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## The Liner "Appam" was Captured on Jan. 15th Off Canary Islands by A German Raider

Seven Oother Vessels Were Captured and Destroyed in Rapid Succession—Besides Her Original Crew and Passenger List Ship Has 138 Survivors of the Other Seven Ships Sunk by Submarine—Ship Now Closely Guarded—No One Allowed on Board

NEWPORT NEWS, Feb. 1.—The British West African liner Appam, given up for lost, was brought into Hampton Roads this morning, flying the German man-of-war flag, with a German prize crew of 22 men commanded by Lieut. Berg. She was captured at sea on Jan. 15, four days after she left Dakar, British West Africa. The Appam brought her original passengers and 138 persons, said to have been taken from an English ship from Australia. About 425 persons, including passengers and crew, are aboard the ship.

While Lieut. Berg came ashore to pay his respects to Col. Haynes, Commandant at Fort Monroe, quarantine officers were on board the ship and no one was permitted to come ashore. The Appam was captured off Canary Islands on Jan. 15th by a German submarine which a few hours before had sunk a British steamer.

NEWPORT NEWS, Feb. 1.—There are 451 persons aboard the Appam, including 138 survivors of the seven ships sunk by the submarine which captured the Appam; 20 German civilians being transported from Africa to England, to be placed in detention camps; 155 members of the Appam's crew; 116 original passengers, of the Appam, and the prize crew of 22. Many passengers on the Appam are women and children. There are also several British Colonial officials who were returning to England from Africa. There are four wounded sailors, who were taken from one of the sunken ships which resisted capture and was shelled.

According to information gleaned from those who talked with Lieut. Berg, the Appam was captured off Canary Islands on January 15th by a German raider. That day British news reports said, wireless communication with the vessel suddenly ceased. A prize crew was placed on board the same day, and the submarine which captured the Appam gave chase after another British steamer bound from Australia with a cargo of meat. The ship gave battle, but was captured and sunk after a large portion of the cargo had been taken off. Six more vessels were then destroyed in rapid succession, it is stated, and their crews taken on board the Appam, which ran due west across the Atlantic for Hampton Roads. When the Appam passed Virginia Cape early to-day she took on board a pilot. She was asked by the Fort Monroe wireless station who she was, and the reply was, it is stated, she was the German cruiser, Buffalo. When she arrived off Old Point Comfort a quarantine officer went aboard, and after inspection brought Lieut. Berg

## OFFICIAL

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To Governor, Newfoundland:

LONDON, Feb. 1.—Headquarters in France report that a party entered the German trenches and inflicted about forty casualties, destroying two machine guns. Two enemy grenade attacks failed south of Givency. Russia reported that the enemy bombarded Shloek, west of Riga. A considerable increase in deserters is noted in Eastern Galicia. In the Caucasus as the result of a fortnight's operations, the enemy have been dislodged from a region forty miles long. The Russians descended from the mountains into this region; it forms a suitable encampment for the troops during winter.

In the Kameruns further progress is reported. Many deserters are surrendering, fully armed.

LONDON, Feb. 1.—Zeppelins attempted an extensive raid last night, but were hampered by mist. Bombs were dropped on several towns in the rural districts of Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire and Staffordshire. Fifty-four persons were killed and sixty-seven injured.

The Appam, the missing West African liner, is safe. She was taken into Norfolk, Virginia, by an enemy submarine prize crew.

BONAR LAW.

## Collision Reported Off Cape Race

Boston, Mass., Feb. 2.—A wireless message indicating a collision at sea between two steamers at a point near Cape Race, Newfoundland, were picked up several stations on New England Coast late to-night.

The identity of the vessels was not disclosed. One ship was said to be sinking and the other stating she was badly smashed but sent word she would stand by.

Soon after there came to the listening stations on this coast the low powered succession signals which spelled out "I am sinking; come save me." This call was signed J.T.D. No response was heard, but somewhat later a wireless message sent ashore said second vessel was out of sight. Whether this was intended to record its sinking was not indicated.

One of the mysteries that a man has so far failed to solve is the reason why a woman cries when she is glad.

## On the Various War Fronts

LONDON, Feb. 2.—Except for a German infantry attack north-east of Arras, which was checked by a fusillade of hand grenades thrown by the French, artillery duels have been predominating on the Western front.

A single infantry attack near Monte Ronbon, where the Italians repulsed the Austrians, is the most important operation aside from the usual artillery actions reported from the Austro-Italian front.

From Riga to the Stripa River there have been several infantry engagements in which the Austro-Germans were worsted by the Russians, according to Petrograd, but fighting on this front also has been more by big guns.

In Montenegro and around Scutari and in Albania, the situation is unchanged.

## Germans Destroy Newport Cathedral

BERLIN, Jan. 29.—(via London).—The Cathedral at Newport, says the German official statement, issued this afternoon, has been destroyed by our artillery fire, as it was offering an excellent observation post.

Newport is a town of Belgium, ten miles southwest of Ostend. The Cathedral at Newport was built in the fifteenth century and restored in 1903. The church had a massive baroque tower. The roof of the church was made of modern timber. It contained a Gothic pulpit, renaissance choir stalls and roof loft and a sculptured altar in the baroque style of 1630.

## TWO MEXICANS EXECUTED

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 23.—With a curse upon their lips against the American people, two young Mexicans, brothers, were shot to death by a Carranza firing squad in the Juarez cemetery at 6:07 this morning, for the murder on Friday afternoon of Bert L. Akers, an American ranch-er, of Ysleta, Texas. Bernardo and Frederico Duran, the executed men, were to their death standing shoulder to shoulder against the whitewashed adobe wall of the cemetery. They fauced the firing squad with undaunted bravery, refusing to be blindfolded and fell together at the first volley.

## Arrival of Missing Liner Creates Impression that German Sub. May be In American Waters

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—The British Consul-General here to-day notified British shipping to keep a watch out for German submarines in American waters. Information received at the Consulate from private sources leads them to believe that a submarine had accompanied the captured Appam on the voyage across the Atlantic.

LONDON, Feb. 1.—The arrival of the Appam at Hampton Roads was a complete surprise to shipping men here, as the steamer was given up for lost several days ago, and a list of the passengers, numbering 166, was given out to-day by the steamship company. The last word from her was a wireless message on January 15th. Several other merchant ships were on the same route as the Appam, and the capture of this steamer created anxiety concerning others.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—According to Lloyd's register there is a German ship named Mowe, commanded by Capt. C. Berg, which is the same name as that of the commander who brought the Appam into port. The Mowe is given as a ship of 553 tons net, built in 1912. She is 241 feet long, 36 feet beam and draws 18 feet 8 inches. She is described as equipped with submarine signals and wireless, and has 220 horse power engines.

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## Nothing Definite Yet Decided On

Washington, Feb. 2.—Until it is decided whether the German commander aboard the British steamer Appam brought the ship to American port as a prize of war or as a converted auxiliary cruiser of the German navy, there will be no determination of the American Government's course respecting the ship. When certain formalities have been complied with the ship's passengers including several British Colonial officials they will be released and their deposition passed on by the Immigration Authorities. Any prisoners of war will be released because International Law permits no holding of war prisoners in a neutral country.

The United States then finally will have to deal with the German crew under Lieutenant Berge and if they are accounted for in the naval service of Germany as were the crews of the Prinz Eitel Friedrich, and Kronprinz Wilhelm, already interned at Norfolk navy yard, they too will be interned un-

he said that the vessel had among her passengers, the Governor of Sierra Leone, Sir Edward Merewether, and his wife. The passenger list showed 80 first class, 27 second class and 9 third class passengers.

NEWPORT NEWS, Feb. 1.—The steamers sunk by the raider which captured the Appam are given as the trader Ariadne, Corbridge, Ariabena, Dromonty, Farrington, Clan Macclavish and Arthur.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The German cruiser Mowe is given in official lists as a surveying ship. She is 160 feet long and has 32 foot beam, and draws 9 feet. She has a speed of ten knots and a displacement of 640 tons. Three small guns compose the armament. She is listed as carrying 85 men.

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## Late Air Raid on England Was On a Large Scale

LONDON, Feb. 2.—54 persons were killed and 67 injured in last night's zeppelin raid. The figures in regard to the casualties were contained in an official statement issued here this afternoon. The text of the official statement follows:

"An air raid last night was attempted on an extensive scale. It appears the raiders were hampered by a thick mist. After crossing the coast the zeppelins steered in various courses and dropped bombs on several towns, in the rural districts of Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire and Staffordshire. Some damage to property was caused. No accurate reports were received until a very late hour. Casualties notified up to the time of issuing this statement amounted to 54 persons killed and 67 injured. With one exception, last night's raid caused the greatest number of casualties of any since the beginning of the war. On the occasion of the last attack on London, made on the night of October 13th, 55 persons were killed and 114 wounded, according to official statement. Unofficial reports said the total was much greater, it being estimated between 150 and 300 killed.

London, Feb. 2. (latest).—Additional official statement issued this evening is as follows: "Further reports of last night's raid show the evening's air attacks covered a larger area than any previous occasion. Bombs were dropped in Norfolk, Suffolk, Lincolnshire, Leicestershire, Staffordshire, Derbyshire, the number injured being estimated at 220. Except in one part of Staffordshire the material damage was not considerable. In no case was any military damage caused. No further casualties are reported.

