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FAIR AND COLD.

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ITALIANS WIN GREAT VICTORY; ANOTHER RAID ON ENGLAND

SPECTACULAR AND TRIUMPHANT DRIVE BY MEN OF ITALY

Notwithstanding Deep Snows the Italians Carry Out Important Attack Against Austro-German Lines in Mountain Regions and Capture Strong Positions and More Than One Thousand, Five Hundred Men — Blow Delivered on Asiago Plateau Sector of Northern Italy and the Enemy Positions Penetrated Are Tenaciously Held—Berlin Admits the Reverse.

Dull on Other Battle Fronts, Although Germans Have Been Operating with Artillery on Somewhat Extensive Scale on Arras Front and Carry Out Raiding Operations on Several Other Sectors Against Field Marshal Haig's Line—47 Killed and 169 Injured in London Raid—Russian Breach with Rumania Widens—Allied War Council Meets.

Notwithstanding the fact that deep snows still cover the ground, the Italians have carried out successfully a spectacular drive against the Austro-German lines in the mountain region of Northern Italy and captured strong positions and more than 1,500 men.

The blow was delivered on the Asiago Plateau sector and the enemy positions penetrated were tenaciously held, despite strong counter-attacks, in which the Austro-Germans were repulsed with heavy casualties. The Berlin war office, in admitting the reverse to the Teutonic allied line, asserts that the Italians repeatedly tried to bring up reinforcements to widen the breaches they made in the enemy front, but that their efforts failed and that 360 Italians were made prisoner.

That airplanes aided materially in the fighting, full details of which have not yet been received, is indicated in the Italian official communication, which asserts that during the progress of the battle the enemy lost twelve aircraft.

The victory of the Italians at this particular point is of considerable significance because of the fact that lately, since the enemy's strong attempts to break through from the hill region to the Venetian Plain failed around Monte Tomba and sectors west, the Austro-Germans have been bringing up reinforcements in the Asiago district, preparatory to a further series of attacks to reach the low lands around Bassano and Vicenza.

Quiet Elsewhere.

Aside from this battle no important military operations have been recorded, although the Germans have been operating with their artillery on a somewhat extensive scale on the Arras front and have carried out raiding operations on several other sectors of Field Marshal Haig's line.

Monday night's air raid, the first of the year, on London and adjacent territory, resulted in the largest casualty list of any raid since that of June 13 last. The total casualties were 47 killed and 169 injured. Forty six of the fatalities occurred in London, where 300 persons were injured. Bombs were dropped by the invading enemy in Kent and Essex. One of the airplanes, a three-seated machine, was brought down in flames from a height of 10,000 feet and all three of its occupants were burned to death.

Replying to questions in the House of Commons yesterday, James MacPherson, parliamentary secretary for the war office, said that some of the casualties in last night's air raid were due to the overcrowding of air raid shelters.

Mr. MacPherson said seventy British airmen went up in search of the enemy machines and that all of them returned safely.

The Russian Puzzle.

Just what the situation in Russia is, remains obscure. One report asserts that there has been a split among the Bolsheviks on the question of peace on Germany's terms and the other that Trotsky, the Bolshevik foreign minister, intends to return immediately to Brest-Litovsk for a resumption of the peace conversations with the Austro-German delegates. Still another Petrograd despatch says Trotsky has reiterated to the council of workmen's and soldiers' delegates that the Bolshevik will insist on a democratic peace. On Petrograd Journal declares that Austro-Hungary already has offered to conclude a separate peace with Russia, regardless of Germany.

The breach between Russia and Rumania meanwhile is broadening. In addition to severing diplomatic relations with the little kingdom, the Bolshevik have ordered the seizure of Rumania's gold reserves on deposit in Moscow.

Finland Revolution.

Scant details have come through concerning the situation in Finland, but the reports indicate that the Red Guard is in control of Helsinki, where a revolutionary manifesto has proclaimed that authority is solely in the hands of the working classes.

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EVACUATION OF FINLAND ASKED BIG STRIKE IN BERLIN

Trotsky Declares Russian's Have Merely Defended Themselves When Attacked.

Petrograd, Monday, Jan. 28.—Foreign Minister Trotsky, replying to the Finnish Senate's demand for the immediate evacuation of Finland by Bolshevik troops, declared that he agreed in principle that the Russians should leave that territory and that the evacuation orders were being carried out as fast as possible. He expressed the hope that the difficulties would be settled by the commission now discussing a means to that end. He declared that the Russians had only defended themselves when the Finns fired on their troops.

One result of the Finnish trouble is that the difficulties of departure from Petrograd have been increased. Trains on the Finnish railway are running only a distance of about two hours from Petrograd. The evening papers report the continuance of stubborn fighting at Viborg and also the occupation by the Red Guard of the railway stations at many points.

JOE LYNCH KNOCKS OUT KID WILLIAMS

Philadelphia, Jan. 28.—Joe Lynch of New York knocked out Kid Williams, former heavyweight champion, in the fourth round of what was to have been a six round bout here tonight. Williams was the aggressor in the first and second rounds, but his blows seemed to be ineffective. At the beginning of the third round Lynch handed a hard right to the jaw which sent the former champion to the mat for the count of one. Although game to the last, this blow had a telling effect on Williams.

THREE KILLED

Leominster, Mass., Jan. 28.—Three carpenters on their way to work at Camp Devens were killed and four injured by a Boston & Maine freight train which crashed into their car at Lunsburg depot, near here, today. All of the men employed by a construction company at the camp, lived in this city.

FOOD CONTROLLER ASKS CANADIANS FOR CO-OPERATION

Ottawa, Jan. 28.—Mr. H. B. Thompson, Canada's new food controller, in his first personal public statement to The Canadian Press, today, called for broadminded, constructive co-operation by all the people of the Dominion. He also paid tribute to the work of the Hon. Mr. Hanna, his predecessor in office.

"Now that the full seriousness of the world food situation has been grasped by Canadians," he said, "all will devote their energies to helpful and constructive co-operation in this nation-wide work."

"It has been suggested that, in the process of selecting a food controller, a convention of the most pronounced critics in the country should have been called and that they should have selected one of their number for the position. Lack of time and other good reasons prevented this—which I personally regret."

"The whole urgency of the case is summed up in two words, thrift and industry. Let us understand the meaning of both of these words and then do your utmost. Miracles cannot be performed but enormously greater good can be accomplished if we all pull together."

ARMED SHIP TORPEDOED

Escort Vessel Mechanician Stranded in English Channel and 13 Men Lost.

London, Jan. 28.—The Admiralty announces that the armed escort vessel Mechanician was torpedoed and stranded in the English Channel January 29 and has become a total wreck. Three officers and ten men of the crew were lost.

Italian Victory.

Rome, Jan. 28.—Italian troops made a heavy attack yesterday on the northern mountain front and broke into the enemy lines, the war office reports. Reinforcements which the enemy was hurrying down the Noe and Campolungo valleys were dispersed by the artillery of the Italians and their allies.

Twelve enemy airplanes were brought down. The Italians held mastery of the air everywhere.

The Italians took more than 1,500 prisoners. They stormed enemy positions on the heights east of the Asiago Basin and broke through at several points, resisting violent counter-offensives.

Berlin Statement.

Berlin, Jan. 28, via London.—Italian forces which attacked the Teutonic positions on the Col del Rosso region and between Frenselva ravine, and the Brenta river, on the northern Italian front, were thrown back by the Austrian troops, the German official statement announced today.

The Italians gained a footing on Monte Di Val Belli, the statement said, but were driven back from them in a counter-attack.

Paris, Jan. 28.—French troops yesterday penetrated the German lines in Upper Alsace, destroying defence works and brought back prisoners, the war office announces.

WANTS GREATER PRODUCTION BY AGRICULTURISTS

Hon. T. A. Creer at Work on Plan—Discussion of Labor Problems Resumed at Ottawa.

Ottawa, Jan. 28.—Resumed discussion on the labor situation opened this afternoon at a conference between labor representatives and the war cabinet. Owing to the cancellation of trains, few of the Ontario delegation were able to be present. In consequence the proceedings were merely of a preliminary character. They will be continued tomorrow, when the situation will be discussed more in detail with a view to submission by the labor men of a suggested course of action for the government.

Hon. T. A. Creer, minister of agriculture, is now at work on the preparation of a plan to speed up agricultural production and to meet the demand for farm labor. When completed the plan will be submitted to the war cabinet for consideration.

The Ukrainian Troops Beat Bolsheviki and Take Town of Lutsk

Fighting Extremely Severe and Losses on Both Sides Heavy—Revolution of Proletariat Has Been Proclaimed in Finland and General Paralysis of Industry at Helsingfors — Attack Begun by Red Guard, Assisted by Sailors.

Cable and Telegraph Lines to Russia Have Been Cut—Bolsheviki Split on Question of Peace Majority Being Against Conclusion of Peace on German Terms and in Favor of Holy War — Bolsheviki Not Favorable to Huns.

Geneva, Jan. 28.—After three days fighting the Ukrainian Red's troops have defeated the Bolsheviki army and taken possession of Lutsk, according to a wireless message from Kiev to the Ukrainian committee here. The fighting was extremely severe and the losses on both sides were heavy. Airplanes, the message adds, greatly aided the Ukrainians in gaining the victory.

RED GUARDS ATTACK.

Copenhagen, Jan. 28.—According to information from Finland, the signal for the attack of the Red Guards on Helsingfors was given by a committee of the Russian sailors. This committee had a conference aboard a warship with representatives of the Finnish government, including the premier. The sailors demanded that the civil guard be dissolved. The premier categorically refused to comply with this but left the conference under the impression that an understanding had been reached. Nevertheless an attack was begun next morning by the Red Guards, assisted by sailors.

Revolution Proclaimed.

Petrograd, Jan. 28.—A revolution of the proletariat has been proclaimed in Finland, and the social democratic committee has published a manifesto announcing that the authority belongs solely to the working classes and the organizations representing them. A general strike, excluding, however, electric light stations, pharmacies, hospitals and provision shops, was declared on Monday at Helsingfors. The central committee of workmen has declared a state of siege, prohibiting the carrying of arms, except by the Red Guard, which is entrusted with the maintenance of order.

Bolsheviki Split.

London, Jan. 28.—The Bolsheviki have split on the question of peace on the German terms and in favor of a holy war, an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Petrograd says. As the present government is unable to carry out the formation of a coalition of all Socialist factions was proposed.

Cable Lines Cut.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Cable and telegraph lines to Russia have been cut, American minister Morris, at Stockholm reported today and the only remaining routes of communication with Petrograd now are through Persia and Vladivostok.

The land lines were severed, Mr. Morris reported, at Haparanda and the cables at Viborg. He gave no indication of the significance.

The Bolsheviki.

A Pacific Port, Jan. 28.—The Bolsheviki movement is not being fostered by agencies favorable to Germany, according to Professor Edward A. Ross, professor of sociology at the University of Wisconsin, who arrived here today from Russia, where he said he had spent five months. He travelled many thousand miles, talked with all classes of men and women and interviewed Foreign Minister Trotsky. Prof. Ross made a special investigation of the Bolsheviki movement on behalf of the American Institute of Social Service of New York, and will proceed east at once to make his report.

The Bolsheviki movement is sincere, Prof. Ross said, springing from the heart of Russia itself and having as its object the liberation of the people, the establishment of world peace and the institution of pure industrial socialism.

Tatiana and Olga Romanoff, daughters of the former Czar, were reported to be espousing the Bolsheviki cause and attending radical meetings in Tobolsk, Prof. Ross said.

SBYZKO WINS

Calgary, Jan. 28.—H. W. Wood, president of the Canadian council of agriculturists, has been summoned to Ottawa. It is understood new and important food regulations are under consideration by the cabinet council.

THE GERMANS MAKE ATTACK NEAR LONDON

Another Hostile Air Raid Over Eastern England Last Night.

BOMBS DROPPED NEAR CAPITAL

Airplanes Make Attack on the Coast of Essex and Kent.

RAID IN PROGRESS AT A LATE HOUR

Seventeen Women and Sixteen Children Killed Monday Night.

London, Jan. 29.—Another hostile air raid over Eastern England began at 9.30 o'clock tonight and up to the present hour is still in progress, according to an official communication just issued. None of the enemy machines has as yet been able to penetrate the London defences, although there are reports that bombs have been dropped in the outskirts of the city. The communication says: "Hostile aeroplanes crossed the coast of Essex and Kent about 9.30 p. m. Some machines attempted to penetrate into London about an hour later."

"Up to the present none of them has succeeded in penetrating the London defences. Some bombs are reported as having been dropped in the outskirts."

