

ALLIED ARTILLERY HAMMERING HARD IN THE WEST; MARTIAL LAW IN GREECE

BLOCKADE OF NEUTRALS IN EUROPE

Subject Now Being Discussed Between Diplomatic Representatives of Allies in U.S.

APPLY DOCTRINE OF ULTIMATE DESTINATION

Alleged that, Objection by France and Italy Cause of Delay in Putting Programme Into Effect.

Washington, Jan. 17.—Plans of the Entente Allies to declare a formal blockade of German ports, it was learned tonight, have been the subject of exchanges between diplomatic representatives of the Allies here, and in an informal way between the diplomats and officials of the State Department.

The subject has been approached with great caution, and it is said, with a thorough appreciation of the probability of an outbreak of anti-British feeling in Congress. An effort is being made by the diplomats to determine the strength of American feeling generally on this subject, and the European chancelleries ago kept fully advised of the daily developments.

Application of the blockade to neutrals, for which the British contend the United States establishes a precedent in the Civil War, is fully expected to result in supplementing the opposition of the United States by the very bitter protests of Holland, Denmark and Sweden, and possibly Norway.

One Difference It Would Make.

A substantial difference, however, would be the claim of a belligerent which seized an American ship or cargo of the right to confiscate her if she sought to run the blockade, instead of merely detaining her and paying for her cargo taken.

France is said to object to the British view of the right to blockade a neutral port, realizing that in the future France might be cut off from the right to import goods from the United States through the adjacent countries, Belgium, Spain or Italy.

The British contention, however, is that such neutral ports as Rotterdam, in Holland, and Malmo, in Sweden, in all intents and purposes, are German ports during the war, and only by closing them to German commerce could the Allies' plans of starving out Germany and Austria be made effective.

The blockade, even if immediately

ATTEMPT TO BRING IRELAND UNDER CONSCRIPTION FAILS

Amendment Negated After a Short Debate—Redmond Declares Attempt to Employ Force Would Endanger Ireland's Loyalty—Bill Amended to Bring Under Measure Men Married Prior to Day Asquith Gave His Pledge.

London, Jan. 17.—The proceedings in committee in the House of Commons today resulted in no modification of the Military Service Bill. The government strongly resisted an attempt to include married men in the scope of the bill.

The most important amendment sought to include Ireland. This also was negated, after a not very exciting debate, in which John Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalists, eloquently appealed to the public not to endanger Ireland's loyalty, displayed by her splendid recruiting campaign, by an attempt to employ force.

The only amendment accepted was one providing that men married before November 2—the day Premier Asquith gave his pledge—should be regarded under the bill as married men.

Irish Members Ask to Have Ireland Excluded.

Irish members of the House of Commons made an appeal today for the inclusion of Ireland in the provisions of the bill for compulsory military service. A motion to this effect was made by James Chambers, of the Southern Division of Belfast, and supported by James Craik, of the Eastern Division of Down.

Both Mr. Chambers and Mr. Craik urged that the stigma placed on their countrymen by the terms of the bill be removed. They appealed to John

Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalists, to attempt to induce his followers to support a bill covering Ireland. If they would do so, the speaker said, all opposition to recruiting in Ireland would disappear.

A. Bonar Law, secretary for the colonies, who is in charge of the bill, expressed regret that Mr. Redmond had not been able to take the suggestion and course. If the government had attempted to force the bill on Ireland, he said, the Nationalists would have been driven into uncompromising hostility.

In view of the admitted division of opinion in Ireland, Mr. Law believed any attempt at force would result in losing more than was gained. He added:

"It is a great thing to know that for the first time in history the official representatives of the Irish party are openly and avowedly with me in the conduct of the war."

Mr. Redmond said the simple fact was that conscription in Ireland would be unworkable and impossible. It would paralyze the efforts of himself and others who had labored incessantly and not unsuccessfully to help in the war.

After further discussion, Mr. Chambers' amendment was negated without division.

TURKS HARD PRESSED IN MESOPOTAMIA

Both British and Russians Forcing Matters Along The Tigris.

CZAR'S ARMY GAINING IN NEW OFFENSIVE.

Reported Allies Have Landed Forces at Phaleron, Five Miles from Greek Capital.

Athens, via London, Jan. 17.—The Greek government, in agreement with the King, will proclaim martial law this week, according to the newspaper Kairos. The parliament, which will meet next Monday, is expected to ratify this measure.

The British and the Russians in Mesopotamia and the Caucasus region respectively, are pressing the Turks hard.

The army of King George, coming northward from the Persian Gulf to the relief of the British forces at Kut-el-Amara, has driven the Ottomans to within six miles of the beleaguered town on the Tigris.

The Russians, in their drive along the front of nearly 100 miles in the Caucasus, have won additional points of vantage from the Turks, especially in the Arasa and Ind valley regions. Constantinople admits this, but says that south of the Arasa, in hand-to-hand fighting in a Russian advanced position, heavy casualties were inflicted on the Russians by the Turks.

On the other fronts little fighting of moment has taken place. The British and French guns in France and Belgium have been busy bombarding German trenches, while on the Russian front there has been fighting only at isolated positions from the Riga region to Bukovina.

EVERY REASON FOR OPTIMISM SIR ROBT. BORDEN DECLARES

Confident Ring in Premier's Speech as he Points Out Why Canadians Should Regard Great Issue With Confidence—Premier Given Great Reception on First Appearance in House This Session and His Words Greeted with Enthusiasm.

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—Sir Robert Borden has seldom appeared to better advantage than he did tonight when he spoke in the address from the Throne. His words rang with their wonted vigor when he told of the cause of the Allies and why they were battling side by side.

Chiefs were loud and prolonged and enthusiastic when he spoke of what he had seen and heard on his visit to Europe last summer, how confidence reigned, how Great Britain and the Allies had step by step conquered their inefficiency and unpreparedness.

How they now had the measure of their enemies, and how they now knew, as Sir Robert put it—"We can win if we make the necessary sacrifice and effort."

Remarkable achievement that Canadian forces had crossed the Atlantic at the rate of more than two thousand a week.

Talking of enlistment he admitted that at first the Maritime Provinces and Quebec were a little slower than the other provinces but now he said the recruiting there was all that could be desired.

Quebec had been responsive to the appeal for men and he left this part of his subject with a glowing tribute to the valor of the French-Canadian soldiers in the battle field.

The premier disposed of the bogey of conscription in a few pity words. There will be no conscription. It has not been thought of. There is no intention of thinking of it.

As the prime minister remarked, Sir Wilfrid Laurier was not very critical. He chided the government a little, which as Opposition leader would seem to be dereliction of the duty if he neglected. He talked of the large estimates of last session, thought there were too many public works going on, uttered a few words of criticism of the commandeering of wheat some time ago, suggested that the British Government had not asked the Canadian government to do so, expressed the conviction that the action of the government has caused a disjunction of the business and would up with a happy peroration which showed that he was in no mood to enter into any serious criticism of the policy pursued by the government.

In reply to him the premier said that they had laid down the policy at the beginning of the war that no new works should be undertaken unless they were of an urgent and necessary character. That policy had been carried out. The government had even considered the stoppage of works under contract, but the financial strength of the country had made this unnecessary. However if it ever became necessary the government would not hesitate to do so.

With regard to his commending of wheat Sir Robert pointed out that Sir Wilfrid had reiterated that he had no change to make. "Therefore it would have been in better taste if he had made no charge at all." The government had taken the best advice possible upon the question and absolutely baseless rumors had been spread through a section of the press.

Having congratulated Dr. Thompson and Dr. Eugene Paquet, the mover and seconder of the reply to the address from the throne, Sir Wilfrid passed at once to the situation confronting Canada at the present time. He expressed the gratitude of the Canadian people to a kindly Providence for the most bountiful harvest, amounting to some extent for the humanity to man in denying the farmer a profitable market. Then he reverted to the war.

"We still meet under its shadow," observed Sir Wilfrid, "seemingly more sombre." It was the duty of Britons to be sincere and honest with themselves, and it was their privilege to go forward, notwithstanding, with firm confidence and unaltered determination to achieve complete and lasting victory. The only complete victory of the war to the present time on either side had been won by the British navy. By that victory, none the less emphatic because it had been won without a great engagement, the German fleet was isolated, impotent, a puny prisoner in its own waters (prolonged cheers).

Canada's Offering Voluntary One—Canada's parliament met again, Sir Wilfrid proceeded, under the solemn stress of the war situation. "We realized grimly but determinedly that more sacrifice will yet be needed," he commented. "On both sides of the house we have maintained—and let me say at once that we on this side of the house intend to continue to maintain—that it is the duty of Canada to put this one thing first, that it is the duty of Canada and the Canadian people to participate in this struggle, so long as it lasts and until

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ENEMY MASSING AT SALONIKI FOR ATTACK

Army of 320,000 Gathered Between Monastir and Extreme Right Wing.

GEN. SARRAIL TO COMMAND ALL ALLIED FORCES.

Head of French Army at Saloniki Appointed to Supreme Command of British and French.

Paris, Jan. 17.—The Saloniki correspondent of the Giornale d'Italia, says a despatch to the Temps from Milan, declares that information reaching headquarters of the Entente Allies at Saloniki is to the effect that hostile forces, numbering about 320,000, are distributed between Monastir and the extreme right wing of the Entente armies, that 250,000 appear to be massed for attack against the Entente left wing and centre, and that on the right are 18,000 Turks, 30,000 Bulgarians, and 12,000 Germans.

The despatches adds that these troops are now employed in rebuilding and the reconstruction of the two lines of railway, and that the Entente Allies are continuing their preparations for a formidable defense.

Gen. Sarrail To Command Both Armies

London, Jan. 17.—General Sarrail, commander of the French forces at Saloniki, is said by the Reuters' correspondent at that point to have taken over supreme command of the Allied troops, bringing the British expedition under his control. Gen. Sarrail is the senior of Gen. Mahon, the British commander.

The correspondent says this move is welcomed by both armies, in the belief that it will make for the best results.

French Report

Paris, Jan. 17.—The following statement on military operations was issued this afternoon by the war office: "There were no events of importance in the course of last night, except between the Somme and Avre, where our artillery was rather active."

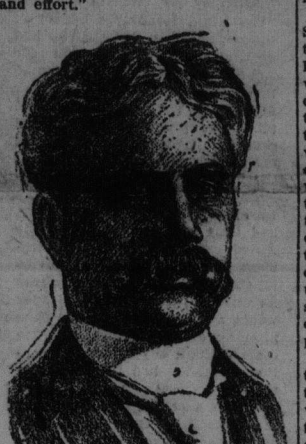
MONTENEGRO REFUSED PLACE TERMS OF KAISER

Lausanne Gazette Declares Emperor Made Proposals Through Von Buelow but they Were Turned Down.

Berlin, Jan. 17, by wirelogs to Sayville.—The King and the government of Montenegro, on January 13, asked a cessation of hostilities and opening of peace negotiations. It was officially announced by Austro-Hungarian headquarters today.

The Austro-Hungarian government replied to Montenegro that peace negotiations were only possible, if the Montenegro army unconditionally laid down its arms, the headquarters statement, as received here follows: "The Montenegro government, adds the statement, yesterday accepted the Austrian conditions."

Zurich, Switzerland, Jan. 17, via London, 8.40 p. m.—The Lausanne Gazette states that King Nicholas of Montenegro has rejected formal peace proposals by Emperor William, made through Prince Von Buelow, the former imperial chancellor.



SIR ROBERT L. BORDEN

The premier thrilled the house with his eloquence as he described the reasons why the Canadian people had reason to feel confidence in the outcome of the war.

"If one looks below the surface," he said, "there is not the slightest ground as to why the Empire should be discouraged."

The important thing was, he emphasized, that "we have held the enemy in the west and given the Allies time for preparation. That preparation is now being effectively made, and our equipment now vastly exceeds that of the enemy's."

The premier didn't dwell long upon the navy, but it was seen by the response to his words that the members of the Canadian Parliament are fully alive to the tremendous effect the British navy has had upon the course of the war, and how much the Empire depends upon her fighting ships.

Russia's Great Fight

He turned to the situation in Russia for a moment. He affirmed from his knowledge of events that the great aim of the Germans in invading Russia had completely failed, and his story of lack of equipment amongst the Russian soldiers affected his hearers deeply.

Russian soldiers had gone to battle against the invading hosts of Germany without guns in their hands, and when the armed men in front fell, with their faces to the foe their guns were passed back to the unarmed officers behind them. Thus it was many months ago, but the scene is now changed. Russia is becoming well equipped, her soldiers are going into battle with arms in their hands and the premier allowed himself to convey strong hopes to his hearers that the new Russian offensive would not fail.

