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RUSSIANS BEGIN BIG OFFENSIVE AGAINST GERMANS ON EASTERN FRONT

With Slackening of Fighting Around Verdun, Czar's Army Launches Furious Attack Around Lakes Dreswiaty and Narocz—Berlin Admits Offensive Begun But Claims Russians Repulsed.

AIR FIGHTS MARK PAUSE BETWEEN THE INFANTRY ATTACKS

French Curtain of Fire Halts Only Drive Germans Attempted Around Verdun on Saturday—Fierce Combats Between Airmen—British Lose Small Section of Ground

Roumania Getting Ready.

London, March 20.—A despatch to the Times from Bucharest says:

"Roumania's military preparations are being hurriedly completed. All persons exempted in previous years from military service have been summoned back to the colors, together with several thousands of legions from Transylvania. The list of officers is being carefully revised, and several of the older officers, including the chief of the general staff, have been pensioned and replaced by younger men."

With the slackening of the fighting around Verdun the Russians have started a big offensive movement against the Germans on the eastern front.

A raid by German Zeppelins on the east coast of England and by French airmen on Metz and other German towns, the sinking of a French torpedo boat destroyer by a submarine in the Adriatic, and the reported torpedoing of an Austrian hospital ship by an Entente underwater boat are recorded in official and unofficial communications.

Berlin chronicles an attack of great violence by the Russians around Dreswiaty Lake and Narocz Lake, but says the Russians were repulsed with great losses, 2,270 Russian dead having been counted in the Lake Narocz region.

Saturday the Germans in the Vaux-Banloop sector, northeast of Verdun, began another spirited attack against the French, but the French, bringing their curtain of fire into play, drove the Germans back. The attack was not pushed again during Sunday, and only intermittent bombardments took place.

Berlin reports the re-capture of some ground from the British north of Verdun, in the region of La Bassée, and the driving of the French from a position northeast of Badonvillers in the Vosges. London admits the capture by the Germans of three mine craters at the Hohenzollern ridge.

The French guns have been busy bombarding German trenches in Champagne, and German depots northeast of St. Mihiel.

Five French aircraft dropped bombs on Metz, ammunition depots near Chauvaux Salins, and the aerodrome at Dieuze, while twenty-three other machines attacked the aviation camp at Habsheim, and the freight station at Mulhausen. In battles in the air which followed the Germans and the French each lost three or four machines. A German airship attacked the Entente Allied fleet south of Saloniki, but with what result Berlin does not say.

No Infantry Attacks Yesterday.

Paris, March 19 (10.40 p. m.)—The bombardment in the region to the north of Verdun very materially slackened during the course of the day, according to the official statement issued by the French war office.

BERLIN BLAMES ALLIED SUBMARINE FOR TORPEDOING OF AN AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN HOSPITAL SHIP

Berlin, March 19, via wireless to Sydney.—The Austro-Hungarian hospital ship Elektra was torpedoed Saturday in the Adriatic Sea by an Entente Allied submarine, according to the Overseas News Agency. One sailor was drowned and two Red Cross nurses were badly wounded. The statement of the News Agency follows: "Vienna reports that the hospital ship Elektra, of the Austro-Hungarian Red Cross, bound from the north Adriatic to southern Dalmatia, was torpedoed March 18, by an enemy submarine. The steamer stranded. One sailor was drowned and two Red Cross nurses were badly injured. "The Elektra was not unknown to the enemy as a hospital ship, and was provided with the prescribed visible marks."

FOUR ZEPPELINS VISIT ENGLAND, ONE DESTROYED

Nine Persons Killed and 31 Hurt in Raid on Kent Coast.

DROPPED 48 BOMBS DURING THEIR VISIT

One of Raiders Overtaken by British Airmen and Shot Down, Others Making Get-Away.

Bulletin, London, March 19.—Nine persons were killed and thirty-one injured in an air raid of four German Zeppelins over the east coast of Kent today, it was announced officially tonight. A British airman brought down one raider over the sea, the German observer being killed.

The official statement on the raids reads as follows: "Four German seaplanes flew over East Kent today. The first pair appeared over Dover at a height of five thousand feet, one at 1.57 p. m., the second at 2.02 p. m.

"The first dropped six bombs in the harbor, then went northwest, dropping bombs on the town. The other raider, after passing over Dover, appeared over Deal at 2.13 and dropped several bombs.

The second pair appeared over Ramsgate at 2.10. They dropped bombs on this town. One of this pair went west, the other north, pursued by a British aeroplane. One bomb is reported to have been dropped on Margate.

"The second machine appeared over Westgate at 2.10. Here several of our aeroplanes went up in pursuit. No bombs were dropped at Westgate.

"The total casualties so far reported are, killed, three men, one woman and five children; injured, 17 men, five women, nine children.

"As far as ascertained, forty-eight bombs were dropped altogether. One bomb fell in the Canadian hospital at Ramsgate, causing damage, but no casualties. Material damage done; several houses, the homes of artisans, and cottages were wrecked.

"Flight Commander Bone, Royal Naval Air Service, in a single-seater aeroplane, pursued one German seaplane thirty miles out to sea, where, after an action lasting a quarter of an hour, he forced it to descend. The German machine was hit many times and the observer was killed.

A dozen bombs were dropped in Dover, and four persons were killed there. One of the missiles crashed through the roof of an orphanage, causing extensive damage and injuring a nun. The children in the institution suffered no injury, having been taken to the cellar at the first alarm. One of the raiders dropped four bombs into the sea as he was departing. Several aeroplanes started in pursuit. At Deal bombs also were dropped and some damage was done to property. There were no casualties. The town had only a few minutes' warning of the approach of the aircraft. Most of the inhabitants rushed into the street, where they had an excellent view of a fight in the air between the raiders and an English squadron, which rose in pursuit. With the aid of a telescope it was possible to distinguish a great number of machines, twisting and turning in every direction in their manoeuvres to get quickly to the required altitude to combat the raiders.

Flight Commander Bone, who brought down one of the raiders at sea, won his pilot's license at Eastbourne in 1913.

HALIFAX FACTORY GUTTED BY FIRE

Halifax, March 19.—Fire in the wooden building at 121 Lower Water street, owned by James Rouse, and used by him as a factory in which to manufacture carbonated beverages and soda water raged for over three hours this afternoon, and resulted in a damage of \$14,000, with insurance of \$4,500. The building and stock were almost entirely destroyed. The fire started on the second floor and is supposed to have been the result of defective wiring.

THE CONTRIBUTIONS HAVE STARTED VERY GENEROUSLY

The Standard and the Brunswick Chapter, I. O. D. E., have pleasure in acknowledging the following subscriptions toward the fund for the purchase of instruments for the 140th Battalion Band:

Mrs. Dr. Kenney	5.00
Loyalist Chapter, I. O. D. E.	50.00
Mrs. W. E. Earle	25.00
Miss Louise Murray	50.00
Elizabeth Harrison	.50
Total	\$130.50

The goal is placed at \$3,000 for the purchase of a complete set of instruments. Possibly the cost will be somewhat less, but it is desirable that a good selection of instruments of high quality be secured, and these will be ordered whenever there is sufficient money on hand to purchase the instruments selected by the bandmaster and officers of the battalion.

Send your subscriptions as soon as possible either to The Standard or to Mrs. J. B. Travers, Regent Brunswick Chapter, I. O. D. E.

Band Instruments to Go to the Front.

It has been stated that next to his flag and country our soldier becomes attached to his battalion band. When the time of departure comes it is the band that gives cheer to the soldier, and its familiar strains will counteract the loneliness of his arrival in a strange land. And when at last the musician is forced to lay down his instrument and do his bit in caring for the wounded, we may make very sure that he will insure its good care until he can again take it up and perhaps with its familiar air gladden some lonely soul.

RUSSIANS RESUME WESTWARD MARCH TOWARDS SIVAS

Petrograd, via London, March 19.—After three weeks of suspended activity the main Russian forces beyond Erzerum, which have been waiting for the development of operations on the Black Sea and in the Lake Van region to make their position secure against possible flank attacks by the Turks, have again resumed their westward march towards Sivas.

Although the Russian advance is yielding a constantly growing number of Turkish prisoners, there is no reason to suppose that the Turks have begun to offer serious resistance to their pursuers. According to unofficial reports the large number of prisoners is accounted for by the Turkish discontent with conditions prevailing in the Turkish army, which has resulted in a growing disposition of the soldiers to surrender. In this connection it is interesting to note that an exceptionally high percentage of officers have been taken prisoner. Some of them say that they were unable longer to tolerate German control of the army.

The capture of Mamahutan bridge shows that the Russian forces are within sixty miles of Erzerum, on the road to Sivas. Sivas will probably mark the first organized resistance of the Turkish army.

FORMER N.B. MAN HEAD OF MILITARY DISTRICT IN WEST

Ottawa, March 19.—The Province of Saskatchewan has been created a separate military district to be known as Military District No. 12.

Hilbert Saskatchewan has been a part of Military Division No. 10 which included the territory from Fort William west of Alberta. The militia council has now decided to divide this large area so as to relieve the heavy administrative duties of the divisional headquarters at Winnipeg. The headquarters of the new military district will be at Regina and the commanding officer will be Col. W. S. Edgar. Col. Edgar was major of the Fifth Battalion at the front and was wounded at Festubert. He has completely recovered from his wounds and is a capable and experienced military officer. He had lived in Saskatchewan for a number of years, coming to the province from Chatham, N. B.

FRENCH CHASE GERMANS INTO BULGARS' TERRITORY

CAPTURE ILEP AND MAYADAT ON FRONTIER BETWEEN GREECE AND SERBIAN MACEDONIA—GREECE IN FINANCIAL STRAITS AND FAMILIES OF SOLDIERS IN DIRE WANT.

Athens, March 17, via Paris, March 18.—All direct telegraphic communication between Greece and Germany, Austro-Hungary and Bulgaria has been cut. The financial situation on Greece appears to be of the gravest nature. The families of mobilized soldiers, in many cases, are in dire want and the men themselves will be shortly required in the fields if the crops are not to be neglected.

Bulgars Invade Greek Territory.

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69TH N. C. O. MURDERED IN MONTREAL

Corp. Pascal Rousseau Stabbed in Neck with Pocket Knife in Hands of a Forger.

Montreal, March 19.—Corporal Pascal Rousseau, of the 69th Battalion, Montreal, was murdered at 2.30 Saturday afternoon by a stranger, said to be a Pole, while the soldier was standing in front of Napoleon Joly's home, 29 Ste Agathe lane, in company with Napoleon Joly and another friend, Edouard Marsereau. Rousseau being stabbed in the neck with a pocket knife. "I am not badly hurt," he said faintly as he staggered into the house of a friend, Miss Eva Powell, No. 25 Ste Agathe lane, "it's only a slight wound." Then he dropped to the floor unconscious, and while being removed in an ambulance to the hospital, two blocks distant, he bled to death, the jugular vein had been severed.

The stabbing was the outcome of a brief encounter between Corporal Rousseau and the Pole, the former preventing the Pole from entering the residence at 29 Ste Agathe, pushing him and slapping his face. The Pole immediately afterwards disappeared. The knife was picked up on the sidewalk a few minutes later. An inquest will be held Monday morning.

PINCH OF COAL FAMINE IS MAKING ITSELF FELT IN HALIFAX

Alarmed at Situation Board of Trade Sends Delegation to Ottawa to Try to Get Steamers.

Special to The Standard

Halifax, N. S., Mar. 19.—Alarmed at the serious situation in the local coal market representatives of the Board of Trade accompanied by coal merchants have gone to Ottawa to interview the Government regarding the matter. Halifax like many other cities in Canada is beginning to feel the pinch of a coal famine and in order to guard against what might prove a serious situation the Board of Trade considered they should move in the matter their delegation to Ottawa.

Situation of the local coal market has been largely brought by the scarcity of coal carrying steamers and it has been found impossible to get shipments in large enough quantities to meet the demand. The Halifax delegation will make representations to the Government that some of the steamers engaged in other ways be directed to this port to carry coal.

The interruption of telegraphic communication between Greece and the Central Empires and Roumania recently reported, is attributed by the Havas correspondent at Athens to Bulgarians, who are said to have cut the wires between Monastir and Florina.

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VILLA SAFE CAN DEFY HIS PURSUERS

Now in His Own Haunts and Can Evade Capture Indefinitely—Has Been Declared an Outlaw.

