

## ADVANCE INTO STRAITS COST THE ALLIES THREE WARSHIPS

### Britain Loses Two Battleships And France One, in Attack On Forts in Narrows of Dardanelles

British Battleships Irresistible and Ocean and French Ship Bouvet Sunk By Floating Mines in the Dardanelles—Casualties on British Ships Were Light, But Death Toll on the Bouvet Probably Heavy—The Queen Elizabeth Led Allied Fleet Into Straits—Advanced as Far as Cavofonia Where Powder Arsenal Was Blown Up—Ships Cause Heavy Damage to Forts in Advance Through the Straits, and Town of Dardanelles is in Flames—Losses Small in Proportion to Scale of the Operations.

London, March 19.—The British battleships Irresistible and Ocean and the French battleship Bouvet were blown up by floating mines, while engaged with the remainder of the Allied fleet in attacking the forts in the narrows of the Dardanelles Thursday.

The crews of the two British ships were virtually all saved, having been transferred to other ships under a hot fire, but an internal explosion took place on board the Bouvet after she had fouled the mine and most of her crew were lost. The Bouvet sank within three minutes of the time that she hit the mine.

The waters in which the ships were lost had been swept of mines, but the British Admiralty asserts that the Turks and the Germans set floating containers of explosives adrift and these were carried down by the current into the water where the Allied ships had gathered inside the entrance of the Straits.

All the ships that were sunk were old ones, the Bouvet having been completed nearly twenty years ago and the Ocean and Irresistible in 1896. They were useful, however, for the work in which they were engaged in the Dardanelles. The sunken British ships are being replaced by the battleships Queen and Implacable, vessels of a similar type. They are said to have started some time ago for near eastern waters in anticipation of just such losses as have now occurred. The other ships engaged in the fighting, the British battle cruiser Inflexible and the French battleship Gaulois were hit by shells and damaged. The British casualties, according to the British official report, "were not heavy, considering the scale of the operations."

The damage done to the Turkish forts by the heavy bombardment has not yet been ascertained. It is stated that the operations against them are continuing. The forts attacked were those on either side of the Kepez Bay and on Kepez Point, outside the narrows, and those on Kilit Bahr and Chanak in the narrows.

The Kepez forts replied strongly when the battleships advanced firing up the Dardanelles and all the ships were hit. It is asserted that these forts finally were silenced and a bombardment of those in the narrows was under way when the three battleships struck the mines. The blowing up of the ships did not cause a cessation of the fighting, which continued until darkness intervened. It is understood that the engagement was resumed today.

#### THE ADMIRALTY'S ACCOUNT.

London, March 19.—The Admiralty tonight gave out the following: "An account of the operations at the Dardanelles on the 18th of March: Mine sweeping having been in progress during the last ten days inside the Straits, a general attack was delivered by the British and French fleets yesterday (Thursday) morning upon the fortresses at the narrows. At 10.45 a. m. the Queen Elizabeth, Inflexible, Agamemnon and Lord Nelson bombarded Forts J, L, T, U and V, while the Triumph and Prince George fired at batteries F, E and H. A heavy fire was opened on the ships from howitzers and field guns.

"At 12.22 o'clock the French squadron, consisting of the Suffren, Gaulois, Cha-riemagne and Bouvet advanced up the Dardanelles and engaged the forts at closer range. Forts J, U, F and E replied strongly. Their fire was silenced by the ten battleships inside the Straits, all the ships being hit several times during the part of the action.

"By 1.25 p. m. all the forts had ceased firing. The Vengeance, Irresistible, Albion, Ocean, Swiftsure and Majestic then advanced to relieve the six old battleships inside the Straits. As the French squadron, which had engaged the forts in a most brilliant fashion, was passing out the Bouvet was blown up by a drifting mine. She sank in 35 fathoms north of Erankoul village in less than three minutes.

"At 2.34 p. m. the relief battleships renewed the attack on the forts which again opened fire. The attack on the forts was maintained while the operations of the mine sweepers continued.

"At 4.09 p. m. the Irresistible quitted the line, listing heavily, and at 5.50 o'clock sank, having probably struck a drifting mine.

"At 6.05 o'clock the Ocean, also having struck a mine, sank. Both vessels sank in deep water, practically the whole of the crews having been removed safely under a hot fire.

"The Gaulois was damaged by gun-fire. The Inflexible had her forward control position hit by a heavy shell, and required repairs.

"The bombardment of the forts and the mine-sweeping operations terminated when darkness fell. The damage to the forts, effected by the prolonged direct fire of the very powerful forces employed, cannot yet be estimated, and a further report will follow. The losses of the ships was caused by mines drifting with the current, which were encountered in areas hitherto swept clear, and this danger will require special treatment.

The British battleship Irresistible was commanded by Captain the Hon. Stanhope Hawke, and in times of peace had a complement of 780 men. She was the largest of the three Allied battleships sunk, being of 15,000 tons displacement, and 430 feet long. The chief armament of the warship consisted of four 12-inch and twelve 6-inch guns. She also carried sixteen 12-pounders, six 3-pounders, two maxims, four submerged torpedo tubes, and was protected by Krupp armor. The speed of the warship was eighteen knots. She was built in 1895 at a cost of \$5,000,000.

The Ocean was commanded by Capt. Arthur Hayes-Sadler, and had a crew of 750 men. She was 418 feet long and of 12,950 tons displacement. Her armament was composed of four 12-inch and twelve 6-inch guns, ten 12-pounders, six 3-pounders, two maxims, four submerged torpedo tubes, and her armament was of Harvey-Nickel make. She was of eighteen knots speed, and was built in 1898.

#### Town of Dardanelles in Flames.

Paris, March 19.—"The Allied fleet entered the Straits of the Dardanelles at eight o'clock this morning," says an Athens despatch to the Havas Agency, based on information received from Tenedos.

"The British battleship Queen Elizabeth was leading. She was followed in order by the Ocean, Inflexible, Agamemnon and Lord Nelson, and then by the French warships Gaulois, Suffren, Bouvet, and Charlemagne. The weather conditions were excellent. The reports of cannon could be heard from the Gulf of Saros bombarding directly Kilit Bahr.

"The warships stationed at the entrance of the Straits bombarded Dardanelles and Kilit Bahr. The line extended from Kum Kale on the Asiatic side at the entrance to the Straits to Kalantina. The line advanced as far as Cavofonia, where a powder arsenal situated below the town of Dardanelles, was blown up.

"Fortis Tobimoznik, Kilit Bahr and Yildiz Tabia replied with a heavy fire, shells falling on all sides of the warships and some even on the ships themselves.

"One ship entered close to Dardanelles, but was forced to retreat before a violent cannonading.

"A shell exploded on the British battle cruiser Inflexible, wounding several men, who were immediately transported to the hospital ship.

