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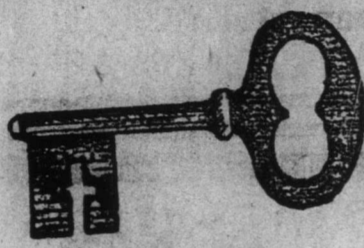
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CHAPTER XXIX.
A Retrospect.

Re-entering his chamber, he caught at the flagon and drank a draught of wine, then, thrusting out his strong, stony hand before him, he regarded it with a stern frown until its tremor had ceased and it was firm again, then tore open the damp, weather-stained envelope.

Once more he paused in an effort to regain his old stern serenity, and stood gazing with tightly clinched lips and lowered brows upon the envelope; slowly, calmly, he extracted a slip of paper, unfolded it and read it, then, with a cry that a soul emancipated from hades might utter, fell fainting across the table, in the very spot, on the very same day of the year, where Gerald, his father, had fallen, clutching in his hand, as did he, a piece of paper.

The news of his son's marriage and dishonor had stunned the father; the tidings of the woman's death had felled the son.

It was a small piece of foreign paper, bearing the official heading of a small Italian province.

Within its ruled lines ran, in a priest's crabbed handwriting, these words, in Italian:

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CHAPTER XXX.
The Agony of Love.

"Our love has brought us naught but sorrow, now Heaven forbid it brings no sin."

CLARENCE HOUSE—Lord Crownbrilliant's villa in Park Lane—was one blaze of light, for it was the night

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Lady Crownbrilliant had become the fashion, Clarence House the rage, and her soirees the most sought after and desired.

By what means she had reached to the high position of leader of the town it would be difficult to say. The men declared that it was because she was the most beautiful and regal of women. The women whispered that the Crownbrilliant's wealth explained it. Let the reason be what it might, there was no disputing the fact—though many envious ladies were dying to do so—that Lady Crownbrilliant's assemblies, dinners and balls were the best and most brilliantly attended of any held within the charmed circle of the upper ten.

To-night was the grand ball of the season. The list of expected guests comprised the *creme de la creme* of the nobility and included—so it was whispered—royal blood.

The magnificent drawing-rooms and ballrooms, fitted up with princely gorgeness, had been decorated with flowers and perfumed by a novel process. The band was to perform within a little grotto of ferns and fountains. The conservatories were thrown open and illuminated, the choice singing birds fluttering now and then into the brilliant world of gas and music, but speedily flying back to their cool retreats dazzled by the light and heat.

Every luxury that could be devised had been procured, and no expense had been spared to make the Clarence House ball the great success of the season.

An hour before the time appointed for the opening, the countess, already decked out in her ball costume, sat silent and alone in the little pink parlour called my lady's drawing-room.

With the soft light of the Etruscan lamp playing upon her perfect features, and glistening on her magnificent dress she looked superlatively lovely, yet very sad.

The white, bejeweled hand that supported her queenly brow trembled visibly, and a tear dropped from beneath the fringe of her silken eyelashes.

With a suddenness that made her start—for the Countess Crownbrilliant was less of nerve and more given to starting and trembling than Carlotta Lawley—a knock came softly on the panel of the rosewood door, and in answer to her ladyship's "Come in," her own maid entered and announced that Mr. Chichester waited admission.

Her ladyship having given permission, the next minute Chudleigh Chichester entered the room.

If she was changed so was he.

He looked old, somewhat more worn, and a great deal more eager, excited and anxious.

"Carlotta!" he cried, in a low, glad voice, almost springing to her side,

and pressing her soft, white hands to his lips. "I knew you would see me! How beautiful you look—oh, Heaven, how beautiful!" and he drew back a step to gaze at her now flushed face and downcast eyes.

"Have you come from the House?" she said, looking up at him with eyes in which love shone with a dim, wistful pain that proclaimed at once its guilt and unguiltiness.

"Yes," he said, sinking down by her side and still holding her hands, "but I am going back directly. You said I might come for a few minutes before the ball, and I could not stay away. I am going back directly."

There was something piteous in the wistful helplessness of his low, thrilling tones, and the countess' eyes filled with tears.

"You will be at the ball to-night?" she asked, eagerly.

"I speak to-night," he said, wearily. "I don't think—"

"You must," she said, tremulously. "Oh, come, if only for a few minutes."

"I will," he said, simply. "You will save me a dance?"

She nodded.

"Two, if you like."

"Two, then!" he said, eagerly.

Then there followed a short silence, both sitting gazing at the opposite wall and listening to each other's breathing, with that restful, glorious stillness and repose which alone kept their love from driving them mad.

Then he arose.

"Time is up, Carlotta," he whispered, bending over her until his breath dimmed the tarsi on her brow. "I must go. I seem to have been here only a second"—and he sighed. "Good-by—"

"Till what time?" she asked, earnestly.

"Till two o'clock."

"Good-by!" and she walked with him to the door.

"Lady Mildred and Maud are coming about twelve," he said, as he opened it. "I begged them to come earlier, but Maudie had a headache, and intended lying down. Good-by till two. Keep me two dances, remember, my—"

At that moment a footstep, which Carlotta knew only too well, sounded along the corridor, and starting with a sudden pallor, she grasped Chudleigh's arm to draw him into the room again.

But he, his face darkening, whispered:

"No, no; let me go out," and stepped out into the corridor.

"Hello, Ch-Ch-Chichester," hiccoughed as well as stammered his lordship—he had been drinking heavily.

"What the deuce do you mean by d-d-deserting the Hon-house, eh? Ha! ha!"

Chudleigh tried to smile, but his face only grew heavier.

"I came out for a breath of air, and looked in as I passed," he said.

"Th-that's right," hiccoughed my lord. "Seen Carlotta? She's togging herself up for this con-confounded ball. Beastly wet, I c-c-call it. I hate b-balls. I say, old f-fellow, I've had a terrible let-down over that how-while handicap. L-lost a hatful."

"I'm sorry to hear it," said Chudleigh, burning at his coarse allusion to the woman whom he loved and revered, but whom this man, her husband, had grown to regard in the light of a superb piece of furniture or a thorough-bred horse.

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"I do not know," answered Chudleigh, with some truth, for he could not tell whether she had stayed in the drawing-room or gone into the adjoining chamber.

"D-don't know!" retorted his lordship, whose tipsy mood was ready on the slightest provocation to change from the good to the bad temper.

"H-haven't you just 1-left her?"

"Yes," said Chudleigh, walking away and trying to keep the contempt raging in his heart from becoming manifest in his tones. "I left her in the drawing-room."

"Ah!" said his lordship, "th-there you are, you see. Why couldn't you say so?" and he stared, with drunken gravity, after the retreating figure of his unhappy, unsuccessful rival, adding, with a ponderous shake of the head: "Y-you're a g-good d-deal too much with her 1-ladyship, Mr. Ch-Chichester. I'll—Where's the countess?" he broke off to ask of her maid, who at that moment came out of one of the rooms.

"In her room, dressing, my lord," replied the woman, with prompt glibness, and his lordship, not daring to penetrate the sanctum sanctorum of her whom he had ceased to love, but not to fear, stumbled downstairs again.

The countess, who had stood trembling behind the door of the drawing-room, where she could hear every word, threw herself on the couch in an agony of despair and remorse as her husband's shuffling, uncertain footsteps followed the steady, stern ones of the man it was her agony to love.

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The British troops in their forward movement in the Ancre area, France, made another advance east of Gommecourt along a two mile front for about two-thirds of a mile, according to an official communication from headquarters to-night. Nearly two hundred prisoners were captured. The text reads: "This morning we attacked and captured an enemy front support east of Bouchavesnes on a front of twelve hundred yards, taking 173 prisoners and three machine guns. During the day we repulsed with heavy enemy losses several counter-attacks. East of Gommecourt the enemy continued to yield ground. In this neighborhood we advanced along a two mile front to an average depth of twelve hundred yards. Six prisoners were taken in a successful raid last night northeast of Ablaincourt. During the last 24 hours we have captured a total of 190 prisoners, five machine guns and two trench mortars.

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RUSSIANS CAPTURE IMPORTANT CITY.

LONDON, March 4. Hamadan, an important city near the Turkish border, has been captured by the Russians, says a Teheran despatch received at Petrograd and transmitted by Reuters. The message adds that they are pushing the Turkish troops who are retreating. The capture of Hamadan by the Russians may mean the Czar's troops will again attempt to advance into Mesopotamia from Persia to aid the British in their advance up the Tigris toward Bagdad. Hamadan, which is 240 miles northwest of Bagdad, has been the centre of much fighting between the Russians and the Turks. In April, 1915, it was occupied by Turkish troops, but on December 17, 1915, it was taken by the Russians, who continued their advance westward toward the Turkish frontier, later capturing Kermanshah and Khanikin on the Persian border, 100 miles northwest of Bagdad. Following the capture of Kut-el-Amara by the Turks in April 1916, the Russians were forced to retreat from the Persian border and were driven back through Kermanshah to Hamadan, which was evacuated early in August, 1916. Since then there has been much fighting in the Hamadan region. Turkish despatches in December and early in January said the Russians had been repulsed in their attacks near Hamadan, which has a population of 40,000.

WILSON POWERLESS TO ARM MERCHANT SHIPS.

WASHINGTON, March 4. President Wilson informed the country in a statement that he is without power to arm merchant ships and take other steps to meet the German submarine menace in the absence of authority from Congress, that he was mistaken when he said in his recent address he could act under broad constitutional authority. An extra session of Congress, he says, is required to clothe him with authority, but it is useless to call one while the Senate works under present rules which allows a small minority to keep an overwhelming majority from acting. The President proposes, therefore, that the special session of the Senate which he has called to meet to-morrow, will revise the rules to supply the means of action to save the country from disaster. This little group of men, he says, in this statement, representing no opinion but their own, have rendered the great Government of the United States helpless.

REPREHENSIBLE FILIBUSTERS.

WASHINGTON, March 4. Twelve Senators, led by Senator Stone, the Democratic Chairman of

the Foreign Relations' Committee, were denounced by President Wilson's spokesman as the most reprehensible filibusters in the history of any civilized nation. The overwhelming majority of Congress up to the last minute to-day was denied the power of authorizing the President to arm merchant ships to meet the German submarine menace by their unyielding attitude through twenty-six hours continuous session. La Follette and his small group of supporters refused a majority of their colleagues an opportunity to vote on the Armed Neutrality Bill, and have decided with the expiry of the 64th Congress at noon, to fix the responsibility before the country. Seventy-six Senators, thirty Republicans and forty-six Democrats signed a manifesto to that they favored the passage of the measure. This declaration referred to the fact that the House on Thursday night had passed a similar bill by a vote of 403 to 13. The closing moments of the session were tense and impressive. Ten minutes before the end, Senator Hitchcock made his last appeal for unanimous consent. La Follette objected. The Nebraska Senator's closing remarks dealing with President Wilson's address to Congress asking for authority, said: "It is unfortunate and deplorable that twelve men in the Senate of the United States have it in their power to defeat the will of 75 or 80 members by one of the most reprehensible filibusters ever recorded in the history of any civilized country." Just as Senator Hitchcock uttered these words the hour of noon struck and the 64th Congress was ended. President Wilson issued a statement to-night declaring that through the action of a few Senators, it proved impossible to have passed legislation dealing with the present critical international situation and other bills of vast importance to the nation. He said he believed at the special session of the Senate, already called for to-morrow, the rules should be amended so that action could be taken. He did not disclose his policy as to arming merchant ships.