"The raid is still in progress."

MONDAY'S RAID

The text of Lord French's statement reads: "The latest reports state the casualties of last night's air raids in all districts visited by the enemy aeroplanes as:

"Killed — Men, fourteen; women, seventeen; children, sixteen. Total, forty-seven.

"Injured — Men, Ninety-three; women, fifty-nine; children, seventeen. Total, 169.

"Except for one killed and seven injured all the foregoing occurred in London. The material damage is not serious."

British Too Lenient.

John Hodge, the minister of pensions, was addressing a public meeting in Battersea, attended by 1,500 persons, when the first firing began. He declared to them his only regret was that the Germans had not been given months ago a taste of what they were giving Londoners.

"When a squadron of British and French aeroplanes bombarded Karlsruhe," he remarked, "what a white flag was set up about bombing 'my beloved Karlsruhe!'"

TWO ARRESTS.

Two drunks were arrested on the West Side early last night and taken to the police station.

WILL ARREST SOCIALISTS

German Government Decides to Apprehend Leaders, Including Editor of Vorwaerts

Amsterdam, Jan. 28.—The German government has decided upon the arrest of six independent Socialist leaders. They include three members of the editorial staff of the Leipzig Volks Zeitung.

It is reported that Adolph Hoffman, editor of Vorwaerts and independent Socialist leader in the Prussian Diet, has been arrested.

The Socialist newspaper Vorwaerts has been outspoken at times against the German government. Commenting on the recent speech of Chancellor Von Hertling before the main committee of the Reichstag, Vorwaerts said: "This would have been an act for the deliverance of the world if it had shown clearly that no egotistical afterthought in regard to domination was hidden behind the German desire for peace. This it has not done. Some parts of the speech will increase our opponents' distrust of the sincerity of the German declarations."

WAS HON. ALBERT SEVIGNY ELECTED?

Technical Violation of Law by Opponent in Westmount—St. Henry May Give Him the Seat.

Montreal, Jan. 28.—With reference to a statement in the Ottawa newspaper Le Droit, to the effect that Hon. Albert Sevigny may be elected for Westmount-St. Henry, because Alfred Ledue, who defeated the minister on December 17, by a majority of 2,800, withdrew his deposit, instead of awaiting the result of the voters' vote, the Montreal Herald says: "It is said by friends of Mr. Ledue that he offered to return the election deposit to the returning officer yesterday, but it was refused."

The Herald says "The returning officer is alleged to have reported to the Ottawa authorities that he had only one candidate in the field, the Hon. Albert Sevigny." Mr. Ledue is out of the city, and the returning officer declines to say anything about the matter.

RUSSIANS DECIDE TO PUSH THE ROMANIANS

SWEDISH TROOPS CLASH WITH THE RED GUARDS AT TORNA IN FINLAND

Swedish Government Proposes that Norway and Denmark Invite Finland to Co-operate with the Three Scandinavian Countries Regarding Legislative Questions—Finnish Senate Asks Sweden's Assistance.

Peace Negotiations Resumed at Brest-Litovsk by Germans and Bolsheviks Apparently—Latter Will Fight Ukrainians—Epidemic of Diseases Decimates Population of Petrograd.

London, Jan. 29.—The Bolshevik foreign minister, Leon Trotsky, announced to the congress of workmen and soldiers' deputies at Petrograd Saturday night the decision of the government respecting reparations against Rumania. These include the breaking off of diplomatic relations, the seizure of Rumania gold reserves in Moscow and the outlawing of Lieut. General St. Cherbatoff, the former commander-in-chief on the Rumanian front.

Trotsky said that the Rumanian gold reserves amounted to 1,200,000 rubles and that the custodian of this fund had been placed under arrest. It is understood that General St. Cherbatoff had been cooperating with the Rumanians in disarming Russians in Rumania and Bessarabia.

Peace Conferences Again.

According to reports received from Berlin, by way of Amsterdam, peace negotiations will be resumed at Brest-Litovsk at an early date. Later despatches, however, denied that the Russian foreign minister intended to proceed to Brest-Litovsk. Before leaving Vienna the emperor sent an audience with the emperor and he is quoted as saying that he might be compelled to return shortly on important business.

A Renter despatch from Petrograd says, on the authority of the commissioner of national affairs, that the commissioners will not negotiate further with the Ukrainian Rada and that the nothing remains but a relentless struggle until victory has been obtained by the Ukrainian workmen and soldiers' deputies. The "Bourgeois" rule of Ukraine continued the commissioner.

GOVERNMENT GETS MANY PROTESTS AGAINST CLOSING

Apparently Little Basis for Reports that All Theatres and Movie Houses Are to Be Closed for Three Days Each Week to Save Fuel.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—Telegrams are still showing in the government in protest against the rumored order to close all theatres and moving picture shows for three days a week. These rumors have apparently spread over the whole Dominion. How it arose, officials are completely at a loss to understand. While the whole question of fuel conservation is under consideration, there has been no announcement of the government's intention to close the amusement places and no such decision as that indicated has been reached.

TO CROSS-EXAMINE SECRETARY BAKER

Senate Military Committee Will Call Upon Him to Amplify His Statements.

Washington, Jan. 29.—Secretary Baker soon will have an opportunity to amplify his statement of the United States war preparations, given yesterday to the Senate military committee, which he announced that more than half a million men would be in France by this year and a million more would be ready before the end of the year.

Recall of Secretary Baker for cross-examination was decided by the end of the week was decided upon today by the committee.

Grip Follows The Snow.

KATY'S BROMO QUININE Tablets in time will prevent Grip. B. H. GILBERT'S signature on box. 50c.

CANNOT GRANT LEAVE UNLESS CALL URGENT

Militia Department Unable to Let Men Go Home on "Compassionate" Grounds to See Relatives Where All Are Well.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—In a memorandum issued by the militia department attention is drawn to the fact that it is almost impossible for the military authorities to grant leave or discharge to members of the Canadian expeditionary force on "compassionate" grounds, except in cases of the most extreme urgency. The memorandum states that "in the homes of soldiers who are absent there occur the inevitable tragedies of life, in the serious or fatal illness of members of their families. Under these circumstances the quite natural desire arises on the part of relatives, and the soldiers return home, and numerous requests are made to this effect.

Ruling Unavoidable.

"While these cases are very distressing, they are, unfortunately, the unavoidable incidents of war, and it is obviously impossible where so many thousands of men are concerned, to accede to any of these requests, except in cases of the most extreme urgency, where there are exceptional business and domestic reasons requiring the soldier's presence in Canada.

Swedes in Clash.

An evening paper announces the arrival of Swedish troops at Torna, and says that a clash has already occurred between an advance guard of Swedes and the Red Guards. A Stockholm despatch to the Post says that the Swedish government, on Friday, decided to propose that Norway and Denmark invite Finland to co-operate with the three Scandinavian countries regarding legislative questions.

SPECTACULAR AND TRIUMPHANT DRIVE BY MEN OF ITALY

(Continued from page 1)
The supreme war council, with delegates representing the United States, Great Britain, France and Italy in attendance, has convened at Versailles, France. The plans of the military campaign against the enemy in the west, the Italian army is reported to have taken an active part in the calling of the strike.

WARRANT SWORN OUT FOR ARREST OF A MINISTER

Presbyterian Pastor at Brandon, Man., Fugitive After Charges Made by Sixteen Year Old Girl.

Brandon, Man., Jan. 28.—No trace has yet been found of Rev. W. Nichol, pastor of the Presbyterian church, who left Brandon on January 14, leaving a wife and four children in Brandon. A warrant now has been sworn out for his arrest on a charge of seduction of a sixteen-year-old girl, who was nurse maid at the minister's home. It is believed that Nichol has fled to the United States.

EPSTEIN HELD

Montreal, Jan. 29.—Carl Epstein, charged with having attempted the life of Controller Villeneuve, by stabbing him in the neck, was up for preliminary hearing before Judge St. Cyr today. Controller Villeneuve again identified Epstein as his assailant and the prisoner was remanded until Tuesday for voluntary statement.

COAL INCREASE

Washington, Jan. 29.—Filing of tariffs providing for increases of fifteen cents a ton on coal from points in the United States to Canada was authorized today by the Interstate Commerce Commission. This follows the action of the Canadian Public Utilities Commission in approving such an increase.

HEAVY ICE DAMAGE

Pedroca, Ky., Jan. 29.—Eleven steamboats and two drydocks, with an estimated value of \$300,000, are included in a partial list of the vessels damaged or missing from the Pedroca harbor alone. The trouble was caused by ice.

FIVE MORE BODIES FOUND IN ALLAN SHAFT, ST. MARY'S

Water Now Well out of Mine—Demand for Fuel Overwhelming—Inquest Will Be Held Today Before Coroner Kennedy.

New Glasgow, N. S., Jan. 29.—Five more bodies have been taken from the Allan shaft mine up to 3 o'clock tonight. They are those of Francis Louie, a lad of 18, born of French parents at Sydney; William Minnie, colored, New Glasgow; Destro Landri, and Andrew Bosman, Belgians, Stellarton; and Andre Buko, Russian, Stellarton.

Get a Scar.

The men who went down at 3 p. m. yesterday got a bit of a scare about nine o'clock, when some of them became alarmed about some vapor they saw. They were afraid it was damp. Work was at once suspended and the men made for the surface as quickly as possible.

1,033 BRITISH SHIPS SUNK IN A YEAR

United States Has Lost 69 Vessels in Twelve Months of Unrestricted German Submarine Warfare.

New York, Jan. 29.—In the twelve months since unrestricted warfare was launched against American and allied shipping by Germany on May 1, 1915, there have been sunk by submarine attacks 1,033 American vessels, totalling 171,061 gross tons, according to a careful compilation of records of sinkings which has been made public. The loss of life caused by the sixty-six American vessels, most of which were sailing ships, the United States navy, and the merchant marine, by the seizure of former German and Austrian-owned ships, a total of 107 vessels, having a gross tonnage of 685,464 tons, were on the credit side of the American ledger in the account with the Central Powers, a net gain of 514,385 gross tons. The loss of life caused by the sinking of the sixty-nine American ships was more than three hundred persons.

SIR LOUIS DAVIES CONTINUES ILL

Supreme Court Will Not Have Quorum on Feb. 4.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—Owing to the illness of Sir Louis Davies and the circumstance that Hon. Justice Duff's time is fully taken up with his duties as central appeal judge under the military service act, the supreme court which would have commenced its mid-winter sittings on Tuesday, Feb. 4th, will not have a quorum until the end of February. Sir Charles Fitzpatrick and Hon. Justices Idington, Anglin and Brodeur will hear appeals on consent in the meantime on dates to be arranged with the registrar. In cases where the court is equally divided, a re-argument will be directed before a quorum of the court.

CAPTAIN KILLS FIRST OFFICER

Row on Board Swedish Steamer Anglia at Sea Last Saturday.

An Atlantic Port, Jan. 29.—The Swedish steamer Anglia was brought into port tonight by her second officer with a story of how Captain A. W. Waerns, the master, shot and fatally wounded the first officer, G. R. Furst, at sea last Saturday and then shot himself. The captain fell over the ship's side and his body was not recovered.

ZULU KID LOSES

Bridgeport, Conn., Jan. 29.—Harry Grab of Pittsburgh outlasted Zulu Kid of Brooklyn in an exciting three-round bout here tonight. The bout stopped in the fourth round in compliance with the closing order issued by Fuel Administrator Garfield.

PREMIER QUILTS

Amsterdam, Jan. 29.—A despatch from Berlin received here says that the Rumanian premier, J. C. C. Brătianu, has resigned. He will be succeeded, according to the despatch, by General Pofana Aveco, former minister of war and lately commander of the Rumanian forces in Dobruja.

GOVERNMENT GETS HALF OF ITS EARNINGS

United States Steel Corporation Earned \$59,724,125 After Paying Government \$60,950,364 in Three Months.

New York, Jan. 29.—The United States Steel Corporation paid to the federal government more than half its earnings in the final quarter of 1917, according to a statement of the corporation, issued today.

Finished quickly to your measure.

Gilmour's, 68 King St.

THE WEATHER

Maritime—Fresh northwest winds; fair and cold.
Washington, Jan. 29.—Northern New England—Fair Wednesday, snow Thursday or Thursday night, moderate west winds.
Toronto, Jan. 29.—The cold continues as intense as ever in the western provinces and the weather remains low from Ontario to Nova Scotia. Light snow has fallen in parts of the Maritime Provinces. Elsewhere the weather has been fine.