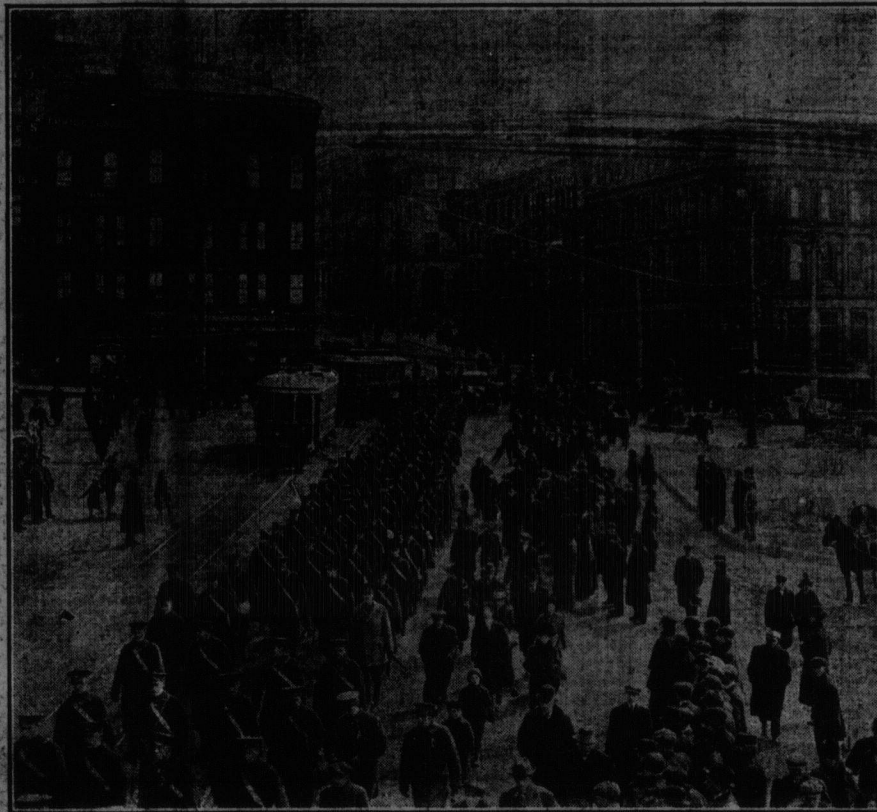
"The town of Dardanelles is in flames.

"At six o'clock in the evening the action had concluded, but was partially resumed during the night. A majority of the forts suffered severely."

**KEEP OUT FOREIGN LABOR FROM BR. COLUMBIA UNTIL SEPT. 30 NEXT**

Ottawa, Mar. 19.—In view of the conditions of unemployment and labor congestion in British Columbia an order-in-council has been passed prohibiting, until September 30th next, the landing at any British Columbia port of entry of immigrants belonging to the laboring classes, whether skilled or unskilled.

MOUNTED RIFLES ON MARCH TO DEPOT YESTERDAY TO ENTRAIN FOR AMHERST



### RUSSIANS TAKE GERMAN PORT ON THE BALTIC

GERMAN OFFICIAL REPORT ANNOUNCES OCCUPATION OF MEMEL BY CZAR'S FORCES—ENEMY BEGINS OFFENSIVE MOVEMENT IN CENTRAL POLAND—NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN ITALY'S PRICE TOO HIGH FOR AUSTRIA, IS REPORT.

London, Mar. 19.—Beyond the operations in the Dardanelles the most important news of the day concerns the reported occupation by the Russians of Memel, a German port on the Baltic, as announced in the German official communication.

It is a town of considerable importance in Northeastern Prussia, and the presence there of Russian forces is taken by military observers here to indicate that the Russian generals have decided to attempt a big sweep down through East Prussia, in an endeavor to compel the Germans to fall back from Northern Poland.

Again North Poland has been transferred into an immense bog by the thaw which has set in, just as Field Marshal Von Hindenburg has started his offensive against Przasnysz. It is declared that it is impossible, except at widely separated high places, to move, let alone fight.

The Germans, however, have started an offensive in Central Poland, where they have commenced an attack on the Russians in the region of the Pilta river. There is also heavy fighting in Galicia, the Carpathians and Bukovina, despite the heavy snow.

On the western front no operations of great importance have taken place, although the French continue their efforts to work their way forward in the Champagne and Artois regions, and the Belgians still are active in the little bit of their territory remaining in their hands.

The political situation as regards Austria and Italy remains obscure, but there are persistent reports in circulation in London that the negotiations for the cession of Austrian territory to Italy have broken down, Italy's demands having been considered excessive.

### GERMAN OFFICIAL IN HIGH POSITION IN U. S. WAS ARCH CONSPIRATOR

Representative of German Government at Washington Man Who Manoeuvred Passport Plot—Stegler Given Sixty Days, His Accomplices Ten Months Each.

New York, March 19.—A representative of the German government in this country, "who on account of his position is immune from arrest," was described in the federal court here today as the "arch conspirator" in the plot to obtain a false American passport for Richard P. Stegler, a German naval reservist.

The accusation was made by Charles H. Griffiths, Stegler's counsel, in asking for a light sentence for his client, after he had pleaded guilty. Stegler got sixty days in jail. His two fel-

low conspirators, Richard Madden and Gustave Cook, who were yesterday convicted by a jury, largely on Stegler's testimony, were sentenced to ten months each.

Judge Cushman in sentencing Stegler said: "Since at this time there is a large foreign-born population which still apparently shows allegiance to foreign government, something should be done to discourage acts of this kind. It would not do to send him out from here free, and let him pose as a hero."

### BRITISH ADMIRALTY BELIEVES KARLSRUHE SUNK IN NOVEMBER

London, Mar. 20.—The Secretary of the British Admiralty announces that there is every reason to believe that the German cruiser Karlsruhe was sunk in the neighborhood of the West Indies at the beginning of November, and that those of her crew who were rescued, reached Germany early in December on the steamer Rio Grande, which had been acting in concert with the Karlsruhe.

### CANADIAN BAR ASS'N MEETS IN MONTREAL

St. John Lawyers Present—Hon. Arthur Meighen and Hon. James Beck, of New York Among Speakers Yesterday.

Montreal, March 19.—Addresses from eminent representatives of the bar of the Dominion at the day session including one from Hon. Arthur Meighen, Solicitor-General, and an address tonight from Hon. James Beck, New York, former assistant Attorney-General of the United States, marked the opening day of the first annual meeting of the Canadian Bar Association at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, Montreal.

Representative lawyers from widely separated sections of Canada are in attendance, amongst them being the following from the Maritime Provinces: Messrs. Humphrey Mellich, K. C., Halifax; M. G. Teed, K. C., St. John, N. B., and K. J. Martin, K. C., Charlottetown, P. E. I., vice-pres-

### ENEMY'S AGENTS IN INDIA MUST BE THWARTED

New Legislation Provides For Speedier Trials of Would-be Traitors.

FEW AGITATORS HAVE BEEN BUSY LATELY.

India as Whole, However, Loyal to Empire and Native Princes Favor Strict Measures for Offenders.