Sir Robert spoke of the mammoth task that had been set the British Empire. "We have raised an army twenty times greater than this Empire ever intended to send into the field," he said, adding, "What we have accomplished seems to me a wonderful thing." He didn't claim this was to the credit of the government but to the people of the Dominion, it was a

INFANTRY SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

Sir Sam Makes Innovation in order to Provide Sufficient Number of Officers and "Non-Coms."

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—A democratic change has been inaugurated by Major General Sir Sam Hughes, minister of militia, in the manner of preparing and educating officers for military service.

With a view to providing qualified officers and non-commissioned officers for the Canadian Expeditionary Force, an infantry school of instruction will be established at the headquarters of each military district, and members of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, of whatever rank or service, will be permitted to attend, provided that they are recommended by their commanding officers and there is room for them.

The staff of each school will consist of a commandant and of as many instructors (officers and non-commissioned officers) as circumstances justify.

Candidates, or "probationers," will join in weekly batches, and they will undergo a progressive course of instruction.

The duration of a probationer's declared effective, will not prevent the exportation to America of the goods of German origin, which have been gathered at Rotterdam but were bought and paid for by American importers prior to March 15, 1915. Notice to this effect has been given to the State Department's trade advisers by the British embassy.

WOODSTOCK VOTERS

TURN OUT THREE OF LAST YEAR'S COUNCIL

Woodstock, N. B., Jan. 17.—The town elections held today resulted in the defeat of three of last year's councillors, Messrs. Young, Fleming and Power. One of a voters list of over 1,000, less than 600 were qualified, some 400 names having been removed from the list as they owed either taxes or water rates. A new man, Harry T. Stevens, led the poll. Mayor W. S. Sutton was re-elected by acclamation. The first six of the below list were declared elected by town clerk J. C. Hartley:

Harry T. Stevens, 237; Wallace M. Smith, 237; Thomas H. Nodden, 236; John S. Deighton, 216; Johnston H. Stairs, 167; Isiah W. Fisher, 161; Joseph W. Young, 150; Louis E. Young, 150; W. Herb Fleming, 146; John A. Lindsay, 103.

AUSTRIANS YIELD TRENCHES RECENTLY WON

Italian Guns Drive Austrians From Trenches They Recently Captured in Osavia Sector

Rome, Jan. 17, via London, Jan. 18.—The following official communication from general headquarters was issued today:

"Along the Trentino frontier there have been artillery actions. Our fire against Fort Rabie, in the Zeebach Valley, destroyed part of a cupola and resulted in the flight of enemy detachments."

"On the heights around Alavio our vigorous counter-offensive devoted to the recapture of small portions of the trenches north of the village still by the enemy, continues successfully. Prisoners taken confirm that the enemy forces were engaged in a heavy loss."

OBITUARY.

Rev. Horace G. Colpitts.
Rev. Horace G. Colpitts, principal of the Cedar Valley Seminary, Osage, Iowa, died suddenly on Saturday at his home in that town. Rev. Mr. Colpitts was born in Mapleton, Col. His father was a farmer. He attended the seminary at Cedar Valley, Iowa, and for four years was employed in the international general office at Montreal. Later he entered Acadia University and then took a four years' course at the University of Rochester, Rochester, N. Y. He was ordained a Baptist minister and held pastorates in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Then he took a two years' course at the University of Chicago. For the past year and a half he had been principal of Cedar Valley Seminary.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Titus Colpitts of Mapleton, and was 50 years of age. A brother is Rev. Robert Colpitts, associate editor of the Maritime Baptist, St. John. Mrs. Nelson Drevlegh, of Sussex, is a sister. His wife was Erine Bradshaw, of Chicago, who survives him. He will be buried in Iowa.

Mrs. Isabelle Copp.
Mrs. Isabelle Copp, widow of John P. Copp, and a native of Westmoreland county, died last week in Cambridge, Mass. She was born in 1832, the daughter of William Davidson. Mrs. Arthur Schurman, of Amherst, N. S., is a daughter. The burial was at Amherst.

Wallace H. Black.
Wallace H. Black, a native of Pughwash, N. S., is dead at Seattle, Wash. He conducted an extensive grocery distributing business. C. E. Black, of Charlottetown is a brother.

Mrs. Isaac Gunter.
Mrs. Isaac Gunter, of St. John, died on Saturday afternoon of a very short illness of pneumonia and pleurisy. It was a great shock to all her relatives and friends. She will be missed very much by all. In the earlier years of her life she was a school teacher. She has been a member of the Baptist church here for some time. She is survived by her husband and one daughter, Stella, at home, four sons, Leslie, at home, Harry of Jemseg, John of Mill Cove, Irving in the west. The funeral will take place on Friday.

Mrs. Ellen T. Lawson.
Mrs. Ellen T. Lawson, widow of John T. Lawson, died at her residence, No. 3 Peter street, early on Sunday morning. She had been ailing only a few days and her death was unexpected. Her husband died some twenty years ago. She was seventy years of age.

For several years she has been conducting the business of her late husband. She is survived by three sons in the United States, William N., in Essex (Mass.); John P., at Everett (Mass.); and Walter C., at Roxbury (Mass.), whilst another son, George F., is at home. She is also survived by five daughters, Mrs. J. A. Wilson of Wharfedale; Mrs. T. S. Barker, of Toronto; Mrs. Lawrence G. McDougall of York (N.S.); and two daughters, Miss Annie E. and Miss Hazel at home. She is survived also by a half-sister, Mrs. P. L. Norton of Galesburg (Ill.), and one brother, William M. Hughes of Waltham (Mass.). She was a native of Yarmouth (N.S.) and came to St. John on being married, where she had resided ever since. The funeral will be held tomorrow.

Leonard Dunn.
Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Dunn of Pokok, will regret to learn of the death of their four year old son, Leonard, who died in the hospital on Sunday night from spinal meningitis.

Operations Failed to Cure Kidney Disease.
Mr. John E. Pomeroy, Farmer, Viozoy, Sask., was twice operated on in an English hospital for kidney disease. Urinary troubles grew worse and he was unable to work. He now states positively that he has been cured by Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills and is enjoying excellent health.

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ROYAL BANK OFFICIALS URGE STRONG POLICY OF PREPAREDNESS FOR DOMINION

Montreal, Jan. 17.—The Forty-Seventh Meeting of the Royal Bank of Canada will attract attention in every part of the Dominion owing to the importance of the announcements made and the strong arguments put forward by the leading officials that Canada should adopt a strong policy of preparedness for the conditions that are likely to arise after the European war.

Sir Herbert Holt, in discussing the manner in which Canada had come through the past year and the necessity for preparing to meet the conditions of a drastic liquidation, the result of over expansion, and the situation was greatly aggravated by the outbreak of war which stopped the flow of foreign capital and compelled us to abandon all new construction. Contrast our economic position then with that of today, and consider the remarkable transition from depression and gloom to conditions constituting all the earmarks of prosperity.

"Under the stimulus of \$1.50 wheat and the pressure from all sides to increase production, farmers of the North West increased the acreage under cultivation 25 per cent., which, with favorable climatic conditions, resulted in an increase of over 100 per cent. in the yield of wheat, over 50 per cent. in oats, and other grains in proportion. Much credit is due to the Dominion Government and the banks for assistance extended to the farmers by way of liberal advances for the purchase of seed grain. The government advance for this purpose amounted to \$12,500,000.

"The enormous advances for war materials, estimated at over five hundred million dollars, has given employment to every manufacturing plant which could adapt itself to requirements. No less than 340 plants, large and small, are engaged today in the manufacture of shells. The industry has proved an inestimable boon to this country and the salvation of a number of companies which might otherwise not have survived the crisis."

Mr. E. J. Pease, the General Manager, after reviewing the progress made by the Bank during the year, made a touching reference to the men who had placed their services at the disposal of the Empire in the great European war. Mr. Pease said in part:

"The important changes in the financial statement, as compared with last year, he pointed out as follows:

Inc. in deposits in Canada \$ 8,835,000
Inc. in deposits elsewhere 10,889,000
Dec. in current loans in Canada 2,581,000
Inc. in current loans out-side 9,545,000
Inc. in circulation 719,000
Inc. in investments 1,727,000
Inc. in total assets 18,895,000

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Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back the natural color and lustre to the hair when faded, streaked or gray; also ends dandruff, itching scalp and stops falling hair. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is messy and troublesome. Nowadays, by asking at any drug store for "Weyth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," you will get a large bottle of this famous old recipe for about 50 cents.

Don't stay gray! Try it! No one can possibly tell that you darkened your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, thick and glossy.

LOCAL BOWLING YESTERDAY
A team of bowlers arrived in the city yesterday from Amherst and last night on Black's alleys lost a match to the city team. The total pin fall counted and the score was 1336 to 1259. The individual score follows:

Black's Alley.
Lumley ... 78 87 100 263-87-3
Covey ... 92 101 99 292-97-13
Cosgrove ... 87 81 97 265-88-13
Howard ... 75 83 91 259-86-13
Riley ... 83 91 93 267-89

Amherst.
Corbett ... 96 98 89 283-94-13
Peacock ... 75 76 68 299-73
McLaughlin ... 74 83 100 257-85-2-3
Darby ... 85 81 78 242-80-2-3
Smith ... 83 76 100 258-86

CITY LEAGUE.
In the City League on Black's alleys last night the Sweeps won the four points from the Wanderers. The score follows:

Sweeps.
McIlveen ... 33 80 89 262-87-13
Jenkins ... 123 96 86 304-101-13
Gambin ... 95 90 116 301-100-13
Pensmore ... 92 102 102 297-99
Sullivan ... 116 98 84 298-99-13

Wanderers.
Norris ... 89 92 89 270-99
Wright ... 91 88 82 261-87
Cromwell ... 94 98 88 280-92-13
McLeod ... 91 78 84 253-84-13
Logan ... 111 88 102 301-100-13

IN THE Y. M. C. A.
The Y.M.C.A. commercial bowling league opened last night the contending teams being the Wholesale Grocers versus M. R. A. and the Grocers being the winners of the game.

Grocers.
F. G. Bent ... 104 88 92 284-94-2-3
E. A. Smith ... 87 90 97 274-91-1-3
R. Stammers ... 96 76 104 276-82-1-3
W. H. Gambin ... 80 85 118 283-94-1-3
W. L. Wright ... 73 77 235-75

M. R. A.
G. Tapley ... 83 81 77 241-80-1-3
Henderson ... 89 97 84 270-90
Ward ... 76 81 75 232-77-1-3
Stirling ... 76 81 75 232-77-1-3
Hill ... 90 98 85 272-91-1

vacancies caused by enlistments, compelling economy in men. This policy may have to be carried further, as over 400 members of our staff, including many senior officers, have left on military service and we are daily receiving advice of other enlistments.

MURRAY BELL WON LAST NIGHT'S RACE.
An exciting half mile race between the fifth and sixth bands last evening attracted large crowds to the Victoria Rink. The race which was contested by twelve local speed artists was interesting and resulted in Murray Bell carrying off the prize in the time of 1 minute, 28 seconds. Thomas Gillen came second and Robert Belyea came in third place.

Advice to Dyspeptics Well Worth Following
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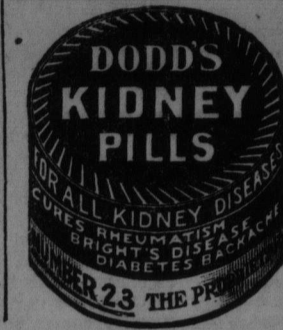
Tea, Enjoyed by Rich and Poor Alike. Sealed Packets Only. Never Sold in Bulk.

OFFICERS INSTALLED; N. B. LODGE S. OF E.

Lodge New Brunswick, No. 353, Sons of England, held a social last night at Clayton's Hall, Brussels street, when officers were installed for the year. Several members of sister lodges were in attendance with their ladies and a good programme of music was provided.

The officers were installed by T. H. Carter, assisted by L. A. Belyea and C. Ledford as follows:—W. P. A. Cook; vice—W. P. William Forester; chaplain, E. C. Whitenet; sec. F. F. Murphy; treas. H. Taylor; medical officer, A. E. Logie, M. D.; managing committee, H. Ricketts, K. Ricketts, A. Stevens, F. Thomas, George Almon, R. H. Irwin; outside guardian, C. Harding; inside guardian, Roy Devine; trustees, R. H. Irwin, F. Thomas, Edward Whitenet; auditors, E. Ricketts, George Almon, John Stephenson; advisory board, H. H. Barker, R. H. Irwin, H. Taylor, H. Cook; delegates

to supreme lodge, H. H. Barker; alternative, R. H. Irwin. Speeches were given, mostly of a patriotic nature by T. H. Carter, E. Lawrence, H. H. Barker, C. Ledford and H. Taylor. Songs were given by William Marley, Joe Blimmer, H. J. Wardell and others. Many of the ladies of other lodges were present. The meeting closed with the singing of the national anthem.