ANDOVER

Andover, Jan. 29.—On Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Marshall Armstrong a bean supper was served by Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Lanfery in aid of the S. C. A. The sum of \$28.00 was realized.

FISH COMMISSION GOES TO BOSTON

Hearings to Be Opened Tomorrow in Which Canada Interested.

Washington, Jan. 29.—Assistant Secretary of Commerce Sweet and Dr. Hugh Smith, chief of the bureau of fisheries, left tonight for Boston to attend the open hearings Thursday at which questions affecting fishing in waters contiguous to the United States and Canada will be discussed by the commission appointed by the two countries. Secretary Redfield, the other member of the American commission, is in New York and will go from there to Boston.

NEW YORK NEEDS STILL MORE COAL

New York, Jan. 29.—Although New York's coal supply is now sufficient to assure almost normal daily departures of steamships, fuel administrators regarded the situation tonight as still serious. They declared not nearly enough coal was arriving at tidewater points. It was estimated that the city saved about 15,000 tons of anthracite and 5,000 of bituminous on the second day of the week.

SHIP CONTRACTS

Fort William, Ont., Jan. 29.—Contracts have been closed by the Canadian Car and Foundry Company for the construction of steel boats for their plants here. Sufficient boats have been contracted for to give the company two years work.

ASTHMA COUGHS

Vapo-Resoline

A simple, safe and effective treatment for Asthma, Coughs, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Colds.

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, one pill a dose, 25 cents a box, all dealers or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Limited, Toronto. You cannot expect such results from substitutes. Insist on getting the genuine.

NEARLY FORTY-SEVEN PER CENT WOUND

Loss of Life Heaviest Caused by German Aerial Attacks This Winter—Casualty List of June 13, 1917, When 97 and 437 Wounded—One Down.

London, Jan. 29.—Forty-seven persons were killed and 169 injured in last night's air raid. This is announced officially.

All the victims of the raid were killed or wounded in London, except for the death of one person and the injury of seven. The material damage was not serious.

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CONVOY SYSTEM SATISFACTORY

Sir Leo G. Chiozza Money Makes Statement in House of Commons.

London, Jan. 29.—Replying to a question in the House of Commons today, Sir Leo G. Chiozza Money, parliamentary private secretary for the ministry of munitions, on behalf of the shipping controller, said the ocean convoy system continued to work satisfactorily. Since its inception, in the middle of 1917, more than fourteen million tons of shipping had been convoyed with a loss of only 1.46 per cent, including ships sunk through the dispersal of convoys and through bad weather.

When the Kidneys Fail

Poisons Remain in the Blood, Which Causes Pains and Aches—Read Here the Way of Setting the Kidneys Right.

Brookville, Ont., Jan. 29.—If you have headache, backaches and rheumatic pains you have reason to suspect the kidneys. Pain is caused by poisons in the blood, and poisons only remain in the blood when the kidneys are defective and fail to do their work.

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ROMANIANS GOVERNMENT GETS HALF OF ITS EARNINGS

A Sale of Odd Suits

Few sales appeal to men the same as good clothing at straightforward price reductions. Many men can surely make satisfactory selections from these suits we are now clearing at such low figures.

Is your occupation severe on your clothes? One or more of these suits will more than return value in the saving you would make, and you'll find you rarely had as good a fit unless you're in the habit of buying here. Odd Suits, ready for service, and those that lingered too long.

\$10, \$15 and \$17.50

Finished quickly to your measure.

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Place	Min.	Max.
Dawson	32	48
Prince Rupert	30	34
Victoria	34	40
Yancouver	30	38
Kamloops	32	34
Edmonton	24	46
Calgary	22	44
Winnipeg	24	42
Port Arthur	24	40
Perry Sound	10	14
London	2	20
Toronto	2	18
Ottawa	4	18
Montreal	6	14
Quebec	8	14
St. John	0	18
Halifax	2	14

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London, Jan. 29.—Replying to a question in the House of Commons today, Sir Leo G. Chiozza Money, parliamentary secretary for the Ministry of Munitions, said that the shipping controller, on behalf of the shipping companies, had reported that the convoy system was working satisfactorily. Since its inception, in the middle of 1917, more than four million tons of shipping had been conveyed with a loss of only 1.6 per cent, including ships sunk through the dispersal of convoys and through bad weather.

NEW YORK NEEDS STILL MORE COAL

New York, Jan. 29.—Although New York's coal supply is now sufficient to assure almost normal daily departures of steamships, fuel administrators regarded the situation tonight as still serious. They declared that nearly enough coal was arriving at tidewater points. It was estimated that the city saved about 15,000 tons of anthracite and 5,000 of bituminous on the second day of the week.

SHIP CONTRACTS

Fort William, Ont., Jan. 29.—Contracts have been closed by the Canadian Car and Foundry Company for the construction of steel boats at their plants here. Sufficient boats have been contracted for to give the company two years work.

ASTHMA COUGHS

WINDING COUGH SPASMODIC CROUP BRONCHITIS CATARRH COLDS

Vapo-Resolene

A simple, safe and effective treatment available in every home. It is carried in a convenient, light, portable, and easily carried container. It is used by inhaling the vapors, which soothe the inflamed membrane, loosen the mucus, and relieve the distressing cough. It is used by children with great success. It is used by the sick and the aged. It is used by the sailor and the traveler. It is used by the soldier and the sailor. It is used by the worker and the worker. It is used by the man and the man. It is used by the woman and the woman. It is used by the child and the child. It is used by the old and the old. It is used by the young and the young. It is used by the healthy and the healthy. It is used by the sick and the sick. It is used by the well and the well. It is used by the strong and the strong. It is used by the weak and the weak. It is used by the brave and the brave. It is used by the coward and the coward. It is used by the honest and the honest. It is used by the dishonest and the dishonest. It is used by the good and the good. It is used by the bad and the bad. It is used by the right and the right. It is used by the wrong and the wrong. It is used by the true and the true. It is used by the false and the false. It is used by the just and the just. It is used by the unjust and the unjust. It is used by the fair and the fair. It is used by the unfair and the unfair. It is used by the kind and the kind. It is used by the unkind and the unkind. It is used by the gentle and the gentle. It is used by the harsh and the harsh. It is used by the soft and the soft. It is used by the hard and the hard. It is used by the sweet and the sweet. It is used by the sour and the sour. It is used by the bitter and the bitter. It is used by the salty and the salty. It is used by the bland and the bland. It is used by the spicy and the spicy. It is used by the bland and the bland. It is used by the spicy and the spicy. It is used by the bland and the bland. It is used by the spicy and the spicy.

NEARLY HALF A HUNDRED KILLED IN LONDON RAID

GEORGE BROTHERS WILL FORTY-SEVEN PERSONS AND MORE KILLED IN 170 IN ENGLAND

Loss of Life Heaviest Caused by Any of New Series of German Aerial Attacks Which Began Early This Winter—Casualty List Largest Since Raid of June 13, 1917, When 97 Persons Were Killed and 437 Wounded—One Machine Brought Down.

London, Jan. 29.—Forty-seven persons were killed and 169 injured in last night's air raid. This is announced officially.

All the victims of the raid were killed or wounded in London, except for the death of one person and the injury of seven. The material damage was not serious.

The loss of life in last night's raid was the heaviest caused by any of the new series of German aerial attacks which began early this winter. After a period of several weeks in which no such adventures were attempted, the casualty list is the largest since the raid of June 13, 1917, when 97 persons were killed and 437 wounded.

The last previous raid was on December 18. Ten persons were killed and 20 wounded.

Fifteen airplanes.

About 15 German airplanes, which for a few minutes last night, took part in the first of two raids last night. This is announced officially. Only one of the raiders engaged in the second attack penetrated so far as the city. The attack lasted intermittently for nearly five hours, and for two hours there was a heavy and almost continuous gunfire.

One of the raiding machines was brought down, falling in flames from a height of 10,000 feet. All three of the crew were burned to death. An individual engagement was fought by a British pilot with another raider over the sea. All the British pilots returned safely.

Women Calm.

The members of the Royal Geographical Society, with many ladies in the large audience, were assembled to hear a speech by Lieut. General J. C. Smuts, Sir Thomas Holdich, the British air commander-in-chief, and the audience remained in the hall.

General Smuts spoke calmly for an hour amid reports of the guns. Afterward Walter Hume Long, colonial secretary, paid a warm tribute to General Smuts and the African army, which represented all units of the British Empire.

Theatres Kept On.

A majority of the theatres went through their performances with de-

FLOUR TO COST \$11.10 PER BBL.

Baking Soda, Butter and Eggs Firmer—Sugar Lower—Tea Strong.

Toronto, Jan. 29.—The following comment on the market situation as regards foodstuffs appears in Canadian Grocer:

While the food controller has not established a price for the new grade of flour it is generally understood by the millers that the price for Manitoba flour will be around \$11.10 per barrel, looking on this basis at any rate. In some instances mills have started to grind the new grade of flour. Rolled oats continue in firm market with a general advance recorded on the part of the manufacturers of package oats. One of the important advances to be recorded during the week was that on canned pork and beans and canned meats of various kinds. Higher prices have also been made effective on bicarbonate of soda, cotton twine, salad dressing, fruit jars, wax paper, hand cleaner, lye. A reduction was recorded in the price of Epson salts.

One of the rafters reduced the price of sugar to the basis of the two regions who had previously reduced. An embargo on the shipment of sugar from the United States is likely to be only a temporary measure by way of relieving the freight situation. Canadian sugar men anticipate there will not be any serious consequences to the Canadian trade, as there are some stocks of raw sugar in hand and these will in all probability be sufficient to meet requirements until the embargo is again lifted.

There is a strong undertone to the tea situation, due to the high freight rates now prevailing on the Pacific Ocean. Stocks of tea in Canada have been fairly heavy recently and this has held the market in an easy position for some time past. Lima beans were in better demand and the price of the storage butter was in firmer market during the week. New-laid eggs are arriving in better quantity and the price of this grade was lower. Storage eggs are getting within narrow compass and the price on this grade showed a higher range. Foultry supplies are light with very little being shipped to distributing centres.

TAP MAPLE TREES TO SAVE SUGAR

Coal Outlook None Too Promising, Even for Next Winter and Situation May Be More Acute.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—The commission of conservation issued a note of warning in connection with the lack of coal. "Unless all signs fail," it states, "the coal shortage next winter will be more acute than this winter, and every effort should be exercised to provide a supply of dry hardwood. Farmers and villagers will be expected to look after themselves, but in cities and towns the responsibility is devolved on the municipal authorities. They should lose no time in organizing to have wood cut, hauled and stored to dry during the summer. If this is not done, the situation next winter may be very serious indeed."

The commission also urged the tapping of every maple tree to conserve sugar supply.

NEW STANDARD BREAD GOOD

Cabinet Samples Product of New Flour and Find Them Excellent.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—Bread baked from the new standard flour was submitted for examination to the cabinet council yesterday and passed with flying colors. Sample loaves were placed before the ministers by the food controller, Mr. H. B. Thompson, and there was unanimity of opinion as to the splendid quality of the bread. The fine texture of the loaf, clean cutting in crust and middle, was favorably remarked upon by the members of the cabinet.

"We consider it first class bread," said Hon. N. W. Rowell, president of the privy council.

The loaves were baked on an ordinary commercial basis at Montreal from "one grade flour," milling of which commenced yesterday in Canadian mills.

PROHIBITION WORKS WELL IN FAR WEST

Has Improved Physical, Financial and Social Status of British Columbia Workmen.

Vancouver, Jan. 29.—Prohibition of the sale of alcoholic liquors in British Columbia, according to opinions expressed by a number of delegates here today, has been of benefit to workmen, improving their physical, financial and social status, and causing them to take a deeper interest in problems connected with the life of the wage-earner.

A proposal to go on record as being opposed to the prohibition act and to appoint a delegation to interview the government with the request that the sale of beer and wine be permitted, was not concurred in. An amendment, to the effect that beer carrying 2 1/2 per cent. weight alcohol be permitted, also was voted down.

BROTHER HAS TO GO TO THE FRONT

Young Man Makes Dramatic Plea Before Montreal Court

Montreal, Jan. 29.—In a dramatic plea, during which he broke down with emotion, Theodore Mathieu, of Verdun, told Mr. Justice Maclellan today that since his brother Adrian had refused to promise to look after their aged parents if he (Theodore) went to the front, he was willing to undertake this responsibility if Adrian were sent overseas. The judge thereupon ordered Adrian into khaki. Theodore said he thought Adrian wanted to get married.