London, March 19 (Through Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—A special despatch from Delhi, India, says:

"At today's meeting of council the Viceroy, Lord Hardinge, announced the introduction of a bill providing for special measures to secure the public safety, the defence of India, and for speedier trials for certain offences. His Excellency said that the bill should not be considered as a slur upon the people of India; but the government had information that such a measure was absolutely necessary to meet possible emergencies.

"Nobody," said His Excellency, "was more jealous for the honor of India than he was. But he was not disposed to allow the honor and fair name of India to be tarnished by the criminal acts of a few unbalanced minds.

"Sir Reginald Craock, in introducing the bill, subsequently congratulated the country upon the fact that the need of such a measure had hitherto not been felt. But in this instance it was required to give the military authorities special power to deal with emergencies, and to nip in the bud manifestations of disloyalty which were beginning to be shown. With full recognition of the general loyalty of the country, Sir Reginald said he was obliged to allude to the campaign engineered from the Pacific coast of America. Some deluded men, with poisoned minds, had returned from these parts to India during the last few months and had committed acts of violence in Bengal. There had been a brief recrudescence there of seditious activity, and the two movements were not unconnected.

"In the Western Punjab there had also been looting and incendiarism, as well as a racial conflict between Hindus and Mohammedans. This last danger, he said, could only be really serious, if it were not checked in its incipency. The bill was in two parts—the first modelled generally upon the British defence of the Realm Act. The second provided for the creation of a special tribunal of three commissioners to hear such cases as were made over to them by order of the local government concerning offenses punishable by death, transportation, or imprisonment for seven years.

"Many native Indian members of the council spoke in hearty appreciation of the main principles of the bill, which passed unanimously. Sir Reginald Craock thanking these honorable members for their loyal support.

"At the opening of the council His Excellency Baron Hardinge read a message from Sir John French, a splendid tribute to the gallantry displayed by the Indian troops in the action at Neuve Chapelle, and His Excellency's reply to General Willcock's reply, expressing the admiration of the Indian Empire at the fine showing of the Indian troops on that occasion."

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# BURSTING OF GERMAN SHELLS FAILS TO CHECK ENTHUSIASM OF CANADIANS IN TRENCHES

## EVERY MAN KEYED UP AND RIGHT ON THE JOB, KEEN FOR CHANCE AT THE ENEMY

Frederick Palmer, Associated Press Correspondent Spends a Few Hours with Canada's Soldiers on Firing Line—Are Making Good—Show Great Ingenuity in Making Trenches Comfortable—All Enthusiastic and Confident.

FREDERICK PALMER, WHO IS AT THE FRONT IN FRANCE FOR THE ASSOCIATED PRESS SENDS THE FOLLOWING DISPATCH:

British headquarters in France, March 18, via London, March 19.—“Gangway! look out for that bunch of wagons,” a voice with an American accent called, and one knew he was near the part of the line held by the Canadians.

It was pitch dark, and at the hour when the supplies got to the trenches. There was not a light on any vehicle or in any habitation, but after stumbling along the correspondent passed through an open door and the darkened hall of a farmer's house and entered the brilliantly illuminated room, with thickly curtained windows, of the brigade headquarters. An officer was talking over the telephone. He had just had word that a man had been shot in the back by a concealed sniper in the rear of the trenches. The commander and his officers gathered around the correspondent from the United States, whose request to go into the trenches had been gladly granted. The correspondent soon was on his way down a dark road, with a sergeant from Ottawa as his guide to the battalion headquarters.

Passing through the ruins of a village, the sergeant remarked, “the Germans are not satisfied they chuck a few shells into the wreckage every day. The shells made us kind of nervous at first, but we are used to them now all right.”

In a peasant cottage, battened as tight as a photographer's dark room, the correspondent found the battalion commander, who was from Quebec. He stops in the cellar and the other officers of the battalion staff in dugouts. The officers remarked that a shell had knocked off a piece of the roof the other day, but that the missile did no harm except to make some dust. The colonel was going down into the trenches himself for the night and took the correspondent with him. “Look out for that narrow footbridge; and her you are likely to slip off into the ditch,” warned the colonel as he advised the correspondent to keep close behind in the inky night.

**Dodging German Shells**  
“Right along here is a favorite place for the Germans to loosen up with a machine gun, for they have a clear field for fire,” the correspondent added when an open space was reached. “There is nothing to it but to lie flat and wait until they are done shooting.”

A German searchlight rays swung toward the colonel and the correspondent and then rested on the clear spot. “Stand still!” said the officer. “That's the rule until it sweeps off. Thus they are not able to spot us.”

Occasional shots were heard behind the trenches. “That's a sniper in our rear,” the colonel said. “Occasionally one gets through. We don't know how. He is always in khaki. We are out after this fellow and will get him before morning.”

The colonel and the correspondent kept passing lone soldiers carrying food and ammunition to the trenches, or returning from the trenches empty-handed. The colonel spoke to them as “boys,” a greeting which one never hears from an English officer.

As the trenches were entered a sudden command was given to some one showing an electric flash to turn it off, as the “patrols are coming in.” Several men who had been out, crawling up in Indian fashion to see if the Germans were up to anything new, came hustling over the top of the trench. Some bullets swept overhead. The Germans had noted the movement and fired, but hit nobody.

“We got within seven feet of the bunch in that old house and heard them whispering,” said one member of the patrol.

When the strapping, tall Canadians took the position over from an English regiment they found the crest too low for their height and had to raise it several inches. The Canadians have shown characteristic ingenuity and initiative in arranging the trenches to suit themselves, and besides, have made them wholly dry and comfortable.

“This beats Salisbury Plain” they kept saying, referring to their experience in drilling and waiting in England. “All we need was to be in,” said the colonel. We came from home to fight and we are fighting. There is no trouble about discipline. Every man is keyed up and right on the job.”

The entire contingent of Canadians was as chipper as a winning baseball team. “We won't care to go to the fire-works any more when we return home,” said a man from Ontario, who asked the correspondent if he knew Toronto and Buffalo. “We get enough of German flares” the man added as the flares kept raising at intervals. “They are worried lest we are going to spring an attack on them, and we shall, pretty soon, too, I hope,” the soldier said.

Occasionally, as the correspondent walked along he could hear distinctly the sounds of snoring. In their shells propped the men, wrapped in blankets in frontier fashion, and despite the German flares and firing which go on all night, were sleeping until their turn came to go on watch.

The absence of exhaustion among the men, as they come out of the trenches is the cause of universal comment.

“They say we are making good, and I believe we are,” the colonel declared when he bade the correspondent good night.

**Germain Street Juniors Meet.**  
A very interesting meeting of the members of the junior mission band of Germain street Baptist church, and friends of the band, was held yesterday afternoon in the schoolroom of the church. An address on India was given by Miss A. Archibald. Several curios were shown by the speaker who spoke of the Indian peoples in a most entertaining way. Miss Miriam McDermid presided and was assisted by Miss Dorothy Hunt. Miss Marion Lyon presided at the piano. At the close of Miss Archibald's address a vote of thanks, moved by Miss Florence Brown and seconded by Miss Eileen Davis, was tendered to her by Miss Ethel Wigmore.