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

TODAY'S MEETING.

The meeting of business men called for this afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms to consider measures for the securing of recruits for the Empire's armies should be attended by every business man who considers that this city, this province and this Dominion are worth fighting for. The prosecution of the Empire's war is the most important business that can come before us at this time and it should not be possible for any man to convince himself that other engagements are sufficiently pressing to keep him from engaging in that work.

There are many ways in which business men can render valuable assistance in the recruiting campaign. They do not all need to be speakers, a word of encouragement and assurance to young men in their employ, who would enlist were it not for the fear of losing their positions, would work wonders. It might be a bit too drastic to ask local employers of labor to announce to their staffs that men who join the colors would have their employment saved for them, and the preference for promotion when the war is over, possibly some establishments could not carry such a plan into effect without entailing too great a sacrifice of discipline and organization, but whether this can be done or not, they should at least give every encouragement to those willing to go to the front.

St. John business men have always shown themselves willing to assist in every work for the public good but the fact remains that in this recruiting campaign the labor has been borne by comparatively few. The Recruiting Committee should have the active assistance and co-operation of every man in St. John. Most business men are unable to don khaki and go to the front themselves, so it really is not too much to expect that they should assist in every other way possible, for in this campaign there is work for every one and the more quickly it is grappled with in a businesslike way the more satisfactory will be the results. Let today's meeting be the commencement of another recruiting boom eclipsing the greatest that has been known in the past.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE.

Under the auspices of the Canadian Commission of Conservation a Civic Improvement League conference will open in Ottawa the latter part of this week and continue in session for two or three days. The first conference of the sort was held in Ottawa in November last when most of the Canadian cities were represented. At that convention Sir Clifford Sifton, chairman of the Canadian Conservation Commission, was in the chair at the opening and the chairmen who presided during its sessions were Sir John Willison of the Toronto News, and Hon. J. J. Guerin of Montreal. At the close of the conference a provisional committee was formed with Sir John Willison as chairman and numbering in its membership such leading Canadians as Dr. Frank Adams, Senator Dandurand, Hon. Sydney Fisher, W. D. Lighthall of Westmount, Dr. Helen McMurphy, Prof. J. W. Robertson, Prof. Adam Shortt, Sir Clifford Sifton and J. S. Watters, president of the Trades and Labor Congress.

At the conference to be held during this week this committee will report, and submit a constitution for the league which will be fairly launched. It is also proposed to take steps leading to the formation of local organizations in different Canadian cities and towns to advance the work in their localities and bring the people generally into closer sympathy with the object of the League which, as its name implies, is to work for all things likely to promote civic improvement.

Included in the questions to which the League aims to pay special attention are "the form and character of local government and the application of sound economic principles to municipal business," "town planning" schemes and plans for the utilization and development of lands in or near the city area, the prevention and removal of slums and slum districts, the conservation of civic and municipal resources, the preservation and growth of natural and structural beauty, investigation into housing and industrial

conditions and into methods of valuation and assessment and provision for recreation and physical development of the city children.

Some of these questions already find consideration in the Unions of Municipalities, City Beautiful Associations, Community Councils and the like but it is well to have a national organization to co-ordinate these activities and to give lead and direction to local efforts. For such an organization there is a place and a wide field of usefulness.

THE PLACE FOR THEM

This Canada of ours is big enough and broad enough to hold in harmony men of all religions, political and other opinions, and in normal times little attention would be paid to statements favoring of sedition or breathing disloyalty. Those who voiced such sentiments would be regarded simply as lunatics, perhaps to be watched, certainly to be pitied. But the times are not normal. Canada and the Empire face a situation in which the assistance of every man is needed, no matter what his private opinions as to the merits or demerits of that situation may be. In such a case, there can be but little tolerance or consideration for men like Wilfrid Gribble in St. John or Armand Lavergne and Henry Bourassa in Quebec.

Gribble's case is now before the courts and therefore, cannot be commented upon, but it is safe to say that the St. John Socialist is a lesser sinner than the Quebec fire-brother who, in public utterance, has endeavored to dissuade the young men of that province from donning the King's uniform to fight in their own defence.

It is not to be supposed that the vapors of Lavergne or Bourassa represent the opinion of the province of Quebec. There is, in St. John at the present time, a fine regiment of young Canadians the great majority of whom are of French descent. Yet they are just as loyal as their English brothers who, clad in the same leveling garb, are faring forth to bear their part of the burden of this war.

In Parliament yesterday Sir Wilfrid Laurier roundly condemned the utterances of such men as Lavergne and for that the Liberal leader is to be commended. Had he gone farther and scored those members of his own party who have been guilty of disloyalty he would probably have won equal commendation from the great majority of his followers. There is only one place in Canada today for the man who deals in disloyalty, and that is behind prison bars to be dealt with as the law and the times demand.

In reference to Mr. Lavergne's utterances the editorial view of the Montreal Gazette should be of interest as an illustration of the opinion of the most influential English newspaper in the Province of Quebec. The Gazette says:

"Mr. Armand Lavergne, in his speech in the Legislative Assembly on Thursday night, went farther than regard for his future political health should justify. His regard for the interest of the children of French-speaking people in Ontario schools, however sincere it may be, should not, and it is believed, will not, in the opinion of the French-speaking people of Quebec, justify his declaration that each French-Canadian who enrolls himself for service in this war falls in his duty to this, his country. The British Government is not responsible for the policy the administration of the Province of Ontario has determined to pursue in regard to the schools under its jurisdiction. Neither can it be maintained that the Government of Canada has responsibility in the connection.

"The government of Great Britain thought it necessary, in defence of its interests and in discharge of its treaty obligations to other countries to declare war against Germany, which involved in time declaration of war against Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria. The government of Canada, considering that when Great Britain was at war Canada was at war, made preparations to share in the conflict, and summoned Parliament to pass judgment on its action and policy. Parliament approved of all that had been done and that it was proposed to do; and it is because of this action

of the representative body that alone can speak for the people of Canada that Canadian soldiers are now in Great Britain, France and Belgium. It is not to be presumed that all in Canada approved of the course of the Government and of Parliament of Canada. In Great Britain, strong, sincere and respected men, gave up high positions as a protest against the course their colleagues of the government thought it well to pursue. There are men who think war so terrible that it should be avoided at any cost. There are men who think the circumstances in 1914 did not justify Great Britain's entering upon the present struggle. There are men who think that Canada would be doing its full duty to itself by taking measures for the protection of its own shores. In British countries thought is free, and so, also, is the expression of thought. When war becomes inevitable, or is entered upon, the free expression of thought may be neither well nor wise. It was neither wise nor well in Mr. Lavergne's case. The reception of his words in the Legislature suggested that he had no sympathizers among his colleagues. There are the words and actions of leaders in every department of public life in this province to suggest that he has few sympathizers outside of the Legislature. The thousands of French-speaking Canadians doing soldier's duty in Canadian corps in France, in England, and in Canada, indicate that his words have not affected the mass of the people to whom they were presumably addressed. They will not help their author among his own people. Others may ignore them."

BELGIAN PRIEST HERE PRAISES OUR SOLDIERS

Fr. Arts, now chaplain in Canadian forces, says they are almost worshipped in his country.

"The more the Canadian soldiers are known the better are they appreciated by the Belgians. In Belgium they are almost worshipped."

Such was the warm tribute paid to the men from this country by Rev. Father J. Arts of Toronto, formerly of Louvain, the unfortunate city which was sacked by the Prussian hordes, and its citizens slain. Father Arts, who is honorary captain and was Roman Catholic chaplain in the Canadian expeditionary force at Gallipoli, arrived in this city yesterday on the steamer Mississauga and registered at the Deson Hotel.

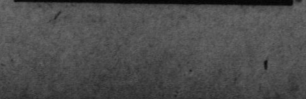
Before the war he was head of a convent and boarding school in Louvain. Part of the school was destroyed by the Germans when they trained some of the products of their gun factory at Essen on the stricken city.

Father Arts removed to Toronto where before enlisting as chaplain he did valiant service among his countrymen. He is a large, robust man and looks the priest as well as the militiaman. His English is very good. He has a slight accent similar to that of the French speaking people, but is easily understood. He speaks French fluently as nearly all Belgians do.

"I want to say," said Father Arts, last night, "the German reports of the misbehavior of Canadian troops are infamous lies. Their behavior has been excellent and there has been no cause for complaint. Tell those who have not enlisted to hurry up for I can assure you Canadians are needed by across the water. I was with the Canadian boys who fought on the Gallipoli peninsula against the Turks, and they acquitted themselves splendidly. The Canadian doctors and nurses gained a splendid reputation everywhere at the front and wounded Canadian soldiers were glad when they were sent to Canadian hospitals over here."

Father Arts preferred not to make a statement at this time concerning plans which are being considered to bring many Belgians who have lost their homes to Canada. He will confer with the federal immigration authorities regarding Belgian refugees. Yesterday he saw the immigration officials here. There is no doubt but that there will be a large Belgian immigration to Canada during the next two years. There are now many Belgians in Canada, many of whom are employed in the mines of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and British Columbia.

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Little Benny's Note Book

By LEE PAPE
 Us folks was standing alongside of the lamp post this afternoon and Pudd Simkinses sissy cousin Persey came running up, saying, Hay, fellow, G. fellow, Flatfoot is arresting a man around the corner. And we all started to yell and ran down the street and around the corner, and we didn't see anything, and we all yelled, Waa, waa. Rita in back of the newspaper place, and Persey. And we all ran up and heer Flatfoot was standing there with his hand on sum mans shoulder.
 We did I tell you, and Persey. And we all crowded ep around Flatfoot, and jest then Flatfoot said to the man, Theres no use tawking, polyticks is rotten, theres no use tawking, hay, wat do all you kids think your doing pushing and shoving. Proving that he was jest tawking to the man and not arresting him, and we grabbed a hold of Persey and took him back to the lamp post, Persey saying, I thavt he was arresting him, I didnt do it on perpis, I didnt do it on perpis.
 Shut up, your arrested, and Roddy Merly.
 Yeh, lets arrest him, lets arrest him and lock him up in sum vesterbule and ring the bell, sed Skiny Martin.
 Wich everybody but Persey thavt it was a grate idee, nobody caring wat Persey thavt, and we took him and put it in Miss Winkels vesterbule and rang the bell and held the door shut till we herd sumbdy coming and then we quick ran and hid in uthir vesterbules, me running into my own vesterbule, and after a while I peeked out and I didnt see anything, so I came out and wawked past Miss Winkels house and there was Miss Winkel in the vesterbule giving Persey a orange and saying, The idee of those wicked boys tresting you like that, and you sutch a nice littel boy, heer, heer an orange for you.
 And Persey went down the front steps biting a hole in the orange and the street looking at it, and all the folks came out of the difrent vesterbules and looked at him, and Miss Winkel kept on standing there at the dor till he got around the corner.

THE OLD SONGS AND THE NEW

The modern ragtime music—socialized, may be considered but a temporary aberration. A few years ago the popular airs were taken from the light comic operas, or from the skathey music of the vaudeville artist. These have given way to variations on the plaintive negro airs of the old south and will in turn lead to something else that happens to catch the popular fancy.
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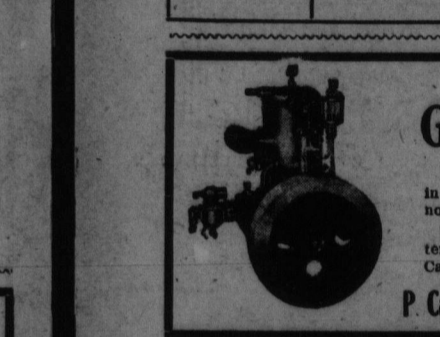
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MILITARY NOTES AND NEWS

RECRUITING OFFICERS HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL IN CHARLOTTE CO.

Captain Tilley in Report to Committee Tells of Fine Week's Work—Young Men Coming Forward in Goodly Numbers.