Washington, Mar. 19.—Villa fleeing with his outlaw followers before the advance of the American expeditionary forces in Mexico, has reached his own country in the Guerrero district, where high officers of the army said tonight he may almost indefinitely evade capture. If the bandit chieftain makes a stand Washington is satisfied that the campaign will quickly end. But if he leaves his followers he can military authorities agree, reach a haven of safety in the nearby mountains in less than a day.

The War Department is anxiously awaiting word that contact has been established with the bandits, but it was said that no official information as to the whereabouts of the outlaw has been received from the border.

All advices to the State Department today were said to show that conditions in various sections of Mexico under control of the de facto government were improving.

Mexico City, Mar. 19.—The minister of war, Gen. Obregon, issued a decree today declaring all participants in the Columbus raid outside the law. The decree gives the right to any citizen to apprehend and kill, if necessary, the followers of Villa which crossed the American frontier.

THREE OFFICERS AND FORTY-FOUR OF CREW LOST WHEN FRENCH DESTROYER WAS TORPEDOED IN ADRIATIC

Bulletin, Paris, March 19 (7.17 p. m.)—The French torpedo boat destroyer Renaudin has been sunk in the Adriatic by a submarine. Three officers and 44 of the crew were lost. Two officers and 34 of the crew were saved. The ministry of marine made the following official announcement tonight regarding the destroyer: "The squadron torpedo boat Renaudin was sunk in the Adriatic by an enemy submarine on the morning of March 18. Three officers, among whom were the commanding and second officer, and forty-four seamen were lost. Two officers and thirty-four seamen were rescued by a French torpedo boat which accompanied the Renaudin."

The destroyer Renaudin was built in 1913. She measured 756 tons, and was 256 feet in length. She was a 30 knot boat, but in her trials had developed 32 knots.

Dutch Steamer Torpedoed.

London, March 19.—The steamer Patembang has been torpedoed. All the members of the crew were saved.

There are two steamers of the name of Patembang, both Dutch. The larger is a vessel of 6,674 tons gross, owned by the Rotterdamse Lloyd. She is 430 feet long, and was built in Rotterdam in 1911.

The smaller vessel is owned by an Amsterdam oil company, and is 241 feet long, of 1,856 tons gross. She was built in Amsterdam in 1905.

ENTENTE CONFERENCE IN FRENCH CAPITAL MAR. 27

16 ENLISTED AT SUSSEX YESTERDAY

Big Rallies Yesterday and Last Night Proved a Fine Stimulus to Recruiting in Kings County.

Special to The Standard.

Sussex, March 18.—Two big recruiting meetings were held here today at which Lieut.-Col. Guthrie was the principal speaker.

At the afternoon meeting the first speaker was Mr. J. D. McKenna, recruiting officer for Kings county, who made a fine address and was accorded a splendid reception.

Lieut.-Col. Guthrie was the recipient of a splendid demonstration and held his audience in rapt attention for an hour and a half while he recited his experiences at the front, closing his address with an eloquent plea to the young men present to join the colors.

The evening meeting was also addressed by the same speakers. Both preceding officers in introducing the speakers made telling tributes to the worth of the splendid work done by recruiting officers McKenna in Kings county, and of Col. Guthrie's services to his King and country, and it is with the bayonet and machine gun that the issue rests.

It is only in the valley that the guns are dangerous. For half a mile or more road lay exposed to the view and the German shells, just a thousand yards away, and the cars worked up to full speed to get past the danger zone as quickly as possible.

The splendid band of the 104th Battalion was present and by their fine music added much to the success of the meeting. Col. Guthrie warmly praised the 104th Battalion and paid a fitting tribute to its commanding officer Lieut.-Col. Fowler, who he said, had made many sacrifices in order to serve his King and country, and it is with the language of the trench he would say that the 104th had some colonel, some battalion, and some band.

After the evening meeting a committee was formed who will hereafter take an active part in the Kings county recruiting campaign.

St. John Man Dead, Three 26th Men in Casualties

Ottawa, March 19.—Yesterday's casualty lists include the names of the following: 26th Battalion, John C. Fleming, Scotland, and Amos Jeffrey, East Kemptville, Yarmouth Co., N. S., killed in action, and Lance Corporal Gordon B. Kent, Amherst, N. S., wounded.

No. 2 Division Ammunition Park, died, Sergt. Major Ernest Evans, 22 Germain street, Saint John.

STILL FIGHT WITH COLD STEEL IN THE VOSGES MOUNTAINS

Mr. H. Warner Allen, special correspondent of the British press with the French armies, in a despatch states: In the mountains of the Vosges men still fight today in the open, with the cold steel, and they fought in the days before machines of scientific destruction drove them underground.

The enemy who may show themselves. Sometimes patrol knocks up against the French in the debatable ground, and then there is speedy work with the bayonet, and when occasions the Boche as a rule scuttles back to the shelter of his wire as quickly as he can.

The Frenchmen engaged in this particular sector are not, as might be expected, young men to whom mountaineering and war in the hills might be an agreeable sport.

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MUSH PAY MORE DEARLY FOR PEACE NOW BERLIN SAYS

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An Amusing Statement by the Lokal Anzeiger, Semi-official Paper in Berlin.

Berlin, Mar. 17, via London, Mar. 18.—Germans' enemies by not taking advantage of the announcement of Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg on December 9, that Germany would consider peace proposals whenever her foe was willing to ask terms, have lost the day of grace.

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FUNERAL OF LATE CAPTAIN KENNEALEY

Members of Masonic Order and Port Organizations Attended in Body—Beautiful Floral Tributes.

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REMAINING GR... UNDER PERBY TO BE CALLED

Believed Royal Defence Corps, Which Partly Solve Problem of Recruiting receive the Same Pay as Regular Infantry.

London, March 19.—Field Marshal Earl Kitchener, secretary of state for war, issued an army order today announcing that the King had authorized the formation of a corps entitled the Royal Defence Corps, with pay the same as that of regular infantry.

COUNTY POLICEMAN WAS BUSY SATURDAY

Officer Saunders Had More Than Ordinary Share of Work—Deserters Captured.

County Police Officer Saunders had a busy time of it on Saturday, Russell Kierstead of 537 Chesley street was arrested for driving a horse on the Marsh Road.

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HEART SONGS COUPON PRESENTED BY THIS PAPER TO YOU HOW TO GET IT ALMOST FREE

"SAFETY FIRST" IS A WINNER The "Safety First" slogan of the Canadian Government Railways system is proving a gratifying success.

NEWCASTLE Miss Alice O'Donnell left on Wednesday to visit her brother, Wm. A. O'Donnell, of Bathurst.

DIED CRAWFORD—In this city, on the 17th inst., at the residence of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Crawford, Sandy Point Road, Herbert A. Crawford, aged nineteen years, leaving his grand-parents and one sister to mourn.

WANTED—In a central locality, room and board, with modern conveniences. Apply, Guest, Standard.

GAS, HEARTBURN, INDIGESTION OR A SICK STOMACH "Pape's Diapepsin" ends all stomach distress in five minutes.

ROYAL REMAINING GR... UNDER PERBY TO BE CALLED... JAMES EX-PA... Well-Kn... City Di... Saturd... Council... James S... known an... St. John, ... day in wh... Steaton wa... foreman fo... thirty-eight... took a ke... day in wh... of years he... council as... toria ward... years at ... some years ... of the safe... regarded a... the correct... position of... and resign... He accept... ago and et... death. He... three Presb... ty-three ye... the board o... position of... with the an... of this city... St. John, ... of this city... L. Partere... o'clock fro... Archibald, at... o'clock P... Potatoes F... Only two ... on the far... died. He ... cently seen... to be potat... to be bar... of this city... considerable... expected. ... The Acrost... at postage... seen their... have driven... west and ... Hugh L... steamship ... the Govern... was arre... man was ... and was ... Shortly af... at postag... couple of ... should be ... He was ta... complained... waiting for... very him t... and was ... while Th... Dunlop w... the man r... N. S. Po... Mrs. Fe... Belgian m... train at ... her fire f... John, is ... ton, Chie... who Mr. h... for her ... She was ... look for ... elains his ... on the tra... can and ... train was ... her husba... She claim... when that... mans. ... Don't ... concert i... church w... sure cou... on the f... Grov', h... Don't ... purposes.

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The funeral services at the home and grave were conducted by Rev. G. J. Leavelle of St. John's church, and hymns were sung by a Masonic quartette.

The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful, showing the high esteem in which the deceased was held in the community and abroad.

Luxor Temple, Myrtle Shrine, carnations, sweet peas and carnations.

St. John DeMolay Preceptory, star roses, lilies, carnations.

Carleton Union Lodge, F.A.M., compass and square, carnations and roses.

Union Royal Arch Chapter, wreath and triangle of roses and carnations.

Pilot Commissioners, anchor roses, carnations, sweet peas.

Portwardens, cross white roses, sweet peas and carnations.

Mrs. A. Pittman, large spray roses and carnations.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Clark, wreath roses and carnations.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rawland, wreath roses and carnations.

Gaston, Williams & Wigmore, New York, large sheet of American beauty roses and carnations.

K. Kennealey and family, Medford, Mass., spray pink and white carnations.

Mrs. Norman Morrill, New York, spray carnations and lilies.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Wetmore, spray of roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Allen, spray carnations, roses and hyacinths.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hanson, spray of roses.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hart, spray of roses.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Lewis, spray of tulips.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Seely, spray crimson tulips.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Brown, spray of roses and pansies.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hamm, spray crimson tulips.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Turner, spray carnations and narcissus.

H. C. Farmer, spray tulips and heliotrope.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Wilkins, sheet carnations.

ROYAL DEFENCE CORPS AUTHORIZED BY KING

REMAINING GROUPS UNDER DERBY PLAN TO BE CALLED SOON

Believed Royal Defence Corps, Which is to Be Formed Will Partly Solve Problem of Recruiting Married Men—Receive the Same Pay as Regular Infantry.

London, March 19.—Field Marshal Earl Kitchener, secretary of state for war, issued an army order today announcing that the King had authorized the formation of a corps entitled the Royal Defence Corps, with pay the same as that of regular infantry.

The order does not explain its objects, but it is believed to be connected with the efforts to solve the problem of recruiting married men.

The Central News says it understands that the war office has decided to call upon all the remaining groups of attested men without delay, and that it is probable they will be notified for service with the colors before the end of March, or early in April.

The government is reported virtually to have solved the question of providing for the liabilities of enrolled men, such as rent and insurance.

COUNTY POLICEMAN WAS BUSY SATURDAY

Officer Saunders Had More Than Ordinary Share of Work—Deserters Captured.

County Police Officer Saunders had a busy time of it on Saturday. Russell Kierstead of 537 Chesley street was arrested for furiously driving a horse on the Marsh Road.

The horse is owned by Joseph Vigges of the Golden Grove Road. Kierstead was taken before Magistrate Adams in the Brookville court on Saturday night, found guilty and fined ten dollars and costs, or one month in jail.

Fred Gillespie was arrested for being drunk and furiously driving a horse on the Marsh Road. This horse is owned by A. Kindred of West St. John.

The prisoner was found guilty and fined ten dollars and costs. The fines in both cases were paid.

About 3:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, while the county policeman was going his rounds, he called into a barn on the Marsh Road and was surprised to find Dominic Cepro, a private of the 69th Battalion. The soldier had discarded his uniform and when found by the policeman was standing in the cold barn shivering in his underwear.

Near him was a suit of civilian clothing in which he was about to attire himself. The suit was taken in custody and handed over to the military police of the battalion.

Yesterday afternoon Policeman Saunders arrested Fred O'Dell on complaint from officers of the 140th Battalion. O'Dell was found by the policeman on the Golden Grove road and is wanted by the military officers on the charge of breaking out of the "clink," otherwise known as the guard house. The soldier was handed over to the military police to be dealt with.

Last evening the policeman was called into a house on the Marsh Road to assist in ejecting a soldier of the 69th Battalion who was not wanted there.

The Steamer Pulva. Up to yesterday no effort had been made to float the small steamer Pulva which was sunk at the entrance of the slip at the foot of Duke street.

At low tide the steamer's stern is exposed in the slip, while her bow is in the water, submerged. The steamer has been used as a water boat and for conveying soldiers to and from Partridge Island. The work of raising her should not be very difficult.

BRONCHITIS COMES FROM A NEGLECTED COLD.

Bronchitis starts with a short, painful, dry cough, accompanied with rapid wheezing, and a feeling of oppression or tightness across the chest. At first the expectoration is a light color but as the trouble progresses the phlegm arising from the bronchial tubes becomes of a yellowish or greenish color, and is very often of a stringy nature.

