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Funeral of The Late Frank Masson

Funeral Held Under Auspices of Firemen-Burial at Miramichi Cemetery

The funeral of the late Frank Mas-son, who died here last Tuesday night, was held from his late residence to Miramichi cemetery on Fri-day afternoon, under the auspices of the Fire Department, of which he was a valuable member. Service was held at the house, con-

ducted by Rev. Dr. Harrison and Rev. S. J. Macarthur, and at the grave by Rev. Mr. Macarthur. The funeral cortege left the house throughout were extreme hortly before three o'clock, the ing and deep of thought. casket being mounted on the hose wagon, which was fittingly draped with crepe, and the remains convey-ed to their last resting place, followcith crepe, and the remains cont.

Id to their last resting place, followd by a large concourse of mourners. Lord, raise up, we pray Thee, thy
on top of the casket were the late
power, and come among us and with
great might succour us,"—the
great might succour us,"—the
recers," and his text from Judges V;
23. "Curse ye Meroz, saith the
and of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the

The order of procession was a follows:

Undertaker and Minister Detachment of Soldiers Detachment of Soldiers Hose Wagon with Remains Mourners Police, driving Mayor and Town Clerk (driving) Members Town Council (driving) Citizens, driving Citizens, driving Citizens, walking Mr. Masson's sudden death came as a severe shock to his family, and friends, and particularly so to his wife, who also has been in poor health for some three past. In the case had reached the point where her case had reached the point where her so these members of the family as could be summoned. William, of Alcorn, Sank, arrived home expecting to mother, but fate willed that his sor.

Recent vers the rece ers," and his text from Judges V; 23, "Curse ye Meroz, saith the angel of the Lord, curse ye bittery to the habloar. The solo is picyed with the second neck, which is hollow. The solo was strings, and are on the second neck, which is hollow. The solo is picyed with the second neck, which is hollow. The solo is picyed with the second neck, which is hollow. The solo is picyed with the second neck, which is hollow. The solo is picyed with the shadients thereof; because they because they of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they because they of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they can be head of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they of the Lord, curse Sask., arrived home expecting to have to mourn the loss of a loving mother, but fate willed that his sorrow should come through the death of the father. To this young man, and to George, who is serving with the 8th Battery in France, as well as other members of the family at home, the citizens of Newcastle in general extend their heartfelt sympathy.

Sask., arrived home expecting to have to mourn the loss of a loving mother, but fate willed that his sorrow had seen the nation learning from false Gods the gospel of gettling, with the result of growing ed in this 5th chapter of Judges. In that song of victory we find a wither crising denunciation against the Slack-to-grow of Merca. They had it as hard to individual had forgotten the majesty of God. Then suddenly, as by a flash of moral insight, we saw that the moral insight, we saw that the The call for help was unheeded as it whole basis of our life was wrong—

Is today by many.

Lawrence Mather—Clarinct solo with guitar accompaniment.

John W. Vanderbeck—Guitar Solos Mr. Campbell—Solos.

The Misses Lyons rendered most error dening that hard to get recruits then as mow, and the curse upon the Slackers has eclosed down through the long centuries.

Fredericton West

Recruiting Rally

Councillor Doyle Presided—Three adopted as its motto

RECRUITING SUNDAY IN LOCAL CHURCHES

Synopsis of Sermons Preached in the Local Churches on Sunday in Aid of Recruiting

Recruiting Rally

At Douglastown

At Douglastown

Councillor Doyle Presided—Three Recruits Were Signed

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The first of the Recruiting rallies and and rethe auspices of the newly or ander the auspices of the newly or at such a time as this "a man's a at such a time as this "a man's a a time as this "a man's a a time as this "a man's a time as this today by many.

A Modern Call for Help Against the Mighty—For forty years a power the Mighty—For forty years a

The first of the Recruiting railies under the auspices of the newly or ganized West-Northumberland Recruiting Committee was held Monday is at a burner of the collect.

The committee was held Monday is a such a time of the peakers were Hon. Donald Morrison, Rev. 8 by presided, and the speakers were Hon. Donald Morrison, Rev. 8 by J. Macarthy, H.D. et al. Parrelle of the Wireless, and Capit. Barry and Li J. G. McKnight of the 132nd. The following young men enisted. Ernest Cameron, John Grant and James Henderson. 21 of Dovglass The following were sworn in for the lizend the lizen

The second is a wide shoal situated above all national and rival are young men who do not care jealousies, but without a doubt, in where the bottom is clay too hard to be affected by the current.

The third shoal and that which has been the worst obstacle to navigation lies at the harbour entrance. (Continued on page 5.)

God's above all national and rival are young men who do not care jealousies, but without a doubt, in the eternal working of "the mills of selfish comfort? The Kaiser wants Canada. Shall we allow the Secretary was instructed to write the land of the German Eagle? Oh (Continued on page 5)

The times and the cause call for (Continued on page 5)

Pleasant Home Entertainment

At the Home of Mrs. John Lyons, Millerton-Coun. Vanderbeck's Unique Instrument

A very pleasant home entertain ment was held on the evening of Wednesday, December 1st , at the home of Mrs. John Lyens, Millerton,

Sunday was Recruiting Sunday in the local churches, and very appropriate sermons were delivered by the different pastors in their respective churches, of which a synopsis of the issue depends upon the older as the churches, of which a synopsis of the issue depends upon the older as the churches, of which a synopsis of the issue depends upon the older as the churches, of which a synopsis of the issue depends upon the older as the issue depends upon the older as the issue depends upon the older as different pastors in their respective churches, of which a synopsis of well as upon the younger men. If we can is given below. The sermons throughout were extremely interesting and deep of thought.

St. Andrew's Church

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The attraction of the evening was an ew musical instrument, the property of Mr. John W. Vanderbeek, Millerton's leader in musical circles. This new instrument is a Dyer guitar imported from Chicago, and differs from the ordinary guitar in that it from the ordinary guitar in that it has two necks. There are twelve United Baptist Church
Taking for his subject: "Slacksers," and his text from Judges V; 23. "Curse ye Meroz, saith the ansecond neck, which is hollow. The

Shipping in the channel from the harbour entrance to the town of Buctouche, a distance of about 3 miles, has been cheretore limited to solver which were depths of only about one mile below the town where the channel close to the town where the channel close to the town where the channel widens out and the current is consequently less strong. The bottom mud and silt.

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Was k for the young man's sacrifice he marks age to woit of the trenches before Christ them in possession of Belgium and boasting of the work of Belgium and boasting of the work of Belgium and boasting of the trenches before Christings. But we do not want them to control them in possession of Belgium and boasting of the trenches before Christings. But we do not want them to control them in possession of Belgium and boas

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Preliminary Hearing Into Shooting Case

Hearing into Harriman-Black Shooting Case Before Magistrate Lawlor on Thursday --- Several Witnesses Heard and Case Adjourned

The preliminary hearing into Sunday night's shooting case came upbefore Magistrate J. R. Lawlor on Inew Black had been shot, that when Thursday morning. After several witnesses had been examined, there was a further postpenement until the tothe dector's office. Witness said 22nd, in order that the evidence of the wounded man Black could be obtained.

T. H. Whaien, of Newcastle, appeared for the Prosecution, and R. A. Lawlor, of Chatham, for the fendant, Win. Harriman.

The Charge

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The William Harriman, with intent to maim or do grievous bodily was fired be walked away.

To Mr. Lawlor the witness said he told all he knew, and that nothing was said to make the defendant and the said timed and the said Alan Black, by discharging at the said Alan Black, a certain loaded gun or sixely are revelves.

To Mr. Lawlor the witness said he told all he knew, and that nothing was said to make the defendant and tired) and Dr. Thomas Welker, the well-known physician, of St. John. Both took their degrees from the U. N. B. in 1859, over fifty-one years

Bank Brack, by discharging at the sold
Alam Black a certain loaded gun or
pistol or revolver.

Sydney Cassey

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Sydney Cassey was the first wit
ness, who, sworn, sidd he resided in
Newcastle, and knew the defendant
Win. Harriman. He recognized the
defendant in court. He recognized the
defendant was abload James
Dunn were there when the shooting
took place. He was talking to
Black when Harriman came along;
defendant was about six
feet the time of his graduation in
low stitus and the
heard Black ask Sandy Malley to
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This splendid new building is 42x

The was in his 77th year.

The defendant was about star feet

the splendant was ab

James Dunn.

James Dunn. Salled and sworns side is knew defendant Wm. Harrisms, that he came along by the post office about a quarter past eight and wratted to know where all the fight of him. It was a 32 callebre. The same of the sam

Was Oldest Living Graduate of U.N.B.

last, was the oldest living graduate at the time of his death, of the University of New Brunswick, having aduated from that institution in



it. Witness could not say where defendant went with the revolver.

