

FIGHTING IN BELGIUM ON CHRISTMAS DAY WAS FIERCEST IN THE PAST MONTH

Large Numbers of Wounded from Both Sides Being Sent Back from Firing Line — Russian Reports German Attempt to Take Warsaw a Failure — England Doubts Germany's Story that No Damage Resulted From Raid on Cuxhaven.

London, Dec. 28.—The battle lines in the east and west have undergone only infinitesimal changes in the past twenty-four hours. The French and German reports agree that the Germans have captured a section of trenches near Hollebeke, south of Ypres. The French assert that the Germans gave up trenches on the first line to the extent of about 800 or 900 yards in the Lens region, further east, while unsuccessful demonstrations have been made from both sides at various points along the extended lines.

The reports of the numbers of wounded both armies are sending back from the lines in Belgium appear to show that the fighting on Christmas in that country was the fiercest of the past month. Correspondents in the rear say that the Belgians, as a result of five days sapping, captured nearly three thousand Germans, with only small losses to themselves.

According to the Russian reports, the German attempts to capture Warsaw have failed, while the Berlin official statement says there is general confidence that the German and Austro-Hungarian forces are making progress along the great front.

GERMAN DENIALS DOUBTED IN ENGLAND.

The English newspapers are enthusiastic over the raid by their cruisers and seaplanes on Cuxhaven. They decline to accept without reservation the German statement that ships at Cuxhaven and the gas works were hit by bombs but that no damage was done, and consider this improbable.

The naval writers dilate and speculate lavishly upon the most remarkable engagement of twentieth century warfare. They conclude that the German ships feared to come forth and give battle to the British cruisers, because of the uncertainty as to whether the British battleships were lurking behind them. The fact that the Zeppelins were driven off is taken by some as evidence that the Zeppelins are really untrustworthy craft. Others think it means that the Germans are hush-banding all their dirigibles for a raid upon England.

It is argued by some of the writers that if Cuxhaven can be attacked, why not Heligoland, Wilhelmshaven, and even the Kiel Canal.

The only damage the British expedition sustained was the loss of several hydro-planes, costing \$45,000, and the only loss of life was Commander Hewlett.

The British people are beginning to lose whatever fear of the Zeppelins they held, perhaps prematurely, but the exploits of the airman on the continent, and the scouting trip of the German flyer over Kent on Christmas, show there is a strong possibility that the Taubes may repeat, over London, the visit with bombs which they paid Paris and Warsaw.

The authorities issued a warning tonight of the danger to people in the streets from guns, which may be used in London against hostile aircraft, and advised the people to take refuge in basements if they should hear the sound of explosives or guns.

A heavy wind storm with rain and snow swept over parts of England and adjacent waters tonight.

How French Strategy Won German Trenches.

Paris, Dec. 28.—Describing the capture of a line of trenches in the north, non-commissioned officer writes one of an unusual piece of strategy. "The evening before there had been a heavy fall of snow," he said, "and the bright moonlight showed up every object with extraordinary clearness against the white background. The 136th Infantry which had planned a raid on the enemy's trenches, only twenty yards away, found its project compromised, but a Corporal was struck by a brilliant idea; every man pulled off his outer clothes and pulled his shirt over his jacket and vest; thus they crept through the snow up to the edge of the German trenches without being seen, and carried the entire line.

London, Dec. 28.—The Times declares that there is excellent reason, despite German denials, for believing that a Farswell shed and aircraft were destroyed in the British raid on Cuxhaven. It adds that serious damage also was inflicted on the Zeppelin sheds.

The Daily Sketch publishes the report that Commander Hewlett, who piloted one of the British seaplanes in the raid on Cuxhaven is a prisoner in the hands of the Germans. According to the account in the Sketch, Hewlett's machine was damaged by shell fire, and came down in the sea. When Hewlett was last seen a German torpedo boat was approaching him.

London, Dec. 28.—A Copenhagen despatch to the Daily Mail referring to a report published by the Hamburger Fremdenblatt that four British airmen dropped bombs on the German island of Langsoog, in the North Sea, Christmas Day, killing several civilians, says that an investigation proves that it was not British who dropped the bombs but German airmen who believed that British torpedo boats were lurking off the island in the fog.

TWO DAYS' BATTLE IN THE VOSGES MOUNTAINS

Basel, Switzerland, Dec. 28.—(Via Paris)—A battle lasting from December 24 until December 26, occurred along the whole front of the French and German armies in the Vosges Mountains. The sound of the cannon firing was plainly heard in Switzerland.

French aeroplanes manoeuvred over the town of Muelhausen, in Alsace, returning with sufficient information, it is said, to allow the French artillery to conduct an effective fire on the German positions.

U. S. GOVERNMENT SENDS NOTE TO GREAT BRITAIN

Objecting to Policy of England With Regard to Foreign Trade of United States and Asking for Improvement of Same—Representations Made in Friendly Spirit, Note Declares—Virtually a Statement Intended for all Members of the Triple Entente.

Washington, Dec. 28.—The United States government today despatched a long note to Great Britain, insisting upon an early improvement in the treatment of American commerce by the British fleet. It gave warning that much feeling had been aroused in this country, and that public criticism was general over unwarranted interference with the legitimate foreign trade of the United States.

The document, constituting the strongest representations on this subject made by the United States to any of the belligerents since the outbreak of the war, was called to Ambassador Page, to be formally presented to Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary. Its preparation was begun a month ago by Solicitor General Clegg, and Secretary Bryan, and finally, during the last two weeks, had the personal attention of President Wilson himself, who revised its phrasing with minute care.

As the detailed point of view of the United States, in numerous specific cases of detentions and seizures of cargoes, had been set forth in a series of emphatic protests, most of which have gone unheeded, today's communication was couched in general terms, covering the entire subject of the relations between the United States and Great Britain, as affected by the latter's naval policy, considered highly objectionable by this government.

The note declares, at the outset, that the representations are made in a friendly spirit, but that the United States considers it best to speak in terms of frankness, lest silence be construed as an acquiescence in a policy which, in the eyes of the United States, infringes the rights of American citizens under the laws of nations.

Since France has adopted practically the same policy on contraband as has Great Britain, today's note is virtually a statement intended for all the members of the Triple Entente.

Feeling has been aroused on the subject to such an extent, the communication adds, that the American government feels compelled to ask for definite information as to Great Britain's attitude, in order that it may take such measures as will protect American citizens in their rights.

Reference is made in the note to the high principles of equity which have actuated Great Britain in her championship in the past of the freedom of the seas to neutral commerce, and the hope is expressed that even though a belligerent herself, she will realize the seriousness of the neutrals of continued interference.

The position of the United States, as expressed in today's note, is a consequence of several steps by Great Britain, France and Germany on the subject of contraband. Although the Declaration of London, drafted in 1909, embodying the previous understandings of international law, and new rules for the conduct of maritime warfare with respect to neutral commerce had not been ratified when the war broke out, it was thought for a time, all countries would adhere to it. Great Britain, by an order-in-council, on August 21st last, declared the Declaration of London effective with certain modifications. Germany announced to all neutrals her willingness to adhere to the whole Declaration, if the other belligerents would. The United States took the position that it could not accept piecemeal amendments to the Declaration, and declared that it would be guided by the general principles of international law, irrespective of the Declaration of London.

GERMANY ASKS REFUSAL OF AMERICANS TO OBEY ORDER OF SOLDIERS

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"The Belgian minister has protested against this step. The issue, as well as the cancellation of the exequaturs, is an act which implies the sovereignty of the State from which it emanates. Now, a Power in military occupation of a territory only enjoys a de facto possession which cannot be transformed, in so far as its relations with neutral States are concerned, into a state of sovereignty.

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OFFICERS ELECTED BY MASONIC LODGES

Past Master's Jewel for W. D. Turner, Retiring Master of Zion Lodge, Sussex.

Special to The Standard. Sussex, N. B., Dec. 28.—The following officers were installed tonight at Zion Lodge, A. F. and A. M., by Worshipful Brother Past Grand Master George Cogson:

Charles H. Perry, W. M.; W. D. Turner, I. P. M.; W. B. McKay, senior warden; Al. John Knox, junior warden; J. T. Kirk, treasurer; A. E. Pearson, secretary; Rev. Canon Scott Neales, chaplain; J. D. McKenna, senior deacon; Charles Nesbitt, junior deacon; W. N. Robinson, senior steward; W. F. Myles, junior steward; Linus Crawford, P. M. D. of C.; James B. Crane, inner guard; Thomas Cogson, tyler.

During the evening a handsome past master's jewel was presented to W. D. Turner, the retiring master. After the installation of officers the members and their friends spent a social evening in cards and dancing.

MEXICAN LEADERS AT VARIANCE

Political Situation Full of Uncertainties and Lack of Harmony Among Chiefs of the Factions.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Despatches from the Mexican Minister in Mexico City dated here early today, and received here tonight, describe the political situation as full of uncertainties. He referred to the lack of harmony between the several chiefs, some of whom were advocating radical and extreme measures of government, but indicated that nothing alarming had developed, and that good order was being preserved.

stalled this evening by Dr. M. L. Young, P. D. G. M., as follows: Stanley D. Budd, W. M.; J. Wells Fraser, S. W.; W. B. Hawthorne, J. W. J. Robert Polley, S. D.; Edmund Carter, J. D.; Chester Gregory, D. of C.; W. H. Stevens, chaplain; F. M. Murchio, treasurer; P. G. McParlane, secretary; Hazen Linton, S. S.; Robt. Nixon, J. S.; A. A. Mallory, I. G.; H. P. Webber, tyler.

In Ailey Lodge, at Upper Mills, officers were installed on Saturday evening by A. H. Hiltz, P. M., of Victoria Lodge, as follows: Wm. Polley, W. M.; Arthur Powers, S. W.; George Waters, J. W.; Jas. Phinney, chaplain; Henry Hacker, treasurer; J. C. Davis, secretary; Neil D. Smith, S. S.; Chas. D. Foss, J. D.; Wm. D. Babcock, S. S.; J. Sherman Hall, J. S.; Theo. W. Fairhead, D. of C.; E. Chase, I. G.; John A. Hall, tyler.

Owing to the absence from town of Hugh M. Balkan, W. M., elect, of Victoria Lodge of Milltown, the installation of officers in that lodge was postponed until the January meeting.

G. M. BOSWORTH'S WAY OF DEALING WITH INVADERS

Can Reserve Peak 10,000 Feet High in Rockies where Raider Can Think it Over at Leisure.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—The "German scare" reached Vice-President Geo. M. Bosworth, of the C. P. R., in the form of a telegraphic inquiry from the New York Times this afternoon as follows: "We are receiving intimations from widely scattered points in California that there is a movement of Germans in civilian clothing northward, the object being to raid Vancouver and Canadian Pacific Railway communications, to keep Canadians at home. Have you anything to say?"

Mr. Bosworth replied: "We have fine scenery all along the line of the Canadian Pacific, and can reserve a peak ten thousand feet high for the solitary meditations of any German raider who comes across the international boundary. G. M. Bosworth."

DOMESTIC TROUBLES LED TO SUICIDE.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—E. L. Besso, rooming at 225 Scarborough Road, committed suicide late this afternoon by shooting himself through the heart with a rifle. Domestic troubles are said to have been the cause.

BR. ISLES STORM-SWEPT LOSS OF LIFE AND GREAT DAMAGE REPORTED

Telegraphic Communication With Europe Cut Off and Many Disasters From the Mines in the North Sea Feared.

London, Dec. 29.—A great gale and snowstorm swept over the larger part of Great Britain and Ireland last night. There was considerable loss of life and much damage done. The telegraphic services on the continent were disorganized, and communication with France was almost severed.

One man was killed and several persons were injured by the collapse of a house wall at Clapham. Elsewhere in London, plate glass windows were blown out, and property was damaged in other ways. Two feet of snow fell in many parts of the country, causing serious flooding of the rivers. Dublin was visited by the heaviest snow fall in many years.

Several disasters, the result of striking mines in the North Sea, are reported. Among those sunk were the steamer Linnaria, whose crew was rescued, and a Glasgow steamer.

The Linnaria, which was of 1,891 tons register, belonged to the Stag Line of North Shields. She was built in 1911.

PREMIER BORDEN REVIEWS TROOPS IN WINNIPEG

"Magnificent Body of Men," Premier's Tribute to 6,000 Soldiers.

Winnipeg, Dec. 28.—Six thousand sturdy men of the west of Canada marched past in review before Sir Robert Borden, Premier of Canada, this afternoon. The march past was an impressive sight, and brought home very strongly to Winnipeg what the west is doing for the Empire.

RELIEF SHIP FROM 'FRISCO THROUGH PANAMA CANAL

Comino First of Relief Fleet from Pacific Coast to Use the Canal.

New York, Dec. 28.—California's relief ship Comino, carrying a cargo of food for the Belgians, is now passing through the Panama Canal, it was announced this afternoon at the headquarters of the commission for relief in Belgium. "The Comino is the first of the relief fleet from the Pacific coast to use the canal. She left San Pedro on December 8, and arrived at Balboa Christmas day.

KEY TO THE PEACE OF THE CARPATHIANS IN THE HANDS OF RUSSIANS

Those Held By Enemy of no Advantage to Them—All German Attacks Between the Lower Vistula and the Pelica Rivers Repulsed—200 Officers and 15,000 Soldiers Captured By Czar's Forces in Two Days Fighting—Enemy's Army in Region of Dukla Passes Disorganized and in Retreat.

London, Dec. 29.—A Petrograd despatch to the Times says that military circles point out that all the important passages of the Carpathians are again in Russian hands and that these still held by the enemy afford them no advantage.

Petrograd, Dec. 28.—The following statement from the general staff of the Russian commander-in-chief was issued tonight:

"On the 27th there was no important engagements between the Lower Vistula and the Pelica Rivers. The German attacks were everywhere repulsed. The Germans suffered heavy losses, especially during a vain attack they made to the southeast of Skieniewice.

"Between the Pelica and the Upper Vistula the enemy has now added to the defensive.

"Our troops stormed the village of Sztyniki, which was stubbornly defended by the Austrians. The enemy has definitely evacuated the left bank of the Nida.

"To the south of the Upper Vistula on the front of Opatow-Biecz the fighting continues to develop to our advantage. From the 18th to the 26th we captured there 200 officers and 15,000 soldiers and forty military trains.