## STORY OF UPRISING AMONG DERVISHES UNCONFIRMED

Looks Like Another German Newspaper Fake—Number of Agitators Have Been Arrested.

New York, March 19.—Issues of the Sudan Times, published at Khartoum, as late as February 11, which have reached this city, contain nothing to confirm the reports received by wireless telegraph from Berlin yesterday respecting the uprising of the Dervishes, and their successes in the Khartoum and Nubia regions.

The Berlin despatch said that an uprising of the Senussi tribesmen occurred in November, and that they had attacked the British in the neighborhood of the Pyramids.

The Sudan Times of February 11 contains the following official report: “Sheik Sidi Ahmed, Grand Senussi, in conversation with a British official, expressed great annoyance that certain people had spread baseless reports in regard to his intentions and thus throw doubt upon his pledged word of friendship to Egypt and his government.”

“Suleiman El Baruni, the Tripoli agitator, and others who were discovered intriguing against Egypt, have been arrested by the Senussi and are kept under a strict guard.”

Returned Missionary Denies the Report.  
Des Moines, Ia., March 19.—No uprising among the Dervishes of Egyptian Sudan had occurred up to Decem-

ber 27th last, according to the Rev. D. S. Oyler, of Atlantic Iowa, a missionary of the United Presbyterian church, who left his mission at Boleib Hill about fifty miles from Fashoda on that date. This was the statement of Dr. Oyler over the long distance telephone to the Associated Press today. He declared that the report that a general named Hawley and his command had been killed by Dervishes near Fashoda on December 13th, was untrue.

## RETAIL MARKET

In the local market the supply of provisions was fair yesterday. Retailers say that during the past few days business has been rather quiet. In the city market beef is plentiful and of fine quality, the price asked for roasts being from 12c. to 25c. per pound; lamb, 13c. to 22c. Both veal and pork is scarce, the former bringing from 12c. to 20c. per pound, and the latter the somewhat high price of 18c. to 25c. A limited supply of turkey can be had at from 30c. to 32c. per pound; chickens 28c. to 34c. In the butter department, creamery is quoted at 36c.; dairy, 33c.; tub, 30c.



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## HORN MUST STAND TRIAL IN BOSTON

Motion for Release on ground his act was an act of war denied by Federal Commission.

Bangor, Maine, March 19.—Werner Horn, who is charged with illegal interstate transportation of explosives in connection with his attempt to wreck international railroad bridge at Vanceboro, will be taken to Boston for trial at the present term of the United States court, as a result of the findings of the Federal Commissioner Charles S. Reid, here today. The commissioner decided that the indictment warrant, which was the only evidence offered by the prosecution, was sufficient basis for holding the prisoner. The motion of the defense for the release of Horn on the ground that he was a belligerent engaged in an act of war and not amenable to the courts of this country was denied.

Horn was ordered to the county jail in Portland pending his removal to Boston. It is expected that he will be taken to Massachusetts early next week.

At the suggestion of District Attorney Morrell, the commissioner named \$10,000 as the amount of Horn's bail. He should be able to furnish it. His counsel, former Congressman Joseph F. O'Connell, and Daniel T. O'Connell, said tonight that no bonds would be arranged. Horn will probably go to Portland tomorrow morning in the custody of United States Marshal Wilson.

## U. S. PROTESTS SEIZURE OF STR. MARACAS

Had no contraband in cargo and going between neutral ports, Washington says.

Washington, March 19.—Formal protests against the seizure of the American steamer Maracas, ordered before a British government by Ambassador Page, under direction of the State Department. The Washington government will maintain that as a neutral ship bound from one neutral port to another and having no contraband in her cargo, the vessel should have been free from interference.

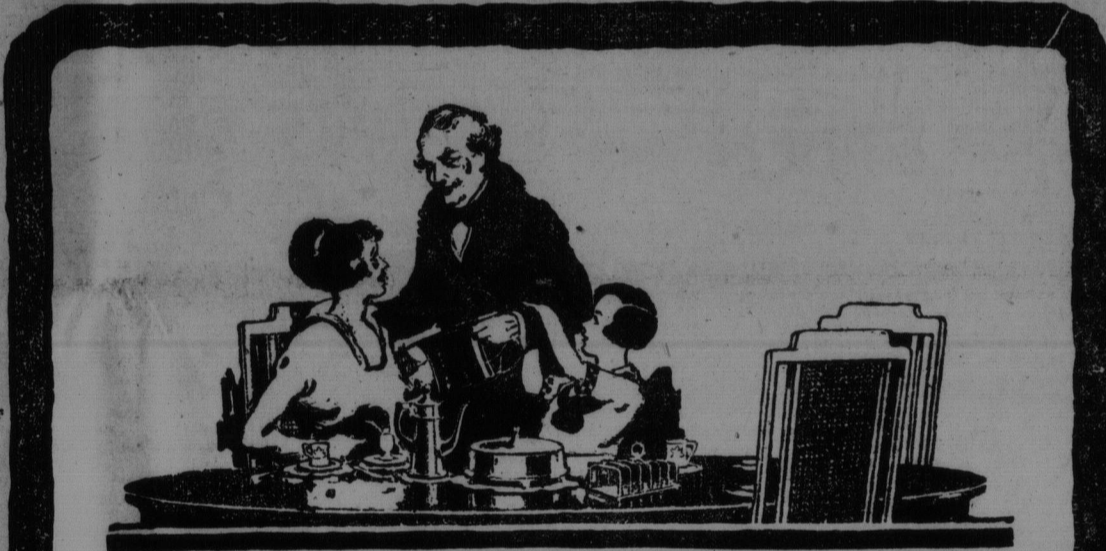
## SUFFERED FROM BILIOUS HEADACHE.

At Times Thought She Would Go Mad.  
Headaches are one of the most aggravating troubles a person can have. They are many and varying; but when the headache starts you may be sure that there is some other chief cause of this most painful difficulty. The stomach may go wrong, the bowels become constipated, the blood may not circulate properly, but the presence of the headache clearly shows that there is some other baneful disease which is liable to assert itself unless the cause of the headache is removed. Get rid of the headache and thus perhaps save yourself many years of trial and suffering.

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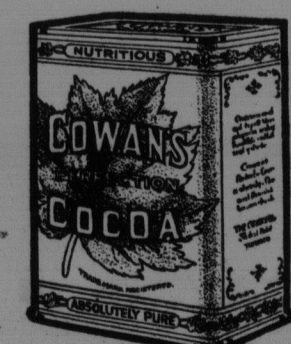


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SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS CONCLUDED FOR PAYMENT OF MONEY IN SWITZERLAND. In order to overcome the difficulties experienced since the outbreak of war by firms or individuals in Canada in making payments in or sending money to Switzerland, Mr. Henri Martin, Consul-General for Switzerland in Canada, has completed arrangements whereby the Bank of Montreal and all its branches will from now on receive money for credit to La Banque Nationale Suisse (Switzerland) who in turn will account for the proceeds to payees residing in Switzerland.