TURKISH LOSSES.

LONDON, March 4. The Admiralty announces that in the Mesopotamia operations three British gunboats passed the Turkish army retreating westward of Shurrin, on Feb. 26, and inflicted heavy losses on them, capturing or destroying four Turkish steamers and many barges filled with ammunition.

CHINA'S TROUBLE.

PEKING, March 4. The cabinet to-day decided that China should join the United States in breaking off relations with Germany.

many. This decision was submitted to the President who refused to approve the cabinet's action, saying such power rested entirely with him. Premier Tuan Chi Jui immediately resigned and left for Tien Tsin, accompanied by several other members of the cabinet. The resignation of the entire cabinet is expected. Parliament is virtually unanimous in support of the opinion of the cabinet, and leaders of all political parties are adversely criticising the President's position. The Vice-President of the Republic supports the action of the cabinet.

PROPHECYING.

PARIS, March 4. Professor Paul Painleve, Minister of Public Instruction, speaking to-day at Sorbonne on the question of when the war will end, said the decisive phase of the struggle would begin this spring. By decisive, however, he said that Germany was preparing for a summer effort.

INDEPENDENCE OF FLANDERS.

LONDON, March 4. The aid of Germany in establishing the independence of Flanders was promised by Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German Imperial Chancellor, to a deputation representing the activist Flemish party, which visited him, according to a despatch from Berlin received at Amsterdam and transmitted by Reuters. The independence of Flanders would be on the basis of Flemish language and civilization. The Imperial Chancellor is said to have told the deputation that the movement had the approval of the German Emperor.

CONGRESS ENDS.

WASHINGTON, March 4. The Sixty-fourth Congress ends to-morrow with the control of the next House still in dispute as a result of the death of Representative Cox of New York. The Republicans appear to have the lead. They now have 215 votes assured, it is conceded, while three newly elected Democrats are seriously ill. No successor to Mr. Conroy will be elected before next November, it is believed. Five members of the incoming Congress are classed as "Independents," hence it is a special session of Congress is called before next November it would appear that the Republicans would have the advantage. As a majority of the membership of the House, 218 members, are necessary for the election of a Speaker, however, the Democrats are not without hope.

THE GERMAN SUB. CAMPAIGN.

LONDON, March 3. Germany failed by slightly more than a fifty per cent margin to make

good her threat to sink 1,000,000 tons of merchant shipping during the first month of unrestricted warfare, according to reliable figures. Her submarines, the figures show, only succeeded in sending to bottom during the month of February in round numbers, 490,000 tons. This figure only exceeds by 140,000 tons, it is now declared, what the British authorities expected would be sunk during that month if ordinary submarine warfare had been continued. It compares with 246,656 tons sunk during December, and 322,067 during January.

WILL WAIT ON CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, March 3. President Wilson has no intention of taking action that would bring war with Germany unless Congress is summoned in extra session. This was communicated to the Senate leaders to-day by representatives of the President, who takes the position that if no extraordinary crisis arises it will not be necessary to call an extra session before late in the spring, and then only to pass an appropriation bill which may fall at the present session.

WILL NOT PUBLISH LIST.

PARIS, March 3. The Admiralty has decided not to publish the daily number of torpedoed vessels. The announcement says that this publication has caused "grave inconvenience" and that a weekly statement will be issued instead, giving the number of vessels of different classes which have been sunk.

CURTAILING OF TRAINS.

PARIS, March 3. All express trains throughout France with the exception of postal and long distance trains, are ordered discontinued. This decree is one of the steps taken to facilitate transport connected with national defence and commercial traffic.

ZEPPELIN DESTROYED.

LONDON, March 3. A new Zeppelin on its speed trials at Ghent, caught fire on Monday and was completely destroyed, according to reports from Berlin received by the Exchange Tel. Co., by way of Copenhagen. The despatch says that the crew of the Zeppelin perished with their airship, and that two Belgians who witnessed the disaster were arrested and taken to Germany.

THE GERMAN PRESS MUZZLED.

LONDON, March 3. The German press has been ordered not to publish a word regarding the American-Mexican relations until further notice, according to an

Amsterdam despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co. It says that only a few circles are aware of the intrigue and that it is considered possible the result of the affair will be the resignation of Foreign Secretary Zimmerman and the ending of Count Von Bernstorff's career as a diplomat.

JAPAN'S LOYALTY.

TOKIO, March 4. An additional statement issued by the Japanese Foreign Office refers to the frequent attempts of Germany to sow seeds of distrust between Japan and Britain and cause an estrangement of Japan and the United States, and adds the Government is confident the peoples and governments of the Entente will continue to have confidence in Japan's loyalty and its determination to extend all possible aid and share the difficulties and hardships until the struggle against Germany and German cruelties ends.

KISSES THE BIBLE.

WASHINGTON, March 4. When President Wilson kissed the Bible after taking the oath of office to-day, his lips touched the passage, "The Lord is our refuge and strength, a very present help in time of trouble."

THE KAISER AND ZIMMERMANN.

LONDON, March 4. The German Foreign Secretary, Dr. Zimmermann, had a long audience with the Emperor yesterday, according to a Berlin despatch by way of Amsterdam. Generally it is supposed the audience concerned the Mexican question. This was followed by a conference between the Imperial Chancellor and Zimmermann at which several foreign office officials were present at the Chancellor's residence.

WILSON SIGNS BILL.

WASHINGTON, March 4. President Wilson signed the Post Office Appropriation Bill containing the first "bone dry" prohibition legislation ever enacted by a federal government. In fact it is the first direct legislation by the Government prohibiting the liquor traffic. At least 14 States have prohibition laws, but do not prohibit the importation of certain quantities for personal use. These will be made "bone dry" by the new law, which prohibits the importation of liquor into any States that prohibits its manufacture and sale. State legislation recently passed and about to become effective, will in the next few weeks increase the number of "bone dry" States to at least twenty-two. The same law prohibits the delivery in malls of any publication which will bring liquor advertising into States which by their own laws

prohibits such advertisements within their borders.

SWEDISH GOVT. DEFEATED.

STOCKHOLM, March 4. The Government was defeated yesterday in joint ballot of the two chambers of the Rikstag on the request for the appropriation of 30,000,000 crowns to be used in preserving Sweden's neutrality. What, if any, will be the political result of the balancing cannot be predicted, but the rejection of the Government Bill, even though half expected, is nevertheless a great blow.

AMERICAN LABOR TO MEET.

WASHINGTON, March 4. Spokesmen of more than three million American wage-earners have been called to meet in conference on March 21st to determine and announce the part labor shall claim in the formulation of the policies of preparedness and the defence of the country and the nation. The call made public to-day was issued by Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, under authority of the Federation's Executive Council. There will be a preliminary meeting of the executive council next Friday to arrange for the conference, which promises to be the most notable gathering American labor representatives ever held.

HUN SUB. DESTROYED.

BERLIN, March 4. Nine armed Russian steamers were captured by a German submarine which recently was sunk near Hammerfest, according to a Christiania despatch to the Neue Zurichische Zeitung, as quoted by the Overseas News Agency. These vessels are said to have been purchased in South America by Russia. It was reported from Christiania on Jan. 28th, that twenty-four men from a German submarine, which had foundered off the Norwegian coast, had been landed near Hammerfest.

TOOK THE OATH OF OFFICE.

WASHINGTON, March 4. President Wilson took the oath of office on Saturday. There was no ceremony.

LECTURE ON MESOPOTAMIA.

Mr. W. H. Jones lectured before a large gathering at the Grenfell Hall, King George the Fifth Institute last night. The subject on which he addressed the audience for a considerable time was "Mesopotamia." In a most interesting manner he portrayed the many important events which have taken place recently in the East, a theatre which is daily becoming more important.

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THE WAR.

The present month, expected generally to mark the serious resumption of fighting, has seen it instead already well under way. For the last three weeks the British have been making steady and consistent progress, which is the best earnest of future success, under circumstances which constitute it an agreeable surprise. Everyone should keep at hand a good map of the district from Arras to Chaunies. It will not show the topographical features of the country or give an idea of the real merits of the fighting, but it will make plain the large promise held out by the recent gains. It will show, for instance, how the line through Comme-court, which formerly ran straight south to Hamel, now breaks sharply east from the former place to Puntieux; and the enormous bulge the Allies have made in the whole system of defences on the Somme will be apparent at a glance. A new offensive has been formed from Arras to Comme-court, which, while not dangerous to the Germans through the cross fire of the British guns, will be an inevitable handicap for them when the inevitable retreat begins. Note, too, that an advance is recorded east of Bouchavesnes, not merely further endangering Peronne but eating into the flank of the new German line prepared behind Bapaume. This sort of thing cannot go on for long, a fact the Germans seem to realize from their increasing resistance.

The apology for their recent large retirement which was issued on Saturday from Berlin is the most absurd sophistry. The British, it seems, are really the losers by advancing into battered and mud-filled trenches. We fancy they will be quite content with such a loss. They expected to find them battered; the more so the better, since it encourages them to think of the battering that is going on in the next line. As for the muddy state of the ground, it is the greatest tribute to the British guns that could be desired, behind whose tremendous fire the infantry is able to advance unimpeded by the clinging mud through which it has to wade. And the mud will soon be an unknown factor in any case. But the whole excuse is thin and need not be taken seriously. Doubtless the retreat was strategic; the same might be claimed for a retirement to the Rhine itself. It is always good strategy to run away when standing still means being killed. And that was what the retention of the old German line meant once the British had taken Serre and Miraumont. We shall shortly see a strategic abandonment of Bapaume. If our memory serves us, there was a strategic retreat after the battle of the Marne. It is a strange feature of this war that no one speaks of strategy until a retirement has to be made, when it is always called into play, and when it is the monopoly of the retiring ones. There is no strategy in advancing.

The news of the Russian activity in Persia is of great importance, though they are widely separated, the British and the Russian forces can now cooperate with telling effect. Indeed, their separation is of positive value in preventing a concentration of the Turks. Either the latter in Persia are reduced in numbers or the Russians augmented—possibly both—for Hamadan to fall so easily, and the defence of Bagdad will be distracted into two directions. We may confidently look now for renewed activity in Armenia, where the Russians will be able to achieve much merely by keeping more Turks busy. The empire, huge in extent, but defended by a limited garrison, would then be attacked by large forces at four distinct points, with cumulative chances of success at any one of them. We hear also of further reinforcing of the armies in Macedonia, in which we should not put too much faith. If, however, Italy can lend the needed aid, the drive through Serbia may at last take place. This will also directly affect Turkey and add to her burdens. Undoubtedly, if the Berlin-Constantinople connections were severed Turkey would collapse very quickly, but she may do so before that very desirable event. There are more improbable contingencies than that the great numerical superiority of the Allies, brought to bear at last in concert, will first have its decisive effect upon the weakest member of the enemy combination, Turkey, and result in her complete elimination.

Fairbanks Brass Globe and Angle Valves to be had at **BOWRING BROS., Ltd., Hardware Dept.**—Feb 6, 17.