"The enemy's retreat in the region of the Dukla Passes and on the road to Lisko is becoming more and more precipitate and disorganized. On the 26th we captured in this region as many as five thousand prisoners.

"The efforts of the enemy to transport his forces from the direction of Czenstochowa toward the Carpathians was a complete failure owing to our manoeuvres."

AMATEUR NURSES MAY APPEAL TO SENTIMENT OF WOUNDED SOLDIER, BUT CAN'T MINISTER TO HIS ILLS

London, Dec. 28.—"Too sick to be nursed today," a placard said to have been placed over the bedstead of a soldier wounded in the South African campaign, is much needed in British hospitals now, according to the National Council of Trained Nurses, which has sent to Lord Kitchener a protest against the employment of incompetent nurses. In acknowledgment of the resolution, the Secretary of War asked the council to submit evidence in support of its charges, and a report on the matter is expected shortly.

The professional trained nurses are complaining that young women of means and social influence, attracted by the sentimental side of nursing at the front, have stormed the hospitals, and have, in many cases, obtained positions, notwithstanding that they knew nothing of the work. "If Lord Kitchener had asked for five hundred thousand nurses to enlist for services,"

English the toughest foe they meet

Germans Acknowledge Fine Fighting Qualities of British—Changed Attitude Towards French and Belgians.

Berlin, Dec. 25.—Evidences of the fighting qualities of the French soldier before this war began. The tendency to belittle the fighting qualities of the enemy continue to accumulate.

Soldiers' letters and returning appreciations speak in terms of high admiration of the military prowess and soldierly qualities of their opponents, and among several hundred wounded with whom the correspondent of the Associated Press has talked in his visits to hospitals in the last fortnight no one was found who refused to credit the enemy in general, Russian, French and Belgian and English with bravery and military skill.

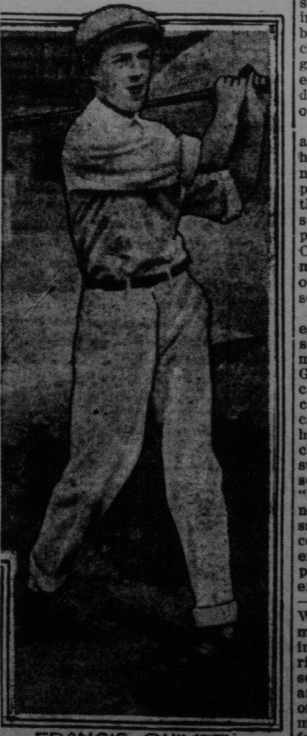
Distinctions are drawn, it is true, the British being generally reckoned as the toughest opponents on the west front.

The Germans had a high opinion of the fighting qualities of the French soldier before this war began. The fighting which occurred on the march from the Belgian frontier to the Marne and Paris tended to lessen their respect for toughness of French men-at-arms, but the last two months have changed that again and soldiers' letters reflect increased respect for them.

The recent fighting of the remnant of the Belgian Army in Flanders also has greatly raised the German estimation of the Belgian soldier, who, in the general army opinion, had not greatly distinguished himself at Liege, Namur and Antwerp and the intervening field engagements.

As to the British, field post letters continue to bear out the statement from fighting quarters. One of the latest of these letters, printed in the Cologne Gazette, contains the following striking passage:

"People at home appear to have



FRANCIS QUIMET
Francis Quimet, the famous golfer, has branched out in the sport world and is now a full fledged manager of a Boston hockey team composed of golfers. And, like all real managers, he has cast his challenge to the world. He wants it understood that his hockey seven is ready to meet teams from any golf club.

TWENTY SECOND WEEK OF WAR, KAISER'S PROMISES FAR FROM FULFILMENT

Christmas, birthday of Prince of Peace, half the world's war! Weihnachten, in Germany, tenderest festival of German year, half a million Teuton men in Stillenacht of the grave. Bitterest, lie of civilization, Peace on earth, good will to men. Berlin, London, Paris, under leaden skies, could make no home rejoicings, successful, feverish entertainment of fighting men, feverish charity to poor, to starving, hopeless refugees expressed all that men and women could do, stricken themselves they strove. In Germany word to those worse off, while civilization's big guns spread death's Christmas cheer. An almanac thinking to find British will duller of gorging, essayed bombs for London, found plum pudding secondary to national defence—back to Fatherland without Christmas gift for his war-lord.

Kaiser! unhappiest Christmas of his life: Kaiser, unable to make war personally, unable to stop it, knowing not how and when 'twill end, passing Christmas in armored train, defended by every weapon of modern war, calls of courage to bitterly disappointed troops earlier promised this year to be "home by Christmas," promises lying unfulfilled. Paris, Brussels, blood-soaked trenches; unredeemed in half a million graves. On Kaiser's Christmas tree were to have been glittering candles of his own. Paris, Brussels, Warsaw, Calais, with candles burning at his command, South Africa, Ireland, India, Russia, Brussels, Antwerp, Louvain, and his legible yesterday, Germany was to have shown the world how the world could be conquered. By Christmas great German triumph, the only measure of triumph which could end the world's future, was to have been two-thirds won by Christmas—Alies driven south of Loire; England disastrously invaded, her fleet harmless to all for Germany; Russian armies annihilated before Moscow or Petrograd! All this man's "Revised Rules for Artillery" Kaiser yesterday could read printed bitter epitaph of high hopes, bitter delusions: "I. The lessons of war do not agree with the teachings given in times of peace; 2. Maximum profit of the world's future, was to have been able to supply our army indefinitely with ammunition."

Were forces at work solely military Kaiser might nourish hope, but they're only spiritual, military religious, fanatical. Tages Zeitung says: "Germany is facing desperate situation." Kaiser knows she is.

Look which way he pleases, the Kaiser sees no hope of fulfillment of what he promised his people, promised himself. His chancellor, in his name, has just solemnly pledged Reichstag: "Germany's future, we shall guarantee." Frederick William, Crown Prince 1870, sent to every man of his brave army, your fathers and grandfathers, a pipe with his picture. To each pipe of material added a humble token to my loyal companions in arms be a souvenir of our common Christmas celebration in Germany's greatest days.

Somehow in the past death mortgaged trenches a German shell burst on the thin red line, came of careless uncounting courage again, as was the other day. Next to an Irish Tommy two comrades, as shrapnel flew, also, match blows out of Tommy's pipe. Pat describes war in a breath: "Belgian tobacco and French wine are the death of me yet!"

—Boston Evening Transcript.

INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY MUCH DIMINISHED

London, Dec. 28.—Apropos of the cable despatches stating that the Canadian government has decided that it will be unnecessary to take further action regarding the exportation of copper, your correspondent recently met at Rotterdam a wholesale hardware merchant of Hartford, Conn., who had just travelled from Italy via the Rhine. He had received many inquiries as to the possibility of getting copper from America. "We have the supply," was his answer, "but to supply you is another matter."

In cities such as Frankfurt, he detected a greatly diminished industrial activity.

SMITH-CARSEY BOUT STOPPED IN 3RD ROUND

New York, Dec. 28.—Gunboat Smith of California, so far outclassed Chick Carsey, of Philadelphia, that the referee stopped the contest in the third round. The weights were, Smith, 135; Carsey, 133.

Willie Beecher, a local lightweight, knocked out Tim O'Neill, of Holyoke, Mass., in the first round after a minute and a half of fighting, with a right hand blow over the heart.

DESTITUTION IN SERBIA.

London, Dec. 24.—A Serbian Red Cross nurse, who has to the Serbian Relief Committee in London, describes conditions in Serbia as follows:

"I have seen five wars—what is Serbia's history but a series of wars?—but never have I seen such a scene of terrible destitution. Wounded are lying everywhere, in the houses, on the streets, in the squares and we are disturbed in our efforts to care for them by the crowd of fugitives constantly pouring in. We give what we have, but it is so little, and we are always short. The doors of the Red Cross depot are thronged with applicants for food and lodging. You know how proud our people are. Nobody wanted to be rich, for all had enough, and now for the first time we realize that we are poor. There is not a family unharmed by the war.

"We have soup kitchens, refugees, hospitals, at every turn—all in desperate need. Bakers and butchers are unable for we have no money to pay them. One baker said to me weeks ago: 'I have no son to send to the war, but I will give what I have.' He supplied our hospital gratis with bread until his flour gave out. Now he is bankrupt. At Sivilianis three thousand wails and wanders arrived last week. The people look them in. I am convinced that a household in that town now has a full meal. Yet we do not lose heart. Many of the soldiers give us money, if they can. Yesterday we got contributions of 70 dinars (14) and in three cities a total of 2,850 dinars (\$400) was collected in two days. This is an enormous sum in Serbia, where a grosh (four cents) is no commoner than a pound sterling (45) in England."

BELT AND FOOTWEAR TO EVERY MANITOBIAN AT SALISBURY PLAINS

London, Dec. 28.—Kenneth MacKenzie of Winnipeg, impressed with the trying climatic conditions at Salisbury Plains, has made a present of a body belt and footwear to every Manitoban with the Canadian contingent.

Mr. MacKenzie who is a director of the Canada Life Assurance Company, the National Trust Company and other corporations, expresses optimistic views as to Canada's present position, pointing out that the loan and trust companies, as well as the wholesale houses, are generally gratified at the satisfactory collections and the redemption of obligations.

W. A. RUSSEL, K. C., JUDGE OF PROBATES, DIED AT SHEDIAC LAST NIGHT

Moncton, Dec. 28.—W. A. Russell, K. C., judge of probates for Westmorland, died at his home in Shediac last night about ten o'clock of heart trouble. He was about 55 years of age.

BOUND FOR NOVA SCOTIA, BLOWN FOUR THOUSAND MILES OFF COURSE

Boston, Dec. 28.—The four-masted schooner, Lewiston, which left this port three weeks ago for Bridgewater, N. S., arrived at Mayaguez, Porto Rico, according to a cablegram received by the schooner's agents here.

Captain Gian reported that his vessel had been blown two thousand miles off her course by westerly gales, but was undamaged.

HALT FIGHT OVER SUNDAY

Merritt, B. C., Dec. 27.—Joe Bailey, former lightweight champion of Canada, and Johnny Moore battled seven rounds of a twenty round match on Saturday night, but were unable to finish the fight before Sunday arrived. They agreed to continue the fight on Monday at eleven a.m. There were no knockdowns and the battling was even for the seventeen rounds.

MARRIED.

COCHRANE-HOLMES—On December 26, 1914, by Rev. Ralph J. Houghton, Harry Alton Cochrane, of Montreal, to Janet Holmes of this city.

DIED.

MCCANN—In this city, on the 27th inst., Jane, wife of Patrick McCann, leaving her husband, four brothers and two sisters to mourn. Funeral from her late residence, 61 Erin street, on Tuesday, at 2.30 p.m. Friends invited to attend.

FRASER—At Gardner's Creek, on Sunday, the 27th inst., Miss Beatrice Fraser, leaving one sister to mourn. Funeral from her late home on Wednesday, the 30th inst., at 9 o'clock.

HUTCHINGS—In this city on Monday, 28th inst., after a short illness, Sarah J., daughter of the late Thos. Hutchings, leaving one brother, Charles H., to mourn. Funeral on Wednesday, at 2.30 from the residence of her cousin, H. M. McAlpine, 18 Horsfield street. No flowers.

FUNERAL NOTICE
Members of St. John Council 937, Knights of Columbus are requested to meet in their rooms, Coburg street, Tuesday morning, eight o'clock to attend the funeral of their late beloved chaplain, Very Rev. Monsignor W. F. Chapman, V. G.
Dress—Dark clothes with silk hat, light tie.
J. E. MORAN, Recorder.

MUTUALIZATION PLAN IS APPROVED BY POLICY HOLDERS

New York, Dec. 28.—Mutualization of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company was endorsed by the policyholders at a meeting held here today. Only about 1,600 voted against the plan, while 65,000 gave their approval. Most of the votes were by proxy.

Mutualization already had been approved by the stockholders and directors. The proposal now goes before the State Superintendent of Insurance, and if he gives his approval control of the company will pass into the hands of the policyholders, who will elect a board of directors.

OTTAWA COLLEGE HOCKEY TEAM TRIMS NEW YORK PLAYERS

New York, Dec. 28.—The Ottawa College hockey team defeated the Crescent A. C. team of Brooklyn here tonight, 7 to 2. In the first period the Crescents successfully defended their goal for nine minutes but fast play then gave the visitors five goals within four minutes play. Ottawa added two more in the second period.

GOVT INTERVENTION MAY BE NECESSARY TO STOP FURTHER RISE IN RATES

London, Dec. 28.—The resumption of the freight markets after the Christmas recess showed another extraordinary rise in rates, especially from Egypt, as well as from North and South America.

The Morning Post thinks the situation is becoming so serious in its effect on the prices of foodstuffs that the governments will be obliged to intervene with the object of preventing a still further rise. The newspaper says such intervention is being freely discussed in shipping circles.

EXEMPT FROM LIGENGE FEE CAFES SELLING NON-ALCOHOLIC DRINKS

Paris, Dec. 28.—Proprietors of cafes who give an undertaking to sell no spirituous liquors will be exempted from license dues after January 1st. The Chamber of Deputies today voted to exempt all cafes, despite the opposition of the government and the budget committee of the Chamber, who consider that the measure constituted a bounty to liquor sellers, whose excessive numbers the government is striving to decrease, and a direct encouragement to drunkenness. This exemption, in addition, it is pointed out, will represent a loss to the treasury of \$7,400,000.

The Senate took the government's view and refused to ratify the measure. Finally a compromise was reached by the two Houses, whereby only the sellers of beer, wine, cider and non-alcoholic beverages come under the exemption clause.

IMPERIAL THEATRE New Year's Eve, After the Regular Picture Show

The High School Alumnae Will Present a Splendid Local Company In THE STIRRING BRITISH PLAY "OURS"

Assisted by 200 Men from Our Splendid Overseas Regiment.

NOTE—The Imperial Theatre and St. John Globe are co-operating in this entertainment in appreciation of the splendid support given their serial story schemes by the school children of St. John.

TICKETS:
Downstairs and 3 Rows Balcony 50c, Balance of Balcony 35c, Top Balcony 25c, Box Chairs, 75c.

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THE OPENING OF C. P. R. DOCKS THE 26th REGIMENT
A Cold Blustery Day but Good Pictures On Our Public Streets.