Bronchitis is usually at its worst in the morning on account of the phlegm becoming lodged in the bronchial tubes during the night, and it very often takes some time coughing and gagging before you can get the throat clear of the phlegm.

When this happens you may be sure that if the bronchitis is not attended to immediately it will sooner or later develop into pneumonia, or some other more serious lung trouble.

The best remedy for to cure the cold is DR. WOOD'S NORWAY PINE SYRUP. Mrs. Roy Conner, Greenwood, Ont., writes: "I must tell you what Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup did for me. Whenever I got a cold I would be troubled with bronchitis, and sometimes I would almost choke to death. After taking two bottles of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup I was cured."

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup is 25c and 50c per bottle. See that you get the genuine. Manufactured only by The T. Millers Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

JAMES SEATON EX-ALDERMAN PASSES AWAY

Well-Known Old Resident of City Died at Fair Vale on Saturday—Member of Council.

James Seaton, for years a well-known and highly respected citizen of St. John, passed away at the home of his son, Archie, at Fair Vale on Saturday in the 73rd year of his age.

Mr. Seaton was a printer by trade and was foreman for the late G. W. Day for thirty-eight years. He was a man who took a keen interest in everything tending to advance the welfare of the city in which he lived.

For a number of years he was a member of the city council as the representative of Victoria ward, and for a time as alderman at large. In all he served about ten years at the council board and for some years of that time was chairman of the Safety Board.

Mr. Seaton was regarded as one of the best men in the council in his day and much regret was felt when he accepted the position of collector of the city lands and resigned his seat in the council. He accepted that position some years ago and continued to serve up to his death. He was a member of St. David's Presbyterian church and for twenty-three years served as chairman of the board of finance. He also filled the position of elder in the church and will be much missed by its members.

He leaves one son, Archie, of His Majesty's Customs, one brother, John S. Seaton, the well known stone cutter of this city, and one sister, Mrs. George L. Partelow also of this city. The funeral will be held on Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock from the residence of his son Archie, at Fair Vale. Coaches will leave the head of King street at one o'clock p. m.

Potatoes Firm but Dull, Demand Light. Only twenty-five per cent. of the potato crop in New-Brunswick remains on the farms, according to the Canadian Pacific Railroad officials, who recently sent a representative through the potato districts. Prices continue to be held firm at \$2.40 to \$2.80 per barrel at first hand in Carleton county. When warmer weather comes a considerable movement of potatoes is expected. The demand is light just now. The demand is not strong in the Arctostock region. It is the general belief that Maine potatoes have seen their highest prices. High prices have driven trade from Maine to the west and Long Island.

Sent To The Hospital. Hugh Lansay, a freeman on the steamship Elswick House, loading at the Government Railway Terminal, was arrested last evening on the charge of deserting the ship. The man was very thin and poorly clad and was suffering from the cold. Shortly after he was placed in a cell at police headquarters a few days ago. She was on her way to St. John to look for her missing husband and claims she lost her ticket and money on the train. She locked herself in a closet of a car soon after leaving Macan and did not come out until the train was nearing Moncton. She said her husband is working in this city. She claims to have been in Lige when that city was taken by the Germans.

Matron's Concert. Don't fail to attend the Matron's concert in the Main street Baptist church vestry tomorrow night. A sure cure for the blues, one number on the programme, "How the Story Grew" has a laugh in every line. Don't miss it. Proceeds for Red Cross purposes.

LARGEST MILITARY PARADE IN THE HISTORY OF THE CITY

Yesterday's Church Parade Distinctly a Revelation — Two Thousand Khaki Clad Men in Line Made Very Fine Appearance.

The largest military turnout ever seen in St. John took place yesterday morning, when all the different units in the city met in the vicinity of King Square and marched to the North End to attend divine service at the different churches there.

It was a most inspiring sight as the men swung down King street and came to attention as they passed the Brigade and his staff at the corner of King and Germain streets.

The street was lined with people to see them go by and many favorable comments were heard on the splendid appearance of the men as they passed the reviewing stand at attention. The Siege Battery was ahead, led by their drum corps, the 49th with their band came next, the 115th with their band next in line, then came the 140th, headed by the City Cornet band, about two thousand men in all.

They marched down King to Dock, along Dock to Mill to Market. The 140th dropped off at Portland street as they were to attend Portland street Methodist.

The rest went along to Douglas Avenue where they separated, the Siege Battery and a part of B Company, 69th Battalion, going to St. Luke's. About one hundred men of B Company went to St. Matthew's Presbyterian. The 115th went to Main street Baptist, and the Roman Catholic members of all the battalions to St. Peter's. The Brigade and his staff attended service at St. Matthew's with the exception of Capt. Logan, who went with the 115th to Main street Baptist.

At Main Street Baptist. The 115th to the number of about 550 headed by their band attended the Main street Baptist church during the taking up of the offering the band rendered a selection which was much enjoyed, the principal feature of which was a slide trombone solo by Bandmaster Buckle. Rev. Dr. Hutcheson took as his text the following words from Daniel 6: "Then said these men we shall not find any occasion against this Daniel except we find it against him concerning the law of his God." He said first that the good and devout man was always hated and persecuted by those who were false of heart and insincere of life. These principles hated Daniel and wanted to get him out of the way, because his upright way of living was a constant reproach to them, and his integrity stood in the way of their having any opportunity to graft and grow rich at the expense of the public.

Secondly the good and devout man was always a man of fearless courage in time of temptation and persecution. These would come to every man but the good and devout man had a refuge and a strength which the other man lacked.

Thirdly the good and devout man was the man who always experienced divine deliverance from his trials and difficulties. These princes got Daniel thrown into the den of lions, but God brought him out again and the King gave them to the lions themselves and this time the lions' mouths were not shut. So God would always take care of the man who trusted and feared him.

At Portland Methodist. The 140th headed by the City Cornet band marched to Portland Methodist church where they listened to a eloquent sermon by their chaplain, Rev. M. E. Conroy, a former pastor of that church. Mr. Conroy based his remarks on the words found in Genesis 5:4: "Enoch walked with God and was not for God took him."

He expressed the thanks of himself and the men of the battalion to the people of the church for their kindness in placing it at their disposal for their first service as the 140th Battalion. Enoch walked with God and when his work was finished on earth God took him to be with himself. It was the privilege of every man to walk

with God, and every man who did so would be taken as Enoch was to be with Him in endless bliss, when his work on earth was done.

After service the men marched to the ferry boat where the battalion was halted and Lieut.-Col. Beer, for himself and his officers, warmly thanked Bandmaster Waddington and the members of the band for their kindness in playing for the church parade. On arriving at the barracks they were drawn up in a hollow square and the O. C. made an address to the men and complimented them on the way they had carried themselves throughout the day.

At St. Matthews. About one hundred members of B Company, 69th, and the staff officers, attended St. Matthew's Presbyterian church. The sermon was preached by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Harwick, from the text found in Proverbs 23:7: "Whatsoever a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." His subject was "Ideals and their cause." Every man had an ideal. Ideals made men. In a nation of poor ideals made poor men, high ideals produced great men. If it was true that as a man thought in his heart so he was, it was also true of the nation. An ideal of beauty produced ancient Greece. An ideal of law produced Rome. An ideal of militarism produced Germany as she was today. An ideal of liberty produced Britain. A nation's life consisted not in the abundance of things which it possessed but in the abundance of ideals which possessed it. Britain's ideals were costing her blood, sacrifice and suffering, but was calling out the dormant idealism in the lives of young men in all parts of the world-wide empire. The ideal man was Christ, the men in khaki have shown by their clothing that they were idealists; why not go a step further and take as their ideal personally Jesus Christ and not be satisfied with simply putting on the uniform of the King of Kings.

At St. Luke's. The Siege Battery and about one hundred and fifty men of B Company, 69th, attended St. Luke's. The sermon was preached by the curate, Rev. H. D. Martin. The subject was "Sin," and he based his remarks on Psalm 43: "I said I will confess my transgression unto the Lord and Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin." The church was filled and among the congregation were several soldiers from the Convalescent Home.

At St. Peter's. The Roman Catholic members of all the units attended St. Peter's where mass was celebrated by the chaplain of the 69th Battalion, Father Pagnan. The men marched to their different quarters independently after the church services had been concluded.

Winter Port Season May Close Early. Advice from Montreal and Quebec indicate that the ice is likely to leave the St. Lawrence very early this season. The ice bridge is not as firm as usual and an early breakup is anticipated. As soon as the port of Montreal is opened some of the steamers which have been coming to St. John and Portland, Me., will be transferred to the St. Lawrence route, although considerable export traffic will continue to be handled here during the summer season.

W. M. Angus Returns. E. J. Fleetwood, manager of the Ames Holden McCready Company, has tendered his resignation, preparatory to engaging in private business. The change in the Montreal office will be filled by the return to St. John of W. M. Angus, who left here a little over a year ago to accept a responsible position in the Montreal office. These changes become effective at an early date.

Learned From a Sample Nineteen Years Ago

That He Could Depend on Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills to Cure Many of the Common Ills of Life.

Living eighteen miles from a drug store Mr. Carr found it necessary to keep in the house some treatment to regulate the action of liver, kidneys and bowels.

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Here, surely, is evidence of the value of these Pills as a family medicine to protect the members of the family who use it from the common ill of many of which arises from constipation of the bowels and torpid condition of the liver and kidneys.

Mr. James Carr, Maynooth, Ont., writes: "About 19 years ago I received an envelope containing two of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. I was dozing at the time with two doses, and as they did me no good I used the Pills, and by the time I had

finished one box I was cured of the pain in the back and shoulders. "We have great confidence in Dr. Chase's Medicines. I have a family of ten children and have never had a doctor in the house for any of them. We live eighteen miles from a drug store and find that these Pills cure nearly all the ordinary ill by regulating the liver, kidneys and bowels. That we are all well and sound I attribute to their use and I have recommended them to hundreds and given away many a box because I believe there is no medicine so good."

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PRESENTATIONS AT THE ROYAL HOTEL

Employees Make Gifts to Thomas B. Reynolds and George Fritch.

Thomas B. Reynolds, who retired from the management of the Royal Hotel Saturday after a long period of service there, and George Fritch, the chef, who also left the staff of that house, were "victims" of a very interesting episode at the hotel on the evening of that day.

The employees of the hotel presented Mr. Reynolds with an electric reading lamp and the cooks came across with a set of carvers which was bestowed upon Mr. Fritch. Thomas U. Mowry, the clerk of the Royal, did the speech-making act, to which embarrassed recipients were able to respond briefly and happily.

Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Fritch will take charge of the Clifton House later on. Both are popular hotel men and Mr. Reynolds holds a high place in the esteem of the travelling public.

The management of the Royal is now in the hands of Harry A. Doherty and T. Kenneth Raymond, supervised by William E. Raymond.

A BIG MEETING IS EXPECTED TONIGHT

Germain Street Recruiting Rooms Expected to Hold Large Gathering — Soldiers Will Parade.

Indications point to a big attendance at the Germain street recruiting rooms this evening for which has been prepared an excellent programme of speeches and concert numbers, the participants being made up largely of military men.

By a special arrangement made by H. G. Marr, chairman for all this week, Lieut. Col. Danseman will have the band of the 69th Battalion, accompanied by fifty-two soldiers of the 115th Battalion, parade from the armories, along Charlotte street to King Square, up the south side of the square, down Sydney to the north side of the square, along Charlotte to King, down King to Germain to the Germain street recruiting rooms, where Capt. Sanford will preside at the meeting, the programme for which includes A. Baudet of the machine gun section of the 69th Battalion, who wears the Belgian

cross for saving the lives of 35 men at the siege of Antwerp, and who will sing. Sergt Reid of the 115th Bn., will be among the speakers. There will be a step dance by Private Roy of C Company, 69th Bn., an accordion solo by Robert Carr, singing and dancing by the Ramsey Brothers, Sergt. Hoare of the 69th Bn., will deliver an address. The accompanists of the evening will be Hedley V. MacKinnon and Dudley Robitillier.

It is hoped that everyone will be out early "after tea" tonight, and follow the band to the Germain street recruiting rooms.

Medals for Cable Operators. Realizing the great work performed by the Western Union Cable staff in the big office at North Sydney, one of the finest, if not the best on this continent, it is understood the British Admiralty is preparing suitable medals for the staff, in recognition of the Admiralty's appreciation of the great service rendered by each and every one of the one hundred and thirty or more men engaged day and night without interruption, and in the face of great difficulties.