1st Nfld. REGIMENT. Casualty List.

Received March 3rd, 1917.
575—Sergt. Archibald Ash, Red Bay, Labrador. Killed in action, Feb. 22.
2592—Private Robert Burdock, Rosee Blanche. Admitted Wandsworth, tonsillitis.
2973—Private George M. Clarke, Grand Bank. Admitted Wandsworth, inflammation kidneys.
2866—Private James Bennett, Bell Island. C. B. Dangerously ill. Casualty Clearing Station, March 1st, gunshot wounds thigh, leg and hand.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.
Received March 3rd, 1917.
1591—Private Henry West, Musgrave Harbor, seriously ill, shell wound, right arm. Evraat, Feb. 13; improving Feb. 27. Off serious list.
2543—Private Alfred Linfield, Loon Bay, N.D.B., seriously ill, bronchopneumonia, Rouen, Feb. 18. Now suspect enteric, severe, 25th Stationary Hospital, Rouen.
2638—L. Corp. Henry T. Stone, Snook's Brook, T. B., dangerously ill, gunshot wound abdomen (France) Feb. 23. No change, Feb. 25.
2977—Private E.H. Hodder, Horwood, N. D. B., seriously ill, pneumonia, Rouen, Feb. 15. Improving.

Received 5th March.
2nd Lieut. Samuel W. Manuel, Exploits, N.D.B. Dangerously ill, 84th Casualty Clearing Station, March 4th. Gunshot wounds buttock, arm and left leg; fracture.
2nd Lieut. Frank M. Burke, 126 Military Road, At No. 2 Red Cross Hospital, Rouen, March 3. Gunshot wounds leg and chest, slight.
2391—Private Moses A. C. Ingram, Harbor Buffett, P.B. Dangerously ill, 34th Casualty Clearing Station, March 4th. Gunshot wound, thorax.

J. R. BENNETT, Colonial Secretary.

Hospital Report.

London, 3rd March, 1917.
To Colonial Secretary, St. John's:
Association Visiting Committee report condition of following men in Hospital:
Progressing Favorably—2673 Crane, 2641 Humby, 2307 Johnson, 339 Rogers, 2370 Thistle, 1157 Costello, 2927 Hiscock, 2024 Poole, 1891 Howsell, 2710 Fowler, 1166 Heath, 1293 Roberts, 2482 Stone.
Improving—1934 Clarke, 2566 Madore, 2007 Foley, 1901 Meaney, Amp.; 2785 Greening.
Slight Improvement—1954 Caines. REEVE.

Hymeneal.

On the 15th February last, Mr. Albert Sphire, son of Mrs. D. Sphire, of New Gower Street, this City, was united in matrimony to Miss Lillian Peters, daughter of Mr. Edward Peters, Campbellton, N.B., at the above place, by the Rev. Fr. Walker. A large crowd attended the ceremony. After a brief tour in Canada, the happy couple returned to St. John's by Friday's express, being accompanied by Mrs. A. G. Andrews, New Gower Street, uncles and aunts of the bride; also, Mr. Dominic Richards, General Merchant, Norris Arm, uncle of the groom. The bride and groom were recipients of many valuable presents, including seven hundred dollars. The Telegram joins their legion of friends in wishing them many years of matrimonial bliss.—Com.



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The Ethie left Marystown at 5.50 p.m. Saturday, inward.
The Glencoe arrived at Port aux Basques at 9.15 a.m. to-day.



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The following is an interesting letter received from France—
"You may be interested to hear that I undoubtedly owe my life to the valuable properties of your OXO CUBES. On the 1st of March an attack was made on the German trenches. I reached a spot nine yards from the German trenches unharmed, but it was useless going on. I fell where I was, and, lying quite still, was taken for dead. It was exactly a week before our men made another attack, and during the whole of that time I had to lie where I had fallen. It was certain death to try and reach out own trenches. During that week I existed on a biscuit and a tin of OXO CUBES. I ate the biscuit on the first day and the rest of the time lived entirely on OXO CUBES. I am now in hospital recovering from the effects of my week's exposure, but there is little doubt that without the warming and stimulating effects of OXO I could not have survived while lying there."

From France—
"I have been a constant user of OXO ever since I came out here; and I would not be without it.
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Irish Society

WILL NOT HOLD ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE THIS YEAR.

Vice-President Slattery presided at a meeting of the Benevolent Irish Society held yesterday. St. Patrick's Day celebration will not be held this year owing to circumstances generally arising out of the war, that decision having been arrived at after much discussion. Many of the Society's most useful and active members fell in the war. Instead of the regular time-honored parade, however, the B. I. S. will attend Mass at the R. C. Cathedral in a body. One of the Vicentian fathers will preach a panegyric on the occasion.

The Archbishop Expresses Thanks

THROUGH MISSION FATHER.
On behalf of His Grace Archbishop Roche, Rev. Fr. Lynch, of the Vicentian Fathers conducting a mission here, thanked the people of St. Patrick's Parish for their generosity in giving \$611 towards the Ecclesiastical Students' Fund. It was an evidence, he said, of the deep interest taken by the people of St. Patrick's in their religion and their keen desire to see more priests laboring in this Island. This same missionary occupied the pulpit during Vespers at the R. C. Cathedral last evening and in his own lucid and comprehensive style preached an eloquent discourse from the text: "Behold I come quietly."

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—The Salvation Army beg to acknowledge receipt of contribution from the Curling Association of \$144.10. The same will be utilized for benefits among those who are in need. Members of the Association are hereby heartily thanked for this contribution.

Turkeys, Ducks and Chicken at **ELLIS'.**

At Cochrane Street Church.

The Rev. N. M. Gay, M.A., occupied the pulpit of the Cochrane St. Centennial Church yesterday morning, taking as his subject "Christian Enthusiasm." In the evening the Rev. Dr. Bond was the preacher, the text being found in the Book of Amos, 3rd chap. 3rd verse: "Can two walk together unless they be agreed?" or Walking with God. Both sermons were much appreciated and we venture to say that if the advice and counsel given by the reverend gentlemen was followed out in every day life, what a change there would be not only in the individual but in our community life. The choir rendered two anthems with solos by Miss Vincent.

A Saucy Defendant in Court

A laborer of Willis' Range, was arrested under warrant Saturday night for contempt of court as well as for refusing to support his wife and child. It was proved by the mother of the defendant that he was too lazy to work. He did not admit having had a complete falling out with work nor did he have any great love for it. Three weeks ago he last worked at the South Side, but gave it up to go on a trout-fishing expedition. When questioned about his case the defendant gave some very pert and abrupt replies and stated he did not care if he was sent to jail or not. He was sentenced to a month's imprisonment.

Here and There.

Over 30,000 bottles of Stafford's Liniment sold last year.

LARGE ENGLISH MAIL.—There is a large English mail, on the incoming express due at noon to-morrow.

Inter-Collegiate Hockey.—Feildians vs. St. Bon's, Prince's Rink to-night at 7 o'clock.—11

WEATHER REPORT.—The weather across country is light N. W. wind and dull, temperature 20 below to 2 above.

Coughs and Colds can be cured by using Stafford's Phoratoxine and Stafford's Liniment.

REPORTED MISSING.—In a recent Canadian casualty list the name of A. Shave, Placentia Bay, Nfld., is given among the missing.

Received a shipment of Scotch Coopers' Tools. **BOWRING BROS., Ltd., Hardware Dept.** Feb 6, 17.

MEDELSSOHN'S 'ELIJAH'—Full practice to-night at 8 o'clock in the Presbyterian Hall. All city singers will be welcome. Conductor, Mr. F. J. King.—11

INFECTIOUS DISEASE.—A 12 year old boy of Barnes Road, suffering from scarlet fever; and a 20 year old domestic of LeMarchant Road, suffering from diphtheria, were reported to the Fever Hospital yesterday.

Have your Suit or Overcoat Cleaned or Pressed for New Year. Phone or send to **SPURRELL, 365 Water Street.** Telephone 574.—dec 28, eod, 17

LIQUOR SEIZURE.—We hear today that the police have made a big liquor seizure in an uptown building which was raided by Sergt. Noseworthy. When the officers arrived he was greeted by surprise by several citizens who were, it is said, drinking freely. The matter will come before court in a day or two.

There will be an Emergency Meeting of the Engineering Association held in the British Hall this evening at 8 o'clock. The Solicitor will preside and all members are requested to be present. By order of the President, C. Puddester. E. Levalliant, Secretary.—mar 5, 11

EARLS FROSTBITTEN.—A Mrs. Heater, from "Tri'ity," a patient for the General Hospital, reached the city at 2.30 a.m. yesterday, on the mail and freight train. She was met at the station by Mr. Eli Whiteway and conveyed to the Hospital in the ambulance. Mr. Whiteway in his haste to get to the train forgot his winter cap and as a consequence both of his ears were slightly frostitten.

NOTICE.—ESTATE OF JOS. ROPER.—The remaining stock of Jewellery, Rings, Brooches, Pendants and real Silver Articles suitable for bridge parties, &c., will be sold at tremendous sacrifice during the next week. **CLOUSTON & JACKSON, Assignees.**—Feb 28, 61

DIED.

At Torbay, on March 5th, after a long and painful illness, Ethel May, daughter of William and the late Elizabeth Thorne; she leaves to mourn a father, two brothers and two sisters. After a short illness, with whooping cough, William Harold (Harold) darling and only child of Alexander and Isabelle McIven, aged 2 years and 3 months. "Gone to be with Jesus."

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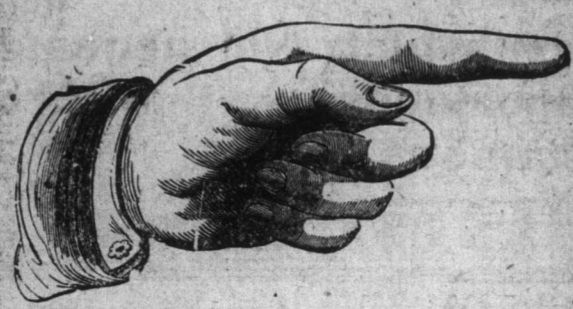
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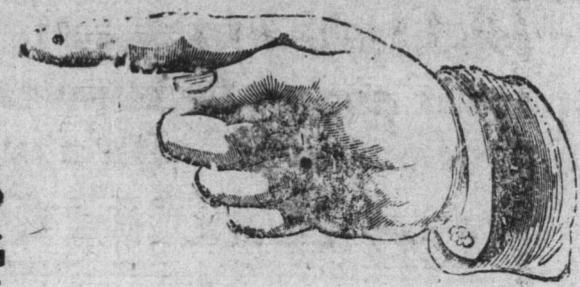
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BULLETIN!

FORSEEING A GREAT NECESSITY FOR INCREASED HOME PRODUCTION OF POTATOES, and with the view of lessening the consumption of high-priced flour, the Agricultural Board in 1915, urged upon Agricultural Societies and all interested, the necessity for planting as largely as possible in the following spring, and the result of its appeal has been very satisfactory. In the year past an increased acreage was planted, and the country has been blessed with the largest and best potato crop in its history. The value of this crop to the country has been very great, especially as the Canadian and American crops have been poor, and importation will thus be impossible.