Caught on Like Wildfire. "THE HAZARDS OF HELEN" Over Cliff on Horse Back.
Our New Weekly Railway Adventure.

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Imperial Festival Orchestra Two Biograph Comedies

WED. William Courtleigh "THE BETTER MAN" Famous Players.

TO CLOSE THE YEAR OF 1914.

THE K. B. MELO-DRAMATIC SUCCESS
"THE SHERIFF OF MUCCATINE"
Teeming with Unadulterated Sensation; Ending In 2 Parts with a Bang-up Surprise Novelty.

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Farce-Comedy. THE FINAL IMPULSE

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Ring out the Old! Passing Show of 1914

NORTON & ARITH DANCING DEMONS
THE BROADWAY
IN FAST DANCES AND NOVEL SONGS, WITH HUGH FRITZ, CLOWN ACROBAT.

Weekly News—War Scenes and Other Timely Items.
FALSE GODS—American Social Drama.
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OPERA HOUSE TONIGHT And All This Week
Thompson's Musical Comedy Company Special Matinee
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Frustrated Attempt of Austrians to Divide Czar's Forces in Galicia and Brought About Decisive Defeat of the Enemy at Tuchow on Christmas Day — Western Army of Austrians Reported Crippled and Gen. Ermolli's Forces in Retreat.

Petrograd, Dec. 28 (via London)—The investment by the Russians of the Austrian fortress of Cracow has again been raised. Following the discovery of an attempt made by the Austrians to divide the Russian forces in Galicia the Russians retreated eastward for a distance of fifty miles.

The Russian Galician army which a short time ago was in touch on the south with the Austrian garrison defending Cracow, moved back to the Biala river, which is some fifty miles east of the former Russian position. Notwithstanding the fact that the Russian retrogression completely relieved the investment of the fortress of Cracow, it is claimed by military observers to be a marked advantage for the Russians, the retirement being due to the discovery of the Austrian aim to cut into halves the Russian forces in this region.

The Austrians, reports from the Russian southern front say, began advancing December 23 from Tymbark, thirty-five miles south of Cracow, with the apparent object of swinging around the left of the Russians along the River Biala, northward of Tarnow, and joining forces with the army of General Boehm-Ermolli which was advancing along the railroad from Sanok and Liako. The premature appearance of General Boehm-Ermolli's army to the south of Przemysl, however, put the Russians on their guard, and the Russians concentrated along the Biala river, moved down and attacked the Austrians at Tuchow, fifteen miles south of Tarnow, where they were successful in preventing a junction of the Austrian armies.

A CHRISTMAS VICTORY

Meanwhile the attention of the Russians was directed to the Austrians advance from Sanok which movement was checked. After their success in this district the Russians took the offensive along the Biala river.

Christmas Day the Russians won the battle of Tuchow, the Austrians retreating throughout the following day. The Russians captured 3,500 prisoners and eighteen machine guns.

Later the Russians crossed to the west, to the western bank of the Biala and successfully stormed the heights of Siedliska, four miles south of Tuchow. The Russians took possession of a twenty mile strip of territory and thus succeeded in separating the two Austrian forces.

General Ermolli's army is said by the Russians to be in full retreat and the western army of the Austrians is reported to be badly crippled. Paris, Dec. 28 (10.30 p.m.)—The following official communication was issued by the War Office tonight:

"During the entire day a violent storm has interfered with the operations along the greater part of the front. It is reported, notwithstanding that we have made some progress in the Argonne region."

JAPAN NOT READY TO SHEATH SWORD YET

Fall of Tsing-Tau does not mean Japanese activities are at end—Sudden affection between Russia and Japan significant phase of present war.

Tokio, Nov. 23.—In a recent interview the Premier, Count Okuma, declared that Japan did not mean that Japan could sheath the sword, for Germany was not yet defeated and the situation in Europe might at any moment call for further military activity on the part of Japan. This is taken to mean that in any untoward emergency in India or Africa, or even further west, Japan stands ready to come to the assistance of the Allies. In fact, Japan has the same determination as Britain, France and Russia to insure once and for all the vanquishment of Teutonic militarism, even to the extent of despatching her armies to Europe to assist in achieving that end.

The repeated mention in European military circles of the possibility of Japanese troops being invited to Europe has met with flattering notice in certain quarters in Japan, while in other circles the practicability of such a proposal is gravely doubted, even if it should come. But the section anxious for it is very influential, and doubtless many would welcome it as affording Japan an opportunity to show the world with what facilities, energy and efficiency she can accomplish the supposedly impossible. The remarks of Count Okuma certainly suggest that he would not hesitate to accept such an invitation.

Could Raise Big Army.

At all events it cannot fail to prove a source of comfort and assurance to the British allies to realize that even if the millions of Russia, France, Britain and Belgium should be hard put to it to suppress the Teutonic eruption, the millions of Japan are still to be reckoned with; for Japan could raise an army of 5,000,000 without much difficulty, as she has now no enemies in the East.

One of the most significant phases of the war, so far as it affects the future of the Russo-Japanese war, and that seems to have kindled between Russia and Japan. Since the late war there has been in Japan more or less of a disposition to regard Russia as potential of revenge, a conviction not infrequently confirmed by utterances of the Russian press, but all mistyings have quickly dissipated before the present struggle. Both Russia and Japan now seem to realize as never before that Germany had not a little to do with promoting the situation that issued in the Russo-Japanese war, and there is now in Japan a popular outcry for closer relations with the Northern Power, even to the extent of a permanent alliance.

That such an alliance eventually will be concluded now seems certain, in view of the mutual interests of Russia and Japan and China, and especially as a safeguard against Germany after the present war. Moreover, the suspicion with which Japan believes herself to be regarded in the United States will do not a little towards cementing closer friendship with Russia. The interests of Japan in China in this country supposed to be

LACK OF WARM CLOTHING AND BATHING FACILITIES THE CHIEF DISCOMFORT

Special attache to American Embassy in London reports on conditions in Prisoners' Camps of Europe — Finds little difference and all fairly well treated

Washington, Dec. 28.—Chandler Anderson, who as a special attache of the American embassy in London, made an investigation of military prison camps in practically all the European belligerent countries, declared today there was no substantial difference in the treatment of prisoners of war, and that probably in every case they were cared for as well as their captors could afford, considering their own military necessities. Mr. Anderson made personal investigations in England, Belgium and Germany and Austria, and also had knowledge from reliable sources as to conditions in France and Russia.

Mr. Anderson was just returned to Washington on account of the illness of his wife. It is probable he will return to London in a few weeks. The Germans at the date of Mr. Anderson's departure from Europe, had about 450,000 prisoners of war. About 200,000 were Russians, an equal number French and about 17,000 British. The remainder being Belgians, Austrians, etc. One of the unavoidable hardships of the prisoners camps in all countries was the enforced association of all elements of society.

FIRING BY TURKS ON AMERICAN LAUNCH WAS MERELY WARNING

Naval officers back from service in Aegean Sea say incident did not justify prominence it received.

New York, Dec. 28.—The Red Star liner Finland returned today from Mediterranean ports, bringing with her four naval officers from the cruiser North Carolina which has been stationed in the Aegean Sea since the outbreak of the war. They were Lt. Commander Henry C. Munn, Lt. Richard C. Sautley, and Lt. Patrick L. Bellinger and Ensign W. C. Hart.

The officers are attached to the Navy Aviation Corps and part of their time abroad has been spent in observing the aerial work of the British and French. They declined to discuss the matter saying they had reports to make to the naval authorities at Washington.

THE VETERAN WAR HORSE ON THE FIRING LINE

Washington, Dec. 28.—President Wilson tonight began receiving messages from rulers of foreign countries, congratulating him on his 58th birthday anniversary. The first to arrive was from King George of Great Britain.

Led by Secretary Bryan, the President's cabinet called at the White House during the evening to extend congratulations. Because of the cancellation of all State dinners and receptions following Mrs. Wilson's death, the gathering of the cabinet was the nearest approach to a social affair held in the White House for many months.

Civilians Are Warned.

London, Dec. 28.—The London official bureau this evening made the following announcement: "The naval and military authorities call the attention of persons using the streets to the danger from fragments of shells from bullets from the guns used against hostile aircraft attempting to raid London."

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JOFFRE'S PLANS "DIGGING IN" OF PARIS FINISHED; CITY CENTRE OF ENTRENCHED CAMP

French Capital will Offer Stubborn Resistance to German Invader if he Gets Near Enough to Attack.

Berlin, Dec. 28, (by wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—Among the items given out today for publication by the official press bureau were the following: "Discussions of military happenings around Christmas indicate that the feeling of confidence has gained support here. Gen. Joffre's energetic offensive, as announced in an army order of December 17, it is pointed out, has everywhere been successfully resisted, and the defeat of the English at Passchendaele leaves the Allies in worse shape than when the French offensive started."

The city now lies in the centre of an entrenched camp, whose diameter is about sixty miles, and whose circumference is nearly two hundred miles. This is surrounded by row after row of trenches, thoroughly covered in with logs and turf, through which loopholes have been left for rifle fire. All of them communicate with each other, and contain transverse banks of earth to prevent them being enfiladed by infantry or machine guns. Or beyond them are rifle pits and barbed wire entanglements, placed in all positions where an attack might originate.

Still other precautions have been taken in front of the advanced line of trenches by digging of deep ditches, whose existence is hidden by a light covering of branches and turf, making them invisible to approaching cavalry, infantry or artillery and forming veritable traps into which an attacking force might fall a prey to the defenders' machine guns and rifles.

The approaches to the trenches from the rear consist of subterranean galleries which permit the reliefs to be made without any exposure of the men. All along this front, posts of observation have been established, each of which is constantly occupied by at least three men provided with powerful field glasses and in direct telephonic communication with headquarters and with the artillery batteries in the immediate vicinity. The emplacements of these batteries are known only to the headquarters staff and to the men who serve the guns, all of which are buried in the earth, only their muzzles protruding. For the benefit of the gunners the ranges of all prominent objects in the front have been measured.

Behind the lines of trenches runs a light railroad line for the purpose of bringing up ammunition and food and also, if necessary, reinforcements of men to any point which might be menaced. Further provision for the conveyance of reinforcements is at hand in the large numbers of automobiles of all kinds which can make the journey speedily from any one point to another, carrying groups of armed men. The existing forts also have been strengthened but now only serve as supporting points and batteries for large bodies of troops resting from their trench duty.

BUSINESS MEN IN THE WORK OF SUPPLYING ARMY

London, Dec. 28.—Criticism of the government's war preparations which was rampant during early stages of the war has largely ceased, indicating that the general public has either settled down to the belief that everything is being done about as well as possible or has tired of writing letters to the press.

The War Office has now enlisted the services of business men with experience in carrying out big enterprises to take part in the work of supplying the army, and the labor unions have volunteered to watch the execution of government contracts, not only to see that proper equipment and rations are supplied to the soldiers, but to prevent sweating of the feet under Jellcoat.

Arnold White, a prominent writer and former colonial official, has been making a thorough inspection of the training camps for the purpose of detecting any scandals and mismanagement. Having been a bitter enemy of the Liberal government his point of view was not prejudiced in its favor.

HOPEWELL HILL

Hopewell Hill, Dec. 26.—The secretary of the Hopewell Hill Patriotic League, Mrs. W. J. McAlmon, sent this week a large bale of mittens, wristlets and socks to the Red Cross Depot in St. John to be forwarded to our soldiers at the front. It is hoped the League will be able to forward a second bale as everyone is knitting every spare minute.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Adair, of Sussex, are spending the holidays with the latter's parents here. Miss Mary E. Archibald returned on Thursday from Sussex where she has been visiting friends. The ladies of the Hopewell Hill Soldiers Aid League will hold an entertainment on Jan. 6th in the Riverside Hall. Mrs. Brydon will be in charge of the musical programme.

The death of James A. Beaumont occurred at his home, Hopewell Hill, on Thursday morning, aged 85 years. He is survived by his widow, who is a daughter of Mrs. Robert Newcomb, of this place, also the following children: Palmer of Mass., Charles of Albert, William of Hopewell Cape, Mrs. Chas. Hendey and Mrs. Hatfield at Hopewell Cape. Funeral will take place this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Doherty of Midway, spent Christmas at the home of their daughter Mrs. Howard Stevens. Mrs. Lily Richards and daughter, Madeline, of Memel, returned to their home today, after a pleasant visit with relatives at Albert Mines. A very quiet wedding took place on Wednesday evening when Miss Carrie Bishop of this place was united in marriage to Edward Cleveland of Waterville. The ceremony was performed by the pastor of the Baptist church, Rev. Herbert DeWolf.

Petrograd, Dec. 28.—The Russian government has decided to make cash allowances to captured officers at the following rates: Generals, \$750 a year; staff officers, \$450; all other officers, \$300.

WOULD BE DUTY OF STATES TO INTERFERE

If invasion of Br. Columbia were to be made, London paper says.

London, Dec. 28.—Referring to the reports of a migration of German-Americans to the Pacific coast, and the rumored possibility of an attack on British Columbia, the Globe comments as follows: "If any plan for a German invasion of Canada were to take shape, it would be the first duty of the government of the United States to employ all its forces for the frustration of such a design. It would not be Canada, but the United States, which would have reason to resent the injury and the affront to its sovereignty."

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A Detroit musician has invented a wonderful new system which enables any person or little child to learn to play the piano or organ in one evening. Even though you know absolutely nothing about music or have never touched a piano or organ, you can now learn to play in an hour or two. People who do not know one note from another are able to play their favorite music with this method without any assistance whatever from anyone. This new system which is called the Numerical Method, is sold in Canada by the Numerical Method Music Co., of Canada, and as they are desirous of at once making it known in every locality, they are making the following special free trial and half-price offer to our readers.

You are not asked to send any money until you have tried and are satisfied with the new method. The Numerical Company is willing to send it to you on one week's free trial, and you will not have to pay them one cent unless you desire to keep it. There are no express charges to be paid, as everything will be sent by mail. Simply write a letter or post card to the Numerical Method Music Co. of Canada, 213A Curry Hall, Windsor, Ontario, saying "Please send me the Numerical Method on seven days' free trial." If you are satisfied after trying it, the Method and fifty different pieces of sheet music will cost you only \$5, although the regular price of these is \$10. You should not delay writing, as the Numerical Company will not continue this special half-price offer indefinitely. Later on, the Method and fifty pieces of music will be sold at the regular price.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1914.

