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More Gains in Belgium; Russians Also Win

West and East Both Furnish Good News of Allies' Success — Austrians Admit Being Forced to Retreat

Paris, Dec. 30.—The official announcement by the French war department this afternoon reads as follows: "In Belgium we have won a little territory in the region of Niepoort, opposite Polders, and to the north of Lombardetide. The enemy subjected St. Georges to a violent bombardment. This is the position we are putting in a state of defence. "We have captured a German point of support located to the southeast of Zonnobek, on the road between Becdier and Paschendale. "From the Lys to the Obbe, there is nothing to report. "In the valley of the Aisne and in Champagne the enemy has manifested another burst of activity, which has taken the form particularly of a violent artillery fire, to which our heavy artillery has replied effectively. "In the Argonne we have made slight progress in the region of Four De Paris. "Between the Argonne and the Moselle there has been announcing along all the front, but particularly severe along the heights of the Meuse. "In the Vosges the enemy delivered an attack against our positions at La Tete De Fauz. This was repulsed. "In upper Alsace we are consolidating our positions. Our heavy artillery reduced to silence the German howitzers which were bombarding Upper Aspach." London, Dec. 30.—The correspondent of the Daily News at Petrograd telegraphs: "The destruction of the enemy's combination in the southern campaign is enabling the Russians to regain the initiative and inflict on the German-Austrian line the break which was projected against themselves. "This has been achieved near the confluence of the Nida and the Vistula, just inside the southern border of Poland, in Galicia. "All the Austrian forces before this line have been so scattered that the Hungarians alone have to face Russia's southern army. Columns moving eastward Beskies into Hungary, often are entirely without artillery, which they have lost or abandoned in the hurried retreat. "The main German forces in Central Poland are awaiting a new scheme of operations. They have evacuated Opoczno and remain comparatively passive from exhaustion. To the north of the Bzura, Field Marshal Von Hindenburg is expected to try some other shock attack. The new line of defence works being built is equipped with heavy artillery and deep infantry trenches on the hillsides. This position is six miles behind the previous outer defences." AUSTRIA ADMITS IT Vienna, Dec. 30.—An official communication given out by the staff headquarters admits a retreat by the Austrians in Galicia. The statement follows: "The old Russian army, which a week ago commenced an offensive attack against those of our forces which had crossed the Carpathians, has been reinforced with supplementary troops and fresh divisions in such a manner that it was necessary to withdraw our troops along the entire eastern front and to the plain of Gorlic (just north of the Carpathians, and to the east of Nowy Sande). The situation in the north has not been influenced thereby. "In the Balkan theatre, the Montenegrins showed great but unsuccessful activity. A weak attack at Trebinje, in Herzegovina, near the border, was repulsed easily. The Montenegrin artillery had no effect on the strong fortresses of Krivovojac."

PLANS FOR NEW YEAR'S TREAT FOR SOLDIERS

The city commissioners expect to have as their guests on New Year's day at least 1,000 soldiers. The exact number is not known, as this will depend on the number who will be on furlough this week. The commissioners are planning an appetizing supper for the men to be served in the armory and this will be followed by an entertainment. Mrs. Powell, on behalf of the committee of the Women's Canadian Club, which will look after the arrangements on Christmas day, notified Mayor Frink this morning of their willingness to do anything in their power to assist, and His Worship would be glad to have the assistance of other helpers. For the entertainment which will follow the mayor is prepared to hear from any who are willing to take part, not necessarily without remuneration. As so many of the men were away on Christmas day this is expected to be even a bigger affair than the excellent effort of the ladies last week.

NOT SURE YET ABOUT NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION

Montreal, Dec. 30.—Nobody knows yet whether there is to be the usual New Year's eve celebration here in the hotels and restaurants. The Dominion Alliance and anti-alcoholic league have asked, in an open letter, that the places of public entertainment refrain from the usual gaieties, and the matter has been put up to Chief of Police Campeau.

BATTLE IN MEXICO

Veracruz, Dec. 30.—Four thousand followers of General Carranza yesterday, according to official reports, defeated 4,000 men under General Zapata at Tepeca.

Weather Bulletin. Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service. Synopsis—The depression mentioned yesterday is now centred in the St. Lawrence Valley, while pressure is highest in the western states. Snow and rain have fallen over Ontario and the maritime provinces and snow in Quebec. Colder, With Snow. Maritime—Strong winds, and moderate gales, southwest to west, turning colder tonight with light local snow.

SEAMER F HERE WITH ARMY SUPPLIES HAS GONE ASHORE NEAR YARMOUTH

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 30.—Steamer Navarra, 2867 tons, from St. John for the United Kingdom with oats and army supplies, is ashore on Holmes Island, twenty miles from Yarmouth. She struck during a fog last night. Tugs have left for the scene. The steamer Navarra, Captain Milliken, was chartered by the British Admiralty for a supply ship. A telegram received by J. P. Knight & Co., this morning, was to the effect that the steamer was aground at Tusket Island, N. S. and was filling with water. She is loaded with hay, oats and feed. She left this port yesterday morning enroute to France. Full particulars regarding the disaster have not as yet been received.

GREAT WIND STORM STOPPED FIGHTING

Soldiers Blown About Like Ninepins and Yser Floods Turned to Raging Seas—Eighty Miles an Hour at Dover London, Dec. 30.—The Daily News correspondent in Northern France tells of the wildest gale of the winter, raging over the coast on Monday night after a day of dreaching rain. The warships, destroyers, submarines and monitors ceased operations long before sundown. The storm not only paralyzed the fighting at sea, but made a sheer mockery of the work on land. The tempest along the dunes with sand and shingles flying almost with the fierceness of bursting shrapnel, beat the herring boats out of the water, and many a ship was blown out of the water. At Dover, where the wind blew eighty miles an hour, a big passenger steamship was blown out of the harbor. men actually being blown about and toppled over like ninepins. A heavy automobile and transport wagons were blown over, and horses, as well as men, refused to face the gale. The Yser floods were mighty seas, and many German soldiers were reported drowned during the night in an attempt to bring off a hazardous coup. The abnormal gale and blizzard on Monday night in London and the southern counties, lives were lost at Clapham, Gillingham, Sheerness, Margate and South End. Shipping on the southern coast appears to have suffered extensively. At Dover, where the wind blew eighty miles an hour, a big passenger steamship was blown out of the harbor.

GETTING GERMANS OUT OF CANADA BY THE "UNDERGROUND" ROUTE

New York, Dec. 30.—A despatch from Cleveland to the Tribune says: "An underground railroad," similar to the one in operation during the Civil War, has been established between the United States and Canada, and is rescuing Germans from Canada. "Herman Wentz, a German, of Montreal, describes his escape from Canada to Buffalo, in a truck. "The sheriff at Montreal summoned me," he said, "but I managed to evade the writ for a day and then got to Niagara Falls. I tried to get across to the American side, until I met a French-Canadian, who offered to do the job for \$20. I paid him, and he put me in a truck which was shipped across the river to a warehouse in Buffalo. Three hours later I was freed." Wentz declares that a regular system has been established.

THE GOVERNMENT SPENT NEARLY \$1,500,000 HIS BOAT AFIRE

Chas. Cobham's Foresight and Coolness Pull Him Out of Danger With his gasoline boat afire in the middle of the outer harbor in the darkness of early morning, Charles Cobham had an experience today from which he escaped uninjured only through his own foresight and carefulness. Cobham is boatman with the Norton Griffiths Company, and was returning from one of his dredges in Courtenay Bay to Reed's Point about six o'clock this morning. In the darkness his craft collided with a barrel buoy and stove in two of its plates, fortunately above the water line. The shock upset his lighted lantern and immediately the cabin woodwork was in flames. With the caution which distinguishes those familiar with gasoline tanks, Mr. Cobham has always been careful to provide safeguards in case of accident, and his last week he had rigged up a safety arrangement for his gasoline tanks. With this advantage he was able to remove the tanks to a place of safety in the stern of the boat and then set to work to extinguish the fire. He beat out the flames with his coat and a few buckets of water completed the job. When the danger had passed he was able to reach the shore, beaching the boat at the foot of Duke street. Mr. Cobham received some blisters around his hands. With a little rest, his boat will be as good as ever.

CONFERENCE IN FREDERICTON OVER SCHOOL MATTERS

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 30.—The annual conference among the chief superintendents of the Normal school and the school inspectors is being held today. The topics include vocational training, the supply of teachers, patriotism, moral training and teachers' salaries. Gordon Jones, of Youngstown, Alberta, son of W. H. Jones of this city, and Miss Mildred McKinnon were married this afternoon by Rev. J. E. Wilson. They will leave this evening for the west.

BLOOD POISONING

His friends will regret to hear that J. B. Powers of the street railway staff has blood-poison in one of his hands. It resulted from a very slight scratch which he sustained a few days ago. He expects, however, to be able to return to work in a few days.

British Cabinet Takes Up American Protest

Sir Edward Grey's Return to London Followed by Government Meeting—Opinions of New York Papers

London, Dec. 30.—(1.20 p. m.)—Foreign Secretary Grey returned to London from the country today. His arrival was followed by a meeting of the cabinet at which was discussed the protest of the United States government concerning restrictions on American commerce. The note of the American government has only just reached the British government and it is likely to occupy the attention of the ministry for a considerable time. In the meanwhile, it is understood that Walter H. Page, the United States ambassador, will be invited to go over the entire question with Foreign Secretary Grey. New York Newspaper Views There is sufficient basis for the representations made by the United States to Great Britain without any befogging of the issues by resort to exaggeration. The note of the American government has only just reached the British government and it is likely to occupy the attention of the ministry for a considerable time. In the meanwhile, it is understood that Walter H. Page, the United States ambassador, will be invited to go over the entire question with Foreign Secretary Grey. New York, Dec. 30.—Commenting on the American government's note to Great Britain concerning the treatment that is being accorded American commerce by the British fleet, the Tribune says editorially: "The manufacturers and exporters undoubtedly have cause for complaint against Great Britain by reason of that country's stretching of the rules of contraband. Yet, from what has been made public, it is difficult to analyze the precise views of President Wilson. Apparently no fundamental dispute as to the law of contraband has arisen, but that is the worst feature of this nebulous portion of international law. Even if general rules are agreed upon, the opportunity for haggling over null in peculiar cases are endless. So far as appears in the Washington despatches, the chief source of trouble has been the much mooted matter of continual contraband. "The country will support the president in his general stand. Since this country is neutral, its citizens are entitled to the full rights of neutrality. We are confident that Sir Edward Grey will see the situation in the same light." The Herald says: "That British detention of American vessels for purposes of search for contraband of war has proved embarrassing to some exporters will not be questioned, but there hardly seems warrant for the broad assertion that conditions thus produced are responsible for 'depression in many American industries'—especially at a time when we are being told that no such depression exists."