GOVERNMENT'S ADVANCED AGRICULTURAL POLICY IS BRINGING GOOD RESULTS

Hon. Mr. Murray's review of Work of Department of Agriculture Shows New Brunswick Farmer Received Great Benefits from Department's Efforts — An Elaborate Programme in Prospect for 1915.

Fredericton, March 19.—The legislature this afternoon listened with interest to an exposition of the work of the Department of Agriculture by J. A. Murray, minister of agriculture. It was a happy story which Mr. Murray had to tell the House, for it was a review of successful and progressive work during the past year and the programme for increasing the prosperity of New Brunswick farmers during the coming year. In fact in some respects the minister announced some new departures of policy in respect to the management of various branches of the department.

One of the most important changes will be the amalgamation of dairying and live stock divisions under the direction of an expert, who apparently is yet to be engaged. In other divisions there will be some changes of management, one change being that hereafter where the demonstration ditching machine is operated there will first of all be a survey made of the farm by experts of the department and drainage and ditching will be done where this survey directs, rather than where the farmer may believe it should be done.

In the matter of agricultural education the expansion shown was perhaps greater than elsewhere, and it was evident from the minister's statements that it is the intention to carry this policy on to the fullest degree and with confident anticipation of its appreciation by the people of the province. Hon. Mr. Murray dealt with each of the nine principal divisions of his department and showed wonderful complete knowledge of even minor details in each.

He gave an effective answer to the St. John Telegraph's recent effort to make political capital out of a misapprehension of some of the federal department of agriculture's statistics, the minister quoting from same statistics to show that they proved success of the government's policy of assisting the farmer to make larger production per acre from his crops. According to these figures the total value of crops of the province had increased from \$12,000,000 in 1910 to \$20,000,000 in 1914, an advance of 66.23 per cent, whereas St. John market quotations from the Telegraph showed an average increase of not more than 30 per cent in the same period.

The Telegraph had claimed that, according to federal statistics, there had been a falling off of 50,000 acres in the territory under cultivation. If this was so, and prices had increased only 30 per cent, what was the cause of the other 36.23 per cent in value of farm products of the province? It must be that the government's agricultural policy of demonstrating to farmers was the proper way to obtain the best results from the amount of capital and labor invested.

Hon. Mr. Murray in presenting the report said he desired to say a few words regarding the work of the department which would give the members some better idea of what is being done by it.

The growth of the department during the last few years had been very marked and the business transacted by it was equal if it did not exceed that of any other department of the government. Its work was divided into many branches, dairy division, live stock and poultry, horticulture, soils and crops, entomological, educational and women's institutes. Besides these divisions of the department proper, it also had the superintendence of the immigration and farm settlement board.

How The Dominion Grant Was Used Before taking up the report itself, he would like to refer to the Agricultural Instruction Act of the Dominion Parliament. During the session of 1911-12 the Dominion Minister of Agriculture succeeded in getting an appropriation of \$500,000 towards agricultural education to be divided amongst all the provinces. This, however, was only a temporary measure, and the session of 1912-13 agricultural instruction act was passed under which \$10,000,000 was to be granted for expenditure among the provinces on agricultural instruction.

The persons to whom he wanted to pay tribute for their energy and activity were the farmers themselves. It was only by the co-operation between the department and the farmer that such good results could be obtained. He believed that the department was not looked upon in a different light by farmers who realized that practical efforts were being put forth to assist them in every possible way.

AMATEUR NIGHT AT OPERA HOUSE

Exceptionally good talent competed last evening, and audience thoroughly enjoyed entertainment.

Although the usual large audience was not in attendance at the Opera House last night to see the regular play and the weekly amateur contest, those who were there saw one of the best and most varied programmes of the season. It opened with the Pemberton Brothers, acrobats, who tumbled over chairs, tables and did regular professional circus stunts.

OBITUARY

Jordan Steeves. Albert, March 17.—The funeral of the late Jordan Steeves, of Hillsborough, took place today from his late residence. The attendance was very large. Interment took place in the beautiful Grey's Island cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Schurman, of the Baptist church, assisted by Rev. Mr. Pierce, Methodist.

Twitching of the Nerves Broken-down System

Now Entirely Cured—Never Used Any Medicine With Such Benefit as Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. writes that she was entirely cured of the old trouble. The last paragraph proves that the cure was lasting.

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Zam-Buk advertisement with an illustration of a person's face and text: 'Painless Dentistry! We extract teeth free of pain. Only 25c. We do all kind of dentistry. Call and see us. No charge for consultation.'

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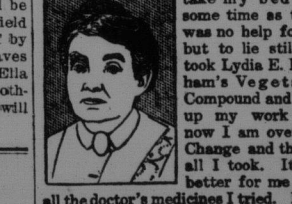
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ARNOLD'S Department Store

IOWA WOMAN TELLS OTHERS

How Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Carried Her Safely Through Change of Life. Cedar Rapids, Iowa.—'At the Change of Life the doctor said I would have to give up my work and take my bed for some time as there was no help for me but to lie still. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and kept up my work and now I am over the Change and that is all I took. It was better for me than all the doctor's medicines I tried. Many people have no faith in patent medicines but I know this is good.'—Mrs. E. J. Ricketts, 354 8th Avenue, West, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.



Such warning symptoms as sense of suffocation, hot flashes, headaches, backaches, dread of impending evil, timidity, sounds in the ears, palpitation of the heart, sparks before the eyes, irregularities, constipation, variable appetite, weakness and inquietude, and dizziness, are promptly heeded by intelligent women who are approaching the period in life when woman's great change may be expected.

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All the Latest News and Comment from the World of Finance

IMPROVEMENT IN THE BANK RETURN

Bank of England's weekly report a little better - Holding its own with International Bankers a unit behind it.

London, March 18.—In respect of the proportion of reserve to liabilities, this week's Bank of England returns shows a small improvement, which at any rate is better than nothing, after the practically unbroken decline of ten points since January.

The net reduction in the deposits of £3,500,000 compares unfavorably with a reduction of £160,000 less net in the two loan items.

The Bank of England's weekly return compares as follows: (This Week.) Circulation £234,065,000 Public deposits 70,950,000 Private deposits 309,495,000 Government securities 115,749,000 Other securities 44,849,000 Reserve 25,53 p. c. Bullion 59,465,000

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE

Table with columns for Wheat, Corn, Oats, and Pork, listing prices for various grades and quantities.

PRODUCE PRICES ON MONTREAL MARKET

Table listing Montreal market prices for various commodities like corn, wheat, and flour.

MARKET RECOVERS MUCH OF GROUND LOST IN EARLY PART OF THE WEEK

Stock List, with few minor exceptions, showed considerable strength yesterday—Effect of London Stock Exchange's decision not as unfavorable as had been expected.

New York, Mar. 19.—Stocks today recovered more of the ground lost in the early days of the week, the list, with a few unimportant exceptions, showing market strength.

Gains embraced all the leading issues, although United States Steel and Union Pacific were relatively backward.