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

THE CARVELLITES AND THE WAR.

To the ordinary layman, unfamiliar with the lights and shades, the devious deeps and subtle shadings of the Liberal political conscience, it is not easy to follow the line of reasoning adopted by the Provincial Opposition party in selecting a candidate to contest Carleton County in the coming bye-election, while permitting the Attorney General, a cabinet minister, ranking second only to the Premier, to secure his election by acclamation in the County of St. John.

When the convention of Opposition supporters in the County of St. John failed to secure a candidate to oppose Hon. Mr. Baxter, they blatantly announced through the columns of the Telegraph that their decision to permit the seat to go uncontested was due to conditions of grave peril confronting the Empire. In a bombastic and prolix resolution they rehearsed the alleged crimes of the Government, indulged in insinuations against Hon. Mr. Baxter, and then attempted to mask the paucity of election material in their own ranks by the excuse "there is a greater peril to all Canada and the Empire at the present time because of the greatest war in the world's history which has diverted the attention of the people from political matters, a war that has caused all political leaders in Great Britain and Canada to declare a truce to party strife in order that the political passions of the people may not be aroused and all men may work in unity and harmony for victory over the enemies of our Empire and for the safety of our country. Therefore Resolved, in view of this and following the example of greater parliaments where consideration of questions of importance to the Empire have been postponed until the end of the war, your committee very reluctantly advise against a political contest in the County of St. John at the present time."

The Standard is quite prepared to believe that the decision of the committee and the convention was reached "very reluctantly." If they could have found a candidate with any better chance of election than had Mr. Foster in 1912, when he saved his deposit by only five votes, they would have brought him into the limelight even if they had to use force. No such little thing as an Empire war would have sufficed to assuage the political hatred of the Carvell-Carter-Copps gang if there could have been the slightest chance of victory. But the disgruntled bosses of the provincial Grid machine found they were but mere cogs after all and could not even muster their expected supporters. The convention delegates reported the people of the county independent of politics, almost to a man were behind Mr. Baxter, so they decided not to risk a fight against certain defeat and "very reluctantly" permitted the election to go by default. While in this decision they turned down the machine, and are entitled to much credit for that action, even more praise is due to them for demonstrating that Mr. F. B. Carvell possesses absolutely no influence in this constituency. After his grand stand practice during the sessions of the Royal Commission, Mr. Carvell aspired to be a figure of at least provincial importance, so he paraded up and down the country frequenting centres where men do congregate and, with his usual blarney, announced that something was "about to drop" in St. John County. It did drop, but—unfortunately for him, Mr. Carvell was beneath.

As to policies of future development, is adopting a plan which will not only bring the ports of St. John and Montreal into closer co-operation, but will work to the great benefit of the Canadian winter port in the future.

Shoulder to Shoulder

BY FLORENCE M. SMALL,
Harvey, Albert County.

We live in wondrous times, my lad. When all the world's at war, and every nation bears its load, and many a heart is sore, but keep your courage up, my lad, for England's in the fight, and we'll stand by her every day, 'Till Right has conquered Might.

Canada's Four Great Responsibilities

(Christian Science Monitor.)
In no quarter of the world, perhaps, has the far-reaching influence of the European war been exemplified with sharper distinctness than in Great Britain's most important possession, the Dominion of Canada. Although separated from the mother country by an ocean's width, Canada is knit closely to the island kingdom, not only by political and commercial associations and interests of tremendous importance, but by every fibre of sentiment that binds together the vast English-speaking empire. Canada's concern in England's welfare, indeed, is so intimate that the provinces of the Dominion respond to the promptings of British shires to the emergency call that issued from the Imperial Parliament early in August.

The manner in which each and all of these responsibilities have been assumed and met by the Canadian government and people has been set forth in the new columns of the Christian Science Monitor. Since Canada is an English-speaking country, bred to British traditions, trained to British ideals, impregnated with British democracy, of course it was "unprepared," as "unprepared" as the mother country has ever been, as "unprepared" as its neighbor to the south, a country of similar origin and characteristics, proverbially is. And yet, five months after the call came, five months since it was thrown upon its own resources, it is confident in its preparedness. The Dominion of Canada may be taken today as a world object lesson in the results of a system that is employed in the making of citizens rather than in the training of warriors.

Little Benny's Note Book.

By LEE PAPE.
My Cousin Artie and me played we was birds down in our front hall this afternoon, first Artie being the egg and me being the mothr bird and setting awn him a wife, and then he startid to jump around like a baby bird, beeing hatched.
Peep, peep, I wunt sum worms, I wunt sum worms, sed Artie jumping around.
Cocker doodle doo, ill go and dig you sum I sed. Wich I went out to the ice box to do, fapping my arms as if I was flying, and there was ony wun worm in the ice box, beeing a banana, wich I took it in my mouth like a bird and hoo up to the back stairs and slid down the bananistie to the front hall agan with the banana still in my mouth, looking jest like a mothr bird flying down to its child with a worm, ony I slid down so fast I slip rite awf of the end instead of stoping in time, landing awn the floor with sutch a fears hump that pop cam out of the setting room and looked down stairs, saying, For the luv of Feet, wat are you doing, brakings up housekeeping?
No sir, we're playing birds, I sed.
Well if it requires awf that commoshin youd bettir play sumthing less ferocious, like insects or germs, sed pop. And he went back in the setting room, and Artie sed, Peep, peep, im going to set the worm.
And he startid to reetch for the banana ware it had fell awn the floor wen I slid awf of the bananistie, and I kwick grabbed it, saying, Hey, you dont no enuff to set for yurself yet, ill feed you.
And I unpeeled the banana and took a big bite out of it, and then I held it out so Artie, good take a bite, and then I took anuthir big bite and Artie yelled, Hay, hooz worm is it, enyway. And he tried to grab it awf from me and we raseeled awf around the hall, bumping aganst the wains and awf and each taking a bite out of the banana evry time we cood get neer enuff to it, and pop cam out of the setting room agan, saying, Say, down there, wat in the naim of diskord are you playing now.
We're still playing birds, I sed.
Well then its time to fly south, sed pop, if youre still down there in 2 minits ill kum down and lick you both.
So both birds went out wiping the banana awf of there faces to see if eny of the uthir fellos was around.

MAKING SEARCH FOR COUNTESS DE BUIESSERET

Washington, Dec. 27.—Secretary Bryan is endeavoring, through the German government, to locate Comtesse De Buiesseret, formerly Miss Caroline Storey of this city. When last heard from she was in Brussels. The Germans in control of that city would not permit her, it is said, either to join her husband, who is Belgian Minister at Petrograd, or to communicate with her mother in this city. Miss Storey recently received, through friends, information that her daughter was dangerously ill in Brussels, and can make no move until that time nothing has been heard from her.

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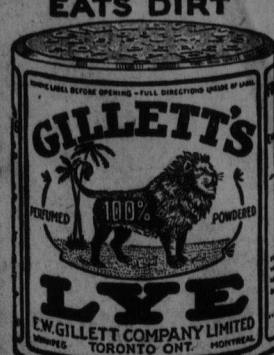
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WEDDINGS.
Hardy-Aharan.
Newcastle, Dec. 26.—The marriage of Miss Anna Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Aharan, to Frank Harrison Hardy of Lancaster, Mass., took place at the bride's home last night. Rev. M. S. Richardson officiating in the presence of the immediate relatives of the parties. The bride, who was given away by her father, was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Hardy and leave next week for their home in Lancaster.

Payne-McLean.
The marriage of Clifford S. Payne of Boom Road, Northwest Miramichi, but lately returned from an eighteen years residence abroad, to Mrs. Elizabeth McLean, of Boom Road, was solemnized in the manse, Redbank, Wednesday evening, Rev. J. F. McCurdy, B. A., officiating. The couple were unattended.

Cochrane-Holmes.
A pretty wedding was celebrated on Saturday at the home of Mrs. Holmes,

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Winter street, when her daughter, Miss Janet, was united in marriage to Henry Alton Cochrane, of Montreal. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Ralph J. Haughton, pastor of the Congregational church. The bride was unattended. Following the ceremony a repast was served and Mr. and Mrs. Cochrane left for Montreal. Among the wedding presents was a purse of gold from the members of the Congregational church in which the bride was a faithful worker. The happy pair have the best wishes of many friends for future happiness.

OBITUARY.
Mrs. Lucy Allison.
Newcastle, Dec. 24.—Mrs. Ernest Mullin returned on Wednesday from Campbellton where she attended the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Lucy Allison, widow of David Allison, of Boom Road, Northwest Miramichi. Mrs. Allison broke a blood vessel in her head by a fall on the 9th instant. She never regained consciousness and died on the 18th. She leaves four children, Mrs. Ernest Mullin, Newcastle; Alex. Allison, in the West; Mrs. Charles Cassidy, "The Bridge," Newcastle; and David Allison, Campbellton. Deceased was 55 years old.

Belgian Relief Fund.
The following subscriptions to the Belgian Relief Fund were received by Mayor Frink yesterday morning: United Baptist Sabbath School, Mount Pleasant, Carleton county, per Edna L. Drake, \$18.00. Mrs. A. E. Brown, 5.00. New Salem School, Blissville, N. B., per Miss Pearl MacNeill, 31.00. Collected by George F. Burpee, Avondale, N. B. (second acknowledgment), 50.00. The total amount received so far for the fund is \$30,84.01, and the expenditures have amounted to \$23,708.40. This latter amount includes the sums sent to the Belgian Minister at London, those invested in supplies to be sent forward, and the expenditure on labor in handling the supplies.

McKENNA'S FLIRTATION AT THE OPERA HOUSE GETS GOOD RECEPTION

Thomson Musical Comedy Co. puts on another amusing production, and delights large audience.

Another amusing production was put on the boards at the Opera House last evening by the Thomson Musical Comedy Company and will be presented every evening during the week with a special matinee on New Year's Day. This week's offering is entitled "McKenna's Flirtation," and it is a very droll affair replete with sideshaking scenes. Jack Westerman brings to the role of Timothy McKenna, a contractor, the ability and sincerity which he has displayed in many different roles, and while he occupies the stage keeps the audience in a gale of laughter. Walter Bedell enacted the part of Michael Ryan, a retired milkman, now engaged in the ice business or handling watered stock, in a very clever manner; and Miss Elsie Wallace, who has voice, presence and charm, made a hit in the role of Miss Mary Ryan.

The comedy of the production arises from the fact that there is a Timothy McKenna Jr., and a Mrs. Ellen Ryan, and that McKenna Sr., receives by mistake a letter from Miss Mary Ellen intended for his son, and jumps to the conclusion that it was written by Mrs. Mary Ellen. Hence some very amusing developments.

The musical numbers were well rendered, and the work of the chorus was excellent. Some of the stage effects were very pretty, and the chorus danced and sang with great vivacity.

One of the features of the performance was a topical song by Jack Westerman, which made a great hit with the audience and earned him repeated encores. Among other songs which were well received was "Wily Waste Your Love," by Josephine West and chorus, "Wild Irish Rose," by Miss Wallace and Allan Carter, and "All the Girls Love Me," by Charles Hillman and chorus.

There was a good attendance at the performance, and judging from the applause which greeted the musical numbers as well as the amusement with which the comedy parts were received, everybody was well satisfied. There should be good houses during the rest of the week.

LETTERS COME BACK FROM BED OF OCEAN

Mrs. Charles Buller, of Queen street, receives grim reminder of Empress of Ireland disaster.

Three letters addressed to different places in England were posted from St. John on Nov. 27, and are included in the mail sent via the ill-fated steamship Empress of Ireland. The letters did not reach their destination, but were recovered quite recently by divers from the wreck. They were returned to the sender, Mrs. Buller of this city, on Christmas Eve, only a little disclosed by sea water. The return of these letters was received in the office department of Canada, through the dead letter office at Ottawa, speaks well for the careful control of the mail, even after, as in this case, it has been raised from the deep.

LYRIC FEATURES FOR THIS WEEK

Vaudeville and Pictures of high merit mark close of year.

The Lyric Theatre is ringing out the old year the first three days with a program that for interest and excellence has not been surpassed in this popular amusement resort many times during the year that is just drawing to a close.

Norton and Arita in novel exhibitions of the dancing art are top notchers in their line. Several different styles are presented in a manner that draws high praise. The fact that dances are particularly enjoyable, the dexterity of the different movements of the feet having a tendency to make one wonder just how they do it. The costumes worn add greatly to the attractiveness of a clever vaudeville ofering. Hugh Fritz in comedy acrobatics performs his mission well.

The Mutual Weekly affords one an opportunity of beholding some very interesting scenes from the theatre of war, and "False Gods," a two part American home drama is a particularly fine feature. For New Year's Day the Lyric will present Margaret Burke in songs and stories with the Musical Seely.

For Red Cross Work.
For some time several of the women of Main street church have been active in the interests of the Red Cross Society, and committees appointed to canvass have succeeded particularly well. A special committee composed of Mrs. Thos. Granville, Mrs. O. S. Perry, Mrs. Deamer, Mrs. Willard Wilson, Mrs. Foster Hoffman, Mrs. Knoeden, and Miss Audrey Mullin canvassed a wide section of the North End, ranging from Wall street to Bridge, and the results were encouraging indeed. Donations of knitting were received from ladies at Long Point and Greenwich. The distribution is being attended to by a committee of twelve, which Mrs. F. McIntyre is convener, Mrs. A. McIntyre, treasurer, and Mrs. Fred Flowering, secretary.

LEADING IN WORK TO AID WAR'S VICTIMS.



THE MISSES DESSIE AND GLADYS HOLLINGSWORTH

One hundred and nineteen cases of clothing for Belgian refugees sent by the American Girls' Aid New York for Paris on December 13. This was the fourth consignment sent forward, and brought the number of cases up to 225. Miss Gladys Hollingsworth, one of the two sisters who organized the work, estimated that clothing for 13,500 refugees had been shipped since the work started five weeks ago. Miss Hollingsworth and her sister were in Houlgate, on the north coast of France, when Belgian refugees began to arrive there. When the family moved back to New York the two girls began a work which is beginning to assume proportions they never dreamed of. They are collecting clothing for refugees in France, and contributions have been received from all over the country.

MOTION PICTURES OF ST. JOHN EVENTS

Imperial Bill includes some fine views of the Sand Point celebration.

