience under the old system. He considered it only fair that the matter of improving the roads should be dealt with from a non-political standpoint. All had to use the roads and all were interested in their upkeep and were anxious to have them as good as possible. He was scarcely in accord with that section

of the bill which proposed to have supervisors elected by the people of the district. He would admit that the policy was somewhat attractive, but he did not think the holding of an election in a parish or district was the best method of making roads. The plan would only be an experiment and he was sure that the government in a few years would be glad to get away from it. He could picture the manipulation that would be put on foot in small districts in favor of particular candidates. Political lines might be avoided, but he feared that a group of men, who hoped to get some advantage, if a particular man was chosen, would manipulate the election. No doubt efficient men would be chosen in many cases, but the tendency would be to select those who possessed skill to manipulate things. He had not discussed the matter with his colleagues, but was giving only his personal view. He would prefer that the hon. minister would take the matter into his own hands and name the supervisors. If he relied on a good engineer, it ought to be possible with him to get the best men at least from one side of politics.

Mr. Potts said that if the district elected a man, there would be no guarantee as to his competency and the minister would really have no control over him.

Mr. McGrath thought there was no occasion for hon. members opposite to worry over the selective power of the people.

Hon. Mr. Veniot said that he had invited suggestions from hon. members opposite and he proposed to accept them.

He had been asked what he proposed to do with an incompetent road supervisor chosen by the people. He would say in reply that the man was only elected for one year, and if he failed to measure up to the standard the people would put him out.

Mr. Potts said that he had served as commissioner of public works in the city of St. John, and he did not

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HON. R. L. BORDEN TELLS OF CANADA'S WAR WORK

LAURIER GOES AFTER UNIONISTS BUT DOES NOT GET VERY FAR

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The fact that there is a union administration did not, apparently, lessen the disposition of opposition critics to assail the government for its record. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in his speech, was frankly critical of the administration. Sir Robert Borden, in his reply, came back at the leader of the opposition with considerable vigor, but for the most part his remarks were devoted to an explanation of what has been accomplished by the administration since it assumed the reins of office.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier maintained that there had been no change in the government and that there could not be any change with the same prime minister at the head of affairs. He was willing to admit that the administration had been strengthened and claimed that this was due to the inclusion of Liberals in the cabinet. He accused the government of having violated the electoral law of the Dominion, as well as of having acted unfairly in administering the wartime election act. Sir Robert Borden, in referring to the infusion of Liberal blood in the cabinet, said that such was the intention when the government was formed. The plan was to have Conservatives and Liberals equally represented and that the plan would eventually be carried out. Liberals, he had entered the cabinet, he said, had done so from a strong sense of duty.

The prime minister, in resenting the criticism of the opposition leader, said the wartime elections act had been fairly administered and that the cabinet had voted for the government because they realized that the administration was disposed to support them by every means in its power.

The prime minister emphasized the urgent necessity for increased food production, declaring that the issue of the war may depend on the quantity of food produced on this continent.

Ottawa, Mar. 19.—The debate on the address was continued without delay when the House met this afternoon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was greeted with applause by the members sitting to the left of the speaker. He plunged at once into the subject of the contents of the speech from the throne, which he described as a document of unusual length, made up of subjects, old and new, but chiefly old. The matters referred to were familiar to the people of the country. In regard to some of them, they were awaiting the decision of the government and he would refrain from comment upon them until the government had introduced its proposals in concrete form. Sir Wilfrid noted that the speech did not contain any mention of a subject which did not require any legislation. Since the former parliament prorogued quite a change had taken place in the government. "I did not," said Sir Wilfrid, "say change of government, but change in the government. I see no difference in the old and new government. There is no new government; it is the same old government which has existed for the last six years. As long as there is no change in the membership of the government, it is the same principle that prevails."

Sir Wilfrid went on to say that while there had been no change in the government, there had been a change in the administration. There had been not only an alteration, but an improvement in the administration. There had been infused into the government a rosy red color, (rouge) which is pleasing to the eye. The government, he said, had disclosed that unless a copious draft of rich red blood were infused into its decrepit system, things might go badly with it.

The opposition leader asserted that there was no such thing as a new standard of duty because the country happened to be at war. Duties remained the same in war as in peace, but war undoubtedly intensified duty. "It seems to me," Sir Wilfrid went on, "that nothing has changed in the principles of the British system of government should be discarded in war times, put into cold storage and taken out again after the restoration of peace." If the principles of the British system of government were true and sound and efficient in peace, they were equally sound and efficient in war. And if there was a feature of the British system which was essential it was that of vigilance was the price of liberty. Unless there was eternal vigilance by a strong and resolute opposition there was the universal testimony of history

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numbers, but we are much stronger before the people, because we stood by our own views. We stood behind the government in all that it did, and we stand behind them now, with the same reservation.

Sir Wilfrid thought that the government must be disposed to question its own methods as not being the correct way of winning the war. He quoted the order-in-council passed on December 3rd last, which set forth that persons engaged in agriculture who had been refused exemption could secure exemption if they proved to the satisfaction of the minister of militia that they were essential to the promotion of production. This order-in-council had been passed, despite the circumstances that the military service act provided that judges only should decide this question. This order had been passed during the election, because the government had received so many complaints that agriculture would be disorganized.

Sir Wilfrid resented the correspondence which had passed between himself and an Ontario farmer, to show that the deputy minister of justice had addressed a letter to the farmer stating that no ministerial officer accepted telegraphic reports of the military votes cast overseas. It might be said that this was a formality. But if it was a formality, why did the act require complete mailed reports before a member could be declared elected. This acceptance of telegraphic reports was not in accordance with the law. How was it then that the general returning officer could publish a list of members, such as was available today. He believed Mr. O'Connor was able and high-minded servant of the public and he did not think Mr. O'Connor capable of doing anything wrong in making such decisions. But where was the authority for it? Sir Wilfrid had been told that an order was passed authorizing the general returning officer to accept telegraphic reports. If so, he was at a loss to know under what authority such an order-in-council was passed, unless the government once more had resorted to their war measures act of 1914.

"The war measures act already covers a lot of sins," Sir Wilfrid added, "but there is a limit to the war measures act." The appeal which had been made at the last general election, Sir Wilfrid contended, had not been made to the solid electorate of the country. It had been made to a specially manufactured electorate. The great question before the people was that of conscription. If it had been submitted to the people on a referendum, he was satisfied that it would have been defeated, but the government would not submit to the possibility of being defeated on such an important question. It wanted to make absolutely sure of winning. Therefore the wartime elections act had been introduced and passed.

This act, said Sir Wilfrid, was conceived in iniquity. It was a piece of legislation which absolutely denied fair play to the opposition. He would give some instances to show how unfairly opposition candidates had been treated at the last election.

"There is a constituency called Edmonton-Wainwright," which Sir Wilfrid represented in the last parliament by as brave a man as ever sat in the house. In this constituency there was nothing short of a conspiracy to defeat him. In seven polls there were insufficient ballots to satisfy the election officials, and those who came to vote were unable to do so. In three of these polls the electors were so insistent that ballots had to be substituted in order that they might vote. In the fourth of these polls the returning officer refused to count them."

Sir Wilfrid went on to say that in this same constituency that three polling booths had not been opened at all. The doors were locked and men who had driven long distances to vote could not do so.

In the constituency of Bow River the returning officer had notified naturalized citizens that proof of their naturalization was absolutely necessary before they could exercise the franchise, and that they must produce their papers their names on the voters lists were not sufficient. "There could not," said Sir Wilfrid, "even in Germany or Russia, be more arbitrary action."

It shocked the sense of justice and fair play. British subjects naturally had the franchise. He had been informed that this had occurred in other western constituencies as well as Bow River. The leader of the opposition then turned his attention to the soldiers vote, which, he admitted, had proven very favorable to the government, but said he "did not draw the attention of the House to some interesting facts. In the month of November I had the pleasure of listening to an address by the minister of militia in the city of Ottawa, during the course of which he stated that there were 35,000 soldiers in Canada. On the 17th December 54,200 soldiers voted."

"In less than one month the number increased in Canada by 20,000. Where did they all come from? Was a certain number of men put into uniform, not to win the war, but to win the election?"

As to the soldiers vote in Europe, Sir Wilfrid drew the attention of the House to a picture which, he said, was a photograph of one of the London polling booths, on December 2nd. This photograph, showing the interior of the booth and soldiers voting, was interesting, because on the wall of the booth was displayed a poster which read: "A vote against the government is a vote for the Hun." Such a poster in such a place was, said Sir Wilfrid, a violation of the law. If the law could be thus blatantly violated, it was easy to understand how much liberty the soldiers felt in casting their votes.

Continuing, Sir Wilfrid said it was the misfortune of the government that, by their own conduct, they have failed to obtain the moral support which would be theirs if the campaign had been fought under fair and honest methods. As to what is left of the Liberals by these vicious methods, it would be asked: "What is to be our attitude?"

"The answer," said Sir Wilfrid, "is easy. Liberals, Democrats and law-abiding citizens we came back from this fight. We are not as strong in

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Here Sir Robert glanced in the direction of the opposition leader. "He acquiesces," declared Sir Robert. Sir Wilfrid Laurier vigorously shook his head. "No," Sir Wilfrid said, "the outrage was in giving the vote to some and in taking it away from others."

"This remark aroused loud cheers from opposition members. "We did not take it away from anyone," Sir Robert retorted. "We gave it to some women and we hope this session to give it to all."

And this time it was the turn of the government members to cheer. "The election is over now," interposed Hon. Jacques Bureau.

"I said," warmly replied Sir Robert, "if we had given the vote to all women the honorable gentlemen might not have been here."

Sir Robert referred to a statement he had introduced on the election, requesting returning officers to appoint enumerators of both political parties, in the history of confederation, Sir Robert declared, never was an election conducted so fairly.

An outbreak of opposition laughter greeted this declaration. "I suppose," Sir Robert continued, "that the subject which excites the mirth of my honorable friends is the right of denying free speech in some parts of the country," and again government members cheered.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier had referred, in a speech, to a supposed conspiracy to defeat Mr. Oliver. "If he has any charge to bring against the government, or against any officer of the government," Sir Robert declared, "let him make his charge and we will investigate it." In regard to the soldiers vote overseas, Sir Robert was convinced that the men had voted for the government because they realized they had an administration which was disposed to support them by every means in its power. In that the soldiers would find they were not mistaken.

Then Sir Robert outlined the work done by the government in the reconstruction committee of the cabinet, in regard to the Military Service Act. He said that since the proclamation of October 18th last, 25,240 men had been enlisted in Canada and 26,839 sent overseas. Of the 25,240 so far enlisted, 23,206 were enrolled directly under the Military Service Act and 7,946 obtained through the British recruiting mission in the United States. Further, of the 23,206, 3,896 had been apprehended for failing to report.

"I should like to say further," Sir Robert added, "that our forces in France are maintained at full strength. The C. E. F. in France was never at a greater strength than today, and more than that, I think, it was never more determined or more confident."