The result of the recruiting tour in Charlotte county, by Lieut.-Col. Guthrie and Captain Tilley, for the week ending Saturday, January 15th, is told by Capt. Tilley in the following report:

Visited St. Andrews Monday, January 10th. Held largely attended public meeting in Andrae Hall, said hall having been kindly contributed gratuitously for the meeting by Mrs. Chase, the owner. The Citizens' Band also kindly volunteered their services and played at the meeting. The chair was taken by F. H. Grimmer, K. C. The meeting was addressed by Lieut.-Col. Guthrie and Capt. Tilley. At the conclusion of the meeting, and the following morning, we secured four new recruits. A citizens' permanent recruiting committee was organized with the following officers: F. H. Grimmer, K. C., chairman; R. A. Stewart, vice-chairman; Goodwill Douglas, secretary; and at the request of Mr. James McDowell, who has two sons at the front, was recommended as deputy recruiting officer for St. Andrews and vicinity.

At Campbellton

"Tuesday, took steamer 'Viktor' for Wilson's Beach, Campbellton Island, arriving about noon. Held a very large meeting in the hall, Wilson's Beach. Deer Island Band very kindly volunteered their services at the meeting. Many people attended from Deer Island and other parts of Campbellton Island. Two recruits enlisted after the meeting. A local permanent citizens' recruiting committee was formed with the following officers: Judson Mitchell, Wilson's Beach, chairman; Rev. F. A. Currier, secretary, with Mr. Edgar Anshon recommended as deputy recruiting officer. There is splendid recruiting material in this vicinity, and as soon as the committee get to work, results should follow. Arrangements have been made for the formation of a citizens' recruiting committee at Welch Point, Campbellton.

On Grand Manan

"Wednesday, left for North Head, Grand Manan. Found Major Fred C. Jones and Sergeant George Dalsell, of 115th, had been canvassing the island for recruits that week. The meeting trip at the meeting and on the next day, the hall being beautifully decorated by a local committee who had the matter in charge. In addition to the recruiting officers, Sergt. Dalsell and Rev. D. Gagnon, were present. At the conclusion of the meeting five recruits came forward and enlisted. I am informed that since the meeting thirteen other boys have signed on and are on their way to St. John, under Sergt. Dalsell. Grand Manan has a population of about three thousand, and the young men on the island are a splendid body of men. I have no doubt that recruiting will proceed briskly on the island from now on. The following permanent citizens' recruiting committee have the matter in charge: President, R. S. Lawson; vice-president, D. R. Logan; secretary, Rev. D. Gagnon; Dr. McAlay, medical examiner. It is also doing splendid work in the interests of recruiting on the island. An excellent ladies' recruiting committee was also formed.

At St. Stephen

From Grand Manan, we took the steamer 'Grand Manan' to St. Stephen, arriving at three o'clock in the afternoon, in time to attend a ladies' meeting attended by some six hundred ladies. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. George J. Clarke, wife of the premier of the province. Lieut.-Col. Guthrie was given very hearty applause on rising to speak. At the conclusion of the meeting a strong ladies' executive was formed to assist in the recruiting movement in St. Stephen and vicinity. In the evening, the Bijou Theatre was packed to the doors with men only. His Worship the Mayor presided, and the speakers were Hon. George J. Clarke, premier; Capt. L. P. D. Tilley and Lieut.-Col. Guthrie. At the meeting and the next day following, twenty recruits were secured. At St. Stephen on arrival, Lieut.-Col. Guthrie was met by Premier Clarke, Gilbert G. Ganong and many leading citizens, who escorted him to the hotel.

At St. George

"Friday, at St. George, a largely attended recruiting meeting was held at the moving picture hall, Dr. Taylor presiding. Two recruits were secured at the meeting and on the next morning. After the meeting a permanent citizens' committee was formed. Chairman, Capt. Charles Johnston; vice-chairman, M. E. Baldwin; secretary, Rev. H. Penwarden. Recommended deputy recruiting officer, H. Van Dewar, who has two sons at the front. An efficient ladies' committee was also organized who will assist in recruiting work in St. George and vicinity.

"The committee have to thank Dr. Taylor for courtesies extended. The result of the week's recruiting trip at the meetings or immediately thereafter is fifty-seven.

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"Capt. George Ryder, recruiting officer for Charlotte county, is doing splendid work in that county.

"Everywhere throughout the county Lieut.-Col. Guthrie was received with enthusiasm and appreciation of the splendid services he has rendered his country."

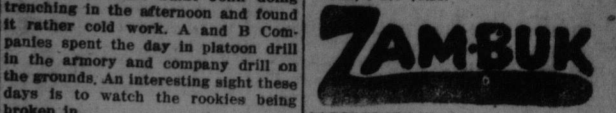
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What fortune awaited him at the Exhibition building it is difficult to tell, but it is safe to say that he did not say his prayers when he was brought to realize that the goods were to be sent to the sergeant's mess, instead of the imaginary "Sergeant Mess."

MISSINABLE BRINGS RETURNED SOLDIERS

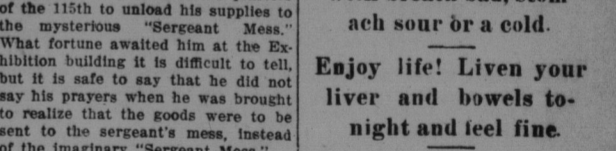
The C. P. R. liner Missinable arrived in port yesterday morning about 7:00 o'clock. She brought out 69 wounded officers and men, seven of whom belonged to the Maritime Provinces. The men for the west left for home by special train immediately after the boat docked. Following are the names of the returned heroes:

Captain G. F. Adams, of Toronto; Captain H. J. Davidson, of Toronto; Captain J. O. Crozier, of Ottawa; Major C. E. Coles, of London, Ont.; Major W. H. Muirhead, of Chatham; Lt. Col. T. C. D. Bedell, of Toronto; Sergt. A. W. Channing, of Ottawa; Captain T. H. Killup, of Toronto; Hon. Captain A. W. Buckland, of Ottawa; Hon. Captain Arts, of Toronto; Sergt. W. G. Snook, of Genouque; Captain W. H. Taylor, Sergt. J. P. Skidmore, Sergt. A. T. McGie, Sergt. M. Pouchet, Sergt. T. W. Strike, Sergt. E. J. Whitterston, Sergt. J. Seymour, Staff-Sergt. R. A. Raulings, Sergt. A. N. Claire, Privates J. P. Ryder, G. F. Corkey, Jas. Green, James Orick, H. Rawlins, W. D. Williams, A. A. Smith, Wm. Thomas, P. T. Charlton, R. Herbert, F. Lettsier, W. Norman, A. A. Thompson, H. Burden, C. A. Johnson, Wm. Maher, A. McLennan, F. Adcock, W. D. S. Best, E. Beathall, C. M. Brown, C. E. Blackburn, H. Boulton, P. S. Coombs, J. E. Lery, W. J. Mathews, A. McKinnon, G. Potter, J. A. Walker, J. R. Cleland, G.

IT'S YOUR LIVER! YOU'RE BILIOUS, HEADACHY, SICK!

Don't stay constipated with breath bad, stomach sour or a cold.

Enjoy life! Live your liver and bowels tonight and feel fine.



WORK WHILE YOU SLEEP

Tonight start! Remove the liver and bowel poison, which is keeping your head dizzy, your tongue coated, breath offensive and stomach sour. Don't stay bilious, sick, headachy, constipated and full of cold. Why, don't you get a box of Cascares from the drug store now? Eat one or two tonight and enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced. You will wake up feeling fit and fine. Cascares never irritate or bother you all the next day like calomel, salts and pills. They act gently but thoroughly. Mothers should give cross, sick, bilious or feverish children a whole Cascare every time. They are harmless and children love them.

Comeau-Hughes.

A very pretty wedding took place early yesterday morning at the Cathedral when Rev. Father Bourgeois united in marriage Mildred Hughes, daughter of Jas. F. Hughes, formerly of P. E. I., to Joseph C. Comeau, son of Chas. C. Comeau. The bride looked charming in a travelling suit of blue with white hat. Walter Howe was the best man and Mrs. Rowe the matron of honor.

LESIE SEELY DIED

THE DEATH OF HERO

Member of 26th in message to parents showed example that others might emulate.

One of St. John's most promising young men who has given his life in the cause of liberty, wrote shortly before he died a message which may well be taken to heart by many of the young men of this province. Pte. Leslie Gilbert Seely, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Seely, 38 Wright St., who enlisted when not quite eighteen years of age, and who was wounded while serving with the 26th Battalion, died in No. 2 Clearing Station on Jan. 17th, of gunshot wounds.

Pte. Seely while in St. John was employed for some two and a half years in the sales department of T. McAvity & Sons' King street store. He was physically of splendid build, was prominent in amateur athletics and was in every respect a fine and clean young man.

In a letter written to his parents a short time ago, Pte. Seely used the following remark: "So far I have withstood all temptation, and if I die I will die fighting for my King, my Country and Humanity." It is a consolation to Mr. and Mrs. Seely to know that their son has fittingly maintained the principles of his life as taught at home, and has carried out their idea of what a Canadian should be.

Pte. Seely's name appeared in Saturday's casualty list. He had written home on Dec. 21st, having just come out of the trenches. That letter was particularly cheerful as he had found a batch of mail and a number of parcels waiting for him. His death, which is naturally a great blow to his family, is, however, looked upon as a necessary sacrifice to the cause of liberty, and coupled with the sorrow which they feel, Mr. and Mrs. Seely experience pride in the fact that one of their boys has without hesitation given his life for what he believed best.

There is no doubt that his well-wishers sorrow among Pte. Seely's many personal friends.

TODAY'S MEETING OF BUSINESS MEN

Arrangements for the important meeting of business men at the Board of Trade rooms at three o'clock this afternoon were completed at the meeting yesterday afternoon of the Citizens' Recruiting Committee.

Capt. Tilley, chief recruiting officer for the province, in submitting his weekly report again expressed the opinion that conscription might be necessary to fill the various battalions which the province has been called upon to send to the front.

SIX SONS IN KHAKI.

Mr. and Mrs. John McLeod, of Brighton, P. E. I., have certainly done their duty by the Empire, no less than six of their children being now on active service as follows: Major Alfred McLeod, in the 1st Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force; Sgt. James McLeod, in the 1st Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force; Sgt. John McLeod, in the 1st Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force; Sgt. William McLeod, in the 1st Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force; Sgt. Robert McLeod, in the 1st Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force; Sgt. Charles McLeod, in the 1st Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force.

CHARLOTTE LEADS IN RECRUITS FOR WEEK

St. John in second place and Victoria third—Total of 228 men secured

Capt. Tilley, recruiting officer for New Brunswick, reports a total of 228 for the week ending December 16th. Charlotte County leads this week. Saint John comes second and Victoria third. The numbers by counties are as follows: Saint John City, 39; West, 5. Total 44. Restigouche, Campbellton, 9; Dalhousie, 3. Total, 12. Charlotte for 11th, 48, for St. John, 10. Total, 49. Carleton, for 11th, 10; for 140th, 10. Total, 20. Westmorland, Sackville, 4; Moncton, 18; Port Elgin, 2. Total, 24. Northumberland, Chatham, 11; Newfrole, 10. Total, 21. Victoria, 25; Gloucester, 3; Kent, 5; Madawaska, 7; York, 18.

Suffered No End of Pain FROM BACKACHES.

If a pain attacks you in the back you should stop and think what it is and what causes it.

If the kidneys are at fault—and in nine cases out of every ten they are—you should attend to them at once, as it is impossible to have a well, strong back unless the kidneys are performing their functions in a proper manner.

Anyone with a bad back should appreciate how to get a good one. It is a very simple matter. Use Doan's Kidney Pills. They regulate the kidneys, and there is no further excuse for any kidney trouble to exist.

Mrs. E. J. Graves, Oshawa, Ont., writes: "My complaint lies with my kidneys. I have suffered no end of pain with them, and with backaches. I had tried everything, so I thought, until a friend advised me to try a box of Doan's Kidney Pills. I did try them, and one box helped me fine, so I got another, and now feel that I cannot recommend them too highly to anyone suffering with kidney trouble."

Doan's Kidney Pills are the original kidney pills. Do not accept any substitutes put up under similar names. Always see that one trade mark—"The Maple Leaf"—appears on the label and wrapper.

Doan's Kidney Pills are 50¢ per box, 3 boxes for \$1.25 at all dealers, or mailed direct on receipt of price by The T. M. Doan Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

THE 56TH EXPECTS TO BE AT BATTLE FRONT SOON.

A letter recently received from a member of the 56th said that it was expected they would soon be at the front, the 16th Brigade, of which they are a part consists of the 37th, 54th, 55th and 60th. They are putting in most of their time now at musketry.