To We Leviller and a state possible successor to the point of storing away, they found they had none too much for that of the Duke of Connection that of the Duke of Connection that the leviller and the leviller

Major A. S. Cameron

Major Alexander S. Cameron, now a command at the Wireless was then alled. He said 'e only knew the de-

fin command at the Wireless was then called. He said 'e only knew the defendant as being one of the boys under his command. Defendant, as far as he knew, was not on duty at the time of the shooting. The men are allowed to leave the barracks at six o'clock in the evening, and free to return without pass up to eleven o'clock. Defendant had no authority to carry fire arms during this time. As it was necessary to have other witnesses who had not, up to the time of opening of court, been summoned, and as it was also necessary to have the evidence of the wounded man, who is now in the hospital at Chatharn, court was adjourned to meet next Wednesday, with a probable further adjournment.

Since the commencement of the war, during over sixteen months of severe and incessant strain, Fleid war, during over sixteen months of severe and incessant strain, Fleid warshal French has nost ably commanded our armies in France and Flanders, and he has now, at his own in tell appreciation of and gratitude for the conspicuous services which Field Marshal French has rendered to his country at the front, have with the King's approval, requested him to act the thoughts of Canadians are turn-ling towards Christmas and the cheer and pleesure it will bring into their homes, this appeal—a statement by one who is generously devoting his whole time to the relief of t'e Belgians—should have unusu! force. At the time when the prepai 'ion for the conspicuous services which Field Marshal French has accepted that appointment.

"The King has been pleased to it.

Comment in two Berlin newspapers however, is quoted by Reuters cor-respondent at Amsterdam. The Vossische Zeitung characterizes Field Marshal French as a "pushful, boast-ful dilletante," while the Lokal Ancastle's Future Possibilities

zeiger says General Haig has had no experience in the command of large tic regarding the future possibilities the happy little Belgium homes and of Nowcastle as one would hope for. The death of John A. Laddis, aged forty-nine years, a well known resident of Fredericton, occurred on Saturday from pneumonia.

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(By M. Whelsh) Air: "The Gay Banks of the Rhine."

His country's call caused a young native Canadian To visit the banks of the Rhine. When the Kaiser he saw and his hair he was tearing.

"Mein Gott, if dis vorld it vas mine "I make a big var ven I tot I vas ready. But de Belgian he got in my vay. He strook me a blow and my head ish unsteady. I feels dot dam blow to dis day."

"Mein Gott! if I only had got into Paris And ofer-run France as I tot. But Joffre's French troops my poor Germans did harrass And make dat dam country too hot. De Rooshin got after de Austre-Hungarian

And play de dam fool mit his force, ish he vas sent mit de silent Siberian. Confined till he shout himself hoarse."

'And if I get after dat greasy Italian! His solemn vord to me proke,
He make me a vanting and roaring rapscallian.
And all my great plan sent in shmoke.
I join mit de Turk and de forces of evil.
I bribe de Belgarian to sell.

But all my great plans dey haf gone to de devil And I might as well 20 to hell."

"My submarines eneak tru de sea like de velture.

My suprarines chear tru de sea like de vultur
My zeppelins skip tra de air.
I kill and I shlay for de great German cultude
And now I moost die in despair!
O vat shall I do, Gott Almighty hash left me,
De devil, he too haf turned Turk. Of my crown and my country de foe haf lereft me And I am all shpoilt mit my vork."

De vorld ish against me, no friend haf de Kaise No man ish so sorry as! me

I buy a big gun and I sharpen my razor, To Berlin I go on der spree. I lived like a demon, I'll die as a hero, Like meat Alexander, get drunk, vorld shall proclaim me a tyrant like Nero And all my great plan as a funk.

"Farewell to de lands I haf doomed to destruction,

Poor people too faithful to me.

I moost leave to de vorld de vort work of construction
And England is Queen of de sea.

fendant went with the revolver.

To Mr. Lawlor, witness said it was a 22 calibre safety police self-acting revolver, but he could not swear to the make.

Major A S Cameron.

To Mr. Lawlor, witness said it was appointment, it is said, was anticipated in the best informed circles.

The official announcement follows:

"General Sir Douglas Haig has

Sash, Doors, Frames

bable further adjournment.

GERMAN COMMENT ON SIR

DOUGLAS HAIG'S APPOINTMENT

The King has been pleased to confer upon Sir John French the dignity of a Viscount of the United Kingdom."

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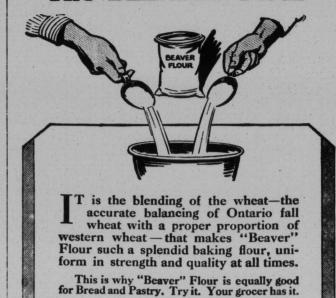
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emphasis on the material and physical harm and destruction wrought by drink. He writes the Outlook: "If I had not quit drinking when I did Cows.

and gone to farming with my good wife, there would be somewhere in a Boston suburb a modest tombstone Again Enter The Ring Boston suburd a modest to model to the inscription on it, 'Sacred to the memory of John L. Sullivan.'
That is why I am quitting the farm.' Says This Time he Will go Up
Against That Old Fiend King
John Barleycorn

John L. Sullivan, the noted prize
fighter, has given up the ring and fighter, has given up the ring and become a total abstainer. After spending some time on a farm, he has now decided to give himself earnestly and continuously to the work of premeting total abstainer. work of promoting total abstinence lead to evil places, evil places lead to in individuals. de will appeal particularly to young men and will put ticularly to young men and will put cord.

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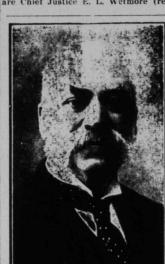
Something For

Will be Sincerely Mourned

Death of Sir Frederic E. Barker

Sir Frederic E. Barker, whose eath was announced on Wednesday

The oldest graduates now living are Chief Justice E. L. Wetmore (re-



pers for the most part seem to be uncertain how to view the appoint-ment of General Sir Douglas Haig as **Enterprising Firm's**

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The Acadian Battalion, to be formed in the Maritime Provinces, will be known as the 165th Battalion.

Sackville, N. B., is making efforts to have about three hundred soldiers billeted there.

The Diamond Cipher Read the opening chapters of "The Diamond Ciphor" beginning in tomg chapters of "The" beginning in to-See announcements land battalion has begun, and about WM. S. BABCOCK, day's Advocate. elsewhere in this issue.

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Private Secretary Mr. J. Bacon Dickson, son of Mr. with a first offence violation of the J. Howe Dickson, of Freder'cton, has Canada Temperance Act. been appointed private secretary to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, cceeding Mr. Wm. Cruikshank, pro-

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J. D. Volckman, Millerton, pression of impression, that is no serious impression. GENERAL MERCHANT

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Sackville, N. B., is making efforts

Recruiting Has Begun

The five passenge. Tudhope car donated to the Patriotic Fund by T. M. Burns, of Bathurst, and by them disposed of by ticket, was won by

seventeen have enlisted from Baie Verte and Port Elgi.i.

W. H. Spear, of Moncton. Express Co., Acquitted In the Moncton police court last week Sitting Magistrate McDougall rendered a decision in favor of the Dominion Express Company charged

With the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, Mr. L C. Daigle, of Moneton, has been appointed to command the B. Miller's

Mr. and Mrs. M. Murray of Campbellton, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Mr. Edward B. Price, the marriage to take place at an early date.

has been appointed to command the 165th French Acadian battalion and a confirmation of his appointment was conveyed in a telegram from Sir Sam Hughes to Mr. F. J. Robidoux, M. P. for Kent.

Vegetables in season.

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Received Nomination

At the Liberal convention held at

Was He a Spy? Last Wednesday evening a strang

er called at a King's Highway resid or Country-fed Pork Call at and A. T. LeBlanc were nominated ence and asked for his supper. H for the Provincial Legislature. was fairly well dressed, had a rathe German accent, and did not do more talking than he had to. Girl Wanted

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Military Medical Matters

Dr. Dugald Stewart, M. P., Bridge, water, N. S. who has been appointed by the Minister of Militia, with the rank of Major, to organize the military medical staff of the Maritime Jokingly, she asked him if he were a Provinces, was in Newcastle on Wednesday.

Muton, Ham, Bacon, Bologna, Sausage, Corn Beef, Pork, Cabbage and a full line of Fish. Prices low as possible.

Regimental Surgeon Regimental Surgeon
Dr. Park, of Newcastle, has been appointed regimental surgeon of the 132nd, and will look after the health of the men in Newcastle, and Chatham during their stay here. Dr. Loggie, of Chatham, will continue to make the preliminary examinations of recruits.

His refusal to talk did not arouse the suspicion of the household until it was learned next day that a German, about the same age as this man, only described as wearing a different style of clothing, had escaped from the detention camp at Amherst on Wednesday last. It, may, however, only be a coincidence.

Doaktown Soldier Writes to Sister

Magnus Betts, of Doaktown, Says Every Young Man Should be in Khaki

Appointment to 132nd
Sergt. H. Palmer, of Maugerville, who recently returned home on leave of Cornwall Light Infantry, has been appointed Battalion Sergeant Major of the 132nd Battalion. He has taken up his new duties here.

Appointment to 132nd
Sergt. H. Palmer, of Maugerville, writing from France, on Nov. 16, to his sister says:—"There is a lot of shelling going on this morning. The noise is getting to be a part of our lives. When things are too quiet the boys say 'there is something special coming off soon.' Well I hope they'll get this row over soon so I can get back to see you all once Wireless Music

'Will wonders never cease? What next Marie?' asked the old lady.