## No Great Damage In Recent Raid

LONDON, Feb. 1.—The press comments at length on the Zeppelin raid last night, but no official details have been made public in addition to the War Office statement to the effect that six or seven airships passed over the Eastern, North Eastern and Midland counties of England, dropping a number of bombs. At the time the announcement was made it was said that no considerable damage had been reported.

The Manchester Guardian says that that city was the centre of attraction to Zeppelins. The territory roughly outlined in the British official statement might be construed as including the City of Manchester, which is thirty miles from the western coast of England, and 164 miles north-west of London. It is a city of vast manufacturing interests, a number of fine public buildings and a population of over 550,000.

## British and French Forces Successful in the Kameruns

LONDON, Feb. 2.—Success for both British and French forces in campaigning in Kameruns, German colony, Western Equatorial Africa, is announced in an official statement given out to-day as follows:

Further information from West Africa states that the French column under Lieut. Col. Faucon occupied Eholowa (Southwestern Kamerun) on January 18th, after meeting very slight resistance; while the British column under Major Coles engaged the enemy 20 miles northeast, driving them back and taking 13 German prisoners. No British casualties are reported.

Lieut. Col. Haywood arriving at Eholowa on the 24th immediately took up pursuit of the enemy, capturing Mafub, 17 miles south. He reports he had 22 casualties, and was advancing on Nkan. On the same day the enemy was driven from Ngat by the French, who had 14 casualties.

General Dobell telegraphing on Jan. 25 stated he had received information that the Kamerun coast line itself was cleared of the enemy.

## NARROW ESCAPE FOR VON DER GOLTZ.

NEW YORK, N.Y., Jan. 29.—A News Agency despatch from Athens to-day says:—

"The Turkish Imperial yacht Erthogroat, which was torpedoed by a French submarine in the Bosphorus, four weeks ago, had abroad Field Marshal Von Der Goltz.

"Field Marshal Von Der Goltz is said to have been en route to Bagdad to take command of the Turks in the Kut-el-Amara region."

## Floods in Holland Still Serious

LONDON, Jan. 30.—A despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Amsterdam says:

"The floods in Holland are still serious, the spring tides having increased the danger. At Nieuwendam and Purmerend the floods are extending, while it is reported from Landsmeer that the waters are steadily rising and are now at a greater height than during the great floods of 1825. The strong current has torn off a great section of the pasture land, which is now floating like small islands on the flooded Landsmeer and the Oostzaan Folders. Great numbers of cattle and domestic animals have been drowned. Many houses in the flooded districts will have to be rebuilt."

## BULGARIANS GIVEN SERBIAN TOWNS.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent sends a despatch received from Sofia which says Germany has invited the Bulgarian Government to occupy the towns and districts of Pristren, Pristina, Krushevac, Kuprya, Pozarevac and Prokuplje in Serbia, and Djakova, in Montenegro, which have been held recently by the Germans.

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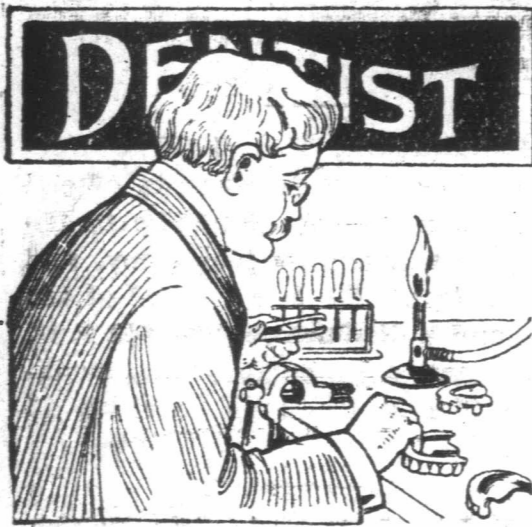
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PIETERMARITZBURG Natal, South Africa, Dec. 30.—The prompt and pronounced success of the movement to send a contingent of 10,000 men to fight the Germans in East Africa has been such as to surprise everyone. Not only have the 10,000 men wanted been secured quickly, but the recruiting rally has been so productive that two additional regiments of infantry are to be formed for the campaign, making a total of 12,000 men. Besides the sending of a contingent to the Boer Nationalists, this result is really very gratifying. This contingent should, with the local forces in the British East Africa Protectorate, be sufficient to put an end at once to the present harassing operations of the Germans through attempts on the British railway line, and ensure their decisive defeat at any early date. I hear that the contingent is to leave early next month. It is understood that it will be commanded by a British general.

**Half From Johannesburg**  
Johannesburg has furnished more than half of the entire force. Over seven thousand men have been recruited from the Rand. From the nine principal towns more than 12,000 men have volunteered, and the smaller centres are returning their fairly proportionate quotas. The grand response from the Rand has exceeded all expectations.

**Mounted Brigade.**  
Besides the infantry, which will form the bulk of the contingent, the force is to include a mounted brigade, under the command Brig. Gen. Van der Venter, who was conspicuously successful in the recent campaign in German South-West Africa. The brigade will consist of three regiments, each numbering 614 non-commissioned officers and men. It is interesting to learn that at Potchefstroom, the old Transvaal capital, the great majority of the recruits for the mounted brigade are Dutchmen. The Boers have no fancy for foot-slogging.

**Sportsmen's Regiment**  
It was originally intended that the Transvaal Regiment of Infantry, commanded by Col. Freeth, would include a sportsmen's company. But Randites have been falling over each other in the rush to join the sportsmen's company. But Randites have been falling over each other in the rush to join the sportsmen's crowd, and as a result the Union Government has authorized the embodiment of a complete Sportsmen's Battalion. This battalion should be able to feast long eyes on some of the finest big game in the world in East Africa, not counting, of course, the Huns.

**Champion Cricketer.**  
Mr. Herbert W. Taylor of Durban, the South African cricket captain and champion batsman, is leaving Natal this month to play the highest cricket of all. He and his brother, Dan—another international—are going to the Old Country with the intention of joining the Heavy Artillery Brigade, which arrived in England from South Africa some time ago. "Herby" Taylor went through the late Boer rebellion and German South West African campaign as a lieutenant in the Natal Carbineers. He was married only a few weeks ago. His father, Mr. Dan, Taylor, senior, is an old Natal artillery officer, and commanded the Durban battery during the Boer war.

**General Smuts Leads Way.**  
Gen. Smuts, Minister of Defence, gave the German East Africa movement a splendid lead. Months ago before the late general election, when there was a call for the sending of a contingent to Europe to its place alongside our Canadian and Australian brave brothers in arms, the General

was not only heart and soul with the call, but he thought of something further and he added that at the same time we must not forget East Africa. And now the psychological moment has arrived, and the last recruiting movement has become more widespread than the first, and, naturally in an African Dominion, rather more popular with some.

The Minister of Defence has delivered many stirring and patriotic addresses lately about South Africa's present duty at this crisis, and in one of them at Potchefstroom he declared that the German flag must not fly at all on the African continent. The magnificent bravery and fighting stamina of the Anzacs and Canadians have made a great impression out here.

**Pan and Pensions.**  
The Government has brought up the minimum pay of the East Africa contingent to what is called here the Union defence standard of three shillings a day, whereas the South African contingent in Europe get only the Imperial pay of one shilling per diem. The Government has, however, promised to better the position of the contingent in Europe in one respect, by bringing the Imperial pension rates payable in respect of casualties up to the Union defence standard. There is no doubt that the small pay of one shilling a day kept many men quite honestly from joining the overseas contingent. Numbers of men, too, did not go to Europe because they wanted a rest after their trying German South West campaign. Having now recuperated, they are now going to help their brothers in East Africa.

**Civil Servants.**  
As regards the Civil Servants, who are a comparatively large body of men in this country, the Government is taking steps to release as many of them as possible for military duty in German East Africa. Nothing beyond absolutely necessary official work is to be undertaken. In addition, the civil service hours are to be extended by closing at 5.30 instead of at 4.30. This change is naturally a far from popular one in the service, and some of the older men recall with a sigh the halcyon days of the old Crown Colony regime here when the hours were from 9 to 3.

**Boers and Fighting**  
Lieut.-Col. Nussey, who was one of General De Wet's lieutenants in the Boer War, gave some of his fellow-countrymen a few home truths the other day, when making a recruiting appeal at Kroonstad, a leading town in the Hertzog-riden Free State. Col. Nussey, referring to the mischief-making class of people amongst them who have been contending the Afrikaners are not a war-making nation, and that their traditions did not permit them to conquer territory by force, rightly characterized such talk as nonsense. De Wet's old lieutenant went on to say that no nation so small as the Voortrekkers had had more wars in its history, and none had conquered and annexed a larger portion of the earth.

**Union Parliament.**  
The late Speaker, Sir James Molteno, not having stood for re-election to Parliament, the chair of the Union House of Assembly has been filled by the appointment of Mr. L. J. Krige, the highly respected and able Dutch member for Caledon, Cape Province. Mr. Nesser, the chairman of committees in the old House, has been re-elected to the office, though not without Nationalist opposition. It was Mr. Nesser who piloted the party of South African farmers through Great Britain and Holland eighteen months ago, just before the Huns brought on the war.