FOUR SONS IN KHAKI.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew J. Northrup of Little River are proud parents over the fact that their four only sons are now wearing khaki and in the service of the King. John Northrup is at present with the Heavy Artillery under command of Major Magee, and left St. John with the first contingent; Percy is with the 26th Battalion under Lieut. Col. McAvity now at the front while Samuel and Roy are enlisted with the 140th under command of Lieut. Col. G. W. Fowler, and hope to soon leave for the front.

The father of these brave boys is the night watchman with the Corona Company, Ltd., looking after the factory on Union street.

MARINE Gasoline Engines

Now is the time to place an engine in your boat or replace the old one now in by an "ACADIA."

This engine has the best record after years' use under all conditions. Call and examine it and get our prices.

P. Campbell & Co., 73 Prince Wm. St.

TO CLEAR OUR MINK

We find only an even dozen sets in stock, and have reduced them to clear them out. Prices are marked regardless of actual cost.

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1, reg. price \$45.00 ... For \$25	2, reg. price \$50.00 ... For \$30
1, reg. price \$50.00 ... For \$30	2, reg. price \$60.00 ... For \$35
2, reg. price \$58 and \$60, For \$40	1, reg. price \$80.00 ... For \$50
2, reg. price \$75 and \$90, For \$45	1, reg. price \$95.00 ... For \$55

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54 King Street

INTERESTING CONTEST For Boys and Girls

You enjoyed the last drawing contest so much, that I am letting you have another, as follows:

Make a drawing in pen and ink, of what you think Uncle Dick looks like. Each attempt will be judged according to age, and two prizes awarded—One for the best drawing sent in by any kiddie, not older than ten, and another by any boy or girl who is over ten, but not older than fifteen years of age.

Each attempt must be accompanied by the usual coupon, correctly filled in, and reach this office not later than January 26th, 1916, addressed to:

UNCLE DICK,
THE STANDARD,
ST. JOHN, N. B.

Whose decision must be considered as final.

A WORD CONTEST

More Valuable Prizes

Having noticed that a number of boys and girls who are not over ten years of age, refrain from entering the different contests, thinking perhaps that they have little chance against kiddies much older, I have decided to let you have a competition for both classes, each to be judged under their own age.

Make out the most number of words out of the letters in the word, EXCITEMENT, and I shall award two beautiful prizes for the two longest lists, as follows: One for the boy or girl UNDER TEN YEARS OF AGE, and the other for the boy or girl WHO IS TEN, OR NOT OVER FIFTEEN years of age.

Each list must be accompanied by the usual coupon, correctly filled in, and having the number of words written at the end of the list.

All attempts must reach this office by January 19th, 1916, addressed to:

UNCLE DICK,
THE STANDARD,
ST. JOHN, N. B.

Whose decision must be considered as final.

STANDARD COMPETITION. For Boys and Girls

Full Name.....
Address.....
Age Last Birthday.....

Boy Missing.

A boy, Joseph Hayes, aged thirteen years, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hayes, of Glen Falls, has been missing since last Friday. He started for school in the morning and has not since been seen. He is of stocky build, fair complexion and was wearing a grey suit, with brown sweater, and a stocking cap with a border of blue. He said that he would some day go away to his brother in Maine, as he did not want to go to school. The parents are anxious to learn of his whereabouts and would consider it a favor if anyone who has seen him would let them know.

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News Of The St. John Theatres

"CABIRIA" THE MOST WONDERFUL MOTION PICTURE SHOWN HERE

Film depiction of ancient Rome and Carthage sets new standard - A great show.

The most wonderful photo-spectacle staged in St. John in any theatre, at any time - that is Cabiria, the twelve reel motion picture production now appearing in the Opera House, where it will be shown twice a day for the remainder of the week. It cannot be compared with anything ever shown here because there has been no production that would furnish an adequate basis for comparison. Those who remember the battle scenes in "Judith of Bethulia," shown some months ago, can, by multiplying the grandeur and impressiveness of those scenes twenty times or more, get a faint idea of the battle on the walls of Carthage, one of the big scenes of the play. Those who recall with thrills the marvellous photography in the earthquake reproductions of "When the Earth Trembled" can, by a similar process of multiplication form a poor idea of the majesty of the depiction of Mount Etna in eruption and the storm of wreck and ruin carried to the city reaching at its base.

While the chief interest in the mammoth production centres in the spectacular scenes, and they are legion, yet there is a story running through the film which adds to its interest. The story opens in Sicily on the day of the fateful eruption of Mount Etna. In the fire and earthquake the home of Batio, a wealthy resident, is destroyed. Batio's little daughter, Cabiria, her nurse and a company of slaves, escape through a subterranean passage and make their way to the sea-coast where they are taken prisoners by a band of Phoenician pirates and carried to the slave market in Carthage, there to be sold as slaves. The high priest of Moloch purchases the

child as a sacrificial offering to the god and the scenes in connection with that ceremonial are especially spectacular and thrilling. Through the efforts of a Roman officer and his guest slave, Macista, the child is rescued. Then follow the exciting adventures incident upon the progress of Hannibal's army and the later conflicts between the Romans and Hasdrubal and allied barbarian monarchs, until, finally, Carthage and her soldier lover are happily wedded and the story ends.

The various scenes illustrative of the battles for the possession of Carthage, Carthage and other wrongdoers, are replete with thrilling incident. In one picture the Carthaginians, by means of concentrated sun rays, destroy the Roman fleet and in this more than a score of vessels are shown in flames, all the wild confusion incident to such a tragedy being faithfully reproduced. Another phase of the conflict shows the Roman legions storming the walls of the Carthaginian stronghold in which are introduced marvelous pieces of detail that tend to make the scenes wonderfully realistic.

In short it may be said that realism has been outdone in the production of this most wonderful film triumph. Hundreds of actors and troops of elephants, camels, etc., are seen on the screen at one time, while the interior scenes illustrating the magnificence and splendor of the ancient courts are really marvellous.

No written description can give any adequate idea of Cabiria. It is too big, too stupendous and must be seen to be appreciated. Even at that it must be seen more than once in order that all its good points may be grasped. It is by long odds the most pretentious spectacle ever produced here and when one remembers the many excellent motion pictures which have been shown in the past few years that is indeed high praise.

Cabiria will be the attraction at the Opera House all week. Owing to the length of the production there will be but one show each afternoon and evening. The matinee will start at 2 o'clock and the evening performances at 8. The production occupies about two and one-half hours and, as stated, is well worth seeing more than once.

CASWEL CASE TO DECIDE IMPORTANT LEGAL POINT

The case of Frank Caswel, who has been denied admittance to the United States because he had joined the Canadian forces, being an American citizen, has been taken up by Washington, the department of labor having issued a warrant for his arrest and a test case will be made to determine whether an American citizen expatriates himself when he enlists in a foreign army. Mr. Caswel was born in the town of Harrison, Maine, and has been in Canada since December, 1912.

IMPERIAL THEATRE FILLED IN SPITE OF COLD WEATHER

Hazel Dawn in "The Heart of Jennifer" - South American Views - Pathe Weekly - New singers.

Hazel Dawn and handsome James Kirkwood, two of the favorites already enshrined in the good graces of the picture fans of St. John, opened the week at the Imperial in Edith Barnard Delano's curious commingling of love story and tragedy entitled "The Heart of Jennifer." Truly the "affair" of the aforementioned Miss Jennifer was a strenuous one and as the play proceeded it grew more intensely dramatic and when it arrived at its great climax watchers were worked up into quite a froth of excitement. The production was of the Famous Players' make and in the cast of people who supported the stars were some of the best-known New York faces.

The South American Traveltogs which the Imperial is showing every Monday and Tuesday appear to be gaining in popularity every succeeding instalment. This week the traveler is taken off the steam "Kronland" at beautiful Havana, Cuba, and escorted round-about the city and thence in to the tobacco territory where the culture of fragrant "Havanas" is shown, afterwards a tour of banana farms. Thus for a quarter hour were yesterday's patrons transported from snow and ice to the balmy and very beautiful dependency of Uncle Sam down south. Pathe's Weekly this change is exceptionally absorbing. Boston harbor is shown overflowing the wharves in the late high tide; New York depicted under a deep blanket of snow; Philadelphia is represented struggling in the throes of a late blizzard - a most unique photograph and there are war and munition pictures as well as the ever-popular-with-the-ladies Fashion Revue in natural colors.

Ade and Marion is the new singing talent at the Keith house. They render solos and duets and are splendid vocalists. Their selections are up-to-date with some of the old standard favorites thrown in. This lady and gentleman will doubtless be greatly enjoyed throughout the week.

Tomorrow the Imperial presents another world-famous actor in Albert Chevalier, the eminent English comic impersonator. Mr. Chevalier is one of the highest-salaried men in the world and in the same class as Harry Lauder. In tomorrow's fine five-reel Universal feature, he here he plays the name-role "My Old Dutch," a glorification of the sentimental song of that title. He is supported by Miss Florence Turner, who was famous some time ago as "The America Miss Girl." Since playing in America Miss Turner has made England her home and is now re-appearing as a star in the best class of pictures. For the week-end bill the Imperial has Mary Pickford in her latest hit "Rags."

RUSSIA WON FROM ENGLAND BUT IT WAS AT BASKETBALL

England and Russia were the contending teams in the senior basketball league at the Y.M.C.A. last night. Russia had much the better of the game at all stages and finally won by 30 to 12 goals. Ryan starred for Russia and Wasson for England. The line-up was as follows:

Forwards:	Russia.
Wasson E. S. Johnson
Willett M. Myles
Centre:
Long S. Jones
Guards:
Simonds Brown
Magnusson Ryan

Scouts' Meeting Postponed

The Boy Scouts' meeting which was to have been held last evening was postponed until next Monday evening owing to such a large number of the members being ill.

BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA IN STRONG POSITION

Steady growth in the face of exceptional conditions is evidenced by this year's annual report.

The outstanding feature of the 64th annual report of the Bank of Nova Scotia is its exceptional strength, which in the circumstances prevailing today should cause considerable satisfaction not only to shareholders and depositors of this institution but to the public generally; for it is a matter of vital importance to the country that the banks should emerge from the present trying conditions in a satisfactory manner.

The steady growth of The Bank of Nova Scotia is evidenced by the increase in total assets from \$95,723,870 to \$104,244,467 during the year, while net profits for the year ending December 31st, 1915 were \$1,220,057 as compared with \$1,198,116 for the previous year. Cash alone exclusive of the deposits in the Central Gold Reserves amounted to 20% of the liabilities to the public, while immediately available assets have reached a total of \$59,990,461 - an exceedingly strong position.

NOT A PARTICLE OF DANDRUFF OR A FALLING HAIR

Save your hair! Double its beauty in just a few moments. 25-cent "Danderine" makes hair thick, glossy, wavy and beautiful.

Within ten minutes after an application of Danderine you can not find a single trace of dandruff or falling hair and your scalp will not itch, but what will please you most will be after a few weeks' use when you see new hair, fine and downy at first - yes - but really new hair - growing all over the scalp.

Danderine is to the hair what fresh showers of rain and sunshine are to vegetation. It goes right to the roots, invigorates and strengthens them. Its exhilarating, stimulating and life-producing properties cause the hair to grow long, strong and beautiful.

A little Danderine immediately doubles the beauty of your hair. No difference how dull, faded, brittle and scraggy, just moisten a cloth with Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. The effect is amazing - your hair will be light, fluffy and wavy, and have an appearance of abundance; an incomparable lustre, softness and luxuriance.

Get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter, and prove that your hair is as pretty and soft as any - that it has been neglected or injured by careless treatment - that's all - you surely can have beautiful hair and lots of it if you will just try a little Danderine.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret B. Scobora took place yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. W. C. R. Allan, King street, West Side. Rev. Mr. Westmorland conducted services. Interment took place in Cedar Hill.

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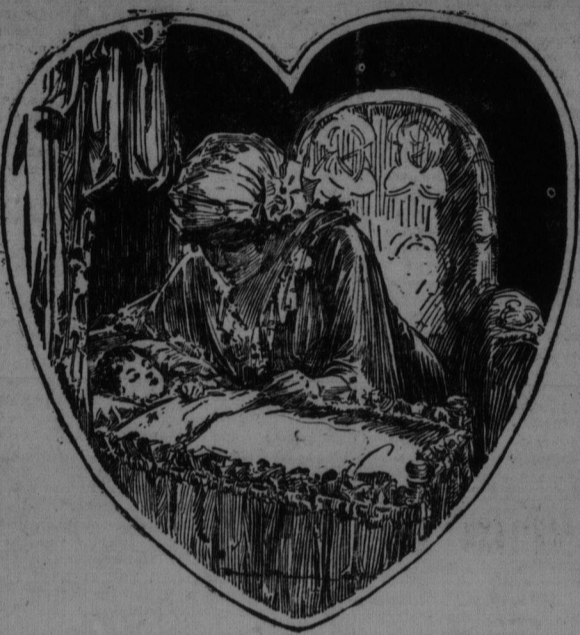
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Look for Coupon elsewhere in today's paper.