"Just listen to this: "The wireless band of Newcastle has volunteered to go with the 132nd." So they're now sending music as well as mestick it out as long as those Germans across in the other trench. It requires come sticking believe me to the control of the control o now sending music as well as messages by wireless! Wonderful! wonbut the old stubborn British spirit is
but the old stubborn British spirit is equal to it. So—thinks he will enlist, does he? Well, I hate to see him coming, in one sense, and it Dangerous Walking

The attention of the police is called to the dangerous condition of Prince William street hill sidewalk, military age today. Of course I mean Morrison Bldg, Newcastle

Livery, Sales and

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DENTIST

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There is now every prospect that the McLennan Foundry Co. will reduce the McLennan foundry Co. will reduce the freedom for which our fathers fought and died and which they left us to ceive a contract for the manufacture defend. So, to my mind it is every of shells for the British government. man's duty who is fit and of military This contract will not be as large as age to cut loose and place himself in and Exchange Stables was at first anticipated. The shells the king's service; and the duty of will be of a larger size than the firm

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same as I did".

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BRITISH M. P. DEAD

died yesterday in Northampton.

washington Hawkes, husband of Mrs. Jennie Hawkes, whose death sentence for murder was commuted London, Dec. 18—Albert Stanley, days ago was accidentally killed on Friday night by a gasoline engine in Lewisville, Alberta

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THE TRUE SIGNIFICANCE

(By Rev. Wm. Harrison, D .D.) The bright and blessed burden which the Christmas celebration unpacks before an attentive and dis-

word which declares God is Christ.
Christlikeness is what God is. God is essentially and eternally Christlike. The revelation of God in Christ has been the pole-star of the modern world and has been, and is and will continue to be the guiding and will continue to be the guiding principle, the inspiring hope and the dominant note in humanity's great and complicated life and history. It more of her financial recovers then and complicated life and history. It more of her financial resources than America did in the four years of something must be paid for travelling tion several years ago, and up till set to the lowest possible point. But very late'y the Scott Act Inspector something must be paid for travelling that reported monthly. imparted a new impulse to the world's decaying life and the day after Christ's advent was a new day in the annals of the race. It was not the same world the day after that the same world the country in the same world the day after that the same world the country in the country i imparted a new impulse to the the annuls of the race. It was not the same world the day after that the world. France's outlay is protected the mind of some the fairest way was to get all from the county, since the portionately somewhat smaller than to get all from the county, since the campaign is for the whole county. Red Cross, Patriotic funds, etc., had a changed world which that birth in
Bethlehem had accomplished. A new
are was fixed and no power of time's
pittless years and no change, howpittless years and no change, howpittless years and no change. Howpittless years and no change how ever, great or tragic, could for a single day eliminate that boundary line between the old and new. And so the matchless, winsome story never heightened its charm and stamped it indelibly upon the mind and heart only in times of page, but also and the mind and heart only in times of page, but also and the mind and heart only in times of page, but also and the matchless are satisfied that North-umberland County would do this, and the matchless winsome story never heightened its charm and stamped it indelibly upon the mind and heart only in times of page, but also and that it was unnecessary for him to add anything. The request would commend itself to each Austrian. \$550: to each Russian, \$250.

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Some one has said that on that first Christmas morning a few poor Syrian Shepherds were the only ones who and best join with the humblest to pay tribute to the world's greatest born—the Redeemer and Saviour of men. Of all the discoveries and disclosures which have astonished man.

The the world certainly can, and it is silver bullets" are really the deciding factor of the war, as is universally believed, the Entente Allies must be victorious. Proportionate-losures which have astonished man.

Mr. McCurdy replied that that officer's salary, if any, would come from the Dominion Government.

Ald. Ritchie stid that the Recruiting of his compliance or otherwise before Dec. 27th, 1915.

Ald. Hayward said that the Genpointment and would be paid by the grant as to Russia, we must be victorious. Proportionate-losures which have astonished man. born—the Redeemer and Saviour of men. Of all the discoveries and disclosures which have astonished man kind this unveiling of the unseen in the human personality of Jesus laims the palm and crown of all. On the sixth of May, 1883, there gathered on a small and barren coral reef of the Southern Pacific, an assemblage of the most distinguished astronomers from the chief cities of Christendom. To reach that isolated spot they had spared no expensed spot they had spared no expense displayed to the resources, when we take the correct the source of the southern pacific and the correct the source of the world, can in any event main financially all the Russian armitain financi crossed tempestuous oceans, carry-into account the natural opulence of what reason? For five minutes be inexhaustible. and twenty-three seconds, should the day be cloudless, they hoped to look upon a total eclipse of the sun. The power of human resolve and heroic However seriously the members D. & J. Ritchie ed in their attempt, by telescope and spectroscope and hite photographic else takes them for anything else Geo Stables camera, they studied the great event. than a joke. Certain it is that the The camera perpetuated the obser- Allies will not discuss peace at the vations made and exact pictures of present time, or at any rate not the Jos. Jardine & Co the event, to be found in a hundred kind of peace that Germany is seek. Maritime Foundry observatories may be studied at leising. And moreover Germany is not Can. Oil Co. There is something inspiriting in a position to form

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Christmas tokens will find their way to the wounded and unwounded men and these tender reminders of home and loved ones will speak kindly of associations which no cruel circumstance can injure or destroy. Welcome then, thrice welcome, Christmas of 1915!

THE SILVER BULLET

The enormous expenditure of mon ey which the war is causing is lead ing many thoughtful men to ask WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 22, 1915 themselves how long the belligerent nations can stand the financial pressure. How long can even the richest OF CHRISTMAS powers hold out and how far is Stables, Stuart and Creaghan. Europe from sheer bankruptcy?

tures of the war expenditure is firmed. Infinite and Unconditioned stoops to of his speeches, remarked that the war against Napoleon cost the British companied by Mr. D. J. Bukcley. Henry Copp. supreme and surpassing interest and which constitutes the crowning and amazing fact of Christianity and Christendom.

The leasure fact of Christianity and Christianity and Christendom.

The leasure fact of Christianity and Chri

ing costly and delicate instruments. their colonies, can be truly said to H. A. Russell

PEACE TALK

effort could go no further. Prosper- of Mr. Ford's peace mission may take Stothart Merc. Co. ure. There is something inspiriting in a position to force peace upon T. McAvity & Sons

in the thought of those great men them, as she forced war. crowded upon that inhospitable shore. The Allies have won a greater victor. Can. Gen. Electric Co. but they had their reward and a tory on the sea than Germany has treet compensation it was When were upon the land. They are strong great compensation it was . When, won upon the land. They are strong- Stothart Merc. Co. however, the object to be known is er numerically and economically D. A. Jackson, (for reporting not the sun but the personal Being than their enemy, and their unprewho by His Sovereign power created cedented reorganization of the whole the sun and the far-extending uni-industrial world is rapidly securing verse shall not some high resolve to for them an equipment in all that Can. Consol Rubber Co. know Him possess our hearts? In war demands greater than their en- 2 firemen's coats) Christ Jesus He veiled Himself in emy can hope to obtain. While the Stothart Mera Co. (mostly human form to walk among men upon dermans scour the backyards of their the earth and He has photographed own and allied countries for various Himself in the fadeless pictures of metals and materials, the Allies have the Gospels which all may see and the largest available supply of everyread. Once more, those imperishable thing they need at their command. pictures taken under Judaean cloud- So much means the control of the

throngs will be cheered and gladdened by the sacred and transfiguring yision.

So, across the blood-stained battlefields of Europe the never-ending Christmas story will cour its granic which they would drive their ending the weakens to even the slightest extent the iron ring that surrounds them selves.

The grim joke is on Germany to day. Before the war, she was the nameded in writing by not less than the promised for years a victoricus war in which they would drive their endied in which refused to disarm when its majority vote of its qualified ratepaymajority vote of its qualified ratepaymajori ther and happier days from suffering unparameted secretices they ishing a mission almost di-have failed to win a decision that the mastery of events to her ene-value for 1916 and by an additional the mastery of events to her ene-value for 1916 and by an additional miles.

COUNCIL VOTES \$100 RECRUITING FUND

Sweeping Tax Reform Resolutions to be Introduced at Next Meeting by Ald. Stuart

tures of the war expenditure is The Mayor said he understood tention to the fact that all appoint there was a delegation present from ments should be made by ballot, and

we may know Him, whom to know six life, rare, r'ch, abundant and enduring. This is beyond all other considerations, the fact which intests the Christmas season with the destruction of cities and villages.

We may know Him, whom to know saint in \$5,000,000 a week. The pressideration is beyond all other the war no consideration is made of the war no consideration is made of the destruction of cities and villages.

Companied by Mr. D. J. Bukcley. Spoiled (marked for large meeting of the Recruiting Committee recently held, Mr. Davidson, and J. J. Galliah was declared appointed to approach the Town and County Councils re funds to defray the destruction of cities and villages.

Man has seen God in Christ as hand, the wealth of Europe and the ed to help bear trese expenses. The accumulation of capital in the last Committee thought that sufficient satisfactory. Since then it had been

Stothart Merc. Co.