HORSES FOR A. S. C. EXPECTED THIS WEEK

Hundred and Seventy Coming—Winter Clothing For The Men One hundred and seventy draught horses for the use of No. 5 Co. Army Service Corps, are expected to reach this week. The purchase has been arranged through headquarters at Halifax. Definite arrangements have not yet been completed as to the stabling of the animals, but if possible they will be quartered at west St. John, as to the heavy draft horses located there. There will be but few men away from duty from the A. S. C. at New Year's, because of the major portion having had leave at Christmas. The men have now returned and have settled down to an active programme of drill. For Warmth. Every effort is being made to have the men on duty with the various corps "toggled" so as to withstand the rigors of winter. In addition to fur caps and mittens which have been requisitioned for, overcoats are being issued, men, so that with the warm winter puttees, and the feet well covered, they should be well equipped for carrying out the manoeuvres of drill even in the most severe weather. The men of the 26th have been nearly all supplied with overcoats, but the fur caps have not yet come to hand.

RUSSIA MAY TAKE THE LAND OWNED BY GERMANS BUT WILL PAY FOR IT

Petrograd, Dec. 30.—The members of the imperial court, while considering the question of restricting German land holding in Russia, formulated a proposal that German property be appraised by the government, and that German-Russian citizens be compelled to surrender their land, which will be paid for by the Russian government in bonds paying four per cent. This measure, if approved by the government, will apply only to land acquired by German settlers since 1870. The number of Russian citizens of this class is not readily ascertainable since many of German descent and with German names pass as Letts and Estonians in the Baltic provinces, and as Poles in Poland. Therefore the estimates vary from four to eight millions. Indiana Consignees Wheat Supply Delhi, India, via London, Dec. 30.—In view of the abnormal prices of wheat, the Indian government has decided to restrict exports to 100,000 tons of wheat, including flour, from December 1 to March 31, 1915. The export will be confined to British possessions, in which a strong demand for the cereal exists.

BANDITS ROB AND MURDER

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 30.—Two masked men who robbed the store of J. B. Munn in Malvern last night, and wounded Munn and his son, killed Marshall Anderson, partner of Cove Creek, and a member of the posse pursuing the robbers. It is also reported that another member of the posse was wounded. Other possees are pursuing the bandits.

THE FUNDS

C. B. Allan has received from Allan Gundry the sum of \$5, his contribution for December for the Canadian Patriotic Fund. Contributions for the Belgian Relief Fund are acknowledged by Mayor Frink as follows: Concert and basket social, Armstrong Hall, French Lake, Sunbury county, per Miss Viva Wood and Mr. and Mrs. George Armstrong, \$70; Bank Sunday school, Clapman, N. B. concert, per Frank Darrah, \$62; Ford's Mills and Beesville Branch, Women's Institute, per Mrs. James Beers, president, and Mrs. John Call, secretary, \$33; Day school children, district No. 18, Green Mountain, North Lake, York county, per Charles F. Boone, \$10; H. W. Scholfield, \$25; Proceeds drawing for Mrs. Wm. Vassie, \$50; James Dickie, Moncton, \$1; Order Railway Telegraphers, Moncton, per Mrs. M. Purdy, Daughters of the Empire, \$15; Star Hall Theatre, Edmundston, per Messrs. Stevens and Lawson, \$10.05; Methodist Young Men's Bible Class, Sackville, per Herbert M. Jones, \$2.75; Young People's Guild, Knox church, Loggieville, per A. L. Babkir, \$20; Miss Anna A. Maxwell, \$5; Duncy Brunstrom, \$5; Rev. W. H. Barralough, \$5.

TELL OF WONDERFUL THINGS OF THIS EARTH OF OURS

About 100 Million Years Old, Says One Scientist at Philadelphia Meeting Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 30.—Arthur P. Coleman of Toronto, was elected president of the Geological Society of America, which is meeting here in connection with the annual convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. "That the earth is about one hundred million years old, is one of the deductions of Geo. P. Becker of the United States Geological Survey presented in a paper read last night. He said that radiometric activity was confined to a relatively thin zone in the upper crust of the earth. "The missing link between man and ape-like ancestors has been identified in the pithacanthropus erectus, whose skull, found in Java, showed all the characteristics intermediate between man and ape, according to James H. McGrag, associate professor of Zoology at Columbia University. "Charles D. Walcott, secretary of the Smithsonian Institute at Washington, demonstrated that huge beds of limestone were the work of microscopic plants known as algae, which, he said, solved a mystery that had long been a source of argument among geologists. Iron ore deposits in Newfoundland are now known to be the result of radiometric activity, according to Professor Gilbert Van Ingen of Princeton University. AT EAST ST. JOHN Last evening at the Edith avenue mission, despite the bad weather conditions, a large number attended a Christmas entertainment given by the Sunday school in aid of the Belgian Fund. The platform was very prettily decorated to represent a winter woodland scene. The programme included songs and recitations, a play entitled "In Story-Book Land," and a solo by Edith Leonard. At the close S. W. Stackhouse distributed to the members of the school candy boxes from the trees surrounding the platform.

ZEPPELINS DO NOT WORRY THEM

London Calm Under the Strain of Warfare

AMUSEMENTS AS USUAL

Great City Gives of Best and Bravest For War - Wounded Fill Hospitals - German Restaurants Open

London, Eng., Dec. 25 - Are the Zeppelins coming? London thinks that these much vaunted gasbag weapons will arrive one day and scatter a few bombs. But London is really not losing any sleep or worrying. If the big air-crafts which thus far have been utterly useless in the great war should come - well, they have come, and that's all there is to it. After three months of fighting the world's metropolis hasn't altered in the slightest - still very sober, alert, and serious-minded, with no thought but that of ultimate victory. There is "business as usual" in the name crowds, the same noisy banking taxis and motor buses. Except for great squads of khaki-clad soldiers and red-lined posters stuck up everywhere calling for recruits you wouldn't know that there was a war and that the life of the empire is at stake. That is true during daylight, but at night there is a vast difference. Then you realize it.

Raid Not of Importance. But they will only come once, they say. That will be sufficient to show the uselessness of such a raid. Slight damage will be done if they manage to evade the anti-aircraft guns and British flyers, but the raid will not have an important bearing on the war - such is the general impression. London is waiting for the big event, not breathlessly or excitedly, but just as you or I would wait for a street race, taking it for granted that it was coming some time.

People Live as Usual. As usual, London arises at a respectable hour in the morning and has its bath and breakfast and goes to work in the ordinary way. At four o'clock in the afternoon the tea drinkers rally in the tea-shops. Crowds line up outside the popular resorts, awaiting an opportunity to get the tea and cakes and baseball fans crowd up to the bleachers at home. There is no thought of Zeppelins. Chances are that if a fleet of these hovering over London in the afternoon there would still be the same line-up. London could not simply miss its tea, my word, no. But during the day there is another fog. Just a light here and there, and one or two accidents, but the rest is as usual. Traffic accidents are many - nevertheless the city must remain black, because the Zeppelins are coming. No bright sign is in front of the theatres. The white lights have been discarded in favor of blue. You walk along the crowded streets, jostle and bump into hurrying throngs, no apologies are necessary. Such collisions are unavoidable. You may run into a hand-drawn or lamp-post, or a perfectly sober London goes to bed earlier. The darkness and ten o'clock closing of all hotels and snuffing off the boozing in restaurants are undoubtedly responsible for this. Eleven o'clock is quite a late hour here.

Thousands Sent to France. But the big historic city has sent thousands of men to France. More are going every day. Recruiting officers are everywhere. Huge posters hang from buildings and adorn boardings and fences, informing you of the fighting in the king and country need, that it is their duty to go. Prominent men tell audiences, morning, noon and night, of the necessity of more recruits. Music halls have patriotic signs, flag waving and patriotic music, all to fill their coffers and stir the blood of the men of the nation. And while all this is going on newspapers deplore the lack of enthusiasm and talk of the possibility and necessity of conscription.

Men Trained in Parks. Men are still being trained in the parks and on the streets. Everywhere you go chances are you will see a company marching by. Some are in khaki. Others wear their own clothes. They are still more or less in civilian's clothes. The latter have possibly just enlisted and their fighting boots have not yet been issued. Probably you will see a company of the London Scottish, which is getting ready to help out their comrades who made such a gallant bayonet charge on the Prussian Guards, the Kaiser's pet regiment, a few weeks ago. There is no music, no bands to keep the boys in step. The city is serious minded and business like, not demonstrative, except, of course, when something special is on the programme of the day, like the Lord Mayor's show, like the Lord Mayor's show, like the Lord Mayor's show.

WAR NOTES. The Allies are said to be gaining in Alsace. Inspired by a patriotic speech by Hon. W. F. White, minister of finance, in Kingsway yesterday to the 21st Overseas Battalion in the armories yesterday, twelve men left the balcony and enlisted.

THE WHEAT MARKET. Chicago, Dec. 30 - After opening a quarter off to 1-8 to 1-4 up, wheat quotations hardened a little, and then underwent a moderate ease below last night's level all around.

IN POLICE CARE AGAIN. Edward Enman, of Portage, P. E. I., who has been looked after by the police for the last few days was turned out this morning to seek employment, but she - Well, just hold this thermometer in your mouth till I get your temperature to prove it.

MONTREAL VISITORS AGAIN SURPRISED AT THE FACILITIES HERE

The visiting members of the Montreal harbor commission concluded their inspection this morning and professed surprise as well as pleasure at the completeness of the arrangements. They acknowledged that they had not expected to find so fine a harbor so well equipped and were delighted with what they saw. The first part of the morning was devoted to a trip in the C. G. S. Curlew around the harbor, viewing Sand Point and new docks from the water front, then down to the breakwater and around by Partridge Island.

On their return they proceeded to East St. John in motor cars to inspect the new developments there. Here again the visitors were surprised by the extent of the work under way and planned that they will carry away with them a number of photographs of the present and future facilities at this port for handling the trade of Canada.

At one o'clock on Monday afternoon the visitors at luncheon in the Union Club. On the trip around the harbor the party included, besides the members of the commission, the Hon. J. C. Cheley, agent for the marine department; John Kelly, inspector of light vessels; J. Russell, commissioner of harbors, and Harbor Master F. D. Alward.

STEAMER FROM HERE WILL BE TOTAL WRECK

A late Yarmouth despatch says the Navarre will be a total wreck; that her bottom is practically gone and at high tide her main deck will be awash. The tug Hugh D. has gone to take off the crew and what cargo she can. The steamer is on Holmes Island, one of the Tuck group.

ARCHBISHOP'S CALL FOR RECRUITS

London, Dec. 30 - The Archbishop of Canterbury, in a New Year letter seeks to give impetus to recruiting by a fervent appeal to all men qualified to bear arms. "The very life of the empire," says the letter, "may depend on the response given to the call for men. I think we can say deliberately that no household or home will be acting worthily if timidity or self-love keeps back any of those who can loyally bear a man's part in behalf of the land we love."

RECENT WEDDINGS

George A. Burnham of Fredericton and Miss Susan A. Leaman of Moncton were united in marriage Monday night. They will reside in Springfield.

EDUCATIONAL JOURNAL

The Science Press announces the publication, beginning on January 2, of a new weekly Journal of Education, edited by Dr. J. McKen Cattell, professor of psychology in Columbia University and the Teachers College, editor of Science, The Popular Science Monthly, and The American Naturalist. According to the statement of the publishers, the journal will give the general lines that have made Science service in the sciences, co-operating with publications in special fields and aiming to become the professional journal for those engaged in the work of the lower and higher schools and to be of interest to the wider public for whom education is of vital concern. It will contain articles on the education to the social order, scientific research in education and its applications, freedom of discussion, and reports and news of events of educational interest.