Actual motion picture scenes of the ceremonies attending the opening of the new trans-Atlantic docks on the West Side and some excellent views of our second contingent soldiers, marked another advance in the quality of programme being put on in the Imperial Theatre. It was rather a rare sensation for many present to see themselves as others see them, moving about unconscious of the fact that they were being caught by the keen eye of the camera. The notable celebration on that cold blowy day was safely reproduced in detail and the soldiers looked splendid also.

The Imperial's vaudeville for this week seemed to strike another responsive chord. It is a little talking sketch entitled "A Model Couple," and is done by Geo. Scott and Miss Marke. Still another special feature was the first of the "Hazards of Helen" series, the railway adventures. By the quality of this initial number, it is natural to assume the series will be extremely popular. The Lubin Company offered a two-part story, called "On Lonesome Mountain"; there was the Hearst-Selig Weekly and a short comedy by the Biograph Company.

For the mid-week a splendid Famous Players' play is to be put on. This is the Reverend C. T. Brady's story, "The Better Man," and the leading role played by William Courtleigh, who created the part in the original production as played in New York.

WHITE PHOSPHOROUS MATCHES WILL NOT BE MADE IN CANADA AFTER JAN 1

New Act Prohibiting Manufacture Becomes Effective—May be Sold, However.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—No phosphorous matches will be manufactured in Canada after the end of the present year. On the first of January the White Phosphorous Act, designed to prohibit the manufacturing or importation of matches made with white phosphorous, will become operative, with exception of the clause dealing with the sale.

The clause prohibiting the sale is not effective till January 1, 1915. The act was passed at the last session of the Dominion parliament. Officers of the Labor Department will attend to its enforcement.

HOTEL ARRIVALS

Royal.
W. G. Beaman, B. C. A., Halifax; L. M. Christie, Truro; Geo. Henderson, Halifax; Frank Stanfield, Truro; J. T. H. Wallace, Montreal; A. P. McLean, Toronto; R. Todd, Milltown; H. Yewdall, Winnipeg; J. L. MacDonald, Moncton; F. W. Sumner, Moncton; E. S. Carter, Rothesay; J. E. Hetherington, G. M. Thorne, Cady; T. J. Turnbull, Riverside; J. O'Brien, Nelson, N. B.

Smelt Fishing Fair.
Richard O'Leary, of Richibucto, is at the Royal. Speaking of the smelt fishing on the North Shore, Mr. O'Leary said the fishermen had been making about average catches and were getting fair prices. The great bulk of the smelt catch is shipped in a frozen state to the markets of the United States.

ROCKLAND ATHLETIC CLUB HELD DINNER AND HAD SWELL TIME

Toast Ladies and Make Presentations to Members Going to the Front.

The Rockland Athletic Club held a dinner last evening with president John Kinsella in the chair and presented a vial watch to M. McIntyre and a fountain pen to R. Gleeson, both of whom are going to the front with the 2nd Canadian contingent. The club members assembled in their rooms, 640 Main street, at eight o'clock and the following programme was carried out.

Combination of games, dancing, violin solo, "Come Back to Erin," R. Hanson; chorus, entire club; violin solo, "Heart Bowed Down," R. Sullivan; chorus, entire club; violin solo, "The Rosary," R. Hanson; song, "Auld Lang Syne," entire club; song, "O Canada," entire club; accompanist, J. A. Kinsella.

After this dinner was served. The post prandial proceedings were interesting, Dave Colgan acting as toastmaster. The King was proposed by Roy Kelly, R. Gleeson proposed Canada and W. Welch responded, F. Shannon proposed the guests and R. Hanson responded, Dave Colgan proposed the club and J. A. Kinsella responded, D. Sullivan proposed the city and R. Sullivan responded, R. Sullivan proposed the ladies and the speech of R. McIntyre in response was a classic. Wm. Donnelly gave an interesting talk on athletics.

The officers of the club are: President, Mr. John A. Kinsella; vice-president, Mr. Roy S. Kelly; secretary, Mr. Richard Sullivan; treasurer, Mr. Fred Shannon.

APPLICATIONS FOR LIQUOR LICENSES

Little change in applications since last year.

All applications for liquor licenses in both the city and county had to be in the hands of the commissioners yesterday. In the county up to nine o'clock last night only three requests were received. These were from the holders last year.

In the city several new applications were received. Samuel Dunham applied for the license for the premises in Carmarthen street, now owned by his mother, Mrs. Margaret Dunham, who is not applying. William G. Haggerty has applied for the license for the premises, 491 Main street, now held by H. B. Tippet, who is retiring.

Howard Phinney asked for the license of a saloon in Canterbury street, which has been conducted by W. O. Phinney.

M. E. Harley, the present holder, and George Thomas Kane, both applied for a license for the premises 573 Main street.

William O'Keefe and John E. Sullivan both applied for a license for 263 Union street, the premises now held by Mr. O'Keefe.

Apart from the two additional retail applications the numbers are the same as last year. The totals are: Retail, 55; wholesale, 12; hotels, 6; and breweries, 3.

MASONIC LODGES IN MONTREAL OBSERVE FEAST OF ST. JOHN

Attend Service at Christ Church Cathedral—Lord Bishop, the Preacher.

Montreal, Dec. 27.—Local Masonic lodges and chapters held a church service at Christ Church Cathedral this afternoon when the Lord Bishop of Montreal preached. Members from every lodge and chapter were present in honor of the feast of St. John.

Large sums of money have been given to the Canadian Patriotic, Belgian and Red Cross funds by members of the craft, these contributions taking the place of the usual banquet.

FAMOUS "ICE JOCKEYS" OF ST. MORITZ KILLED ON FIELD OF BATTLE

Geneva, Dec. 23.—The famous Cresta bobsleigh run at Saint Moritz will never again see many of its well known "ice jockeys," whose exploits excited interest among the visitors, including the Crown Prince of Germany and the heir to the Austrian throne. "The Grand National" bobsleigh crews composed in a great part of English officers, have been decimated by the war. During the retreat to the Marne and the advance of the Alsne, Captain Bentley, Capt. R. S. Dawson, Lt. E. Quick were killed and Captain J. Webb Bowen was seriously wounded. T. four of them steered bobsleighs to victory in the Grand National several winters beating the Crown Prince with his German crew. Among the wounded officers are Captain Stutt, the well known Alpinist and skier, Captain Abercromby, a daring Cresta run rider and young Lord Capberly, who revolutionized bobsleighing at Saint Moritz, by introducing the prone position of the crew. Saint Moritz will be "dead" this winter and perhaps for many winters.

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The Crown Prince of Germany was a personal friend of all the English officers mentioned, and on frequent occasions during his winter visits to Saint Moritz in the last five years, they were his guests at dinners and luncheons.

A St. John Boy.
Fred Turner, a former St. John boy, and a brother of William H. Turner of the North End, has joined a gun detachment at Vancouver and will go to the front with the third contingent. Mr. Turner was formerly with the North West Mounted Police, where he had a fine record.

Begin the New Year Right

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We pay our canvassers \$1.00 for each new subscription they send us. Instead of keeping canvassers on the road for the next few weeks, we propose giving the benefit of this commission to all who care to send us new subscriptions. Therefore new subscribers instead of paying \$3.00 for this first year's subscription will receive The Daily Standard for \$2.00 paid in advance.

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Financial And Commercial News And Notes

NEW YORK AND CANADIAN LOAN

How Loan could be arranged although Canada is regarded as a belligerent.

(H. M. P. Eckardt in Montreal Journal of Commerce.) The quotation made by the Journal of Commerce the other day from an article in the Wall Street Journal...

In this connection it is to be remembered, of course, that Secretary Bryan afterwards made a statement which modified the attitude of the Administration on this question.

The American Secretary of State some time ago declared that Canada must be considered as one of the belligerent nations.

During the last few weeks the financial situation here and in the United States has been noticeably strengthened. Our neighbors have succeeded in clearing away most if not all of the emergency currency they created soon after the outbreak of the war.

The Wall Street Journal, in its article, said: "In various ways credits to the order of the Dominion Government are established, and it would be easier still without any subterfuge whatever, to make arrangements through Dominion banks which would have all the effect of assistance in Canadian Government financing."

This is a pretty broad intimation, and it is altogether likely that our financiers will follow up the lead. No doubt there will be ingenuity enough displayed on both sides to make any transaction which is arranged appear as entirely unobjectionable.

The American bankers, of course, might take these Dominion bonds as collateral to loans made by them to our banks, and hold them in that form for a time or perhaps using them again as collateral in London to a certain extent if the necessary arrangements could be made.

Perhaps this could be done with but a moderate amount of advertising. For example, the big insurance companies and other institutional investors having funds to spare could take round amounts. Also large capitalists who happened not to be too much tied up, would doubtless take considerable portions if the interest rate were made attractive.

With respect to the rate of interest at which these bonds could be placed one cannot be guided altogether by the low rates now prevailing for call and short loans in New York and London markets. The big loan recently issued by the British Government was on practically a 4 per cent. basis.



NO USE, MY FRIEND, THE CURRENT'S TOO STRONG FOR YOU.

STOCK QUOTATIONS ON N.Y. EXCHANGE

Table with columns for stock names (Amal Cop, Am Beet Sug, Am Loco, etc.) and their prices (Open, High, Low, Close).

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE

Table with columns for commodity names (Chicago, Dec. 23-Wheat, No. 2 red, etc.) and their prices.

PRODUCE PRICES ON MONTREAL MARKET

Table with columns for commodity names (Montreal, Dec. 28-CORN-American No 2, yellow, etc.) and their prices.

World's Shipping News

MINIATURE ALMANAC. December Phases of the Moon

Table showing moon phases for December: Full Moon, Last Quarter, New Moon, First Quarter.

STEAMER AND SCHOONER COLLIDE

Provincetown, Mass., Dec. 28-The five-masted schooner Dorothy Palmer and the United Fruit Company steamer Limon were in collision near Peaked Hill Mars, off the end of Cape Cod, early today.

STEAMER IS SAFE

A telegram received Monday morning by Messrs. J. T. Knight & Co. set at rest all anxiety as to the whereabouts of the S. Coler which had been more than thirty days on her way from Cardiff to St. John to load hay and oats.

STEAMSHIP NOTES

The steamer Delmera, 2212, Capt. Lovelace, arrived yesterday from Liverpool. She had a long and stormy passage coming on from the Delmera is consigned to J. T. Knight & Co.

PORT OF ST. JOHN, N. B.

Arrived Monday, Dec. 28: Stmr Delmira, 2212, Lovelace, Liverpool, J. T. Knight & Co. bal.

CANADIAN PORTS

Halifax-Ard Dec 27, stmr Manchester Incentor, Manchester for St. John.

BRITISH PORTS

Avonmouth-Ard Dec 24, stmr Campanello, Halifax.

REACTION AFTER XMAS HOLIDAY

Most of Last Week's Losses Recovered-Good Volume of Trading and Rise in Prices.

New York, Dec. 28-The stock market today recovered much of the ground lost in last week's declining movement. Improvements were noted at the outset, and was maintained to the very end, at which time the day's best prices were recorded.

Much of today's buying came from the short interest, that fact having been clearly evidenced by the fact that according to report, the rise was accelerated by investment buying from out of town.

Foreign exchange declined to the bottom price of the year, cables and slight drifts on London being quoted as low as 487-8 and 485, respectively.

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NEW DIST. ATTORNEY OF NEW YORK ONLY 46

New York, Dec. 28-Governor-Elect Whitman announced today that he had selected Charles Albert Perkins, as his successor as District Attorney of New York county, when he becomes governor.

FAMOUS BOATMAN DEAD

Oxford, Eng., Dec. 27-The death is announced here of Frederick Rough, the most famous English builder of rowing shells.

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We have on hand, and offer for sale the following new boilers built for a safe working pressure of one hundred and twenty-five pounds:

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Schedule in Effect November 28. St. John to Boston ... \$5.00 St. John to Portland ... 4.50

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Return fare to New York. Passenger Steamship, North Star leaves Portland for New York at 6.00 P. M. November 24 and 25.

ELDER-DEMPSTER LINE

South African Service, S. S. "KADUNA," sailing from St. John about December 30th for Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, East London, Durban and Delagoa Bay.

J. T. KNIGHT & CO., Agents, St. John, N. B.

MANCHESTER LINE

From Manchester: Nov. 14 Man. Citizen Dec. 11 Nov. 21 Man. Miller Dec. 7 Nov. 28 Man. Corporation Dec. 25 Dec. 5 Man. Merchants Dec. 21 Dec. 12 Man. Spinner Jan. 8 Dec. 19 Man. Exchange Jan. 5 Dec. 26 Man. Shipper Jan. 22

FURNACE LINE

From London: Dec. 15 Graciana Jan. 5 Dec. 20 Star Point Jan. 12 Jan. 8 Sagamore Jan. 24

THE MARITIME STEAMSHIP CO. (LIMITED)

Until further notice the S. S. Coronar Bros. will run as follows: Leave St. John, N. B. Thorne Wharf and Warehouse Co., on Saturday, 7.30 a.m. for St. Andrews, calling at Dipper Harbor, Beaver Harbor, Black Harbor, Back Bay or Letete, Deer Island, Red Store, St. George, Returning leave St. Andrews Tuesday for St. John, calling at Letete or Back Bay, Black Harbor, Beaver Harbor and Dipper Harbor, tide and weather permitting.

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ALMOST FAINTED IN THE STREET

In Daily Fear of Death—Until "Fruit-a-tives" Brought Relief. Chatham, Ont., April 3rd, 1913. "Some two years ago I was a great sufferer from indigestion."

STOLEN, BUT ONLY TO HELP POOR

Bowery Mission Choir Singer arrested for theft says he kept only enough of the stolen money to pay his board. New York, Dec. 28.—Fred Hoyt, choir singer in a Bowery Mission, pleaded guilty today to the theft of \$1,400 in jewelry from an apartment house, but begged the court's clemency on the plea that he stole only to benefit the poor.

SAVE TIME. The "Surprise" way is quick and easy, its action is gentle not harsh. SNOWY WHITE CLOTHES. SURPRISE PURE HARD SOAP. DIRECTIONS ON WRAPPER.

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WANTED. WANTED—One second-hand Robt Armstrong engine, 10x11, or 12 cylinder. Must be in good running order.