Light & Water

99.21 Ald. Hayward of the Police Committee reported that W. H. Finley had accepted the position of Police-

Newcastle Town Council met on policeman had been receive l from the 16th instant. Mayor Stothart presiding. Aldermen present: Doyle, John Duthie, J. J. Galliah, John A. Hayward, Mackay, McGrath, Ritchie Stables, Stuart and Creaghan. Europe from sheer bankruptcy?

A glance over the outstanding fea
Regular meeting were read and conStables and McGrath, was ordered. Ald. McGrath drew the council's at

packs before an attentive and disit was possible to amass such fabuthe Recruiting Committee, and he inlous sums. Premier Asquith, in one
vited the chairman to address the for this request. The vote resulted as follows:

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Act proceedings and make return of all fines and costs paid or punishments awarded, and any other matters that may be from time to time the Recruiting Committee.

Mr. McCurdy replied that that of required, and further requested that

Mr. E. A. McCurdy spoke re assessment of the Hospital property which was in his name but which he was 62.73

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1 Mr. E. A. McCurdy spoke re assess-23.59 threly to the hospital, and the sum of the hospital would be fin3.70 expected the Hospital would be finthe Northumberland County Court, at the suit of William A. Bamford

\$49.19 had lately been received an X-ray machine worth \$1800, a sterilizing plant worth about \$1000, and about \$1500 worth of furniture. It was be-15.84 ing fitted out in first class style, and would be a credit to any town or 52.10 county. Newcastle might well con-

gratulate itself on receiving such a 82.06 gift. 112.83 Mr. McCurdy congratulated the 15.55 Council on their having decided to supply an all day electric service. The hospital would take electricity 50.00 for its elevator, X ray machine, and cooking service. The all day service

\$579.07 would be a great boon to the public.
The matter of the taxes on the hospital property was left to the Finance Ald. Stuart gave notice that at the 89.21 next regular meeting of Coun !! he would move the following resolution:

That this Council hereby authorize and instruct the Mayor and Town Clerk to have a bill prepared and the necessary steps taken to man and Scott Act Inspector and same moved and secondard moved enter upon his duties on the Legislature and properly supported in Committee therein, asking for such amendment to any Act or Acts less skies, and memorable Galilean seas.

Ald. Hayward reported that applications for the position of night relating to the The influence of the peace discussion upon the public mind of the entropy will be cheered and gladdenemy countries will be one of the day the special and transfiguring great phychological forces helping weakens to even the slightest extent.

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****************** WE WISH EVERYBODY A

Merry Xmas AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATRONAGE

For Men

New Winter Hats Overcoats and Ulsters Eastern Caps Fancy Neckties Silk and Knitted Mufflers

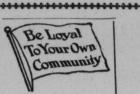
Handkerchiefs Leather Belts

Silk Hose Sweater Coats Suit Cases and Trunks Fancy Brace Sets Wool and Kid Gloves Fancy Shirts Wool and Fancy Vests Men's Umbrellas Mackinaw Coats

***** For Children

Winter Coats Boys and Girls Sweaters Boys and Girls Scarfs Gloves, Hosiery, Toques

Etc., Etc., Etc.





(5) Abolish the Property Qualifi-cation for office of Alderman; (6) Abolish the Property Qualifi

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BOIESTOWN NEWS

school the pupils presented their James Whalen, Miss Mary McCloskey teacher with a very valuable present. The Catholic Sewing Circle met at the home of Mrs. Weston Hickey on Connell.

Thursday evening. Among present were Mrs. R. H. Rice, Robert Rice, Mrs. Will Ramsay, Mrs. Dec. 20—Our school closed on Friday afternoon for the Christmes valuation. During the lest session of Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Duffy, Mrs. Ryan, Miss Lena Murphy, Miss Jean Norrad and Mrs.

Happy Hour Greetings

The Management of the Happy Hour extends its most cordial Christmas Greetings to its many friends and patrons, with full appreciation of their hearty support and generous co-operation. May the holiday be rich in the season's

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"THE TEST OF A MAN" Thrills! Thrills! Thrills!

Matinee Saturday afternoon o'clock, 5 and 10 cents.

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(Continued from page 1)
may the aptrits of the mixity dead, who have fought and died for you and me, for the coming generations, animate you!
"Where Blake and mighty Nelson fell Their menty hearts do glow, As ye sweep through the deep While the stormy winds do blow."
This call for help makes an appeal to the extraormy character to first the page. The promote to first the page to the crusading spirit. The Crus saders thought that they had a worthy object to fight for and die for in the saving of Christ's sepulcher from the Pagan. Young men, if you greep the deep meaning of this present conflict you will find you are fighting for the principles of Christianity. It is Christianity as Prussianism. Militarism. Tyranny and a false Philosophy that has no place for the Crucified. I see nothing couls in that a ct of the But character for the Crucified. I see nothing couls in that a ct of the But character for the Crucified. I see nothing couls in that a ct of the But character for the Crucified. I see nothing couls in that a ct of the But character for the Crucified. I see nothing couls in that a ct of the But character for the Crucified. I see nothing the propose of the crucified and the seek of the Crucified and control of the crucified and the country which is seek to do the country which is most perfect, a land stretching from the saving of Christian spon the thought that so place for the Crucified. I see nothing the country which is most perfect, a land stretching from the saving of Christian spon the thought that so place for the Crucified. I see nothing the country which is most perfect, a land stretching from the saving of Christian spon the summer was now the throught who different metallic summer was now the through and the summer was now the summer was now that the summer was now the s

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cherisaes,—whose honor and welfare he dearly prizes. We have a country bounded by two oceans, magnificent in every respect, but now threatened by an enemy merciless as he is savage, by an enemy who tramples under foot every law, human and divine. I say this country is threatened, for when England is threatened, all the colonies and Nations acknowledging her supremacy, gather around her, feeling that her danger is theirs, and that if she be doomed to occupy an inferior place on the to occupy an inferior place on the map, they also go down with her.

History is said to be the witness of the past, the example and instructor of the present, and monitor to the future; but never has history presented us with anything comparable to that which is being enacted past week in St. John.

DETAINTIELE NOTED and J. W. Davidson local respectively. The presented us with anything comparable to that which is being enacted past week in St. John. these very days, and before our Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stephens are eyes. We see a country very limited rejoicing over the arrival of a baby eyes. We see a country very limited in area, a country whose early down-boy.

The schools closed here on Friday list enemies; we see it rendered every assistance which a grateful cert assistance which a grateful cent render its mother. What can be more inspiring than the action of Indian Princes and their substants in the princes and their substants. Which is the prince in the company of the prince in the company of the prince in the rooms. Miss Powers held her extended in a prince and their substants on Thursday afternoon, and following the prince is a prince in the company of the prince in the company of the prince is a prince in the company of the prince is a prince in the company of the prince is a prince in the company of the prince is a prince in the company of the prince is a prince in the company of the prince is a prince in the company of the prince in the company of the prince is a prince in the company of the prince in the company of the prince is a prince in the company of the prince in the company of the prince is a prince in the company of the company of the company of the prince is a prince in the company of the c jects le ving their East rn homes. Miss Underhill on Friday morning and fyle their returns accordingly.

offering men and money for the purand Mr. Bonnell on Friday afternoon.

All persons having any claim offering men and money for the purpose of conserving a civilization in some respects the very opposite of their own. The union of East and West and the enthusiasm which it excites, is to the student of history the great event of this wonderful age, in which we live.

Let us come to more recent civili.

Let us come to more recent civiliance and is spending and is s would fain make liberty a thing of the past, and ignore the moral law in its dealings with other people and nations. Hence the battalions ever moving toward one common centre. We here in Canada have done a good deal. Canada have done a good deal. Canada has given men and money; but much as she has given, she has not equalled Australia, New Zealand, nor as far as I know, South Africa which but a few years ago contended with England in the field of battle. South Africa is no longer an enemy. Her sons are fighting England's battles, and the once famous Boer Warrier is now the English

Myres Brook, Glovcester Co., and expects to return after the holidays.

Miss Gladys Crawford who has been teaching school at Wayerton, is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walls of Halbright, are the guests of Mrs. Wall's sister, Mrs. James Walls.

Miss Edna Vye spent Thursday in Mrs. Beverly Underhill of Campbellton, was visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Underhill on Wednesday. He was accompanied by his friend. Mr. McKenzie.

Miss Jennie Jewett is spending

BLACKVILLE NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stephens are

the guest of Mrs. W. J. McLaggan. Mr. John Walls brought home the emains of his father, the late Mr.

In order to improve the channel and benefit shipping at Buctouche a new plant consisting of the Dominion Government Rock Breaker

Wednesday, 29th—Chelmsford Thursday, 30th—Barnaby River.

Ladies are invited to all meetings

and J. W. Davidson local recruiting

Public Notice

the great event of this wonderful on Wednesday.

Mr. John Davidson of Fredericton, was visiting friends in town the past their Chamber in the Coure House, Newcastle, on Tuesday the eighteenth week.

England's battles, and the once famous Boer Warrier is now the English General who gives a practical attestation of what is meant by liberty without license. This feeling permeates the civilized world of to-day.