Obstructing Sidewalk. Lewis Kennedy was arrested on Saturday afternoon by Police Constable Hamm on the charge of being one of a crowd who were obstructing the sidewalk on Main street and refusing to move along when ordered to do so by the police.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., MON. DAY, MARCH 20, 1916.

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

PUGSLEY VS. LAURIER.

It has been a favorite trick of Mr. Pugsley and the newspapers supporting him to declare that if the Liberal government had been returned to power in the 1911 elections St. John would have gained a great ship-building plant in which Canadian war vessels would have been constructed. Mr. Pugsley had the Cammell, Laird & Company's tenders in his desk for several months before the election, yet he did not award the contract by which—if his contention is true—this great benefit would have come to this port.

When the Conservative Government came into power the question of Canadian aid to the Imperial navy was at once taken up with the Admiralty and as the result of information then secured it was decided that the interests of the Empire could best be served by a contribution of dreadnoughts to be built in Britain. This proposal was strangled by the Liberal Senate and no action has since been taken.

The other day, in the House of Commons, Mr. Pugsley took occasion to repeat the old ghost-story of the Cammell-Laird firm and what they were prepared to do for St. John. Some of the members questioned him as to the accuracy of his contention that the ships were to be built in this port, asking if Sir Wilfrid Laurier had not expressly stated that Montreal was to be the seat of the Canadian ship building industry. Mr. Pugsley stoutly declared that the business was to come to St. John and that Sir Wilfrid Laurier had never stated otherwise.

Mr. Oliver Wilcox, of South Essex, speedily took the prodigal promoter into camp by reading an extract from a speech delivered by Sir Wilfrid Laurier in Parliament after the 1911 election, in which the leader of the Liberal party plainly announced that his intention had been in regard to the Canadian ships. Here is the extract as taken from Hansard for 1913, volume 1, page 1034:

"Yes, we thought as the general elections were coming, that it would not be fair, in a matter of this kind, which was at issue between the two parties, to award the contract, in case there might be, as there was, a change of government. I say now that the government in power would have been better advised if they had awarded the contract, and had done so, we would at the present time have under construction on the stocks in Montreal, four cruisers and six destroyers."

It only remains to be stated that the vessels named by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, four cruisers and six destroyers, represented the acme of strength aimed in the most expansive of the many different "Liberal Naval Policies"—As all these vessels were to be built in Montreal it would be interesting to learn what St. John would have received.

Mr. Pugsley knew of the Laurier promise and Mr. Pugsley knew that if the Liberal party ever decided to build any ships at all they would build where Sir Wilfrid dictated. That was why the ex-Minister of Public Works did not dare to attempt to open or award the Cammell-Laird tender. He knew that his prodigal promises to the electors of St. John—promises which served to re-select him by a scant majority of some few score of votes—could not be carried out. Now, although five years have elapsed since the Pugsley pledge was first made, it rises to haunt him. The people of St. John have not forgotten the prodigality of promise and the lack of performance which Mr. Pugsley showed while in power. Now they know they were deliberately deceived by this architect.

THE GRITS AND THE TRUCE.

That the leaders of the Liberal party have decided to ignore the supposed political truce is made apparent every time one of them rises to make a speech in the House of Commons. Careful perusal of the remarks of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Mr. Pugsley, Mr. Carvell and other front benchers will establish this fact. These men have never ceased to malign and slander the Government and all its undertakings and it is only because their cantanases have not been supported by facts that they have not succeeded in creating dangerous prejudice amongst the Canadian people.

A BRIGHT OUTLOOK.

The information that St. John is to have a summer steamship service and that trade through this port during the approaching summer season is expected to be the best in history is most encouraging. Commissioners Russell and Wigmore, who visited the Dominion capital last week, and interviewed the members of the Government, found that Hon. Mr. Hazen had not been neglecting the port's interests, but, on the contrary, had pressed the claims of St. John whenever the opportunity offered. Members of the Government who were seen were completely in sympathy with the request of the commissioners and gave them much encouragement. A subsequent visit of Commissioner Russell to Montreal brought the information that the C. P. R. and Government intended to make greater use of this port during the coming summer than in the past.

At the present time it is impossible to present details of the service of the trade to be done, but it is regarded as likely that much of the Imperial supply business, which has been such a large factor in the traffic of the present winter, will be continued, thus increasing the prosperity of the port and ensuring plenty of work. It is possible that on the result of the coming few months may depend the development of summer transatlantic trade through this port, and it may be that a new era of prosperity is dawning for us. After the war there should be a mighty impetus to all lines of Canadian business as industries move or less interfered with by the disruption of commercial life once more get into their normal condition. St. John is likely to profit and the commissioners have every reason to congratulate themselves on the success of their mission.

SENATOR CLORAN MORE THAN MIXED IN STATEMENTS

Reported Rumors That Col. Morris Had Been Shot or Given Long Penal Sentence Utterly False.

(Amherst News). Senator Cloran, of Montreal, is very much interested and very much mixed-up with regard to affairs at the Amherst Detention Camp. In the Senate, on Tuesday afternoon, he again reiterated that the Commandant of the Camp was in sympathy with the German prisoners, and even went a step further by declaring that the officer in command had connived at the escape of certain prisoners from the Detention Camp here. He alluded to rumors that the commandant had been shot, or had been given a sentence of twelve years in Penitentiary. For the benefit of Senator Cloran, we wish to say that Colonel A. Morris, C. M. G., D. S. O., in command of the Camp, is a gentleman, who has won distinction for himself in the service of the Imperial Army, and has been honored by his King and country by having the orders of merit conferred upon him. Last January there was a court martial held in connection with some transactions in which a subordinate officer was involved. The evidence was forwarded to Ottawa, as is the custom, in connection with court martial; no report was given to the press, until headquarters would deal with the matter. The officer in question we understand, filed a defence, and the authorities at Ottawa have not as yet reached any conclusion with regard to the matter. Until the authorities appointed to deal with such matters pass judgment upon the evidence submitted, we take it that it is not the business of the press to spread idle rumors. We may say, however, that so far as Colonel Morris is concerned, that we had a very pleasant call from him this week and we can assure Senator Cloran that he is still in the land of the living and is enjoying the utmost freedom. Colonel Morris has a splendid command of the English language, and the opinion that he expressed with regard to Senator Cloran certainly make interesting reading matter to that particular member of the Upper Chamber. It is of course not necessary for us to say that Colonel Morris was no more involved in the inquiry held than Senator Cloran himself.

Why a public man like Senator Cloran should make such fool statements, we cannot understand, without possibly, he is a reader of the Monoton Transcript.

His Majesty Gives Yankee Officer a Cigarette Case

Captain Alexander B. C. Weel, of the Thirteenth Battalion, Royal Highlanders, of Canada, gave an interesting recital of his personal experience in the trenches in France, at the monthly luncheon of the Rotary Club in the McAlpine Hotel, New York, recently. Captain Weel is an American.

Little Benny's Note Book

The Park Ave. News.
NORA.
Nora is wat our cook's name is.
Her home is in the kitchen;
We set wat she cooks weather we like it or not,
And her other name is Flanagan.
Haff the time you can hear her hawk to herself,
And the other haff you can hear her sing,
And the other haff she aners the doobbell
Wen it goes dingelingerling.
Theres no mutch dent around her waist,
For that was most of her weight is,
And the time I love to watch her most
Is wen she is mashing puttatris.
She sings wile she is hittin' them
And keeps time with her blows,
And wunts wile I was watchin' her
A hunk soaked me in the nose.
She has a red-headed fellow
And sets with her down in the kitchen,
And awetly on his mouthgroom does play.
At the present time of the service of
And sumtimes wen he plays it,
Nora dances a jig on the floor,
Making the kitchen windo rattle,
And the latch does a jig on the door.

but on crossing to Canada to enlist found it advisable to register as a Canadian. He went out as a private and since his return, after being invited from wounds, has been appointed a captain of the Canadian forces by General Sir Sam Hughes. In this connection Captain Weel, whose ancestry dates back in America for two hundred years, told of an encounter with King George on Salisbury Plain, on the occasion of a review, at which he was one of the body guard. The King presented mementoes to the members of the guard, and when he approached Captain Weel said, "You are a Yankee, aren't you?" upon King George smiled and passed on—"Yes, Your Majesty."
"Why, didn't you say so?"
"I was afraid I wouldn't get the cigarette case," was the reply. When King George smiled and passed on—New York Herald.

JARVIS-CLARKE WEDDING SATURDAY AT ST. STEPHEN

St. Stephen, March 18.—The marriage of Miss Doris F. Clarke, eldest daughter of Hon. George J. Clarke, LL. D., Premier of New Brunswick, and D. J. Clarke, of St. Stephen.

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1. She wore a lovely bon, khaki was the color.
2. Before he boarded the vessel many a sailor had seen him.
3. She sealed up in envelopes all the letters she received.
4. Adjusting his skates he took to the ice.
5. It was a strong box made entirely of iron.
6. There's not a land on this world like Canada, the land I love, where plenty reigns and all are free.
7. He had always enjoyed good health and was in the best of health.
8. The loud cries of "no babe echoed in the air."

To the two kiddies who send in the most ten letters, I shall award a beautiful story book. This office by Wednesday, 22nd March, 1916, accompanied by a stamped and addressed usual coupon, and addressed to

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ALBERT COUNTY ORGANIZED FOR ACTIVE RECRUITING

Captain L.P.D. Tilley Reports on Work There—Committees Formed in County Centres and Interesting Meetings Held—Many Recruits Secured.

The following is the report of recruiting results of Capt. L. P. D. Tilley, chief recruiting officer for New Brunswick, in Albert County, during the past week:

Tuesday, March 7th.
Left St. John, 7.10 a. m., accompanied by Sgt. Major McInnis, Corp. Steeves, Ptes. Snellgrove and Taylor of the 146th Battalion, Albert County men. Our train was met at the station. Missed connection with Albert and Salsbury railway. Went on to Moncton, drove down to Hillsboro, arrived in time for public meeting, F. M. Thompson, chairman. Speakers, above named non-com. officers and men and Capt. Tilley. Meeting largely attended. Organized permanent citizens' recruiting committee for Hillsboro and vicinity, namely:
F. M. Thompson, chairman, John Peck, vice-chairman, W. H. Bishop, secretary.
Left non-coms. and men recruiting in county. Newly organized citizens' committee arranged smoker and entertainment for men only, Monday, March 13th.

March 13th.—Returned to county and held meeting, assisted by C. J. Osmann, John Peck, Joseph Thompkins, F. M. Thompson, chairman. The following recruits enlisted that day and at the meeting:
Walter Jonah, Dawson Settlement, Harold Turner, Dawson Settlement, George B. Lutz, Turtle Creek, Harry Lutz, Turtle Creek, H. Vance Dawson, Dawson Settlement, George Blight, Hillsboro, Charles Featon, Hillsboro, Howard Beaumont, Hillsboro, Charles Milton, Hillsboro, John S. Robertson, Hillsboro, James A. Watson, Riverside, Robert Mollins, Osborne Corner, Robert Mollins, Hopewell Cape.

Tuesday, March 14th.
Secured before leaving two more recruits, James Cavanaugh and John A. Hanson. Rev. S. W. Schurman, Baptist minister of Hillsboro, an eloquent and forceful speaker, kindly consented to accompany the military party and speak at meetings. Mr. A. W. Jonah, of Hillsboro Parish, generously contributed his horse and double sleigh for the entire week, going with them and driving. Drove from Hillsboro to Alma, 28 miles, arriving 6 p. m. Alma—Held meeting in Baptist church in evening. Church crowded to doors. One recruit, a married man, volunteered, namely Harry Wilbur. Organized citizens' recruiting committee as follows:
Rev. T. B. Wetmore, chairman, Capt. David Alexander, vice-chairman, Edgar Martin, secretary, John Fletcher, Dexter Conner, Councilor Judson Cleveland, Major Collins, Frank Sinclair, Barzilla Conner, Ramsford Butcher, Stephen Burdon, Thomas Moore, Arthur Sinclair, Councilor Wm. Rommel.
Committee report over 100 young single men in Alma and vicinity. So far six have enlisted since the commencement of the war. Splendid recruiting material in this vicinity who have not yet awakened to seriousness of war situation. Appointed Judson Cleveland, deputy recruiting officer.