Do You Remember

how mother would cuddle you up close to herself in the rocking chair or tuck you in one of those dear old cradles of the time when it wasn't a crime to have rockers on the cradle? And as she rocked and sang "In the Sweet Bye and Bye," "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," or "Twinkle, Twinkle," you just felt yourself slipping away into dreamland until you never could remember the last words she sang. And these old lullabies are better today than they ever were.

You Can't Put Baby to Sleep

with the modern ragtime or the latest popular hit of the day. Musical though they may be, none of them have that soft, soothing effect, which those old-time lullabies sung by your mother had on the baby in the cradle - and the memory of which still affects us deeply in mature years.

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FOR THE ESTABROOKS CUP. In the first round of the St. John's Ladies' Golf Club competition for the Estabrooks Cup curled yesterday the The score was 10 to 8. The links were: rink skipped by Mrs. Clarence Ferguson (skip), Mrs. Kean, Mrs. J. R. Haycock.

AFTER THE THEATRE

There is nothing nicer than a glass of RED BALL ALE or PORTER. They are made of the choicest ingredients. Always Ask for RED BALL.

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REALLY - I COULDN'T DO IT!

I'LL TELL YOU WHAT I'LL DO - I'LL GIVE YOU ANY DRINK YOU WANT IF YOU LET THEM GO FOR FIFTY-FIVE!

WELL - JUST AS YOU SAY.

I'LL TAKE A SHERRY AND EGG!

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LATEST FINANCIAL AND SHIPPING NEWS AND NOTES

PUBLIC INTEREST WAS LACKING IN YESTERDAY'S MARKET

Trading broad and active in forenoon changed to less than normal before close.

New York, Jan. 17.—The most noteworthy feature of today's market was the absolute lack of public interest.

United States Steel reflected pressure of the same character as marked recent declines in that stock, but Bethlehem Steel was more active after its initial decline.

Marine 4 1/2's were almost the sole source of strength to the bond market, other active shares manifesting an uncertain trend.

SHIPPING

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

Table with columns for month, day, and time (a.m./p.m.) for various months.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived Monday, Jan. 17, 1918. Strm Missabodie, Liverpool, C. P. R.

DOMESTIC PORTS.

Hall's, Jan. 14.—Ard star Dunlop (Furness). Chambers, Liverpool, with mails and freight.

BRITISH PORTS.

Glasgow, Jan. 14.—Ard stars Athalia, Black Newport News; Ormidale, Kennedy, St. John, N. B.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Boston, Jan. 15.—Old ship Timandra, Buenos Ayres; schr Princess of Avon, Yarmouth, N. S.

MARINE NOTES.

Strm Virginia, which arrived at St. Nazaire Dec. 17, 1917, from New York, grounded in St. Nazaire harbor.

THE WINCHESTER.

The schooner Winchester, which ran ashore on a passage from St. John with lumber, has been towed to New London, Conn.

STOCK QUOTATIONS ON N.Y. EXCHANGE

Table of stock quotations including Am Beet Sug, Am Car Fy, Am Loco, Am Smelt, etc.

Winnipeg Wheat Close

May—128. July—125 1/2.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Royal. R. G. Morton, Lieut-Col Grant, Lieut-Col Thompson, Halifax; W. Robins, B. F. Allen, G. W. Marson, Toronto; F. O. Linton, W. M. Stevens, Toronto; E. Thornley, Vancouver; R. R. Stewart, London, Eng; W. C. Levesley, Sheffield, Eng; R. Connelly, Salmon River; J. C. Beckwith, Moncton; W. M. Davis and wife, Ottawa; H. A. Wells, New York; G. W. Reid, Truro; W. H. Yawyer, P. H. Ward, Montreal; W. S. Sullivan, P. H. McLeod, St. John's, Nfld; W. L. Montgomery, New Richmond; G. M. Campbell, Sackville; A. G. Steeves, Moncton; A. Taylor, W. M. Johnston, Montreal; B. McLaughlin, Amherst; G. J. Ross, Shediac.

Victoria.

J. L. Chisholm, Truro; A. G. Turney, Fredericton; W. J. Cooney, C. S. Robertson, Megantic; C. K. Potheringham, Toronto; G. C. Torrens, L. Crowell, J. H. Phinney, Truro; G. S. Kinners, Sussex; J. E. Whiston, Toronto; D. A. Gorrie, W. D. White, New Glasgow; Geo. Reid, Moncton; Edgar Cook, Grand Manan; A. M. Dana, Hampton; L. C. Graves, J. V. Mason, P. C. Williams, Moncton; P. K. Nason, Fredericton; H. R. Bouffard, Three Rivers; F. L. Lewis, Montreal; W. G. Wetmore, Boston.

Dufferin

J. L. Smith, Norton; N. B. Mr and Mrs C. Gordon Lawrence, Sussex; Mrs Bradley and daughter, England; J. A. Reed, London, Ont; Geo. H. Grant, Capt. J. Orta, Miss R. Fromont, Toronto; J. H. Corcoran, Moncton; J. C. Ellis, Boston; F. S. White, Fredericton; J. H. O'Connor, Toronto; D. G. Harlow, Bridgetown; R. S. Rosborough, Halifax; W. N. Hillman, Sussex; Rev. Gaudet, Moncton, N. B.; J. C. Sander, New York; W. S. Branley, Boston; A. L. Raver, New York; B. C. Dakin, Montreal; A. P. Akerley, Vancouver, B. C.

SHIPBUILDING.

Amherst News: Councilor G. M. Cochrane of Fox River, intends putting three large schooners on the stocks within the next year.

AT LAS PALMAS.

R. C. Elkin reports the arrival of the schooner E. M. Roberts at Las Palmas, Canary Islands. She arrived there Sunday with a cargo of lumber from this port.

MET ROUGH WEATHER.

The officers of the vessels arriving in port state that rough weather was encountered on trans-Atlantic passage. One vessel was 25 days coming across.

RECENT CHARTERS.

Schr J. N. Rafuse, 211 tons, New to Porto Colombia, general cargo, at or about \$2,500; schr Margaret G, 299 tons, Gulf to N. S. Cuba, lumber, \$8.75; schr. Kenneth C, 475 tons, Gulf to N. S. Cuba, lumber, \$8.75 p. t.; schr. Wandrain, 311 tons, Gulf to N. S. Cuba, lumber, \$8.75; three schooners, about 90 tons each, St. John, N. B., to a French Atlantic port, lumber, \$25.

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

(McDOUGALL & COWANS) New York, Jan. 17.—The market was much less active in the afternoon than it had been at midday and prices in general eased off on realizing by professionals.

MONTREAL TRANSACTIONS

(McDOUGALL & COWANS) Morning

Montreal, Monday, Jan. 17th.—Cedar Ponds—800 @ 80 1/2. Steel of Canada Pfd.—75 @ 89. Nor Pac.—115 1/2 @ 115 1/2.

Afternoon

Steamships Com.—110 @ 18. Cement Pfd.—10 @ 91, 10 @ 91 1/2. Stearns Pfd.—25 @ 73 1/2, 35 @ 73.

MONTREAL MARKET

(McDOUGALL & COWANS) Bid. Ask.

Table of market prices for various commodities like Am Holden Com, Am Holden Pfd, etc.

PRODUCE PRICES ON MONTREAL MARKET

(McDOUGALL & COWANS) Montreal, Jan. 17.—Corn—American, No. 2 yellow, 84 to 85. Flour—Manitowishago winter wheat, No. 2, 1.23 1/2 to 1.24 1/2.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET SALES

Table of cotton market sales with columns for High, Low, Close.

THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA

Capital Paid-Up, \$6,500,000 Reserve Fund, \$12,000,000

PROFIT AND LOSS

Table of profit and loss for the year ending Dec 31st, 1917.

RESERVE FUND

Balance December 31st, 1917—\$12,000,000. Balance forward December 31st, 1917—\$12,000,000.

GENERAL STATEMENT AS AT DECEMBER 31st, 1917

Table of general statement showing capital stock, reserves, and liabilities.

ASSETS

Table of assets including Dominion Notes, Notes of other Banks, Cheques on other Banks, etc.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

In accordance with the provisions of sub-section 94 of the Bank Act, we report as follows: We have examined the books and accounts of the Bank of Nova Scotia and the certified returns received from the branches and the above statements, which in our opinion are true and correct.

THOMAS BELL & CO., St. John, N. B.

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On Freehold or Leasehold At Current Rates. CHAS. A. MACDONALD & SON, 49 Canterbury St.

Monthly Income Policy

New York Life Ins. Co'y. J. W. V. LAWLOR, Agent. P.O. Box 174, St. John, N. B.

BRIDGES

Designs, Estimates and Investigations. T. CUSHING, M.Sc. (M.I.T. Boston). Creighton Ave., Cranston, P. U. S. A.

W. Simms Lee, F.C.A.

Chartered Accountant and Auditor. Queen Building, 177 Water St., Halifax, N.S.

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Don't Forget

To Call West 7 or West 81 When Needing Oats, Middlings, Bran or Hay.

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Union Street - West St. John. We have Western Oats—good quality, reasonable price.

FISH

PICKLED HERRING in half-bbls, DRY CODFISH by the hundred. James Patterson, 10 and 20 South Market Wharf, St. John, N. B.

RAILWAYS.

CANADIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

CHANGE OF TIME. Saint John—Montreal, Commencing January 9th. MARITIME EXPRESS. Will leave St. John 5.10 p. m. Daily, First Sunday trip January 9th.

STEAMSHIPS.

Head Line

St. John to Dublin. S. S. Torr Head Jan. 20. S. S. Ramore Head Jan. 25. St. John to Belfast. S. S. Bengore Head Jan. 21. S. S. Bray Head Jan. 25.

FURNESS LINE

From London. From St. John. Dec. 19 Rappahannock Jan. 3. Dec. 31 Shenadah Jan. 15.

MANCHESTER LINE

From Manchester. From St. John. Dec. 25 Manchester Citizen Jan. 15. Dec. 21 Manchester Shipper Jan. 15.

EASTERN STEAMSHIP LINES.

All-the-Way-by-Water. INTERNATIONAL LINE. Steamship Calvin Austin. Will leave St. John Thursdays at nine a.m. for Lubec, Eastport, Portland and Boston.

THE MARITIME STEAMSHIP CO. (LIMITED).

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

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Fall and Winter Time Table of the GRAND MANAN S.S. CO. After October 1st, 1918, and until further notice, a steamer of this line will run as follows: Leave Grand Manan Mondays at 7.30 a. m. for St. John, via Eastport, Campobello and Wilson's Beach. Returning leave St. John Wednesdays at 7.30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via Eastport, Campobello and Wilson's Beach.

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THE ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

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Mr. Edson L. Pease, General

Bank's Expansion—Members of Staff at the

The Forty-Seventh Annual Gen

Meeting of the Shareholders was held pursuant to notice, at the Head Office of the Bank of Montreal, on Thursday, January 13, 1918, at eleven o'clock a.m.

On motion of Mr. E. F. B. John

K. C., seconded by Mr. A. J. B. K. C., Sir Herbert Holt took the chair. The Chairman requested Mr. C. N. Bell to act as Secretary of the Meeting, and Messrs. C. R. Hooper and Half Sims to act as scrutineers.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors have pleasure in submitting to the Shareholders the Forty-Seventh Annual Report, for the year ending November 30, 1917, accompanied by the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Balance of Profit and Loss Account, Nov. 30, 1917, \$1,614,025.23. Profits for the year, after deducting charges of management, and all other expenses, accrued interest on deposits, full provision for all doubtful debts and rebate of interest on unsecured bills, \$2,519,639.57.

Appropriated as follows:

Table of appropriated funds: Dividends Nov. 30, 1917, \$1,111,112 and 113, at 12 p. c. per annum, \$1,387,200.00. Transferred to Officers' Pension Fund, 100,000.00. Written off Bank Premium Account, 250,000.00. War Tax on Bank Note Circulation, 105,966.66. Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward, 676,472.16. Total, \$2,519,639.57.

The assets of the Bank have recently been subjected to the usual revaluation.