We may well ask ourselves if we are visiting their parents. Mr. and are, each of us, doing our part in this work of defense. Does it occur to us that if England is defeated in this world-wide struggle, we also suffer defeat?—that if England is fated to pay a huge indemnity, we al-

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...The Season's Greetings to Patrons Old and New...

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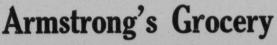
This year our stock of Christmas Goods is bigger and better than ever. We have bestowed special attention on:

Calendars, Xmas Cards, Papeteries, **BOOKS**

From which it will be a pleasure to choose gifts for your friends

We have all our other lines as usual, including Fancy Articles, Boxes of Confectionery, Dolls, Toys, etc.

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ages.
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Real Swiss Berna Chocolate, 5 and 10c Bars Moir's Plain Pound, Sultana and Currant Cake 35, 30 and 25c Also a beautiful line of their Chocolates in Bulk and 1 and Something to make your best girl remember you for

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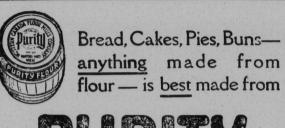
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A New Questions and Answers Departs ment of Interest to Shooters

Readers are reminded that this column is open to questions which should be sent to me in care of the Sporting Editor, and to discussions by the readers on anything connected with hunting or target shooting .- A.

Give me your honest opinion as to

NOTED ENGLISH TRAPSHOOTER A. J. B., Milwaukee, Wis. SIDES WITH US

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Give me your honest opinion as to which of the two slotguns is best, the game as practiced across the pond is much superior to the American way. They maintain that our game is "artificial," and that it does not even approach game shooting, conditions. This may or may not be true, it makes not a row of pins difference anyway. Trepshooting has entirely outgrown the state where it was simply preliminary practice for game shooting, until now it is 2 great a half million shooters.

A couple of weeks ago I had the pleasure of spending an afternoon at the traps with Mr. W. P. Grosvenor, the prominent English trapshooter.

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"I would first like to say that owing to the wonderful runs of kills made by your shooters, which we hear of in England from time to pistol before the berrel begins to hear of in England from time to time, many of us clay bird shooters have the impression that your general conditions are much easier than ours, otherwise the runs of two and three hundred kills would not be made. My own opinion, however, now is that your conditions are at least equally difficult, and that the long runs are to be accounted for to a great extent by the fact that the struce and methods of your scratch men have been developed to such a stance and methods of your scratch men have been developed to such a high degree. I get a certain percently handle the shot shell in the 44 Windrage of misses which I am convinced would be decreased by the American will be decreased by the Amer style and which I therefore shall try to acquire in the near future."

I was glad of having the opportuntimes during his visit to this country, and also to shoct with him. He is a gentleman and a sportsman in the truest sense of the word. After all, when you get right down to hard pan, there isn't much worth wille not included in these two words.

R. McC. Jonesville, Iowa.

1. Is there any advantage in the 22 hollow point over the ordinary 22 bullet?

2. bullet?

3. If I have it smooth bored, how many yards will it shoot shot for sparrows, rebbits and small game?

Ans. The 44 shot cartridges are not very effective at over 25 yds. I should think you would rather use for the game you mention a 22 call-ber repeating rifle.

4. After it is smooth bored, can I shoot a 44 rifle ball?

Ans. Yes, but the accuracy will be ball ball bank Staff, was the guest of his Bank Staff, was the guest of his lease of his l

Ans. The .22 hollow point cartifiges are very effective for game shooting and I have often wondered why more of them are not used, that is, in proportion to the regular cartifige. Theoretically they are not quite as accurate as the others, but I have never been able to find any practical difference in their accuracy. If you want to find out just what effect .22 hollow point cartridges have on game around here. It has a generacy. If you want to find out just what effect .22 hollow point cartridges have on game around here in cutting off the barrel is 32 inches, choked. If I do not sell it, what is your advice in cutting off the barrel is 32 inches. what effect .22 hollow point carridges have on game take two fresh cakes of laundry coap and shoot through one lengthwise with the .22 long rifle cartridge with the regular bullet, and shoot through the other lengthwise with the .22 long rifle cartridge loaded with a hollow point bullet. Be sure to get fresh soap as old dry soap is hard and brittle and does not give a proper test. does not give a proper test.

2. Will you please tell me some

way to remove leading from a gun instead of using 2 wire brush?

Ans. Leading can be removed from a barrel by means of mercury. The method used is to cork up the breech, pouring in a quantity of mercury, and hold the finger over the end of the muzzle (or cork it up) then shake the mercury around thoroughly so that it will touch all parts of the barrel, keeping this up at intervals for possibly a half hour, then tevals for possibly a half hour, then the clean thoroughly with patches. Permorning I was refelling very good: I were skided by the ladies of the surrounding districts, last week shipped to the soldiers at the front two boxes containing the following articles:

86 pairs sox, 13 pairs wristlets, 3 pairs mittens, 2 scorfts, 7 day shirts, also the following denctions were sent in: Mrs. John Keys, 1 pair sox; of the barrel, keeping this up at intervals for possibly a half hour, then the clean thoroughly with patches. Permorning I was refelling very good: I wrs. Benjamin Sherard, 1 pair sox; Mrs. Benjamin Sherard, 1 pair sox; Mrs. John Keys, 2 pillow Mrs. Johnes Power, 1 pillow, 2 pillow way to remove leading from a gur

3. I would like to know where I person sick of rheumatism, I could tell them about this remedy.

Ans. The .22 Lesmok or semi-smokeless.

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If any time I come to near about any sox, 2 doz. inducerentels, soo mount with the person sick of rheumatism, I could tell them about this remedy.

Yours truly,

ERNEST LEVILLE,

pounds of yarn to knit up and over can get the .22 semi-smokeless.

Ans. The .22 Lesmok or semi-Ans. The .22 Lesmok or seeing smokeless cartridges can be secured at any well-stocked hardware or 216 Rue Ontaria East, Montreal. Feb. 14, 1908.

FACTS ABOUT THE WAR "WIRELESS CONTROLLED TORPEDOES"

The state of the s

The present war has caused enor mast of the torpedo, with strong re mous strides in the development of flectors arranged to direct the rays almost every type of fighting materials.

six or seven miles. It may be accurately guided to its merk through-out the entire distance. But one great trouble has been that it was not possible to see a torpedo launch-been perfected for shooting a seanot possible to see a torpedo launch-been perfected for shooting a sea-ed after dark, needless to say, it is plane from a battle ship—something the enemy.

chine.

The acroplane and the dirigible more effective, a carrying apparatus torpedo have been especially devel-has been devised for hydroplanes of oped. Every few days we seem to the sea-plane type This enables hear of really important inventions them to carry large high-power dirmaking it possible for an aeroplane gible torpedoes and release them at o accomplish hitherto impossible cats.

During recent years the range and partial to a comparatively short distance from their targets. They form a very small and difficult mark even at fair-

During recent years the ravge and sharing different mark even at infractional accuracy of naval guns has made it ly short range and when above the practically impossible for vessels to water. When high in the air above get nearer than four or five miles, battle ships they are extremely difficult to hit. So, when loaded with pletely demolish the ships of the a high power dirigible torpedo they ther when the distance is lessened. For three or four years it has been terfectly possible to accurately control a dirigible torpedo, by wireless; orpedo is released at a distance of equipped with wireless control approach to the surface and despatch the torpedoes. They are equipped with wireless control approach to the surface and the surface and

most desirable to law ob these diring in the nature of a large catapult. It gible torpedoes after cirk, so that neither the fact of their launching ship was travelling at full speed.

A recent invention is made it sea-plane, and retire to safer discossible to keep the taped in view tance, the sea-plane would be sped rom the starting point, in the dark-

NEWS OF THE COUNTY

SUNNY CORNER

BOIESTOWN NEWS

Mrs. Samuel Long is ill with ton-

(Held from last issue.) (Held from last issue.)

2. If it will, who can i send the barrel to ge it smooth bored?

an open air rink this winter, so the young people are naturally looking silitis. We hope she may have berrel to ge it smooth bered?

Ans. I do not know of anyone who forward to the time when the river speedy recovery.

Mrs. Convery.

will be safe.
Mr. Harold Hicks, of Newcastle, sister, Mrs. Weston Hickey. could do this work at the present time.

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Make Shipment Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D., 1886. A. W. GLEA-

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alf S. Lane

clean thoroughly with patches. Personally, I prefer the use of the brass tell you this remedy is very good; I Mrs. Jomes Power, I pillew, 2 pillow sonally, I prefer the use of the brass tell you this remedy is very good; I Mrs. Jomes Power, I pillew, 2 pillow tell you this remedy is very good; I slips; Miss Eliza Keys, \$5; Mrs. Ed. bristle brush, as it does not harm the could give you a good critificate any time that you would like to have one. If any time I come to hear about any sox; 2 doz. handkerchiefs, 500 mouth

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From Lt. Gov. Wood

Message to People

Provisions of the Law Relating to Assessments for Patriotic Fund and Similar Purposes

I believe it is the desire of the ople of many of the municipalities roughout the Provinces to contribute to the Canadian Patriotic Fund. Questions have arisen as to the eight of a municipality to levy an assessment for this or similar pur-

may exist in this regard, I wish to call attention to an Act passed at the last Session of the Legislature. 5 George V. Chapter 10, which reads as follows:

"1.-It shall and may be lawful for any City ,Town or Municipal Council to contribute to the Canadian Patriotic Fund created by an Act of Parliament of Canada, 5 Geo. V. Chapter 8, as well as to any other funds, raised or to be raised for the establishment of hospital beds, or the assistance generally or particularly of all persons who have suffered or may suffer, by reason of the present war, whether such person shall be within Canada, the United King-dom, or any of the countries in alor their course will be disclosed to close range of an enemy, launch its lance with Great Britain.