The necessity for increase in the production of food was emphasized by the premier. He asked the minister of agriculture, who had secured the complete co-operation of the provincial governments. He then went on to read a memorandum dealing with the work of the Canada food board, the results of the conference of representatives of the provincial departments in Ottawa last month, and his efforts to increase food production.

He said that the reports received showed that the acreage this year under cultivation would be larger than ever before. He also stated that plans had been made to secure the enlistment of 25,000 boys in the greater production effort.

"I should emphasize too strongly," said the premier, "the absolute necessity for increased food production. The issue of the war may depend upon the quantity of food produced in Canada and the United States."

Turning to the subject of shipbuilding, Sir Robert said that this was another matter of vital importance. He gave figures showing the work which is being done by the Imperial Munitions Board. This organization had spent forty million dollars for the construction of steel ships and twenty million for building wooden ships. Forty-three steel ships and forty-six wooden ships had been constructed for the Imperial Munitions Board.

An appropriation of twenty-five million dollars had been authorized by the Canadian government for the present year. In connection with the shipbuilding programme, yards at Montreal, Toronto, Kingston, Quebec, Colingwood, Vancouver and other ports were being uncovered by the Imperial Munitions Board and the Canadian government. The department of marine and fisheries had completed plans for four and a half million tons, totalling 23,500 tons. Arrangements had been concluded with the United States for steel building programme. The United States were due to the United States government, which had allowed the purchase of eighty thousand tons of steel in that country at the same price as paid by itself. Sir Robert referred to the legislation in connection with the prohibition of intoxicating liquors and also to the government regulations in regard to packing houses. He also stated that consideration had been given by the government to the suggestion that outside civil service be brought under the civil service commission. This matter had been carefully gone into by

members of the government and the civil service commission and it had been found impracticable, under the present act.

The demobilization of troops, said the premier, is another matter which had engaged the attention of the government during the recess. The department of militia and defence, it had been decided, would retain control of returned soldiers until they were discharged. Then they would come under the control of the new department for soldiers civil re-establishment. He referred to the valuable and important work which was being done by the military hospitals commission.

The work of the Canadian war mission in Washington, the Canadian war trade board and the war purchasing commission, was also mentioned by the premier.

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

DAYLIGHT SAVING.

In the speech from the Throne delivered at the opening of the Canadian Parliament on Monday reference was made to the legislation which Sir George Foster is expected to introduce this season to adopt the plan of daylight saving throughout all Canada during the summer months. The United States has already adopted this system of time and, that being the case, a brief resume of the bill under which the republic to the south will regulate this question is here given.

The bill provides that at two a.m. on the last Sunday of March of each year the standard time in each of the five zones in the United States, shall be advanced one hour and at two a.m. on the last Sunday in October the standard time of each zone shall be retarded one hour. The effect of this is to start all business activities an hour earlier than at present. This will give opportunity for recreation and outdoor work and activities long before sunfall, after the close of business.

While the strong argument advanced for the measure in the U. S. House was the saving of fuel, consumed for illuminating purposes, agricultural experts and conservationists asserted that men employed in offices and factories would have plenty of time through the earlier closing of places of employment to work their gardens and thereby contribute to the food supply of the nation. The bill as it passed the Senate provided that the daylight period shall start on the last Sunday of April and end on the last Sunday of September, which would be for a period of five months. Upon representations from Dr. Garfield and Mr. Hoover, who presented the saving of fuel and the conservation ideas, the House extended the time to seven months.

THE FACTS.

One reason why the United States was so slow in deciding to get into the war on the side of the Allies and in defence of civilization was undoubtedly the fact that to many many thousands of her people it was simply inconceivable that the Fatherland could possibly be as bad as she was painted by those nations which had already joined the fatal issue with her. Throughout the United States as well as elsewhere there was a woeful ignorance of the nature of the real purpose behind the German programme and all the world now understands that it was quite inexpedient if not absolutely impossible for the head of a democracy to declare war before the masses of the people had been acquainted with the facts of the case.

However after several long drawn-out months the mind of the people was sufficiently seized of the situation so that it was possible for the leaders of that great commonwealth to line up alongside of those forces that were already fighting the battle of humanity.

Now that that country is at war it has been felt that the people ought to be still further instructed in the causes that led up to the war as well as to the present nature of the conflict, its purpose and its aim. With this end in view the Government of the United States with its usual foresight and thoroughness has decided to employ a large number of the most eminent public speakers to be had whether in Britain or America whose duty it shall be to travel throughout the land and present the cause of the Allies. Already several most notable men have accepted the invitation extended to participate in this propaganda.

A cablegram from Ambassador Page to the United States National Committee on "The Churches and the Moral Aims of the War," announces that Sir George Adam Smith, has accepted the committee's invitation to make a speaking tour through the United States. Dr. Smith is principal and vice-chancellor of Aberdeen University, Scotland. The purpose of the campaign is to quicken the spirit of America for a vigorous prosecution of the war and show its fundamental purpose—the defeat of autocracy and militarism and to urge the establishment of a Permanent League of Nations for Peace. Among the speakers already mentioned are ex-President Taft, Alton B. Parker, Robert E. Speer, Dr. Charles Butlerland, Fred B. Smith, President Lowell, Frederick Lynch.

WELCOME THE "ORIGINALS."

Within a very few days Canada will have the privilege of welcoming the initial detachment of the gallant men of the First Contingent who, after three years Titanic combat on the western front will reach her shores on a three months' home furlough. The people should give them such a greeting as will voice a nation's tribute to their bravery, should thrill them with the consciousness of their country's commendation and serve as an inspiration to their comrades who are still on service.

The Toronto Globe advocates that every city in Canada should outdo itself in paying honor to the men of the original First Contingent. "This," says the Globe, "is the Dominion's first great opportunity to crystallize the profound public sentiment which exists toward her soldier sons. Here returned in small groups, and their reception has been largely left to relatives and representative officials. The arrival of the coming contingent of the battle-scarred First Division of the well-earned furlough opens the way for the whole citizenship to give enthusiastic and emphatic evidence of its pride and gratitude.

"All over Canada the home-coming of these heroes should be characterized by inspiring community welcomes. The heart of the whole people should speak to these soldier husbands, and sons, and brothers. They should be given such a realization of the deep regard in which they are held by their fellow-countrymen as will stir their souls and fill them with renewed recognition that the things for which they fought—the things for which they cheerfully endured hardship, suffered separation, faced death—were worth while."

There should be an official welcome for these boys in every city and town in Canada that can claim one of them as its own. As the Loyalist City of the Maritime Provinces St. John can well lead in the movement to welcome the men of the First Contingent in a way that will be respected and remembered. The citizens of St. John have not been slow to extend the glad hand to all returning soldiers but the record and service of the men of the pioneer Canadian army deserve something more than an ordinary welcome.

WHY MEN FAIL.

Bradstreet's has been at some pains to account for the business failures in Canada in 1917. Large commercial and financial failures for the year numbered 213, being a slight increase over the previous year.

The result of investigations made is that eighty-five per cent. of the failures were due to personal reasons. That is to say, with the exception of fifteen per cent., the failures were due to causes other than business conditions in the country.

Incompetence, inexperience, lack of capital, unwise credits, speculation (outside regular business), neglect of business (due to doubtful habits), personal extravagance and fraudulent disposition of property are included among the personal faults which brought disaster to so large a percentage of the failing business houses.

A BIT OF VERSE

YOUR CROSS AND MY CROSS.
(Emma Flinty Cox, in Chicago News)
Your boy and my boy,
And how they go today,
From your home and my home,
To the trenches far away!
Brave lads and true lads,
They never think of fear;
Young men and strong men—
We hold them all so dear;
And the one cross, the Red Cross, the
cross for me and you,
Will succor them in every land 'neath
the red and white and blue.

Your heart and my heart,
Throb as though to break,
While your hands and my hands
Garments of comfort make,
Your thoughts and my thoughts
Follow them each day;
For your God and my God
For them we fondly pray;
And the one cross, the Red Cross, the
cross for me and you,
Will succor them in every land 'neath
the red and white and blue.

Your food and my food,
We now must guard and save,
That your flag and my flag
May ever proudly wave,
Your gold and my gold,
Of it we freely give,
That your son and my son
In foreign climes may live;
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A BIT OF FUN

OF COURSE.
"Why does Mr. Bruin hibernate every winter?"
"I suppose he finds it too cold out of doors in his bear skin."

RUGS.
"Nellie is going to be a June bride."
"That so?"
"Yes and her mother is going to be just about crazy when she marries."
"Oh, I see—Nellie is going to be a June bride and her mother is going to be a June bug."—Florida Times-Union.

A NEW WRINKLE.
"I hear that Mrs. Fadd has a new wrinkle."
"The poor dear! She must be aging fast."

SUSPICIOUS PUBLICITY.
The Lady—And you may say we suspect a discharged butler of the robbery.
Reporter—When was he discharged?
The Lady—Oh, we never really kept a butler, but I think it sounds quite well to say we did.—Pearson's

GOT HER MONEY'S WORTH.
Hub—I'm surprised at you wanting a dollar on a fortune teller.
Wife—It wasn't wasted, dear. Now that we are out of coal, it was so comforting to be told that a dark man would cross my threshold.

JUGGED.
Judge—What's your occupation?
Vagabond—None, your honor, just circulating 'round.
Judge—Retired from circulation for thirty days.

A BOY'S BAD BREAK.
A rather dignified lady got a little shock the other afternoon. She called at the house of a new acquaintance and the little fellow who answered the door said that his mother was out. The dignified lady took out a card to leave and in doing so let the tissue about flutter to the ground. The boy glanced at it, "Please'm," he said, "you dropped one of your cigarette papers."

SMALLPOX MAY BE SPREAD BY KISSING BIBLE

(Continued from page 1)
Court opened at 11 o'clock in the forenoon and the following grand jurors answered to their names: Seth Jones, Fred F. Fenwick, R. Westley McParland, Charles M. Fowler, Adino P. Pitt, Perley Fairweather, Joseph Kennedy, Howard Freeze, Edward Kelliher, Walter Burgess, Hilton N. Campbell and John E. Fowler. The grand jurors retired and elected Seth Jones as their foreman, after which they were duly sworn and were instructed by his honor regarding the criminal charge to be submitted to them and also as to their privileges of considering and bringing before the attention of the court any matters they may wish. His honor made special reference to the custom of kissing the Bible on taking oath and expressed the opinion that this custom does not necessarily add solemnity to the oath and might well be dispensed with and some other form of oath adopted. He made mention of one instance where a number of jurors were being sworn and one after another kissing the book, where it was later shown that one of the number had smallpox at the time. He did not ask the grand jury to make any presentment regarding this matter but thought that a change should be made by enactment of the legislature of the province as it had been done already in at least one of the western provinces.

The grand jury then retired to their room and after hearing the evidence offered by the Crown they found a true bill against the accused Daniel F. Porter. The grand jury were then discharged.

The accused, who has been in jail ever since his preliminary hearing and commitment on February 15th, was brought into court and placed in the dock and the indictment being read to him he pleaded not guilty. In answer to questions by the judge he stated that he had not engaged counsel and thought of undertaking his own case. His honor stated to him that counsel would be assigned to defend him if he, the prisoner, wished it but that if he accepted the counsel he could not also take part in the proceedings himself. Porter then declined the offer of counsel and the judge directed that he be allowed to leave the prisoner's dock and take a place by the table.