**Rebellion Side Lights**  
The proceedings of the House of Assembly have been far from useful or, rather, for the most part mis-

spent—in discussing the motion of General Hertzog, the Nationalist leader, for the immediate release of General De Wet and his fellow prisoners and the granting of a general amnesty for the rest of the rebels. The debate, which concluded yesterday, has been an illuminating one, however, in one respect. Some interesting sidelights have been thrown on the motives and methods of the originators of the rebellion.

According to Mr. Nesser, who spoke yesterday, the late General Beyers—Commander-General of the Union—called a secret meeting of certain commandants early in August of last year, and told them to go with him, the Commandant-General, to German South West Africa. They were asked to go, not to fight the Germans, but to join hands with them, march on to Pretoria and overthrow the Union Government.

When the Germans capitulated at the close of General Botha's recent campaign many thousands of German uniforms were found in stock. They had been providing for their expected Boer allies, but had not been required.

**Nationalist Members.**  
Sir Abe Bailey, back again in Parliament after a considerable absence described Hertzog's Nationalist party as consisting of the most part, seventeen lawyers, two ministers of the Gospel, two show keepers, and one man who would be a bywoner (poor white) if he were not a member of Parliament. Sir Abe said that as the brothers Fichardt, prominent Free State Nationalist members had been born in South Africa of German parents, their attachment to Germany could be well understood.

The character of the utterances of the Nationalist members has been such as to call for an early warning from the Speaker, and particularly in regard to the statement that Mr. E. Fichardt, member for Edenburg, had the effrontery to make, that the only fault to be found with the rebellion was that it did not succeed.

The Cape Times makes the timely suggestion that the oath of allegiance which the members of Parliament have taken be read by way of reminder in the House daily after prayers.

**Rebel Amnesty Motion**  
The motion, brought forward by General Hertzog for the immediate release of De Wet and his fellow prisoners, and the granting of a general amnesty, was rejected yesterday by the House of Assembly by 51 votes against 26. The latter number represents the Nationalist party in the House.

Mr. Merriman's amendment was then carried nem con. The amendment expresses approval of the policy of the Government, and asks the Government to take the rebel sentences into consideration as soon as circumstances permit, and, with due regard for the public safety, to recommend the exercise of clemency by His Majesty's representative. The Government supported the amendment.

Parliament adjourned yesterday until the 14th of February.

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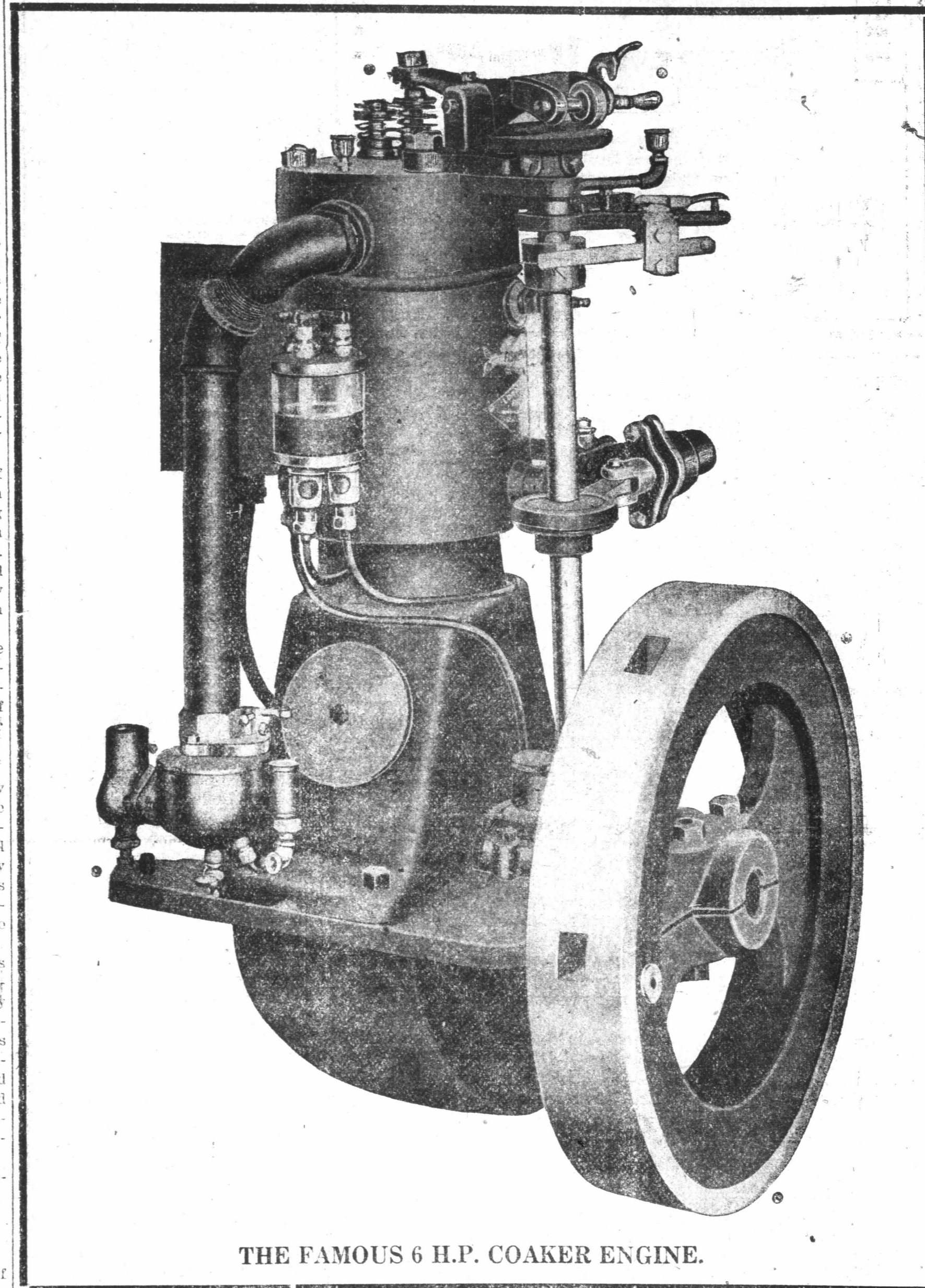
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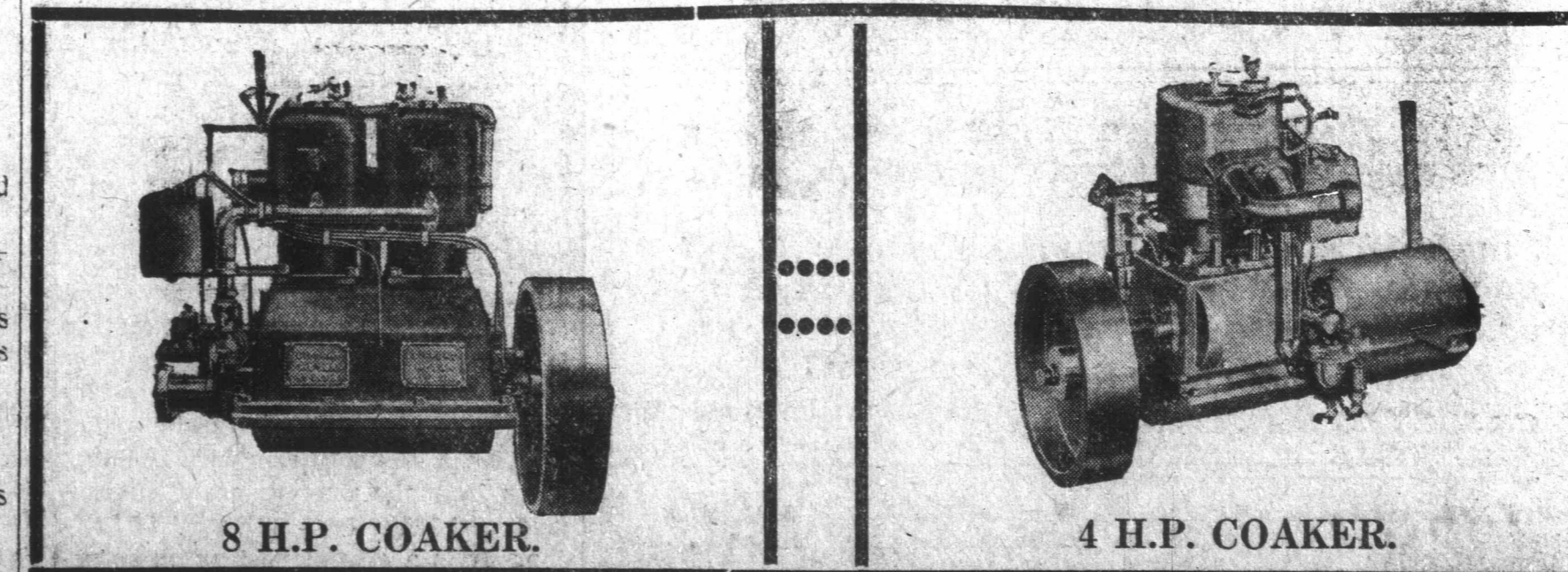
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**Pemberton Billing, Aviator, Makes Election Speeches From Seat of an Aeroplane.**

LONDON, Jan. 29.—London is watching with keen interest and some amusement the contest between Warwick Brookes and Pemberton Billing for election to the House of Commons in the Mile End District of the Metropolis. Tuesday's poll is expected to furnish a significant indication as to the extent of the criticism of the Government.