SURRENDERS AND IS SENT UP FOR TRIAL

Frederick O'Keefe, who was wanted in connection with the breaking and entering of Wm. O'Keefe's liquor store, Union street, which took place last October, this morning gave himself up to the police. Policeman Jeffries gave evidence that O'Keefe was already public and the prisoner was committed for trial.

FREIGHTS HIGHER

Local shippers have been watching the advance in freight rates with much interest. Trans-Atlantic rates have greatly increased of late so that the rate on deals is now about 140 shillings. The greatest cause of interest is now centered in the rates for the spring shipments, as there is not a very large quantity of lumber moving from here now.

CITY LABORERS PAY

On account of Friday being a public holiday, the city laborers received their pay envelopes today. The amounts charged to the various departments were: Public Works \$2,732.69; Water and Sewerage 2,402.71; Harbor 1,075.78; Ferry 222.70. Total \$6,833.88.

LOCAL NEWS

NO NEW YEAR'S VISITS

At a meeting of the firemen, held in No. 1 Hook and Ladder station last evening, with Captain A. N. Nixon presiding, it was decided to do away with the custom of New Year's visits to the various stations, a custom which had prevailed for years.

DEATH OF MRS. GEO. DOW

The death of Mrs. George Dow took place this morning in the General Public Hospital after a short illness. She was a resident of Capleton and was well known and respected. She is survived by her husband.

SEWING MACHINE REPAIRS

We are specialists in repairing and cleaning - A Babineau, 19 Canterbury. Phone M-288. Hours, 4 to 6 p.m. ti.

IN BANGOR JAIL

Bangor Commercial - Alex. McDonald of New Brunswick, was given sixty days in jail for the larceny of an overcoat from the store of Harry Epstein in Exchange street. He pleaded guilty, and the police say he stole the coat to get to jail, as he made no attempt to conceal it and did not attempt to get away.

WANAMAKER'S NEW YEAR'S EVE

All tables reserved, with big cabaret attractions. 12-31.

THE BREAKWATER LIGHT

The keeper of the light on the Negro Point breakwater informs the charge that the light is not in operation because of a defect in the battery. He also indicates a desire that the public should be educated to the wide difference between such mutton and the native grown - a difference greatly favoring the latter; and, in addition, it demonstrates that the development in the sheep industry characteristic of recent years has brought it to a basis which provinces in the Dominion, has shown a great expansion in sheep raising. A few years ago, when such important districts as Saskatchewan were but sparsely settled, the presence of coyotes and the absence of farm fences rendered sheep raising somewhat precarious. Today, however, it is different and the remarkable popularity which the industry has now assumed is due partly to the protection to the flocker and partly to the fact that it can be conducted in these parts. Certainly, no line on the farm pays better.

MOOSE NOTICE

All members of the Local Order of Moose are hereby notified that Thursday evening, New Year's Eve, will be a social open night at the Moose Home, 122 Hester street. Members and their friends are invited to be present. Special amusements, including card tournaments, Dutch auction and several competitions. A special good time for all.

REMEMBERED BY ST. JOHN

William Courtleigh, who is proving so admirable an attraction in the Famous Players production of "The Better Man" at the Imperial today and tomorrow, was one of W. S. Hawkins' favorite actors in other days in the Opera House in this city. He was then associated with Tom Wise and others who have since become famous players. "The Better Man" is a play of which St. John folk will make considerable comment. It is being shown tonight, Thursday, and on Thursday evening up to 9 o'clock. The remainder of Thursday evening will be devoted to the New Year's Eve Theatricals of the High School Alumnae, who are putting on the splendid British military play, "Our's."

MARRIAGES

COCHRANE-HOLMES - On Dec. 26, 1914, by Rev. R. J. Haughton, Harry A. Cochrane, of Montreal, to Jane Holmes, of this city.

DEATHS

TOWER - In this city on the 29th, Amos, eldest son of William and the late Eliza Tower in the 36th year of his age. Funeral from the residence of his sister, Mrs. C. Sweet, 620 Main street, Thursday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock. Friends invited to attend.

PAYS TRIBUTE TO M. McDADE

United Canada of Ottawa, commenting upon a recent article in the New Freeman, pays the following tribute to Michael McDADE: "A recent issue of the New Freeman of St. John, N. B., Michael McDADE, of that city, who is widely known in New Brunswick and in Ottawa, has a very able and timely article on the political status of the religious minority in that province. Mr. McDADE, whom the late Hon. Andrew G. Blair regarded as one of the brightest young men in the Liberal party, says that Catholics have themselves to blame for having lost the places in public affairs held a generation ago by the Costigans, Adams, Ryans, McInerneys, Angins, Burns and others. He pays a graceful and well-merited compliment to the editor of the New Freeman, Rev. Dr. McLaughlin."

MONUMENTS

And All Kinds of Cemetery Work. H. McGRATTAN & SONS. Wholesale and Retail. Granite Manufacturers. St. John Office: 55 Spring St. Phone # 239.

New Year's Gifts!

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WANT A LABEL ON NEW ZEALAND MUTTON

Saskatoon, Sask., Dec. 30 - Local sheep breeders strongly approve the action of the Alberta Sheep Breeders' Association at their recent convention, in urging that the government compel the buyers of all New Zealand and Australian mutton offered for sale in the retail stores throughout Alberta. This demand is significant in several directions. For instance, it emphasizes the fact that a large proportion of the mutton retailed in the West comes from the Antipodes. It also indicates a desire that the public should be educated to the wide difference between such mutton and the native grown - a difference greatly favoring the latter; and, in addition, it demonstrates that the development in the sheep industry characteristic of recent years has brought it to a basis which provinces in the Dominion, has shown a great expansion in sheep raising. A few years ago, when such important districts as Saskatchewan were but sparsely settled, the presence of coyotes and the absence of farm fences rendered sheep raising somewhat precarious. Today, however, it is different and the remarkable popularity which the industry has now assumed is due partly to the protection to the flocker and partly to the fact that it can be conducted in these parts. Certainly, no line on the farm pays better.

MR. MCKAY COMES BACK AS OPERA HOUSE MANAGER

Friends of W. C. McKay, who has been some months ago as manager of the Opera House, and who during his stay became very popular here, will be pleased to know that he is to return this week to assume the same office. While the news of his return will be received with pleasure, there is much regret at the departure of J. E. Emerson who has been local manager for the Thompson Woods Company since the opening of the season. Mr. Emerson expects to leave this week on his return to Lowell, Mass. Best wishes for future success will follow him. He has proved himself at all times courteous and obliging, enjoying the esteem of a large circle of friends, and the regret at his departure is general. It is hoped, however, in the announcement that his successor is Mr. McKay who has been acting manager of the Merrimack Square Theatre, Lowell, Mass., and who will be warmly welcomed back to St. John.

WESTERN FARMERS AND CITY BANKERS

Saskatoon, Sask., Dec. 30 - That farmers dealing with city banks had nothing to complain of was unanimously conceded at the representative meeting of farmers, bankers and mortgage companies recently held here. With country branch banks, however, quite the reverse was the case. Such being the situation the meeting concluded that at certain times of the year when farmers are arranging their financing the city managers might visit the country branches so as to talk things over with the farmers and add their mature counsel in deciding upon recommendations to be submitted for sanction of head offices. Were this done the farmer is confident of faring better. He feels that the youthful inexperience of the country banker accentuates the vast distance dividing the eastern head office from the tiller of these prairie plains. Whether rightly or otherwise he is convinced of an existing absence of a proper understanding of conditions here on the part of those in the east whose edict controls his financing. The foregoing is but one of several matters which will probably be considered at a large convention of farmers and business men on the tapis for this city some time next month.

THE VALLEY RAILWAY

The first announcement of the running of trains over the Gagetown-Fredricton section of the Valley railway has been made. Tomorrow two excursion trains will be run over this branch but arrangements have not been completed for the continuance of the service despite the eagerness of the people in the neighborhood to have the road in operation. On New Year's Day there will be begun a service between the Fredricton and Centreville stations over the Valley line. As yet no terms have been agreed upon with the C. P. R. regarding the enough connection between Gagetown and Centreville with the use of that company's rails through the capital, though there has been some negotiations.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

- CHRISTMAS PLUM PUDDINGS, MINCE PIES, FRUIT CAKE, Doughnuts, Special Cake, Strawberry Preserves - Sale of Fancy Work - Women's Exchange, Tea and Lunch, 158 Union Street.
- COAL! COAL! Scotch and American Anthracite, Minnie, Broad Cove, and Sydney soft coal by the ton, load, barrel or bag. FORD H. LOGAN, 90-96 City Road. Tel. Main 2175-41.
- TO LET - Furnished room, heated, 87 1/2 Elliott Row. 22215-1-7.
- TO LET - Furnished or Unfurnished, to let, 88 Horfield street. 22215-7.
- BOARDS WANTED, 148 Carmarthen. 20240-4.
- GIRL WANTED. Apply Ross Drug Co., King street. 20250-1-4.
- WANTED - A Barber. Apply Andrew A. Maxwell, 226 King street, West Side. 22215-12-31.
- WANTED - One single sloven. Write stating price, "Winter," care Times. 22211-1-4.
- ROOM WANTED for small dancing class; central use of piano box. 22206-1-1.
- FOR RENT - Four unfurnished rooms, Electric light, use of bath, 52 Dorchester. 22207-1-7.
- WANTED - A cooper for heading up four barrels. Apply Fertilizer Co., Courtenay Bay. 22204-1-4.
- TO LET - Self-contained house completely furnished in most desirable residential part of city. Apply by letter to Box 81, this office. 22205-1-7.
- LOST - \$10 on Albert street. Finder please return to Miss Mary Whalen, 19 Queen street, West. 22210-2.
- LOST - On King street on Dec. 23rd, a gold signet ring. Will finder please leave at Times Office. 22208-12-31.
- LOST - Bracelet with Monogram, between St. David street and Indian-town. Kindly 'Phone 608-31, Howard. 20158-12-30.
- FOR SALE - Singer Drop-Head Sewing machine, almost new. Will sell at a great sacrifice. Apply "A. L." care Times. 22224-1-7.
- WANTED - A cook for public institution in the city. Apply mornings and evenings at 205 Princess street. 20218-1-4.
- WANTED - Second Class Female Teacher for District No. one, Johnston. Qualified to teach gardening. Apply R. B. Akerley, Narrows. 22224-1-7.
- SLIGHT FOR SALE, handomely finished two seated sleigh with pole and shafts, very easy riding, being built on springs, and being of the best construction. Will sell cheap, can be seen at M. R. A. stables, Leinster St. 22202-1-5.
- COW WANTED - New milch cow! Must be strong and able to pass test for tuberculosis; must give good quality milk and not less than 20 quarts per day. Age not over five years. Apply by letter stating full particulars and lowest price to Allison & Thomas, 147 Prince Wm. street. 22240-1-5.
- DELICATESSEN SPECIAL FOR THURSDAY. Baked Ham 50c. a lb. Dressed Roast Pork 40c. a lb. Roast Chicken \$1.00 to \$1.25 each Mince Pie 50c, 60c, and 80c. each Mince Pies 15c, and 30c. Nothing But Home-Cooking Done at This Store. C. DENISON. 65 Prince St.