Belshien Steel was the centre of interest, however, rising almost five points on total dealings of 35,000 shares.

World's Shipping News

MINIATURE ALMANAC. MARCH PHASES OF THE MOON. Full Moon... 1st 3h 33m-a.m. Last Quarter... 8th 8h 28m-m. New Moon... 15th 3h 48m-a.m. First Quarter... 22nd 9h 48m-a.m. Full Moon... 31st 1h 38m-m.

ALL MEN

Agree on this one thing. The Doctor, the Lawyer, the Merchant, the Officers and Men of the Navy and Army, the Laborer—every man who uses Scotch Whisky when asked which is his favorite brand says:—WHYTE & MACKAY'S Special Selected HIGHLAND WHISKY.

WAR ORDERS FROM STOCK QUOTATIONS FRANCE AND RUSSIA

Large contracts for Military Cloth are keeping the English Woolen Mills busy.

London, Mar. 5 (by mail)—The advancement of merinos on the Bradford market seems to have little chance of letting up.

Americans are in the market actively, as also are the French and Russian governments.

Orders placed by these governments have assumed tremendous proportions, and in some directions it is estimated that they exceed those placed by the British government some three months ago.

THE ROYAL TRUST CO. OF MONTREAL

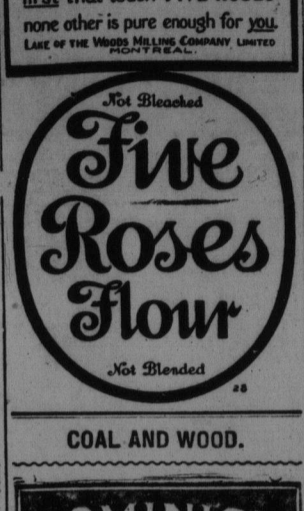
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South African Service. A steamer sailing from St. John about April 1st. S.S. "Benin" ... April 25th Port Elizabeth, East London, Durban and Delagoa Bay.

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From Manchester. From St. John. Jan. 30 Man. Inventor Feb. 22 Feb. 27 Man. Spinner Mar. 22 Mar. 6 Man. Shipper Mar. 22

FURNESS LINE

From London. From St. John. Feb. 17 Start Point Mar. 6 Mar. 3 Sagamore Mar. 20 Mar. 12 Caterino Mar. 30

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Until further notice the S. S. Connors 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's Harbor, Back Bay or Letete, Deer Island, Red Store, St. George's.

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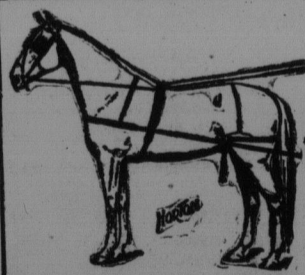
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Employ Canadian Dollars to Employ Canadian Workmen

VON KUEHLMAN TO REPRESENT GERMANY IN THE NETHERLANDS

Was in London when the war broke out and made appeal to Great Britain to remain neutral.

Amsterdam, March 19, via London.—Dr. Richard Von Kuehlman has been appointed German minister to The Netherlands according to a despatch received here from Berlin. He succeeds F. Von Muller.

Dr. Von Kuehlman was councillor of the German embassy at London at the time of the outbreak of hostilities. On the 3rd of August he issued from the London embassy a striking appeal for the neutrality of Great Britain in the European turmoil.

EVERY MAN SHOULD BE A GROWER

In the present war, the stay-at-homes, to whom after all, falls the duty of keeping the fighting men at the front, have a great opportunity to furnish additional help to the Empire in the greatest task it has ever undertaken. Furthermore, in adding to the strength and fitness of the Empire, they can benefit themselves bodily, mentally and financially. How? Let every man be a grower—not a mere

non-producing consumer, but an actual contributor to the country's wealth in foodstuffs. Britain needs and will need every ounce we can spare of all kinds of foodstuffs for man and beast. Vegetables that you can grow on your own little waste land, will save you purchasing for your own use, and at the same time, release just that much more for export to Britain. Mr. Lloyd-George's "silver bullet" that is doing so much to tell so heavily in this struggle of races, is not a more powerful weapon in Britain's hands than the inexhaustible-producing power of our Empire. Inexhaustible—that is—properly utilized, and here is where the average citizen comes in. A campaign among the farmers from the Atlantic to the Pacific throughout the length and breadth of Canada, has aroused a universal determination to produce more and more, the practical result of which will be thousands and thousands of tons of food and fodder sent to the front, and above what would have been produced had no impulse been given to the movement for greater production. All of which is well and good. Now to bring the matter to your very door. You can share in this truly patriotic work by putting that plot of land about your house to some use. It is surprising how much good, wholesome food can be raised on a small piece of land; more surprising still is the healthfulness and real enjoyment that comes from the doing of it. Elsewhere in this issue is an advertisement issued by the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, dealing with the importance of every man making productive what land he owns or occupies. The special booklet offered by the Department is a well-written authoritative guide for the gardener, amateur or experienced. It costs nothing whatever—not even a stamp for your request. Every man in Canada should have this book and put it quickly to practical use. The cost of seed sufficient to raise vegetables for a family of five persons all Summer and Fall, with a generous surplus or pickling, preserving and putting down for Winter may be placed at less than two dollars. The tools are simple and the way? Nothing but your own inertia, and that you can quickly surmount. Fill in and mail that coupon before you sleep this night. Better still, do it right now!

Albert, Albert Co., March 18.—Three boys from 13 to 17 years of age were committed for trial at the circuit court on April 6th by Police Magistrate Blight of Hillsborough, on the 15th, charged with entering houses in the night time by means of keys and stealing sums of money, in one house \$15, and in another \$5.

Advertisement for DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS, featuring an illustration of the product box and text describing its benefits for kidney ailments.

EMINENT ENGLISH JURIST GIVES HIS VIEWS ON BLOCKADE

Sir John MacDonell suggests an Anglo-American Convention.

London, March 19.—Sir John MacDonell, who is considered an authority on international law, in an article in the Nation, discussing the "new blockade," suggests that "if the new order-in-council is to be put into operation on a large scale the proper complement to it is an Anglo-American convention by which questions arising under the new order might, along with other matters affecting American claimants in our prize courts, be referred to a joint tribunal."

HAMPTON GIVES RECRUITS SEND-OFF

Hampton, Kings Co., March 18.—The regimental train, bound for Amherst, reached Hampton at 11.03 this morning, with Squadron B, of the 6th Mounted Rifles, who have been drilling for some weeks in St. John. Here they were joined by 21 troopers of Squadron A. The Hampton contingent consists of Lieut. Geo. N. Otty, Lieut. G. Roland Barnes, Sergeant Armourer, C. S. March, Hiram H. Allaby, John F. Belding, Percy R. Dixon, Wm. J. Hegan, Jack H. Hoyt, Charles A. Hoyt, Ellman H. Jones, Joseph J. Keohan, Warren P. Myers, Chas. McRae, Thomas Newbury, Hallett Nodwell, Aubrey Nodwell, Lionel W. Nutter, Lewis E. Pickett, C. Reginald Theas, Courtney Weldon, Arthur H. Weldon. A goodly number of the residents turned out to give the boys a hearty send off.