The Northern Dredging & Construction Co. Stock By Auction. I am instructed to sell at Chubb's Corner, so-called, on Saturday, the second day of January, 1915, at 12 o'clock noon, twenty-five (25) shares par value \$2,500.00, of this stock.

MALE HELP WANTED. AGENTS WANTED—Agents \$3 a day selling Mandets, which mends Granite, Hot Water Bags, Rubber Boots, Reservoirs, Boilers, Metal Tubs and "Finware" without cement or solder.

FOR SALE. HORSES FOR SALE. For sale at Auction Tuesday, 29th December, at ten a. m. One stallion "C. R. W." sired by Gamba Wilkes; one stallion "Wise Mike," sired by Emperor Wilkes; 2 Rubber Tired Buggy; 2 Rubber Tired Double Carriages; 1 Bangor Wagon; 2 Single Sleighs; 2 Double Sleighs; Harness, Horse Boots; 2 Bear Skin Robes; 1 Buffalo Robe, a lot of Hay and Straw, and generally the contents of stable occupied by the late E. L. Jewett.

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CHRISTMAS. as usual. The choicest assortment of JEWELRY, suitable for Xmas gifts, displayed in my twenty-eight years at 3 Coburg street, ERNEST LAW. Issuer of Marriage Licenses.

BAPTIST MINISTERS. The semi-monthly meeting of the Baptist ministers took place yesterday morning. Following routine business a very interesting paper was read by Rev. Dr. McIntyre on the Bible and Song. Owing to the large amount of routine business the subject was not discussed, but will be taken up at another meeting.

Probate Court. In the probate court yesterday in the matter of the estate of Samuel Kilpatrick, book keeper, there was a return of citation to pass the accounts of William C. H. Kilpatrick of East Orange, N. J. manager; J. Cecil Mitchell of St. John, insurance agent, a son-in-law of the deceased, and The Eastern Trust Company, the executors. The accounts as filed were found correct and allowed. This was R. B. Fraser, Principal of the Frederick Junction Grammar School, came home Monday to spend his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Fraser, Jr.

The Gold Dust Twins' Philosophy. NOW you have often said:—"Oh dear, I dread when eating time comes near. It's not so much the cooking, grub, but cleaning after."—there's the "rub." Each kitchen holds a mass of work, no tidy little wife should shirk.

Kitchen Work. The kitchen floor, the kitchen sink, the kitchen kettles and the pans, the silver, glass and cups and cans; wherever you may look, the toil means more than any kettles boil. To just "prepare" a meal is "fun," but work, with THAT is scarce "begun."

The Gold Dust Twins. If those who stay up days and nights to win the cause of "Women's Rights" would only vote the GOLD DUST PLAN they soon would have the best of man. More time for comfort and for smiles; more time to play a woman's wiles, for once the GOLD DUST TWINS appear, Hard Labor's cry you never hear; frail woman is a queenly soul who plays the "Take-it-Easy" role. Each GOLD DUST package sets her free by bearing out its guarantee, and never more those household woes that every weary woman knows. File up the dishes as you will, the GOLD DUST TWINS will clean 'em still. Old floors and woodwork sinks and pans, turn to ash as Master Cleaner Plans. From sun to sun, and chore to chore, your tasks will fret you nevermore.

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International Law. Class I—Munro, Elwood, Green, Miss Gray, Class II—Miss Howard, Fellows, Paget, Wightman, Heartz, J. B. Poole. Passed—Miss Mattall, Crowe.

Mathematics VI. Class I—Winson, Hollett, Anderson, Class II—Colpitts, Passed—Miss Phalen, McMillan. Mathematics VII. Class I—Winson, Anderson, Hollett, Class II—Miss Phalen, Colpitts, Passed—Miss Phalen, McMillan.

History of Doctrine. Class I—Jones, Norworthy, Elliott, Smart, (Smith, Curtis), Helps, Class II—Joyce, Genser, Seelye, (Butler, Stokes, Wilkinson), Motheral, Coll, Wallis. Passed—Domville, Charman.

Advanced French. Class I—Miss Allison, Class II—Miss Howard, Miss Farquhar, Miss Mills, Rowley, Miss Goff, Miss Hunter, Miss Irvine, Miss McPadden (Miss Steel), Fox, Rand, Passed—Miss Lea, Lewis, Anderson, Miss Rogers, Cameron, Barnes.

English Bible. Class I—Norworthy, Smart, Smith, (Caridge, Seelye), Class II—Joyce, Davis, (Anthony, Findley, Hodgson), (Stones, Wilkinson, Motheral), Scotates, Butler, Bages, Warr, Passed—Cunning, Whitlam, Charman, Domville.

Old Testament Introduction. Class I—Elliott, Smith, Passed—Stones, Charman, Domville. Didactics. Class I—Kingston, (Anthony, Davis), Bland, Bages, Findley, Warr, Class II—(Hodgson, Dewberry), Whitlam, Gillingham, Scotates, Cunningham.

Church History. Class I—Helps, Smart, Class II—Genser, Motheral, (Anthony, Bland, Curtis, Elliott), (Charman, Dewberry), Joyce, (Davis, Warr), Passed—Witham, (Findley, Hodgson), Bages, Scotates, Cunningham. New Testament Introduction. Class I—Anthony, Briggs, Class II—Bland, Warr, Davis, Dewberry, Findley, Passed—Coll, (Hodgson, Patten, Scotates), Domville.

English III. Class I—Miss Lingley, Miss Hunter, (Miss Allison, Miss H. Poole), Miss Steel, (Joyce, Miss Goff, Miss Mills), (Miss Irvine, Miss Kennedy), (Miss McPadden, Miss Wilson), Helps, Miss Farquhar, Class II—Miss Rogers, Helton, Miss Kilburn, Sharp, Miss Lea, Passed—Whitney, White, Miss Spicer.

Latin I. Class I—Wetmore, (Miss Plummer, Miss MacMahon, Miss McFarlane, Miss Somerville), Hayden, (Kinsman, Miss Darby), Passed—Jonah, (White, Withrow), (McAfee, Welton, Wren, Dennis), (McMillan, Miss Mattall).

Latin II. Class I—Miss Johans, Miss Kennedy, Helps, Miss Jackson, Jones, Miss McLean, (Miss Pickard, Passel), (Cramm, Anderson, Cartidge, Barnes, Beazley), (Boye, Coll, Allen, Blakeney, Miss Kilburn, Rand, (Scott, Cameron), (Brady, Ferguson).

Latin III. Class I—Miss Manning, Fox, Passed—McDonald, Miss Lea, Miss Palmer. Greek Class I—Rowley, Class II—Scott, Coll, Passed—Joyce, Dyer, Greek II. Class I—Scott, (Bayce, Dwight), McDonald. Greek III. Class I—Miss Lingley, (Keirstead, Welton).

Roman History. Class I—Miss Johans, Miss Kennedy, (Miss Kilburn, Miss Pickard), (Fox, Hellett, Rand, Dwight), Class II—Allen, Barnes, Beazley, Cameron, Coll. Chemistry I. Class I—(Hensley, Lewis, Jackson, Wetmore), Wightman, Boyce, Miss Johans, (Miss Hoffman, Miss McLean), (Jordan, Miss McLean), Class II—Langstroth, Miss Jefferson, Miss Akery, Green, Miss Moore, Dennis, S. B. Murray, Machum, (Eaton, Paget), (Fellows, Miss Flemming, Goodwin, Heartz), Passed—Gregg, (Stiles, Willard), (Miss Pickard, J. B. Poole), (Allen, Dill, O'Brien), (McAfee, Miss Mattall, Miss Steel, Welton), (Beazley, Miss Darby, Hallens, Holder, Keirstead, S. Murray, McKen, J. Lowther, Phalen, Sharp, D. H. Sutherland).

Chemistry II. Class I—Miss Mills, Rowley, Class II—Hand, Passel, Lewis, Hetherington, McLean, Miss Howard, Miss Kilburn. Physics I. Class I—Miss Plummer, Kinsman, Class II—Kellens, (Miss Knuckle, Palmer), Jonah, Col, Florian, Miss Matheson, Kinsman, Miss McFarlane), Somerville, Hayden, (Cartidge, Passed—Miss Fenderson, Lively, (Jost, Murray), Fendugh, Wilkinson, Miss Dunham.

Physics II. Class I—(Fellows, Wightman), Miss Howard, Ederkin, H. Kirkpatrick, Heartz, Paget, Class II—MacKenzie, Ederkin, (Anderson, Langstroth), Eaton, (Crowe, Jordan), (Speer, D. H. Sutherland), (Barrett, Dill), Passed—(Willgar, Curran), (Baxter, MacKintosh), Brundage, Davis, C. Sutherland, Manning, W. H. Poole), Conditioned—Brophy, Lowthor, MacMillan, Windsor. Mathematics I. Class I—Hensley, Palmer, L. Anglin, Miss Plummer, Rainnie, Palfrey, Jonah, Croft, Jones, Class II—Miss Matheson, Kinsman, W. A. Taylor, Briggs, Goodwin, Miss Knuckle, Miss McFarlane, Hayden, Dyer, G. Anglin, Scott, Rose, Passed—Dwight, Elsenhaur, Beattie, Seelye, Miss Fenderson, Somerville, Jost, Wilkinson, Crowell, Blakeney.

Mathematics II. Class I—Miss MacLean, Beazley, Phalen, L. Anglin, Hensley, Miss Jackson, Wetmore, Ben, Jamies, Taylor, Class II—Briggs, Baxter, Allen, Palfrey, MacKenzie, Holder, Croft, Miss Kennedy, G. Anglin, Langstroth, Miss Johans, Dennis, O'Brien, MacKintosh, Goodwin, Stiles, Eaton, Hess, Keirstead, Beattie, Miss Pickard, Coll, Passed—Machum, Miss Wilson, Patten, S. B. Murray, Brundage, Gregg, Willard, Reading. Mathematics III. Class I—Beazley, Class II—Miss Johans.

Other business in time. Farrell's departure from St. John. He left the reputation of a gambler and gamely and widely the way he will open the way for the American billiard player who has been regarded except

LATE SPORT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD

PRINCIPAL SPORTING RECORDS OF YEAR 1914

Notable Swimmers.
Swimming experts manage to keep abreast of the times and create new world's records the same as in athletics and other branches. Harry J. Hobner, of Chicago, has been one of the best swimmers during 1914, with Michael McDermott, his club-mate, close up. Hobner likes the back and the breast strokes best. Arthur Rathel and Perry McGilivray, also of Chicago, have entered the record class. Robert Small surprised Duke Kahanamoku, the champion, by beating him, at 50 yards in 23.95 seconds and tying the record. Lucy Langer, of California, lowered the American record for 440 yards to 5.22 1-2, although Barney Kieran swam the distance in Sydney in 1905 in 5.19. Miss Daisy Curwen, of England, lowered the 220-yard mark for women to 3.08, while Fanny Durack of Australia, set several new world's marks. Capt. Alfred Brown, of New York, made some remarkable swims. He went from New York battery to Sandy Hook in 13 hours and 38 minutes, and later swam the Panama canal (48 miles). Charles B. Durborow, of Philadelphia, and George R. Meahan, of Boston, also made the swim from the Battery to Sandy Hook, Meahan winning the race in 7 hours and 15 minutes. Durborow swam across the mouth of Delaware Bay several times and completed over thirty long swims during the season.

On Turf Matters

When Nancy Hansen made her famous mile in 1912 in 2:04 the cry went up from horsemen all over the country. "The 2:00 trotter is at hand." Little Alix reduced it to 2:03 1/2 in 1914 and Crescens to 2:02 1/2 in 1911, but it was not till 1914 that Lou Dillon not only reached the two minute mark, but set it at 1:58 1/2. This was with the aid of wind shield and pacemaker. Then came Ulian in 1913 with a mark of 1:54 1/2, and it seems that this mark will really remain on the books for some time to come. Several trotting records have been broken this year, but the pacers making have been shot to pieces. William, the wonderful Indiana pacer, set numerous new marks, as did Directum L. Anna Bradford, Rose McGee, R. H. Brett, while Peter Volo, Etawah and Ulian smashed trotting records. The work of Anna Bradford was remarkable, also that of R. H. Brett and Etawah. Hitchman set a new world's mark for two-year olds. Frank Bogash, Jr. was also a sensational performer during the season. All told there were thirty-three new records made in 1914 among the trotters and pacers, while several were also registered among the bangtalls.

Angies, Cal., Feb. 26.—Ralph de Palma successfully defended his title to the Vanderbilt cup, over the Santa Monica course, winning the 240 mile race at an average of 11.25 miles an hour, and defeating Barney Mulford. De Palma's time was 3:53.

Santa Monica, Cal., Feb. 28.—Eddie Pullen won the International Grand Prix over the Santa Monica course,

establishing a new record for average speed of 77.2 miles an hour.

London, Eng., March 21.—(Brooklands).—Jean Chassagne (driver for the Sunbeam company) covered half a mile in 15.03 seconds, at a speed of 110.46 miles per hour; and one mile in 29.02 seconds, at a speed of 120.43 miles an hour. Chassagne also covered two miles in 60.31 seconds, at a speed of 119.23 miles an hour; and the five miles in 154.48 seconds, or 114.08 miles per hour.

Indianapolis, Ind., May 30.—Rene Thomas, driving a Delage (Frerier) car, won the fourth annual 500-mile event at the motor speedway. In the record breaking time of 6:03:45.99, setting a record of 82.47 miles an hour.

Sioux City, Ia., July 4.—Edward Rickenbacher, driving a Duesenberg special, won the 300-mile Speedway race. His time was 3:49:02, an average of 78.8 miles an hour.

Toledo, O., Aug. 2.—Barney Oldfield drove his Fiat car twice around the Toledo half mile dirt track in 1:03 4-5. St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 8.—Louis Durbrow lowered two world's records. He made a mile on a circular dirt track in 46 1-5 seconds, and made two miles in 1:32 3-5.

Salt Lake, Utah, Aug. 12.—Teddy Tetslaff broke the world's speedway record when he reeled off one mile in 25 1-5 seconds.

Elgin, Ill., Aug. 21.—In the first Elgin, Ill., Aug. 21.—In the first day's contest of the Elgin road races, Ralph de Palma, driving a German Mercedes, won the Chicago Automobile club trophy, traversing the 301 miles in 4:05:01.

Elgin, Ill., Aug. 22.—Ralph de Palma (Mercedes) won the 301-mile road race for the Elgin National trophy in 4:05:13. Pullen was second, and Oldfield third.