Chippendale Glassware
The Most Suitable Colonial Glass For Table Use at Reasonable Prices
W. H. HAYWARD Co., Limited, 85-95 Princess Street

Store Open Tonight Till 8 O'clock
If It's Rough Going This Wintry Weather
Get Into One of Our Overcoats.
Our Men's \$12.00 and \$13.50 Top Coats are selling at \$8.75
We would like to see you wearing one
H. N. DeMILLE & CO.
199 to 201 Union St. Opera House Block

Pianos for Christmas
We have a very large stock of beautiful Pianos, which will sell at special prices and on easy terms of payment between now and the end of the year.
We sell such makes as the well-known Heintzman & Co., Wormwith & Co., Karn-Morris, and Martin-Orme Pianos and Player Pianos.
The C. H. Townshend Piano Co.
16 KING STREET ST. JOHN, N. B.

SHIPPING
ALMANAC FOR ST JOHN, DEC 30
MARINE NOTES
The steamer Montrose was wrecked on Goodwin Sands, near Dover Harbor, during a bad storm Monday night.
PORT OF ST JOHN
Arrived Yesterday
R.M.S.S. Caraqueet, 2,975, Smith, West Indies and Bermuda, Wm Thomson Co, Pass and gen cargo.
BRITISH PORTS
London, Dec 29—Ard, str Anglian, Boston.
FOREIGN PORTS
Portland, Dec 27—Ard, schs John G Walter, Walter, Parrshoro (NS), for

Your Health Question
KEEPING well is largely a matter of keeping every organ normally active.
Livers that slow down and stomachs that falter need this famous tonic laxative
Abbey's Vita Salt
25c and 60c
Take ABBEY'S VITA TABLETS The Best Nerve Tonic

Who will get the Trip to California or the \$100 in Gold?
Who will get the Free Return Trip to Boston?
All work done from now until midnight Thursday, Dec. 31, 1914, will give you a chance. Don't delay!
BOSTON DENTAL PARLORS
527 Main St. 245 Union St. Cor. Brussels. Phone 683.
Dr. J. D. Maher, Proprietor
Open 9 a.m. until 9 p.m.

Royal Balsam of Canadian White Pine
is one of the reliable cough mixtures
25 Cents a Bottle.
The Royal Pharmacy
47 KING STREET

The 2 Barkers Limited
For Quality and Low Prices
15 lbs. XXX Standard Sugar for \$1.00
Pure Hand Made Barley Toys, 15c. per lb.
Regular 40c. Chocolates, 25c. per lb.
5 lb. box for \$3.00
Best Mixed Nuts, 16c. per lb.
Christmas Mixture, 15c. per lb.
Best Seeded Raisins, 9c. per pkge.
Best Cleaned Currants, 8c. per pkge.
Pure Mince Meat 9c. per lb.
3 lbs. for 25c.
Florida Oranges, sweet and juicy.
From 20c. per doz. up
Chariot Flour, best Manitoba, \$7.15 per bbl.
Chariot Flour, 1-8 barrel, bag 90c.
Strathcona Flour, best blend, 66c. per bbl.
Strathcona Flour, 1-8 barrel, bag 85c.
Canned Peas, 7 1/2c. can, 85c. doz.
Cream Corn, 8c. can, 90c. doz.
Tomatoes, 9c. can, \$1.00 doz.
Golden Wax Beans, 9c. can, 95c. doz.

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IF SCHOOL FOR DEAF IS TO CONTINUE
Announcement at Christmas Exercises Last Evening Saver Cup For J. Harvey Brown
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FOR YOUNG AND OLD
Keep Your Digestion Perfect—Nothing is Quite So Safe and Pleasant as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets
FREE TRIAL MAILED ON REQUEST
Thousands of men and women have found Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets the safest and most reliable preparation for any form of indigestion or stomach trouble.
Thousands of people who are not sick, but are well and wish to keep well take Stuart's Tablets after every meal to insure perfect digestion and avoid trouble. But it is not generally known that the Tablets are just as good and wholesome for little folks as for their elders. Little children who are pale, thin and have no appetite, or do not grow or thrive, should use the Tablets after eating and will derive great benefit from them.

PRESIDENT APPEALS TO THE U. S. SHIPPERS
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You can surely get something new for New Year's Day if you attend our End of the Old Year Sale.
Great Bargains in Men's, Women's and Children's clothing of all kinds
MEN'S OVERCOATS—
in Raw-edge Melton.
Worth \$24.00. For \$16.00
MEN'S OVERCOATS—
in Heavy Curl—all colors.
Worth \$18.00. For \$13.00
MEN'S OVERCOATS—
in Curl Cloth.
Worth \$14.00. For \$9.00
GOOD HEAVY TWEED OVERCOATS
From \$5.00 to \$14.00
MEN'S SUITS—
From \$6.00 to \$24.00
Less 25 per cent. for this sale
LADIES' COATS—
From \$7.50 to \$35.00
Less 40 per cent. for Month-End Sale
LADIES' SUITS—
From \$12.00 to \$30.00
Less 40 per cent. for End-of-the-Year Sale
LADIES' SILK DRESSES—
From \$7.50 to \$14.00
LADIES' SERGE DRESSES
From \$3.98 to \$12.00
AND LOTS OF OTHER BARGAINS TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION IN THIS SPACE
Charlotte St.
Wilcox
Cor. Union

LOCAL NEWS
At the brief meeting of the city council yesterday Commissioner Potts was given authority to purchase a lot for the public works department at a cost of \$500 and he mentioned that he would get an allowance of \$150 on the old machine.
Try Duval's, 17 Waterloo street—try. 1-1.
Reserve your tables at Wanamakers for New Year's Eve. 12-31.
The Allies' Aid ball, conducted last night in the new C. P. R. building, King street, was a great success. The proceeds are to be donated towards the \$1,000 fund which is being raised to be sent to Dr. Murray MacLaren for the benefit of the Canadian soldiers.
PARDON
Mr. Workingham. May I hit you in the eye with this hard fact. No matter what you get, there is not a boot in the dominion to equal Brindle's Reliabilities. Waterproof and solid leather, 227 Union; Phone 101-21. Repairs unequalled. 1-1.
WANAMAKER'S NEW YEAR'S EVE
All tables reserved, with big cabaret attractions. 12-31.
The home of J. M. Roche, Lancaster Heights, was broken into yesterday afternoon and a diamond ring, a flashlight and other articles stolen. The house was ransacked and considerable damage was done to the furnishings.
Pure Gold Jelly Powder is manufactured up to a standard, not down to a price. Remember, too, you don't need to strain Pure Gold Jelly. It is sparkling and clear, and joyfully quick.
Horse races at Clifton, New Year's Day, at 2 o'clock.
The Montreal harbor commissioners, Col. A. C. LaBelle and F. Robertson, who arrived in the city yesterday on inspection trip, paid a visit to West St. Joan in the afternoon and looked over the immigration sheds and all the wharves. They also looked into the arrangements for shipping and discharging. Both the inspectors were loud in their praise of the facilities offered. They were accompanied on their tour of inspection by the minister of marine and fisheries, Mayor Frink, Commissioner Russell and Senators Thorne and Daniel.
Ladies' rubbers, "Life Buoy" brand with leather inner heels and counters, 55c. a pair; all other makes 45c. and 65c.—Wiesel's Cash Store, Union street.
Storm rubbers, foot holds, soled rubbers, etc. Men's 35c., 75c., 85c. and 95c.; women's 45c., 65c., and 75c.—Wiesel's Cash Store, Union street.
PLUM PUDDINGS
We have a few of our delicious homemade plum puddings left over from Christmas. Price 5c. each, or 10c. each at the Delicatessen, Peter street.
GRAND CONCERT
St. Philip's church, Thursday night, 8.30 o'clock. Old Folk songs. Best white and colored talent.
RECENT DEATHS
Mrs. Barbara, wife of Stephen H. Finley, died recently in Aspen, Col. She was a daughter of the late George Brown of Newcastle, and resided in the North end of this city after her marriage until the family moved west.
The death of Gerald Porter occurred at his home in Westfield on Monday evening. He is survived by two brothers and five sisters. The interment will be made at Hampstead today.
Isaac Sheasgreen, Jr., a native of South Essex, Northumberland county, died on Monday in Portland, Me., where he was ticket agent for the Grand Trunk railway, previous to which he had been a druggist in Woodstock, N. B. He is survived by his wife, one son and three brothers.
WASHINGTON PUTS BAN ON MARRIED TEACHERS
Washington, Dec. 30.—The Washington Board of Education put itself on record as approving the anti-marriage rule for women school teachers.
This rule will affect about thirty per cent of the women teachers and many more who were contemplating matrimony.
Amos F. Carleton, postmaster of Belfast, Me., in the four years of his service, has had no vacation, and has not missed helping on the morning mail for a single day. At no time has he been away from the office forty-eight hours, and he has averaged about sixty hours of work a week.

Woolens at Less Than Mill Prices
Men's Sample Pull-Over Sweaters—Extra Heavy 75c. and \$1.00 each
Men's Sample Union Suits—All-Wool, Super Quality. Worth \$2.50. Selling for \$1.00
Sheep-lined Leather Coat—40 inch Only \$9.00
Men's Sample Gloves—"Scotch Wool" 25c., 35c. and 50c. pair
Men's Flannellet Pyjamas \$1.35 each
Men's Flannellet Nightshirts 75c. each
245 Waterloo Street
Corner Brindley Street
CARLETON'S

NEW YEAR'S GIFTS
BEAUTIFUL NEW YEAR'S GIFTS IN FURNITURE
The Latest 1915 Morris Chairs, in a large variety to select from.
Buy a China Closet for mother. She wants one of our beautiful designs.
New Year's Gifts for Father, Mother, Sister, Brother or Sweetheart
Buffets, Dining Chairs, Leather Chairs and Rockers, Parlor and Music Cabinets, Etc.
Amland Bros., Ltd.
19 Waterloo Street

CANADA IN THE WAR
Ralph K. Danforth, a medical practitioner of Milwaukee, and a member of the first Canadian contingent, was found dead this week at Salisbury Plain, and a coroner's jury returned a verdict of suicide.
Rev. R. H. Stacey, chaplain in the first contingent, was married this week in London, Eng., to Miss Elsie Mary, daughter of Hon. Digby Denham, premier of Queensland.
David Palmer, of Rexton, N. B., a member of the 26th battalion, second contingent, was married on Christmas eve to Miss Helena Mundle of that town.
Orders have been received in Montreal to raise 120 additional men for the Princess Patricia Regiment at Salisbury Plain.
About 115 members of the Army Service Corps, No. 5 Co. were entertained at a reception in Ludlow street Baptist church school room last night. Rev. W. B. Robinson was chairman, and an address was given by Mrs. C. E. Belyea. A handkerchief was presented to each of the men.
In behalf of the congregation of Carleton Presbyterian church, at their annual Christmas entertainment last night, J. R. Cameron presented to the pastor, Dr. Morrison, a purse of \$100. Presentations were made also to several second contingent volunteers from the church.
Philip Moore, secretary of the school, received a fine umbrella from the teachers. In a programme which was well given, those taking part included Mrs. Fraser's class, Miss Rippey's class, Miss A. McLellan's class, Miss Murial Lingley, Donald Cooper, Mrs. Duval, Miss Annie Rippey, Miss Blanche Rose and the choir.
About sixty dollars was raised last night in a concert by St. Andrew's Cadets in their hall in Germain street. Major W. C. Magee, instructor of the cadets, was the recipient of a set of military brushes, and awards were made to Lieut. F. Welford and Pte. H. Chandler for efficiency in shooting.