The work of selecting a jury did not occupy very much time. There were a few peremptory challenges by the accused but none by the Crown and the following were accepted and sworn: Thomas J. Davis, John A. Northrup, J. Harvey Baird, Ernest N. Myers, Tilley Graves, Charles Burgess, Frank P. Boyle, L. J. Murray, Niles E. Marr, Newton Sharp, James Cochrane and Oscar Saunders.

Mr. Pearson briefly outlined the case to the jury and called as the first witness Clinton Ward, the complainant in the case. Ward testified that on Sunday, January 13th, he, in company with Hazen Cook, Douglas McFadden and Dennis Richard, drove from St. John to the place in question off Long Island, to fish through the ice, that in the afternoon he, Ward, and McFadden went up on Porter's land when they were met by the accused who had a double-barrelled shot gun pointed at them and ordered them off, using some rough and abusive language. He stated that when near the shore they were met by the other two of the party, Cook and Richard, who turned with them and went to ward the river with Ward and Cook side by side and behind the others, when a shot was fired striking both of them in the legs below the knees.

Little Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE.
Yesterday afternoon I went in the shoe place to get new heels put on my shoes, which they certainly needed it, and when I took my shoes off to give them to the man who was a big hole in one stocking, which my big toe stuck into, I was looking at it and thinking, G, I never knew it was that big before.
And I sat down on the bench to wait for the man to get throo, and all of a sudden who came in but Mary Watkins with a pair of lady shoes to be fixed, and I quick stuck the foot with the hole in it under the bench, and she sed, Hello, Benny, I didnt know you was in here.
Im waiting for my shoes to get heels on, I didnt expect you heer, I sed with my foot still away underneath the bench. And Mary Watkins gave the shoes to the man and sat down alongside of me, saying, Ill sit heer and wait for you.
I mite take a long wile, in case youre in a hurry, I sed.
I aint, sed Mary Watkins.
It mite take pritty near a hour, almost, I sed.
Wat, just for heels? she sed, my goodness, wat you got your leg stuck away under the bench like that for?
Sumthings the matter with it, I sed.
How do you mean, a cramp? sed Mary Watkins.
It must be, I sed, and she sed, Well then you mousent stick it away under like that, thats bad for it, wat you must do is kick it rite strate out in front of you hard as anything, go ahead, quick, Ma thinking, O well, I mite as well, everybodys got a big toe. Only I didnt, and Mary Watkins sed, Well, wy dont you kick it out?
I dont want to, I sed, and she sed, Dont be foolish, hurry up, kick it strate out in front of you hard as you can.
It mite make it worse, I sed, and she sed, Benny Potts, thats a insult, if you dont kick your leg strate out in front of you ill never speak to you agen.
I dont want to, I sed. And Mary Watkins got up and wawked rite out, and I quick pulled my leg out on account of it starting to get a reel cramp in it.

They then all drove to St. John as quickly as possible and Ward and Cook were taken to the hospital where their wounds were treated and the shot taken from them.
Ward's evidence was corroborated in the main by Cook, McFadden and Richard. Ward and Cook showed the scars in their legs.
All these witnesses were cross-examined by the accused who showed considerable skill in so doing.
Dr. Ralph Ramus gave evidence of having treated the men at the General Public Hospital and of having made an X-ray examination of their wounds. Plates were shown and placed in evidence. A number of small shot were shown and identified as having been extracted from these wounds.

This closed the case for the Crown and court adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock in order to secure the attendance of a number of witnesses for the defence for whom subpoenas had been issued today.



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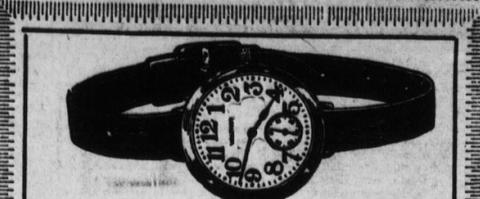
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OBITUARY
Two Children Dead.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson of 18 Brindley street, have the sympathy of friends in the death of their son, William James, aged nine years, who died yesterday.
Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. McLeod will be sorry to learn of the death of their infant daughter, Viola Dorothy, which occurred Monday at their home, 311 Brussels street.

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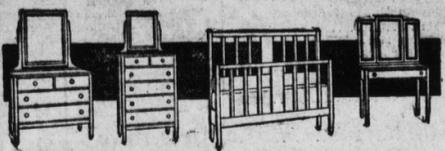
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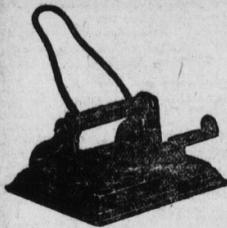
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LETTER FROM EAST AFRICA TO RETURNED MAN

Soldier Writes He is Encamped in Rubber Plantation—Can Frequently Hear the Lions Roar—New Brunswick with the Unit.

While the soldiers in France this winter have been undergoing considerable hardship with the severe weather, there is a great difference with the brave Canadians and others who are fighting for their King and country in East Africa. In this part of the world it is a frequent matter for the soldiers to be encamped at a place where at night their rest is at times not disturbed by the roar of the lions.

John W. Bonnell, a returned soldier, recently received a letter from a chum soldier, Robert J. Carson, which is rather interesting and reads as follows:

January 13th, 1917.
Mikeast, East Africa.
Dear Old John—
Time still goes on and changes take place daily but the terrible war seems no nearer the end.

Well, John, it's a long time since I heard from you, although I have received a post card this year, for which I am very grateful. Some happy and unhappy experiences have come my way since I last wrote and I might let you know them as they may interest you.

Firstly, I have been to the coast, a 120 miles run, with a mental case and I did not forget to make good use of time, although I only spent the one day as I wanted to be back for New Year's in the hospital, for you know what New Year is to a Scotchman. I might say we had a concert and feed on that evening but it could not be compared with the Chabry feeds—(camp at Alexander, Egypt).

Well, John, I will close now hoping that you are all keeping well at home as I am here.
Your loving Chum,
BOB.

P.S.—We have a Canadian officer here who was born at Miramichi, New Brunswick, in Lawson and he says that you must know his father, he is Doctor Lawson, and has a big practice. If he is anything like his son he is a proper gentleman.—Bob.

SYRUP OF FIGS FOR CROSS, SICK FEVERISH CHILD

If little stomach is sour, liver torpid or bowels clogged.

Mother can rest easy after giving "California Syrup of Figs," because in a few hours all the clogged-up waste, sour bile and fermenting food gently moves out of the bowels, and you see a well, playful child again. Children will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, and they become tightly packed, liver gets sluggish and stomach disordered.

When cross, feverish, restless, see if tongue is coated, then give this delicious "fruit laxative." Children love it and it can not cause injury. No difference what all your little one—full of cold, or a sore throat, diarrhoea, stomach-ache, bad breath, remember, a gentle "inside cleansing" should always be the first treatment given. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups are printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then look carefully at the seal that is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." We make no smaller size. Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup.

BRILLIANT RAIDS BY FRENCH BRING MANY PRISONERS

(Continued from page 1)
The ground was very unfavorable to the French attack, owing to the clayey soil, in which immense shell holes from former battles had become filled with water to a depth of some six feet. Among these the raiders were forced to pick their way under the constant peril of slipping in and drowning. The artillery preparation, however, was so overwhelming that the French met with but slight opposition to their progress.

REGULAR SESSION OF THE PRESBYTERY

Rev. F. H. Thompson Accepts a Call to Knox Church, Loggieville—Rev. W. Townshend of Fairville Elected Moderator—Other Business Transacted.

The regular session of the Presbytery of St. John was held yesterday morning when it was announced that Rev. F. H. Thompson, pastor of Calvin church, had accepted a call to Knox church, Loggieville. After prayer and the reading of the minutes Rev. W. Townshend of the Fairville Presbyterian church, was elected moderator. Rev. Frank Baird was again confirmed in his position of clerk. Peter Campbell was re-elected treasurer and Rev. F. S. Dowling treasurer of the traveling expenses fund.

The question of calls was taken up. The first was that of Rev. Mr. McPherson of Stanley and Nashwaak, who had received a call from the congregation of Blackville. Rev. J. A. MacKegan saw no reason for the translation.

Mr. McPherson said that he felt that he should remain in his present position, but left himself subject to the will of the Presbytery. The call was accordingly set aside.

Regarding the call to Rev. R. H. Stavers, Norton, Brookfield, P. E. I., J. W. Robertson, D. J. Booth and Mr. Chambers, representing the Norton congregation, spoke of the good work done there by the pastor, and were in favor of his remaining. Mr. Stavers said that he felt he should accept the call, and asked that translation be granted after the last Sunday in May. On motion of Rev. F. S. Dowling the request was granted.

An application of Rev. Mr. Elson, St. Matthews, for admittance to the Presbytery of Canada was taken up and after members of St. Matthew's had spoken of the good work being accomplished by him, and a general discussion of the application, it was decided that the application of Mr. Elson to be accepted as licentiate be approved and transmitted to the assembly, if application and credentials submitted are satisfactory to the Presbytery.

A report on Home Missions adopted by Rev. James Ross was submitted in part and other sections set over for discussion until later.

A motion of condolence to Rev. James Ross on the death of his brother, Mr. John T. Ross, K. C., was passed.

until a half hour before the time it had been arranged for the attack to begin. Then, the German gunners, were evidently suspecting that something was afoot, and along the line after which quiet reigned again, until with a thunderous crash, all the French batteries opened fire simultaneously, the signals flashed and the infantry went over the top. The objectives at the various times previously arranged. Then groups of prisoners began coming back, and eventually the Frenchman, after accomplishing their work of destruction, returned to their own lines, bringing further squads of captives, the total reaching eighty.

Meanwhile the German artillery, which is very active here, had opened up with a heavy barrage and counter-battery firing but without effect. Soon after daylight the front was again calm.

On the other side of the Meuse, the Germans took the initiative in the course of the day Sunday at Sarrigneux, Bezonvaux, and Carrières Wood, executing raids which cost them dearly in casualties and achieved only small results.

American officers, attached for instructions to French units, were in the raids upon Cheppy and Malacourt Wood.

DEAD IN WOODS

Shelburne, N. S., Mar. 18.—The body of Ebenezer Harrington has been found in the snow at Sable River. He was apparently overcome in the woods two miles from his home. He was 74 years of age.

American Smelting and Refining plant in Agua Caldas, Mexico, closes, refusing to submit to heavy tax levied by state government; 2,900 Mexicans thrown out of work.