The Board would be lacking in its duty if it failed to again warn of the more serious conditions that now threaten to develop with the coming of Spring, and that will affect our food supply. Owing to our insular position the inhuman methods of warfare employed by our enemies may make it impossible for us to import flour and other food stuffs in sufficient quantity for our needs, and as a shortage would entail serious consequences, it becomes the duty of every one of us to do his utmost to help increase home grown vegetables and forage crops.

Potatoes in plenty can save us from the worst effects of a flour shortage; and a generous supply of other vegetables will add largely to their value. Hay and Oats are bulky articles to import, but to ensure our local supply of fresh meats and milk and margarine we must have them. Our crops of all these products can be largely increased. **From our present acreage we can get, by increased cultivation, all that will be required to carry us safely through the threatened time of trial. A determined effort to utilize to the utmost the land that practically every family outside of St. John's possesses in sufficient quantity should be made.**

The Agricultural Societies throughout the country have well and wisely responded to the suggestion of the Board in the year past, and their sense of duty to their localities and the country will point to them the need for even greater effort the coming year.

Every man and every woman can help and those who plant but a gallon of potatoes will be public benefactors and practical helpers in the common cause.

Between now and Spring therefore let everyone who can do so, provide himself with the quantity of potatoes or other seeds that he can arrange to plant, and with the aid of a kindly Providence, we shall reap such a measure of reward as will enable us to come safely through the time of stress that our enemies are preparing for us.

A. J. BAYLY,
Acting Secretary.

December 9th, 1916.

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Rubber Boots, sizes 9 to 13, 2.20 to 2.60 pr.
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MISSIE'S ANCHOR BRAND.
Low Cut, sizes 11 to 2 . . . 62c. to 70c. pr.
High Cut, sizes 11 to 2 . . . 72c. to 80c. pr.
Rubber Boots, sizes 11 to 2, 2.20 to 2.60 pr.
Prices according to size.

BOYS' ANCHOR BRAND.
Low Cut, sizes 1 to 5 . . . 80c. to 90c. pr.
High Cut, sizes 1 to 5 . . . 85c. to 95c. pr.
Rubber Boots, sizes 1 to 5, \$2.70 to 3.10 pr.
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GENT'S ANCHOR BRAND.
Low Cut 95c. pair
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The following well-known styles in MERCHANTS.
Cardinal, Low Cut \$1.15 pair
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Sizes 6 to 11, including 1/2 sizes.

Rubber Boots from . . . \$4.20 to \$5.80 pr.



Takable Articles.

By RUTH CAMERON.



RUTH CAMERON

If you should go into a friend's house, pick up some inexpensive little object, say a small vase or an ash tray, toy with it, carry it off and never return it, your friend would certainly think you a rather queer sort, wouldn't he?

And if you kept on doing that kind of thing the term "kleptomaniac" or even a more outspoken Anglo-Saxon word, would be apt to get mixed up with your name.

And yet, if you picked up a handkerchief here and a handkerchief there, until your handkerchief box was filled with a motley family, no one would think anything of it because you would only be doing what many people do.

And not only careless people, either. A Handkerchief With An Alien Initial.

An unusually conscientious and punctilious friend of mine drew out a handkerchief marked with an alien initial the other day and looked at it curiously. "Where did I get that?" she wondered, "Isn't it funny," she added, "how we collect handkerchiefs from our friends?"

And the two other women who were present agreed without seeming the least shocked.

Why is it that it is permissible to appropriate certain objects and almost inexcusable to take others?

Handkerchiefs are one member of the privileged class; pencils are another.

Nobody Pretends to Return a Pencil. Scarcely anyone pretends to return a pencil. Of course, its inexpensiveness may account for our laxness in this particular. But books are not

inexpensive and the same laxity of the public conscience is shown in regard to them also.

Where is the library, however well defended, but some yawning gap is there. Unless, perchance, it is filled in by the owner's borrowings.

Umbrellas Have a Way of Disappearing.

Umbrellas are just on the edge of the class of takable articles. The majority do have some conscience about umbrellas, and yet there must be a sizeable minority who do not, because umbrellas certainly have a way of disappearing. I must confess, too, that occasionally one appears in your own umbrella stand that we don't quite recognize.

We all know the old joke about the man who unintentionally gathered in the umbrella of his neighbor on the trolley, returned it with explanations after an acid rebuke from her, and then met her again on his way home with three umbrellas he was taking back from the repairer, and was greeted with the sarcastic comment, "You've have a good day, haven't you?"

One reason for our appreciation is the echo it arouses in our own experience with umbrellas.

A ROTTEN APPLE DEAL. (From the New York Herald.)

On removing a few layers of apples from a barrel a New England grocer found this note, written by the producer: "I got \$2.50 for this barrel of apples. How much did you have to pay?" As the grocer had paid \$6.50, it is almost as easy to guess what the ultimate consumer had to pay as what he had to say.

Erasers which have been used a great deal can be washed in soap and water, and renew their usefulness. If the cookies are not very rich, cut them in animal shapes and the children will be just as well pleased.

IN STOCK:

- 38 kegs Heavy Cluster Grapes.
- 40 cases Calif. Oranges, 250 count.
- 40 cases Calif. Oranges, 216 count.
- 25 cases Calif. Oranges, 176 count.
- 26 brls. Cranberries.
- 12 cases Choice Lemons.
- 50 brls. Apples, assd. kinds.

PARSNIPS.

Last call for Cheap Vegetables.
32 bags PARSNIPS.
6 bags BEETS.

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Back Yard Gardens.

Duluth Herald: At least one little breach in the walls of the high cost of living can be made by everybody who has a few square feet of ground in his back yard that he can plant seeds in. A five-cent package of seeds can be turned into actual dollars in a very little space and with very little trouble, indeed, with a great deal of enjoyment. If you never had one before, this is the year of all years to have a back yard garden. It really is remarkable how much you can raise in a small space if you confine yourself to essentials and do not try to make a general experiment station out of twenty feet square. This is seed catalogue time, and the mails are full of them. You can get your share easily, and if you know how to go about it, looking over catalogues and picking out your seed order, and doing mental gardening by the fireside, is one of the most enjoyable parts of it.

Mechanics Annual.

Proposed Presentation to Treasurer Myrick.
At the 90th annual meeting of the St. John's Mechanics' Society, held Saturday night, the officers for the ensuing year were installed as follows:
President—M. A. Colbert.
Vice-Pres.—F. Gushue.
1st Asst. V. P.—A. H. O'Keefe.
2nd Asst. V. P.—W. Mackay.
1st Treas.—M. W. Myrick.
2nd Treas.—Thomas Dunne.
3rd Treas.—Frank Stapleton.
Sec. Jas. A. Lahey.
G. Marshall—M. Whelan.
Votes of thanks were passed to Mr. Scott for conducting the election; to Mr. Preston (Marshal), who retired from office, and to the press. A committee was appointed to arrange for a presentation to be made Treasurer Myrick, who has filled that post for the past quarter of a century with fidelity and efficiency, after which the meeting adjourned.

War News.

Messages Received Previous to 9 A. M.

GERMAN VERSION.

LONDON, March 3. A Berlin telegram received in Amsterdam, and transmitted by Reuter's Agency, supplements a short statement from Thursday's official statement from the German general headquarters concerning the evacuation of positions in the Ancre region. After asserting that this withdrawal was made unobserved and without losses, the telegram says that the German rearward contrived to conceal the evacuation and for days held up the British who had for ten or twenty times their number and who suffered severely. The British, this statement adds, lost eighty prisoners and had 200 men killed in one rearward encounter near a little wood on the Gometcourt-Puisieux Wood. British officers and men in the Ancre sector, the telegram continues, will smile bitterly at the triumphant shouts of the British newspapers which represent that the fighting in the Ancre region is the most important event since the Battle of the Marne. From the horrible marsh into which snow and rain have converted the ground, the Germans have withdrawn to firm ground. The British, on the other hand, will be under most unfavorable conditions in the abandoned German trenches, which have been shattered to pieces, with shelters blown up, villages in ruins, wells filled up, and roads obliterated. In this waste the British will be exposed to all the inclemencies of the weather and under German fire. All the trouble of the British, therefore, has been in vain, and at the cost of heavy sacrifice. They must construct new positions under destructive fire of German batteries trained upon every point in this terrain. Only with endless trouble and great losses can artillery be brought to the new positions and the Germans can look forward to every new attack unweakened.

TAKING A HOLIDAY.

LONDON, March 3. The Reichstag has adjourned until March 20th, according to a despatch.

CONFESSES TO PLOT.

LONDON, March 3. Foreign Secretary Zimmermann's instructions to the German Minister to Mexico, as published in the United States, are admitted in Berlin to have been correctly quoted, according to a despatch to Reuter's from the German capital by way of Amsterdam. The despatch quotes the following statement, which it says was issued on Friday in Berlin: "The American press contains reports about instructions from the Minister of Foreign Affairs to the German Minister in Mexico City, in the event that Germany after its proclamation of unrestricted submarine warfare failed to keep the United States neutral. These reports are based upon the following facts: After the decision had been taken to begin unrestricted submarine warfare on February 1st, we had to reckon, in view of the previous attitude of the American Government which severed diplomatic relations with Germany soon after the proclamation of the barred zone, and asked other neutrals to follow her example. Anticipating these possibilities, it was not only right, but also the duty of our Government, to take precautions in time—in the event of a military conflict with the United States—in order to balance, if possible, the admission to our foes of a new enemy. The German Minister in Mexico, therefore, was instructed in the middle of January that in the event of the United States declaring war he should offer to the Mexican Government an alliance and arrange further details. These instructions, by the way, expressly directed the Minister to make no advances to the Mexican Government unless he knew for a certainty that America was going to declare war. How the American Government received the information of the instructions sent by the Secretary to Mexico is not known, but it appears, however, that treachery, and it only must have been treachery, was committed on American territory."

REPRISALS AGAIN TAKEN.

BERLIN, March 4. Lieut.-Gen. Von Stein, the Prussian Minister of War, announced in the Reichstag that reprisals had been taken by the German Government against what the Minister termed "mis-treatment of Germans taken by the Entente Allies."

AUSTRIANS REPULSED.

ROME, March 4. Austrian troops in force yesterday attempted to storm the Italian position east of Gorizia after violent artillery preparation. The War Office announced to-day that the attacks failed with heavy loss to the Austrians.

CONGRESS EXPIRED.

WASHINGTON, March 4. The sixty-fourth Congress expired at noon without a vote being reached in the Senate on the Armed Merchantmen Bill.

RUSSIANS KEEPING UP PRESSURE.

PETROGRAD, March 4. The Russians are keeping up their

offensive against the Turks in Persia. Eighty miles northeast of Hamadan they have captured the villages of Bijar and Khanikale.

BRITISH DESTROYER LOST.

LONDON, March 4. The loss of a British torpedo boat destroyer with all hands is reported by the British Admiralty. The vessel went down in the North Sea and is believed to have struck a mine.

ARMED TRANSPORT SUNK.

BERLIN, March 4. In a statement regarding vessels sunk by submarines, the German Admiralty mentions sending to bottom in the Mediterranean an armed transport steamer of 34,494 tons. It is stated that some of the troops on board were lost. The largest vessel previously sunk was the steamer Lusitania, 30,396 tons.