Keep Your Lungs Strong
This advice is doubly important with the knowledge that every three minutes some one in the United States succumbs to consumption and many refuse to realize they are afflicted until it is too late.
It is after colds or sickness, from overwork, confining duties or when general weakness exists that tubercular germs thrive because the resistive powers of the body are weakened.
Only with fresh air, sunshine and abundant rich blood can one hope to arrest their progress, and the concentrated fats in Scott's Emulsion furnish fuel for rich blood, and its rare nourishment helps strengthen the lungs while it builds up the forces.
If you work indoors, tire easily, feel languid or run-down Scott's Emulsion is the most strengthening food-medicine known and is free from stupefying drugs. Avoid substitutes.
W-2 Scott & Bowne, Toronto, Ontario.

TO READ WITH COMFORT
is a pleasure we all owe to ourselves.
If the print blurs or the eyes tire after reading a short time, our glasses will make you see with ease and comfort.
D. Boyaner
Two Stars
38 Dock St.—111 Charlotte St.
Opp. Dufferin Hotel

OPEN NOSTRILS! END A COLD OR CATARRH
How To Get Relief When Head and Nose are Stuffed Up.
Count fifty! Your cold in head or catarrh disappears. Your clogged nostrils will open, and air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more snuffling, hawking, mucous discharge, dizziness or headache; no struggling for breath at night.
Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist and apply a little of this fragrant antiseptic cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every airpassage of the head, soothing and healing the swollen or inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Head colds and catarrh yield like magic. Don't stay stuffed-up and miserable. Relief is sure.

ASTHMA COUGHS
WHOOPING COUGH SPASMODIC CROUP BROWN'S CATARRH COLDS
Vapo-resolene
A simple, safe and effective treatment avoids drugs. Used with success 35 years.
The air carrying the antiseptic vapor, inhaled with every breath, makes breathing easy, soothes the sore throat, and stops the cough, assuring restful nights.
Creosote is invaluable to mothers with young children and a boon to sufferers from Asthma.
Send us a post card for descriptive booklet, sold by druggists.
VAPOR-CREOSOLE CO.
Lansing Hills Bldg., Hasty 1

SUGAR
Finest Standard Granulated Sugar, 15 lbs. for \$1.00. 300 lbs. for \$6.65
FLOUR
Blue Banner, highest grade Manitoba \$7.15 per bbl.
Quaker Flour 96 lb. bags, \$3.50
Quaker Flour 96 lb. bags, \$6.75
Quaker Flour 24 1/2 lb. bags, 90c.
Victor Flour 24 1/2 lb. bags, 85c.
Middlings \$1.50 per bag
Best Yellow-eyed Beans, 12c. qt.
White Beans, 11c. qt.
Swift's Pure Lard 55c. peck
Best Shortening 14c. lb.
Choice Seeded Raisins 10c. lb.
Fancy Seeded Raisins 11c. lb.
Cleaned Currants 9c. lb.
Best Cleaned Currants 11c. lb.
Choice New Figs 14c. lb.
New Dates, 9c. lb. 3 lbs. for 25c.
New Prunes 10c. lb.
Fresh Eggs 34c. doz.
Choice Dairy Butter 30c. lb.
Best Dairy Butter 32c. lb.
Creamery Butter 34c. lb.
Malaga Grapes, 17c. lb., 2 lbs. for 30c.
Cape Cod Cranberries, 8c. qt.
Best Apples 20c. and 25c. per 30c.
Oranges 20c., 25c., 30c. and 35c. doz.
Best New Mixed Nuts, 17c. lb., 2 lbs. for 30c.

READ THIS
Sufferers from Muscular Rheumatism, Sore Muscles, Sprains or Bruises, by first bathing affected parts with hot water, then rubbing thoroughly with
Johnson's Liniment
WILL GET PROMPT RELIEF.
This reliable remedy has been IN USE OVER 100 YEARS.
Taken internally on sugar or in sweetened water it can be relied upon in cases of colds, colic, sore throat, bronchitis, etc. 25 and 50 cents at dealers.
L. E. JOHNSON & CO., Inc., Boston, Mass.
PARSONS' PILLS relieve Constipation and Headache

Yerxa Grocery Co.
443 Main St. Phone Main 2913
Free delivery to all parts of the City, West End, Fairville and Milford; also all boats and trains.

The Evening Times and Star

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 30, 1914

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THE WAR NEWS

Austria admits that her army in Galicia is retreating, and Russian advisers are to the effect that the Russian victory in this quarter has been a disastrous one for Austria as that recently gained over another Austrian army by the Serbians. The Russians have also gained some success against the Germans, both in North and South Poland, and the view is expressed that the German attack on Warsaw has been definitely checked.

THE AMERICAN PROTEST

The protest of the United States against the treatment of American commerce by Great Britain raised an awkward question. The United States does not wish its trade interfered with. On the other hand, as the London Morning Post says, the Americans cannot expect Britain to tie one hand behind her back when she is meeting a powerful antagonist. Germany is willing to pay very high prices for contraband goods, and there are plenty of Americans ready to supply the demand if there is any way of getting the goods through.

NO SWAP OF ISLAND FOR JAPANESE GUNS

Berlin Yarn of Cession of Sakhalin by Russia is Unfounded—Mix-up in Washington

THE KAISER'S CHRISTMAS

If the report from Copenhagen is true, one of the most amazing Christmas celebrations was that in a town in northern France, where the Kaiser sat down with nearly a thousand officers and men at a Christmas dinner in a hall at one end of which was erected an altar, having in front of it a manger containing a figure of the Christ. We are told that the Kaiser reminded his soldiers that they were gathered to celebrate the Holy Festival, which he said God had decreed that the enemy should force them to celebrate in that place.

LIGHTER VEIN

A Kansas man wrote to his newspaper and asked: "What's the matter with my hens? Every morning when I go to feed them I find some of them have keeled over to rise no more." To which the editor replied: "They're dead."

"Well, Does Anybody Say Po-tah-toes?" "The causes of war are sometimes strangely trivial," remarked the student of history.

"Yes," replied Miss Cayenne, "I know a once peaceful family that has lined up in factions over the question of whether it is proper to say 'to-mah-toes' or 'to-may-toes'."

Tom Pence tells of a good sister in one of the southern states who was late for the service and explained it by saying that for the horse she was driving had run away.

"You shouldn't let such little things detain you," reproached the pastor. "You should trust in the Lord."

"I did," she replied, "till the belly band broke and then I jumped."—National Monthly.

A Bargain A young lady sued for damages in a case of breach of promise of marriage. She was offered \$200 to heal her broken heart.

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Wise Pop. Jones—Sergeant, I think my daughter intends to elope tonight with your Smith.

Police Sergeant—Well! Jones—Well, just lock me up till morning, so I can't possibly interfere with them.

William Dean Howells, at a dinner in Boston, said of modern American letters: "The average popular novel shows, on the novelist's part, an ignorance of his trade which reminds me of a New England clerk."

"In a New England village I entered the main street department store one afternoon and said to the clerk at the book counter: "Get me here, please, the 'Letters of Charles Lamb.'"

"Post office right across the street, Mr. Lamb," said the clerk with a polite brisk smile."—Washington Star.

The members of the Montreal Harbor Commission, who inspected the terminal facilities at West St. John yesterday, were surprised at the extent of the business being done here, and congratulated the commissioner of harbor and ferries on the excellent condition in which everything was found. It is understood that they were impressed not only with St. John as a winter port, but with its possibilities as an all-the-year-round port for Canada.

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SAY GERMANS PLAN RAID ON VANCOUVER. San Francisco Hears Reservists Are Gathering at Sacramento and Moving North. Los Angeles, Dec. 30.—The Los Angeles Times has the following dispatch from San Francisco: "That the pronouncement of German Ambassador von Bernstorff that the Monroe Doctrine does not bar the Germans from raiding Canada is, in truth, a call to the 25,000 German and Austrian reservists now in this country to assemble in the inference of Secret Service officers, who of late have been investigating the immigration to the Pacific coast of men of German birth."

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and the evidence that there is a hegira of German reservists to the Pacific Coast is circumstantial, and of a kind to engage the attention of the secret service. Reports from secret agents were coincident with the statement of von Bernstorff that an invasion of Canada was not interdicted by the Monroe Doctrine. Trainmen report an unusually large number of Germans coming west just now, and Pullman porters have observed German officers' uniforms in not a few grips into which they have permitted themselves to peep. A tailor is reported to have received orders for German uniforms, and an attack by French and Russian colonists formed in two men in German uniform, riding horseback in Fourth avenue here, gave a riotous aspect to the rumors of an invasion of Canada. Secret service reports of a possible movement of these reservists against Canada are known to have occasioned diplomatic discussion in Washington recently. There are reports of frequent meetings of Germans and Austrians in Oakland and San Francisco. The English Consol does not put much credence in the reports. The French, who are numerous here, are exercised over the matter, however. The plan is said to contemplate the occupation of Vancouver and the destruction of Canadian Pacific Railway bridges and tunnels with a view to obliging Canada to keep at home troops said to be destined for service in Europe.

GERMAN FUEL BASE FOUND IN ENGLAND. Spirit Supply Firm, Said to Have Aided Submarine Operations, Raided—Throws Light on Kaiser's Ambition to Invade Britain. London, Dec. 30.—The British naval and military authorities have just announced a first class stroke in the direction of blocking German air raids on England. It has been discovered that the Motor Spirit Supply Company, which was supposed to be English, and which has in the last year maintained an elaborate series of depots on coast and across country, was in reality a German concern. The scheme was to supply German airships and aeroplanes with petrol when they succeeded in landing and inaugurating their campaign of terrorizing the British Isles. It was discovered recently that German submarines are other motor craft already had received spirit supplies from these depots, and it was thereupon decided to raid and seize them. They are now in the possession of the British authorities, together with considerable quantities of petrol found there. This news, which has not yet been published in London, is designed to create an immense sensation when it is known, because of the light it throws on Germany's comprehensive and stealthy programme for an invasion of England.

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State Department Gives up "Responsibility"—Time For Re-Validating Mining Titles is Extended

Washington, Dec. 29.—The provisional government in Mexico City has issued a decree extending to March 31 the time for revalidation of mining titles, according to a Mexico City despatch today to the State Department.

A message dated noon, Dec. 24, from Eagle Pass, says the "situation remains unchanged at Piedras Negras."

A mail report from the American vice consul at Ensenada, Lower California, states that "while there has been some political disturbances of late, conditions in general are improving and the district is quiet." He adds that the bitter feeling against Americans, which was noticeable last spring, apparently has disappeared and that 175 to 200 are now in the district.

In that connection, however, the State Department announced that it "does not advise Americans to return to Mexico, and those who do so go there on their own responsibility."