New York City, Sept. 7.—(Brighton Beach).—The Labor Day sweepstakes, a free-for-all contest at 100 miles, was won by Ralph de Palma in 1:40:15.

Hampden, Minn., Sept. 12.—Louis Durbrow, in racing against time, lowered the world's record for 15 miles on a circular dirt track, the new mark being 13:03.

Springfield, Ill., Sept. 19.—Bob Barman broke two world's records when he traveled 20 miles in 17:10 3-4, and 25 miles in 21:38 on a circular track.

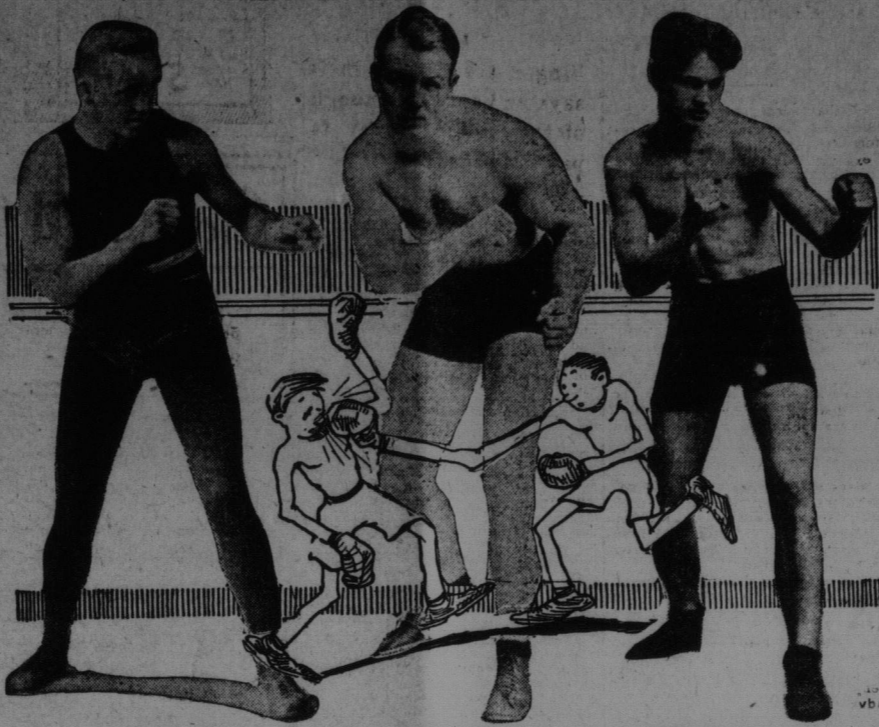
St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 20.—Barney Oldfield broke three world's records for a mile circular dirt track, driving one mile in 44 seconds; two miles in 1:27, and five miles in 3:40 2-5.

Okla. City, Okla., Oct. 22.—Louis Durbrow drove two miles over a half mile dirt track in 2:13 3-5.

Galesburg, Ill., Oct. 22.—The 100-mile race here was won by Ralph Mulford in 1:32:54 1-2, breaking the old mark of 1:34:29 2-5. A new world's record for 50 miles was established by Burham in 45:48. The time for 75 miles was 1:08:54 3-4, and 1:23:17 for 90 miles—both new records.

Corona, Cal., Nov. 26.—The Corona \$12,000 grand prize was won by Edward Pullen (Mercer car) in 3:26:02. He broke existing road contest records by averaging 85 1/2 miles an hour for the 300 miles. His average for the first 100 miles was 98.6 miles an hour.

"BIG THREE" MUST STILL RECKON WITH "AL" M'COY.



MIKE GIBBONS. EDDIE M'GOORTY. JIMMIE CLABBY

The middle weight question in pugilistic circles is in a sort of pot pie. The championship is in the dish, as it were, but to whom it belongs is another matter. The standing at the present time indicates that "Al" McCoy is the holder of the title. It came into his possession practically by accident. It was this way.—While Clabby, Gibbons and McGoorty were not eager to get out of the welterweight class the middleweight championship was floating around between Klaus and Papke. The former was supposed to hold the title. Frank Klaus had no sooner fastened the laurel wreath upon his forehead than it was looked upon with envy by George Chip. Arrangements were made for a meeting between the two, and Chip put Klaus to the mat. That gave him the title. Klaus was not satisfied and he begged for another meeting. It was granted. The result was much the same. Chip won again, which gave him a double Nelson on the title. Chip was elated and held on to the honor for some time, until he struck "Al" McCoy in Brooklyn. There was a chance blow struck—that is, all who saw it believed it was a chance blow, but it put Chip to the floor, and ever since then McCoy has considered he is the real champion. Some folk agree with him. There are three men who do not—Clabby, McGoorty and "Mike" Gibbons—as well as every follower of boxing who knows how "Al" compares with this trio. All these are now anxious to get a chance for the middle weight championship, and as they are mighty good men and true—the public has an idea something should be done by which the best middle weight should be selected from these aspirants.

U. S., IRELAND AND SWEDEN REJECT PROPOSALS TO HOLD CLASSIC ATHLETIC MEET

New York, Dec. 28.—J. S. Mitchell writes in the American: The news reached here during the week that the Greeks are out to annex the Olympic Games of 1916. To mention a word about holding any sort of sports in Europe just now seems absurd, but there exists a strong undercurrent feeling that the war will be over at least a year before the time for holding the Olympiad and the Grecian Government wants to be in the field early with an application.

Even in London, where there is nothing but war talk and war excitement, every one believes that the last volley in the big battle will go off next spring. In that case there will be a solid year to prepare for the athletic festival; and even though many of the best athletes have been killed, there are enough left in neutral countries to contribute some rattling competitions.

The major portion of the winners at Stockholm came from the United States, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Holland and Greece itself; and as these countries have not been engaged in warfare, the same teams could be on hand again to do battle on track and field.

Olympiad since the first revival, and the representatives of Uncle Sam can be banked on to do the trick again at Athens. Many of the winners at Stockholm have kept in training so as to be in line for the meet in 1916, and they were disappointed when the war spoiled the possibilities of a trip to Berlin. Nevertheless they have kept in tune, hoping that everything would right itself and that the Berlin fixture would eventually come off. Several have passed from athletic competition but the new brigade that has come along would help capture the honors.

Draw, Premier Sprinter.

In the 100 meters we would have such men as Drew and Parker, the young wonder from California; with a possibility of Robinson, Loomis, and some others about to blossom into the front rank of sprinters. Drew is the foremost amateur in the world today with his record of 9.35 seconds for the 100 yards.

Donald Lippincott, who ran the 100 meters in the world's record time of 10.35 seconds at Stockholm, may come around again, and if he should he will not be too old to show both in the 100 and 200 meters. With the exception of Drew, who is best at the shorter distance, the others could be sent out for the points in the 200 meters.

In "Ted" Meredith, the world's record holder for the 400 meters and half-mile, America will be well fortified in either the 400 meters or the longer distance. It is the plan of the University of Pennsylvania runner to remain trained for the next two years, as he has an eye on another Olympic championship. At Stockholm, when only a mere schoolboy, he wiped away all previous marks for both distances and was hailed the wonder of the present generation.

Meredith will be ably supported by Homer Baker, the English and American half-mile, and were it found necessary, Meredith could be used for the 400 meters and Baker for the 800 meters, and there would be two sure wins for America.

Berlin Passes up Games

Originally the 1916 fixture belonged to Germany, and the stadium had already been built in Berlin for that purpose. But a year would not be time enough for Germany to gather her equanimity and turn her attention to the peaceful pursuit of athletic glory.

Since the war blazed forth various countries have been mentioned for the site of the next games. Sweden was asked to hold the meet, but the Swedes were heavy losers over the 1912 fixture and they did not care to face another deficit, especially as there was but a very slim outlook. The United States was spoken of and so was Ireland, but nothing came of the reports.

The Greeks held the games in 1908. It was their intention to hold them again in 1910, and they had the program issued when the Balkan war loomed up and put the affair out of commission. When that trouble blew over and the Greeks came in for a fine strip of territory they planned to celebrate an Athenian Festival this year. The list of events had been arranged and several nations, including the United States, had declared their intention of sending teams when the present war knocked the project on the head.

No country is more deserving of the sanction to hold games than Greece, for to its efforts is due the modern revival of what in ancient times was the most classic gathering in the world. The present stadium at Athens was built in 1898, and is constructed of white marble. As for style, grandeur of architecture, and an impressive spectacle it outclasses anything on earth in the line of a sporting amphitheatre.

The athletes from the United States have won the point honors at every

LOCAL BOWLING YESTERDAY

Result of First Series, Victoria Alleys.

Team	Points
Capt. No. W. L. Pinfall Average	
Gambin 1 27 13 13605	90 105-150
Duffy 4 24 16 13696	91 46-150
Stevens 6 22 18 13644	90 144-150
Gardner 3 19 21 13591	90 91-150
Hill 5 14 26 13233	88 33-150
Laskey 2 14 26 13067	87 17-150

Games played—10.

Highest pinfall (1 game), No. 6, 1447.

Highest team average, (No. 4), 91 46-150.

Highest average, (player) Sullivan, 97 9-50.

Highest three string (in series), Sullivan, 333.

Highest single (in series), Sullivan, 128.

Highest single this year, Howard, 151.

Highest ten string, Duffy, 1085.

Highest five string, Steen, 561.

Winner of prize (a turkey) Xmas Day, Coughlan, 129; McDonald, 2nd, 124; Pendleton, 3rd, 120; Morrissy, 4th, 115.

Special roll-off Saturday—1st prize, Kelly, 131; 2nd, Melville, 127; 3rd, Hewison, 118.

No. 3 (Gardner) and No. 4 (Duffy) teams open the second series Tuesday night.

Duffy's 274 for 3 strings still stands for a Maritime record.

New Year's afternoon Gambin's team will meet Steen's team in their first game of the second series and a fast game is looked for by the followers of the games. Gambin's team finished first in the first series and Steen's first has got going at a rapid pace this last few games so a good game should be witnessed by the fans.

JOHNSON APPOINTS MULLANEY UMPIRE

Chicago, Dec. 28.—D. J. Mullaney of Jacksonville, Fla., has been appointed a member of the American League staff of umpires. Pres. B. B. Johnson announced tonight.

ENGLISH FOOTBALL

London, Dec. 28.—The following are the results of soccer games played in England today:

First League
Chelsea, 1; Burnley, 4.
Sheffield United, 1; Notts County, 0.

Second League
Birmingham, 5; Notts Forest, 0.
Leicester, 0; Derby County, 6.

Southern League
Crystal Palace, 2; Norwich, 1.
Northampton, 1; Exeter, 1.
Swindon, 7; Croxford, 1.
Bristol Rovers, 1; South End, 1.

FARRELL TRIED HARD TO GET N. Y. WINNER

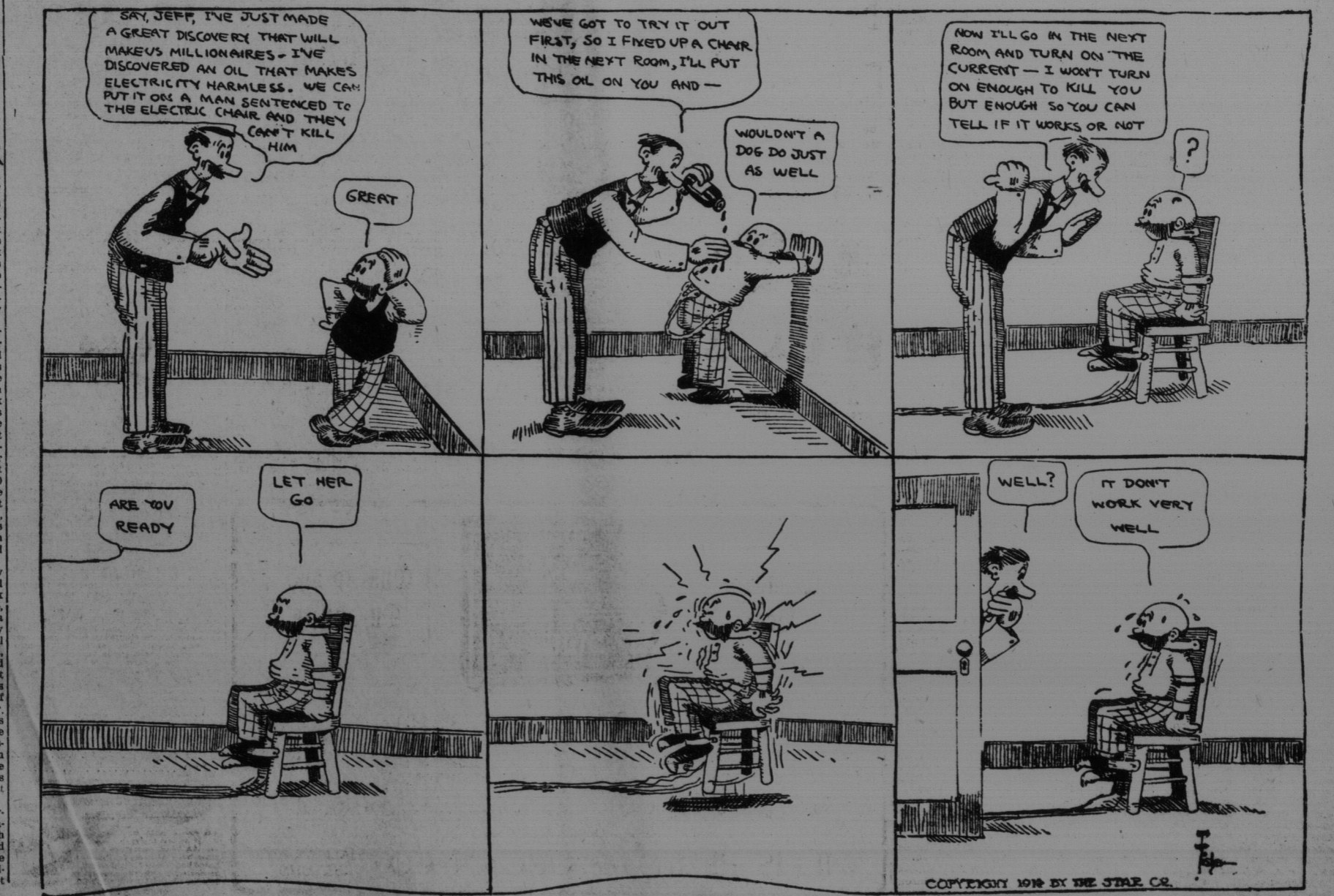
In the general enthusiasm to welcome the new owners of the Yankees there is a tendency to forget that the American league has lost one of its finest fighters and greatest sportsmen in the person of the retiring leader of the club. Failures of recent years have somewhat dimmed the happenings of years gone by when a stout heart and open purse were requisites in the fight for recognition and Frank Farrell supplied both. That his efforts were not crowned with a championship during his twelve years as an American leaguer must be regretted by baseball followers in general, particularly American league sympathizers.