Mr. Brookes, who is a partner in the Army and Navy Stores, in Victoria Street, is the coalition candidate and is being strongly backed by both the Liberal and Unionist parliamentary organizations. Mr. Billing recently resigned from the Royal and Naval Air Service in order to stand for Parliament as an independent candidate. He presents the lively issues of better air defense for London against Zeppelins.

Mr. Billing, who is a lanky fellow, sharp featured, has been telling the voters of Mile End that something must be done to keep the Zeppelins off London and if he gets into Parliament he will start things going. He is rushing through Mile End, which compares in the character of its population with the lower east side of New York, saying that if Brookes goes to Parliament, he will be "throttled by the politicians, and we have had enough bungling politics in this war now."

Mr. Billings, who is the most spectacular campaigner London has seen in many a day, has been going about with an aeroplane tacked on a motor car and making speeches from the seat.

Note:—Mile End is a constituency in the Borough of Tower Hamlets, London, Eng. At the general elections it returned a Unionist by the narrow majority of only two votes out of 4,350 cast. The official candidate there is a Unionist.

**Revolts Against Carranza Break Out In Many Places**

San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 13.—According to reliable information from Chihuahua, Torreon, Durango and intermediate territory, Americans who have been lured into Mexico by false assurances of the establishment of a responsible government and the restoration of peace are in deadly peril, and should be advised to come out of the country and stay out until a real government exists.

Great indignation exists over the ruthless murder of the sixteen unarmed Americans, which is regarded as the forerunner of other similar acts.

Revolts against the Carranza government are breaking out in many places because of the dishonest methods of Carranza officials. It is now known that many Villa soldiers have rejoined some of the various revolutionary leaders and are being supplied with arms and munitions previously hidden.

General Benjamin Argumado, who is surrounding Torreon, is a powerful leader of the Felix Diaz faction, which is now assuming formidable proportions and is steadily spreading northward. Argumado is a man of ability and character, and his army is being rapidly increased.

The Carranza forces, having neither control of the country nor the sympathy of the people, are compelled to maintain formidable garrisons and cannot prevent the formation of revolutionary bands.

Thousands of Americans along the frontier are urging the government not to rely on the de facto government of Mexico, which is helpless, but take definite and responsible means of avenging the lives of those murdered and protecting the lives of those left, and not to permit others to go into Mexico until some responsible government is established.

**DEPREDACTIONS OF HUNS IN BELGIUM**

Paris, Jan. 21.—Despatch from Havre says that a report has just been issued by the Belgian government giving a number of houses in the various provinces of Belgium, which the report says were burned by the Germans. The following figures are given:—

Brabant, 5,821; Liege, 2,703; Antwerp, 1,900; Malines, 1,748; Dinant, 2,232; Namur, 1,710; Philippeville, 1,301; Huy, 255; Verviers, 581; Waremme, 16; Tournai, 40. Total, 18,207. The figures for Flanders are not yet obtainable.

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**Hear England Fears Spanish Activity**

**Rumor in London is That King Alfonso Will Invade Portugal as a German Ally.**

LONDON, Jan. 20.—Every move by the Spanish government is being watched closely by the allies, it was learned to-day, in view of growing conditions of unrest in Portugal.

Though officially discredited, the rumor persists in London Spain is making secret preparations to invade Portugal if she believes England has her hands full with Germany and cannot aid Portugal. Such a course would range King Alfonso beside the Kaiser as an enemy of the Allies.

Private advices from Oporto and other Portuguese cities to-day described internal conditions as growing more serious. The critical food situation and incessant strikes and riots keep the republican guards constantly on the alert. Eighty thousand workmen at Oporto are still on strike, it was reported. Trouble is expected in Lisbon.

At Portategro recently several thousands of civilians, including women, rushed the railway station and confiscated many crates of potatoes and olives awaiting shipment.

The haste with which the Spanish army is being re-equipped with guns and ammunition is a matter of concern in allied capitals. The popular rumor in Spain is hoping for the tide to turn against the allies, planning to overwhelm the Portuguese and thus acquire the remainder of the Iberian peninsula.

In December a Gibraltar cablegram to the United Press said "great significance" was attached to an order to 60,000 Spanish carabinieri to surrender Mauser rifles for new Remingtons.

Investigation by the United Press on the same day disclosed that a Spanish commission was in New York buying ammunition, rifles and field artillery. It was stated at the Spanish consulate the purchase were being made as a step in defensive "preparedness."

**First Man to Cheat Electric Chair**

Ossining, Jan. 13.—For the time in the history of the death house at Sing Sing a condemned slayer ended his life by suicide to-day. The man who cheated the law was Angelo Leggio, who was sentenced to die by Judge Nott in General Sessions nine months ago.

Leggio, who in the few minutes of the death watch was on an upper tier, slipped from his cot, twisted into a noose the newly acquired bed sheets which Warden Osborne furnished to the condemned man and was found five minutes later dying from strangulation.

The death watch on his return to the lower tier gave the alarm and a bulmotor was employed in vain efforts to resuscitate the slayer.

The wildest confusion prevailed among the twenty condemned slayers awaiting the march to the death chair.

The coroner took charge of the case and ordered the body removed.

Leggio got word late yesterday that his appeal had been denied. This made him despondent, as in the usual course he would have to die in March.

He was removed from the upper tier to the lower only recently.

A Cleveland woodworker has mounted a work bench on wheels and tows it behind his automobile, using the power of his auto to drive a hand saw and other tools.

It took Father Time thousands of years to make a man of a monkey, but a girl can make a monkey of a man in two minutes.

If you ask a woman for a reason, give her time to make one up.

**Denver Firm Wins Suit Against C.P.R.**

**DENVER, Jan. 20.—Cable advices were received in Denver from London to-day that McIlwee Bros., tunnel contractors, of the city, had won their suit in the privy council against the Canadian Pacific railway for \$850,000 for work done in constructing the Rogers Pass tunnel through Columbia. Through Foley Bros. and Welch & Stewart the Canadian Pacific contracted on Dec. 18, 1913, with J. A. McIlwee & Sons for the latter to drive a five-mile tunnel through the Selkirks. In addition to the price for the work, the Canadian Pacific, it is stated, agreed to pay McIlwees a bonus of \$1,000 for every foot of the tunnel bored each month in excess of 900 feet. By the rapidity of their work the McIlwees in months, it is claimed, earned a bonus of \$215,000. Then the railway company, according to the contract, and were awarded \$527,000 by the supreme court of British Columbia. The railroad then appealed the suit to the Dominion court of appeals. That body increased the award to the contractors to \$850,000. The Canadian Pacific next appealed to the privy council, with the result as stated above.**

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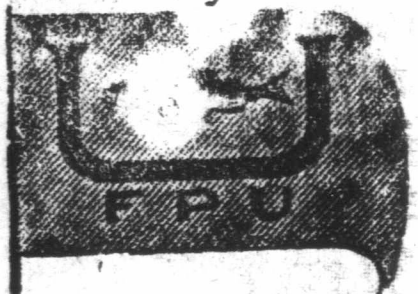
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RECKON YOU DO

THESE letters of the "go-to-it Mr. Coaker" style which the Adelaide Street "spoiled" doctor would have the public think were written in this office, together with the boomerangs have taken the wind out of the "learned" one of the funny sheet of Adelaide Street.

If Mosdell will appoint a committee of three citizens, which committee of course must not include either himself or Thistle, we are prepared to show the original of those letters and as many more. Mosdell well knows that hundreds of letters are received at this office weekly from all parts of the country. When he was down this way he handled hundreds himself, handled them—oh! yes, he chuckled them into the waste paper basket. He a "learned" doctor, an M.A., to worry over such things as poor fishermen's letters.

"During the past ten days we have published over thirty letters from various outports. We have as many more to publish yet, and we will do so when space allows us. And Mosdell is very sick nowadays, and he will be sicker yet before we are finished with him.

"Some further remarks on the ravings of the "spoiled" doctor in yesterday's outburst must stand over till to-morrow.

"R. U. RIGHT"

THE PLAINDEALER in his issue last Saturday had the following to say relative to the articles appearing in the Adelaide Street edition of the Mutt and Jeff paper, written by one signing himself "R. U. Right":—

"If it is true that Mr. A. A. Parsons of the Penitentiary is responsible for the ravings of "R. U. Right," in the Daily Star, then it is only now we are satisfied that the management of this paper is making good the promise that it would supply humor with variety as well as cater to the readers of its other departments. If it is Mr. Parsons, then he is to be credited with a nerve that will style him the champion of his class, and the next that we are likely to hear from him is that he has created a new governor for the Colony or a monarch for the Empire.

"In his explosion last Thursday he announces a series of appointments which, though he said were only rumors, still are pleasing to him; and it is enough for us that

MOSDELL'S BOOMERANGS!

THE power of influence of the man (COAKER) and the organization (the F.P.U.) he has fathered were amply proven in the recent General Election. Every District in which Union Councils were generally organized returned F.P.U. members to the House of Assembly, the success being most marked in Bonavista where there was an actual turn over from the Morris Party of Three Thousand Votes and Two Ministers of the Crown were badly beaten in the battle of the ballots. THERE IS NOT THE SLIGHTEST DOUBT THAT IF THE OTHER DISTRICTS HAD BEEN FULLY ORGANIZED BY THE F.P.U. THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION WOULD HAVE BEEN DRIVEN FROM POWER.