The Carranza agency here announced receipt of the following message from Gen. Carranza's secretary at Vera Cruz: "General Villareal, at Monterey, informs us that he recently had a conference at Saltillo with Gen. Alvarez, the Gutierrez Governor of the State of San Luis Potosi, who informed him that Eulalio Gutierrez had sent him to in-

form Villareal that he had demanded from Villa that he eliminate himself from political activity, but that Villa had not complied, and that Gutierrez was disposed to enroll himself and his troops once again under the banner of the first chief of the Plan of Guadalupe.

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BRITAIN HAS 17 DREADNOUGHTS NEARLY READY

First Lord of Admiralty Predicts Fifteen Will be Ready Next Year, But Naval Experts Say Another Two Will be Completed

London, Dec. 18 (By United Press mail to New York)—The claims of the First Lord of the Admiralty, Winston Churchill, that Britain will have fifteen more Dreadnoughts ready for action before the end of next year, is a little premature, according to naval experts, it is an understatement by at least two ships. Since the outbreak of the war the British censor has rigidly suppressed the publication of anything concerning the building, launching or commissioning of warships, but without breach of confidence, it is possible to compile a fairly accurate list of England's reinforcements from Admiralty data already made public.

When war was declared, England had in commission twenty-eight dreadnought battleships and battle-cruisers, not counting the Lord Nelson and a German gun which, although nearly as powerful—they mount four 12-inch and ten 8-inch and two 10-inch guns apiece—are reckoned as pre-dreadnoughts.

Building or refitting, Britain had thirteen ironclad monitors on August 4, and another four just laid down. These vessels were reinforced by the purchase of two battleships building in England for Chile and the forcible acquisition of two building for Turkey.

Work at the shipyards is proceeding so feverishly that the four battleships of the 1914 programme may be completed before the end of the war, but Mr. Churchill does not reckon them in his estimate of ships ready next year. It will be seen, then, that he has seventeen vessels, including the Turkish and Chilean acquisitions.

Two Put into Service.

Of these ships, five, the Emperor of India, the Benbow, Queen Elizabeth and Warrapole and the 80,000-ton 80-knot battle-cruiser "Tiger," were launched over a year ago, and have almost certainly been commissioned since the outbreak of hostilities. Two are known to have put to sea.

Of the others, the Valiant, Barham, Malaya, Royal Sovereign, Royal Oak, Resolute, Ramilies and Revenge were laid down just over a year ago and some if not all, must have been launched by now. The same applies to the Turkish Dreadnoughts, Osman and Resadieh, and to the Chilean Almirante Latorre (now named Canchal). Considerable progress had been made on the Turkish vessels and it was only Turkey's lack of money that hindered their completion. Once Britain took them over, this drawback disappeared and during the four months of the war the work of completion has been pushed forward.

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The five Queen Elizabeths and five Royal Sovereigns are armed with eight of the new 15-inch guns, and will be able to fire the most tremendous broadside of any vessels afloat. The Germans have a 12-inch gun, but according to the Admiralty's latest information they will be unable to mount any one ships completing next year.

Of Germany's eleven Dreadnoughts and battle cruisers in process of completion, at the outbreak of hostilities, five of the new 11-inch guns, the Kaiser, Derfflinger and Lutzow, were launched in 1913, and the first four are almost certainly in commission or nearing completion now. Of the others only the Kron Prinz (launched in February, 1914) can be ready within a reasonable time. Moreover, all these mentioned are only armed with 12-inch guns, unless last moment change in their construction has been made.

Austria has but two Dreadnoughts nearing completion, while France has seven, of which three are probably in commission now, or should be shortly. Japan, seven (three probably ready for commissioning early next year), and Russia eleven. The notorious slowness of the Russian shipyards, however, will probably prevent the early commissioning of any of the last-mentioned.

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FRANCE MAY RESUME RELATIONS WITH THE VATICAN THROUGH WAR

Negotiations Proceeding For The Last Two Months Promise to Attain Success—Pope Benedict's Plan

Rome, Dec. 30.—The resumption of diplomatic relations between the Vatican and France has been practically assured since it became known that negotiations to that end initiated by Pope Benedict have already progressed to a most favorable point.

The efforts of the Vatican in this direction are being taken at Rome as only one more example of the quick, decisive action which has marked every step of the pontificate of the new Pope. As a matter of fact, this resumption of official relations between the Vatican and Paris, important as it is in itself, is only a step in the bigger plan of Pope Benedict, to bring about a settlement of the famous "Roman question" and to establish peace between the Vatican and Quirinal.

Pope Benedict's plan to this end provides for the Vatican having an official representative at the peace conference which will adjust the affairs of Europe at the close of the present war. Negotiations to attain this result have been opened directly with England, and it has now become desirable that the Vatican also be on friendly relations with all of the powers that will be represented. At the present time France is the only one of the European nations engaged in the war with whom the Vatican is not in accord. Austria, Russia, Germany, Belgium and even Serbia, have regular ambassadors accredited to the Vatican which in turn has ambassadors accredited to those courts. Although England previously did not have these official diplomatic relations with the Vatican, the latter had direct communication with the English government through Cardinal Bourne, Archbishop of Westminster and now through the new English envoy here. For the peace conference to be convened without the Vatican being in official relation with France would unquestionably prove a great drawback to Pope Benedict's desire to settle at once and for all the quarrel between Italy and the Vatican and to place the latter on a thoroughly guaranteed basis of temporal independence.

France Receptive

Much as it is to the Vatican's advantage in the present moment to be on friendly terms with France, it has been no secret for several years past that France also was in a most receptive mood. Where the protection of large Catholic populations in the Orient had been entrusted by the Vatican since the separation of the church and state in France, to other powers, France has found herself steadily losing prestige in those countries. This prestige has been going largely to Germany and Austria, who have at all times maintained friendly relations with the Holy See.

Galling as this has been in the past to France it would certainly be more insupportable when the present war is over were she to see her two enemies continue to enjoy these advantages, and

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Six Chinamen in Box Car From Vancouver to Jersey City WERE NUMBED WITH COLD

Leader of Party Said Canadian Railway Employe Had Taken \$50 Bribe to Hide Them in Car

New York, Dec. 30.—On his rounds through the freight yards of the Erie Railroad at Jersey City at midnight, Watchman Martin Dwyer heard the doors of a box car rattle. He made his way through the darkness to the door and turned his electric lamp on the door. At intervals of a few seconds, it would creak and shake from a feeble blow on the inside. Dwyer ran for assistance and returned in a few minutes with Inspector Michael Daly of the railroad. By this time, a board near the top of the wooden door had been pried off, and the two men could see by their lanterns that a sort of crowbar was being used in an effort to pry the opening through the side of the car. "What are you doing in there?" shouted Daly.

"I am going to open the door," Daly called out. "Do you understand English? If any of you try to get out you will be shot."

There was more chattering, but the men in the car made no effort to escape as Dwyer and Daly broke the seal and opened the door. Holding their dark lanterns at the opening, the railway men saw first piles of boxes containing merchandise, but as they pointed the lanterns upwards the rays showed them six Chinamen, five of whom were lying wrapped in blankets, while the sixth, who had been working the crowbar, sat on a drygoods box. He came out when the railroad men commanded him to, and admitted that he spoke English. He translated a command to the others to climb out of the car, but none obeyed. One of them muttered something, and the Chinamen on the outside translated: "He says they are too cold to move. They have been riding in there for nearly two weeks. Came all the way from Vancouver."

Nearly Dead With Cold.

Dwyer went inside and started to lift the Chinamen out. Some of them appeared to be nearly dead with cold, and all were stiffened by riding in awkward attitudes. Two of them fell flat as soon as they got to the ground and had to be helped out of the railroad yard. A patrol wagon was sent for, and the six Chinamen were taken to a police station.

There the spokesman, who said he was Hong Chung, an American citizen, born in San Francisco, and the brother of a Chinese merchant in Peel street, Manhattan, said that he had given \$50 in Vancouver to an employe of a Canadian railway to put him and the five other Chinamen in a box car bound for New York.

Hong said that he had made a trip to

China recently to visit his mother, and had landed at Vancouver and his return with the five other Chinamen, most of whom speak English. He had agreed, he said, to take them to his brother, a merchant in Peel street.

When they were tucked away in the scant space on top of the merchandise in the box car, they managed to smuggle in food for the trip, and the crowbar to be used for their escape after the trip through Canada.

One thing that the railway men did not understand was how Hong had been able to determine when they had come to the end of their journey. The box car arrived only eight hours before the hammering on the door betrayed them. The car was to have been delivered tomorrow. Hong would not explain this point. The Chinamen were turned over tonight to United States Marshal James Prout, and will be arraigned today before a United States commissioner for violating the emigration laws.

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Manly, Vigorous Men Rule the World. In reference to my strength, I believe it is now most generally acknowledged that the man who stands back of all achievement in the world, a truth which any of us can easily verify if we but look about us with impartial eyes. As a matter of fact, the man who is debilitated, unstrung and enervated cannot, for perfectly obvious reasons, expect to approach the real and masterful attainments which seem but a natural and easy accomplishment for him whose force, brain power and manly strength are perfectly normal. Hence, while we acknowledge the debilitated, weakened man to be handicapped in every walk of life where real manhood counts, yet it would indeed be cruel of me to here to state the fact in public print were I not of the honest opinion that there is every hope for the unmanly man to restore himself to a state of health and vigor, if he be clear his mind of abnormal fear, and then make a 'fair, square effort to redeem himself. There are two specimens of humanity for which I have no earthly use, one is the man who, though now strong and vital, yet plunges into dis-

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Sport News of A Day; Home and Abroad

HOCKEY

Intercollegiate Schedule
The eastern section of the Maritime Intercollegiate Hockey League completed arrangements for the season's play, at a meeting held in Halifax recently.

When he trained down to 128 pounds he found himself so weak that he could not make any kind of a showing against Lavigne. The two fought a fifteen-round draw in 1895, and Lavigne won in twelve rounds in San Francisco in 1897.

TURF

Winners by Peter the Great
Of the four trotters that earned \$15,000 or more in races this year, three were by Peter the Great, 2:07 1/2. These were Peter Yolo, 2:03 1/2, with \$38,872; Margaret Druen, 2:05 1/2, with \$25,075; and Sienna, 2:06 1/2, with \$16,700.

WRESTLING

Aberg Wins
Alex Aberg, a Finn, won in two straight falls from Ivan Michailoff, a Cossack, in Boston on last Friday night. Karl Lemie beat Morton Henderson two falls out of three; Fritz Hanson and "Crackerjack" Butler had a 30-minute draw.

RING

Johnson Wanted 150,000 Francs.
George Munroe, a veteran featherweight, who has just returned to the United States from abroad, tells the same story about Jack Johnson's condition as the others who saw Johnson in London and Paris. Munroe says that the big colored champion's condition is all right, and that he will be in the same shape he was when he fought in London. "Jack told me that the French President had asked him to go to the front," says Munroe.

"His one great ambition is to be the best bantam in the world. Every night of his life he bakes a pan of biscuits to eat with tea before he retires. He's up bright and early making another batch for breakfast. When I saw him he had reached the stage where he could make a batter and bake a panful without wanting an apron. That seems to give him as much real joy as winning the championship. Egg-nogs are his other specialty."