HOTEL ARRIVALS Royal. R. G. Saville, C. A. Ducloux, C. Clunas, Montreal; S. J. Bruce, New York; T. C. Finlay, W. F. Chapman, Toronto; J. H. North, Boston; J. Harquail, Campbellton; A. Loosen, Bathurst; H. A. Rosey, A. Smylie, Toronto; O. P. Cassaday, Chicago; Mrs. W. D. Gwynne, Toronto; F. H. Gtston, Halifax; J. Steinman, New

PRODUCTION IS PATRIOTISM

Back Yards and Vacant Lots

THE EMPIRE'S CALL TO FEED YOURSELVES

The farmers are responding in their thousands to the call of the Empire for greater production. They have realized that every bushel raised means a bushel more for export to Britain: that this is one way of displaying patriotism. With favorable weather, Canada's crops this year will be the greatest in her history; far greater than any of us thought possible a year ago. Now, to round out the scheme requires equally patriotic action in the towns and cities. The people of every community, large and small, should make vacant lots and back yards productive by raising their own vegetables and garden stuff. Every pound raised, remember, is another pound furnished toward Britain's needs.

Send for the Government Bulletin

This Department will forward free a special bulletin entitled "The Vegetable Garden." The simple instructions are easy to follow and make success practically certain, even to those without experience. The best methods of cultivation for the following vegetables are fully described:—Tomatoes, Onions, Cabbages, Cauliflower, Celery, Melons, Watermelons, Cucumbers, Squash, Pumpkins, Carrots, Parsnips, Beets, Turnips, Salsify (or Oyster Plant), Radishes, Peas, Beans, Corn, Egg Plant, Peppers, Spinach, Lettuce, Parsley, Sweet Herbs, Asparagus, Rhubarb. You will enjoy amateur gardening, and profit in health and pocket as well. Children are immensely benefited, get a liberal education in the most practical manner, have outdoor amusement away from the street, become the possessors of rich red blood, strong lungs, alert minds. Identify yourself with the national movement. Be a grower. Send for the bulletin and get your neighbors to do the same; everybody will benefit by the friendly rivalry thus started. No stamp is required on your envelope, for your coupon is truly "On His Majesty's Service."

What Local Civic Bodies Can Do

City and town councils, boards of trade, charitable bodies, women's clubs, horticultural societies, civic improvement leagues and other organizations working for the common good can accomplish a great deal locally by identifying themselves with the movement and energetically furthering it by every means at their disposal. It will mean a thorough and permanent clean-up without cost to the community, a partial solution of the unemployed problem, and the institution of a genuine up-lift work. Vegetables and flowers will make better citizens. This Department has formulated a plan telling how the various civic organizations may be brought together to further this worthy aim, and giving suggestions how to launch and carry on the work to a successful issue. Write at once for the form of organization and get your community properly started in performing its share of "Greater Production."

Canadian Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, Can. Form for requesting the Government Bulletin "The Vegetable Garden." Fields include Name, Address, Town or City, and Province.

ABOLISH THE BAR IN SASKATCHEWAN

Gov't will take over wholesale trade and conduct under system of dispensaries.

Regina, March 18.—Saskatchewan will be the first province in Canada to completely abolish the bar. On July 1st next not only will the retail sale of all intoxicating liquors come to an end but the wholesale trade will be taken over by the government and operated as a government monopoly under a system of dispensaries. Later, even these dispensaries may be abolished, if by a referendum vote the people of the province so decide. This in brief, is the effect of an announcement made by Premier Scott in addressing a meeting at Oxbow yesterday afternoon.

NO TRUTH IN STATEMENT BRITISH GOV'T SAYS

London, March 19.—The government today issued a formal denial of the statement which has been published abroad that it informed American Ambassador Page that the accounts given by Belgian refugees of atrocities committed by German soldiers must be attributed to hysteria. The statement in question alleged further that Mr. Page had sent a report to Washington on this subject. The government said it desires "after communicating with the American Ambassador to place on record its word that there is no truth in the statements in question."

ANTISEPTICS IN AUSTRALIAN BLUE GUM PROVE A CURE FOR BRONCHIAL CATARRH

Bad Cold in the Head, Throat Weakness and Catarrh Cured Quickly. Medicated Air A Marvel! Catarrh is far superior to any internal medicine. Its relief is almost instantaneous—just takes long enough to breathe its healing vapor into the lungs to give wonderful soothing relief. Catarrh is gone right to the dust cells in the lungs, carrying heat, soothing balsams to the places that are tainted with Catarrhal inflammation. A sneezing cold is cured in ten minutes—a sore throat is healed and restored in an hour or two—chronic bronchitis is scathed away and quickly disappears—catarrh of long standing is invariably cured because Catarrhine kills the germs that cause the trouble. As a cure for Asthma and a preventive of Grippa every doctor is delighted with Catarrhine. One simple throat specialist says if Catarrhine is used two or three times each day you will never suffer from any disease of the head, throat, nose or lungs. This is good news to many of our readers who must require a safe sure and permanent cure for their colds and winter ills. Every good druggist sells Catarrhine, large cost \$1.00, small size 50c, trial size 25c.

Advertisement for Willis Pianos and Players, featuring the text "MADE IN CANADA" and "Endorsed by the World's Leading Musicians." Includes the name WILLIS & CO. LIMITED and their address at 580 ST. CATHERINE STREET, W., MONTREAL, P. Q.

Vertical text on the far right edge of the page, including fragments of "PRESIDENT", "A call has", "The call", "The Assen", "The Presb", "St. John's", "The Vanc", "The Gen", "The Wor", "BEE", "will quick", "remedy ton", "lies the liv", "Beacham's", "of accumul", "the blood", "shows in", "complexions", "them, and y", "Are V", "A Gu", "Largest Sale", "Sold everyw".









THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fresh northwesterly winds, fair and moderately cold.

Toronto, March 19.—The Atlantic disturbance has remained nearly stationary over the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and an area of high pressure is centered in the western provinces.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes entries for Victoria, Vancouver, Calgary, London, Port Arthur, Fanny Sound, Moose Jaw, Regina, Winnipeg, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Around the City

Courtenay Bay Fire. Last evening a barn on the Courtenay Bay wharf near the Norton Griffiths works was destroyed by fire.

The Opium Case. The trial of Hop Lee, charged with being the proprietor of a resort on Mill street where opium is used for other than medicinal purposes, and six other Chinese, charged with being inmates, will be commenced in the police court on Wednesday afternoon next.

James Moore Captured. On March 5th William Moore, James Moore and Pearl Hampton, three boys who were doing time in the Boys' Industrial Home on the charge of theft, made good their escape from the institution.

Could Not Find Him. It was reported to the police last evening that a man was lying drunk on the Magee wharf near the East Side ferry dock, and was in great danger of falling over the wharf.