Names of Returning Sailors.

By special arrangement with the Reid Newfoundland Company the following Royal Naval Reservists are travelling first class from Port aux Basques to St. John's:—A. Gregory, Hr. Barlett; F. Green, Greenspond; E. Green, St. Jones Withim; W. J. Warren, New Perlican; H. Jones, Upper Island Cove; A. Hancock, St. Jones Withim; M. Casber, St. George's; C. Carney, Herring Neck; A. Avery, Long Beach; T. B. B. L. Griffin, writer, an active service man who is in charge of the party.

Mining Tragedy.

Deputy Minister of Justice Hutchings has received word from Magistrate Duggan of La Scie stating that Daniel Connors, a trapper, unmarried, was instantly killed by falling ground in the Terra Nova mine at Bale Verte, and that Theophilus Giles was injured.

Train Notes.

Saturday's mail and freight reached Port aux Basques at 6.15 a.m. to-day. The incoming express with first-class passengers is due here at noon to-morrow. The local from Carbonear reached the city at 1.15 p.m. to-day.

From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram. CAPE RACE, To-day. Wind N., light, fine; a tropical sch. is in sight west of Cape, bound in. Bar. 29.82; Ther. 10.

Don't Forget the one Left Behind!

(From the New York Herald.)

Twenty-one months and fourteen days too late Count Johann Von Bernstorff departs from these too hospitable shores. He should have gone an unwilling passenger on the Lusitania on May 1, 1915. Long after everything else about him is forgotten it will be remembered by Americans that Count Von Bernstorff had foreknowledge of the intent of his fellow barbarians to murder the women, the children and the men who embarked on the Lusitania for that fateful last voyage and, therefore, he was party to their killing. Now that he has gone the American people are not nearly so much interested in Count Von Bernstorff as they are in the man selected to be his successor as head of organized Prussianism in this country. That man is Count Tarnowski, Austro-Hungarian Ambassador designate. For the American Government to accept Count Tarnowski as Ambassador would mean continuance of diplomatic relations with Austria-Hungary in face of the obvious fact that Germany's ally has given the German submarine piracy its full approval. In view of that fact maintenance of diplomatic relations with Austria-Hungary comes perilously near to being surrender, open and abject, to the Prussianism that controls that country as well as its own. If Count Tarnowski is accepted, if relations with Austria-Hungary are not severed without additional delay, it will be apparent to the world that the American Government has learned nothing from Europe's experiences since July, 1914.

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American Cabbage.
Carrots, Parsnips.

Small Kegs Scotch Herring.

California Oranges.
California Lemons.
Grape Fruit.
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Bartlett Pears.
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Fresh Smoked Haddie.
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Guava Jelly.
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Barley & Groats.
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The Difference.

Edinburgh Review: An engineer who attempted to design a bridge in defiance of the law of gravity would be laughed at by the whole world; but a politician who pretends that he can design a scheme or lowering food prices in defiance of the law of supply and demand is applauded by the House of Commons and by three-quarters of the nation.

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Best Nerve in

But Nervous by Nervous disorders from injury to the nerves or because of the excitement. The writer of this is cured in a mix-up with remained unconscious weeks, and in spite of treatment in hospital obtain restoration of nerves which control the digestive and other. He travelled to Europe England's greatest relief was only temporary of many treatments. His letter gives details and tells how he was cured using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food has restored this great nerve restorer. Mr. Henry F. Venn, Malakwa, B.C., writes: "Nerve Food has restored my system and given me

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MINARD'S LINIMENT RELIEVES NEURALGIA.

Best Nerve Specialist in England Was Consulted

But Nervous System Failed to Respond to Treatment Prescribed.

Nervous disorders frequently result from injury to the nerves in accidents or because of the shock to the system.

The writer of this letter was injured in a mix-up with some colts, remained unconscious for three weeks, and in spite of continued treatment in hospital could not obtain restoration of the internal nerves which control the action of the digestive and other vital organs. He travelled to Europe and consulted England's greatest nerve specialist. Relief was only temporary, in spite of many treatments used.

His letter gives the facts briefly and tells how he was finally cured by using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. Can you imagine any more severe test of this great nerve restorative?

Mr. Henry F. Venn, Cefu Ranch, Malakra, B.C., writes: "Dr. Chase's Nerve Food has restored my nervous system and given me new health."

Having met with a severe accident seven years ago, from which I was unconscious and which left my nerves in a very sore plight, I was treated by doctors galore and consulted one of the greatest nerve specialists in England, but nothing seemed to do me much good. Hypophosphites and, in fact, all and every kind of nerve mixture in almost every form was used, but never with more than temporary benefit.

"But Dr. Chase's Nerve Food has acted very differently, for it has built up my nervous system until I feel like my old self again. If this medicine will do for others what it has done for me, I shall not regret having written this letter. I have recommended the Nerve Food personally to many, and shall always esteem its great restorative value."

Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, 50 cents a box, all dealers, or Edmansons, Bates & Co., Ltd., Toronto.

When Gen. Haig Strikes World Will Marvel.

The Great Spring Drive on the Western Front Will Probably be the Deciding one of the War—Commander and Men are Ready for the Supreme Effort.

London, Feb. 17.—The campaign of 1917 is about to open with a great spring offensive that will perhaps be the decisive one of the war on the West front, the military observers are agreed. I have just returned from a visit to the British lines in France, and I know how well prepared and how perfectly confident is every soldier, from General to Tommy.

The same condition is true throughout the French army, which, after two and a half years of terrific strain and sacrifice, feels that it knows how to beat the enemy.

Preparing for Struggle.

From neutral reports, from admissions made by German prisoners and from much other information, the military students have reached a consensus of belief that General Hindenburg expects and has prepared for the supreme struggle of the war in the west. Troops which have fought in Russia, others from Roumania, have recently arrived on the West front. The new divisions, and the fresh drafts also are concentrated there. The bulk of the munitions and the supplies are being or have been sent there. The air service has been keyed up to frantic efforts to regain the superiority which the Allied flyers wrested from the Germans last summer. Hundreds of thousands of men are digging feverishly to strengthen the lines, and in every other way possible preparation has been completed.

The First Great Blow.

Where and when the first great blow will fall are the questions which the experts and Generals are debating.

The Allies seem to be willing that the Germans should strike first, to let him break his battalions and expend his shells against their lines before they throw their reserves of both into a crushing attack.

A push by the Germans against

Russia seems hardly probable, nor is there much expectation of a renewed campaign in Roumania. Macedonia is considered merely a sideshow, to be watched and carried on till the great battle develops. Italy is a poor battleground, especially for this season of the year.

General Hindenburg directs everything, armies, navy, submarines, aircraft and state craft for the Germans now. He will use them all in his new campaign. For the Allies Russia remains the unknown quantity. General Brusiloff may exceed his feat of last year, and yet fall short of a victory that would cripple the Germans. General Hindenburg, as an "Easterner", would prefer to make his campaign there, but he could not hold back the Allies while he struck.

On Land and Sea.

It may be his plan to deal a heavy blow at France while striking at Britain by means of the submarine attacks on her mercantile marine, and at her navy by sending the Kiel fleet forth to battle, and at her critics by new Zeppelin raids. The Germans reason that France is much more weaker in man power, food and money. So it is possible that the latest thrust in the Champagne may be the first step in his operation. But it is much more probable that he is simply feinting to cover a stroke somewhere else.

The trenches Germany won are only the first of a series of defence built by the French before they began their Champagne offensive in September, 1915. This is the sector where the French penetrated nearly three miles before they found their front so narrowed that the Germans enflading fire made further progress too costly. The jagged front has remained as the checking of that offensive left it, with practically no change until the latest push.

Where Will Germans Hit?

Behind these lines the French constructed a wonderful system of railways before the beginning of the 1916 campaign. As the Germans are well aware of this they are hardly expected

And the Worst is Yet to Come



to make a serious drive there, when there are other points offering greater inducements. However, their attack serves as a lesson to show how easily the first lines may be penetrated by either side after a heavy bombardment.

If General Hindenburg plans to attack the British, the question is where he will hit. For a month past he has been shelling the wreck of Ypres from his positions along the ridge to the southeast. This is the battlefield where the Kaiser threw away a quarter of a million men in October, 1914, in his futile effort to break through to the seat at Calais. He sacrificed thousands upon thousands more the following spring, but failed even to bend this, the sharpest salient in the British line. Here, however, both sides have made many trench raids lately, and it is just possible that the German will try again.

Further south, around Arrmentieres, the Boche has also attempted raid after raid recently, and his artillery has been constantly busy. All along the line, including Ypres and Arras, in fact, there is unceasing activity. At two points the topography of the country give Germany striking advantages. One of these is the Hobbeker Ridge, southeast of Ypres. The other is the Vimy Ridge, northeast of Arras.

Fine Fighting Country.

But the finest "fighting country" lies between Arrmentieres and La-Basse, nearer to the Belgian border, until a thaw turns the frozen earth of this sector into a sea of Flanders' mud.

General Hindenburg may strike north of Ypres or south of Arras, along the Somme front, or he may strike at several points simultaneously, as there is no longer any advantage to him in saving men—the war will be decided before another year's armies can be formed. But he does need territory—some physical proof of victory, something that he can use to buoy up the hopes of his countrymen and improve the morale of his soldiers, something to give the nation and above all the armies the feeling that they are winning.

World Will Marvel.

Therefore it is natural to expect him to select the sectors where the natural advantages will be in his favor at the start.

Where Sir Douglas Haig will strike, and when the blow will fall, it is impossible to speculate. But I venture to predict that when he does strike the world will marvel at the power and intensity of the effort of the British army. This young army has been schooled on the plains of Picardy and has learned the grim lesson of modern war well. It is now tried and true, ready for its supreme effort, and it will prove a tough customer to handle in the gigantic battles about to be fought.

Hunting the U-Boats.

(From the Providence Journal.)

Rear Admiral William S. Sims recently appeared before the House Committee on Naval Affairs. He spoke regarding submarines as follows:

I do not know whether you gentlemen know how dangerous a sufficient number of patrol vessels can make it for submarines. To give you an idea of what the thing means, let me say this: Suppose this table is the English Channel. The channel is divided into sectors, and each sector is in command of an officer, with a sort of central control for the whole business. They protect the channel against submarines. The Channel is regularly patrolled, and that patrol is kept at work all the time. The chances for a submarine to get through that patrol are very small. Suppose, for instance, a submarine was sighted here (illustrating). As soon as the patrolling vessel sees the submarine she has to go down. The commander of the patrolling vessel immediately sends out a wireless saying the submarine was at such and such a point, at such a time, say six o'clock in the morning. By seven the submarine will be in that area (illustrating), and by eight o'clock it will be within this area (illustrating).