2.—All contributions hitherto made, by any City. Town or Municipal Council, to the aforesaid pur poses, or any of them, and any as sessment, heretofore made therefor, are hereby declared to be legal and

3 .-- Any City, Town or Municipal S.—Any City, fown or Municipal Council may apply to any of the aforesaid purposes any of its funds which are otherwise undisposed of, or may assess for such contributions as it shall decide to make."

In directing attention to these provisions of the law, I desire to ex-press my earnest wish that the Municipal Councils throughout the Prov-ince, when they next meet, will make generous contributions in order to assist in the great work with which hose who are administering the anadian Patriotic Fund find then elves entrusted.

I am pleased to be able to state hat Professor DesBarres of Allison University, has placed his services at my disposal in connection with this work. I have an pointed him Organizer of the Fund throughout the Province. He will isit the different localities through out the Province as soon as possitivith a view of meeting the loc ommittee, where Organizations e st, and organizing committees ections where none at present ex ist, and giving his assistance in any way he can in generally promoting the interests of the Fund.

JOSIAH WOOD. Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 10th, 1915

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH WEST LAND REGULATIONS

The sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may stead a quarter section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskat chewan or Alberta. The applican must appear in person at the Do minion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for district. Entry by proxy may be made at any Dominion Lands Agency (but not Sub-Agency), on certain

Six months' residence on and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least itable house is required except where residence is performed in the vicin-

In certain districts a homesteader n good standing may pre-empt a quarter section alongside his home

stead. Price \$3.00 per acre.

Duties—Six months residence in each of three years after earning homestead patent; also 50 acres extra cultivation. Pre-emption patent may be obtained as omestead patent, on certain conditions.

A settler who has exhausted his homestead right may take a pur chased homestead in certain dis tricts. Price \$3.00 per acre. Dutlet -Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate 50 acres and erect a house worth \$300.

The area of cultivation is subject to reduction in case of rough, scrubby or stony land. Live stock may be substituted for cultivation under certain conditions.

W. W. CORY, C. M. G.,

Deputy of the Minister of the In-N. B.—Unauthorized publication of advertisement will not be 49-6mos for.—64388.

WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO LAND AT KIRKWALL London, Dec. 16-The Times this

morning says it understands that none of Henry Ford's peace party will be allowed to land at Kirkwall, rived Wednesday.

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CHAPTER I.

"No use, Mr. Pinkwell, no use at all. I am beginning to believe what Von Schimmel, the German expert, said in this room two weeks ago. He maintained that there was never yet a cipher formulated that the genius of deductive energy could not solve, ment to accuse. All I know is that to chapter to accuse. All I know is that the serious as the control of t maintained that there was never yet a cipher formulated that the genius of deductive energy could not solve, nor a cipher so guarded that it could

of deductive energy could not solve, nor a cipher so guarded that it could not fall into hostile hands."

The able head of the secret service bureau almost snarled with vexation as he spoke, while the gray-mustached veteran in the huge leather chair looked at him sympathetically, but gave no sign of his emotions. Pacing up and down the border of a Pueblo rug, Chief Wilkins tore up a few frag. rug, Chief Wilkins tore up a few frag-ments of note-paper, and resumed his monologue. leak, and the power to which such a leak is valuable. Which do you really figure in the equation—yellow men or wooden shoes?

"I don't know where the leak is, but I do know that there's a leak large enough to let 60 per cent. of the war department's pet secrets go trickling through. That's why I am working with every bit of energy and every available man to help in the time of available man to help in the time of need—doing things that the secret service hasn't concerned itself with since 1865. That's why I am asking you to come into the hunt, you and the best men of your agency. I don't mind telling you that I shall commandeer the Bernes seency too Mr. Pinkwell to Bernes seency too Mr. Pinkwell to Grasp every chance of keeping close need—doing things that the secret service hasn't concerned itself with since 1865. That's why I am asking the Barnes agency, too, Mr. Pinkwell, and I think that when it is a problem that concerns the policies and destinies of the whole nation there will be no professional jealousies between

"Emphatically none." growled old Pinkweil, setting his square jaw.
"Bring Barnes right into this room, and Camera-Eye Sherraton too, if you can get him. I'll confer with them like an older brother; I'll lend them the best men on my payroll, and I know that they will do as much for me if the good old U. S. A. can be helped in any way."

Chief Wilkins' angry face relaxed its frown. He crossed to the big chair and shook the old detective's hand with cordial vigor. "Spoken as I thought you'd say it," he chuckled. Spoken as old Billy Pinkwell would always speak when time and circum-stances called for real men to stick together. Barnes will be here tomorrow. He'll bring his bloodhound Sherraton along with him, and we can thrash things out during the ing. This afternoon, Billy, I'll have a



TOOK THIS SHEET FROM YOUR DESK PLACED A CARBON BENEATH IT AND TRACED YUR WRITING

little talk with you. We can exchange secrets of state without interruption—there won't be any cipher messages exchanged or stolen on the

Pinkwell carefully distributed the ash of his short, thin, pale yellow ci-gar upon a red design of the Pueblo

pher messages, chief?" he suggested. "Inform me in full as to your troubles. Open confession is good for the soul, as I told the fellow who blew the outhwick bank."

"Did he agree with you, Pink?" "Not exactly. He said open safes were good for the wallet, and gave me the lightsome ha ha. Tell you about him some day—he was the fellow who opened safes with a surgeon's stethoscope. Some class to him."

"Tell me at dinner. Maybe he's the boy who has been pilfering our ci-phers. When did he get out?"

Pinkwell laughed grimly.

"I imagine it would take as clever a performer to read a government cipher," he responded, "but this lad has eight years, five months and fifteen days still to go, allowing for good conduct. But come on—come through with the cipher story. Have the handwriting experts been turning tricks with the war department mestikeet, he flung it into the waste bassheet, he flung it into the waste bassheet with the waste with the waste bassheet with the waste with the wa

"Emphatically yes. Two-thirds of ket, only to have the detective fish the orders to the troops in the field along the Mexican border have been into his pocketbook. The chief, alket, only to have the detective fish it out, smooth it neatly, and tuck it ted, either in transit or before leaving Washington. Telegraph, wire-less, sealed letter by trusted hands ned the desk, the drawer, the keyhole, and finally sat down disgusted and disgruntled. some one gets to the more important

messages. The ciphers have been changed, reversed, revamped, invented well. "Forget it absolutely. Don't let a clerk or stenographer in the office see you with as much as a scowl upon your lovely countenance. Send some one—some one you think you can talk brand new by the most scientific ex-

ocess inside of an hour after trans-ting business with the war depart-ent," Pinkwell interjected. "No. Hardly. Because—" and Wil-

snorted as he forced out "I personally invented the latest cipher used-cooked it up from ancient Greek, my old college trigo-nometry and sixty words of the Co-manche tongue, learned when I apant

'Are you the only clerk remaining this afternoon?" "Yes, sir. Everyone else went away at four."
"Uh huh. Gene to the ball park

us usual, I presume?"
"Yes, sir. Good game today. The White Sox are here, and—"
"Never mind about the White Sox.
or the Pink Ear-Muffs either," growled "You are as bad as the

The chief looked him over rapidly.



"Yellow men or wooden sh— oh blazes!" snapped the chief. "I am a slow thinker today. Probably at all meet a few friends, and have a little begins to return the ball to the pitchpractice of cur own this afternoon."

"Uh huh. I might have known there was some earth-shaking reason for your not disappearing with the rest. Well, can you forego a few minutes of your valuable time, even if it is after office hours?"

The hub helped an assenting head. times, or I could have ended this whole business without calling for outside help. As you are perfectly aware

tain and interpret every cipher we have ever constructed. Neither can I say that there is a German system of

to grasp every chance of keeping close watch upon our troops, our naval movements and our general dealings

with all other nations. I can't fix it rightly—I •an't definitely assert that there is a cordon of Japanese spies

from here to Los Angeles, with an in-telligence bureau which can both ob-

and interpretation by our enemies

cipher that even a Japanese or German scientist cannot take apart and

The chief nodded emphatically "If we found the leak, we we

we could ferret out the leak at lei-

you think it would be best for my office to make some sort of bluff at

digging up the guilty parties, while

you devote your energies to the con-struction of a cipher that not even

such a man as—well, we will say Von Schimmel—could possibly disen-

The chief's nod was more emphatic

'I have thought of asking the secre-

"That idea," returned the chief-"a

tiny dancing figure, in a different po-

into plain English, without much difficulty. I almost think Von Schimmel

drawer, and began to fumble inside

Penciled it out, for a half hour's di-

version. Here—see if you can read

Pinkwell took the sheet, inspected

"Forget it, John," admonished Pink-

it for an instant, and then turned over. "I don't think I can read your

done in a hurry

reassemble

the same pattern—I am, as yet, beautifully checked at all points. I have only this moral certainty. Nothing goes out of Washington concerning the movements of fleets or armies without heavy risk of transcription the details of the new rifle. Translation of an Aztec scroll, son?"