Munroe brings the information that Johnson has no heavy weights on top of his money pile. "I know personally," says Munroe, "of twelve Americans Johnson has stacked to a ride home to America. He never refuses to help an American. He seems to have plenty of money, but I know a lot of it is tied up in Paris."

Shugrue Bested White.
Joe Shugrue of Jersey City, outfought Charlie White, of Chicago, in a ten-round bout at Madison Square Garden, New York, last night. Shugrue had the better of seven rounds.

Note—Shugrue by his victory has proven that he is one of the best lightweights in the world, and therefore is quite a howl went up when he turned "Hap" Meyers loose to make a place for Charlie Schmidt, but those who were sadder in protesting have been shown the error of judgment, and now admit that Schmidt is one of the best first basemen in the business. Stallings knows where the weak spots lie—if there are any—and will not lose any time in plugging them when he gets the chance to do so.

"Nick" Rufflange Dead.
Alexander Rufflange, former manager of the Brooklyn New England baseball team died at Pittsburg, Mass., on Tuesday, aged thirty-three years. Rufflange, who was known throughout the circuit as "Nick" resigned from the Lewiston club of the same league last spring on account of ill health. He formerly was catcher for the Watbury and New London teams of the Connecticut league.

entitled to have a chance of meeting Champion Freddie Walsh for a twenty-two round fight.

No fighter in the ring today is prepared to do the stunts that made Joe Walcott famous. Joe met fighters of all weights. He was a welter and easily remained at 142 pounds, but he took on the biggest men in the ring when in his prime. He knocked out Joe Choy-noski in seven rounds when Joe had to his credit a drawn battle with Jim Jeffries. Joe made one big mistake. He tried to fight in the lightweight class and take the title from Kid Lavigne. When he trained down to 128 pounds he found himself so weak that he could not make any kind of a showing against Lavigne. The two fought a fifteen-round draw in 1895, and Lavigne won in twelve rounds in San Francisco in 1897.

CRICKET

No Championships.
London, Dec. 30.—All followers of English county cricket will be greatly disappointed to hear that there will be no championship games next season. The county clubs' secretaries' meeting has been postponed indefinitely, and the official announcement of the cancellation of the games will soon be made. No fewer than thirteen of the best cricketers in the country who have represented England in the test matches are on active service. Hampshire has given up the large number of twenty-four players, Leicestershire twenty-three, while Sussex has lost nineteen, Kent eighteen, Middlesex sixteen, Warwickshire fifteen, Surrey fourteen, Worcestershire, Derbyshire and Lancashire eleven each; Yorkshire, Essex, Somersetshire, Nottinghamshire, ten each; Gloucestershire, eight, and Northamptonshire, six, making a fine total of 218 active players from the sixteen counties. Lancashire's crack batsman, R. H. Spooner, who was badly wounded in the shoulder by a splinter of shrapnel, is still in the hospital and progressing favorably; but Somersetshire will feel the loss of two useful members in R. E. Hancock and H. E. Hipplesey, both killed in action.

BASEBALL

Braves Being Strengthened.
In securing Sherwood Magee, the hard hitting, all around fine player of the Phillies, Mr. Gaffney, president of the Boston National League Club, has added considerable strength to the World's Champions. It has not yet been announced what consideration the Philadelphia Club is to receive for Magee, but President Gaffney will probably be in a position to throw some light on this angle of the deal in a day or two. Undoubtedly some of the men now under contract to the Boston Club are involved in it. The Philadelphia Club is going to need players rather badly, but just who the management of the Boston club will turn over to it remains to be seen.

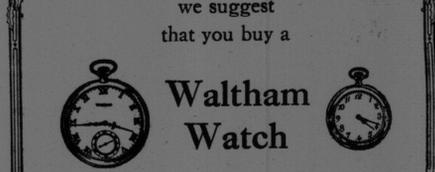
Magee batted in more runs last season than did any other player in the National League. As it is runs that win ball games, it will be seen how nicely such a slugger fits into Stallings' scheme. Hans Lobert, the Phillies' third baseman, it is said, may also come to the Braves, but there is nothing definite about this acquisition at present.

The one thing about which there is no doubt is the fact that the Boston club is not going to stand pat on its World's Champions, but is going to strengthen them in every way possible, which looks like a very wise move. Manager Stallings has done nothing but add strength to the team ever since he took hold of it. Every change he has made during the past two years has improved the team, and it may be safely assumed that any change he may make in the future will have the same effect, regardless of how it may appear to the fans at first glance.

Table with 4 columns: Player Name, Runs, Hits, Errors. Includes names like McDonald, Gilmore, Belyea, Moore, Cosgrove, Ramblers, Emery, Jordan, Beattie, Covey, Wilson.

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You will have cause to remember this Christmas with gratitude for many years to come if your gift-money is expended for a Waltham Watch. A good watch is both a pleasure and a duty—it delights the eye and points the sure hand in the path you should travel every day. And any watch which bears the name of Waltham is certain to be a good watch. For more than half a century Waltham has led the world both in the accuracy and in the number of the watches it has made. Nearly twenty million Waltham Watches used all over the world prove the supreme worth of Waltham timepieces.

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Diamond Sparkles

Eight pitchers, four catchers, five infielders and four outfielders is about the proportion for the major league teams next season, if the managers hold close to the 21-player limit.

According to Chief Bender, J. Weldon Wyckoff of the Athletics will become one of the star pitchers next season. "Let this fellow get control and nothing will be able to stop him—he has everything else," says the chief.

The New York club has 45 players now under contract, but how many of these McGraw will bring back from Martin is a question, and there must be another wedding out by May 1. Twenty pitchers, six catchers, 12 infielders and seven outfielders is the way the Giant squad lines up just now.

TIGERS WIN IN CITY LEAGUE

Interesting Game Between Two of the Leading Teams—Cosgrove's Rolling a Feature

In the City League on Black's alleys last night the Tigers took three points from the Ramblers and incidentally forged ahead in the race for chief honors. The game was interesting as both teams were fighting for first place, and was witnessed by a large number of enthusiasts. The following was the tabular score:

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MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES
The "good government" campaign in Carleton county was opened last night by an opposition rally in Hartland, addressed by R. L. Sims, candidate; F. B. Carvell, M.P., and P. J. Veniot. The attendance was particularly large. The opposition speakers laid special emphasis on the fact that they would do all in their power to have a clean election and to "Oaklands," a Halifax mansion recently purchased by F. B. McCurdy, M.P.

AMUSEMENTS

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M. Power, Buckingham street, Halifax, containing the world's sporting records. The booklet contains 224 pages of interesting statistics of various kinds of sport and is always a welcome addition to a writer's library.

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FINANCIAL
NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

Table with 4 columns: Stock Name, Previous Closing, Opening, Noon. Includes Am. Copper, Am. Bert Sugar, Anaconda Mining, etc.

THE ULTIMATE VICTIMS.

While the war lasts we cannot distinguish between subjects of the Kaiser. All are our enemies. After the war is over two classes will be well defined—the German people and those who led them into the war; on the one hand, the militarist class with its benedictory university professors; on the other, the abused masses. The latter will then be seen to be the most pitiable victims of the war. Their lot will be worse than that of the people of Belgium. What the sympathy of the world and unlimited money can do to restore Belgium to her old position will be done. To restore the German people nothing can be done until this generation has passed away, and perhaps another generation and another has followed it. It would be easier to restore Rheims and Louvain than to rehabilitate the German character. The load of suffering and disgrace that the Germans in all parts of the world will be obliged to shoulder will oppress them long after the people of Belgium have forgotten their wounds.

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Life's Trial Balance

Form with 8 numbered items for calculating a trial balance, including income, expenses, estate value, and life insurance.

Well, how does it size up? For your credit's sake now, would you like to see your wife and family better provided for? Then write for particulars of The Imperial Home Protection Policy.

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URGES BOARD OF TRADE MEMBERS TO ACTIVITY

Timely Call Issued by Secretary Armstrong—St. John's Outlook Encouraging

In a letter to members, urging an active interest on their part for the coming year, Secretary Armstrong of the Board of Trade says:

"With the advent of the new year, a much wider field of endeavor will open up, and it will require all the wise counsel and practical assistance of the members of the board to successfully grapple with the new conditions. Many public needs are pressing upon us, including the extension of the West Side breakwater and the construction of a spur breakwater on Partridge Island; the continued prosecution of harbor development at both West and East St. John; furthering of negotiations for an extended dry dock; the erection of a grain elevator of large capacity by the Intercolonial Railway, to take the place of the one recently destroyed; the construction of additional piers at Lower Cove; the completion of Grand Trunk Pacific connection with the port; a closer working agreement between the city council and the board of trade, so as to avoid duplication of effort and secure more uniformity of action on matters affecting the city's welfare, besides other matters of almost equal importance. It is gratifying to know that St. John is standing up well under the stress of war, and that the future outlook is most encouraging."

WEEK END CASH SPECIALS
For Thursday and Saturday

FRIDAY Being NEW YEARS DAY Our Store will be Open From 8 a. m. Until 10 a. m. Only

VEGETABLES
25c. pkgs. Onions 8c.
10c. tin Sugar Corn 9c.
10c. tin Tomatoes 9c.
25c. tin Asparagus Tips 17c.

READY CUT MACARONI—Most wholesome and appetizing.
15c. pkgs. for 10c.

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25c. pkgs. Oatmeal 21c.
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5 cakes Sunlight 21c.
5 cakes Fairy 21c.
15c. pkgs. Pearline 14c.
15c. cake Pearl's Transparent Toilet Soap For 11c.
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25c. pot Lemon Marmalade 15c.
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QUALITY COCOA makes a delicious cold-weather drink.
10c. size 25c.
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1st—Buy Standalone Coffee.
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Today's price 37c. lb.

Lemons only 17c. dozen
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LOCAL NEWS

CLOSED SATURDAY NIGHTS
Macaulay Bros. Co's stores will be closed every Saturday evening during the winter months, January, February and March. The public are kindly requested to do their buying before 6 p. m. on each Saturday, as the cutting out of Saturday night's open store has been found a great benefit to the staff.

DEATH OF AMOS TOWER
The death of Amos Tower occurred on December 29 after a lingering illness. He was in the 88th year of his age. He leaves besides his father, one brother, George and two sisters, Mrs. Wesley Friars and Mrs. Chipman Sweet, from whose home the funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon at 2.30.

THE SATURDAY NIGHT CLOSING AT M. R. A.'s.
Commencing with Saturday, January 2, and thereafter every Saturday during the months of January, February and March, the stores of Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited, will close at six p. m.

CHILD DEAD
News reached the city this morning bringing the sad tidings that Mr. and Mrs. Donald McEchern, formerly of this city, had lost their only child, Arthur Donald, at their home in Presque Isle, Me. The boy, who had been a bright, healthy lad, had been sick only three weeks with spinal meningitis. Besides his parents, four other children, one a boy only a few weeks old, survive. The sympathy of many friends in St. John will be extended to the bereaved parents. A telegram announcing the death was received today by Mrs. E. N. Stockford. Burial will be in Presque Isle.