The commander of the flotilla at this point (illustrating) will start out his flotilla from this point (illustrating) and deploy on a line from there to there (illustrating) by eight o'clock, and if the submarine is there it will be seen. At the same time aeroplanes go out, and they begin to look for traces of the submarine, and look for the traces of the disturbance on the water caused by that body going through underneath the surface, for although the submarine may be down 100 or 150 feet there will be a disturbance on the surface. The waves are of a certain regularity on top, and that regularity will be disturbed by any vessel passing beneath the surface. As soon as the man in the aeroplane sees the disturbance on the surface he will notify the destroyers, and a destroyer lowers a net in front of the submarine. This net is about 300 yards long and about one hundred feet deep. It is made of wire rope not much bigger round than a match, and

the meshes are about ten feet square, and when you bundle it up it makes a very small bundle and you can put it in a small trough on the stern of a destroyer. The submarine comes along here (illustrating), and this net is put out and it forms a barrier in front of the submarine. The submarine sticks its nose through one of these meshes in the net and is caught. The floats of the net remain on the surface and the submarine cannot get away from it.

If a fleet is coming along, it has a line of scouts out here (illustrating) and another line here (illustrating), and any submarine that sees the line of scouts knows that the fleet is behind, and if the submarine goes down the commander knows that by the time he gets to where the fleet is his ability to steam under the water will be gone.

The submarine on the surface is like a powerful gasoline automobile; it can run as long as its fuel lasts, but cannot use its oil engines when submerged. As soon as the boat goes below the surface it becomes an electric runabout, being propelled by its electric motors, and when the batteries are exhausted he has to come to the surface or go to the bottom. After he gets to the surface he has to stay until he charges his batteries again.—Halifax Chronicle.

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College Battle on Championship Honours

The inter-collegiate championship will be decided this evening when the St. Bon's and Felldians will compete. Kelly the St. Bon's rover, cannot play as he is suffering from a blood-poisoned arm. If the St. Bon's win they will become champions. On the other hand a victory for the Felldians will necessitate another play off. The game starts at 7 p.m. and the players will be:—

St. Bon's,	Felldians,
Gibbs,	Blackler
Gibbs,	point
Fox,	Halburton
Eagan,	cover
Murphy,	rover
Devine,	centre
Muir,	right
	left
	Cornick

Ships Damaged all in Vain

Washington Decided not to Use Them Even in War Time.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Every one of the seventeen war-bound German merchant ships examined by American officials at Philippine ports since the break with Germany has been damaged by her crew so badly that six months or more would be required to make any of them seaworthy. An official report to-day said that of the twenty-three vessels tied up in the islands all but three had been inspected, and none had been found which could be put into condition without a large expenditure of time and money.


So widespread and thorough has been the concerted disabling of German ships in American ports that some officials think it could only be explained by a blanket order from Berlin. It is suggested that such instructions might have gone forward early in the war, to cover such an exigency as now has arisen. There has been no indication, however, that the American Government has authentic information on the subject.

As explained to-day, the policy of the Government is to make no use of these ships, even if war comes. It was said authoritatively that there had been no decision even to take over the ships in the event of war, much less use them.

Bell Island Vs City.

OFFICIAL SCORE. The official result of the series of matches played at Bell Island last week between the home team at that place and the city is as follows:—

MARCH 1st, NIGHT.	
Bell Island,	St. John's,
J. C. Stewart	A. H. Salter
D. J. Jackman	F. H. Steer
L. L. Mews	W. H. Duder
A. R. Proudfoot	E. J. Rowe
(sk.)—16	(sk.)—11
C. P. Taylor	A. E. Hayward
T. Blackwood	W. J. Higgins
Jas. Gillespie	F. V. Chesman
D. V. Burpee	H. J. Duder
(sk.)—12	(sk.)—16
MARCH 2nd, AFTERNOON.	
J. Carew	E. McLaen
J. Gillespie	F. H. Steer
J. L. Mews	H. J. Duder
A. R. Proudfoot	A. H. Salter
(sk.)—8	(sk.)—7
A. Baxter	W. J. Higgins
J. Morley	E. A. Hayward
D. V. Burpee	W. H. Duder
C. B. Archibald	F. V. Chesman
(sk.)—2	(sk.)—7
MARCH 2nd, NIGHT.	
Dr. J. B. Lynch	H. J. Duder
R. E. Watson	E. A. Hayward
C. B. Archibald	F. V. Chesman
Dr. Carnochan	W. J. Higgins
(sk.)—16	(sk.)—13
F. Burrows	E. M. McLaen
J. S. Gillespie	F. H. Steer
A. R. Proudfoot	A. H. Salter
J. L. Mews	W. H. Duder
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For the Hospital.

Two patients for the General Hospital reached the city by yesterday morning's express. One is a woman from Tilting and the other a man from Trinity.

Mr. Dyke, of Sandy Cove, B. E., entered the hospital Saturday to undergo medical treatment for a cancerous growth on the lip.

Mr. John Kennedy, of St. George's, entered the hospital Saturday for surgical treatment to a broken limb.

TRIALS OF AN INVALID.

I have the an-thrax in my knees and a d reme-dies won't rout it; when I have any punk disease, I like to talk about it. Oh, I could tell you, and re-peat, about acute lumbago, and how the doctor makes me eat s u c h things as bran and sago. And when I tell about the state of my old stomach's lining, it's wonderful how I stam-mer—my eloquence is shining. But when I try to tell the tale of aches that I'm enjoying, my neigh-bors say, "The subject's stale; long-er we found it cloying. Come, talk of battle and retreat, where na-tions strive together; discuss awhile the winter wheat, and analyze the Delaware, the late dispatches tell you, and you sit and mander there of ailments that befall you. The woolen mills are shutting down, be-cause they can't get teasles, and yet you roam around the town, and talk about the measles." There is no solace for the gent who's loaded with disease; his healthy friends don't care a cent for all his sighs and wheezes.

Change Island Notes.

Since last writing, we have been deprived of the services of a doctor, which is a great misfortune at any time, and particularly during the winter months. Dr. MacLean and Miss Jessie left for Western Bay on Jan. 29th, going overland. Mrs. MacLean and Miss Flora followed later. We are glad to see that the energetic Doctor's Committee is advertising for another, and trust they will very soon be successful in obtaining one. This is a splendid price for the right man.

The S. U. F. had their annual parade on Candelmas Day. This year they attended the Methodist Church, where Rev. A. Wilkinson gave them a very interesting and instructing sermon. After a walk around the island they returned to their Hall, where a most sumptuous tea was ready for them, notwithstanding the "high cost of living." Dancing was also on the programme, which the young people thoroughly enjoyed.

Mr. W. H. Earle's, good nag "Ted" had a very unpleasant journey to Lewisport, the travelling being poor. Ted's passengers were Messrs. Ned Stuckless and Wm. Waterman who we hear were badly frostbitten.

Mrs. Harvey Oake has again been ill, and Dr. LeDrew (Twillingate) was here to attend her, also Drs. Sweeney (Fogo) and MacKenzie (Joe Butt's Arm). We hope soon to see Mrs. Oake on the road to recovery.

The Church of England Women's Association held a tea and sale of work a few weeks ago. The proceeds amounted to ninety dollars, which we hear will go toward the purchase of a new church bell.

Mrs. Joe Peckford has now left the General Hospital, and is expected home soon. We are very sorry that another member of the family, Ralph, will be leaving shortly for St. John's to enter the institution.

Congratulations to the popular Captain of the "Sun" and his bride, Mrs. Roberts, who visited Changes Islands last summer. Their many friends here wish them bon voyage along the sea of matrimony.

Mr. Arthur Earle of Fogo, spent a few days with his parents last week. While here several card parties were given in his honour.

We are glad to note that Pte. Harry Roberts of "Ours" is steadily improving in an English hospital. Another of Mr. Roberts' sons, Buller, enlisted at St. John's recently, but was rejected. Miss Lizzie, who is rounding it in Serbia, as a Red Cross nurse, writes that she enjoys the gipsy life she is leading.

There is a splendid Salvation Army Barracks in course of erection here. Captain Robins is certainly a hustler. The L. O. A. held their election of officers last month, as follows:—Worshipful Master—Wm. H. Earle, re-elected; Deputy Master—S. Waterman, elected; Chaplain—Cecil Taylor, elected; Recording Secretary—A. H. Taylor, re-elected; Financial Secretary—Frank White, elected; Treasurer—Alan Diamond, elected; 1st Lecturer—Robert Bursay, re-elected; 2nd Lecturer—George Brenson, elected; Director of Ceremonies—George Taylor, elected; Inside Tyler—Wm. Bursay, elected; Outside Tyler—Thomas Loder, re-elected; Committee—E. White, C. Diamond, Eli Morgan, Martin Hoffe, Henry Waterman. The membership has been much increased during the past year, and we understand the Society intends having the fine Hall finished with metal ceiling by next fall.

We were informed that many of our soldiers are continually sending home for more socks, and complaining that they are insufficiently provided. The W. P. A. says that at London, there are more than enough for our boys, and that the surplus is to be given to soldiers of other regiments. The lads also write that the fingerless mittens are not at all suitable, they prefer mittens with the thumb and one finger. We trust the busy knitters will see that the brave boys get them.

Change Islands extends its sympathy to Mrs. Prescott, who has just received news of the death, by accident, of her brother, who had enlisted in England for Home Defence.

The Lenten season has begun, and all festivities are over for a while. "SAM."

Mauna Loa Abandoned

CREW SAFE. Capt. William Davis, owner of the schooner Mauna Loa, received a message yesterday from Capt. Cook informing him that his schooner had been abandoned at sea among the crew had been rescued by a passing ship and landed at Barbados. The ill-fated schooner left here on January 20th bound for Gibraltar for orders, having on board 3,300 quintals of codfish from the Smith Co., Ltd. Both the cargo and the ship were fully covered by insurance. The Mauna Loa was built at Lunenburg in 1901 and was registered at 89 tons net. Her crew consisted of six, including the captain. Since the outbreak of hostilities we have lost over thirty-five foreign carriers, several of which fell victims to the Hun underwater craft.

George Street A. B. C.

Address by Rev. Gordon Dickie. At the regular Sunday meeting of George Street A. B. C., held yesterday afternoon the Rev. Gordon Dickie, the pastor of St. Andrew's Church, gave an eloquent and impressive address on "Christ and the Man" which received the earnest attention of the large number of members present. The President read an interesting letter from Capt. Bert Butler, M. C., an old member of the class, which was received with great enthusiasm. The gallant captain hopes to be home on furlough in the near future. The class were favoured with a solo from Mr. Karl S. Trapnell, which was much appreciated, as were also the services of Mr. Gordon Christian who supplied the music.

Tragic Death.

Patrick Hynes, of Clatice Hr., P. B., was accidentally drowned at that place on Monday evening last by falling through the ice, according to a message from St. Leonard's to Mr. R. J. Devereaux, M. H. A. The body was recovered, but no particulars were received as to circumstances surrounding the sad event.