NOW these successes in business and politics amply prove that not only was COAKER'S scheme for the organization of a Fishermen's Union a feasible and eminently practical one but also that he chose the right time to launch it. It is this keen insight into men and their affairs that is the special characteristic which assures him (COAKER) success in his various undertakings. FOR COAKER IS GIFTED WITH THE USEFUL KNOWLEDGE OF HOW TO APPROACH AND HOW TO HANDLE THE MASSES. A great deal of his success in this respect is due to his (COAKER'S) unique and striking personality.—MOSDELL, in The Fishermen's Advocate, December 20th, 1913.

he is pleased, for we have many things to tell him when the time offers that he will not be so elated over, and then perhaps he will have the modesty to appoint a new superintendent of the penitentiary.

"He said that Mr. F. J. Morris, K.C., is to be appointed as judge of the Central District Court; he then informs Inspector General Sullivan and Sheriff Carter that they are in the has been class and must move out to make room for Mr. C. H. Hutchings and the Hon. S. D. Blandford. He says it would be difficult to find any one in the Colony better qualified to fill the office of Inspector General other than Mr. Hutchings, but in saying this he must know in his own heart and soul that Capt. Alan Goodridge, the present A.D.C. to the Governor, and present Deputy Minister of Fisheries, is the one on whom the favorable opinion of the public is directed. R. U. Right must know this, but he has set himself out to boost Mr. Hutchings, and is doing it.

"Captain Goodridge can offer credentials far superior to any man in the country at the present time running for this coveted position. He has been instrumental in the formation and bringing to success the brigades in this country. Some years ago he strongly advocated the formation of a volunteer force, which advocacy, if it had been acted upon at that time, would prove a great blessing for Newfoundland and an asset to the Empire during the present struggle.

"He has rendered valuable services to the volunteer and patriotic committees, and is acquainted with the various modern systems of military life. As Inspector General of Constabulary he is better qualified than any man we know of next to the holder of the office. The name Goodridge is one that Newfoundlanders claim as their own, and many there are to-day who would like to see a member of this esteemed family with the title of Inspector General.

"If there is as much truth in Mr. Parsons' rumors of the other appointments as there is respecting Mr. Sullivan's position, then we will say the joke is on the readers of the R. U. Right column, and only as a joke is it entertained."

If what The Plaindealer says is true and as we have not had any denial from Mosdell, we may be pardoned for saying that we consider it time for the Government to instruct Mr. Parsons that the taxpayers of this Colony are paying him a good fat salary to attend to his duties at the Penitentiary and not for scribbling for city dailies.

Some time ago some figures were quoted in the Adelaide Street sheet in connection with the num-

ber of prisoners up to that time who were confined to the Penitentiary and their nationality, etc., was also set forth in elaborate form. Unless our memory fails us here we think we saw the bold statement that there were some 219 of our Catholic citizens jailed and that it was an Irishman who headed the list. Now the question arises who was in a position to have these details at his finger tips, seeing that official report was made public. It is suspicious to say the least.

The Plaindealer says in speaking on this matter: "If it is true that Mr. A. A. Parsons of the Penitentiary is responsible for the ravings of R. U. Right then we hope he will have the modesty to appoint a new Superintendent of the Penitentiary." This request of The Plaindealer's we heartily endorse.

We would like to ask R. U. Right how he made out that statement of those 219 Catholics being jailed and also to ask him why he headed the list with an IRISHMAN? Will he explain? Perhaps if he doesn't, Mosdell will.

A writer in yesterday's issue of the Adelaide Street sheet says, in speaking of the Police Force: "It is a well known fact that this Department of our public service, is and has been for years sadly lacking in proficiency." And again he says: "Anyone seeing our police on parade for years past could not but laugh loud and long. 'The men,' says the writer, 'hardly know right foot from left.'"

Keep it up Mosdell! This kind of attack on the police force will bring its own punishment. Why don't you raise your mighty pen and ask Croisie and Squires to see if they cannot get a raise for the policemen so that these men may be enabled to live decently? Mr. Kent, the popular representative for St. John's East, has on several occasions fought on the floor of the House of Assembly for a raise for them. And by the bye this is the same Mr. Kent that R. U. Right takes such delight in insulting each other evening.

Keep it up, Doc, you are heading for a straight finish.

The writer of the article attacking the police force in last evening's Mutt and Jeff sheet has we notice signed himself BY THE PUMP. We think we could make a good guess if we say no,—it should be—BY THE PEN.

We will withhold any further comment on R. U. Right for the present.

To use a tired brain is like using tools whose edges are dull.

A rancher has applied for rental of 320 acres of the Pike national forest, Colorado, to be used on connection with private land for raising elk as a commercial venture.

THE GERMANS' FINANCIAL CLOUDS

NOTWITHSTANDING stern repression by the censors, inquisitive Germans persist in enquiring how the German Government proposes to raise enough revenue after the war to pay interest on and redeem war paper. With the new war loan Germany's war bill amounts to more than \$8,000,000,000. With military expenditures—not including heavy advances to Bulgaria and Turkey—amounting to \$500,000,000 a month, another year of war will bring the cost to Germany up to at least \$15,000,000,000. The amount is inconceivably large. Even the present war debt will require \$600,000,000 a year for interest and redemption—an amount larger than the total regular revenue of the Imperial Government. Where will the new money come from? This question is agitating Germans far more deeply than outsiders suppose.

The German Finance Minister has resorted to amazing bluff in endeavoring to maintain confidence in the German financial position. But even he, who in August declared that all available methods of taxation had been used, had to admit to the Reichstag that "the war will certainly impose upon us a colossal burden of fresh taxation." A Radical deputy, Dr. Gothein, declared that:

"The total taxation on property and income, taking together the empire, the separate states and the municipalities, will have to absorb 30 to 40 per cent. of the highest incomes and properties, and we shall have to cut down our mode of living after the war."

That is a mild statement of the case. Germany's markets will be either fenced off by tariffs after the war, or lost through the two-year stoppage of trade. Imports will be heavy, and exports light. That means worse disaster upon the coming of peace than can happen under Government control of financial affairs in war time. Rates of exchange are now hopelessly against Germany. With military defeat, they will be worse, and if through the loss of men decreased producing power is added to the external handicaps to sales abroad, Germany will be "bled white" to purchase needed supplies abroad.

The piling on top of all the paper-credit war financing, of colossal taxation to raise mere interest will undoubtedly break the German people. Germany will not be able to manufacture more cheaply than her European competitors. The masses will have to bear privations economically of which they have little conception. The State will feed them enough to keep body and soul together, and take all the product of their back-aching labor. The high prices entailed by doubled or trebled taxation will reduce to the barest subsistence basis the standard of living. On large incomes taxation may take 30 or 40 per cent., but in small incomes it will take practically the whole margin.

The Financial Secretary of the British Treasury says that "Austria is now completely ruined financially." The break-up in Germany is heralded by the fall of the mark in neutral markets to prohibitive levels. As Germany is becoming increasingly short of supplies, and must pay ruinous premiums to get them, her exhaustion will proceed at an accelerating pace. One or two big military defeats would start the ball rolling, which would gather impetus until Germany lay an economic wreck.

—The Mail and Empire.

WANTS REFERENDUM ON PROHIBITION.

QUEBEC, Que., Jan. 30.—Mr. Arthur Sauve, M.L.A., for the County of Two Mountains, will ask the legislature, this afternoon, that a general referendum be held through the entire province to ascertain the public sentiment on prohibition.

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GLEANINGS OF GONE BY DAYS

FEBRUARY 2

P. Brown, member for Conception Bay, gave notice in the Assembly of a Bill to change the name of the Island; the records do not state what name was to be substituted, 1833.

John Payne killed by machinery at Bennett's mill, Riverhead, 1855. Smith O'Brien, Irish patriot, arrived in St. John's in a Cunard steamer, which was short of coal, and was accorded an ovation by the citizens, 1859.

Harry Supple ("champion of fishermen's rights") led sealers' parade, demanding free berths to the ice, 1858.

Late Rev. Dean Ryan (St. Patrick's Parish) ordained, 1866.

Brig. Avalon lost near Cape Barrard; two men—Capt. Lewis (a passenger) and Thomas West—were drowned, 1886.

Operetta "Battle of Foxtrap," performed in T. A. Hall, 1881.

Dandelion picked this day, 1892.

Hon. M. Fenelon buried, 1897.

Co-partnership of J. J. & L. Furlong dissolved, 1892.

HER SACRIFICE

SHE called her ship the Golden Hope. For love was at the prow Until the boy she loved so well "Somewhere in Flanders" fighting fell— And nothing matters now.

O'er unknown seas, the Golden Hope Her vagrant course now gropes, And down within her silent holds The shrouded darkness there enfolds The ashes of her hopes.

O'er shoals and shadows on she sails On seas that know no charts, To where the beacons gleam afar

First hockey match held in the Prince of Wales Rink, 1899.

John Ryan, son of founder of Royal Gazette, died, 1867.

United States warship Kearsage, of historic renown, lost at Bluefields, Nicaragua, 1894.

Capt. Stark and mate Rigby sentenced to five years' hard labor for beating a sailor to death, 1889.

That lighten up the harbor bar Of the Port of Broken Hearts.