HON. FRANK OLIVER MAKES CHARGES

Wants Election of Brig. Gen. W. A. Greibach in West Edmonton Voted.

Edmonton, Jan. 29.—Hon. Frank Oliver, Liberal candidate in West Edmonton in the Dominion election, whom the returning officers' figures showed to be leading, in the civilian vote, with eighty majority, has lodged a protest against the election of the Unionist candidate, Brig-Gen. W. A. Greibach, and has filed the protest, together with \$1,000 currency with the clerk of the supreme court.

The petition, covering forty-two charges, says that "notorious, systematic and unskilful practices" are being employed by the Dominion election act, as recognized and defined by the common law of parliament, were carried on before, at, during, and after, said election by the candidate and his agents. The petitioners asked it be declared that the election of Brig-Gen. Greibach is void and that it be set aside.

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STRATHCONA HORSE FUNDS PROBE

Court of Enquiry to Investigate Canteen and Administration of Funds.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—The establishment of a court of inquiry for "the purpose of collecting and recording evidence in connection with the administration of the regimental canteen and other funds of the Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians)," etc., is announced in militia orders. The court will be composed of the following officers:

President, Brig. Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, permanent staff; Col. J. F. MacDonald, Canadian Ordnance Corps; Major E. Trump, assistant military secretary militia department.

It will assemble at Winnipeg on a date to be named by the president, but with a deep consciousness of their power and right, may externally and internally in the wish of self-discipline preserve their union until the final victory of our arms" lays the foundation for the glad news of the unfolding of their mental and economic powers."

GAS, HEARTBURN, INDIGESTION OR A SICK STOMACH

"Pape's Diapepsin" ends all stomach distress in five minutes.

Time it! Pape's Diapepsin will dispel anything you eat and overcome a sour, gassy or out-of-door stomach surely within five minutes.

If your meals don't fit comfortably, or what you eat lies like a lump of lead in your stomach, or if you have heartburn, that is a sign of indigestion.

Get from your pharmacist a fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin and take a dose just as soon as you can. There will be no sour risings, no belching of undigested food mixed with acid, no stomach gas or heartburn, fullness or heavy feeling in the stomach, nausea, debilitating headaches, dizziness or intestinal griping. This will all go and, besides, there will be no sour food left over in the stomach to poison your breath with nauseous odors.

Pape's Diapepsin is a certain cure for out-of-order stomachs, because it takes hold of your food and digests it just the same as if your stomach wasn't there.

Relief in five minutes from all stomach misery is waiting for you at any drug store.

These large fifty-cent cases contain enough "Pape's Diapepsin" to keep the entire family free from stomach disorders and indigestion for many months. It belongs in your home.

THE QUEBEC BANK APPEALS SEPARATE SCHOOL COURSE

Decision of Appellate Court Expected to Be Referred to Privy Council.

Toronto, Jan. 29.—Formal notice of appeal was entered by the Quebec Bank, the Bank of Ottawa and other defendants yesterday in the action launched by the Ottawa separate school board, from the decision of Mr. Justice Chate, whereby the commission appointed by the Ontario legislature to administer the school was held responsible for and held to refund all expenditures save those which would have been incurred in the normal administration of the schools.

It is expected that the decision of the appellate court, whatever it may be will likewise be appealed and that the case will go to the privy council.

DR. THOMPSON WILL WIN IN THE YUKON

Congdon Opposition, Has a Slight Lead, But This Will Be Wiped Out by Soldiers' Vote.

Dawson, Y. T., Jan. 28.—Yukon's deferred election for member of parliament was held today. Returns in all districts except Mayo, Glacier and a few small outlying districts give F. T. Congdon, opposition candidate, a majority of twelve for the entire territory.

Dr. Alfred Thompson, Unionist candidate, says he easily will overcome this by the soldiers vote overseas and the outlying districts. His majority estimated among the soldiers is 200, which would leave his entire majority, it is said, between 100 and 200. The Congdon forces are still confident of good returns from outlying districts and overseas.

When the Kidneys Fail

Poisons Remain in the Blood, Which Cause Pains and Aches—Read What the Surest Way of Getting the Kidneys Right.

Brookville, Ont., Jan. 29.—If you have headaches, backaches and aching pains you have reason to suspect the kidneys. Pain is caused by poisons in the blood, and poisons only remain in the blood when the kidneys are defective and fail to do their work.

This Brookville lady has reported her case because she believes that a great many people are suffering as she did without knowing the cause or cure.

Mrs. Frank Noyes, 9 Stuart street, Brookville, Ont., writes: "For years I was afflicted with kidney complaint. I became very nervous, was easily worried and had frequent headaches and neuralgic pains, especially through the back. I had indigestion, poor circulation of the blood and often was bothered with weak spells. I commenced using Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and had only taken two boxes when I felt greatly relieved. I continued the treatment, however, until I was completely cured. In all I took about ten boxes, and have not been troubled in this way since. I highly recommend Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. I think also that the Plasters and Ointment can't be equalled."

Here is another letter to show how rheumatic pains disappear when the action of the kidneys is awakened by Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills:

Mr. John May Walkerton, Ont., writes: "I was troubled with rheumatism in my legs and I became so lame that I could scarcely get around. Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills were recommended to me, and so I commenced using them. After I had been taking them for awhile I was delighted to find that my rheumatism had left me, and today I am as sound as a bell, able to get around and attend to business. I have made use of Dr. Chase's medicines in many ways for the last forty years, and can not speak too well of their good qualities."

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, one pill a dose, 35 cents a box, all dealers or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Limited, Toronto. You cannot expect such results from substitutes. Insist on getting the genuine.

THE WRONG JUICE IN THE EGGNOG

In Consequence Seven Oklahomans Are Dead, Two May Die and Nearly Twenty Ill.

Muskogee, Okla., Jan. 29.—Seven persons are dead, two others are expected to die and nearly a score are ill as a result of an egg-nog party Sunday at Francis, Okla., at which denatured alcohol was used by mistake, according to word reaching here today.

PLENTY OF TEA COMING EAST

No Less Than Twenty Cars from the Orient Valued at About \$250,000.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 29.—Twenty cars of tea from the Orient passed through Winnipeg today on the Canadian Pacific Railway destined to points in eastern Canada. The shipment consists of 3,000 chests, and is valued at approximately \$250,000.

WAR FLOUR GOOD FLOUR

By Caro M. Brown

Chemist—Lake of the Woods Milling Company Limited

In the interest of food conservation, it has been proved most economical to insist upon a standard loaf of bread from all bake-shops, and this is only possible when a standard flour is manufactured. In order to effect this standardization of flour all over Canada, the Government requires that the mills make not less than 74 per cent flour from wheat, that is 74 pounds of War Flour is to be made from 100 pounds of wheat. This is only very slightly more than most mills are already extracting.

Not "Graham" Flour

The slight increase of flour extracted will be true flour, and not bran or dust. Formerly this slight amount of flour had been allowed to go into the feeds for animal consumption, but when every grain of wheat counts as it does now, this is too extravagant a practice. There need be no apprehension as to the quality of Government Regulation flour. It is NOT to be "Graham," nor even so-called "Whole-wheat" flour, and it is NOT flour mixed with bran and shorts. It will be simply pure flour as taken from the wheat berry, purified and sifted exactly as in the past; but, instead of several grades, such as FIVE ROSES, HARVEST QUEEN, LAKEWOODS, etc., being separated, all the flour will be blended together and only one brand will be on the market.

Colour More Creamy

The War Flour will not have quite the white colour of FIVE ROSES, but for all practical uses it will give identical results in baking. Flavour, texture, general appearance and nutritive value will not be impaired in any way.

Excellent Baking Results

Foreseeing that some regulation of this sort was imminent, we have been trying out in our Laboratory recipes for Bread, Cakes and Pastry, using the new "War Flour," our idea being to ascertain if any modification of present methods should be adopted. There need be no fear that the new flour will make unpalatable bread, cake or pastry. We were more than pleased with the results, and found that for bread no variation seemed to be necessary.

Some Suggestions for Housewives

In making pie crust and puff paste, we have obtained the best results by using very slightly less water than with FIVE ROSES. The crust was flaky, crisp and well-flavoured. For cake, we followed exactly the same recipe in using FIVE ROSES and the War Flour; the cake from the War Flour was equal to that from FIVE ROSES in lightness and texture, was excellent in flavour and as rich, creamy colour.

As the War Flour will be used in gluten, care should be taken in making baking-powder biscuit and pastry not to work it or handle it any more than is absolutely necessary, as this toughens the gluten, resulting in a texture less tender and flaky. It will require a little study and ingenuity on the part of each housewife to adapt her favourite recipe to this flour, but the little time given to this will be more than repaid by the results obtained.

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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 Kings.
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

LOOKING FORWARD.

At this time the people do not require to be reminded how the gallant achievements of the 26th and other military units have contributed to make the Province of New Brunswick more than ever prominent in the eyes of the British Empire. The service performed by the Loyalists of the Land of the Loyalists has been a wonderful asset to us. They did not think of it as such, and it was not for the purpose of advertising New Brunswick that they answered the call to arms and journeyed overseas to bear their part in the great struggle for the liberty of the world. Nor should we at home seek to commercialize the valor of our heroes, but at the same time it is well to remember that through her men in khaki New Brunswick has become known to hundreds and thousands of citizens of Great Britain who, prior to the war had but a hazy idea that the Canadian confederacy contained a province of that name.

A BRITISH-AMERICAN ENTENTE.

Nothing that has happened since the actual entry of the United States into the war as an ally of Great Britain could do more to bring the two great English-speaking peoples together than the proposal recently made by U. S. Ambassador Page that Mr. Asquith, Viscount Bryce and other notable British public men should make a speech-making tour of the United States.

DIET AND HEALTH.

One of the advantages claimed for the new war flour is that it is more wholesome than the wheat flour of peace times. The claim could be carried further to include other foods that might well enter more largely into the daily bill of fare. The Toronto News, for instance, has been booming oatmeal porridge, and in a recent editorial claimed that many of Toronto's best minds had as their regular breakfast a large portion of porridge without the usual bacon and eggs accompaniment.

THE WINNING OF A V. C.

Carnforth people gave a royal reception on Saturday to Pte. Halton, V. C. on his coming home on leave, says the Yorkshire, Eng., Post. At the operations at Poelcapelle he displayed "conspicuous bravery" for after the objective had been gained, he went out alone (as he puts it, "sneaked out") and captured a machine gun and crew, because his companions were under the murderous fire. That feat accomplished, and the prisoners "sent down the line," Pte. Halton went out again and "rushed" two parties of snipers (six each) in shell-holes, who were picking off the men engaged in sniping at the positions won. He was under fire on both occasions, and in the mist and half light he was in danger of being hit by his own comrades, who were replying to the fire of the snipers. He brought in twelve prisoners, and escaped without a scratch.

THE VALUE OF THE SCREEN.

It now appears that the report from Toronto to the effect that, to save fuel, the Government had under consideration the closing of amusement houses for a part of each week, has little or no foundation in fact. General measures for the conservation of fuel have been the attention of Controller Marshall for some time, but as far as can be learned little or no direct mention has been made of closing the amusement houses for that purpose.

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COMMON COUNCIL MET IN COMMITTEE

Appointment of Electrical Engineer and Inspector Recommended—Matter of Assessing for Patriotic Tax to Be Taken Up This Morning

The common council in committee yesterday morning decided to recommend the appointment of an electrical engineer and inspector at a salary of \$2,000 per year; the placing of \$2,000 at the disposal of the Commissioner of Public Safety for the purpose of codifying the building laws; the passing of grants to the amount of \$11,857.50 and to leave the matter of assessing or bonding for the patriotic tax until this morning's meeting of the committee.

Horicultural Association	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Riverside	250.00	250.00
St. John Association for Prevention of Tuberculosis	500.00	No petition
Arboricultural Association	575.00	575.00
Seaman's Mission Society	250.00	250.00
Associated Charities	225.00	225.00
Victorian Order of Nurses	1,000.00	1,500.00
Kindergarten Association	750.00	1,000.00
Playgrounds Association	2,500.00	2,500.00
S. P. C. A.—Ladies	150.00	150.00
Auxiliary	75.00	75.00
Tourist Association	562.50	562.50
Salvation Army	Refused	Refused
Home of the Good Shepherd	500.00	Refused
Natural History Society	400.00	400.00
Town Planning	200.00	300.00
Totals	\$11,857.50	\$11,857.50

Commissioner McLellan referred to the necessity for an electrical engineer and moved that Barry Wilson, a St. John boy, be appointed to that position at a salary of \$2,000 per year. He said the department would in time become self supporting.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Russell and carried. The motion of Commissioner McLellan that \$2,000 be set aside for the codification of the new building laws passed.