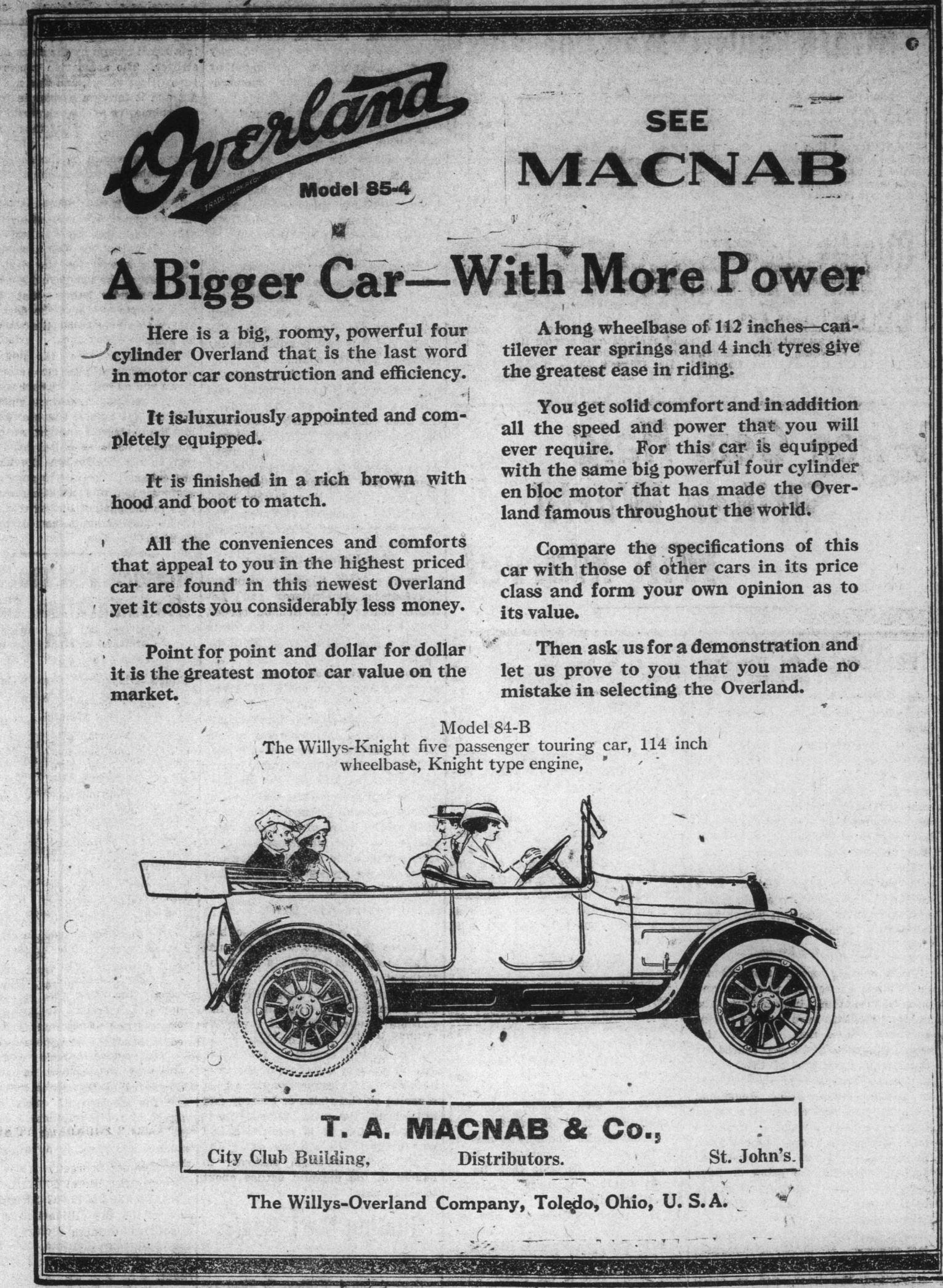
The Task for 1917.

Dundee Weekly News: The battle day, which every passing hour brings nearer, will witness the full crash of every weapon of war. We are going into the contest with the knowledge that we have girded up our full strength, and that might and metal—ay, and the mettle of the fighting men—will carry us over every barrier. We know the stupendous nature of the task, the desperation of the enemy, his treachery and cunning, and the many traps that will beset the way, but we and our Allies know that the Germany of 1917 is not the Germany of 1914, that the giant has already lost vitality, power, and life-blood; and, cognizant of our own powers and will to conquer, we hope to break down and shatter the enemy in his deepest lair.

Everyday Etiquette.

"Is it proper for me to wear a ring belonging to a man whom I have known pleasantly for quite a while?" asked troubled Ruth.

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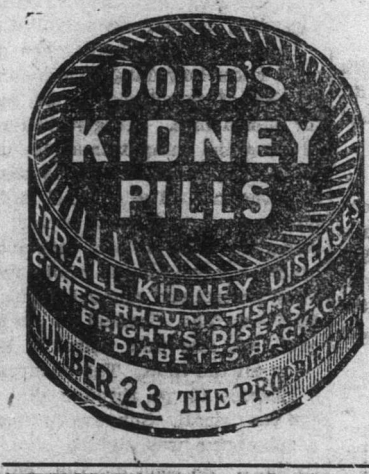
If Not War What is It?

(From the New York World.)

The Atlantic seaports of the United States are blockaded by German submarines. The fact that those submarines are operating 3,000 miles away does not change the character of the blockade or minimize its effectiveness. American ships dare not leave port lest they be sunk; the mercantile marine of the United States is paralyzed; the industrial activities of the country are checked. This may not be war, but if it is not war, what is it? In the meantime, American sailors are held as prisoners in Germany, reports come from Berne that the American Minister to Belgium has been compelled to haul down the American flag and all American relief workers are held as prisoners. This too may not be war; but if it is not war, what is it? Germany is maintaining the semblance of peace with the United States, but it is waging as much war against the United States as suits its temporary convenience and purpose. When a larger measure of war accords with the Imperial plans, the larger measure will be forthcoming. Germany's policy towards the United States is a continuous "overt act" and might as well be recognized as such. It is war, and no other name will make it anything else.

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Carpentier in a Bout.

The New York World has a letter from Paris which gives some details as to the bout which Georges Carpentier boxed a few days ago for the benefit of the family of Georges Bernard, a former middleweight who was killed at Pau. Carpentier was matched with Jacques Bicot, a rugged soldier, straight from the trenches, in fine condition and packing a good punch in either hand. Bicot weighed about 225 pounds, he was slow on his feet, but had a fast left jab and a wicked right hook.

Carpentier went through four three-minute rounds without taking a hard blow and telling Bicot in advance every time just where he was going to land. In fact only one thing seemed to bother Georges, and that was his wind.

"Too many cigarettes, Georges," was the accusation hurled at him from everywhere as he went to his corner. At the end of the last round he was blowing like a whale.

"Three cigarettes a day for you hereafter," was all that Francois Des-camps, his manager, said.

Many Americans who are or have been familiar figures at the ringside of the best bouts ever held in the United States saw Carpentier box, and the

Here and There.

Fresh Salmon and Fresh Cod at ELLIS'.
PROHIBITION CASES.—The hearing of the Prohibition cases will begin to-morrow in the Magistrate's Court before Judge Penny.
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JUVENILE T. A. & B. SOCIETY.—Three new applicants were admitted to membership at the regular monthly meeting of the Juvenile T. A. and B. Society.
Turkeys, Ducks and Chicken at ELLIS'.
JUST FOR FUN.—It is related that two Presbyterians, two Baptists, two Universalists and an active Jew recently met and discussed theology together without quarrelling in Boston. The reason they did not quarrel in Boston was because they were in New York—Wesleyan.
To Prevent The Grip.—Cold's cause Grip—Laxative, Bromo Quinine denotes cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 25c.
FISHERMEN RETURNING.—A number of Conception Bay fishermen who were working at the mines at Sydney since November last year are returning by to-day's express to prepare for the Labrador and Straits fishery.

Rann-dom Reels.

(By HOWARD R. RANN.)
BARNSTORMING.
Barnstorming is a pastime of the crude and untrifled amateur actor who draws whatever salary is left after paying car fare to the next town and who welcomes any kind of applause, from fresh eggs to early vegetables.

Most of our barnstormers leap from the farm to the title role in "St. Elmo" with so much success that they are often confused for the real article. They have a very complex and exhausting life, as they are obliged to get up at noon, dress carefully for the parade, learn which side of the stage to come in on, and strangle the English language throughout the evening performance.

There is quite a little acting concealed on the barnstorming circuit. Some of it is concealed so successfully that the audience reconstitutes by decorating the drop curtain with floral tributes in the form of cabbage and pink carrots. Every barnstormer expects some day to make E. H. Sothern look like the end man in a horne talent minstrel. To that end, he memorizes Marc Antony's oration between meals and cultivates a stage stride which is a cross between the stilt-walking crane and a cripple with a club foot.

In some localities which never have a chance to see the drama except runs over a setting hen, the barnstormer is welcomed as a refreshing change from pitching quills and betting on the duration of the European war. It must be admitted, however, that not all of the barnstorming now in progress takes place in the rural precincts. A pretty fair imitation can occasionally be found in theatres which set a man back \$4 for the family circle. This tends to prove that true merit often goes unrecognized, while a superior quality of nonchalant nerve gets the coin.

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The Food Shortage

Circular Addressed to the Various Religious Institutions. Government of St. John's.

Sir,—

At a General Meeting of the Patriotic Association of Newfoundland, held on February 27th, the stability of Newfoundland, and a food scarcity and the meeting the danger formal subject of serious de-... was adopted of which I... the general purport of... the people should be stimulated... cultivation of every available... land so that as far as possible... threatened shortage should... growing food and fodder... soil.

The Association felt that... thorough and efficient the... Agricultural Department... will probably fail to achieve... est results if the general... the country be not... strengthened by an appeal... whose duties bring these... intel- ligence and education... them to grasp the full... the threatened peril.

Under these circumstances... most earnestly to ask... the cooperation of those "... People" with whom you... your office are in close... and to express the hope... suggest to them that... opportunity of promoting... aimed at by the Patriotic... The present scarcity... throughout the civilized... causes are well known... difficulty in obtaining...

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The Food Shortage

Circular Addressed to the Heads of the Various Religious Denominations.

Government House,
St. John's, Nfld.,
3 March, 1917.

Sir,—

At a General Meeting of the Patriotic Association of Newfoundland held on February 27th the grave possibility of Newfoundland being faced during the currency of the year with a food scarcity and the best way of meeting the danger formed the subject of serious debate. A Resolution was adopted of which I enclose a copy, the general purport of which is that the people should be stimulated to the cultivation of every available extent of land so that as far as possible the threatened shortage should be met by growing food and fodder on our own soil.

The Association felt that however thorough and efficient the work of the Agricultural Department may be it will probably fail to achieve the full results if the general sentiment of the country be not aroused and strengthened by an appeal from those whose duties bring them into continual contact with the people and whose intelligence and education enable them to grasp the full significance of the threatened peril.

Under these circumstances I desire most earnestly to ask for the hearty cooperation of those "Leaders of the People" with whom you by virtue of your office are in close association and to express the hope that you will suggest to them that they take every opportunity of promoting the object aimed at by the Patriotic Association.

The present scarcity of foodstuffs throughout the civilized world and its causes are well known to you. The difficulty in obtaining tonnage to pro-

vide this Colony with the necessities of life, including fodder for the stock against next winter, may become still more acute. It is therefore of supreme importance that the position should be explained to the people so that all may help to meet the problem by growing supplies of food and fodder at home.

I address to you this letter with the concurrence of the Committee named by the Association to carry into effect the terms of the Resolution annexed. I annex also copy of an Appeal which the Government of the Colony propose to issue on our application.

I have, &c.,
(Sgd.) W. E. DAVIDSON,
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St. Joseph, P. O., 18th Aug., 1900.

INCOMING EXPRESS PASSENGERS.