Philadelphus, Pa. Do you wear glasses? Are you a victim of eye strain or other eye weakness? If so, you will be glad to know that according to Dr. Lewis there is real hope for you. Many whose eyes were failing say they have had their eyes restored through the principle of this wonderful free prescription. One man says, after trying it: "I was almost blind; could not see to read at all. Now I can read everything without any glasses and my eyes do not water any more. At night they would pain dreadfully; now they feel fine all the time. It was like a miracle to me." A lady who used it says: "The atmosphere seemed hazy with me without glasses, and my eyes do not water any more. After using this prescription for fifteen days everything seems clear. I can even read fine print without glasses." It is believed that thousands who wear glasses can now discard them in a reasonable time, and multitudes more will be able to strengthen their eyes so as to be spared the trouble and expense of ever getting glasses. Eye troubles of many descriptions may be wonder-

AN ENJOYABLE SHAMROCK TEA

Under Auspices of St. Matthew's Church Young People's Society—The Ladies in Charge.

A very enjoyable shamrock tea was held last evening in the school room of St. Matthew's church under the auspices of the Young People's Society. A very dainty tea was served. The tables were prettily decorated; the color scheme being of course green with a profusion of shamrocks in evidence. The young ladies serving were pretty decorations of green, while Miss Louise Schroeder presented a particularly charming appearance in a quaint Irish costume. Music was furnished by a Victrola, and also by a green parrot, the latter if not an artistic temperament was equally entertaining.

Rev. H. L. Eisenor, pastor of the church, made a few introductory remarks and Rev. W. M. Townshend, of the Fairville Presbyterian church, asked grace. There was a large attendance, those present thoroughly enjoying the novel features of the tea. Miss J. Keih was the convener and was assisted by Mrs. Robt. Carson, Mrs. H. McCain, Mr. H. Smith, Mrs. Colwell and Mrs. McLean. The serving committees included Miss M. Daley, Mrs. H. McDonald, Miss E. Turner, Mrs. Stanley, Miss O. Gregory, Miss Schroeder, Miss J. Hunter and Miss M. Fulton. Miss Gladys Murray took tickets.

MEAT INJURIOUS TO THE KIDNEYS

Take a tablespoonful of Salts if Back hurts or Bladder bothers

We are a nation of meat eaters and our blood is filled with uric acid, says a well-known authority, who warns us to be constantly on guard against kidney trouble.

The kidneys do their utmost to free the blood of this irritating acid, but become weak from the overwork; they get sluggish; the eliminative tissues clog and thus the waste is retained in the blood to poison the entire system.

When your kidneys ache and feel like lumps of lead, and you have stinging pains in the back or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment, or the bladder is irritable, obliging you to seek relief during the night; when you have severe headaches, nervous and dizzy spells, sleeplessness, acid stomach or rheumatism in the joints, become weak from the overwork; take four ounces of Jad Salts: take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast each morning and in a few days your kidneys will act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys, to neutralize the acids in urine, so it is no longer a source of irritation, thus ending urinary and bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink, and nobody can make a mistake by taking a little occasionally to keep the kidneys clean and active.

The following is a list of callers at New Brunswick Government Office, 37 Southampton street, Strand, London, W. C. 2, up to February 23rd, 1918:

Feb. 18.—Lieut.-Col. S. B. Anderson, C. F. A.; Lieut. R. T. Patchell, St. John, 25th N. S. Batt.; Cadet J. P. Bourgeois, Moncton, R. F. C.; Feb. 20.—Lieut.-Col. H. Perley, St. John, C. F. A.; Pte. Leo Mac-Major A. J. Brooks, Gagetown, 104th Batt.; Pte. H. K. Jack, Moncton, 10th Batt.; Lieut. R. W. Heine, Moncton, R. N. A. S.; Feb. 21.—Lieut. H. H. Weeks, Moncton, Can. For. Corps.

Feb. 22.—Lieut. J. P. Bourgeois, Moncton, Can. For. Corps.; Lieut. J. H. Moncton, Can. For. Corps.; Lieut. J. H. Moncton, 44th Batt.; Lieut. W. Grant Smith, St. John, Can. For. Corps.; Mrs. William Vassie, St. John, R. N. A. S.

Doctor Tells How To Strengthen Eyesight 50 per cent In One Week's Time In Many Instances

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fully benefited by following the simple rules. Here is the prescription: Go to any active drug store and get a bottle of Bon-Opto tablets. Drop one Bon-Opto tablet in a fourth of a glass of water and allow to dissolve. With this liquid bathe the eye two to four times daily. You should notice your eyes clear up perceptibly right from the start and inflammation will quickly disappear. If your eyes are bothering you, even a little, take steps to save them now before it is too late. Many hopelessly blind might have been saved if they had cared for their eyes in time.
Note: Another prominent Physician to whom the above article was submitted, said: "Bon-Opto is a very remarkable remedy. Its constituent ingredients are well known to eminent eye specialists and widely prescribed by them. The manufacturer's guarantee it to strengthen eyesight 50 per cent in one week's time in many instances or refund the money. It can be obtained from any good druggist and is one of the very few preparations I feel should be kept on hand for regular use in almost every family." It is sold in this city by Wasson's Drug store and others.

THE ST. ROSE'S DRAMATIC CLUB SCORED A SUCCESS

Large and Greatly Pleased Audiences in St. Rose's Hall Yesterday—The Heart of a Shamrock Was Well Performed.

In St. Rose's Hall, Fairville, yesterday afternoon and evening, before capacity houses, the St. Rose's Dramatic Club presented their annual St. Patrick's Day play in aid of the Catholic orphanages in the city. The play presented was one of the most successful that the club has put on for some time, and was capably directed by J. J. O'Toole. Much credit is due to Mr. O'Toole and also the players in the able manner in which they performed. This is the first appearance of the club since an entirely new cast of players took part, with the exception of A. E. Trainor and Miss Alma O'Toole. Miss Eileen McGrath as May, an Irish rose, and A. E. Trainor, as Bob, the Sheriff, took the leading roles and they certainly deserved the well merited applause which was given.

Tomorrow evening the Dramatic Club will present a new play entitled "Daughters of Dixie," a very pretty pastoral piece in which Miss Helen Gillis and Miss Agnes Malloy have the leading parts. The cast for yesterday's performance is as follows: James O'Neil, the doctor... J. Calnan Bob, the sheriff, his brother... "Laddie," his youngest brother... Leo Rogers Grizzly Adams, a cattleman... H. V. Upton May, an Irish rose... Miss Eileen McGrath Gad, a city wail... Miss Alice Murphy Mrs. Donovan, the housekeeper... Miss Marion Rogers Joan, a ranchman's daughter... Miss Alma O'Toole

Synopsis— Act I—Sitting room in Dr. O'Neil's home. Evening, about 7 o'clock. Act II—The same. About 11 o'clock. Act III—The same. One hour later.

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These are just examples of what my treatment can accomplish. Let me send you more proof at my expense. DR. R. NEWMAN, Licensed Physician 288 Fifth Avenue, New York, Desk K-264.

HOW TO GET RELIEF FROM CATARRH

If you have catarrh, catarrhal deafness, or head noises go to your druggist and get 1 oz. of Parmit (double strength), take this home add to it hot water and just a little sugar as directed in each package. Take 1 tablespoonful 4 times a day.

This will often bring quick relief from the distressing head noises. Clogged nostrils should open, breathing become easy and the mucus stop dropping into the throat.

It is easy to make, tastes pleasant and costs little. Every one who has catarrh should give this treatment a trial. You will probably find it is just what you need.

FOOD SOURING IN STOMACH CAUSES INDIGESTION, GAS

"Pape's Diapiesin" ends all stomach distress in five minutes.

Wonder what upset your stomach— which portion of the food did the damage—do you? Well, don't bother. If your stomach is in a revolt; if sour, gassy and upset, and what you just ate has fermented into stubborn lumps; head dizzy and aches; belch gases and acids and eructate undigested food; breath foul, tongue coated—just take a little Pape's Diapiesin and in five minutes you wonder what became of the indigestion and distress.

Millions of men and women today know that it is needless to have a bad stomach. A little Diapiesin occasionally keeps this delicate organ regulated and they eat their favorite foods without fear.

If your stomach doesn't take care of your liberal limit without rebellion; if your food is a damage instead of a help, remember the quickest, surest, most harmless relief is Pape's Diapiesin which costs only fifty cents for a large case at drug stores. It's truly wonderful—it digests food and sets things straight, so gently and easily that it is really astonishing. Please, for your sake, don't go on and on with a weak, disordered stomach; it's no unnecessary.

Painless Extraction Only 25c.

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If you can't get all that you should, it's all the more important that you should have the other tried-and-true remedy for a torpid liver and bowels that don't act freely and naturally.

Take one pill every night; more only when you're sure it's necessary.

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Colorless faces often show the action of iron in the blood. Carter's Iron Pills will help this condition.

Never Be Without Herbine Bitters

CONTAINS the active principles of Iodine, Mandarake, etc. and is an old-fashioned remedy that has been on the market over 30 years and cannot be displaced because of real merit. As a Blood Purifier—cleanser of foul stomach and tongue—cure for headache and biliousness it has no equal. Specially valuable at this time of the year when the blood is sluggish from indoor living. Family size, 25c. at your store. Five times as large \$1.00.

NOTICE

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THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE WORLD OF FINANCE

VICTORY LOAN BONDS 5 1/2% Due 1922-1927-1937 Price 93 7-8 and interest. Eastern Securities Co. Ltd. 110 Prince William Street, St. John, N. B.

N. Y. QUOTATIONS. (McDOUGALL & COWANS) Table with columns: Open, High, Low, Close. Includes items like Am Car Ferry, Am Loco, Am Can, etc.

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UNITED STATES GOV'T BOND ISSUE \$10,000,000,000 Delay in Taking Over Dutch Vessels in American Waters, German Chancellor's Declarations That No Signs of Peace Are Visible, Halted Stock Market.

New York, Mar. 19-Delay in taking over the Dutch vessels now in American waters, the German chancellor's declaration that no signs of peace are visible, and intimates that the next government bond issue may total ten billion dollars, gave pause to the stock market today.

United States Steel oscillated fractionally over and under its final quotation of the previous day, but managed to show a slight net gain with increased demand for equipments and popular war issues.

CHICAGO PRODUCE (McDOUGALL & COWANS.) Chicago, Mar. 19-Corn, Nos. 2 and 3 yellow, nominal; No. 4 yellow, 1.25 to 1.45.

TORONTO PRODUCE (McDOUGALL & COWANS.) Toronto, Mar. 16-Quotations are as follows: Ontario Wheat No. 2 winter \$2.22 basis in store Montreal; Manitoba wheat, No. 1 northern, \$2.23 1/2 in store.

MONTREAL SALES. (McDOUGALL & COWANS.) Morning. Can Loco-10 at 59, Can Car-80 at 25 1/2, Civic Power-25 at 74 1/2.

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CANADA COTTON IN MONTREAL STRONG Directors Announce Dividend of Six Per Cent.—Seven Point Rise in Stock.

Montreal, Mar. 20-Canada cotton was the feature of today's trading. The directors of the company today announced dividend at the rate of six per cent on the common, compared with the last declaration at the rate of four per cent.

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LIQUIDATION IS RUMORED IN UNION PACIFIC AND C.P.R. Predictions Are Being Made in Well Informed Financial Circles That the War Will Last Two or Three Years More.

New York, Mar. 19-The activities would probably have reacted without the Dutch take-out by the bear element. Further irregularities and possibly reactionary tendencies are expected after moderate rallies.