Committee then adjourned to meet this morning and the regular session of the council will be held in the afternoon.

Samuel of Fredericton Junction, Heriot, Hoyt, and Orrol of Central Hillville; and one later, Mrs. Webb, deceased was on his way up report as a naval recruit.

News has been received by Calais relatives of the death of A. H. Campbell, aged 62 years, which occurred in Southern California. Deceased was a native of Buctouche, and is survived by three brothers and two sisters, John Campbell, of Buctouche; Chipman Campbell, of Boston; Mrs. A. H. Atkinson, of Moncton, and Mrs. Edward McManis, of Buctouche.

Colonel Sweeney. Lady Tilley received a telegram yesterday morning from Col. Noel Marshall, announcing the death of Col. Sweeney, chairman of the Council of the Red Cross Society, Toronto. Directions were received with regret, especially by those closely identified with Red Cross work.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Francis C. Kane took place yesterday morning from his late residence, 66 Waterloo street, to the Cathedral, where high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. H. L. Coughlin, who was assisted by Rev. Arthur Allan, as deacon and Rev. Wm. Moore as sub-deacon. The final absolution was given by Bishop LeBlanc. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery. A large number of friends attended.

IMPORTANT CASES DEALT WITH IN THE POLICE COURT

Fred Hannah and Mrs. Ingraham Were Charged with Receiving Stolen Goods—Articles Were Taken by Juveniles—Chinese Pay \$400 in Fines.

In the police court yesterday morning Fred Hannah was charged with receiving stolen goods, namely, a buffalo robe, valued at \$15.00, property of R. Bates, 43 Sewell street; a storm and stable blanket valued at \$17.00, property of N. E. Telephone Co.; also another robe and blanket, the owners of which have not been located. The total value is estimated at \$49.00.

The youth who was charged with taking the blankets and robes pleaded guilty. In his statement to the court he stated that he told Fred Hannah that he got the blankets at Currie's at the corner of Hiram Brothers. He said that he sold Hannah four blankets and robes, getting \$4 for two blankets, \$2 for a laprobe, and \$1 for another robe. He said that he sold the goods at different times. He said that before his father sold out his business he drove one of the teams and in this way became acquainted with Fred Hannah.

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S. Goldfeather, Optician of St. John, N. B., wishes to announce that he will visit St. George Feb. 5th at the Victoria Hotel for two days only for the purpose of testing eyes and fitting glasses and give you reliable information regarding the conditions of your eyes.

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WEDDINGS

At St. Rose's church, Fairville, at 5 o'clock yesterday morning, John Joseph Connolly and Miss Mary Rose Noel, of Randolph, were married. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Chas. Collins, the pastor, who also said nuptial mass. The bride was assisted by Miss Isabelle DeForest, and the groom was aided by Alphonse Legere. The groom, who has been residing in Union street, formerly lived in Milford.

Sale of Ladies' Coats and Suits
Continued This Week

Our 29th Anniversary Sale closed on Saturday, but during the balance of this week our Ladies' Tailored Suits and Winter Coats will remain at sale prices. You will find a splendid assortment of Winter Coats and a number of fine suits.

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THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE WORLD OF FINANCE

CANADIAN CAR STOCKS BUOYANT IN MONTREAL

Shares, Long Neglected, Take Sudden Boost, Common Rising to 21 1-2 and Preferred Up 2 1-4—Brompton Paper Goes Up 1 1-2 Points and Ontario Steel Products One — Dominion Iron 3-8 Higher—Bonds Inactive.

Special to The Standard. Montreal, Jan. 29.—There was some decrease in stock market activity here today, but the market continued to maintain a satisfactory tone, the shares recently in demand holding their advances well, while further gains were secured in new directions. The new features in today's trading were principally Canadian car stocks, neglected for some months past. The common rose 1 1/2 to 2 1/4 and touched 21 1/2 in broken lot transactions just before the close. The preferred was marked up 2 1/4 to 23. Dealings in both issues were light, only 110 shares of common and 135 shares of preferred changing hands, but the sharp rise in each indicated the same condition of a scarcity of stock which was largely responsible for the current appreciation in values throughout the market.

Other stronger stocks were Brompton Paper, whose further rise of 1 1/2 points to 4 3/4, was accompanied by increased activity, and Ontario Steel products which advanced 1 to 2 1/4, also to the accompaniment of slightly increased activity. Transactions in Brompton were some 800 shares, marked up 1/2 to 27 1/2.

Dominion Iron. Dominion Iron sold between 5 1/2 and 5 3/4 and was nominally 3/8 higher for the day at 5 3/4 in the last board lot transaction. But the stock was offered at 5 1/2 at the close. Steel of Canada fell back 1/2 to 5 1/2, Steamship held between 4 1/2 and 4 3/4 and was virtually unchanged.

Constructive sentiment in the market found encouragement in the upward tendency of prices at New York, but lack of any notable change in conditions in the money market continues to operate as a restraint on speculative activity. What little is occurring now has called for no new supplies of credit.

The only active bond was the second war loan, which sold unchanged at 93 1/2. Total business for day: Shares, 1,182 1/2; bonds, 6,000.

C. P. NET PROFITS \$3,930,480 LESS FOR FISCAL YEAR Gross Earnings Increased by \$12,659,647. But Operating Expenses Increase by \$16,590,128.

Special to The Standard. Montreal, Jan. 29.—The monthly statement of earnings and expenses of the C. P. R. for December having been issued, it is now possible to give results for the first full year under the new arrangement by which the company makes its fiscal year conform to the calendar year.

The notable fact about the statement is that although gross earnings for the year increased by \$12,659,647, net profits decreased by \$3,930,480 as a result of an increase of \$16,590,128 in operating expenses.

Working expenses, 1917, \$105,843,318; working expenses 1916 \$89,253,387; increase \$16,590,128. Net profits 1916 \$50,476,490; decrease \$3,930,480.

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BOOTH STOCK NOW LISTED

Largest Fish Concern in the World Has Assets of \$12,000,000, Including Property in New Brunswick.

Boston, Jan. 29.—The listing of the 250,000 shares of the Booth Fisheries Co. brings to the local exchange an important industrial security.

Booth Fisheries is probably the largest fish distributing and producing corporation in the world. The present company nearly nine years ago succeeded to the property and business of A. Booth & Co., which had been sadly mismanaged and had come to an unfortunate financial collapse.

New management and sound business methods have been for nine years building up the property, its earnings and asset position until today Booth Fisheries is a corporation with seventy-one distributing units throughout the country and Canada and with gross sales of approximately \$40,000,000 per annum.

Both Fisheries has outstanding in the hands of the public \$3,520,000 six per cent. bonds, \$3,520,000 seven per cent. preferred and 250,000 shares of common of no par value. It is the common which is being listed in Boston.

Although without par, the common is carried in the balance sheet at \$20 per share and is paying dividends of fifty cents quarterly. Two dollars was paid in 1917.

Interests identified with the company estimate its net tangible assets at not less than \$12,000,000, as of Jan. 1. On this basis the common stock has an asset position equivalent to \$20 per share.

In 1917 the company's net profits reached a new high record and may be approximated at \$2,500,000, equal to 88 per cent share for the common above charges, preferred dividends and sinking fund obligations. This means that last year the company put \$8 per share of common stock back into property or working capital.

It is understood that a substantial block of common has passed into the hands of New England interests. The listing on the Boston exchange is the result of a perfectly logical growth of the Boston interest which this property has called forth.

WABASSO STOCK TO BE LISTED Cotton Mills Had \$61,321 Surplus in Last Fiscal Year.

Special to The Standard. Montreal, Jan. 29.—It is understood that the formalities in connection with the listing of the Wabasso Cotton Company's securities on the Montreal stock exchange has been completed and an official quotation will be granted on the 31st inst.

The most serious aspect of steel business has been a shortage of iron, which has not been appreciably relieved. The scarcity of iron has been due to the failure of the coke supply.

Since the closing order went into effect, however, there has been a noticeable improvement in the movement from the ovens, but it is still far from meeting requirements.

Steel makers have also suffered much from the congestion of traffic and there has been a vast accumulation of semi-finished and finished material at several points between the mills and consumers.

PEAS, No. 2, \$3.70 to \$3.80 according to freights. RYE, \$1.83 to \$1.85. BARLEY, \$1.48 to \$1.50 outside for malting.

BUCKWHEAT, \$1.57 to \$1.60 shipping points. FLOUR, Manitoba, (war quality) listed quotations at Toronto are: \$11.10.

BETHLEHEM STEEL SHARES RISE FROM TWO TO THREE

Steels Dominant Feature of New York Trading—United States Steel Maintains Regular Dividends—Little Hope of Peace in European News—Bond Market Irregular.

New York, Jan. 29.—Stocks were in demand on the resumption of business today, absence of untoward events over the holiday prompting further short covering. Trading was not especially active, but broad enough to encompass an unusual array of issues.

The strength of various industrials and equipments included within the several groups of war and semi-war issues indicated that recent advices from abroad had given very little impetus to peace possibilities.

Favorable Developments. Domestic developments were encouraging in affording further relief to transportation conditions and a visible reduction of the difficulties resulting from fuel shortages.

Proposed amendments to the impending railway bill also received favorable consideration. Rates were backward in the forenoon but later contributed in fair measure to the day's total advance.

LONDON MARKET QUIET AGAIN Russian Issues Harder and Shipping Shares Firm—Money in Demand.

Special to The Standard. London, Jan. 29.—The stock market was quiet today. Gilt-edged securities were steady and Russian issues harder or while there were fewer offerings of English tin mines.

Renewed strength in banks and industries was a good feature. Shipping shares were firm, but Argentine rails closed weak owing to labor uncertainties.

Money was wanted in connection with war bonds and taxes. Discount rates were firm.

MONTREAL SALES. (McDOUGALL & COWANS). Morning. Brazil—No. 2, 100; No. 3, 100; No. 4, 100; No. 5, 100; No. 6, 100; No. 7, 100; No. 8, 100; No. 9, 100; No. 10, 100.

Afternoon. Steamships—No. 75 at 42 1/2; No. 76 at 42 1/2; No. 77 at 42 1/2; No. 78 at 42 1/2; No. 79 at 42 1/2; No. 80 at 42 1/2.

Corn. High Low Close. May 125 125 125. Mar 127 126 127.

Oats. High Low Close. May 91 1/2 91 1/2 91 1/2. Mar 94 1/2 94 1/2 94 1/2.

Pork. High Low Close. May 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2. Mar 47 1/2 47 1/2 47 1/2.

BANK OF MONTREAL. NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND OF TWO AND ONE-HALF PER CENT, upon the paid up Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the current quarter, payable on and after Friday, the FIRST day of March next, to Shareholders of record of 31st January, 1918.

REACTION IN THE MARKET DURING THE LAST HOUR

Market Made Some Further Advance After Declaration of Regular Bethlehem Steel Dividend and Held Position Fairly Well Until Just Before Close.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS). New York, Jan. 29.—The market made some further advance after the declaration of regular Bethlehem Steel dividend and held its position fairly well until the last hour when a general reaction of one to two points took place.

This was attributed to profit-taking on the part of the cautious in advance of the Steel Corporation's dividend action after the close when it was announced that the U. S. Steel paid regular dividend of 1 1/4 and three per cent. extra as usual.

The Bethlehem Steel statement showing earnings of \$44 a share on the books at the end of the year and that it was not at all worried over obtaining working capital to handle these orders. The senate committee on interstate commerce adopted an amendment to the railroad control bill limiting its provisions to one year after the close of the war. This, as far as it goes, is reassuring.

E. C. RANDOLPH. RAILROAD CLEAR OF RECEIVERSHIP St. Louis and San Francisco Road Will Stand on Its Own Feet.

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The Royal Mail Steam Packet Co. 57 Granville St., HALIFAX, N. S. CHANGE OF TIME Fall and Winter Time Table of the Grand Manan Steamship Co. GRAND MANAN ROUTE 1917-Season-1918

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Returning, leave Turbul's Wharf, St. John, Wednesdays at 7:30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via Wilson's Beach, Campbell and Eastport.

Leave Grand Manan Thursdays at 7:30 a. m. for St. Stephen via Campbell, Eastport, Cummings Cove, and St. Andrews.

Returning, leave St. Stephen Fridays at 7:30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via St. Andrews, Cummings Cove, Eastport and Campbell (tides and ice conditions permitting).