Branches have been opened during the year as follows: Stewiacke, N. S.; Scotia, Basseterre, St. Kitts, Rose Dominica, Rose Hall (Corney's British Guiana); St. John's, Antigua, San Jose, Costa Rica.

The following branches have been closed.

In British Columbia—Fort Frances, Quebec, Hiramton, Hope, Saratoga, South Port George, Vancouver, Sohier Hill. In Alberta—Grouard. In Ontario—Alma, Kenilworth, etc.

In Quebec—L'Epiphanie, St. Laurent, Snowdon Junction, Villa Marie. In Cuba—Havana, Lyman street. Also the sub-branches at Maribato, Ont., and St. Roch l'Acadian, Quebec.

The Head Office and all the branches of the bank have been inspected as usual during the year.

Your Directors desire to express their appreciation of the efficient manner in which the officers of the bank continue to perform their respective duties.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. S. HOLT, President. E. L. PEASE, Vice-President. Sir Herbert S. Holt, in moving adoption of the report, said:

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FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

Sir Herbert S. Holt, President, Dwells on Wonderful Showing Canada Has Made During the Past Twelve Months — Strongly Advocates Policy of Preparedness for the Dominion. Mr. Edson L. Pease, General-Manager, Reviews Features of Bank's Expansion — Makes Touching Reference to Members of Staff at Front.

Mr. Edson L. Pease Assumes Position of Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Bank—Mr. C. E. Neill Appointed General Manager.

The Forty-Seventh Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders was held, pursuant to notice, at the Head Office of the Bank of Montreal, on Thursday, January 13, 1916, at eleven o'clock a.m.

On motion of Mr. E. F. B. Johnston, K. C., seconded by Mr. A. J. Brown, K. C., Sir Herbert Holt took the chair. The Chairman requested Mr. C. E. Neill to act as Secretary of the Meeting, and Messrs. C. R. Hosmer and A. Haig Sims to act as scrutineers.

The minutes of the last Annual General Meeting were confirmed, and the Annual Statement was taken as read.

The Statement then read the Directors' Report as follows:

Directors Report: The Directors have pleasure in submitting to the Shareholders the Forty-Seventh Annual Report, for the year ending November 30, 1915, accompanied by the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Table with columns for Balance of Profit and Loss Account, Nov. 30, 1914, and Nov. 30, 1915. Includes items like Dividends Paid, Reserve Fund, and Appropriated as follows.

Appropriated as follows: Dividends Paid, Reserve Fund, and other financial details.

The assets of the Bank have recently been subjected to the usual careful revaluation.

Branches have been opened during the year as follows: Stewiacke, Nova Scotia, Basseterre, St. Kitts, Roseau, Dominica, Rose Hall (Coresntyne), British Guiana, St. John's, Antigua, San Jose, Costa Rica.

The following branches have been closed: In British Columbia—Fort Fraser, Fort George, Hazelton, Hope, Sardis, South Fort George, Vancouver, South Hill.

In Alberta—Grouard. In Ontario—Alma, Kenilworth, Wawanago.

In Quebec—L'Epiphanie, St. Laurent, Snowdon Junction, Ville Emaré. In Cuba—Havana, Luyano Street.

Also the sub-branches at Marlbank, Ont., and St. Roch l'Acadigau, Que.

The Head Office and all the branches of the bank have been inspected as usual during the year.

Your Directors desire to express their appreciation of the efficient manner in which the officers of the bank continue to perform their respective duties.

All of which is respectfully submitted. H. S. HOLT, President. E. PEASE, Vice-President.

Sir Herbert S. Holt, in moving the adoption of the report, said: PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I have the pleasure of moving that the report and balance sheet be adopted. The financial statement presented to you today is much better than we had reason to hope for twelve months ago.

The outlook was regarded with grave concern. War was raging in Europe and industry everywhere was paralyzed. We had been undergoing a drastic liquidation, the result of over expansion, and the situation was greatly aggravated by the outbreak of war, which stopped the flow of foreign capital and compelled us to abandon all new construction.

lotment; but the shares comprising unallotted fractions will be offered to the public by subscription, and the premium derived from the sale will be distributed ratably to the respective shareholders from whose shares the fractions arose.

Mr. E. L. Pease, Vice-President and General Manager, addressing the meeting, said:

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT.

The important changes in the financial statement which we have the pleasure of submitting today, as compared with the statement of the previous year, are as follows:

Table showing financial changes: Increase in deposits in Canada, Increase in deposits elsewhere, Decrease in Current Loans in Canada, etc.

On behalf of all those left to pursue their duties in the ordinary channels, I may express admiration and appreciation to the men who are in some sense our special representation in the field, and to the families of those who have given their lives in this righteous struggle, our deepest sympathy.

The highly creditable way in which Canada has stood the shock and strain of the war for seventeen months has justified the confidence expressed at our last meeting in her ability to weather the crisis.

The decrease in loans in Canada is in line with the general contraction. The expansion elsewhere took place in the West Indies—principally in Cuba, where prosperous conditions prevailed owing to the abnormal demand for export commodities.

The increased profits are chiefly due to this expansion of loans, the contraction in Canada being more than offset by the increase elsewhere; and to economy in administration.

The increase in investments consists almost entirely of participations in British Government and Canadian Government war loans.

The six branches opened during the year, five are in the South, fifteen branches and two sub-branches.

Value of field crops (Dec. 31) 1914, 1915. Railroad earnings (June 30) 12 months.

Bank Clearings (Nov. 30) 1914, 1915. Note Circulation (Nov. 30) 1914, 1915.

Chartered Banks—Total Deposits (Nov. 30) 1914, 1915. Chartered Banks—Current Loans (Nov. 30) 1914, 1915.

Total Investments in Merchandise (12 months) 1914, 1915. Total Investments in Merchandise (12 months) (Nov. 30) 1914, 1915.

Customs Receipts (Dec. 31) 1914, 1915. *Increase. *Decrease.

The gross earnings of the railways, for the twelve months ended June last, declined upwards of \$30,000,000, show for the five months ended November last an increase of \$12,000,000 as compared with the corresponding period in 1914.

The increase of \$12,573,900 in the total deposits of the chartered banks, and the decrease of \$17,232,000 in current loans, have increased the liquid position of the banks by approximately these figures combined.

The decrease in imports of merchandise, namely, \$60,681,000, and the increase in exports, \$152,815,000, for the year ended November 30th have turned the balance of trade in our favor to the extent of \$193,491,000.

These figures do not fully reflect the improvement as it is estimated there are 50,000,000 bushels of wheat stored in interior elevators and in transit, and \$8,000,000 bushels still remaining in the possession of the farmers, of which 21,000,000 are required for seed.

A good example of the agricultural possibilities of this country is afforded by comparison with Argentina. With a population about equal to ours and an agricultural area under cultivation slightly greater (55,000,000 acres against our 50,000,000), the balance of trade for the nine months ended September 30th last was \$254,096,000 in her favor.

Her exports consist chiefly of wheat, corn and animal products. Her mineral and lumber products are of so little importance that no statistics are published. Canada's possible farm lands are vastly greater than Argentina's.

Having turned from a debtor to a creditor nation under the force of war, we should strive to make the turning permanent. We now know that we possess the essentials. The question is one of maintaining and increasing our exports by increasing production and curtailing imports by economy in consumption.

The Federal Economic Commission appointed to study these and kindred questions should receive every possible assistance. Our defect in the past has been the spending of borrowed capital too freely in unproductive works. It would be interesting to know how much of our foreign debt is so represented and how much by capitalized interest.

The citizens of the war may render it difficult to renew our maturing obligations in England. Now that the country's equipment for production and distribution is excellent, we should refrain from railway and other large construction works until the market is again profitable. After three years of liquidation and readjustment, our economic condition is basically sound, and we should try to keep it as such.

The Government is to be congratulated on the success of the \$50,000,000 war loan. The response by the public with applications of over \$100,000,000 is significant of our prosperous condition. The application of the citizens' shares of old stock will receive no at-

our former market? I believe it will be five years after the war ceases before this reconstruction can be effected, and during that time we will feel the depression always resulting to a producing country, where the demand is more or less destroyed.

What new areas for our goods have we acquired? Some efforts have been made to secure them, but so far our efforts have been limited in practical results.

I refer to these matters, not because I have lost one particle of faith in the vitality and strength of Canada, but because I think we ought not to be lulled to sleep by the voice of the theorist, or the prophecies of the dreamer.

Let us look our position in the face, and prepare against such results as may happen to us, or what may be reasonably expected. Well, this is the first thing we should consider, and very seriously. The banks ought to provide for such a contingency.

Another matter we must be prepared to meet is the disposition of the hundreds of thousands of men of our own country, and the millions of Great Britain, who are being discharged from the military service, and are being sent to the routine of daily labor.

They will not be the same men as when they left the plough, the factory or the shop. War and army life are very different from peace and the solitariness of the workman. What provision is being made by way of preparation or otherwise for the soldier who leaves a life of excitement and comradeship in the trenches, and is asked to take up the monotony of the hammer, or the plough, or to go back to the sale of goods over the counter?

The partial, and perhaps the chief cure, in the close of the war, will be immigration, based on a sane system and governed by practical methods. So far, our methods of immigration have been most primitive. The bringing out men to this country, and planting them miles away from the neighbor, without knowledge of practical wants or conditions, poor, and with no means of getting help, has resulted in what we might expect. Many of these settlers have grown tired and almost desperate with the lonely life, and the lack of sympathy, and have drifted back to the centres, and become a burden. In addition to this, they have ceased to perform their functions, and have become consumers, instead of producers, adding to the country's load, instead of to the National wealth, by means of industry and production from the land.

We should place these settlers in blocks, not composed of any particular nationality, and a practical farmer should be appointed by the Government in various localities to show them what to do, and how to do it. The Government should help these people for a year or two, and plant many of our bank's agents to advance means of a limited amount to help the settler along. The Government might very properly, under proper safeguard, indemnify all back advances to these men up to a few hundred dollars each, against which the land and stock and crops would be a security.

This is only a mere outline, but I am certain a system could be worked out under which we could get ten times the number of settlers we have been getting in the past. One has only to mention the fact that Canada is about the only country left which

can offer climate, soil, transportation, land, etc., to an unlimited extent, and the most we have been able to attract, has been about forty or fifty thousand capable men per annum. And let me correct a mistake which is apparently common to many people. Banks are accused of not lending to Western farmers. If proper precautions and legislation were provided, as in the case of lumbermen, wholesale dealers and manufacturers, whereby a simple and reasonable security could be given by the farmer to a bank, the farmers would be enabled to borrow every dollar they required. Everyone connected with a bank knows that banks prefer farmers' notes to those of any other nature, and I am certain that if the aggregate amount of purely agricultural loans made by banks were known, it would be seen that this line of credit is larger than that of almost every other class. I hope to produce some day actual evidence of this fact, and I am sure if the real truth was known, even those who make the complaint in this connection would be convinced of the fair and liberal character of the advances made to farmers compared with other classes of the community.

Again, I wish to say how gratified we all are with our Statement, and I hope you will not cease in your efforts until we stand higher than the highest.

The Directors' Report was then unanimously adopted. It was moved by Mr. Fayette Brown, seconded by Mr. Alex. Paterson and resolved, that Mr. J. M. Marwick and Mr. E. B. Mitchell be appointed auditors for the ensuing year under Section 56, Sub-Section 6, of the Bank Act, and that their remuneration be not more than \$12,000.

It was moved by Mr. A. Haig Sims, seconded by Mr. C. R. Hosmer, and resolved, that the thanks of the shareholders are due and are hereby tendered to the President, Vice-Presidents and Directors for their careful attention to the interests of the bank during the past year.

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Dollars saved by Bovril

Bovril used in the Kitchen means dollars saved in the Bank. Unless nourishing hot dishes out of cold food which would not otherwise be eaten. But see that you get the real thing. If it is not in the Bovril bottle it is not Bovril. And it must be Bovril.

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Upon receiving the scrutineers' report, the Chairman declared that the Directors listed above had been elected for the ensuing year.

The Directors then adopted new By-Laws providing for the appointment of a Managing Director. Mr. E. L. Pease was appointed to the position of Managing Director, and Mr. C. E. Neill to succeed him as General Manager.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors, Sir Herbert Holt was unanimously re-elected President, Mr. E. L. Pease, Vice-President, Mr. E. F. B. Johnston, K. C., 2nd Vice-President, for the ensuing year.

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Get a 25-cent box of 'Tiz' at any drug store or department store. Get instant foot relief. Laugh at foot sufferers who complain. Because your feet are never, never going to bother or make you limp any more.