In his early days as a club owner Farrell spared nothing to get together a winner. He took all the high priced stars he could get and paid salaries above the average at that time in the major leagues. His team came within one wild pitch of a championship back in 1904 and again in 1910 the Yankees made a brave fight, but fell because the great Athletic machine was just reaching its wonderful speed. But disension which was beyond the power of the Yankee owner to prevent wrecked the second place team of 1910 and it has never recovered from the trouble that had its beginning that year. To the last Farrell fought hard, but the battle in its closing stages was a losing one. Again he was a victim of circumstances over which he had but a slight control.

Farrell's eagerness to give New York fans the best that could be had needs no further proof than his work in the case of Manager Frank Chance, who was coaxed from retirement at a princely stipend. If Chance's salary was not the record figure for baseball it certainly was the second highest, and the majority of club owners would have hesitated at paying it. That Chance's rule was not successful was one of the bitter disappointments of Farrell's twelve years as a club owner. The failure of 1904 was another. His generous tender of his park to the plants while the smoke was still rising from the Polo Grounds ruins in April, 1911, did much to cement the friendly feelings between the two clubs which had little in common up to that time.

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Mutt Isn't Quite in Edison's Class



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THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Westerly to southerly winds, fair and milder. Washington, Dec. 28—Forecast: Northern New England—cloudy, warmer Tuesday; Wednesday rain or snow, moderate to fresh variable winds.

Toronto, Dec. 28—In the western provinces snow flurries have been fairly general today accompanied by cold conditions; elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fair, and in Southern Ontario mild.

Temperatures.

Table with 3 columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes entries for Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Battleford, Calgary, Medicine Hat, Regina, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, London, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax, and Below zero.

Around the City

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BY-ELECTION

W. B. Tennant, Chairman. Phone Main 484. G. Earle Logan, Secretary. Phone Main 1300.

I. C. R. Suburban to Be Held. No. 136 train due to leave at 12.15, will be held until 13.15 Friday, January 1st.

Sails Today. The Manchester liner Manchester Merchant will sail today for Manchester via Philadelphia.

From the West Indies. The Royal Mail Packet steamship Caraqueet is due to arrive in port today from the West Indies with mails, passengers and general cargo.

Remanded to Jail. A number of men who have been in jail for some days were taken before Magistrate Ritchie yesterday afternoon and again remanded.

Good Sleighting. Nearly every person who owned a driving horse was out for a sleigh drive yesterday afternoon or last evening. The sleighing is reported to be excellent.

Gloves Found. A man's glove found on Market Square and a pair of gloves found on Charlotte street yesterday by the police await the owner at Central Police Station.

Horse Shot. Yesterday afternoon about 5.30 o'clock Patrolman Johnson on the request of S. Merritt Wetmore, secretary of the S. P. C., shot a horse owned by John Campbell. The animal was disabled and unfit for use.

Letter Box Damaged. Last night Sergt. Staples and Patrolman Sullivan found the mail box open on the corner of Pitt and Lennox streets. Two letters found in the box were placed in another box. The box had been struck by a team and broken.

Treasure Trove. The secretary of the Farm Settlement Board received a letter and draft for a considerable sum of money yesterday, which had been salvaged from the Empress of Ireland. The letter was quite legible.

New Year's Eve. On New Year's Eve, under the patronage of His Honor the Governor and Mrs. Wood, a dance and bridge will be held in the spacious ball room of the Knights of Columbus, which has been generously donated for that purpose. The ladies interested desire to raise money to buy anaesthetics for wounded soldiers at the front. The 62nd band has kindly consented to furnish the music. Tickets can be obtained from Mrs. E. T. Sturdee, Mrs. Richard O'Brien, Mrs. Anglin, Mrs. Hetherington and Mrs. Percy Rialing.

Prentice Boys' Election. King Edward Lodge No. 30 P. A. B. held its annual meeting last evening when the following were elected officers for the ensuing year: Wm. Smith, W. M.; Wm. Price, D. M.; John Belyea, chaplain; Robert Jones, recording secretary; George Carvin, assistant secretary; John Griffiths, financial secretary; Alfred Belyea, treasurer; W. J. Davis, D. of C.; J. W. McPhee, lecturer; C. Price, deputy lecturer; George Sweet, inside tyler; G. W. Shanks, outside tyler; L. E. Rolston, foreman of committee; E. Carvell, C. Price, E. Melvin and John Carlson, committeemen; Wm. Smith, C. Price and L. E. Rolston, trustees. The lodge has had a most successful year.

Nearly That Thousand. Tonight the Allies' Aids will meet at the new C. P. R. building in King street when, on the top floor, dancing will be in order at 8.30. The entrance is in German street, and the floor space will be wide to be particularly suited for the occasion. The band of the 62nd Regiment will provide music. Already the Aids have collected nearly \$900 for presentation cash to wounded soldiers at the front. This handsome contribution has been made without fuss by ladies and gentlemen who have met at the Sign of the Lantern and it is the wish of the Aids to make up a level thousand dollars for the object in view. The tea room will be kept open at the Sign every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and the Aids will be glad to see friends there.

MONTREAL HARBOR COMMISSION VISITORS TO ST. JOHN TODAY

Invitation extended by Hon. Mr. Hazen has been accepted—Visited chief harbors of Europe last year—New harbor and terminal facilities will be inspected.

The members of the Montreal Harbor Commission will be in St. John today and tomorrow for the purpose of inspecting the harbor facilities here. The invitation to make the trip and see what St. John can do toward the handling in winter of the great Canadian trade which in summer passes through the port of Montreal, was made to them by Hon. J. D. Hazen, who has once more in practical and benefit bringing fashion, shown his deep interest in this port. The Montreal Harbor Commission is composed of W. G. Ross, chairman; Farquhar Robertson and Col. E. A. Labelle, who were appointed two years ago. They will arrive in the city on the Montreal train and will make a thorough inspection of our harbor and terminal facilities. Hon. Mr. Hazen is a strong believer in co-operation between the great Canadian summer and winter ports and that by such co-operation much can be done to the advantage of both. The Harbor Commissioners of Montreal, whose port is open only during the summer months, are anxious to see for themselves the facilities St. John possesses for handling the traffic during the winter. Every opportunity will be afforded them of viewing the harbor works completed and under construction. They will remain in the city until Wednesday evening.

On arrival here they will be the guests of Hon. Mr. Hazen at luncheon in the Union Club, and the afternoon will be devoted to an inspection of the West Side. On Wednesday morning, on the government steamer Curlew they will view the harbor and also inspect the great works in course of construction in Courtenay Bay.

The members of the Montreal Harbor Commission last year visited the principal harbors of Europe and the British Isles and no doubt will be able to offer suggestions of great value in regard to the development of the port of St. John in the future. The last summer was a banner one for the port of Montreal. More than eighty millions of bushels of grain were shipped through Montreal elevators and more ships than ever before cleared from that port. The larger portion of the grain shipped was American, as the Canadian growers held back their shipments for higher prices. Montreal is one of the greatest ports of the American continent and there is every reason to believe that St. John will be in winter what Montreal is in summer.

EAST ST. JOHN AND UNION ST. JOHN'S DAY OBSERVED BY ALBION LODGE WITH THE CITY

Residents met with City Commissioners and discussed Amalgamation—No definite scheme yet.

The residents of the Parish of Simonds, the port commonly called as East St. John, met with city commissioners yesterday afternoon and discussed the matter of the proposed amalgamation of this part of the county with the city. The matter was gone into very fully but no definite basis of union was submitted. It was finally decided, however, that a committee formed of some opposed and some favorable to amalgamation get together and try to arrange for some basis of union, which will be submitted to the city commissioners at a later date.

A. H. Likely presented the views of those favoring the scheme and asked that the matter be given consideration. Water and sewerage were wanted by the residents of the district and he thought the best chance of securing them was to unite with the city. Some arrangement for taxation might be made so that the district would only pay taxes on improvements when received.

It was pointed out that about \$40,000 would be required to extend the city water system to serve the section mentioned. Some of those present thought the city should supply water on the same terms as the people of Lancaster received it, but Mayor Prink said he would never vote for burdening the city with a bond issue to give the countryside water unless it became part of the city. His Worship thought the opportunity to widen the city limits should be taken to the advantage of and he believed the matter should be considered favorably by the commissioners if the basis of union could be agreed upon.

Among those who favored the amalgamation were A. H. Likely, George Gray, Rev. James Ross and Mr. Sparks, while opposed to it were A. M. Masee, H. B. Peck and Councillor Shillington.

Many of those present thought a basis of union should be drawn up before anything further was done and it was finally agreed that a committee should be instructed to secure some basis.

It is likely that the matter will be brought up again within the next few weeks.

WEST SIDE MASONIC LODGE MEETS AND INSTALLS OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of Carleton Union Lodge No. 8, F. & A. M., held in their hall on the West Side last evening, Worshipful Brother Past Master W. L. Ellis, M. D., installed the following officers: George W. Kennelly, W. M.; J. Pirih Brittain, I. P. M.; Jarvis M. Wilson, S. W.; Samuel Irons, J. W.; D. C. Clark, (P. M.), chaplain; Enoch Thompson (P. M.), treasurer; J. Pirih Brittain (P. M.), secretary; F. K. Stuart, S. D.; Wm. L. Stewart, J. D.; J. Percy Cruikshank, S. S.; Harold W. Ketchum, J. S.; Edmund G. Howard, D. of C.; E. R. W. Ingraham (P. M.), organist; Glendon H. Allen, J. G.; Percy W. Wetmore (P. M.), Tyler.

After the installation of officers refreshments were served and a pleasant time spent by members of the lodge.

DISCUSSIONS STRONG FOR MR. BAXTER

Attorney-General has strong support in County—Meeting at Mayall's last night.

The electors of the Parish of Simonds, No. 3, heartily support the selection of the Hon. J. B. M. Baxter as Attorney-General of New Brunswick, if the reception given the speakers at last evening's meeting at Chas. Mayall's serves as any indication. There was a large attendance and the greatest enthusiasm prevailed throughout the entire meeting.

James S. McBean was the chairman of the meeting and he introduced George M. McDade as the first speaker. Mr. McDade paid a high tribute to the worth of the Hon. Mr. Baxter who was ever active in the interests of his constituents in Saint John county. That gentleman came to the Attorney-Generalship with a splendid record, clean in every respect. He was highly regarded not only by supporters of the present administration, but by the right thinking members of the provincial opposition. The speaker discussed many of the issues in provincial politics and said that the honest conduct of public affairs under the present regime is a desideratum for the greater development of the province of New Brunswick which had such rich natural resources and afforded excellent opportunities for agricultural and industrial development. He thought that the opponents of the Attorney-General had a true realization of the fact that it would be futile to oppose him in the present fight, in adopting the war situation as a reason for withdrawing opposition in Saint John county it was inconsistent with the action of the party in Carleton county, where a candidate had been nominated.

G. Earle Logan said that the opposition party in Saint John county had on many occasions expressed themselves as anxious for an opportunity to show their strength in this constituency. They had made many statements that they would take advantage of the earliest opportunity to contest the county. But when the time arrived to place a candidate in the field no one could be found who was prepared to make the sacrifice. The support Hon. Mr. Baxter was receiving from every section of the county indicated his great strength. While at Fredericton, in co-operation with his able colleague Mr. Carson, M. L. A., Hon. Mr. Baxter had given the very best of his ability to further the interests of the people of Saint John county and the good results obtained were due to the energy of the county's popular representatives. Mr. Logan predicted the return of both Hon. Mr. Baxter and Mr. Carson at the next general election by a majority of several hundred. He closed his remarks by extending to the electors his wishes for a happy and prosperous year.

Mr. J. P. Mosher, the next speaker, dealt in an able manner with many of the important issues in provincial affairs at the present time. He congratulated the electors on the selection of Hon. J. B. M. Baxter as Attorney-General. It was an honor to the county of Saint John in selecting their representative for this important office. Mr. Baxter was a man who was popular with the electorate in every section of the county when he made a promise to the people that he would be carried out to the letter. In the speaker's opinion Mr. Baxter would go still higher in the political arena. Since the present administration came into power in 1903 good government had been given the people of New Brunswick. In the expenditures of public moneys Saint John county had fared well, there being larger expenditures than ever before on public works.

Mr. Mosher referred to the construction of the Valley Railway which resulted in the opening up of a splendid agricultural district. Every dollar received for the construction of the railway was accounted for before the construction company were willingly produced which was a marked contrast to the Central Railway enquiry where no books ever existed.

Hon. Mr. Baxter also co-operated with the Hon. J. D. Hazen in securing for Saint John county great improvements from the Dominion Government. Since Hon. Mr. Hazen had become Minister of Marine and Fisheries there had been greater expenditures in improving the marine and fishery facilities than the total amount during the years the old government was in power.

Mr. Mosher concluded by appealing to the meeting to endorse Messrs. Baxter and Carson at the next election and send them to Fredericton to continue their good work in the interests of Saint John county.

Mr. Luther B. Smith said that Hon. Mr. Baxter was the right man in the right place for the people of Saint John county. The people in every section of the county were delighted with his selection as Attorney-General, a position which he would doubtless fill with credit to himself and the county he represents. Any opposition to Mr. Baxter would be absurd. If the present leader of the provincial opposition was sincere for good government he stood alone as he had associated with him some of the gentlemen who gave New Brunswick such a wretched administration under the Liberal regime. He felt that there could not be such a response on the part of the opposition members as was professed to have taken place. They desired merely to get control of the revenue as soon as the old methods which the people of New Brunswick so vigorously rejected, would be in vogue if the opposition were successful in the election. He thought, however, he was of the opinion that the people would register their approval of the present progressive administration.

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