Leave Grand Manan Saturdays at 7:30 a. m. for St. Andrews. Returning, leave St. Andrews at 1 p. m., calling at Campbell, Cummings Cove and Eastport both ways.

Atlantic Standard Time. SCOTT D. GUPTILL, Manager, GRAND MANAN. The Maritime Steamship Co. Limited.

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Agent Thorne Wharf and Warehousing Co., Ltd., Phone 2551. Mgr., Lewis Connors. This company will not be responsible for any debts contracted after its date without a written order from the company or captain of the steamer.

TRAVELLING? Passage Tickets by All Ocean Steamship Lines. WM. THOMSON & CO., Limited. Royal Bank Bldg., St. John.

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COMMISSIONER SIR LOMER GOUIN'S PLAN TO GOVERN

System Provides for the Twenty-ninth Presented in Council by Twenty Administration of Five Members Their Acts to Be Final Unless Thirds Vote of Council Ratified Governor and Council.

Quebec, Jan. 29.—Sir Lomer Gouin's proposal submitted to the council by the system adopted by the Quebec government for the management of the city of Montreal.

After reviewing the different proposals made by public bodies in Montreal and by the press of that city, Sir Lomer made the following proposal:

That Montreal, retaining its twenty wards to be represented in the council by twenty aldermen; that an administration composed of five members be named composed of the city attorney of Montreal, the city auditor and the city treasurer, these three to be named for life. The other two commissioners would be named by the Lieutenant Governor for a term of four years.

Two-thirds Vote. The decisions of this commission could only be rejected by a two-thirds or a three-quarters vote of the council ratified by the Lieutenant Governor in council and the same would apply to the removal from office of any member of the commission.

The members of the commission would sit in the council and have a vote. Sir Lomer Gouin's proposal, which was made before the private bills committee of the legislative assembly was received with applause by the members of the committee who look upon the project with enthusiasm.

City Attorney Laurendeau, who by the proposal submitted to the council, that the commission should be composed of five members, one of whom would be the city attorney, one the city auditor, one the city treasurer, and two others to be named by the Lieutenant Governor for a term of four years.

Count fifty. Your cold in head of catarrh, discharged mucous discharges, nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more sneezing, yawning, mucous discharges, dizziness or headache; no struggling for breath at night.

Get a little bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist and apply a little of this fragrant antiseptic cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every sinus and discharges, relieving and healing the swollen or inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Head colds and catarrh yield like magic. Don't stay stuffed-up and miserable. Relief is sure.

SOME SORROW IN HOULTON. Trunk Containing 120 Quart Bottles of Boston Booze Seized.

Boston, Jan. 29.—Deputy United States Marshal Arthur Shimmers seized a trunk containing 120 quart bottles of whiskey at the North Station destined for Houlton, Me. A trunk weighing about 200 pounds was delivered at the station and owing to handling, neglect or carelessness in packing, some of the bottles were broken. The owner attracted the attention of an employe, who, knowing the law on interstate shipments, notified the authorities.

The owner of the trunk, who would not divulge his name, called at the station to check his baggage through to Houlton, but the authorities held the trunk. The owner took the contents of his trunk and contents as the liquor did not actually get into interstate commerce. The loss is about \$100, not to mention the thirst at Houlton.

Mother and Children Had Awful Coughs. WERE CURED BY DR. WOOD'S NORWAY PINE SYRUP.

Mrs. Arthur Appleyard, Nova Scotia, writes: "This past winter my children and I had awful colds and coughs which we got by being in drafts. I tried a number of different remedies for us, but got no relief. I thought I would try Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, and I found it one of the most excellent and sure cures. It gave relief to the tickling in the throat and stopped the cough, and with a few bottles we were all cured."

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup is a remedy that has been used for over twenty-five years and we can recommend it as being without doubt the best cure for coughs and colds that you can possibly procure. There are a lot of imitations on the market, so when you ask for "Dr. Wood's" see that you get it. Put on a yellow wrapper; three pine trees on the trade mark; price 25c. and 50c.; manufactured only by The T. Millburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

WORLD OF FINANCE

REACTION IN THE MARKET DURING THE LAST HOUR

Market Made Some Further Advance After Declaration of Regular Bethlehem Steel Dividend and Held Position Fairly Well Until Just Before Close.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS). New York, Jan. 29.—The market made some further advance after the declaration of regular Bethlehem Steel dividend and held its position fairly well until the last hour when a general reaction of one to two points took place.

"TOURS OF THE WEST INDIES"

The above illustrated booklet, telling about a trip through the West Indies by one of the regular fortnightly "Royal Mail" steamers from Halifax to Demerara, can now be obtained by application to us.

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LESS TALK AND MORE WORK IN NEWPORT, R. I.

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Toronto, Jan. 29.—"First let us get that 100,000 men overseas through the Military Service Act, then let us have common sense and progress. That is what Canada wants now," said Hon. Robert Rogers, former minister of public works in the late Borden administration, who is a visitor to Toronto.



HON. ROBERT ROGERS.

Blowing Up of Three Concrete Bomb-Proofs at Naval Torpedo Station Likely Accidental.

Newport, R. I., Jan. 29.—Naval authorities here today began an investigation to determine the cause of the explosion that wrecked three concrete bomb-proofs at the naval torpedo station, causing the death of 12 civil employees and injuring seven others.

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GUY KIERSTEDT HUNS VIOLATE THE ARMISTICE

Sued James A. Patterson for Commission for Sale of Property at Hampton.

Hampton, Jan. 29.—An adjourned sitting of the King County Court was held here today. His Honor Judge Joseph presiding. The only case to come to hearing was that of Guy Kierstedt vs. James A. Patterson.

BAD BOLSHIEVIK SLAUGHTER 22

Break Up Meeting of Workmen and Soldiers' Delegates at Tomsk.

Hartlin, Manchuria, Jan. 29.—Twenty-two persons were killed in a fight at Tomsk, when the Bolshevik broke up a meeting of workmen's and soldiers' delegates. Despatches received from Blagovestchensk, in Siberia, and capital of the province of Amur, say that the Bolsheviks have wrecked the local assembly, and that fighting and robbery are general.

A SLIGHT DECLINE IN CORN MARKET

Oats After Opening on Chicago Board Unchanged Undergo Setback.

Chicago, Jan. 29.—Opening figures for corn, which ranged from a shade to quarter cent lower, with March 1.26 1/2 and May 1.24 1/2, were followed by slight additional declines.

MONTREAL SALES

(McDOUGALL & COWANS). Brazil L H and P. 23 1/2. Canada Car. 21 1/2. Canada Cement. 57 1/2. Civic Power. 75 1/2. Dom Iron. 68 1/2. Steel Co Can Com. 62 1/2.

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

(McDOUGALL & COWANS). High Low Close. Mar. 29.25 29.25 30.23. July. 29.46 29.05 29.37.

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ONT. SHUTDOWN

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 29.—As a result of drastic action decided upon by the Hamilton Hydro Commission today, power for non-essential industries will be cut off one day each week and thousands of employees will have an enforced holiday. The city has been divided into six sections for this purpose. The new order has the approval of Sir Henry Drayton.

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THE HOME THE WORLD

NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

THE MOVIES THE PLAYERS

Here are Related Facts and Fancies Concerning the Activities of Individuals and Organizations, the Home, Fashions and Other Matters.

SOIREE FRANCAIS HELD LAST EVENING

Ladies' Association Arrange a Delightful Evening—French Songs—French Refreshments Served—French Customs Illustrated.

Beginning a very finely equipped and well thought out paper with the words of Rudyard Kipling's poem on France, and ending with the lines of those splendid verses by Henry Van Dyke, Miss Madeline deSoyres read a paper at the Soiree Francais last evening, held in the rooms of the Natural History Society under the auspices of the Ladies Branch of the N. H. S.

Mrs. John A. McAvity presided, and in a few words explained the character of the evening's entertainment to the large audience present.

Miss deSoyres spoke of the love with which France has inspired her friends, and also of the superficial way in which she is judged by foreigners.

"Since 1914," the lecturer said, "Canadians have begun to dimly realize what France as a nation really is. We are little by little perceiving the subtle difference existing between the Gallic temperament and our own. We have wondered as we watched her struggle of the last three years, how to reconcile our former ideas regarding her picturesque chivalry with her present unshakable strength and grim resistance. We know that France has ever been a gallant fighter, her history gives ample proof of this, but of late years we believed that she had become the home of fine arts, literature, architecture, painting and music, and even the minor arts of cookery and needlework, and had laid aside the sword for gentler weapons.

"There is not a shadow of doubt that France has changed, and yet she has lost none of her old charm by so doing. She has rather displayed last one more side of her versatile character to our gaze, and called up to action those latent qualities dormant throughout the years of peace.

"We loved France for her beauty, her gaiety, and her exquisite sense of the artistic, but we love her now a hundred times more for her star-like serenity of purpose, her incalculable heroism and self-abnegation. We love her for her brave women, her orphaned children, and her patient long-suffering soldiers. We love her for the shining qualities she unconsciously displays to her sister nations and we dimly understand that what France possesses is soul, and that this soul shall endure. Every French man and woman will undergo and endure poignant sufferings and self-denial."

Miss deSoyres told of the history, art, literature and science of the French, and dwelt upon the national characteristics, reading some pathetic extracts from letters written at the battle front. In closing the speaker told of the bravery of the French women and spoke of changed conditions after the war.

The following excellent programme was then carried out: Piano solo (a)—Selection from De Bussey; (b) valse, John Bayard Curry Solo with violin obligato—"Elery," (Julius Massenet) Miss Louise Anderson, Mrs. Harold Stetson, Accompanist Mrs. Kent Scovill. Song—"Si J'etais Jardinier" (Chaminade); (b) "Quand Madelon," Miss Valde Fenton. Violin solo—Berceuse from Jocelyn Mrs. H. Stetson. Song—"J'ai pleure en reve" (Georges Hue) Miss Anderson. "Oh Monsieur" (Saynete) Mrs. Foster, Miss Angela Magee, Miss Doreen McAvity. Marseillaise—Miss Frances Travers Mr. Curry's second selection was an original composition and was much enjoyed.

The little French play was very pretty, and the characters well taken.

ANNUAL MEETING OF LADIES' ASSOCIATION OF C. OF E. INSTITUTE

Reports Received and Officers Chosen—Mrs. James A. McAvity Was Re-elected the President.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Association of the Church of England Institute was held yesterday afternoon in the institute on German street. Mrs. James H. McAvity presided. The treasurer, Miss Helen Sydney Smith, reported as follows: Receipts \$365.31 Expenditure 17.40 Balance on hand \$347.91

Reports were read by the following: The Charitable and Missionary Aid Committee, Mrs. Thos. Walker; The Flower Mission, Miss Portia McKen-

zic; the Zenana Mission, Miss Alice K. Walker; Hospital Committee, Mrs. Knight; Reflection Committee, Mrs. T. E. G. Armstrong; Book Committee, Mrs. James F. Robertson; Home cooking table, Mrs. J. H. Frink; Membership Committee, Mrs. L. F. D. Tibbey; Local Council of Women representative, Mrs. John Gordon.

The reports showed a good year's work and several successful undertakings.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Mrs. James A. McAvity, president. Mrs. F. B. Cowgill, secretary. Miss Helen Sydney Smith, treasurer. Board of Management—Mrs. Thos. Walker, Mrs. Alfred Morrissey, Mrs. T. E. G. Armstrong, Mrs. Charles Coster, Mrs. W. D. Forster, Miss Annie Hipwell.

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o'clock, after the first show of the Imperial, Mary Boyle O'Reilly will again honor the citizens of St. John with her remarkable experiences with our brave heroes at the front. Seat plan on view daily at the Imperial from 12.30 to 4.30. Down stairs 50c, reserved, Upstairs 25 cents not reserved.

WAR MENUS

How to save wheat, beef and bacon for the men at the front. Issued from the office of the Food Controller for Canada.

Menu For Thursday.

Breakfast—Oatmeal Porridge, toast, marmalade, tea or coffee.

Dinner—Lima bean roast, baked potatoes, Dutch apple cake, bread, cottage cheese, cookies, tea.

Supper—Cream of celery soup, bran, cottage cheese, cookies, tea.

The recipes for Dutch Apple Cake and Lima bean roast, mentioned above are as follows:

Lima bean roast—2 cups dried Lima beans; 1 cup peanuts; 1 cup stale bread crumbs; 1 teaspoon onion juice; 1 teaspoon salt; pepper.

Soak the beans twelve hours. Cover with water and boil until tender. Press through a colander. Put peanuts through a meat grinder. Mix with bean pulp. Add onion juice, salt, pepper and bread crumbs.