"Well Aztec scroll, son?"

"Well Aztec scroll, son?" There are only two avenues open—you can easily guess them both."
"Either find the leak—or devise a

Brockett, self-confidence returning. "I was amusing myself with building a cipher-something that would be rather hard for anyone who wasn't en-gaged in the building of it to make

"If we found the leak, we would stop the source of information—for a little while. If we devised an unde-cipherable cipher, we could make monkeys of either kalser or mikado The grim face of the chief relaxed

"How did the experiment work out?" until our plans had matured, and our hands could not be forced on either the Atlantic or Pacific. After that, Brockett grinned frankly. "I'm no expert practitioner in such subjects, Mr. Wilkins. Still, I think it would take a pretty capable scientist to pick it apart and put it together again. He'd "Exactly," assented Pinkwell. "Then have to be an American, too-or pos-

you have a little leisure?"

"Always glad to encourage youthful talent," smilingly responded Pinkwell. "Let me look through it tonight, son? Thank you. And now, lbelieve, Mr. Wilkins would address "We" tary of war and the secretary of the navy to join us in formulating a new cipher. Among us, we might possibly turn out something that would be too

"Just a small errand, Mr. Brockett,

hen Pinkwell reached out a detaining hand. "Son," remarked the old detective, "this cipher of yours is certainly bewildering. That is supposed to be the best point about successful sition to represent each letter, was original and clever. You will rememciphers, I believe. Tell me, my boy-can you read it yourself?"

ber, though, that it was finally turned "Why, of course. It is so simple that I don't even need a written key. was right-that there is no cipher which cannot be read by the expert delver into such fascinating subjects. Still, something must be done, and "Indeed? Suppose you demonstrate it to us, just for a moment. Are you

'Go as far as you like, Billy," the Hurry is the proper word," assent- chief assented. "I'll confess-consided Pinkwell. "You will have to get busy as rapidly as your affairs will ering our conversation of a little

while ago-that I'm interested too. Mr. Brockett, suppose you write, in your cipher, a transcription of a few Wilkins turned, opened a desk words I will give you and then let us "I was experimenting on a cipher this morning," he explained. "Noth-ing complete, and nothing elaborate.

try to dissect it?"

The young fellow took the chair at which the chief motioned, drew a pencil from his pocket, and ripped the top sheet from a paper pad. Chief Wilkins studied for a moment, and then dictated, slowly and concisely: "Watch below Langtry till further

orders. Reported force of 300 insur-

TO HR PO PO SB Fin W TO 3BH SH W TC W BH SH W L W SH FA TC W TO SH BH SB TC

Wilkins and Pinkwell gazed at that strange document for several minutes, with faces which changed from good, natured raillery to perplexity, and then to keenest interest. Young

in a pocket.

"Shall I leave you the key to the cipher, Mr. Wilkins?" asked the

asked the old detective,

"what do you call this chart of "The Diamond Cipher, sir."

CHAPTER II.

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rest of them—how does it happen you are not going out to the game?"

The boy grinned, and flicked a red cap against his knee, in some little captusion. confusion.

"Fact is, Mr. Wilkins, I expected to meet a few friends, and have a little begins to return the ball to the pitch-

of your valuable time, even if it is after office hours?"

The boy bobbed an assenting head, tried to thrust the red cap into a pocket, and dislodged some folded papers, which fell rustling to the floor. As he bent for the papers, Pinkwell anticipated his hurried grasp, and caught them up. The detective calmly unfolded the papers, finding them covered with some freakish letterings, while the boy turned red, and the chief looked quizzically on.

"I beg your pardon,"spoke up Pinkwell. "I carnestly beg your pardon for such rudeness, Mr.—Mr.—"

"Brockett, sir. Harry Brockett," answered the youngster.

"I apologize once more, Mr. Brockett. I have grown so suspicious of everything and everyone in my old age that I really imagined these papers were plans of a Pacific fort, or the details of the new rifle. Transla-

on of an Aztec scroll, son?"
"Well, hardly, sir," laughed young rockett, self-confidence returning."
"I confident, and linked in comradeship by that strongest of youthful ties— the brotherhood of the ball field. Brockett was an underpaid clerk, do-ing his best to care for a widowed mother and a younger sister. Solano's father was the lord of broad acres in Matanzas and Havana, and the junior Solano had an independent income, aside from his liberal salary, that would have turned the brain of the average American boy. As far as the friendship went between Cuban and American, however, Solano's wealth counted exactly as much in the scale as Brockett's poverty: nothing what-ever. The alliance cemented when both played on a team of ten-year-olds "Why so?" questioned Pinkwell. Is the cipher written in Spanish?"

"No, sir. Plain English. Would you like to go over it, some time when you have a little leisure?"

"Always glad to encourage youthful talent," smilingly responded Pinkwell. "Let me look through it towell. "It me look through it towell. "Let me look through it towell. "Let me look through it towell. "Let me look through it towell." It me look through it towell. "Let me look through it towell. "Let me look through it towell. "Let me look through it towell." "Let me look through it towell. "Let me look through it towell." "Let m

"We go for a vacation to the Yellowstone," said Solano, as the boys neared Brockett's home. "My father, brother, and two or three friends will cipher. Among us, we might possibly turn out something that would be too much for the wisest fellow that ever combined or subtracted words and letters."

"Something like the Dancing Men in the Sherlock Holmes story?" queried the de'sotive, with a reminiscent service."

"In the Sherlock Holmes story?" queried the de'sotive, with a reminiscent service. The secretary of the secretary of brother, and two or three friends will come over to get me—it will be a folly crowd. If I could persuade you!"

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and the right to take two months off whenever I feel inclined that way."

"But I would—oh well and way."

"I have picked up Spanish from no more of it. I know you wouldn't accept even a Shylock loan from me.

trimly through the gathering dusk, had smiled recognition upon Brockett as they approached. The boys doffed their hats, and Brockett explained, as they stepped by, "Miss Lawson, the they stepped by, "Miss Lawson, the American in everything but his birth."

"East in the world, sir. He's a real American in everything but his birth." chief's stenographer. A wonder on a place, chief. I'll vouch for him every typewriter—fastest work I've ever time."

Solano half-turned, and through the twilight. "Rude form, I know," he spoke, half-apologetically, know," he spoke, half-apologetically.
"to stare after a young lady. I was just wondering, though, where I had seen her lately—several times, in fact.

under discussion." A-hem, Harry—she has met a friend."

Half a block up the street, a little
man, his head scarcely up to the ste"Mr cision, and bowed over the young woman's extended hand. Miss Lawson checked her onward walk for the "I am willing to do anything I can fraction of an instant, and the young men, idly glancing towards the couple, saw a flash of white passing from the girl's hand into that of her new-met friend. The little man bowed again; Miss Lawson walked on, and the little man came down the street with a rapid, jaunty stride. As he passed the boys, his face was for an instant in the dying light of the day, and the strong, brown features, with a wide scar across one cheek, were clearly

then to keenest interest. Young Brockett, hand upon the doorknob, waited for the verdict. The chief folded the slip of paper, and thrust it in a pocket.

"Shall I leave you the key to the "Shall I leave you the "Shall I leave you the key to the "Shall I leave you the shall you the "Shall I leave you the "Shall I leave you the "Shall I leave you the key to the "Shall I leave you ever, was already at her desk—it had long been her custom to come early and work late, with an intelligence, a one—some one you think you can talk pleasantly to at this annoying moment—to the esteemed secretaries. Don't use the phone."

A push-button buzzed shrilly. The door of the private office opened, and a tall young fellow, with a much tanned face and a shock of tangled brown hair, stepped in.

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"Did you call ma. Mr. Wilkins" he point is annoying momentation to come early and work late, with an intelligence, a faithfulness, and an attention to detail which had won her repeated commendations from the chief. As Brockett crossed the office and halted at the chief's particular door, the girl looked up, threw the boy a sunshiny amile, and resumed the polishing of the puzzled chief.

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ome small factor or ner typewriter Brockett returned the smile, knocked lightly on the frosted glass, and heard a loud "Come in."

Chief Wilkins sat at his desk, flanked by the burly Mr. Pinkwell. Three big leather chairs nearby were



back again to us-just to show that back again to us—just to show that the cipher is clearly intelligible to you yourself. After that—if you so wish —explain the key of the cipher." Brockett had shaken himself to-gether, and the group of dignitaries

no longer over-awed him. Pad and pencil ready, he waited for the gen-eral's words, and the soldier, slowly, ntentiously, dictated.
"Send Eighth cavalry, 385 men, to

Laredo. Support with First infantry by Friday. No guns at present." Brockett penciled briskly, and hand-

ed the general a sheet scribbled be-wilderingly in this fashion: L SH E BH BOSTON R Pos T pos PO W WP COBB TO TC PO pos W SH BH TC L fin FA FA TC W TO BE HR TO 3BH CUBS HR E SB Pos E TO W WP AB WP SB W HR BH pos WP UMP 2BH fin E L pos TO FA W SH L SH E TO.