Wednesday, 15th.
Waterside—Drove from Alma to Waterside. Very stormy night, small meeting. Chairman of meeting, W. H. Martin. Organized recruiting committee for Waterside and vicinity as follows:
W. H. Martin, chairman, H. A. Barbour, vice-chairman, L. L. Richardson, secretary, Ira H. Copp, Wm. Cairnes, John S. Moore, Elmer Tingley.
Ladies' patriotic recruiting committee also formed with the following officers elected:
Mrs. Annie Copp, president, Mrs. Wm. Barbour, vice-president, Miss Jeanie Anderson, secretary.

Thursday, March 16th.
Drove to lumber camps about three miles from Waterside. Addressed men in camps, and left recruiting literature. Drove to Riverside. Wild snow storm, roads blocked. Storm effected securing. Though not large, most enthusiastic. Joe Bryden, chairman. Secured three recruits, namely:
Kenneth Seeley Barbour, H. Nell McLeod, Joe Bryden, secretary.
Organized the following citizens' recruiting committee:
Gideon N. Prescott, chairman, J. S. Hayward, vice-chairman, John Peck, secretary, Byron Peck, Thomas Campbell, Clarence Payne, Hartley Steeves, Burton Steeves.
Also a ladies' patriotic recruiting committee with the following officers:
Miss Alberta Richardson, president, Miss Mary A. Moore, vice-president, Miss Edna Hayward, secretary.

Friday, March 17th.
Albert—Attended patriotic St. Patrick's Day supper and entertainment. Meeting very largely attended. Secured the following recruits:
D. L. Hannington Peck, Roy Smith, Roy Galois, Tyler Reid.
Organized the following citizens' recruiting committee:
James C. Prescott, chairman, E. O. Barbour, vice-president, H. W. Crocker, secretary.
Recommended for deputy recruiting officer, Dr. S. C. Murray.
The young ladies of Albert who held the entertainment organized themselves into a strong recruiting committee.
At all meetings the non-com. officers and men of the 146th Battalion made short but effective speeches. The Rev. Mr. Schurman rendered valuable assistance. Mr. F. M. Thompson, recruiting officer for Albert, who is giving his time and services to the cause, without remuneration, deserves the highest praise for his untiring energy.
Total results for the week:
Hillsboro, March 13th.....13
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Alma, March 14th.....2
Waterside, March 15th.....0
Riverside, March 16th.....3
St. John, March 17th.....4
Hillsboro, March 17th.....4
Total.....38
Of this number fifteen have already been recruited, and on Monday three go forward for battalions in Moncton and twelve come down to the 146th, St. John.

L. P. D. TILLEY, Capt.
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COMMISSIONER POTTS WRITES RE ST. JOHN RAILWAY AGREEMENT

States He is Solidly for it and Gives His Reasons—Asks Mayor Frink to Similarly Define His Attitude—An Interesting Communication.

St. John, March 17th, 1916.
To the Editor of The Standard.
Sir,—Will you kindly permit me space in your valuable paper for the following statement in reference to the agreement now under discussion at City Hall. As dealing with the whole question would be very lengthy I wish only to deal with a small portion of it.

First—The City of Saint John made the agreement with the Railway Company under the terms of the agreement with the Saint John Railway Co. not as quoted, the Saint John Railway Co. made the agreement with the city, and the particulars embodied in such agreement were freely discussed before the Commission of Public Works, the Mayor and the Commissioners at City Hall. It is true Commissioner McLellan was not as well informed as the others on account of his office not being in City Hall and I did not come in touch with him as often as I did with the other commissioners.

The Mayor was in close touch with all parts of the proposed agreement and intimated to me that he thought it was a step in the right direction and that we were getting something from the Railway Company.

If you follow the newspaper reports you would not know whether the Mayor was in favor or against the agreement, and as the public take their impressions from what they read in the newspapers I feel it is only fair that they should understand the exact position of their representatives and prospective representatives at City Hall in reference to this agreement; so for the benefit of the public would like to say:

I offered the Mayor, if he disapproved of this agreement to move its reconsideration; this was on Tuesday afternoon, and he has not since intimated that he would like the question again opened up.

Now I wish the Mayor to make a public statement whether he approves or disapproves of this agreement; no delay or waiting, the public has a right to know where every man stands in public matters of this kind, particularly as an election is close at hand.

I stand firm for the agreement as passed by Council for a few of the following reasons:
Conferences with the Saint John Railway Co., the Commissioner of Public Works and Council produced no good results last year.
Court proceedings were unsatisfactory and to examine same would be very costly.
Extreme measures, such as taking up tracks and disturbing the rights of the public were also unsatisfactory and distasteful, even to the Commissioner of Public Works.
The position at present is:
Injunctions are placed upon the city prohibiting interference with tracks until the court decides the merits of the case. If the city wishes to proceed with further work in Main St., Brussels St., City Road, Britain St., etc. they must get down on their knees to the Saint John Railway Co. and ask their permission to raise a track, then place foundation beneath same and pay for it; and until the court settles the case further work along the line of the Street Railway is practically suspended, whether we like it or not this is the present condition.
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Can You Find Names of Trees?

This competition is not difficult. In each section will be found the name of a tree—all well known trees. Some of the letters in the name are to be found in one word and the remainder in the next word or words, the letters running on in proper order. Here is an example: "Her father was a butcher. Ryder was his name." Now, the last four letters in "butcher" and the first two letters in "Ryder" spell "cherry." This is the name of the tree meant. Now go ahead with the following:

1. She wore a lovely bos, khaki was the color of her costume.
2. Before he boarded the vessel many friends bade him "good-bye."
3. She sealed up in envelopes all the pretty cards.
4. Adjusting his skates he took to the ice, started off, and disappeared from view.
5. It was a strong box made entirely of iron.
6. There's not a land on this world's map (Let none gainsay these words from me) Like Canada, the land of Jova, Where plenty reigns and all are free.
7. He had always enjoyed good health, but is now ill, owing to carelessness in diet.
8. The loud cries of "he babe echoed thro' the surrounding hills. To the two kiddies who send in the most correct and neatly written results, I shall award a beautiful story book. All entries must reach this office by Wednesday, 22nd March, accompanied by the usual coupon, and addressed to

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ST. JOHN MAN WINS HONOR ON THE FIELD

Lieut. W. A. Cameron, Scout Officer of 25th Battalion Does Good Work Under Fire

Another Saint John man has been distinguishing himself in France in the person of Lieut. W. A. Cameron, son of R. K. Cameron, of Scotchburg street. Lieut. Cameron is scout officer of the 25th Battalion. On the morning of March 13, a party of scouts and bombers under Lieut. Cameron and Johnstone attacked and threw more than fifty grenades into one of the enemy's front trenches. On another occasion parties under Capt. Tupper and Lieut. Cameron cut a wide gap in the German wire and threw a number of grenades which caused casualties among the enemy.

Lieut. Cameron was employed in the Halifax office of F. B. McCurdy and Company. In the fall of 1914 he joined the 96th Princess Louise Pioneers and did home duty until the 25th was organized when he transferred to that battalion.

DR. MCGOURT RESIGNS HIS PLACE AT HOSPITAL

Will Go on Military Hospital Staff at Antigonish with Rank of Captain.

Dr. J. Arthur McCourt, the popular resident physician of the General Public Hospital, has resigned his position to join the medical staff of No. 9 stationary hospital, C. E. F., Antigonish. He has received a letter from Lieut.-Col. H. C. McLeod, Antigonish, stating that his application for the medical staff has been approved, and requesting the doctor to report on or before April 1st. He will receive the rank and pay of captain. Dr. McCourt is a graduate of Flower Hospital, New York, and a brother of Edward J. McCourt, checker in the C. P. R. freight shed, Mill street.

Dr. McCourt is a graduate in Arts of St. Joseph's University and while at college won honors in athletics. He played third base on the "Varsity" basketball team for two years and was a consistent ground-gainer on the Varsity football team. In inter-collegiate basketball the senior doctor was a fast forward and was also recognized as a skilled player at handball. The young physician has a host of friends who will learn with keen interest of his joining the ranks of the fighting Canadians.

Delivery Team "Borrowed." A delivery team of Waterbury and Rising, which was standing on South Market street at the rear of the King street store was stolen on Saturday night during the rush hours. The thief after using the team for an hour and a quarter left it standing on North Market street, leaving no clue as to who was the last tennasser.

MUSICAL COMEDY AT THE OPERA HOUSE THIS WEEK

Feldman and Christie Company Comes Highly Recommended—Will Play Two Bills a Week.

At the Opera House tonight, the Feldman and Christie Musical Comedy Company commence an indefinite engagement, opening in the fact musical comedy success, "The Girl Question." The Feldman and Christie Company is a Canadian organization, and has been playing all season in the larger cities of Ontario and western Canada and press comments from cities where they have played before comment here say that the attraction is right up to the minute for singing, dancing, stage display and elaborate costuming. Harold Feldman and Frank Christie, two clever comedians, head the acting contingent; others featured include dainty Ames Geary, Margie Margeson, the Imperial singing four and the beautiful chorus.

The company carries special scenery and makes a specialty of its elaborate stage settings and electrical surprises.

"The Girl Question" will be repeated tomorrow and Wednesday. Commencing Thursday there will be an entire change of play. Matinee daily singing tomorrow. Seats are now on sale for all performances.

William Price. The death is announced at Elmstead, Ont. of William Price, a farmer and warden of the municipality there. Mr. Price was a native of King's Co., N. B., and was 70 years of age. He is survived by a wife and four sons, John, Moses, William and Sylvester.

TO OBSERVE BIRTHDAY OF ALBERT OF BELGIUM

Royal Standard Chapter Daughters of Empire Plan for Celebration on April 8th

A special meeting of the Royal Standard Chapter, I. O. O. E., was held at the residence of Mrs. C. B. Allan, Sydney street, Friday evening, the president, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, in the chair. The meeting was to perfect the plans for the observation of King Albert of Belgium's birthday, April 8th.

The necessary committees were appointed and the different wards of the city assigned to their respective captains and lieutenants. The members of the chapter, realizing the debt the Empire owes to that little "Kingdom of Grief"—Belgium, and its heroic king, feel that a hearty response awaits their efforts and that every man, woman and child in St. John will on that day become the possessor of a photograph of King Albert, either the one for which the king gave a special sitting or a miniature one, especially designed to be worn as a souvenir of the day. The ladies are of the opinion that everyone will give in proportion to his or her appreciation of that heroic monarch, and of what the kingdom has suffered on behalf of honor, liberty and justice.

Canadians must realize that of the 7,000,000 inhabitants in Belgium there are 3,000,000 virtually destitute and living on one meal a day, consisting of soup and three slices of bread. One writer says: "I have seen thousands of Belgians lined up in snow and rain, soaked and chilly, waiting for bread and soup. I have returned to the distributing stations at the end of the

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Woman's Canadian Club.
 An executive meeting of the Woman's Canadian Club was held Saturday evening at the residence of Mrs. James F. Robertson, Mrs. Kubring the president in the chair. Miss Jarvis, the secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting and Mrs. Melrose, the corresponding secretary, read communications from the local Council of Women, and the principal and teachers of the Alexandra school, reporting details of their donation to the Parks Convalescent Home. A letter was read from the secretary of the St. John Ambulance Association stating that Colonel Hitchcock was in town and it was decided to invite him to put the work of that association before a general meeting of the Canadian Club on Thursday evening, March 23rd, at eight o'clock. This meeting all members of the Voluntary Aid Department, the Young Woman's Patriotic Association and others interested are asked to attend. A letter has been written congratulating Hon. Raoul Dandurand upon the success of his efforts towards the relief of Dr. Deland, and it is hoped returns by the port of St. John the club will extend a hearty welcome to him. A notice was read of an exhibition in Toronto of Canadian made toys, with the view of having a similar exhibition in St. John. The treasurer, Miss McGivern, reported \$25 paid and a number of suggested names of new members. Reports were read from the Convalescent Home, and it was decided to appoint an official visiting committee. A gramophone has been secured as a gift for the Siege Battery, donations for this being received from the various Chapters of I. O. D. E., the Canadian Club and Mr. J. A. MacDonald. Plans for celebration of Loyalty Day were discussed. The lecture committee reported Mrs. J. R. McDonald, of Toronto, and Prof. Nelson, of Harvard, are not able to come to St. John at present, but hope to next autumn. For the wounded soldiers letter committee, Mrs. J. R. Vanvar read letters expressing the gratitude of relatives at home for sympathy shown their soldiers. Mrs. Arthur Coster was added to this committee. Miss McGivern reported the prisoners of war fund in the absence of Mrs. R. O'Brien, who is expected home this week.