Dutch apple cake—2 cups flour; 3 teaspoons baking powder; 1 egg; 3 tablespoons shortening; 3/4 cup milk; 1 teaspoon salt; 3 apples; 3 tablespoons sugar.

Sift dry ingredients together, cut in the shortening with a knife, and add gradually the egg well beaten with the milk, mixing with a knife. Put on a floured board, roll out as thick as for biscuits, and put in a greased floured shallow pan. Pare, core, and quarter the apples; cut the quarters into 3 or 4 slices, lengthwise, and press the sharp edges of the apples into the dough, arranging them in parallel rows. Sprinkle the apples with sugar, and bake till the cake is done and apples soft. Serve with lemon sauce.

(Wheat and meat saving recipes by Domestic Science Experts on the staff of the Food Controller's office.)

ALLIES' AID SOCIETY.

The Allies' Aid Society held their regular meeting yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Calkins, 108 Wentworth street. Percy Gibson presided. Among those present were: Miss Gene Calkins, secretary; Mildred Bent, Ruth Day, Mrs. Doreen McAvity, Dorothy McCavour, Ernestine Friars, Greta and Edwin Wetmore and Marjorie Shannon.

Plans were discussed for an entertainment which the society purpose giving soon as well as arrangements to provide for sending boxes and comforts to the soldiers overseas. The members are working diligently to provide comforts for the men in khaki, and were much encouraged by the receipt of a letter from one of the soldiers acknowledging the receipt of and expressing appreciation for parcels sent by the society before Christmas.

Plans were also discussed for a money raised from a fancy work sale held in November. The members regretted the absence yesterday of Mrs. Marjorie Pearce, who is instructing girls in a tableau to be presented at the entertainment.

ONE HUNDRED FINED.

One afternoon last week about 100 people were brought into court in Toronto on a charge of neglecting to clean away the snow in front of their homes. Over a hundred were fined one dollar each.

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Food Situation Threatens to Imperil Success of Our Arms and Young Folks to Be Asked to Assist on Farms.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—"A more complete organization of the boys and girls of Canada should be brought about, as part of the food production campaign" is suggested by the commissioner of agricultural instruction, W. J. Black. "Every farm boy and girl should be encouraged to rear a pig, a calf, a batch of chickens, or to grow a plot of potatoes, beans, corn or vegetables," he says. Seventy-one thousand boys and girls of school age last year increased the agricultural output of Ontario to the value of \$125,000.

Other provinces did equally well. From this it will be seen that the boys' and girls' clubs and competitions, the potential channel through which this work is carried on, made in 1917 an addition to our food resources that was not to be despised. The movement should be extended still further and its practical aspects should be emphasized.

Those associated with it should make clear to the boys and girls who are our junior citizens, that they can, in this way add their quota to the common cause. The food situation today threatens to imperil the success of our arms, and any means that will assist in meeting it must be employed."

SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the building committee of the School Board was held last evening at which necessary repairs to the heating apparatus in one of the city schools was under discussion. The committee's decision in the matter will be reported to the full board.

OPERA HOUSE VAUDEVILLE

TODAY Afternoon at 2.30 Evening, 7.30 and 9

MCKAY'S SCOTCH REVUE WELLINGTON AND SYLVIA The Funny Jugglers 3 Other Good Acts Who is Number 1?

UNIQUE MON, TUE, WED. A Drama of Society and the Underworld "The Brand of Hate" "THE PATHE NEWS" 20 Scenes—20 "THE MUNITION MAKER'S TROUBLES" —A Timely Comedy—

THURS, FRI, SAT. Banner Days This Week—Start of Our New Serial—"THE HIDDEN HAND" Thrills from the First CHARLIE CHAPLIN IN "CRUEL, CRUEL LOVE"

WILL SPEED UP AGRICULTURE Ontario Government to Engage Men to Work on Farms.

Toronto, Jan. 29.—A big campaign will probably soon be inaugurated by the Ontario government for the speeding up of farm production during the year. Recruiting stations are to be placed throughout the city where men who for some reason or other are unable to serve at the front may serve at home by increasing food production.

RECRUITED 18,000 New York, Jan. 29.—The British and Canadian recruiting mission has recruited 18,000 men in the United States since last June, Brig-Gen. W. A. Wood announced here tonight.

TODAY THE NICKEL TODAY Crane Wilber in "The Painted Lie" 5c. TO ALL Geo. Ovey IN BIG COMEDY MATINEES—2.30, 3.45; EVENINGS—7, 8, 9.

WEIR OWNERS HOLD MEETING

Committee Appointed to Consider Question of Prices of Green Fish for Next Season.

Special to The Standard. St. George, Jan. 29.—A largely attended and enthusiastic meeting of the weir owners of St. John and Charlottetown was held here today. The meeting discussed at length the question of the prices of green fish. A committee was appointed to confer with members of the committee on food control at St. John and to report at the next meeting to be called by the chair. No action was taken on price therefore.

BASKETBALL CHALLENGE.

St. Paul's basketball team issues a challenge to the Chippewas of the Y. M. C. A. to a game of basketball. If accepted game to be played at Y. M. C. A.

J. H. Marr, of the Marr Millinery Co., Limited, left last evening for New York to purchase millinery novelties.

IMPERIAL--Thursday 9 P. M.—After First Show

MARY BOYLE O'REILLY Will Lecture on Behalf of Red Cross Work on "1,000 DAYS BACK OF THE FRONT"

Nurse Edith Cavell's Co-Worker. Arrested by Gen. Von Bissing. Watched Destruction of Louvain. Was in Terrible Polish Retreat. Chatted with Liberator Kerensky. Honored by French Government.

WONDERFUL NARRATION BY AN INTERNATIONAL CELEBRITY Tickets at Gray & Richey's, Nelson's and from High School Alumnae. Downstairs (Reserved) 50c. Upstairs (Not Reserved) 25c. Seat Plan Now on View at Imperial from 12.30 to 4.30 Daily.

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"Bab's Burglar" A Paramount Picture

"There's a Burglar in the House!" This is one of the many uproarious scenes shown when Bab's finds herself face to face with the "beast" she tried so hard to find for her "old maid" sister. Instead of the bold, burly burglar she had expected.

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SPECIAL "THE VAGABOND VIOLINIST" "THE BROADWAY TRIO"

TOMORROW: MARY PICKFORD IN "THE LITTLE PRINCESS"

Bringing Up Father



MR. FRANK—MY HUSBAND DOESN'T BELIEVE IN HYPNOTISM—SHOW HIM— I'LL BE THE SUBJECT—

AH! HE HAS TO BE CONVINCED— I DO!

SLEEP—SLEEP! SLEEP ON!

SAY—DID YOU HIT HER WITH ANY THING?

NOW SHE CANNOT WAKE UP UNTIL I WISH—ARE YOU CONVINCED?

COME OUT IN THE HALL—I WANT TO TALK TO YOU!

BUT—MR. JIGGS—THIS IS AN OUTRAGE!

I KNOW—BUT IT'S THE ONLY WAY I COULD GET OUT—YOU KIM WAKE HER UP WHEN WE GET BACK!

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SEVERAL CHANGES IN STAFF OF THE MILITIA DEPARTMENT

Col. Langton of Toronto Succeeds Premier Borden's Brother as Paymaster General—Major Biggar to Succeed Major Smith—Judge Advocate General Major MacDowell and R. P. Brown Also Promoted.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—Several changes in the staff of the militia department have, it is understood, been authorized by order-in-council...

Who's Who. Brigadier-General Biggar, who becomes Judge Advocate-General, was born in Carleton Place, Ontario, in 1856.

NERVOUS DISEASES. ROBERT WILBY, Medical Electrical Specialist and Massage Therapist, treats all nervous diseases, neurasthenia, etc.

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WANTED.—A Canadian Life Insurance Company has openings for active agents in St. John, Sussex, Moncton, and other parts of New Brunswick.

WANTED.—To rent till war ends or longer, a winter house and garden lot, cow stable handy, beside wharf, near school, between Oak Point and St. John's Kings county preferred.

FOR SALE.—First-class restaurant business, with dishes, stoves, and all necessary fixtures. Lease of premises can be arranged.

NOTICE TO MARINERS. Notice is hereby given that the Louthburg automatic gas and whistling buoy has disappeared.

W. W. GORY, Deputy Minister of the Interior, B. B.—Classification of this address according to the post law.

EAT What You Like. Use Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets to Help Your Stomach and Do Not Worry.

A Stubborn Cough Loosens Right Up. This home-made remedy is a wonder for quick relief. Satisfying and safe.

You Look As YOU FEEL. You know well enough when your liver is loafing. Constipation is the first warning; then you begin to "feel mean all over."

BACKACHE SOON DISAPPEARED. Could Not Do Housework Till Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Removed Cause.

A Sign of Danger! Dandruff and itches can be cured with HERPICIDE. Kills Dandruff Germs.

Around the City

COLD WITH SNOW.

FARMS SETTLEMENT BOARD. A short session of the Farms Settlement Board was held last evening with A. W. Hay presiding. Only business of a routine nature was transacted.

NO SESSION YESTERDAY.

Owing to the fact that the Montreal train with Commissioner Stevens on board did not arrive in the city until late in the afternoon there was no session of the Valley Railway enquiry. The enquiry will be resumed this morning at 10.30.

THE HARBOR RECEIPTS.

The month of January this year promises to be a good one for the harbor and it is expected the receipts will be between three and five thousand dollars more than for the corresponding month last year. The receipts for January, 1917, were \$30,000.

TEMPERATURE YESTERDAY.

The temperature in St. John yesterday ranged in degrees from zero to above. Last night at 12 o'clock the thermometer showed 13 degrees above zero. Snow fell to a depth of about an inch during the day. The indications at an early hour this morning point to colder weather.

A NEW FEATURE.

A new feature has been inaugurated in the Girls' Club on Princess street, in the form of a girls' class which meets Sunday afternoons under the leadership of Miss Laird, deaconess of St. David's Presbyterian church. Miss Laird will be assisted by an official committee of ladies from St. David's church who will serve five o'clock tea to the girls.

PASTOR'S HELPERS.

A meeting was held in Gentry's church last night for the purpose of organizing a group of pastor's helpers. Several committees were formed for the different church districts who will report back later. The object of the organization is to promote more sociability in the church. Rev. H. A. Goodwin presided over the meeting.

WILL LOSE AN EYE.

Elmer A. Ritchie, of Cherryfield, a village near Moncton, a young man employed at the Maritime Nail Works, was operated on yesterday at the General Public Hospital for an injury sustained while at work in the plant. A flying nail struck young Ritchie in one of his eyes and yesterday it was decided that he would lose the member. He will be confined to the hospital for a week or two.

THE PROBATE COURT.

In the estate of John P. Strang, deceased, the will was proved and letters testamentary granted to Sarah Madilla Strang, R. A. Wilson, proctor. In the estate of Ann Blair, deceased, administration was granted to Fred J. Blair, another son having renounced all right and title to administration. The value of the estate is placed at \$4,800, of which \$1,400 is personal. D. L. Gerow, proctor.

A NOVELTY SHOWER.

Friends of Miss Lillian H. Wallace gathered at the home of her aunt, Mrs. J. H. A. Anderson, 337 Union street, Monday evening, to celebrate her birthday. A novelty shower in view of a very interesting event in which she is to participate. A very enjoyable time was spent by all and Miss Wallace was the recipient of many handsome and useful presents. Games were indulged in and refreshments were served.

DRAMA REPEATED.

A packed house witnessed the second presentation of St. Rose's Dramatic Club of the four act play, "The Dust of the Earth," last night in the assembly hall of the Y.M.C.I. building. The enactment of the play was excellent and the actors were given a warm reception for their efforts. The same specialties were introduced between the acts as on the evening before and they were well received by the audience.

ST. CHARLES DAY.

Today is the 26th anniversary of the beheading of King Charles I. in England by the Cromwellians. The day was formerly generally observed in Anglican churches in the United States and the United States. In the Episcopal Church of the United States there is an organization known as the Society of St. Charles the Martyr.

SOLDIER MISSING.

W. A. Quinton, Lanaster, is the recipient of a letter from his sister, Mrs. E. C. Ferguson, Vancouver, informing him that one of her three sons now overseas, Pte. John E. Berteaux, has been reported wounded and missing since November 17. The soldier, who is a son of the late Mr. George E. Berteaux of this city, enlisted at Vancouver and went overseas with the 121st western Irish Battalion.

ST. CLEMENT'S SOCIETY.