Lost Pocketbook and Money. A lady telephoned to the Chief of Police last night to the effect that she had lost her pocketbook containing quite a sum of money in bills and that her name was in the book.

Conductor Coffey Dead. Thomas Coffey, one of the oldest and best known conductors running out of St. John on the Intercolonial, died suddenly at Moncton yesterday afternoon.

Police Court. David Shaw, a member of the mounted Rifles, who was slashed by David Hennessey on Charlotte street on Thursday evening, testified that he had been doing nothing at all to Hennessey, when the latter came along the street and stabbed him twice.

Spring Dress Material. There are several reasons why you should connect the name of P.A. Dykes and Co.'s store with the thought of your new Spring dress goods.

Twilight recital will be held in St. Andrew's church Saturday afternoon, March 20th, from four to five o'clock.

Deputy Chief Jenkins was recalled and in reply to a question from Foreman Craigie witness said that all drunks were taken to the cells and it is left to the discretion of the policeman as to a prisoner's condition.

CORONER'S JURY RETURNS STRONG VERDICT IN CASE OF SOLDIER WHO DIED IN CELL

John Casey Died From Alcoholic Poisoning but "Had He Received Proper Medical Attention He Might Have Survived," Is Opinion of Jury.

The enquiry into the death of John Casey, who was found dead in a police station cell last Saturday evening, was concluded in the court house last night before Coroner W. F. Roberts.

The jury, after a deliberation of 45 minutes, returned the following verdict: "We, the jury empaneled to enquire into the death of John Casey, find that he died between the hours of seven and nine o'clock on the evening of March 13th in a police station cell and the cause of death was alcoholic poisoning, accelerated by exposure and a weakened condition caused by a recent illness."

"We recommend that the police be cautioned and instructed if there is any doubt as to the physical condition of a prisoner to immediately summon a doctor."

"We also suggest that improvements be made in the cells for the comfort of prisoners. Further that the patrol system be made more efficient. Signed—George R. Craigie, Wm. F. Cronk, Earl Kincaide, Wm. S. Ferris, O. B. Akery, John V. Holland and Patrick McGuire."

On the opening of the court last evening the coroner and jury visited the central police station and made an examination of the cell in which the body was found.

The first witness was Horace McLeese, who testified that he had been connected with the police force for seven months. During this time he had arrested men who were helplessly intoxicated and had noticed some of them frothing at the mouth.

On Saturday in question witness was doing patrol duty on York Point beat shortly after six o'clock. He saw four or five soldiers on Smythe street, a man was lying on the sidewalk. Witness asked the soldiers what they had there, and they said it was Jack Casey, an ex-soldier, and that he was sick.

On being asked if he had been drinking they said it was all right, what liquor he had they gave him and they would look after him.

Witness asked what they were going to do with him and one soldier told witness that it was his place to compel a hotel to take the man in. They said they had money but they could not take the man to the armory as he was not a member.

Witness told them they would have to do something when one of the soldiers said they had done all they could with him. Witness said he would have to take the man to the police station. The soldiers did not want to have Casey arrested and told the officer he did not know his duty.

Witness sent for the patrol wagon. Casey was groaning. Officer Rankine then arrived and witness telephoned for the patrol but was unable to get any answer. Casey was then carried to the I. C. R. lockup. Witness then called up the central police station and explained that he had arrested a man who had only been out of the hospital for a few days and he was instructed to bring the prisoner to the central station within twenty minutes from the time the first call for the patrol wagon was made until it arrived.

On the way to the police station Casey appeared to be helpless. About 6:50 o'clock he was placed on the floor of a cell. Witness thought the prisoner was sick from too much drink. Witness delivered the prisoner to Officer Hopkins and instructed him to watch the man that he did not choke. Witness had been told that Casey was refused admittance to a hotel owing to the condition he was in.

COMMITTEE ON ASSESSMENT APPOINTED

Board of Trade selects Committee to deal with matter — Bay of Fundy Steamship Services want larger subsidies.

A meeting of the council of the Board of Trade was held last evening at which various important matters were discussed. W. F. Burditt submitted an interesting report on the town planning movement, which was adopted. The substance of the report has already been made public.

The question of adapting railway time to standard Atlantic time was brought up. A letter was read from Supt. Groat of the C. P. R., saying the company could not adopt Atlantic time without seriously interfering with its telephonic system of communication, and the matter was dropped.

The matter of city taxation came in for some discussion and the secretary was authorized to secure, if possible, a speaker to discuss the Ontario assessment system at a public meeting here. A committee consisting of A. H. Wetmore, W. F. Burditt and T. H. Estabrooks was appointed to keep an eye on the movement to reform the assessment system.

Letters were read stating that the John L. Cann Company and the Westport III. Company were dissatisfied with the conditions of service between St. John and Yarmouth and St. John and Westport, and it was decided to hold a meeting on Tuesday next in the Board of Trade rooms at which business men interested will be given opportunity to express their views on the question of subsidies to these lines.

Chief of Police. David W. Simpson, chief of police, testified to being informed that the prisoner Casey was dead and to calling a physician who pronounced the man dead. The cell in which John Casey died is not a modern one in any particular. Modern cells are fitted up so they can be seen into from all sides, fitted up with coats and lighted well. The present conditions in the cells could be rectified. The benches could be removed, coats put in and graded flooring put in. As to the present system the man in charge is obliged to visit prisoners not less than every half hour. He thought it was very necessary to have the officers instructed in first aid work.

Discharged from 26th. Lieut. Gordon M. Johnston of the 26th Battalion, testified he knew John Casey.

Foreman Craigie—Casey had been in the guard room and had been a non-commissioned officer and lost his stripes because a better man came along. He was sent to the hospital for diphtheria. Casey was discharged from the battalion on orders from Halifax.

Foreman Craigie said he thought Casey had not been discharged properly and a soldier had as much right as an officer.

This concluded the evidence and the jury retired.

Chris Graham, who is representing the Y. M. C. A. with the Divisional Ammunition Column in France, in a letter to his mother, tells of the life of the soldiers at the front. The letter is dated February 28, but no place is named. The letter is as follows:

"The sun has been shining all day and a strong dry wind has been blowing, so we have gotten rid of a lot of moisture. If it would only stay fine for a time we would like it, for the mud is getting pretty bad, especially in the horse lines. The men are fairly comfortably billeted in houses and barns, but the poor beasts for the most part are exposed to the elements."

"The overhead part would be all right, if they had a dry bed. When the ground gets all mucked up it makes a poor bed. The conditions here are not so bad as people generally suppose. The guns on both sides keep blazing away, but everybody is so well entrenched that very little damage is done, especially by the Germans."

"The farmers are going on with their work of preparing for a crop. They are trimming the hedges and getting right on as though there was no war. It is the same way right up to the firing line. Children are playing in the streets of the beleaguered towns as though nothing unusual were a happening."

"We all do not see the very front at once. One lot relieves another in the trenches. They go about as one goes to his day's work. In fact it is

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