And o'er the shifting sands of time, A derelict of fate, Her heaven-sent cross she'll proudly bear Till guardian angels welcome there The pilgrims at the gate. —James W. Watson, Niagara Falls, N.Y., Jan. 10.

SOLDIER HUMOR

A nurse related as a true story of a soldier's wit that a soldier in a hospital on recovering consciousness said, "Nurse, what is this on my head?"

"Vinegar cloths," she replied. "You have had a fever." After a pause: "And what is this on my chest?"

"A mustard plaster. You have had pneumonia." "And what is this at my feet?"

"Salt bags. You have had frost bite."

A soldier from the next bed looked up and said: "Hang a pepper box to his nose, nurse; then he will be a cruet for beating a sailor to death, 1889."—London Strand Magazine.

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## News Budget From Our Union Friends at St. Brendan's

St. Brendan's, Jan. 19.—On Dec. 16th an election of the Road Board under the new Act was held and the following was elected for the Board:—James J. MacKey, Thos. Hogan, John Turner, Richard Whelan and Patrick Aylward.

On Christmas morning at 7 o'clock fortified by his holy church there passed peacefully away after a long illness, John Bridgeman, aged 72 years, leaving a wife, three sons, one daughter a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their sad loss. May his soul rest in peace. To his sorrowing wife and family we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

On Jan. 1st we held our annual parade. We assembled at the hall at three o'clock, accompanied by the Shalloway Branch; we started on parade, every man full of Union fire. With flags and bunting floating in the breeze we marched around the harbor, then back again to the hall, where the good ladies were in readiness with tables filled to overflowing. Refreshments was served after coming from our march. Supper started at six o'clock and after the inner man was satisfied, dancing was indulged in until the wee sma' hours of the morning, when all vended their way home, being well satisfied that they had spent the best Union day ever spent at St. Brendan's. We also wish to

thank our lady friends who so kindly helped us out on the tea tables and also the committee, more particular our friend Thos. Devine.

There passed peacefully away on Jan. 7th, after a very short illness, fortified by his holy church, John Turner, Chairman of Shalloway Branch and also our delegate to the Seventh Annual Convention held at St. John's in December, aged 71 years. He leaves a wife, two sons, four daughters and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their sad loss. To his sorrowing wife and family we extend our heartfelt sympathy. May he rest in peace.

Word was received a few days ago from our two volunteers who were at the Dardanelles doing their bit for King and Country. No. 236, John Francis Hynes, frost bitten severely but now is at 3rd London Hospital, Wandsworth; also No. 808, Michael Broderick, suffering from dysentery, was at Malta but now is at St. James Hospital. We pray that the next news will be for the better and that Almighty will send them safe home to their friends once more.

Wishing The Mail and Advocate prosperity and our President, Trading and Export Cos. and all our members a prosperous year.

CORRESPONDENT.

## Mother of Murdered Nurse Expresses Her Thanks

Montreal, Jan. 26.—"Such sympathy so kindly expressed is very comforting to my broken heart."

In these words Mrs. L. S. Cavell, mother of Nurse Edith Cavell, shot by the Germans, concluded her note of thanks and appreciation to the members of the Montreal Women's Club, which body adopted and forwarded to the victim's parents a resolution of condolence.

Mrs. Cavell's letter to the honorary corresponding secretary of the Montreal Women's Club, under date of Upton House, Henley-on-Thames, Jan. 25th, reads:—

"Dear Madam.—Will you kindly convey to the members of the Montreal Women's Club my warm thanks for their condolence with me in the great loss and sorrow which have befallen me in the unmerited and tragic death of my beloved daughter, Edith Cavell, and my appreciation of the honor they are pleased to express for her devotion to duty and the calmness with which she met death.

"Such sympathy so kindly expressed is very comforting to my broken heart."

"Yours very truly,

L. S. CAVELL."

## F. B. Carvell's High Explosives Scare Boodlers

If the government or the country was still looking for evidence to support Hon. Mr. Pugsley's demand for a parliamentary inquiry into war contracts Mr. F. B. Carvell's speech of yesterday supplies that evidence abundantly. Of course both the government and the country knew perfectly well that Dr. Pugsley had established his case; but even reluctant Conservative partisans cannot honestly defend any dodging of a parliamentary inquiry in view of the statements of Mr. Carvell. He showed very clearly how Mr. Hazen had skated gingerly over this ice in many cases, particularly one with which St. John is well acquainted, that of the Cornwall and York Cotton Mills which turned over a shell order to the Phoenix foundry for a consideration. The many other cases in which shell orders went to men without plants, when men with plants could get contracts, will stiffen the public demand for the sort of inquiry Dr. Pugsley has demanded.

"It is all very well to cry 'politics' now in the hope that inquiry may be stifled. Mr. Carvell shows how politics operated when the old shell committee got to work and when men with profits in view began to organize new shell companies or to trade in shell orders. Mr. Carvell drove a coach and four through Mr. Hazen's flimsy plea in favor of silence and concealment. A free and fair inquiry is now the only method of serving the public interest. To shut the door upon the scandal at this stage would amount to a confession of guilt by the government."—St. John Telegraph.

## Personal Rights Are at Stake

### Bishop Fallon Opposes Provincial Prohibition Movement—No State Interference—Same Principle as 'the Allies' Are Fighting For is Menaced

LONDON, Ont., Jan. 25.—Bishop Fallon, head of the Roman Catholic Diocese of London, to-day issued a statement to the press, in which he expressed opposition to the campaign now on for province-wide prohibition. "I am opposed to the principle of prohibition in regard to the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors," runs the statement. "I regard the present agitation in Ontario as a dangerous invitation to the State to meddlesomely interfere with the rights of the citizen and as an equally dangerous attempt to regulate all human conduct by statute. We are threatened with a multiplication of the functions of the State that will grievously narrow the circle of individual rights."

His Lordship adds that the very principle for the vindication and safeguarding of which the British Empire is now engaged in, its conflict with Germany, is "precisely the principle which, in my opinion, is menaced by the present attempt to force the enactment of prohibition legislation."

A. E. Silverwood, head of Silverwood's Limited, who is chairman of the local Committee of One Hundred declares that he is more than satisfied with the results of the first two days' canvass for signatures to the petition which will go to the Government. He declares that the canvassers are getting the signatures of men that they did not expect would sign, and that the results to date indicate an overwhelming majority in favor of prohibition. The result in the country, he said, was even better.

## MACHINE APPLIES PAINT RAPIDLY

Machines have been used for some time for applying paint to buildings, freight cars, etc., and now a machine has been brought out for spraying paint and varnish on furniture and similar articles. The "air-brush" which sprays the paint on looks very much like an automatic revolver.

The paint is introduced into the breech where there is an air pressure of 70 pounds. It is forced out from the tip or "muzzle" in a fine spray. Paint or varnish can be put on three times as fast with this machine as by the old hand method. It can be used for painting autos, carriages, wagons, etc., and for various other kinds of finer work where the earlier paint-sprayers or "air-brushes" were unsatisfactory.—The Pathfinder.

## Britain to Import Hair from China

### Owing to Demand, Embargo Has Been Temporarily Removed—Sterilized at Landing—Its Undesirable Qualities Are Expected to be Obviated Thereby

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—A representative of a trading concern which has been shipping enormous quantities of war material and supplies to England, sent the following statement to-day:

The British Government has been contemplating the purchase of curled hair for use in the manufacture of mattresses and other bedding. Investigation of the American market has led them to the conclusion that the American dealers are holding the commodity at very high prices, and they are now resolved to permit the importation of Chinese hair into the United Kingdom.

For sanitary or hygienic reasons the importation of this commodity was restricted, but arrangements are being perfected for the sterilization of Chinese hair immediately upon its arrival, which will obviate its undesirable qualities. Enormous quantities of Chinese hair are available at prices much lower than in the American market.

The general manager of a large hair importing concern in East Sixteenth Street said that his firm had received no formal notification of the removal of the British embargo on Chinese hair, but that the tremendous demand for the commodity for use in automobile cushions, mattresses, coats, etc., made it quite probable that some such action has been, or is to be, taken by the British.

## American Ship Searched by Japs For Contraband

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—A cable to the Tribune from London says: "Captain Rice, commanding the American ship Mongolia, has just arrived at Tilbury, after a seventeen month's voyage. He told how the Japanese had searched his vessel for contraband.

"We were about 600 miles off the Formosa coast," he said, "when two big Japanese cruisers held us up. Two officers wearing jackboots and spurs came aboard and said: 'You have contraband aboard, twenty-one bags of saltpetre.' "I denied this, whereupon they asked: 'Will you give us your oath that this is not the case?' "I replied: 'I cannot swear as to what might have got aboard in the big cargo, but there is no saltpetre aboard according to the manifest, and I am ready to swear that there is none according to the best of my knowledge and belief.' "

"They said that they must search the ship and brought a great party of sailors aboard. I asked if they had instructions from Tokio, and London will back us up. If we don't search you here we must send you to the nearest naval base, which is 700 miles away.' "I asked how we should find our way there. 'We will send a cruiser along to make sure,' they replied.

"Anyhow, they started to search the ship. An hour later one of the officers came to us. 'We've found contraband,' he said, producing a silk handkerchief filled with some crystals, which he claimed to be saltpetre. "Then it flashed across my mind that we were carrying a great quantity of rock sugar. I took a crystal bit in half, found it was rock sugar and offered him one. He bit it, his face fell, and he went to find more contraband. Eventually they allowed us to proceed, but there was very little of the effusive politeness one associates with them.