A parlor concert was held on Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Michum at Millidenville. The affair was arranged by the St. Clement's Red Cross Society, the programme being in charge of Mrs. H. Hayward. Miss Rita Brennan sang several solos. The proceeds which amounted to the sum of \$14 are for the local Red Cross Society.

COLD IN PARIS.

That America and Canada are not the only countries that are experiencing a coal famine, is illustrated in a letter recently received by Mrs. W. C. Good from Col. Good, who is now in Paris. In his letter he wrote that it was so cold in his hotel that it was almost impossible to write. In referring to the scarcity of coal, he stated that between the great scarcity of coal and the exorbitant prices for it that prevailed, it was next to impossible to heat the buildings in Paris. He also referred to the great scarcity of cigarettes in France, saying in this respect that what few could be had are being retailed at top-notch prices.

BOBBIE BURNS' ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED

About 150 Members of Clan MacKenzie and Friends Assembled Last Night—Addresses and Musical Programme Carried Through.

The 150th anniversary of the birth of Scotland's immortal bard, "Bobbie Burns" was celebrated in right royal style last night by Clan MacKenzie. About 150 members and their friends gathered at the rooms of the Clan, German street, where they were welcomed by the Chief of the Clan, Joseph Murdoch, who in a brief speech reviewed the life and work of the illustrious son of Scotia.

The evening was spent in songs, speeches, etc., interspersed with dancing. The McKay Musical Revue from the Opera House were the guests of the Clan, and their contributions to the programme added much to the enjoyment of the evening. Mr. McKay in a short address thanked the members for their kind invitation to attend, and Mr. Bell and Mrs. McKay sang several Scotch songs which were well-received by the audience.

Those who took part in the programme were: Mr. and Mrs. Girvan, Miss Girvan, James Laidlaw, Chief Murdoch and Deputy Royal Chief McEwen.

An interesting relic, a copy of Burns, printed in Edinburgh in 1787, was on exhibition during the evening.

MAJOR J. H. EVANS, 65TH BATTERY, HERE

Will Have Conference at Headquarters Today—Men Called up Under Military Act Want to Join Other Units.

Are the artillery units and military organizations of similar character, which were started under the military system in New Brunswick and elsewhere, permitted to recruit men from the ranks of the first call, but who have not been summoned to the colors, is a question which will likely be settled today. It is understood that Major J. H. Evans, officer commanding the 65th Battery at Woodstock, who arrived in the city last night, and registered at the Royal Hotel, will take the matter up with headquarters personally.

There are a number of young men who have been called up under the act who are desirous of joining a unit such as the 65th Battery, but no ruling has yet been made locally. The only men thus apparently eligible to join the artillery units are those who are not liable for the first call, such as men under or over the age limit, or who are married. Major Evans told a standard representative last night that there were stationed at Woodstock, the home of the 65th Battery, about 130 men. This does not include the next draft to go overseas under the command of Lieut. G. H. Lutz.

ENTERTAINMENT AT BOYS' CLUB

Excellent Addresses by Mrs. W. C. Good, A. M. Belding, R. E. Armstrong and Rev. Neil McLaughlin.

An entertainment was given at the Boys' Club on Union street, last night and though it was mostly of an educational character, the boys thoroughly enjoyed themselves. A. M. Belding headed the programme with a talk on "The Duty of the Boys to Themselves." He pointed out in simple language that the boys owed a duty to themselves in being honest and clean in word and deed. He spoke strongly against the cigarette habit and explained to the boys the detrimental effects this habit would have on their minds and bodies. At the conclusion of his talk Mr. Belding was given three rousing cheers by the boys.

Mrs. W. C. Good spoke a few words to the boys in which she drew their attention to the invaluable services performed by Harry Scott. Mr. Scott has been connected with the club for over five years and during that time he has presided over the activities of the boys. The boys responded to Mrs. Good's tribute by lustily cheering Mr. Scott.

R. E. Armstrong gave several interesting stories dealing with aviation, and Rev. Neil McLaughlin gave a short address in which he referred to the career of a boy who rose from a position in a coal mine, and who is at present a great divine in his diocese. John Bean and George McIntyre rendered a duet and Percy Reid played several selections on the mandolin. The entertainment was brought to a close with the singing of God Save the King.

MILITARY NEWS.

Lt. Col. George W. Fowler, 104th Battalion, has been struck off the strength to take effect January 1; and Lt. Colonel W. S. Parlee, 19th Reserve, has been struck off the strength, to take effect December 1st. Captain L. R. Richard, formerly of the Forestry service, is now attached to the Reserve C.E.F. The following officers who went overseas with drafts are now on the strength of overseas C.E.F.: Lt. J. F. McKensie; Lt. C. H. Coll, Lt. F. H. Tingley. Men exempt for a period may, before their exemption expires, exercise their option in joining any unit of the C.E.F.

THE NEW MILITARY HEADQUARTERS WILL BE READY NEXT WEEK

Staff of Military District No. 7 Will Remove to Sydney Street Building—Paymaster's Staff Remain in German Street Building.

Unless something unforeseen occurs it is likely that the headquarters staff of Military District No. 7 will remove next week from the building they now occupy on German street, to their new quarters on Sydney street, the building formerly occupied by the Soldiers' Club. Since the establishment of the military district in New Brunswick, and the appointment of additional officers to the command, the office room at headquarters has been so congested as to interfere considerably with the work.

The new building on Sydney street, recently taken over by the government, will provide more commodious quarters for the executive and administrative staff. The building on German street will be used by the paymaster's staff.

The top floor of the new quarters will be occupied by General Macdonnell, G. O. C., Lieut. Colonel Powell, A. A. G., Major Heron, G. S. C., Major S. S. Wetmore, D. A. A. and Q. M. G., Capt. R. S. Hayes, casualty officers, and Capt. B. M. Hay, in charge of returns and statistics.

The first floor will be occupied by the other members of the staff, and the clerks. A switchboard is being installed with an inter-communicating system with all rooms.

MILITARY HOSPITAL IN FREDERICTON NEAR COMPLETION

Major Osborne Says Old Government House Will Compare with Any Other Hospital in Dominion—Renovating Will Finish Last of Next Month.

Major Osborne, the officer commanding "K" unit of the Military Hospitals Commission in New Brunswick, arrived in the city yesterday. Major Osborne states that the work of completing the renovating and repairing of the old government building in Fredericton for a hospital institution is progressing favorably, and barring any appreciable mishap, the work will probably be consummated the last of February or the first of April.

It is the intention of the authorities to have the interior of the building so fixed as regards facilities for the care of the patients, as to compare with any institution of similar character in the Dominion. The staff will have the benefit of commodious quarters, containing improvements of modern construction, and no efforts have been spared to make the interior the last word in hospital equipment. There are no repairs effected on the outside of the building with the exception of alterations to the windows. The institution will accommodate upwards of 400 patients.

DISORDERLY HOUSE RAID IN WEST END

Wife of Soldier Now Overseas Charged as Keeper—Three Children Being Brought Up Under Miserable Circumstances.

A house situated on Middle street, West St. John, which has been under the vigilance of the police for some time on account of the suspicious actions of the occupier, was entered last night about 8.45 by four police officers, and a woman, Ethel McDonald, and a soldier of the 62nd Regiment, Harry Egan, were arrested. The woman is charged with being the keeper of a disorderly house, the man an inmate. The saddest feature of the incident was the finding of three little children in the house who were being brought up under such miserable circumstances. They were given to kindly neighbors for the night and will probably be looked after by the Children's Aid Society this morning.

It was stated by the police that the woman has been entertaining company considerably since the departure of her husband overseas. He left with the Forestry Battalion last summer. The defendant gives her age at twenty-four years. The officers responsible for the arrests were Sergeant O'Neill, Detectives Briggs and Blidessome, and Police Constable Gosselin.

TRAINS CANCELLED ON CANADIAN RAILWAYS SUNDAY, JANUARY 27.

Until further notice the night trains between St. John and Halifax will be cancelled. The last trip of No. 10 from St. John will be Saturday, January 26. The last trip of No. 9 from Halifax for St. John will be Friday, January 25. Commencing Monday, January 28th, numbers seven and eight will run between Halifax and Sydney. Number seven will leave Halifax, 7.10 p. m. daily except Sunday, arriving Sydney 3 a. m. No. 8 will leave Sydney 10.30 p. m. daily except Saturday, arrive Halifax 11.50 a. m. Trains numbers 11 and 12 between Halifax and New Glasgow are also cancelled.

REPRESENTATIVES OF VARIOUS CITIES WERE IN SESSION

Are Opposing Application of New Brunswick Telephone Company for Permission to Change Hours—Request Independent Investigation.

Representatives of the various cities in the province who have been opposing the application of the New Brunswick Telephone Co., for permission to change the hours at which the night rate on toll messages shall apply, met yesterday afternoon at the office of County-Secretary, J. King Kelly to discuss the new phase of the matter arising out of the order of the Utilities Commission adjourning the enquiry for further hearing.

Those present were J. S. Magee, City Clerk of Moncton; Alderman R. W. McLellan, Fredericton; Commissioner G. Fred Fisher of this city and J. King Kelly, Secretary of the New Brunswick Telephone Co., for permission to change the hours at which the night rate on toll messages shall apply, met yesterday afternoon at the office of County-Secretary, J. King Kelly to discuss the new phase of the matter arising out of the order of the Utilities Commission adjourning the enquiry for further hearing.

The committee urged on the premier the need of an independent investigation, and the selection of counsel to confer with experts in the examination of the claims put forward by the Telephone Co.

The committee expressed the opinion that as the application necessarily dealt with mechanical and operating difficulties, the Utilities Commission not professing to be experts should not rely on their own judgment in deciding as to whether the company had made out a preliminary case for further investigation.

It was also pointed out to the premier that the municipalities had no means to provide for the employment of counsel or experts.

MANY SPECTATORS AT THE CARNIVAL

Some Excellent Costumes in Victoria Rink Last Night—The Prize Winners—Girls' Circle Sell Refreshments.

There were many spectators at the carnival in the Victoria Rink last evening, which was one of the most successful ever held. The ice was in first class condition and the number of skaters in costume was large, many unique and picturesque characters being represented. Eight ladies and gentlemen constituted the judges. There were six prizes awarded. The first prize in each group was ten dollars and the second five dollars. The winners were as follows:

First prize, ladies—"Bride and groom, two in one," Miss Ed. Kerrigan; second, "Liberty," Miss A. B. Campbell.

First prize, gentlemen—"Allies," G. W. McNeil; second, "Spanish pirate," John Strait.

First prize, combination—"Telephone girls," Miss Woodworth and Miss Kelly; second, "John Bull and Uncle Sam," H. Garnet and M. B. Smith.

During the evening a committee of young ladies of the Girls' Circle, Soldiers' Comforts Association, with Mrs. W. H. Shaw as convenor, sold coffee and sandwiches over the refreshment counter for the purpose of raising money for their wool fund. The proprietors of Bond's restaurant generously gave the ladies the use of the premises for making sandwiches.

The Girls' Circle have sent hundreds of parcels to the soldiers overseas each year since the commencement of the war. They have just received several letters from the front acknowledging the receipt of Christmas boxes.

ADVANCED SHOWING OF SPRING SHIRTS AT DYKEMAN'S.

Striped silk, Pleated Peg Top Skirts, Classy coats. They are indeed real, new, fresh as the morning dew. Just received yesterday and they surpass all expectations. Neat flat pockets of soft material neatly finished with pearl buttons, are the only forms of ornamentation. They come in brown stripes and blue stripes, also in plain black, java brown and blue. The plain colors have a shirring around the waist line of about five inches. These are the advanced spring styles, just a little different from the ordinary. You must see them to appreciate their beauty. We have arranged a window display. You will find some very good Blouses, too, with this skirt display at Dykeman's of course.

OPERA HOUSE CHANGE.

An important change in the Opera House schedule is announced to go into effect this week. Owing to the cancellation of the night train to Halifax, which made necessary a rearrangement of the bookings of the programme so the vaudeville acts could reach Halifax in time to open on Saturday, the current week's programme will close on Thursday night and the regular weekly change of programme open on Friday night with the usual two performances. This week, Thursday night, will be the last opportunity to enjoy McKay's Scotch Revue and the balance of the splendid entertainment in this week's bill. Friday night the new programme opens. There will be no performance on Friday afternoon. The new schedule will continue in effect until further notice.

CANADIAN CLUB.

There will be a meeting of the club on Thursday at 6.15 p. m., in Bond's restaurant. There will be no performance on Friday afternoon. The new schedule will continue in effect until further notice. As this is a subject of important interest there should be a large attendance.

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