GAVE HIM FIELD GLASSES
Presentation to Sergeant George A. Biddiscombe Last Evening

Sergeant George A. Biddiscombe of the Divisional Ammunition Column, now in Fredericton, was in the city last night, and on his return today took with him a splendid pair of field glasses handsomely engraved, presented to him by the members of Court Log Cabin, I. O. F., of which he has been chief ranger for the last year. Sergeant Biddiscombe is the grandson of a Crimean veteran. He is the second member of Court Log Cabin to enlist, the first being Dr. George G. Corbet, who is now with the Canadian hospital at Salisbury Plain, and from whom a letter was read at the court meeting last night by E. W. Paul, the financial secretary.

After the usual business of the court Sergeant Biddiscombe requested to leave the chair, which was taken by Commissioner Russell. The latter referred to the fact that the court had included among its members a mayor, a senator, a member of the provincial government and others holding influential positions, and now it was to be presented in the Canadian contingents at the front.

Sergeant Daniel made a strong patriotic speech, in which he paid a tribute to the Canadian soldiers, referred to the great traditions of the British army, quoted Sir John French's eulogy of the British army at the front, dwelt upon the wonderful spectacle of British subjects of every race and creed rallying round the flag, and then presented to Sergeant Biddiscombe, and expressed the hope that after the war he would return safe and sound.

Sergeant Biddiscombe made a very feeling reply. A. M. Belding read a poem entitled "The British Born." George Scott, who is a boy and student at Pine Hill, Halifax, but is visiting the city, gave an inspiring address. Short speeches were also made by D. H. McNeill, S. B. Jack, High Chief Ranger Grass, High Secretary Todd, Deputy F. W. Jenkins, Commissioner Russell and others.

The letter from Dr. Corbet said that he was now with the hospital at Bulford Camp, Salisbury Plain, and that he expected to go to the front with the Canadian contingent. There were then 800 patients in hospital, suffering from minor troubles.

High Secretary Todd said that about fifty Foresters have enlisted in New Brunswick, and about 500 in Canada.

POLICE COURT
John Bent was arraigned before Magistrate Ritchie in the police court this morning on a charge of assaulting Regina Walsh in her home, off Drury Lane. He pleaded guilty and was remanded.

The case against a boy and young man charged with breaking into Philip McGuire's liquor store in Mill street, was resumed. The boy's mother testified that on the night in question the elder person came to her house and asked her son to show him to the home of a person residing in nearby street. Her son was out about two or three hours and when he returned he brought with him two bottles of liquor, which were produced in court and recognized by the witness.

The boy was then asked to plead and he said that the liquor was passed to him by the elder person. The case will be resumed on Saturday morning.

Two boys, who, it is alleged, broke into the stores of Isaac Williams in Mill street, and Thos. Dean's, Wall street, and stole a quantity of goods, were brought into court. Mr. Williams identified goods produced by Detective Killen and Policeman Rankine.

The latter testified that on the morning of the 24th he went to Mr. Williams' store, and was informed by the proprietor concerning his loss. He later met one of the boys walking up Dock street and accompanied him to his boarding house in Pond street, where he procured the goods produced in court. He said that the boy told him he got them in Williams' store which he had voted the into. He then arrested the boy. While on their way to the lock-up they met Detective Killen and the boy confessed that he had also broken into Dean's grocery store.

Mr. Dean testified that on the morning in question he learned that one of the windows in his store had been broken and that several bottles of syrup had been stolen.

Detective Killen testified and the prisoners were then remanded, and the case will be continued on Saturday morning.

James Smith, charged with being drunk and disorderly in the armory, pleaded guilty and was fined \$8 or two months in jail with and labor.

William Brophy, who, it is alleged, passed bogus checks on North End merchants, was committed for trial.

The Man In The Street

Happy New Year to you!

The fact that it begins on Friday and ends on Friday will probably cause many a one to seek a rabbit's foot for luck.

"Religion not needed in schools," says Boston pastor. Lately it hasn't been needed very much in the churches either—the question of who started the war has been a more favored subject for sermons.

The Kaiser didn't have his Christmas dinner last week in Paris. As yet he hasn't informed us where he will have it served next year.

Don't forget to write it 1915 after Friday.

Instead of blaming God for not letting him dine at Christmas in Paris, the Kaiser ought to thank Him for letting him eat at all.

Is this the January thaw a bit ahead of time or a belated Indian summer?

Cheer up! The December bills will not begin to come in until Saturday.

Lucky that we have a clear week between the Christmas and New Year's dinners.

Have you worn that Christmas necktie yet?

Santa Clause had to share his popularity with the plumber last week. One was as welcome as the other in many households.

No Hard Times.

A young man told us yesterday that in a local office where quite a large number of girls are employed some 500 pounds of chocolates were received, among them all for Christmas gifts. While his calculation may be slightly astray, and might cause him to become eligible for a post on the staff of the Berlin bureau, it is a safe guess that even if half that quantity were received, the young ladies will be the last to believe any stories of blue ruin.

If They Only Would.
A New Year's resolution for every policeman should be to make every motor car and wagon slow up going round a corner.

The Street Railway Company might also resolve to heat those new cars.

And the City Council might resolve never again to erect a public building in the middle of a street.

The Kaiser may decide to cut out his habit of declaring war and the allies will resolve to see that he does so.

The man who resolves that he will not run into debt in 1915 will have the enthusiastic support of his creditors.

Perhaps some one could persuade the pull man to refrain during the next year from telling of the clever things that little Willie says.

If the water pipes would only resolve not to freeze up again!

The high cost of living might make a good resolution to take a rest on its upward climb.

The policeman's earnest wish that the community would swear off on that investigation habit.

Hon. J. K. Flemming—"Never again, never again; not if they can catch me at it."

And someone may resolve that 1915 will not be a good year in which to introduce a foresters' bill.

Those chorus girls might resolve to avoid the danger of catching cold by wearing long stockings or something.

FAIRVILLE NEWS

C. D. Howard's Address Leads To Profitable Discussion of Important Matters

C. D. Howard of the Playgrounds Association addressed the Fairville Brotherhood last evening and his remarks called forth expressions from several members on conditions in Lancaster for the betterment of which something ought to be done. As a starter, a resolution of sympathy and appreciation of the efforts of the St. John Playgrounds Association was placed on record, coupled with the request that the brotherhood be informed as to the scope and details of the department in which Mr. Howard officiates, and also be notified at any time of services the local organization would be glad to render.

Mr. Howard spoke of the Boys' Club and also the Girls' Club in the city, illustrating the good results achieved by relating experiences. He described the juvenile court system and the Big Brother movements, both of which he had thoroughly investigated in New York. He expected to do something toward working out these ideas in St. John.

The incidents of this reclamation work among the future citizens on whom so much will depend some day aroused interest among the brotherhood, and the speaker was questioned on various matters.

One member said that the Community Council in establishing a public playground last summer accomplished a good purpose, but did not go far enough. The boys from twelve to sixteen years had no place to go for a jolly time, which they were bound to have at any cost. The result was that they went to the city, where liquor was sold, driven from their homes by those who had voted the liquor out. The town without saloons and no healthy recreation to supersede them merely sent the youths across to the city and all its temptations.

Another speaker believed that some practical steps should be taken to secure an outdoor skating rink for the youngsters. The old reservoir might be utilized with consent of the owners and with a few hours work put in shape. Several agreed with this and it is understood that something will be done along these lines.

The Community Council apparently has not returned from the summer holidays; no doubt the war and other causes have delayed return to the scene of their endeavors, but with needs still existing it would seem as though activity might be renewed with profit to the community.

Macaulay Bros. & Co., King Street, St. John, N. B.

St. John's Greatest Hamburg Sale
Commences Tomorrow, Thursday

We placed a large order with one of Switzerland's most important embroidery manufacturers in June last, which we have been most fortunate in getting delivered, considering the war conditions of Europe; consequently are able to offer our customers the greatest Hamburg bargain St. John has ever known. Four prices only, 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c, a yard.

Edgings or Insertions of Cambria or Nainsook—Numerous designs; 2 to 4 inches wide, 5c. a yard.

Insertions, Beadings and Edgings—3 to 5 inches wide 10c. a yard
Embroidery Edgings and Insertion—4 to 6 inches wide 15c. a yard
Wide Edgings—Up to 14 inches wide, 20c. a yard

Watch the Papers for Our Announcement of Our Great Free Hemming Sale.

MACAULAY BROS & CO.

The 11,000 Dollar Extraordinary Shoe Sale is Now in Full Blast!

The Slater Shoe Business to be Wound up—Such Bargains Have Not Been Offered in a Life-Time.

\$5.00 Boots \$3.68
\$4.00 Boots \$2.48
\$6.00 Boots \$4.28
\$7.00 Boots \$4.98

Women's \$5.00 Colonial \$2.78
Women's \$4.00 Colonial \$2.28
Men's Low Rubbers 45c.
Small sizes, Women's High-class Boots 98c.

CASH ONLY NO APPROVAL

Slater Shoe Store - King Street

Dec. 30, 1914.

Wind Up 1914 By Taking Advantage of the Savings to Be Had In Our End-of-the-Month Sale

This sale offers greater values for lower prices than you've ever before experienced in such seasonable merchandise. Our End-of-the-month sales have become recognized as the greatest bargain-events in Saint John's retail life, the most fruitful in real savings—looked forward to and awaited by many. No one will be disappointed in the sale today—our offerings include just such seasonable, timely goods as you want and need right now at great saving in prices.

Boys' Winter Caps—Inside band to pull down over ears. Regular prices, 50c, 60c, 85c, \$1.25. Sale price, 33c, 40c, 60c, 85c.

Boys' Washable Blouses—Regular price, 35c. each. Month-End Price, 3 for 77c.

Children's Play Suits—Regular price, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25. Clearing Price, 98c.

**Boys' Winter Reefers—Ages 6 to 14 years—\$5.00 Reefers Now \$3.95
\$6.75 Reefers Now \$5.40
\$8.00 Reefers Now \$6.40
\$9.00 Reefers Now \$7.20**

Boys' Russian Overcoats—Ages 3 to 8 years. Regular prices, \$6.00, \$6.50, \$7.50. Clearing at \$4.95

Men's Flannel-lined Shirts and Drawers. Regular prices, 50c, 60c. Month-End Price, 39c.

A Big Special in Men's Sweaters. Regular prices, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00. Month-End Price, \$1.69

Men's Heavy All-Wool Socks—Regular prices, 25c, 30c. Clearing at 19c.

Men's Heavy Black Leather Mitts with knitted lining. Regular price, 50c. Sale Price, 39c.

Men's Silk Neckwear—Regular price, 25c, 35c. Clearing at 19c.

Men's Fur-lined Mocha Gloves—Regular price, \$2.50. Sale Price, \$1.78

Men's Linen Handkerchiefs—Regular price, \$1.50 per dozen. Sale Price, 99c. per half dozen

Heavy Working Braces. Special Month-End Price, 19c.

Men's Winter Caps—Regular 50c, 75c. Sale Price, 37c.

Regular 85c. Sale Price, 69c.

Genuine Velour Soft Hats—Were \$5.00, \$6.00. Clearing at \$3.48

Men's Fancy Vests—Clearing our complete stock now on hand. Regular prices, \$2.50 to \$3.00. Sale Price, Only 98c.

**Men's Worsted Trousers—\$3.00 Trousers Now \$2.38
\$3.50 Trousers Now \$2.70
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