"I was amazed at the general efficiency of the Japanese. They have just added eight divisions—320,000 men—to their army, and their navy is working all the time, trying new maneuvers and new battle formations. They absolutely worship Japanese process.

"As soon as a big ship goes into their harbor they swarm aboard with notebooks, asking everybody to talk English to them. They next ask permission to see the ship, and thoroughly examine the engines and all fittings. One can't help admiring them."

The ties that bind are ties in vain, When woman's heart is held as with a chain.

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**A Plea for Fair Play**

Impounder Dessart, according to a correspondent a few days ago, was pretty shabbily treated by the Civic Commission when allotting its bonuses and increases of salary last week.

Baker is a man who for 15 years has given good faithful service to the city yet he was singled out to be the only one to be denied the raise given to others. Many knowing of the fact asked the reason why, but there is no answer.

Nothing can be said against Baker's character or ability. Then why discriminate against him? It is said that if some of the amateur civic directors had their way Baker would get the treatment attempted to be meted out to poor Armstrong.

How anxiously the people are looking forward to the day when they can elect members to represent the taxpayer, not a snobocracy who are possessed of ideals and aims altogether foreign to the aspirations of a democratic people in a democratic age.

**MAY NOT BE ON "APPAM"**

Ambrose Perks of this city who was supposed to be on the "Appam" may not after all be on the ship on this eventful trip from West Africa.

Mrs. Perks will to-day enquire from the naval authorities of her son if he was on the "Appam". Young Perks, though only a lad of 15, joined the 1st. Nfld. Contingent and was under canvas at Pleasantville but owing to his youth would not be allowed to go forward.

**14 BELOW ZERO.**

Saturday last was the coldest day for the winter at Port aux Basques and neighborhood, the thermometer dropping to 14 below zero.

**NAVAL RESERVISTS HERE**

Naval Reservists Jerrett, Sinnor, Tapper of St. John's and Hollett of Burin arrived here by the express yesterday. Hollett and Jerrett have each 10 weeks' leave and the others have put in their year's service.

**SHIPPING**

The schr. "Emily Anderson" is loading codfish at the Maroe Export Co. Ltd for Brazil.

The schr. "Novely" left New York Monday week for this port, with a full cargo of gasoline for Geo. M. Barr.

After discharging her coal cargo the schooner "Annie L. Warren" will be loaded by the Monroe Export Co. for Brazil.

The schr. "Success" Capt. Churchill, sailed yesterday for Bahia with 3810 qts fish shipped by James Baird Ltd.

Mr. Stanley Cornick, who has been some years at Harvey & Co's left by the S.S. Stephanos for New Glasgow where he takes a position as engineer in a large establishment.

The S.S. Neptune will sail for Sydney to-morrow, Thursday, and will get there her own supply of coal for the sealshipery. On returning she will be made ready to go in quest of the harps and hoods.

**SENT TO ASYLUM.**

A woman of the West End who has been acting strangely of late was possessed of peculiar hallucinations, was brought to the Police Station last night. Supt. Grimes summoned a doctor, who on examination pronounced her insane and sent her to the Lunatic Asylum.

**STREETS IN BAD STATE**

After the rain and thaw of the past few days the city streets, especially the steeper ones, are impassible and people go over them at great risk.

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**"FOGOTA" GOES TO SEALFISHERY**

The S.S. Susu which had been on the dry dock for an overhaul and repairs came off the dock yesterday and the Fogota goes on to-day for similar attention. The Fogota will go to the sealshipery this year and it is said Capt. Jesse Winsor will command the ship. Capt. Dalton, who commanded the ship on the Fogo service, went on the S. S. "Lady Sybil" as chief officer.

**LOYAL COMRADES**

A number of the comrades and friends of the young man LeGrow who got into trouble last week at Knowling's, yesterday came together and put up the \$150.00 which he was fined. In the afternoon a well known confectioner of Water Street West, also a friend and who liberally subscribed, went down to the penitentiary, having been deputed by the others, put down the cash and drove the man to his home on Spencer St. He could not express the gratitude he felt when informed that his friends had been so true to him.

**KLARK-URBAN COMPANY**

In the reproduction of "So Much for So Much" the Klark-Urban Company last night drew a crowded audience to the Casino theatre. Each of the actors handled his or her role perfectly and the audience fully enjoyed play, applause being frequent and hearty.

**DEATH**

BARRON—At Femeuse on Thursday, the 27th ult., Mrs. Ann Barron. The deceased was a native of St. John's.—R.I.P.

**Domestic Science At Littledale**

Another forward step has been taken by Littledale Academy in the establishment of a Domestic Science class which was opened about a week ago. Miss Ethel Dickinson has charge of the class and visits the institution once a week. The cooking school is on the same floor as the academy kitchen, which is a great advantage in that, the ranges, utensils etc., used in the latter can be readily availed of if needed.

Te Rev. Mother and staff of the Academy were present at the opening and Dr. Burke, Supt. of Catholic Schools, introduced Miss Dickinson whose work as student and teacher he highly praised. Miss Dickinson is, we understand the first local lady to qualify as a Domestic Science teacher, and there is little doubt but her efforts will be crowned with success. In his address, Dr. Burke also pointed out the value of the teaching in question to suppose that the majority of the pupils would later become home makers, it is therefore fitting that some of the school life should be devoted to preparation for their future duties. The class at present numbers twenty, principal pupil teachers, who will carry the good work into the outports where in time they will have charge of schools. Many others are anxious to take up the new course and will be accommodated as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made.

**SUSPECTS APPREHENDED**

Yesterday afternoon the detectives were busy on the Jackman & Greene burglary and the attempt at the Martin Hardware Co. They brought some parties from the higher levels who were examined but allowed to go after a while. At 6 p.m. yesterday Detective Byrnie made an arrest which may prove of value in elucidating the secrecy surrounding the actions of the theft.

**THE KYLE'S PASSENGERS.**

The Kyle arrived at Port aux Basque at 7 a.m. to-day, bringing G. and Mrs. Scott, W. E. Bishop, C. Garland, G. Gillis, Rev. W. C. Young, G. A. Hiller, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McKay, and four children; J. G. Hagen, G. H. Ritchey, Mrs. J. Billard, W. Haddon, Mr. Soclove, Jas. Stevens and Geo. Stevens.

**VETERAN AGAIN ACTIVE**

Mr. Win. Ring, the veteran musician, who for 54 years played with Bennett's and other bands here is again this season playing with the Terra Nova Band in the Parade Rink. Mr. Ring whose mastery of the bass instrument is so well known had retired, but to see him once more in business is a good pleasure to his old time friends.

**HOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE**

The Minister Justice last night had a message from Hillview, T.B., stating that the residence of Eleazar Gosse of Queen's Cove, Random, T.B., had been destroyed by fire on the 30th of January. All its contents were also destroyed with \$200 in cash, held in the house. The property was not insured and the loss to the owner is fully \$1000.

**OBITUARY**

MRS ANN BARRON. The death occurred on Thursday last, at Femeuse, of Mrs. Ann Barron. The deceased succumbed to an illness of short duration and her death will be learned with regret by a large number of friends in the City. Her son, Mr. James Barran, the well known machinist and sales agent of St. John's predeceased Mrs. Barron by over 12 months. To the sorrowing relatives The Mail and Advocate extends its condolence.

**OUR THEATRES**

**THE NICKEL.** A grand programme has been arranged for the holiday to-day at the Nickel theatre, and it is sure to attract large audiences. "The Exploits of Elaine" will be continued and "The Blood Crystals" shown. As all are aware this is the most thrilling serial yet made. There is a pretty two-act social comedy-drama by the Vitagraph artists entitled "Playing the Game." "The Hammer" is a powerful melodrama in two acts by the Kay-Bee Company featuring Margaret Gibson. The Nickel has just received a shipment of the latest European war films which include "King George at the Front, the capture of thirty thousand Germans, and the Russians at war." These pictures give a splendid idea of what it is like on the battlefields of Europe.

**THE CRESCENT.** If you want a good laugh see "Sweedies Hero," the great Sweedie comedy that the Crescent Picture Palace is showing to-day, Wallace Beery does some funny stunts in this farce. "The Ship's Sister" is a fine Lubin war drama. "The Americano" is a romance of old California, produced in two reels by the Biograph Company. Isabel Rea and Wm. J. Butler feature in a strong melodrama, "Toys of Destiny." Mr. Dave Parks, the man with the voice, sings "I Wish that I was back in old Killarney," a splendid Irish ballad. Don't miss seeing this big holiday program, its great.

**OVER NINETY DAYS OUT**

Though no grave fears are entertained for the safety of the barqtn. "Lake Simcoe," she should soon be showing up here. She is now over 90 days out from Alicante and was not reported at the Rock, though she might have passed there at night. She is a fine vessel and no doubt experienced heavy gales and the terrible weather met by ships of late crossing the herring pound. Capt. Halfyard, her commander is among one of our best navigators, and the mate, Mr. Pepas, a Mexican, is well known in shipping circles, having sailed for many years out of St. John's.