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WALL STREET IN A WAITING POSITION Irregular Recoveries Took Place in Early Afternoon.

New York, Mar. 20-Irregular recoveries took place in the early afternoon, and on a dull market, the close being above the previous close.

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SHERIFF RECEIVES THE FINAL RETURNS Local Opposition Candidates Lost Their Deposits—R. W. Wigmore Leads Poll by the Small Majority of 17 Over Stanley Elkin.

The full returns of the recent federal election in St. John-Albert have been received by Sheriff A. H. Wilson as follows: Under Part 3 of the Dominion Elections Act:

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TRANSPORTATION Tourists, shippers and importers are hereby informed that, notwithstanding the fact that two of the steamers which have been operating on the CANADA-WEST INDIES SERVICE

THE ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET COMPANY, 27-29 Granville Street, Halifax, N. S. CHANGE OF TIME Fall and Winter Time Table of the Grand Manan Steamship Co. GRAND MANAN ROUTE

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVAL SERVICE ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE OF CANADA. The next annual examination for entry of Naval Cadets into this College will be held in May, 1918.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS Transfers in real estate have been recorded as follows: St. John County, Sarah A. Callinan, 1/2 per mortgage to J. J. Stohart, property in Stanley street.

BUNCH OF... Only Import Bill to Inc to the Ea Others... (Fredericton, Mar. 19) at three o'clock. Bills to amend the act and reporting in the act also an act to provide for the government of the island and passed. Hon. Mr. Yeniot is the house the 63rd the minister of public works given for Friday. By Hon. Mr. Smith the amount paid to the year; also as to seed grain and cost of the government; also and appointment in Carleton county bridge repairs in the village, Northumberland. By Mr. Pinder as a petition from the Company for an amendment to the act incorporating the Rule of the Hon. Mr. Veniot-tion from Percy W. persons in the city smaller number. Rothney, Woodville, Fairville, Hampton praying that the rule changed from left to right. Mr. Dyrart pres of James Jardine a for the passage of the Rightabout an light district. Mr. Crockett pres of the town of De water system and town. Mr. Allan pres the Tabusiac Boon passage of an act to incorporating said corporation for the Hon. Mr. Murray tion for the passage of the act incorporating the act incorporating the Village Inc Hon. Mr. Foster the incorporation of the that a number of Rothney had asked that he was

BUNCH OF ROUTINE STUFF IS BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE

Only Important Item in Afternoon Session is the Bill to Incorporate Small Villages—Queries as to the Earnings of Messrs. Jones, Hughes, and Others—Public Utilities Charges.

(From Official Report).

Fredericton, Mar. 19.—The house met at three o'clock.

Bills to amend the towns incorporation act and the act relating to short-hand reporting in county courts, and also an act to provide an annuity to Jane Dickson, were read a third time and passed.

Hon. Mr. Veniot laid on the table of the house the 63rd annual report of the minister of public works.

The following notices of enquiry were given for Friday next:

By Hon. Mr. Smith (Carleton) as to the amount paid to Wendell P. Jones for services to the province during the year; also as to amounts owing for seed grain and cost of greater production convention; also as to the dismissal and appointment of game wardens in Carleton county; and also as to bridge repairs in the Parish of Rogersville, Northumberland county.

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Part 3 of proposed act deals with a village council; how it shall be organized; who are qualified to serve as councillors and who may vote at a councillor's election; the time of meeting of the council; but no provision is made for the election of a mayor. Authority is given however for the election of a chairman and the holding of the necessary regular and special meetings. Other sections apply to the proceedings of council meetings set forth who may be chairman, and define his duties, and also tell how vacancies in the council may be filled and provide for the disorganization of the council and the winding up of its affairs on the order of the minister.

Part 3 of the act is devoted almost wholly to the machinery of election in connection with the council including the meetings for nomination of candidates, the providing of polling places, appointment of returning officers, acceptance of candidates, the different notices of formation of electors, the machinery in connection with the actual poll to be held for the election of councillors, the kind of ballot to be used, directions for the guidance of voters and the proceedings at the poll. The secrecy of the ballot is protected and provision made for having a fair election. Provision is made for an election recount if one is demanded, and the necessary proceedings in connection therewith.

Municipal Officials.

Part 4 of the act relates to municipal officials and their appointment as well as the organization of the administration for the village. Different sections set forth how appointments shall be made by the council, who shall be eligible to fill certain offices, the length of their term of office, and the protection of the people by bond and otherwise. The duties of the secretary-treasurer and those of the auditors are clearly outlined.

Part 5 of the act deals with by-laws and general powers and duties of council, which are given power to pass such by-laws as they may deem expedient for any and all purposes that relate to the health of the village, the prevention of disease, the beautification of the streets, the establishment of public markets, and penalties for light weight and short measurement, the prevention of cruelty to animals, the restraint of dogs and taxation of their owners, the licensing of traders, the removal of garbage, regulating the storage of explosives, preventing obstruction of streets, the carrying out of all laws (provincial or otherwise), for taking a census of the inhabitants, for regulating and controlling the water supply (whether in wells or otherwise) and preventing pollution of the same, for regulating erection and repair of buildings and exits and entrances of churches, halls and places of amusement, for fixing the quality and weight of bread, erection of slaughter houses, the inspection of dairies, licensing billiard and pool rooms, bowling alleys and shooting galleries, for controlling and licensing motor liveries and stables, for licensing milk dealers, for the prohibition of the erection of buildings to be used as livery stables, blacksmith shops, laundry, etc., except in such parts as the council may designate, and for building and controlling or otherwise acquiring a plant for supplying electric light for the village.

The powers and duties of councils include the laying out, construction, repair and maintenance of roads, bridges, culverts, and any other necessary public work in the interests of the village, and the construction of drains subject to the provisions of the public health act.

Power is taken also for the issue of debentures which may be necessary for the acquiring of any land or right-of-way easement for the use of the village, either for the purpose of a water supply or fire protection, or for the installation of an electric light plant. Before such loan is provided the consent of the provincial secretary-treasurer shall be applied for, and then the council shall notify the electors of its intention to borrow money for the purpose named and an election shall be held to determine whether or not the electors favor the by-law authorizing the loan. Section 2 of the bill gives the necessary authority for the levying of taxes, while the appointment of an assessor and assessments are dealt with in other sections.

Provision is also made for collectors and receivers of taxes and their powers are set forth in detail.

Certain appropriation powers are authorized in the act, so far as they relate as to what is in the public interest of the village. Further provision is contained in the act for the protection of the people in the area which desires to be organized.

He hoped that hon. members would give the bill which he regarded as very important legislation their very earnest and careful consideration. The bill was read a first time.

General Public Hospital.

Hon. Mr. Murray submitted the annual report of the St. John General and Public Hospital for 1917.

Hon. Mr. Foster, pursuant to notice moved, seconded by Hon. Mr. Byrne, the following amendment to Rule 14: which was unanimously adopted: "If from any cause it should occur that a sitting of the House be held on the day to which it is adjourned, the clerk shall enter such fact in the journal, the reasons for such omission and the names of the members present at the time, and all the business of the House shall stand adjourned till the next sitting."

Hon. Mr. Veniot moved that the highway bill be placed on the order of the day for reference to a committee of the whole House.

Hon. Mr. Smith (Carleton) said he had no desire to obstruct the business of the House, but as many hon. members were absent he trusted that the hon. minister would be able to defer consideration of the bill until a later stage.

Mr. Foster said that he had discussed the matter with the hon. minister of public works, and he had thought it advisable to get the bill before the House as early as possible. The non-contentious feature of it might be passed and other sections stand until the hon. leader of the opposition could be present.

Mr. Smith (Carleton) said that he thought it highly important that the bill should be held over until more hon. members could be present.

Hon. Mr. Foster said that while he would grant the request of the hon. member, he wanted him to understand that the bill had been introduced early, and that the government was prepared to go on with it without delay. He would suggest that another bill be taken up.

In Committee.

The House then went into committee with Mr. LeBlanc in the chair and took up consideration of the bill to authorize the cancellation of a certain grant.

Hon. Mr. Smith explained that the grant referred to in the bill consisted of 100 acres of land in the Parish of Altwick, Northumberland county, which had been granted to one Pierre Dolron in July, 1916.

The bill was agreed to.

The House went into committee with Mr. Legor (West) in the chair and took up consideration of a bill to authorize the province to loan money to the board of commissioners of Public Utilities.

Mr. Smith (Carleton) asked if the meaning of the bill was that the province would loan \$4,500 to the board of commissioners to be repaid.

Hon. Mr. Foster in reply said that the board of commissioners had been making an appraisal of the value of the property of the St. John Power Company of \$4,500, or that amount the city of St. John would pay one-third. The balance would be raised by an assessment imposed by the board of commissioners of the Public Utilities of the province.

Hon. Mr. Robinson said the board of commissioners of Public Utilities had large powers and handled much money, but did not appear to be responsible to anybody. No report was presented and no accounts were filed.

It would be expected that the legislature would receive some report of the proceedings of this body. The board seemed to be a power unto itself although its powers were increasing.

Mr. Potts thought the board could raise this amount by assessment without bringing the bill before the House. He was surprised to hear the statement of the hon. member from West-land that no report had been presented.

Hon. Mr. Foster pointed out that the members of this board were employed for long periods, and were under heavy expense. Assessment upon the public utilities for expense would take some time, and it would not be fair to ask the commissioners to raise a loan personally.

On that account this bill had been introduced. With regard to a report, he said that the act under which the board operated evidently called for no report in that regard the act might well be amended.

Recently the chairman of the board of commissioners had presented him with a statement of expenses for the past year. In that time \$2,175 had been assessed on the St. John Railway Co., \$1,739 upon the New Brunswick Telephone, \$606 on the Moncton Tramways. A small balance had been raised generally upon the public utilities. Statements for preceding years

also had been handed in. Mr. Smith (Carleton) asked if money ever had been advanced before. In the present instance St. John might well stand all the expense. He understood of course that the province stood to lose nothing.

Hon. Mr. Foster said that the members of the board would be responsible for this money. The expenditure of the board was large and unusual. The province would lose nothing in making this loan.

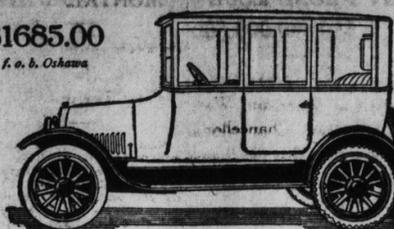
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Hon. Mr. Byrne explained that this bill was introduced because complaints had been made of excessive fees charged to soldiers overseas, who have been called upon to execute documents. The judge advocates department had written to him concerning these complaints and asked that remedying legislation be enacted. The bill gave power to officers commanding regiments to make acknowledgment in connection with the execution of documents and to issue certificates, the registry office to accept such certificate as evidence of execution.

Progress was reported.

The speaker left the chair to resume at 8.30 p. m.



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Alkali in Shampoos Bad for Washing Hair

Don't use prepared shampoos or anything else, that contains too much alkali, for this is very injurious, as it dries the scalp and makes the hair brittle.