PROBATE COURT. The only business before His Honor Judge Knowles in the Probate Court yesterday morning was the final passing of the accounts and order of distribution of the estate of the late Jas. Hannay, historian. Attorney-General Baxter appeared as proctor for the estate, and Annie L. Kirk and Boyce Climo, legatees, were represented by J. D. P. Lewis.

Advertisement for Master Workman Smoking Tobacco. Features a large illustration of a cigarette pack with the text 'MASTER WORKMAN SMOKING TOBACCO' and 'GENUINE MASTER WORKMAN'. Below the pack, it says 'CUT FROM THE GENUINE PLUG' and 'Master WORKMAN SMOKING TOBACCO is also put up in packages, and is CUT from the Genuine PLUG. Same fine aroma—Same delicious taste—SOLD EVERYWHERE.'

THE WEATHER
Forecasts
Maritime—Strong northwest and east winds, fair and decidedly cold.
Washington, Jan. 17—Northern New England—Fair and continued cold Tuesday, local snows Tuesday night or Wednesday, warmer Wednesday; moderate to fresh southwest winds.
Toronto, Jan. 17—Light snowfalls have occurred in the Maritime Provinces, but the weather over the Dominion has been generally fair. It has been decidedly cold from the Great Lakes eastward, while in Alberta the temperatures have been more moderate.
Temperatures
Min. Max.
Victoria 30 40
Vancouver 20 38
Kamloops 14 4
Calgary 4 18
Medicine Hat 0 10
Edmonton 0 20
Prince Albert 0 8
Moose Jaw 10 7
Winnipeg 8 6
Port Arthur 14 6
Ferry Sound 4 10
London 4 17
Toronto 2 12
Kingston 3 4
Ottawa 3 4
Montreal 12 22
St. John 2 22
Halifax 10 34
*—Below zero.

IMPORTANT DECISION ON DIVERSION OF ST. CROIX WATERS READY

Finding will be Made Public in Few Days—International Waterways Commission to Settle Lake of Woods Dispute with United States Interests at Winnipeg Feb. 1.

An important decision bearing on the attempt of certain manufacturing interests to divert the waters of the St. Croix river into Maine territory has just been made by the International Waterways Commission. The report has been sent to the United States government at Washington and to the Canadian government at Ottawa. It will be made public within a few days. The question of diverting the waters of the river, which forms part of the international boundary line, came to the fore when the government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier incorporated the Sprague's Falls Co. which sought to change the natural flow of the river at Grand Falls, Charlotte county. Remonstrance was made by the interests in the St. Croix Valley, and the case was referred to the International Waterways Commission.

Hearing at Winnipeg
The commission will hold a hearing at Winnipeg beginning Feb. 1, when disputes as to water rights in Manitoba, Minnesota and North Dakota will be further considered. The main matter calling for settlement is the height of the Lake of the Woods. The dispute is largely between the power and navigation interests on the one hand and the agricultural interests on the other.

In Minnesota, which adjoins the Lake of the Woods on the south, the issues involved are being made political questions. For the past twenty years or so there has been a cycle of low water, and the farmers of Minnesota cleared considerable land and cultivated it. During last year and the year before the water has been rising in the lake and these lands were more or less flooded.

Blame Canadian Dams
The farmers claim that the Canadian dams at the foot of the lake are responsible for the high water. The contention of the power interests is that in the state of nature the water while it reached lower levels it also attained much higher levels than during the past twenty years and that the periods of high water are during June, July and August, which would be injurious to crops almost as much

TO BE BROUGHT HERE FOR TRIAL IN BIGAMY CASE

Nicholas Richardson arrested in Charlottetown—Bigamous marriage took place in St. John.

Word was received from Chatham yesterday that the chief of police in that town had placed under arrest Nicholas Richardson on the charge of bigamy, and the prisoner is being held awaiting the arrival of an officer from St. John, who is to conduct him back to this city for trial.

As nearly as can be learned, Richardson is a fairly well to do farmer who had resided at Notre Dame de la Rivier de Portage. It was on March 26th, 1912, that he was married to Marie Jeanne Savoie, and the ceremony was performed by Rev. Theophile Hachi, of Tracadie. Richardson resided with his wife for some time until he took a liking for Miss Fanny Veniot of his home place, and coming to St. John was married to her, giving his name as Nicholas Richardson. This second marriage was performed on August 16th last.

The news of Richardson's crime became known and Rev. J. S. Robichaud of Portage River, N. B., who is the priest in charge of the parish, took a hand in the matter and was instrumental in having a warrant sworn out for the man's arrest. Early last fall an officer was sent from St. John for the purpose of making the arrest but when he arrived at Richardson's home he found that the man had made his escape. Richardson turned up again a few days ago and the information being given to the Chatham chief of police he was taken into custody.

Detective Thomas Barrett left on the express last evening for the purpose of bringing Richardson back here.

Around the City

On An Inspection Trip.
Lieut. Col. Grant, Lieut. Col. Thompson, are in the city on an inspection trip.

Ill with Pneumonia.
Sergt. Kenneth Blair, of the 26th, recently invalided home is seriously ill with pneumonia.

Not a Candidate.
Clarence W. deForest stated yesterday that he is not a candidate for commissioner in the spring civic elections. Friends had urged him to be a candidate, but he had no desire to enter the campaign.

The Fortnightly Club.
The Fortnightly Club met in regular session last night at the residence of A. H. Wetmore, 175 Canterbury street. During the evening an excellent paper dealing with the Balkan war was read by Rev. P. R. Hayward.

Trade with France.
Sir George E. Foster has asked the Board of Trade to give early consideration to a trade matter of much importance, affecting commercial relations with France. He says that after an expression of the board's views on the subject have been obtained it may be desirable to ask representatives to meet at an early date in Ottawa for a conference. All the prominent boards of trade in Canada have been invited to take the matter up.

St. David's Y. P. A.
The regular meeting of the St. David's Young People's Association was held last evening with the president, A. R. Crookshank in the chair. Matters of a routine nature were dealt with, and an interesting musical programme that was carried out lent enjoyment to the occasion. Following were the numbers contributed: Piano solo, J. M. Barnes; vocal solo, Thomas Guy; vocal duo, Charles Munro; vocal duo, Thomas Guy and Charles Munro; illustrated lantern views. An illustrated paper on famous art paintings was read by Miss Edith Nelson. The meeting was brought to a close after refreshments had been served and a few minutes had been spent in social gathering.

Fraternity Lodge Officers.
A very successful meeting of Fraternity Lodge No. 119, I. O. O. F., was held in their hall, Fairville, when District Deputy Grand Master J. A. Murdoch installed the following officers: Stanley Reed, N. G.; Thomas Mitchell, V. G.; Fra Symes, R. S.; James Reed, P. S.; G. W. McAnlay, Treas.; George Raynes, R. S. N. G.; E. Burgess, L. S. N. G.; Clarence Quilton, R. S. V. G.; James Catherwood, L. S. V. G.; Rev. Walter Dunham, Chap.; Thomas Russell, Warden; George Hutton, Conductor; Wellington Lester, I. G.; William Gibbs, O. G.; Vernon McCumber, R. S. S.; William Golding, L. S. S. The district Grand Master was assisted by the following staff acting as Grand Officers: H. Robertson, Grand Warden; B. W. Thorne, Grand Secretary; C. H. Segee, Grand Treasurer, and W. J. Watson, Grand Marshal.

Don't forget the Victoria Bink grand carnival on February 1st. Thirty-five dollars in prizes.

Jack Tar Middy.
The "Jack Tar" Middy, the "Admiral" and the "Kiddy" Middy are made by a firm who make a speciality of these goods. They are the finest middies that have ever been turned out and they have been bought at a price that makes these superior middies as easy for the retail customer to buy as the common makes. They can be procured at P. A. Dykeman & Co. at 80 cts., \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50, and every one of them with colored trimmings are guaranteed fast colors.

Excellent tea at the Vic tonight.

ST. JOHN OFFICERS WRITE HOME FROM BATTLE FRONT

Major Thomas E. Powers now in Command of Signalers in Third Division—Major A. J. Markham Tells of Experiences in Trenches.

In a letter to his wife, Major Thomas E. Powers conveyed the news of a well merited promotion, he having been appointed to the command of the Canadian Signal Corps of the 3rd Division, Major Lister, who has been in command of the Signal Corps, has been transferred to Shorncliffe and that instruction officer at that base.

Major Powers has won promotion by sheer merit. The St. John corps which he commanded was the crack corps of Canada. When the call came at the beginning of the war he was one of the first to offer himself and a large number of the men in his company responded to his request and went with him to France where they have done splendid work. Major Powers has had several opportunities to leave the trenches and take up the duties of instruction officer at one of the reserve bases in England but preferred to stay with his men and share their work and hardships in the trenches. Major Powers, popularly known as "Tommy," is not only the commander but the comrade of "his boys," as he calls them and they will do anything for him.

In his letter he mentions Harry Holman, son of F. E. Holman, William Henderson formerly of M. R. A., and expects to have Allan Leavitt who has been promoted to lieutenant since going over to France with him, attached to his company. The letter which was written New Year's Eve said the Germans had made a gas attack that day but the wind changing had blown it back on themselves and they got a dose of their own medicine. He wrote in a very optimistic manner indeed and seemed to feel sure that the German offensive had lost its effectiveness and said the general opinion was that the Hunns were on their last legs and the Allies would soon be in a position to make the great drive which would be the beginning of the end.

Letter from Major Markham.
A letter dated December 24th, (Somewhere in France) was received yesterday by a member of The Standard staff from Major A. J. Markham, formerly of The Standard employ, but now with the 6th Mounted Rifles at the front. The letter reads in part as follows: "Just received the lovely cake and nice socks. Please thank all the boys of The Standard for their kind remem-

TEMPERATURE SAGS TO AWAY BELOW ZERO

Cold wave from West hits St. John and extends over province.

A decided dip in temperatures occurred this morning. The snowy weather of yesterday, aided by a piling northwester, made conditions out of doors as decidedly disagreeable. At midnight the mercury went down to 6 degrees below zero in St. John. This morning it was several degrees lower.

The cold wave of last week continues in the west, New England, Central Canada. Devil's Lake, N. D., was by no means a warm spot. There the temperature was 22 degrees below. At Port Arthur, Ont., it was 24 below; at Winnipeg, 27 below; at Battleford, 20 below; at Moose Jaw, 20 below; in Northern New England from 15 to 30 below; in the St. John Valley along the Northumberland Strait from 10 to 17 below.

The Boston train, due here at 11:20 last night, was delayed by the cold wave, which made it difficult to keep a full head of steam up. It did not arrive until one o'clock this morning. There is now perfect delighting in St. John and vicinity, and bright moonlight nights as well. However, few young men and their best girls ventured out last night because of the unfriendly blast from the northwest.

FR. CONVERS RE-ENTERS COWLEY ORDER, BOSTON

Was priest-in-charge of Mission Church of S. John Baptist in this city.

Rev. Father Duncan Convers, formerly priest in charge of the Mission church of St. John Baptist, Paradise Row, has rejoined the Society of Mission Priests of St. John the Evangelist, better known as the Cowley Fathers, of Oxford, England, and is now stationed at the headquarters of the order in America, the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Boston.

Father Convers entered the order in the early nineties, but left it about fifteen years ago, returning to his home in Indiana. About half a dozen years ago he came to St. John, remaining about three years. His health failing he returned to the United States. He is much improved in his health. He preached Sunday night at the Church of St. John the Evangelist. The superior of the Cowley order in America is Father Powell, formerly of Toronto.

SCHOONER LORININA GIVEN UP FOR LOST

The schooner Lorinina, which left Esquimaux Point, Quebec, on Oct. 26 for Halifax, has been given up by her owners and there is little doubt but she was lost with all on board. The vessel carried a crew of six men as follows: Capt. John W. Carew of Witley Bay, Nfld.; Mate James Connors, Witley Bay; Morgan Landrigan, Witley Bay; James Tierney, Witley Bay; Peter Costello, Ferryland, Nfld.; Charles Mason, Carbonear.

Most of the men leave families. The Lorinina was a new vessel of 110 tons register and was owned by Hon. Mr. Cashin of St. John, Nfld. She loaded a cargo of fish at Esquimaux Point and as the vessel was a new one and in excellent condition, Hon. Mr. Cashin is of the opinion that the schooner was in collision with some craft, possibly a coal steamer, and foundered. No report of wreckage from the Lorinina has been made at any point and no word of the crew has been received. Apparently the fate of the schooner will ever remain on the long list of mysteries of the northern seas.

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