Belgian Aid Pantry Sale.
 The sale on Saturday in the Dufferin sample rooms was most successful, between sixty and seventy dollars being raised to be sent to Miss Jones to assist the Belgian family in which she is interested. The tempting wares were early disposed of and bare shelves greeted the late comers. The moral of this, is, Go early to the next one.

WHO WILL HELP THIS MOTHER TO GET TO HER SON?
 A strong appeal has come through Mrs. Walter Harrison for assistance in a sad case. If anyone will give if only a little, the sum needed would soon be made up. Mrs. Harrison says:
 "While in England, I was asked to visit a member of the 26th Battalion, who was in the Military Hospital at Folkestone. He was wounded in November last, and cannot possibly recover; but the matron told me he would probably live for several months or longer. Knowing how serious his condition, he is very anxious to see his mother, and on leaving him, his parting words to me were: 'Please tell my mother that if she thinks she can stand the trip, I am longing to see her before I die.' His mother lives here in St. John, and has given her three sons, her entire family to the army. One other boy has been wounded, but returned again to the trenches. In view of her great sacrifices, it does not seem unreasonable to grant the request of this dying son."
 "The Soldiers' Wives League, and the Patriotic Fund have offered some assistance, but not sufficient to pay her return passage or to meet incidental expenses, while in England, which would at least amount to \$75. She is anxious to reduce her expenses by any kind of work while there, and Mrs. Malcolm McEvilly will interest herself in her case and endeavor to secure her employment, and would make all the arrangements, and control any financial matters in connection with her return passage. She can only make this journey through the interest and kindness of those other mothers, wives and sisters, who in a similar case, would not be compelled to consider ways and means of reaching their dear ones on active service, in the shortest possible time.

Women's Institute of Lower Millstream.
 The Lower Millstream Branch of Women's Institutes, held their regular monthly meeting, on March 14th, at the home of Mrs. T. D. Pearson. The institute voted to adopt one friendless prisoner of war, in Germany, the money for his support to be sent to London, to Mrs. Rivers Bulkeley. The husband of one of the members has signified his intention of adopting a prisoner also. If there are any others who would like to do likewise, the secretary would be pleased to obtain a prisoner's address for them.

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 The Water-Say! You seem to think we're your wife.

For Irish Babies.
 Inspired by the fact that the women's clubs have done to forward the baby-saving campaigns in this country, Lady Aberdeen, wife of the former governor general of Canada and recent viceroy of Ireland, has written to these American organizations, telling them this—the week of St. Patrick's Day—is "Irish Babies' Week," says the Daily Argus, Portland. She invites them to follow up the educational work of last week, done particularly for the American babies by some effort this week for the benefit of the babies of Ireland, who are in dire need of assistance and are not likely to get it from anywhere but America.

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PERSONAL

Hon. J. A. Murray of Sussex, minister of agriculture, was at the Victoria Saturday.
 Seth Jones, of Sussex, was at the Victoria Saturday.
 A. M. Dann, of Hampton, was a guest of the Victoria Saturday.
 Commissioner James V. Russell returned from Ottawa Saturday.
 W. L. Broad, of Moncton, was at the Victoria Saturday.
 B. P. Gorham and Mrs. Gorham, of Fredericton, were at the Victoria Saturday.
 James Keith of Fredericton was also a guest of the Victoria.
 E. C. Cole, of Moncton, was in the city Saturday, registering at the Victoria Saturday.
 H. J. Hamilton, of Moncton, was at the Victoria Saturday.
 G. M. Keith, of Moncton, was at the Victoria Saturday.
 R. A. Walls, of Chatham, was a guest of the Victoria Saturday.
 H. H. Hetherington of Aroostook Junction was at the Victoria Saturday.
 G. J. Kemp of Fredericton was at the Victoria Saturday.
 Miss Helen Purvis, of Fredericton, was a guest of the Victoria Saturday.
 I. M. Tompkins, of Florenceville, was at the Victoria Saturday.
 E. F. Violette, of St. Leonard's, was at the Victoria Saturday.
 J. N. Pusley, of Parrsboro, was at the Royal Saturday.
 Robert Loggie and Mrs. Loggie, of Loggieville, were guests of the Royal Saturday.
 A. Barton, of Charlottetown, was at the Royal Saturday.
 P. J. Hughes, of Fredericton, was at the Royal Saturday.
 Rev. Dr. David Hutchinson, who has returned from Diebly, was unable to deliver an address there Friday. The meeting had to be postponed until next Friday because of blocked roads. He will return on that day.
 Rev. W. W. Judd, headmaster of the Collegiate School, Windsor, is taking a course for a captaincy. Mr. Bate, a son of the rector of Newcastle, and a graduate of Kings, will take charge during the term of Rev. Mr. Judd's military service.
 Miss Harrison and Miss Powell of St. John are visiting Mrs. Lowell Gov. Wood and Mrs. Wood at the Queen Hotel, Fredericton.
 Mrs. Joseph Connor and her daughter, Miss Kathleen, of Fredericton, are visiting in this city.
 Mrs. Akon B. Taylor (nee Wisely) will receive for the first time since her marriage on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, March 21st and 22nd, at her residence, 123 Wright street.

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New Glasgow Man's Good Example.
 New Glasgow has one man who is bound to do his bit for the Empire in the person of John Williamson, who, after spending three months in an eye infirmary trying to qualify himself for overseas service and failing, has offered to do recruiting work at his own expense. Mr. Williamson who is twenty-two years of age tried some months ago to enlist but was turned down on account of cataract on the eye, he then went to the infirmary but could not be cured. Hearing that he could not be cured, he offered to do what he could in the way of getting those who could go.

Police Court.
 In the police court Saturday morning eight drunks were dealt with in the usual manner. A preliminary hearing was commenced in a case against Private Wm. Nutt, charged with assaulting an officer Freer Johnson, was remanded on the charge of supplying liquor to soldiers. John Moore charged with collecting \$40 belonging to Joseph Williams and not giving an account of it, was committed for trial.

News Of The St. John Theatres Told In The Right Way

Who's Who and What's What in the Picture Game and on the Stage --- Film Favorites and What They Say and Do.

The Opera House turns into a picture theatre every so often, and it did so on Saturday night, showing four pictures. A Gaumont film with a number of good views of the French army in the snow; the Belgians in action at Ramscapelle; the capture of the Hun—a ruined crucifix; floods in the Thames Valley, and a fine musical ride by British cavalry. The second film was a comedy, featuring Fay Tincher "Caught by the Hand," a story of diamond thieves and an umbrella. The third, a pretty Thanhouser picture with graceful Florence LaBelle in the role of an artist. The last was advertised as 1,000 feet of real laughter, and it was like most comedies, funny, if you think so. Maybe I didn't feel like laughing.

HATS OFF, PLEASE!
 When the large hats were worn, ladies gradually grew to realize the rights of those sitting behind them at the picture theatre, and it was the fashion to remove one's headgear. The small hats of this winter have made people a bit careless, and now offenders against politeness are many. The people who try to follow the play, suffer from cricks in the neck and loss of temper. Consideration for others is a certain mark of breeding, and no lady will refuse to remove even her new Easter bonnet (however much she wants to show it off), when politely requested to do so. The request comes both from the management and the audience. It is left to the good feeling of the St. John ladies in other cities it is compulsory.

OBITUARY.
 Mrs. Susan Armstrong, wife of the late Frank Armstrong, of St. John, died at Milltown, March 8. She leaves four step children, two sons and two daughters, Mrs. Frederick Kee, of St. John, Rev. Charles E. Armstrong of Lexington, Ky., and Percy and Jennie in Milltown.
 Mrs. Margaret Littlehale, in the death of Mrs. Margaret Littlehale Saturday morning at her residence, Prince Street, Carlton, loss of one of his life-long and most highly respected residents. The deceased lady was in her 74th year, and had only been ill for about a week with pneumonia. She was widely known and highly respected. Mrs. Littlehale was the widow of Henry Littlehale, was formerly Miss Stackhouse. She is survived by one daughter, Miss Helen, who resides at home. The funeral will take place today.

ADDITIONS TO THE V. L. S. E.
 E. H. Sothorn, the famous Shakespearean actor, has joined the V. L. S. E. Company. On May 1st, he will begin to act before the camera. The intervening time, Mr. Sothorn will spend in making himself master of all the details and technicalities of the studio. He is the greatest actor America has produced. Mr. Sothorn states that his only regret in leaving the legitimate stage, is the fact that it gives another blow to the spoken drama. The stage's loss is undoubtedly the peoples' gain, when one realizes that for one who could witness a Sothorn performance on the stage, thousands will be able to see the well-known man living upon the screen.

Another Change.
 Harold Lockwood and May Allison are fond of variety. They have been with the Hiramwood Company, with the American Film Company, and now they have joined the Metro Company, and will play in Quality Pictures.

BRIGHT LINES.
 Bright lines from "The Earth," by James Bernard Fagan, which Grace George has presented at the Playhouse in New York.
 "A woman with a motor and a nasty mind is sure to see things."
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Creighton Hale
 Under the direction of James Young, at the Lasky studios, in Hollywood, Calif., work already is in progress on the screen version of "Sweet Kitty Bellairs," in which Mae Murray will make her second appearance as a screen star. This is a picturization of the famous Belasco success in which Henrietta played the title role. Miss Murray has been surrounded by a notable cast of players and the production will be more elaborate than her first photoplay, "To Have and to Hold," which only recently was shown to the public.

Jays, Sorrows, Temptations and Triumphs Behind the Footlights

IMPERIAL THEATRE PRESENTS "THE CHORUS LADY"

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BUDGET OF WAR PICTURES
 General Serrall, commander-in-chief at Salonika, seizes German and Austrian consulates. German soldiers drilling in Warsaw, Russia. Great conflagration in Genoa, Italy. American artillery preparing for war. Skating championships and winter sports in general. Californian Valley devastated by flood. Training Yankee boys to be men-of-war.

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FASHION REVUE ALSO.

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DOMINION CAN BORROW STATES ON OWN CREDIT Sir Edmund Walker, in New York, Talks on the Situation.

NO LONGER AT MERCY OF MONEY LENDERS Credit Balance Large Enough to Offset Interest Payable Abroad—Canada Has Made Good.

New York, March 16.—In the opinion of Sir Edmund Walker, president of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, who is in New York today, one result of the world war will be to bind closer the commercial and financial ties between the Dominion and the United States.

"Previous to 1914," said Sir Edmund, "Canada was altogether at the mercy of the money-lenders. Now the situation is changed. We had been accustomed to selling our securities in London. That market is closed to us now, and we come to New York, where there is abundance of money, and we find ourselves in the position of preferred borrowers. The uncompleted crop of 1915, assuring the Dominion an asset in money never equalled before, has changed the general opinion in Canada as regards the future. We are more sure than before that we shall be able to bear our share of the burden of the great war. The \$300,000,000 excess of imports over exports in 1914 has been cut down to the extent of \$130,000,000.

"A year ago everybody in Canada was urged to contribute his particular effort in life and energy and seriousness of purpose to meet the needs of the great war, and at the beginning it wasn't considered possible that Canada, on her own account, could find the money necessary for her share in the war, and arrangements were made for Great Britain to lend the necessary sums. This went on for some time, and then the rate of exchange fell so greatly that it became too expensive to make use of money from England.

"Then our financial conditions changed for the better. We found that our factories were able to produce munitions of war almost as well as the factories in this country. We harvested the greatest crop in our history and the grain was sold at good prices. Now we find that Canada can borrow here on her own credit. Formerly we made our loans in London and the Dominion paid New York. Now it is gratifying to find that we can borrow here in our own credit, and in my opinion this is the beginning of closer relations between the Dominion and the United States.

"As far back as 1913 we knew that we had used our foreign credit to the available limit, but we hoped gradually to move into safer conditions. If any one had suggested that we would so adjust matters within three years as to have a credit balance in our own debt, instead of a debt, and that this credit balance would be large enough to offset our interest payable abroad, our answer would have been that it was folly to indulge such hopes.

"But Canada has made good. We realized that the war meant increased burdens for us, and we are confident that we are doing our share."

Chairman of Telegraphers Resigns. General Chairman F. G. Campbell of the Eastern Press Division of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America, has resigned his position with the Canadian Press at Montreal and returns from the profession. The members of the union will elect a successor within a short time.

SATURDAY ON THE MONTREAL MARKET Montreal Power and Cedar Rapids the Leaders—Rest of Market Held Steady at Slight Decline.