The best thing to use is just plain mulford coconut oil, for this is pure and entirely greaseless. It's very cheap, and beats anything else all to pieces. You can get this at any drug store, and a few ounces will last the whole family for months.

Simply moisten the hair with water and rub it in, about a teaspoonful is all that is required. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, cleanses thoroughly, and rinses out easily. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and is soft, fresh looking, bright, fluffy, wavy and easy to handle. Besides, it loosens and takes out every particle of dust, dirt and dandruff.

THE HOME THE WORLD

NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

THE MOVIES THE PLAYERS

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

ST. JAMES' W. A. ANNUAL MEETING Devotional and Business Sessions Held Yesterday—Mrs. John Kee Re-Elected President.

The annual meeting of the St. James' branch of the Women's Auxiliary of the Holy Communion was held yesterday. A celebration of the Holy Communion was held in the church at nine-thirty yesterday morning when the rector, Rev. H. A. Cody, gave an address taking for his subject, 'The Star went before them.' The subject of the address was the value of an ideal.

At six o'clock the members assembled in the schoolhouse for the business session, Mrs. John Kee presiding. Excellent reports were heard from the officers.

Mrs. John Hay, Diocesan Dorcas secretary was present and gave an address which was much appreciated. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Mrs. John Kee; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Clarence Dixon; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Pearson; 3rd vice-president, Mrs. O'Shaughnessy; secretary, Mrs. Ryder; treasurer, Mrs. C. Marvin; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. Purchase; extra care a day treasurer, Mrs. Walter Vaughan; leaflet secretary, Mrs. Robert Murray; superintendent of Juniors, Mrs. R. G. Dibble; delegates to the Diocesan Annual, Mrs. Clarence Dixon, substitute, Mrs. Pearson.

SPRING'S NEARNESS.

Still are the forests barren of all buds, And all the woods of wild flowers. But, behold, the vernal winds are blowing, Within a week, or less, the invading hosts, Myriad and many as the stars of heaven, Shall utterly invade these woodland ways; When every foot of soil shall lift and boast Its bud of blossom or balsam-beaked leaf, Brazing of beauty to the passer-by; Beggared and bankrupt of all words of praise. —Madison Cawein, in the Christian Science Monitor.

STOMACH TROUBLES ARE DUE TO ACIDITY

Tells Safe, Certain, Speedy Relief For Acid Indigestion.

So-called stomach troubles, such as indigestion, gas, sourness, stomach-ache and inability to retain food are in probably nine cases out of ten, simply evidence that excessive secretion of acid is taking place in the stomach, causing the formation of gas and acid indigestion.

Gas distends the stomach and causes that full, oppressive, burning feeling sometimes known as heartburn, while the acid irritates and inflames the delicate lining of the stomach. The trouble lies entirely in the excess development or secretion of acid.

To stop or prevent this souring of the food contents of the stomach and to neutralize the acid, and make it bland and harmless, a teaspoonful of bisurated magnesia, a good and effective corrector of acid stomach, should be taken in a quarter of a glass of hot or cold water after eating or whenever gas, sourness or acidity is felt. This sweetens the stomach and neutralizes the acidity in a few moments and is a perfectly harmless and inexpensive remedy to use.

An anti-acid such as bisurated magnesia which can be obtained from any drugist in either powder or tablet form, enables the stomach to do its work properly without the aid of artificial digestants. Magnesia comes in several forms, so be certain to ask for and take only Bismarck Magnesia, which is especially prepared for the above purpose.

Music in the Home

CLEAN-CUT WORDS PLEASE THE AUDIENCE.

Somewhere in one of Andre Messager's songs the words go something like this: "So long as a tune has a right good swing, tra, la, la, la, la, la, la, it doesn't much matter what words you sing, tra, la, la, la, la, la, la." No person would deny that Messager has very cleverly and humorously put that thought to work in this particular song—"Music in the Home." But the fact remains that in most songs and choral works, the words are considered of great importance often specially written. In the face of this some soloists and choral singers act as if they failed to realize the necessity of clear enunciation. Could these people but hear the remarks passed by those in the audience there might be more of a striving to improve in this respect.

To the person who attends a recital concert or church service the words mean a very great deal. The audience is not captivated by the singers who give most thought to making sure the tune has a right good swing at the sacrifice of the words. There are few, if any who will take exception to the statement of Dr. Henry Coward on this subject. Dr. Coward says: "Conductors must fight against the ever-present lingual inertia of their singers. By patterning how to say words, giving short articulatory exercises, coaxing, storming, ridicule and praise, he must ever be on the alert to enforce clean-cut expressive articulation so as to convey the inner meaning of the words spoken."

"What is it that makes the silly banalities of the variety and musical comedy stage receive rapt attention? It is the clipped-out, carrying words of the performer. The singer may have a voice like a rasp, or may suggest a cracked saucupan, but the well-patterned words make up for the vocal deficiencies. This is the lesson all conductors and chorus singers must learn if they wish to carry the public with them. Therefore let each have for a motto 'Words! Words! Words!'"



Furs will be clung to for some time yet as the March winds are searching. The close-fitting turban illustrated has a corn-colored crown of fancy braid, the brim of peacock blue porgrette, a wired bow of iridescent metal with flower garniture is the only ornamentation.

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Weak, Worn Out, Gassy, Sour Stomach Revived and Made to Enjoy Food With Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Most of us eat three times a day and often forget that each meal should be disposed of in the stomach to make room for the next. The failure of the stomach to do this is called indigestion or dyspepsia, with its sour risings, gas, rumblings, pain, depression and thin feeling of stiffness when breathing is difficult.

The most effective remedy and the most reliable one, because you can get it at any drug store in the United States or Canada, is Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, at 50 cents a box. Instead of depriving yourself of food or going on a starvation diet simply keep on as you have and let these tablets straighten out your stomach, digest the food and keep you in the fight.

SOLDIERS' COMFORTS

An Easter Appeal for the Boys in the Trenches.

The executive of the Soldiers' Comforts Association will make a strong plea on March 30th for funds to carry on their work. Owing to the fact that no civic grant was available this year, it was decided to bring the needs of this association before the ever-generous public.

The records of the Soldiers' Comforts Association for 1917 show that over 22,000 pair of socks, besides caps, mittens, mufflers, trench-shirts, tobacco and assorted comforts were forwarded to England and from there to France, for the use of the men who had down the battle line in France and Flanders. Some cases have even reached our men in Africa. Hundreds of letters from officers and men on active service, testify to need of this work being carried on while war lasts. With this thought in mind at Easter time we look for a generous response.

SEAMEN ENTERTAINED

The visitors at the Seamen's Institute last evening would have been assured that that institution has a very bright and cheery welcome for the men. Over four hundred seamen were entertained there last evening by members of the Young Women's Patriotic Association who also served refreshments during the evening. A great deal of talent was contributed by the men themselves and the whole entertainment was greatly enjoyed. Mr. Hew Walker contributed to the programme and assisted in every way. The canteen here is in full swing and has been splendidly patronized, the committee in charge being Miss Dorothy Robson, Miss Helen Church and Miss Gladys Baxter, with members of the Y. W. P. A. and the Canteen committee of the Institute assisting.

S. C. A. OF WEST SIDE HOLD SHAMROCK TEA

The ladies of the West Side Soldier's Comforts Association held yesterday in the Prentice Boy's Hall West Side a Shamrock Tea. Very wisely the committee did not spend much time on decorations thinking it better to put that time and energy into their valuable work but the tables looked very pretty with their green candles and shamrocks. A delicious supper was served from five till seven which was enjoyed by a number of people. The proceeds are for the work of the West Side S. C. A. of which Mrs. W. A. Fraser is president.

OPERA HOUSE

TODAY Annual St. Patrick's Day Performances in Aid of the Orphans MATINEE at 2.15 TONIGHT at 8.15 and Tomorrow Night The "STRONG HEART" Presented by a Select Local Cast Under Direction of MRS. A. C. D. WILSON Evening—Lower Floor, 50c. Balcony, 35c. to All. MATINEE TODAY 25c. to All.

IRISH NIGHT AT ST. DAVID'S

Delightful Evening of Irish Melodies Given Last Evening—Story of Songs Told.

A Night in the Emerald Isle, was the title of a pleasant entertainment given in the school room of St. David's church last evening. The varied programme was enjoyed by a large audience. The proceeds of the entertainment are to go towards the building fund of the church.

The programme was arranged by Miss Ethel Shaw, assisted by Mrs. Archibald, Mrs. Lahey and Mrs. J. M. Barnes. Miss Shaw read an interesting paper on the origin and history of Irish Music. Piano duet—Selection from the Bohemian Girl—Mrs. J. M. Barnes and Mrs. L. F. Archibald. Solo—An Irish Lullaby—Miss Emma Rand. Solo—The Kerry Dance—Miss Blenda Thompson. Reading—'Believe Me, It's All Those Dearest Young Charms.'—Miss Bailey. Solo—Killarney—Capt. Blako. Solo—Come Back to Erin—Miss Climo. Trio—(a) Gift in the Silly Night. (b) The Wearin' of the Green—Miss Climo, Mrs. Lahey, Mrs. Archibald, National Anthem.

PARCELS FOR PRISONERS OF WAR

Word has been received from the post office department at Ottawa that the German authorities have issued a memorandum to the effect that parcels for prisoners of war interned in Germany must be addressed to the "parent" (or main) camps to which the prisoners belong and must not bear the names of any branch or working camps or of any other place to which the prisoner might be detailed for special services.

The memorandum states that prisoners who have been detailed for services outside the "parent" camps have been enjoined by the German authorities from the very first, to inform in this sense any relations or other persons from whom they expect to receive postal parcels. Parcels for prisoners of war in hospitals also come within the meaning of these regulations.

In the interests of the prisoners it is therefore essential that these regulations should be strictly adhered to as otherwise the German authorities will not deliver the parcels to the prisoners of war for which they are intended, and it is suggested that persons in Canada when writing to prisoners in Germany should be certain definitely to name the "parent" (or main) camp so that they can comply with the regulations of the German authorities in addressing parcels to prisoners.

BRITISH WOMEN AND THE WAR

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Here are some of the figures quoted by Miss Fraser: One and a quarter million women doing work formerly done by men. Eight hundred thousand women in munition plants. Two hundred and fifty-eight thousand women on the land. Eighty-three thousand women in government offices. Forty thousand women somewhere in France working at military bases. Sixty thousand women voluntary hospital workers. Between six and seven hundred wo-

ANDOVER

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Miss Alice Lane, Fort Fairfield is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Patrick Herferman.

Mr. David Ogilvy and Miss Flora Ogilvy of Oxford were in town on Tuesday on their way to Fredericton. Mrs. Atkinson of Florenceville has been visiting at the home of her brother Rev. J. S. McPadden. The many friends of Mr. McPadden regret to know of his critical illness.

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"The Rink"—"Dan Deering." Chaplin in "The Rink," one of his very funniest creations, is offering at the Unique for today, and it is the picture which everyone talked at the time it was first put on. It is of course a repeat for it has been so popular that has been screened a number of times. How the nimble comedian ever does the marvelous feats of skating the twists and turns, the nearly falling and not quite, are a mystery to all beholders.