**MR. HARRY FORWARD ILL**

Mr. Harry A. Forward of St. John's who has been many years living in Brooklyn, New York, has been very ill for some time past. Harry has been a travelling salesman for the Cuhby Packing Co., Brooklyn, for over 20 years, and the territory covered by him includes the Maritime Provinces and his native country and city. He visits here every summer, and being a favorite does much business. We hope soon to hear of Mr. Forward's complete recovery.

**MR. M. W. FURLONG'S CONDITION.**

The Montreal Gazette of Thursday last, in referring to the condition of Mr. M. W. Furlong, K.C., of this city, prints the following:—"Mr. M. W. Furlong, clerk of the Newfoundland Assembly and chief solicitor and director of the Reid-Newfoundland Railway, who has been at the Ritz-Carlton for the past few days, was removed to the Royal Victoria Hospital last evening, where an operation will probably be necessary. Dr. Martin is in attendance, and the case is pronounced grave, but not hopeless, at a late hour last evening. Mrs. Furlong and her daughter are at the Ritz."

**WHY NOT GET HER TO GO TO SYDNEY**

The S.S. "Norig" should be here by the 15th inst. Could it not be arranged with the shippers to have the steamer run to Sydney for a cargo of coal? She takes 6000 casks and would bring down a good supply of "black diamonds." It would not delay the ship much to do this and would mean much to the people of St. John's.

Never let your energy leak away, little drops at a time.

**KING ALBERT STANDS OR FALLS BY THE ALLIES**

**Rumor of Separate Peace is Another German "Feeler"**

LONDON, Jan. 25.—The report printed in the New York American that the German Government is considering the voluntary evacuation of Belgium if the Belgians conclude a separate peace is taken here with several grains of salt. In the first place, it can be asserted authoritatively that if such a plan really has received consideration from the German Government no steps of any kind have been taken to place it before either King Albert's Government or any of the Entente Powers. Secondly, it is most firmly believed here that any proposals which Germany might place before the Belgian Government would at once be submitted to the Entente Powers, for, although Belgium did not sign the London agreement, her political and economic destiny is indissolubly bound up with the cause of the Entente Powers.

King Albert's heroic resolution, according to persons who have seen him recently, is as strong as ever, and his sentiments are shared to the full by his Government at Havre. That the American obtained its information from a "high German source" is not doubted there, for suggestions that Belgium would find it profitable to negotiate for a separate peace have been published recently in inspired German papers.

Germany's persistent efforts to weaken the Entente by detaching one or another of the great powers have been unsuccessful. That she should extend her endeavors to suffering little Belgium would cause no surprise, but the fact that after a year and a half of war she has not progressed in this direction beyond the stage of newspaper balloons d'essai is taken as incontrovertible evidence of Germany's realization that overtures to King Albert's Government would meet no success.

The further intimation that Germany's benevolent intentions in regard to Belgium would be independent upon Great Britain raising the naval blockade is here regarded as a move in the game to set Germany in a good light before the American people, and create the impression that it is England which prevents a settlement of the war.

**WHY SOCIALISM BACKED DOWN**

Suppose the German Socialists had decided to oppose the war. Just imagine the situation. Somewhere in a dreary hall a number of Socialists meet, and after much rhetoric of a purely theoretical kind and the smoking of many cheap cigars they vow to obey their reason rather than their feelings and refuse to fight. Is it all clear to you, the smell of beer and bad tobacco, the forlorn bleakness of it all?

And then think of what will happen the moment the imperial brass band and a battalion of soldiers come marching by. That excellent gathering of enlightened humanity will follow that band to hell provided it keeps on playing popular airs. Against the old-age traditions—traditions of valor and courage and honor and love for the colors of the fatherland and devotion to the ideals of empire—all the doctrines of the sublime Marx are effaced. These men assembled to uphold reason are at once swept away by some mysterious force which is much stronger than reason. They fall victims to the traditions of countless generations.

Of course, after a while, reason will return; then, however, it is too late. The citizen has become a soldier, and, loyalty, that commonest of virtues in the world of simple-minded people, forces him to stick to the cause to which he once gave his support. He must stick it out until victory or defeat brings about peace.—Hendrik Willem van Loon, in the February Century.

Those who start life on porridge, may end on chicken. Those who start life on chicken, many end on porridge.

**LOCAL ITEMS**

**LEAGUE HOCKEY—To-night, St. Bon's vs. Victorias. Game starts at 7.30 sharp.**

A boy of six years, ill of diphtheria, was sent to Hospital yesterday from Barnes Road.

Capt. Tavernor, of the Meigle has been given charge of the Sagona and Capt. Parsons of the latter ship has been transferred to the Meigle.

The annual distribution of Sunday School prizes will take place this evening at St. Mary's parish hall, South Side.

Yesterday the Board of Trade had a message from Lind & Conto, of Oporto saying the market is overstocked. Exchange is 33 3/4.

The Victorias and St. Bon's teams will meet in the League Hockey match to-night and a fine game is expected. There will be a change in the line-up of St. Bon's.

Private J. Long and two others of the Newfoundland Regiment who had been wounded or ill, returned by the express yesterday. A couple of Naval Reserve men also came along.

Yesterday evening two drunks engaged in a free fight on Water St. near Waldegrave Street, and when the police arrived blood was flying. One of them was arrested and after a struggle removed to the Station. A half hour afterwards the other was caught and placed in the cells.

Rev. Edgar Jones, Ph. D., will lecture to the members of Wesley Bible Class to-night at 8 o'clock in the church basement. Subject: "The Business of Being a Man." A hearty invitation is extended to all the members of the City Bible Classes. A collection will be taken up.

The funeral of the late Patrick Leonard, who died suddenly in the R. C. Cathedral Sunday last, took place yesterday afternoon and was largely attended. At the Cathedral the final absolution was given by Rev. Dr. Greene, Mr. J. T. Martin was undertaker and interment was at Belvedere cemetery.

**OUR VOLUNTEERS.**

The Volunteers had drill in the Armoury yesterday and had rifle practice in the Highlanders' Armoury. A number of the men are preparing for the non-com. exams.

The S.S. Nevada will finish discharging to-morrow and will likely go to Sydney again for another coal cargo for the Reid-Nfld. Co.

**Fishermen Strike Now Ended**

The strike of 108 fishermen employed by the Bay State Fishing Company, which has, for the past few months, been one of the main causes for the high price of fish, was called off at a special meeting of the strikers at the headquarters on Lewis street yesterday afternoon, following a conference at the office of the State Board of Conciliation and Arbitration at the State House.

Of the 108 who started the strike, only 29 are left in this city. According to the agreement, 19 of these men will return to their boats to-day, and the other 10 will be placed at work within a short time.—Boston Globe.

**Seeks Refuge in Spanish Guinea**

PARIS, Jan. 25.—A despatch from Madrid last night said that official announcement had been made there to the effect that German troops in the Cameroons, retreating before the victorious British forces, had crossed the border into Spanish Guinea, where they were to be interned.

A later message from the Madrid correspondent of the Havas Agency said that the Spanish Ministers of War and Marine, on being questioned concerning the announcement, declared they had received no news that German troops had actually penetrated Spanish territory. In any event, they said, British troops would not pursue them across the border.

Several weeks ago the French and British began a vigorous campaign for the conquest of the Cameroons, the only remaining German possession in Africa, with the exception of German East Africa. Official British reports chronicle several victories over the Germans, who at last accounts were said to be fleeing towards Spanish Guinea, which adjoins the Cameroons on the south.

Spain contains more than 11,500,000 acres of unproductive land.

**Liberty of Press To Be Safeguarded**

**But There Will be No Change in the French Censorship—Act of Disarmament and Liberty and Victory Would be Dead—Declares Premier Briand**

PARIS, Jan. 30.—Premier Briand on making an impassioned speech in the Chamber of Deputies to-day in defence of the censorship by the French Government, said:

"To infringe the liberty of the press is not in the mind of any one concerned in the honor and future of this Administration and there is no country more worthy of the truth than ours, for there is not one nobler or calmer in these tragic circumstances. The fact that the country has remained calm after eighteen months of war indicates that the censorship has not been so bad. I have given the most precise instructions that the liberty of the press shall be safeguarded. In reality there is no censorship. There is supervision resulting from a verbal agreement between the Government and the press. "If the bill under discussion is passed, it will have legal existence and it will be necessary to indicate to the Government the means of applying it." Premier Briand then said that if the censorship was not wanted he would suppress it, but martial law allowed him to act freely and with entire liberty, adding:

"As chief of the Government I will never permit a new censorship law to demoralize the combatants by regrettable articles which could reach the trenches. That would be an act of disarmament, and liberty and victory would be dead."

The entire Chamber and galleries applauded the Premier.

Expert French butter tasters assert they can perceive the flavor or the soil over which cattle feed.

**RESULT OF BEAR BRAND COMPETITION**

The prizes offered to clerks who would sell the largest quantity of BEAR BRAND PATENT PROCESS and RED and WHITE BOOTS during the 1915 season have been awarded as follows:—

- 1st Prize—\$20.00 Miss G. M. Harding, Marystown.
- 2nd Prize—\$15.00 Mr. Albert Vatcher, Burgeo.
- 3rd Prize—\$10.00 Mr. S. W. Miffen, Catalina.
- 4th and 5th Prizes—\$5.00 Each Mr. J. F. Hyde, Lamaline. Mr. John Abbott, St. George's.

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