Montreal, Mar. 18.—Montreal Power and Cedar Rapids were the active and strong stocks on the local market today. The announcement that the bill for the amalgamation of these companies, started very active buying at the opening and the market advanced a little bit too fast. At the lower level, however, there was a good demand for the stocks and if we get any assistance from the American market, they closed looking as if they might do better. The rest of the market held steady at a slight decline. The New York market was of a shade and unsettled all day, so that we received no assistance from it. Considering the advance of most securities, profit-taking is bound to appear and if it does not put the market off any further than it has, it is a good sign. Evidently the peace rumors have caused a reaction in the grain market.

McDOUGALL & COWANS. STOCK QUOTATIONS ON N.Y. EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Open, High, Low, Close. Lists various stocks like Am Beet Sug, Am Car Ry, Am Loco, etc.

MONTREAL TRANSACTIONS (McDOUGALL & COWANS). Montreal, Saturday, Mar. 18th—Cedars Bonds—2,000 @ 85 1/2, 4,000 @ 85 1/2.

Table with columns: Bid, Ask. Lists Montreal market transactions for various stocks like Amex Holden Com, Canadian Cement, etc.

MONTREAL MARKET (McDOUGALL & COWANS). Bid. Ask. Amex Holden Com... 24 24 1/2

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET SALES (McDOUGALL & COWANS). Jan... 12.48 12.41

NEW LOW RECORD ON WALL ST. FOR GERMAN EXCHANGE Dropped to 71 3/4 During Saturday's Session—Bonds Steady.

HEAVINESS IN WAR SPECIALTIES Peace Rumors Inspired by Significant Utterances of Allied Leaders Cause of the Slump.

New York, March 18.—Peace rumors, inspired in part by significant utterances attributed to leaders of the Allies' cause, contributed to the heaviness of war shares in today's market, those issues receding from one to three points and affecting kindred stocks to a like degree. These rumors were heightened by a new low record for German exchange, which fell to 71 3/4.

Declines in specialties were neutralized in part by the further strength of shares of the coal carrying roads, Norfolk and Western rising 2 1/2 to the new record of 124 1/2 on persistent rumors of an early increase in the dividend rate. Chesapeake and Ohio also responded to reports of new financing of a character favorable to shareholders. There were gains in some of the inactive specialties, such as fertilizing and distilling issues, and General Chemical was distinguished among the high priced industrials for its advance of twenty points to 350 on one sale. Final prices showed some recovery from lowest levels, but the under-tone was irregular. Total sales amounted to 318,000 shares.

Commercial agencies continued to report a maintenance of extraordinary activity in all sections of the country, with further rejections of new business in numerous instances because the limit of production had been reached. According to these same authorities, many lines of iron and steel are entering upon the spring season under the most favorable circumstances ever known in the history of the country.

Action of the heads of the eastern railroads in appointing a committee to handle the problem of freight congestion is expected to bring speedy relief to a situation of growing seriousness. Exporters are arranging for the charter of additional vessels to carry fresh supplies to England and France.

Reflection of the week's activity in the stock market was furnished by the bank statement, which showed an actual loan expansion of almost \$23,000,000, with a corresponding gain in cash, while reserves decreased \$2,832,000. Bonds ruled steady, with nominal dealings in today's market. Total sales, par value, \$1,635,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE PRICES (McDOUGALL & COWANS). Chicago, March 18.—Wheat—No. 2 red, 1.09; No. 3 red, 1.05; No. 2 hard, 1.07; No. 3 hard, 1.03 to 1.04.

Wheat. High. Low. Close. May... 107 1/2 107 1/2 108 1/2

CANADA STEAMSHIPS CO. IS PROSPERING On Freight Vessels Alone, Up to End of February, Company Earned Half Million Dollars.

A fair indication of the effect of the war transportation business may be had from the reports submitted this week as the second annual meeting of the Canada Steamship Lines, Limited, a company operating extensively on the St. Lawrence and Great Lakes. A very large increase in revenue was shown for 1915 as against 1914, and a profit of \$682,161 for the year as against a net loss of \$69,932 in 1914. James Carruthers, president of the company, in his annual address attributed the marked improvement in conditions partly to higher freight rates, and partly to the company's ventures on the Atlantic Ocean, several vessels having been sent to take part in the coast-carrying trade, the fruitful field just now, owing to the dearth of tonnage.

The higher freight rates of course, are directly attributable to war conditions. In his address the president pointed out that the scarcity of tonnage all over Canada and the prosperous condition of Canadian industries were the principal factors in expanding the operations of the company's field. In this connection, however, it was pointed out that the improved conditions referred to only began to show tangible results in the closing months of the year 1915. The directors were therefore of opinion that the outlook for 1916 is peculiarly promising. The increase in net earnings was \$800,000.

The prospects for the coming season are encouraging in the extreme, as is shown by the fact that the company on its freight vessels alone earned approximately \$500,000 to the end of February, while last year at the middle of April the company had lost \$370,000. The operating account shows revenue for 1915 as compared with that for 1914 as follows:

Table with columns: 1915, 1914, Increase. Lists revenue, expenses, net earnings.

PRODUCE PRICES ON MONTREAL MARKET Montreal, March 18.—OATS—Canadian Western No. 2, 50 1/2 to 51; No. 3, 48 1/2 to 49; extra No. 1 feed, 48 1/2 to 49.

Wheat. High. Low. Close. May... 107 1/2 107 1/2 108 1/2

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

(McDOUGALL & COWANS). New York, Mar. 18.—The market today was irregular, but outside of trading in a few stocks, was largely an evening up of accounts for the week-end. Peace talk so which we referred to in our morning letter seemed to have an effect on the market throughout the session and caused some uneasiness in the war issues. Bank clearings showed over sixty per cent. increase throughout the entire country last week which gives an indication of the excellent fundamental business conditions in this country. Sales \$13,800, \$1,608,000.

A commitment of frozen and smoked fish in response to a request from the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries of England was forwarded recently to fourteen cities and towns in England and Scotland, where they were sold at auction. Nearly every variety of salt-water food fishes was represented in the experiment with the exception of halibut and salmon, a trade in which has already met with encouraging results from British Columbia. The parcels sent, however, seem to have unavoidably proved too small to bring about tangible results from the data detailed in the different reports of distribution on the other side. Good and sufficient reasons are evident for further efforts in this direction after the close of the war, when rapid and suitable transport can be established during the cold winter months to build up a large trade in frozen stock and possibly an all-the-year round business on lines similar to the cold storage meat shipments from the Antipodes.

Gets New Parish. Rev. A. G. Hamilton Dioker, formerly rector of St. Paul's Anglican Church here, has been appointed vicar of Upchurch, Kent, England, by the warden and fellows of All Souls' College, Oxford, who are patrons of the living. Rev. Mr. Dioker was for several years rector of St. Luke's Church, Toronto, after leaving St. John.

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CHANGE OF TIME. Fall and Winter Schedule of the GRAND MANAN S. S. CO.

THE MARITIME STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. On March 3, 1916, and until further notice the S. S. Connors Bros will run as follows:

Mr. Pugsley, ex-Minister of Public Works in bad luck. Not only was the material in his speech on shell contracts, material largely, if not altogether, supplied by Mr. Carvell—entirely at variance with the facts and proven to be so, but in some references to the question of naval aid and defence which he took occasion to make he was absolutely controlled by the record of a speech made by Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Mr. Pugsley attempted to tell the members of the House that if the Liberals had had their way in regard to Canadian participation in naval defence war vessels would have been built in the port of St. John. The record of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's address showed that he had promised the port of Montreal all the war vessels the Liberals said they intended to build.

The story is told in Hansard for March 13, on page 1759. Mr. Pugsley, after referring to the splendid work of the Australian and New Zealand ships said: "That is the service which Australia has been able to render, not to her own country alone, but to the dwellers on the Pacific ocean alone, but to the Empire at large. World that Canada was in the happy and glorious position that Australia stands today. And, Sir, we should have been in that position if this government, when it came into power in 1911, by reason of its being tied hand-and-foot to the Nationalist party of Quebec, had not made up its mind that there should be no Canadian Navy. This government's pledge to the Nationalist party has prevented the government from responding to the demands of the Empire, and has placed this government and Canada in the humiliating position she is in today, of being far and away behind Australia in providing for Imperial defence.

Mr. Rogers—"Owing to the action of the Senate." Mr. Pugsley—"My hon. friend knows very well what took place with regard to the building of war vessels. I was surprised to hear him say that our government had kept the tenders of the building of the ten war vessels dangling before the people of this country, making people of different constitutions believe that the vessels were to be built at different places in Canada, in order to secure their favor and support." Mr. Rogers—"That is what you told us yourself."

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LAURIER'S SPEECH SHOWED UP PUGSLEY'S LITTLE GAME

Ex-Minister of Public Works Confounded by Pledge of His Leader That Montreal Would Have Got the Plant for Building Canadian War Vessels—The Falsity of the Pugsley Contention That St. John Would Have Benefited by Liberal Return to Power Fully and Effectively Exposed.

Mr. Pugsley, ex-Minister of Public Works, in his speech on the 17th inst. only was the material in his speech on shell contracts, material largely, if not altogether, supplied by Mr. Carvell—entirely at variance with the facts and proven to be so, but in some references to the question of naval aid and defence which he took occasion to make he was absolutely contradicted by the record of a speech made by Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

MARINE AND SHIPPING

MINIATURE ALMANAC. March—Phases of the Moon. New Moon, 3rd, 11h. 50m. p. m. First Quarter, 11th, 2h. 32m. p. m. Full Moon, 19th, 12h. 12m. p. m. Last Quarter, 26th, 1h. 27m. p. m.

BRITISH PORTS. London, March 17.—Sld stmr Kanswa, St. John.

FOREIGN PORTS. Boston, March 16.—Old schr Jesse Ishley, Wolfville.

NOT UNDER CONTROL. New York, March 16.—Stmr Baltic,

his opponent, and told the electors that the Welland canal was not large enough to let the boats out of Lake Ontario, his opponent was on the horns of a dilemma.

Y. M. C. A. HEXATHLON FOR SERIES

The contests in the senior hexathlon at the Y.M.C.A. have been concluded and the following is the result in points:

60 Yard Potatoes Race. 1—E. Pugsley Exposed. 2—E. S. Johnston. 3—F. Knodell. 4—N. Lightford. 5—E. R. Wasson. 6—B. Byrnes.

Here is a very distinct statement by the leader of the opposition that the total number of ships embodied in his bill would be constructed at Montreal; and this, notwithstanding the fact that I am surprised to think that the Liberals would do this—that in practically every constituency where there was water the prospect was held out to the electors that these boats would be built in Collingwood.

row escape from injury today, when a trolley car collided with his automobile, which he was driving himself. The accident occurred on Third Avenue, in the Bronx, while Moran was returning to his headquarters.

SCHOONER GOLD. The three-masted schooner Viola May, which arrived at Halifax last week from Lunenburg, is reported to have been sold to Newfoundland owners.

SCHOONER ASHORE. A Boston despatch of the 16th inst. word was received that the schooner Asnes Manning, owned by Frank Ferdinand of this city, and commanded by Capt. E. B. Randall, of Boston, is ashore near Plymouth, Eng.

NOTICE TO MARINERS. Portland, March 15, 1916. The Old Prince Bell Buoy, 2, reported missing March 14, will be replaced as soon as practicable.

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THE WEATHER.

Forecasts.

Maritime—Fresh northwest to west winds, fair and moderately cold.

Washington, March 19—Forecast: Northern New England—Fair Monday; Tuesday fair, slightly warmer. Moderate northwest winds.

Toronto, Mar. 19—The weather has been fair today throughout the Dominion and mild in the west.

Temperatures.

	Mta.	Max.
Prince Rupert	36	52
Vancouver	38	50
Kamloops	44	64
Calgary	26	56
Edmonton	20	52
Medicine Hat	6	30
Moose Jaw	12	28
Winnipeg	2	25
Port Arthur	22	25
Parry Sound	2	24
London	15	25
Toronto	12	29
Ottawa	24	24
Montreal	4	20
Quebec	22	16
Halifax	2	20

—Below zero.

Around the City

News Agent Loses Leg.
F. Perron of Edmundston, employed by George Linkletter, Moncton, manager of the Canadian News Co., who recently slipped and fell between two cars on the Transcontinental Railway and was run over, has had to undergo an operation for the amputation of one of the legs above the knee.

Steamer Calvin Austin Coming.
Because of the discharging of the steamer Herman Winter by fire at Portland, the Eastern Steamship Corporation has ordered the transfer of the North Star from the St. John-Boston route to the Portland-New York service. The Calvin Austin, which has been on the Boston-Portland line, comes to St. John this week and will replace the North Star. The Bay State will take the place of the Austin.