The second film is "The Truth About Dan Deering," a story with a decided western flavor and one that will find favor with those who enjoy a nine reel show today.

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Miss Alice Lane, Fort Fairfield is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Patrick Herferman.

Mr. David Ogilvy and Miss Flora Ogilvy of Oxford were in town on Tuesday on their way to Fredericton. Mrs. Atkinson of Florenceville has been visiting at the home of her brother Rev. J. S. McPadden. The many friends of Mr. McPadden regret to know of his critical illness.

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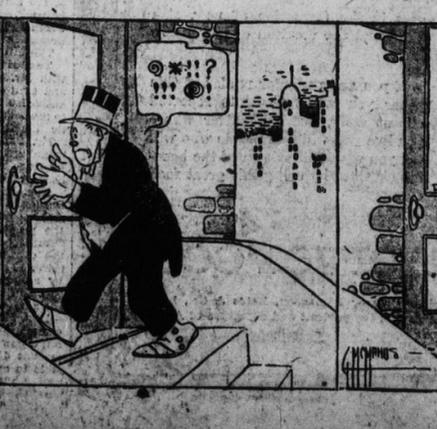
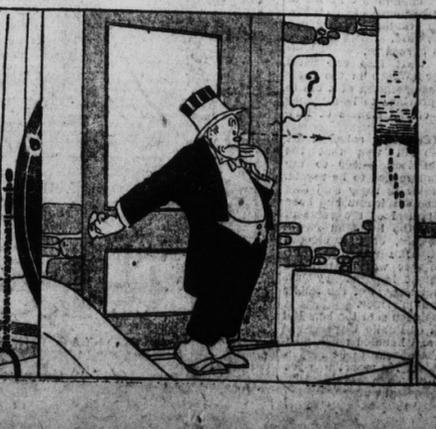
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Sporting News

BOWLING

ROSES WIN FOUR.
The Roses Junior bowling team of
the Y. M. C. U. defeated McAvity's Jun-
iors on the Victoria alleys last night,
taking all four points. The scores
were as follows:
Roses—
Moore 85 70 60 215 71-2-3
Russell 82 84 73 239 79-2-3
Sullivan 69 82 74 225 75
Hazelwood 86 78 98 252 84
McMann 75 88 82 240 80
398 392 381 1171

McAvity's—
Fleet 59 59 61 179 59-2-3
Cheeman 80 92 76 248 82-2-3
Lawlor 84 81 87 252 84
Seely 80 75 64 199 66-1-3
Johnson 62 68 90 220 73-1-3
345 375 378 1098

DOUBLE-HEADER ROLLED.
A double-header was played last
night on Black's alleys in the City
League and this brought the third
series to a close with the Nationals the
winner of the series by one point.
The first game was between the
Nationals and Sweep and the Nation-
als took three points and the Sweep-
one. The second game was between
the Nationals and Beavers and again
the Nationals captured three points to
one for their opponents and "copped"
the series.
Tonight the fourth series will start
and the contending teams will be the
Beavers and Cubs.
Following are the teams and scores
of last night's games:

MURRAY BELL WON.
A three mile race for the long dis-
tance amateur championship of St.
John was held at the Victoria Race
last evening after the tenth heat. The
following entries were made: D. Mc-
Laughlin, P. McLellan, F. Gorman, E.
Kane, H. Garnett, G. Tracey, W. Bell
and M. Bell.
The race was full of interest and
was won by Murray Bell with Harry
Garnett second, ten minutes and
forty seconds.
A silver cup was presented to the
winner.

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Hackley, 197 tons, Gulf to north side
Cuba, lumber, at or about \$19; Geo.
J. Boyce, 303 tons, same; Florence
Howard, 355 tons, Virginia, lumber; H.
J. Janssen, coal, p.t.; Eleanor F. Bar-
ram, 320 tons, Rio Janeiro to North of
Hatteras, coffee, p.t.; May June;
Rosemary, 709 tons, South Africa to
West Africa, coal, and back to North
of Hatteras, mungo, p.t.; Danish
Str. Uffe, 1164 tons, West India trade,
one round trip, 25c, March; Nor. Str.
Lyseljord, 597 tons, Philadelphia to
Havana, coal, p.t., prompt; Str. Par-
also, 855 tons, Hampton Roads to Ha-
vana, coal, at or about \$7.50, prompt;
Nor. Str. Vestnorge, 690 tons, Virginia
to Cuba, coal, p.t., prompt.

THE POLICE COURT.
In the police court yesterday the
alleged wool stealing case was resumed
and after some evidence was heard an
adjournment was made till Friday.
Carl Polling, a bookkeeper in the
employ of F. W. Daniel and Co., was
charged with stealing \$536.54 from the
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**Synopsis of Canadian North-
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years of age, who is at the commencement of the
present year, and has since continued to be, a British
subject or a subject of an allied or neutral country,
may homestead a quarter-section of available
Dominion Land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, or
Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at
Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for Dis-
tribution. Entry by proxy may be made on certain
conditions. Duties—Six months residence upon
and cultivation of land in each of three years.

In certain districts a homesteader may secure
a adjoining quarter-section at pre-emption,
price \$100 per acre. Duties—Reside six months
in such of three years after earning homestead
patent and cultivate six months in each of three
years, cultivate 30 acres and erect a house worth
\$100.

Holders of entries may obtain time of employment
as farm laborers in Canada during 1917, as resi-
dence duties under certain conditions.

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

W. W. CORY,
Deputy Minister of the Interior
H.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advice
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NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE—Is hereby given
that a Bill will be presented for enact-
ment, at the next session of the Pro-
vincial Legislature, the object of which
is, to amend the Act in relation to
"An Act to provide for the Govern-
ment of the City of Saint John by an
Elective Commission of the City."
The object of this Bill is to provide
that at any Civic Election the Com-
mon Council may take a plebiscite on
any question or measure by printing
on the civic ballot such form as it
thinks desirable, the question or
measure on which it desires the
opinion of the Electors.
Dated at the City of Saint John, N. B.,
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HERBERT E. WARDROPER,
Common Clerk.

THE GOODWIN TEAM WON.

The A. L. Goodwin team captured
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night on the Y. M. C. U. alleys. Fol-
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Around the City

FAIR AND MILD.

A WELCOME HOME. Members of the first contingent who arrived Monday were given a formal welcome by the mayor and citizens reception committee yesterday.

DESERTER BROUGHT HOME. The military police arrived in the city from Fredericton yesterday with Pte. Murdoch, a deserter from the 236th Battalion.

TALK ON FISHING. Rev. G. F. Scott gave a most interesting talk on "Fishing to the older boys of the Y. M. C. A. last evening at their regular weekly supper. This concludes these gatherings for this season.

A 26TH MAN ILL. Information was received yesterday by Mr. and Mrs. Percival Powell, 314 Carmarthen street, that their son, Sgt. Roy Powell, of the original 56th Battalion, has been admitted to hospital in England suffering from tuberculosis.

INCORPORATED CO. Howard P. Robinson, Richard Sullivan and Thomas Bell have been incorporated as the Thompson Machinery Co. Ltd. with a capital stock of \$48,000, in \$100 shares. The object is to conduct the business of the Thompson foundry and machine shop at Grand Bay.

COMMISSION WERE TODAY. The commission which is making an enquiry into the pilotage system throughout the Dominion will arrive from Montreal on the express today and will commence the investigation in the Board of Trade rooms this afternoon. All persons interested are invited to be present.

JUDGMENT IS ENTERED. In the case of E. H. Fairweather vs. Foster estate, Justices Crockett, recently after hearing application and counsel for defendants, ordered judgment to be entered for the defendants, with costs. Mr. H. A. Powell, K.C., and Mr. J. F. H. Tiedt for the plaintiff; Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, K.C., Mr. Fred Taylor, K.C., and Mr. E. P. Raymond for the defendants.

KING'S COLLEGE ADVANCE MOVEMENT AT CHATHAM. Canon Verboe, organizing secretary of the King's College advance movement, spent Sunday last at Chatham, preaching at St. Paul's and St. Mary's. Chatham's contributions have now reached \$1,200 and the work of canvassing is still going on. The energetic local secretary-treasurer is Geoffrey Stead.

RECEIVES BELGIUM MEDAL. Friends of Herbert Goodspeed will be pleased to learn that news has been received in the city that the young soldier has received the Belgian Croix de Guerre and has also been recommended for the D. C. M. Private Goodspeed went over with the 11th Battalion and was shortly afterwards transferred to the 26th Battalion. He is not yet nineteen years of age.

STR. BATISCAN VICTIM. Herbert Small of North Head, Grand Manan, is one of the officers of the steamer Batiscan, believed to be lost. He shipped as third engineer. He had just received his qualifying papers as an engineer after work at Manan. He went to Louisburg, C.B., to make the trip, and it proves to be his first and last as a qualified officer. He leaves his wife at North Head and a brother, Harry, of this city.

THE CONNELL BOYS. Among the recent arrivals from overseas is L. B. Connell, aged 18 years, and son of Mrs. Mary Connell of 81 Erin street. He is the youngest of three brothers with the 149th to be drafted to the 25th and saw much service. He was wounded in the thigh. His brother, Pte. Orr J., was killed last spring and another brother, Fred, is now with the 26th in France.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED. Mr. James A. Stevenson of Woodstock, N. B., announces the engagement of his sister, Hester Knight Stevenson, to Ensign Ralph Palmer Evans, N. A. of the United States Naval Flying Corps. Ensign Evans is a graduate of West Point, New York, Norwich Military University, and the department of Naval Aviation of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

MISSION IN ST. MARY'S. Another large congregation was present at the mission service at St. Mary's church last evening. The recitor took his text from the nineteenth chapter of St. Luke: "Zacchaeus, the Publican." A very delightful solo, "Why Not Say Yes Today" was rendered by Mr. Allan. These services will continue every evening except Saturday.

THE RIVER BOATS. D. J. Purdy who was in Fredericton yesterday en route to Gagetown is quoted as saying that only one steamer, the D. J. Purdy, will be on the route between Fredericton and St. John during the coming season, and the steamer will make three round trips a week. The steamer Premier which was purchased by St. John parties last year will run on the route between St. John and the head of the Grand Lake.

BOYS ENTERTAINED. Mrs. A. J. Mulcahy entertained the members of the Boys' Club in their rooms on Union street last evening and about sixty members were present. Mrs. Mulcahy was assisted by Mrs. H. C. Groat and Mrs. W. C. Good and the boys were provided with cake and ice cream cones. Short talks were given by Mrs. Good, Hon. R. J. Ritchie and A. M. Belding. There was a mandolin solo by Percy Reid, piano selections, Mrs. Mulcahy, chorus by three boys, step dance, Peter Perry. The boys and the entertainers spent a delightful evening.

MYSTERY ENCIRCLES THE DEMERARA RUM AT POLICE STATION

Cup Containing Rum Found Near Cell Where Seized Liquor is Kept—Constable Removed from the Guard Room to Patrol Duty—May Be Investigation.