The following first-class passengers are on the incoming express due early to-morrow morning: Mrs. J. Thompson, J. H. H. H. H., F. F. Ross, P. F. Rodney, J. B. and Mrs. Orr, Miss Orr, K. M. Dodson, C. H. Warren, O. Hodder, E. G. Cousins, Mrs. C. F. Benning, Dr. F. Isgar, Dr. Estell, Jas. R. Gillis, A. Bemister, Dr. J. L. Benates, J. and Mrs. Barry, Thomas Hunt, K. Armstrong, A. Anamensen, Mrs. L. Spurrell, Pte. A. Tracey, Pte. A. Martin, A. Dixon, T. Cooke, Miss M. Collins.

The Inspector-General and Prohibition.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—A large section of the population of St. John's and outports find it difficult to understand the report published in the 'Advocate' a few evenings ago to the effect that the Executive split equally over three applicants for the position of Inspector-General of Police. I wish to point out to the Government the view held by many prohibitionists re this appointment.

In the first place the importance of the position cannot be overestimated. The Inspector-General represents the Government in the enforcement of the majority of the laws on our statute book and social life moral tone and the protection of the people depends on whether the Inspector-General is aggressive, efficient, temperate, in fact a strong man. One who will inspire the confidence of the law abiding and the fear of the lawless.

He must command the respect of his men, that force which operates around the entire coast, for without respect there cannot be true discipline. Right here I would ask, do these three or any of the three applicants fulfill the above conditions. If so which?

Does anyone of these men stand out pre-eminently as temperate, efficient and successful? If not, then discard the three and look for another. I mention the qualification "temperate" seriously because since January 1st, 1917, the prohibition act has become one of the most important acts on our statute book, chiefly because we are almost a crimeless people, and the chief duty of the I. G. will be the enforcement of the prohibition act, as owing to the closed saloon crime as we know it will almost cease. The police records of the last two months will prove this. But it will depend entirely upon the enforcement of the act as to whether it will be so or not. The next question is can any man who has a record for gross intemperance be depended on to carry out the prohibition act?

Is it natural to expect it? If the I. G. is an anti-prohibitionist, he can shut his eyes to smuggling, etc., and prove to his satisfaction and to the satisfaction of all the people who fought against prohibition that "prohibition does not prohibit, and the law become a farce. I cannot see how any government or any high-minded citizen can look with favor on the application of such a man.

During the prohibition campaign the "biggest stick" used against the act, was "prohibition does not prohibit" and the experience of Sydney was held up to the voter to prove it. That illustration was a good one and influenced many people.

In a nutshell the position is this: In Sydney the police are under the control of the Mayor. The Mayor is an anti-prohibitionist, the will of the people is defied and the police "look the other way" when passing the bars where the liquor is openly sold. The people are now aroused and are trying to depose the Mayor. Now then, Editor, can we afford to take the same risk?

Is the Government going to consider the wishes of the 25,000 voters and select a man for the position of I. G. whose record is sufficient evidence that he can be depended on to carry out the prohibition act? If there is any probability that such will not be done then the prohibition committees through the whole country should meet and demand the appointment of a man qualified for the position.

Yours, etc.,
PROHIBITIONIST.
March 3rd, 1917.

RETURNING SOON.—Mr. Calvert C. Pratt, assistant manager of the Smith Co., Ltd., received a message from Mr. A. E. Hickman, M. H. A., to-day, stating that he and Mrs. Hickman would be leaving for home in a few days.

TO-DAY'S Messages.

10.15 A.M.

WAR REVIEW.

LONDON, To-day. Again the British have advanced their front on the right and left wings of the Somme and Ancre regions in France. On the left flank east of Commercourt the Germans gave ground over a front of two miles to an average depth of 1200 yards while on the right flank east of Bouchavesnes the attack gave the British terrain on a front of 1200 yards and 173 prisoners. According to London heavy casualties were inflicted on the Germans in several counter attacks. The recent receding of ground by the Germans in the Ancre and Somme regions evidently was not carried out for strategic reasons but because of necessity. According to a Staff Correspondent of the Associated Press, a visit to various points of the line showed that the guns of the British had torn up the trenches and communication trenches and searched out thoroughly the ground on a wide area behind the German line. In the Meuse district the Germans north of Elix in an attack preceded by a heavy bombardment succeeded in entering a French trench but were driven out by a counter attack. Reciprocal bombardments especially severe east of the Meuse in the Bois Courcieres sector have taken place. Along the Russian front and in Roumania fighting of moment is taking place. In the Austro-Italian theatre an Austrian attempt to storm the Italian positions east of Gorizia was frustrated, according to Rome. Minor infantry operations and artillery duels continue in other sectors of this front. With the important town of Hamadan already in their possession the Russians are keeping up their offensive against the Turks in Persia. Eighty miles northeast of Hamadan they have captured the villages of Bijar and Khanikale. The loss of a British torpedo boat destroyer with all hands is reported by the British Admiralty. The vessel went down in the North Sea and is believed to have struck a mine. Berlin, in a statement regarding vessels sunk by submarines, mentions sending to the bottom in the Mediterranean of an armed transport steamer of 34,494 tons. It is added that some troops on board were lost. The largest vessel previously sunk was the steamer Lusitania, 30,396 tons.

STEAMER FOUNDERS AT SEA.

NEW YORK, To-day. The steamer Georgetown, New York for Havre with barrel oil foundered at sea on February 27th. The crew were taken off by the Illinois and part transferred to another steamer and landed at Halifax on Sunday.

12.15 P.M.

CASLES IN THE AIR.

AMSTERDAM, To-day. The Berliner Tagblatt, a copy of which has been received here dealing with the plan to grant independence to the Flemish Nation, says the civil administration of Belgium will be divided with the Flemish part having Brussels as its capital and the Walloon part with Namur as its capital. The political Department and the relief department will remain united, the Tagblatt says. The American members of the Belgian Relief Committee have already been replaced by Dutch members. The Cologne Gazette, referring to the Flemish movement, says a Council of Flanders was founded at the beginning of this year by 2,000 representatives. The movement, the newspaper adds, does not aim at the foundation of an independent state, but an autonomous administration which has long been desired by a majority of the Flemish population. The Koelnische Volks Zeitung admitting that some of the serious blunders committed by Germany in Lorraine have unfortunately been repeated in Belgium, contends nevertheless that every sensible man in Belgium will recognize that Belgium's ultimate relation to Germany will be one of dependence. The newspaper deducts from Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech that Germany after the war will keep Belgium in her hands not only militarily and economically but to a certain extent politically, not by annexation but with the real guarantee which the Chancellor promised in his first speech on Germany's war aims.

TERRIFYING AMERICA.

LONDON, To-day. A Swiss despatch quotes a Balkan Press Agency as saying that Bulgaria will present a note to the United States next week supporting Germany in her unrestricted submarine campaign and declaring that American hostility toward Germany must be considered to be directed also against the Balkans.

OIL STEAMER STRANDED.

PHILADELPHIA, To-day. A report from Norfolk says the steamer Louisiana from Tampico, Mexico, for Philadelphia, with crude oil on board, was stranded on the coast of Virginia.

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James Baird

oil has stranded on the shoals two miles north of the Ocean City.

GERMAN CRITICISM OF GERMAN PLOT.

BERLIN, To-day.

While some of the German papers have received the news of the German-Mexican intrigue with comparative indifference, others have vigorously demanded the policy of Foreign Secretary Zimmermann, and among the latter is the Tageszeitung, Count Von Reventlow, formerly one of the most ardent advocates of unrestricted submarine warfare and a general supporter of extreme measures, writes in the Tageszeitung: "As a result of the publication of the German offer to Mexico, sentiment, which has heretofore been divided in America, is now solidly behind the President. This circumstance of its possible results are hardly calculated to fill us with optimism? However, those circles who have been basing their hopes for the preservation of peace only on divided public opinion in the United States are now forced to deplore the turn things have taken, and to doubt the wisdom of the German policy, which so far as Mexico is concerned may be stigmatized as bringing a lightened match in contact with a powder cask. Viewed from this angle, the offer to Mexico is wholly incomprehensible in view of Mexican conditions, and the further fact that an Allied Mexico holds out no more promise than one which would have exploited automatically a German-American war. The offer of such an alliance would seem to rest largely upon a lack of intimate acquaintance with Mexican affairs and American relations. Those desiring a policy permitting a return of the United States to normal relations after the

war, cannot help but deplore the German alliance plan from this viewpoint alone."

1.30 P.M.

MURDER MYSTERY IN JAPAN.

TOKIO, To-day.

The mystery of the recent murder of Mrs. Von Saldern, wife of Lieut. Saldern, a German war prisoner, and daughter of Vice-Admiral Von Capelle, Minister of the Navy, has not yet been solved. It is understood that Mrs. Von Saldern desired to leave Japan, but that her husband prevailed on her to remain. After the murder of the woman Lieut. Von Saldern committed suicide owing to remorse.

DESERVED CENSURE.

NEW YORK, To-day. Editorial comment in the morning newspapers is extremely bitter against the filibustering tactics which killed the so-called armed neutrality bill yesterday in the closing hours of the sixty-fourth Congress.

FIERCE GERMAN ATTACK ON VERDUN.

PARIS, To-day. A violent attack was made yesterday by the Germans on the Verdun front, to-day's official announcement says. Repeated German attacks failed under the French fire, although north of Courcieres Wood the attackers obtained a foothold in advanced positions. The German losses were heavy.

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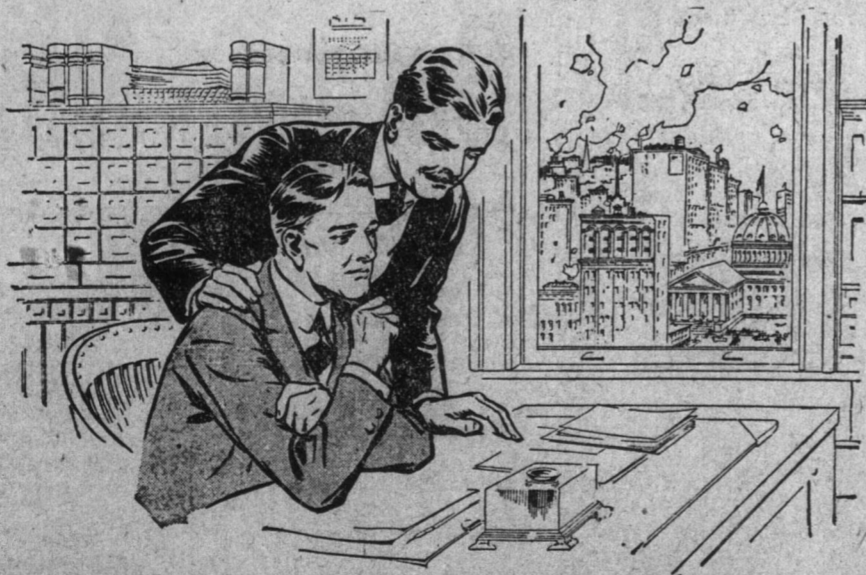
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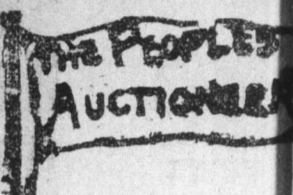
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