Trains Very Late.
The Maritime Express, due here yesterday at 11.30, did not arrive until nearly 4 p. m. The Canadian Pacific train from Montreal, Saturday, was several hours late. Heavy snow in Quebec province and Maine and northern New Brunswick was the cause of the delays. It is expected that today's trains will make better time as shovelling and plough gangs were busy yesterday. Freight traffic has been delayed also.

Addressed Men of 140th.
"Soldiers of the King" was the subject of a very edifying and impressive sermon by the Rev. Gordon Dickie to about ninety members of the 140th Battalion in the Y. M. C. A. rooms at West St. John yesterday afternoon. A vocal solo by A. Smith, who was in charge of the music for the afternoon, was greatly enjoyed by those present.

Minister's End Approaching.
Word has been received here that Rev. J. E. Davis, who for many years has been suffering from leprosy, is in a serious condition at Tracadie hospital and that the end cannot be long delayed. A letter received here from one of the sisters at Tracadie states that the disease is making rapid progress. Rev. Mr. Davis contracted the disease while engaged in missionary work in India years ago. He is a Baptist.

Soldiers Entertained.
The ladies of St. Stephen's church entertained about sixty soldiers at their weekly social last evening in the Sunday school room of the church. D. McArthur, in his pleasing and witty manner, occupied the chair. The following musical program was greatly enjoyed by those present, after which refreshments were served: Miss M. De Soyres, vocal solo; Miss H. Irvine, vocal solo; G. Davis, cornet solo; E. Bonnell, vocal solo; Private Harris, 69th Batt., vocal solo; Private Cummings, 115th Battalion, vocal solo; M. Honk, vocal solo. The National Anthem brought a most enjoyable evening to a close.

Sergeant Major Evans Dead.
Roland J. Evans, of 22 Germain street, received word from Ottawa on Saturday advising him of the death of his son, Ernest Fenety, sergeant-major of No. 2 Divisional Ammunition Column. A letter received by his mother on Monday last conveyed the news that he was in a hospital in France but expected soon to be out and back to duty. Mr. Evans sent a cable enquiring whether it would be possible to have the body brought home. The reply which came last night said it would not be possible to do so at present.

The Sunkers Matatus.
Mayor Fyfe last evening that he had not yet issued a permit for the lifting of the Matatus. He went over to the west side yesterday afternoon and saw all that is visible of the steamer. He did not think arrangements to raise the vessel could be perfected before Wednesday. The mayor has called the attention of the port's authorities to the need for keeping a clear channel to the dock. The mayor states that a chemist who was consulted said that so long as the cargo was submerged there was no danger from the carbide. By the exercise of due care the chemist thought the carbide could be handled safely after the vessel is raised.

CLAIM WEST SIDE DOCKS ARE "TOO OPEN"

Complaint That Watch Against Strangers is Not as Close as it Should Be.

Some of the military officials claim to have good reason for asking that something be done to make it more difficult for people to get to the Sand Point docks, and on board the steamships. While a strong military guard is on duty night and day at the docks and at the entrance to the same, the soldiers have no authority to stop any person who is supplied with a pass, and who is allowed through the gates by one of the city guards. It is claimed that among the Longshoremen are one or more men of the enemy country, and it is also rumored that there is a German working on the ocean liners in port.

One man in particular is mentioned as a German who resides in St. John with a wife and family. This man is out of work and according to his story is in great need of money to keep his family. It was stated that he called on the Mayor, admitted that he was a German and that he wanted work on board the ships in port, and was told that he should apply for a Longshoremen's Association ticket and get work. The German replied that he had applied but could not get a membership card. The German was also credited with saying that while he was denied a membership card, these cards were handed out to other Germans who were working on the ships.

The matter was taken up by other officials interested and the German was called on to give a statement. He admitted that he was a German and that he had a family residing in St. John. He said that he was registered and reported regularly, but that he wanted work and could not get it. He said he would quite willingly be interned if he could be assured that his wife and family would be cared for. He admitted that he had made application for a membership card into the Longshoremen's Association but had been refused. He denied however that he had stated to the Mayor that there were other Germans working on the winter port steamers.

It is known however that the Sand Point docks are not guarded as well as they are thought to be. While there are guards at the entrances, along the docks and in the warehouse, and patrol boats in the harbor, every person who goes on the dock is not challenged. On the morning that the explosion took place on board the steamship Matatus and that ship caught fire it is known that persons from the east side reached the dock by small boat, climbed up the side of the wharf and mingled with others on the dock. A few days ago four or five young men performed the same trick, and were not even challenged. In the above cases the young men who gained the dock without having to pass the guards on the Union street gates are well known citizens and good British subjects, but if they can get past without challenge it should be just as easy for a German or any other person who is out to do harm to the shipping or the docks.

A gentleman who visits the docks frequently remarked last night that it is a wonder that something had not happened at West St. John this winter.

Military Men Will Confer.
A meeting of the military men and the delegation from the citizens recruiting committee was held Saturday morning at the New Brunswick head quarters in the Masonic Hall, Germain street. After considerable discussion it was decided that the military authorities should take charge of recruiting matters and be assisted by the citizens committee. Major Peters, Captain C. F. Sanford and Captain Fraser were appointed to meet the general committee and talk over ways and means of carrying on the recruiting work.

Badminton Tournament.
The ladies of the Badminton clubs of Mission, St. James' and Stone churches held a tournament at Stone church school house on Saturday afternoon and evening. In the afternoon six ladies from the St. James' club played the Stone church ladies, the latter winning. Refreshments were served, and in the evening Stone church won from the Mission church club. A number of spectators enjoyed the games. It is planned next Saturday to hold a general tournament of mixed doubles, the best teams from each church competing.

Recruiting Committees.
A meeting of the citizens recruiting committee will be held today at 3.15 in the Board of Trade rooms to hear the report of the sub-committee appointed to confer with the military authorities.

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ST. JOHN MUST NOT LET THE OLD FLAG FALL

Stirring Appeal By Rev. Dr. Campbell.

He and Major Barker Address Large Recruiting Rally—Conscription May Be Necessary.

Enthusiasm in plenty was aroused at last night's recruiting meeting in the Imperial Theatre by the speaker of the evening, Capt. the Rev. Dr. G. M. Campbell of Sackville, and formerly of this city, who in a masterly and eloquent address urged the young men of St. John to do their duty and enlist in the service of the Empire. The meeting lasted only three-quarters of an hour and was well attended. The bandmen of the 15th Battalion, who were seated on the stage furnished some good music.

The presiding officer of the evening was Major L. W. Barker of the Siege Battery. Major Barker thanked the citizens of St. John, particularly the ladies, for their kindness in furnishing comforts for the men under his command. Their period of training here, he said, would long be remembered by them.

"The response in recruiting," said Major Barker, "has been fair. The 116th and 140th need to be filled. They are several hundred short. The young men of St. John can easily fill these battalions and many more. What is the matter with them?"

"We need men. Pass on the word to others that they are needed. Some have good positions and do not want to give them up. It will be necessary to find employment for the soldiers when they return to the home front. The end of the war is in sight. We cannot tell when the war will end. Canada has got to do her duty. We need men and these battalions must be filled up. Unless men come forward and do their duty it will mean conscription. Here in this loyalist city of St. John we don't want conscription. So come forward and be a volunteer, not a conscript. We can hardly realize what conscription would mean. How much better it would be to get volunteers and not conscripts."

Rev. Dr. Campbell.

Rev. Dr. Campbell, who looked exceedingly well in his khaki, eloquently pleaded the cause of the Empire. "Marvellous things have occurred," he said, "since war was declared a year and a half ago. We have come perhaps to the most critical time of the whole campaign. During the Spring and Summer of 1914 there was being prepared a treaty between Turkey and Greece to settle the difficulties in the Balkan states. It looked as if a solution was in sight. Just at that moment Austria entered the arena and opposed the treaty. The ultimatum to Serbia then fell like a bolt from the blue sky. Great Britain planned not to enter the war. Germany and Austria figured that with Great Britain out they were safe. The entrance of Great Britain was a great surprise to Germany. Germany had counted on internal troubles in England, the difficulties in Ireland and unrest in India to keep Britain out of the struggle. Germany has no idea of government for the people, of the people and by the people.

"England, Ireland and Scotland gave their men and money to aid the Empire. The overseas colonies by the southern cross sent men to defend the cross of King George. Canada has sent and will send in all 500,000 men. This means that six per cent. of the people of Canada are being called to arms and to go forth to save the country. The Empire is in danger and efforts must be made to save it. But the old Empire will stand.

"Germany would like Britain's colonies. She had been training her people for the day when she would strike at Britain. The reason Germany spurns Kultur with a K is that Great Britain has control of the sea.

Up to St. John.

"Gentlemen it will cost to save Britain. It will cost to save the Empire. It costs someone's heart's blood to purchase our freedom. I am not so much afraid of men in France and Flanders and the men in training will let the old flag fall. They are ready to give up their lives. I am afraid there are people at home who do not appreciate the situation. Sometimes I am afraid we will let the old flag fall. The flag stands for the honor, strength and security of the nation. It will be absolutely impossible to keep the flag flying in France and Flanders if we let it fall in St. John. Every man physically fit there is but one thing for you to do and that is to enlist in the service of your country. I say to you people of St. John, the city of loyalty, the commercial capital of New Brunswick, what St. John thinks today New Brunswick will think tomorrow; what St. John does today New Brunswick will do tomorrow. A great responsibility rests on you. Lord Kitchener has said that 100,000 men available at the critical time would save the situation. Where will Great Britain get her reserves if you stay at home? So tonight I plead for men. The need of the hour is upon us. Do you think you are justified in allowing your neighbors' sons to fight for your sons. The

ST. JOHN WILL GET IMPORTANT SUMMER TRADE

Commissioner Russell Brings Encouraging Report from Ottawa and Montreal—Good Summer Expected.

That St. John is likely to have the best summer's business in the history of the port, that the large business in imperial supplies which has been handled so successfully in the present winter will be continued, at least in part, and that there will be direct summer services between this port and England, is indicated by Commissioner F. V. Russell of the harbors, ferries and public lands department, who returned on Saturday from a visit to Ottawa and Montreal. Commissioner Russell and Commissioner Wigmore went to Ottawa on Wednesday and the following day had interviews with Hon. J. D. Hazen and other members of the Borden Government. They found that Hon. Mr. Hazen had not neglected St. John, but was at work pressing our interests. He and other members of the Government were completely willing to assist the commissioners in every way possible and to co-operate with them to the achievement of their desires.

Saw Baron Shaughnessy.

Commissioner Russell then went to Montreal where he interviewed Baron Shaughnessy. The commissioner said last night: "After interviewing Hon. Mr. Hazen and other ministers at Ottawa I went to Montreal where I saw the Canadian Pacific Railway authorities and presented the case of St. John to them. While I am not at liberty to go into details at this time I may say that from the assurances they gave me I am sure that St. John will have a summer service this year, and in fact the best summer service this port has ever enjoyed. When the full facts are known the citizens will be surprised and pleased.

"I found Hon. Mr. Hazen and the other members of the Government completely willing to aid me and co-operate with the plans I had in mind."

When they went to Ottawa Commissioners Russell and Wigmore felt that this port had made important concessions to the Government and Canadian Pacific railroad since the outbreak of the war, even at considerable inconvenience, the Government and the railroad could well make important concessions to the port during the summer months. In past years it has been customary for the lines which come here during the winter months to transfer their activities to Montreal whenever navigation in the St. Lawrence river opens in the spring. This of course saves the railroad haul to St. John, but this year it is expected to meet trading facilities will be overtaxed to handle it. Therefore it is reasonable to believe that a considerable amount of business will be handled by way of this port next summer. It is particularly certain that at least one regular line will continue to send steamers here all summer.

Yesterday there were sixteen trans-Atlantic steamers in the harbor and the railroad wharves had well within completely full cargoes of goods. When the figures are available at the close of the winter port season they will show what an enormous traffic had been handled. The figures will show that all records for St. John in exports across the Atlantic have been broken.

In addition to the trans-Atlantic and West Indian trade during the coming summer season, largely increased lumber shipments to the United States are anticipated in view of the big demand for lumber in New York, Boston, Bridgeport and other places where immense building operations are in progress or in prospect.

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Rev. Dr. Campbell recited a verse of Mrs. Julia Ward Howe's "Battle Hymn of the Republic," written in 1861, at the beginning of the Civil War in the United States, and several other poems. There were no other speakers.

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