Recently the city of Halifax experienced a theft of liquor from its city hall and many were the conjectures as to the fate of the intoxicants. Judging by rumors in the police force of St. John it looks as though an investigation is to be called concerning some Demerara rum which has been stored in one of the cells at the Central Station. As a result of a shake-up in police circles yesterday it is reported that Police Constable Sheehan will ask for an investigation to ascertain the reason why he was taken out of the guard room and placed on night duty as a patrolman.

It is reported that yesterday morning near the cell door in which was stored the liquor seized by virtue of the prohibition act there was found a cup with some Demerara rum in it. The presumption which followed this discovery was that some one outside the cells had been tampering with the liquors on the inside. It is reported that the cup and contents were found by the man who makes the fires in the morning.

A strange thing in connection with the incident is that as far as the Standard can learn none of the officers on duty at night carried a key to the padlock on this particular door. Officer Sheehan when asked by the Standard representative last night what steps he intended to take to ascertain the reason of the transfer was non-committal. However it is understood that he has been advised by friends to take the matter up with the commissioner of public safety.

The other officer on duty in the guard room has been transferred to day duty. It also appears that Police Constable Minley forgot to leave the cell keys at the station before leaving yesterday morning and it was necessary to send to his residence for them. It is likely that developments will follow.

Two other officers have been placed on duty in the guard room and entered upon their duties last night.

DEMONSTRATION OF A PULMOTOR

Com. McLellan Procures One for the City—Members of Salvage Corps Had Machine Explained to Them Last Evening.

Thanks to the efforts of Commissioner McLellan the city is now the owner of an up-to-date pulmotor and last night a demonstration of the way to proceed in the resuscitation of a person who has been in the water long enough to lose consciousness, or one who had been overcome by smoke or some in contact with a live wire and been shocked.

The demonstration was given by J. G. Tremblay, of the firm of Tremblay Brothers, Montreal, from whom the pulmotor was purchased. Mr. Tremblay is a son of the chief of the Montreal fire department and has always taken a keen interest in fire apparatus. The demonstration was given in the rooms of No. 1 Salvage Corps, and members of both city corps were present.

Capt. MacIver called the meeting to order and then asked Commissioner McLellan to state the reason for calling them together. The commissioner then in a few words told of his efforts to secure an up-to-date pulmotor and introduced Mr. Tremblay, who gave a very clear explanation of the mode of procedure when using the machine to resuscitate the victim of drowning or electricity. The pulmotor is a very simple machine and any person can operate it as it works automatically when once started and adapts itself to the size of the lung of the person being resuscitated.

The first thing is to get the mouth of the victim open and for this purpose there is a machine which forces the teeth apart; the next thing is to take a pair of pliers and pull the tongue out as far as possible and then a rubber mask is placed over the face and the machine starts to pump oxygen into the lungs and as it exhausts draws any foreign substance out of the lungs. As soon as the lungs begin to work for themselves the machine starts to work very quickly and this tells the operator that it is time to switch off. A change is made to another mask and pure oxygen is pumped into the lungs until the person is fully recovered.

This pulmotor will be placed in the care of the Salvage Corps.

COMING EVENTS CAST THEIR SHADOWS. We're Dressing Windows for the Spring Fashion Opening. It is to be a style event, at this early season, which we feel sure will have few if any peers, in even the largest cities on the continent.

ENJOYING HOLIDAYS WHEN STEAMER SUNK

E. M. Phillips, Engineer of Ill-fated Batiscan Was in St. John. When His Ship and Crew Were Lost.

Another firm believer in the old adage its better to be lucky than rich, has been won in the person of E. M. Phillips of South Wales. Mr. Phillips was a member of the crew of the S. S. Batiscan, but was enjoying a few days' holidays from the steamer. He is in St. John and is registered at the Clifton House. Yesterday he was the recipient of many congratulations for his narrow escape from a watery grave. Mr. Phillips was employed as engineer on the steamer.

SMOKE HELMET DEMONSTRATION

Will Be Given a Trial Today by Representative of LaFrance Company, the Makers.

It is expected that a demonstration of the smoke helmet which has been on exhibition in the windows of Blake's store, Germain street, for some days will be held some time today if a suitable place can be arranged for. Commissioner McLellan has been looking for a place with a concrete floor and brick walls in which a fire of hay, tar and bags can be started, and these make the worst smoke to fight and J. G. Tremblay, who represents the LaFrance Company, the makers of the helmet, will give a demonstration of its use.

The helmet is made of leather with glass windows for the eyes and looks something like a diving helmet. Attached to the helmet is a nickel tank holding compressed air and this will keep a man supplied with air for thirty minutes. The whole outfit only weighs about five or six pounds and can easily be carried around. There is a gauge which registers the amount of pressure and by means of two valves the person wearing the helmet is able to regulate the amount of air coming through the pipe and can get much or little as needed. Each of the windows is equipped with a little brush to remove the moisture caused by sweating and this removes the danger of the person wearing it being blinded temporarily by water on the glass.

OLD FOLKS' CONCERT GREATLY ENJOYED

Y. P. A. of Knox Church Gave Delightful Entertainment Last Evening—Proceeds for the Famine Sufferers in China.

The second of the Old Folks Concert held under the auspices of the Young Peoples Association of Knox Church was held last night and such was the impression made by the one that last night every seat in the house was occupied and many were unable to gain admittance. The concert was directed by Miss Catherine Wilson, church organist, and was a success from every point of view. The offerings which were taken for the benefit of the famine sufferers at that place.

INTERESTING LECTURE. Rev. G. F. Dawson, pastor of Exmouth street Methodist church, last night delivered a most interesting lecture on the "Origin of Language" before the Natural History Society. He dealt with the various theories of the origin of language and stated that all of them had some basis in fact. The Christian theory was that God gave man the power to talk and in the exercise of that power language had been invented and more words were added as the need arose. There was also an exhibition of a number of old books most of them in a splendid state of preservation. The oldest volume was one of 1537.

OFFICERS INSTALLED. The installation of officers of Union Royal Arch Chapter No. 4 took place in the Masonic Hall, West St. John, last evening. The installation ceremonies were conducted by ex-Comp. E. B. W. Ingraham, P. G. S., as follows: W. R. Bennett, H. P.; G. M. Ballie, King; E. G. Horn, scribe; D. C. Clark, treasurer; W. L. Stewart, secretary; E. B. W. Ingraham, P. S.; W. Carter, C. of H.; C. W. Harrington, R. A. C.; C. L. Jenkins, M. I. V.; W. Neish, M. Z.; F. Nice, M. C. V.; W. L. Ellis, tyler.

FIVE SCHOOL BOYS OBTAIN CARTRIDGES; ONE LAD INJURED

Touched Match to Explosive Under a Pail—Lorne Spragg Receives Severe Wounds in Leg—Matter is Being Investigated.

An accident happened on Monday afternoon in the "foundry yard" so called, on City Road, when a boy had his leg quite badly injured by the explosion of a cartridge loaded with some metallic substance, the exact nature of which Dr. Allingham who attended him was unable to state last night, as he had not removed any of the particles from the wound.

Five boys, Charles Green, William Marr, Lorne Spragg, Frank Howard and Alvin Pheneey were playing with a number of cartridges obtained by them when one broke it in two pieces, they then placed the pieces under a tin pail and touched a match to them. An explosion followed and young Spragg, who touched the match to the cartridge, received a number of wounds in the leg. Dr. Allingham was summoned and dressed the wounds. Yesterday morning an X-ray was taken but it was found that the bones of the leg had not been touched and no serious consequences are expected from the accident.

Yesterday in consequence of a rumor that these cartridges were circulating among the boys of the Winter street school the principal, W. A. Nelson, made an investigation.

He found that Frank Howard had given some of the boys cartridges and one of the boys went home and brought one which had been given him by the Howard boy to Mr. Nelson. The cartridge is about two inches long, the size around of a lead pencil and has attached to it two wires three or four yards long, supposed for attachment to an electric battery.

It was reported that an unknown man had given one of the boys ten of these cartridges and one of the boys at school yesterday said that the Howard boy had told him he could get lots of them.

Frank Howard was not at school yesterday and it was impossible for Mr. Nelson to question him on the matter but a further investigation will be held.

MEMBERS WANTED FOR NAVY LEAGUE

Meeting of Executive of New Brunswick Held Yesterday—Daughters of Empire Will Be Asked to Assist.

A meeting of the executive of the New Brunswick Division of the Navy League was held yesterday afternoon, Colonel Sturges, the president, being in the chair, when steps were taken to further organize and active efforts will now be made for members. Full report of the annual meeting held at Montreal was read and the new constitution submitted. It was learned that the Dominion council have undertaken a large financial re-organization and expect to get several hundred thousand members throughout Canada. Large grants were made to Naval and Seamen's Institutes in Halifax and Vancouver, and \$2,000 per month was voted to the Overseas Relief Fund of the Navy League. London. The results of the appeal made in December last in Canada resulted in subscriptions of \$286,600. There was a grant made for expense of organizing a boys' naval brigade, and gratuities to those boys who passed the examination.

The constitution as finally amended was submitted at the meeting. The member's fee has been fixed at \$2.00; annual members \$1.00, while if more than one member of a family joins the league the fee will be \$1.00 only. It was decided to ask the Daughters of the Empire throughout the province to help the league to obtain members, and immediate steps will be taken to further this.

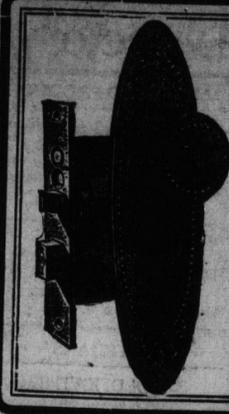
The president announced that he had a supply of badges and buttons to be worn by all members. The executive was completed by the election of Mr. H. C. Schofield as honorary treasurer, and Mr. C. B. Allen who consented to act as honorary secretary.

It is hoped that local branches will be formed in all the cities of the province. The presidents of such branches will be members of the provincial general committee.

It was announced that on St. George's Day a Flag Day would be held for the league, and a telegram was received from the Dominion president in Montreal approving the night, and it is understood there will be a Dominion wide appeal for the same purpose that day.

TRAINS WITHDRAWN. Temporary withdrawal Nos. 7 and 8 trains between New Glasgow and Sydney owing to continued severe storms causing serious interruption in movement of freight, and in order to facilitate the handling of coal from Sydney collieries and material for shipments urgently required trains 7 and 8 between New Glasgow and Sydney will be temporarily withdrawn as follows:—Last trip No. 7 from New Glasgow to Sydney will be on Wednesday night, March 20th; last trip No. 8 from Sydney to New Glasgow will be on Thursday night, March 21st. These trains will run on present schedule between Halifax and New Glasgow. It is expected through service will be restored about April 1st.

COLLECTIONS FOR ORPHANS. The St. Patrick's Day collection at St. John the Baptist church, Rev. F. J. McMurray, rector, amounted to \$100. At Holy Trinity church, Very Rev. Mgr. J. J. Walsh, V.G., the sum of \$149.75 was collected. The Cathedral collection totalled \$789. These annual collections are for the benefit of St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum, Cliff street, and St. Patrick's industrial Home, Silver Falls.



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