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The sheet of paper went around the circle, and then back to Brockett, who promptly read off the general's original dictation. Silence followed for a nt, and then the general, slap ping his hand sharply on his knee, exclaimed: "By blazes! Gentlemen, it's too much for me!" A general buist of laughter followed, and Brockett felt the last traces of embarrassment melt

rapidly away.

"Mr. Brockett," interrogated the chief, after the merriment died down, "how old are you?"

"Nineteen, sir."
"What education, if I may ask?" "High school, sir. Then one year at Columbia. Had to leave when my father died."

"Yes. I see—making it essential for you to support the family, I suppose?"

henever I feel inclined that way.
"But I would—oh, well, we will talk of more of it. I know you wouldn't "H-m, h-m. That accounts for you." remark of yesterday-that a Cuban

might understand this cipher. Have you shown it to your friend, Solano?" "Yes, sir. In fact, he suggested Harry. Oh—excuse me—one of the young ladies at your office, I believe?"

A slim, neatly dressed young woman, whose white shirtwaist showed ugh the gathering dusk, can read it as well as myself."

The secretary of the pavy spoke us peered at this juncture.

form, I "I think I know this young Solanc,"

Chief Wilkins resumed the interru

"Mr. Brockett, would you be willis. nographer's shoulder, had emerged from the shelter of a doorway. He chance that might involve risking you lifted his hat with ceremonious pre- life a dozen times, and which migh "I am willing to do anything I car

possibly accomplish, if you give in the word, chief." "Good boy! I sized you up that was the first time I ever saw you in the of fice, son. Could you say as much for

your friend Solano? "Yes sir. I think Solano would g to any lengths to prove his love for the United States.

"Very well. This afternoon, Mr Brockett, kindly make duplicate copies of your cipher for General Cole secretary of war, the secretary the navy, Mr. Pinkwell, and myself. a person—a person whose name can be revealed only to the messenger and one now, and save the time. Mr. Brockett, will you call in Miss Law-Mcxico. You are the inventor of the Mr. Brockett?" By the way, we might as well have it be done now, and save the time. Mr. Brockett, will you call in Miss Law-

Brockett had half-opened the door

"Very well," the chief assented "Bring me the copies, and then go to army headquarters. General Cole will

stammered a vague sentence which h

in all probability meant to signify acceptance of the proffered honor. The

"You don't say it very clearly, son, but your meaning is easily understood. Now, then, something along the same lines. If you had a companion on this journey, a man who

spoke Spanish by right of birth and spoke Spanish by right of birth and blood, and who could be trusted as ab-solutely as yourself, the chances of success would be more than doubled. Ramon Solano, I knew your father. I

have heard good reports of you. If you are even half the man your father

you are even nair the man your rather was a dozen years ago, you are already selected for this commission."

The Cuban gazed straight into the eyes of the fighting man, and the gen-

eral understood.

eral understood.

"Now, boys," the veteran continued,
"let's get busy without delay. You
will please make arrangements with
the folks at home for a somewhat prolonged absence. While you are gone,
Mr. Brockett, your mother will receive
your salary—and perhaps a little
more. Mr. Solano, you are not in government employ—"
The Cuben waved a supple hand

The Cuban waved a supple hand.

"I have ample resources of my own, general, and shall consider it a pleas-

ure to expend them on such a mis-

"Nevertheless," answered General Cole, "the government will take the

liberty of supplying you both with the funds needed in the completion of the

enterprise. Enough money to cover all probable expenses will be advanced you, and when you reach the frontier

arms, horses, general equipments, and trustworthy guides will be found. To night, Mr. Brockett, you will receive

Brockett hurrled home to break the

strange news to his mother, while So

lano agreed to notify his father that, he had decided to preface his vacation, by a few extra weeks of travel, and

made all possible speed to the nearest Western Union office. The Cuban picked up a pad of cable blanks, and

reached for a pen. It was broken. An-

other pen proved equally useless, and Solano fumbled in his pocket for a

pencil. A little man seated on the

next stool turned quickly, and prof-

fered him an ink-pencil, one of those annoying contrivances which were in-

vented a few years ago to displace both lead pencils and fountain pens—

and which are now a memory, and

lay," said the little man, amiably. "Per-

thoroughly feminine, but thoroughly sensible woman, did not offer any seri-

cleverness of her boy—a belief that he could take care of himself under al-

dangers of the journey than either her

mother or the young athlete himself. She forecasted terrors of the road and

hobgoblins of the passes. In her six-

counsels and entreaties have been

wasted on the wandering winds for many centuries, and, presumably, al-

Young Brockett had dined, had re-

ceived some excellent advice from his mother, and had rebuffed the implor-

ing sister with much humor. He was

glancing over the evening paper, and

waiting the arrival of Ramon Solano or of the messenger who should bring

at once remembered the Japanese whom he had seen stop Miss Lawson

on the previous night, but gave no sign of recognition as he looked in-quiringly at his Oriental visitor. There was Old World politeness in

ways will be.

circumstances. Bertha

general smiled, reassuringly.

army headquarters. General Cole will be awaiting you at three o'clock. If possible, get your friend, Solano, and take him with you. General Cole will explain to you both just what he wishes you to do."

Brockett bowed respectfully to the group of notables, and walked out. Going to his desk, he attended to a few matters of routine duty, and then, with hard pencil and carbon papers, began laboriously copying the key to GHAPTER II.

Brockett, cager to conclude his errand and join his companions, lost no time on the road. By five o'clock that all youngster was busily engaged in an argument, accompanied by practical demonstrations pro and con, as to the utility of the Lange steal. Some twenty of Brockett's friends—clerks like himself, collegians home on vacation, and even the two sons of a Siamese legation official—debated the practical manufacture. The boy, the sprecipitated into a distinguished conclave, could only struggle against sudden dispersal of his thoughts and senses into the semblance of a cloud of wandering bees, like himself, collegians home on vacation, and even the two sons of a Siamese legation official—debated the practicability of the trick by which Big Bill Lange, the great star of the long ago, was wont to annex the middle station. Brockett and half the crowd maintained that the steal was not only possible but almost unstoppable; the Siamese youngsters and the rest of the little gathering declared that an alert battery, backed by quick-thinking infielders, would make the play a certain loser.

"You have a catcher with any head and any arm at all," declaimed Chula Lan Kon of Siam and Princeton, "and a second baseman who can come up fast to the bag, and you can't put it over. No chance excepting on a mun or a wild throw."

flanked by the burly Mr. Pinkwell. Three big leather chairs nearbly were becutely with an attally preceding the tree by three stately gentlemen, whom Brockett, with natural surprise, recognized as the secretary of the army, and General Cole, commander of the army, and General Cole eclass. The bear the secretary of the army, and General Cole of the sample of the surgint to a disciplent of a disciplent of the bary, and General Cole will explain to you both just what he occupied were decreated of the army. The brown for a ceretary of the army, and General Cole will explain to a disciplent of the sample of the sam the top sheet with the words of an old Columbia college song, mangling and jumbling words, lines and rhythm. When Miss Lawson returned, the boy was still laboriously sinking the hard pencil into the topmost sheet. When the boy went out for lunch, Miss Lawined, absorbed in earnest efforts at her typewriter.

CHAPTER III.

full instructions at your home. Read them over carefully—you also, Mr. Solano. Be ready to start tomorrow Brockett returned at one o'clock accompanied by Ramon Solano. He lifted the sheets on which he had been afternoon. I need hardly remark tha you are not supposed to speak of the commission with which you are entrusted—not even to your most intimate friends. As to your parents—that, of course, is a different question. last working from the desk drawer, and quickly looked them over. All five of the sheets were in proper place, but the third carbon from the top had been removed, and a fresh carbon substituted. I think that is all, boys—go home and bid your good-byes. You will know all further details in the evening."

General Cole, kindly and affable had the boys feeling thoroughly at home before they had been in his office for five minutes. The old soldier was in cheery spirits, and his genial mood communicated itself to his young visitors, who—long counted among the most ardent admirers of the general—were at first inclined to bashfulness when actually in the presence of their ideal fighter. Solano, whose father had often spoken of General Cole and his prowess as shown in eral Cole and his prowess as snown in the rush up San Juan Hill, was almost in raptures over the unexpected in-terview, while Brockett, wondering much over the events of the past four-hours, was trying to figure out what on earth would happen next. He was not long left in suspense, for the old warrior plunged into his reasons for requiring their attendance in his of

"Brockett, my boy," said the gen mit me that I am of a little assist-

eral, pleasantly enough, but with ance eral, pleasantly enough, but with something governing the tone of the calm, even voice—something that seemed to electrify both young men like the current of a mighty battery—"I believe that I can make you—and your young friend—quite useful in the immediate future."

Solaro, as he scribbled his brief cablegram, gave thanks, with true Latin politeness, to the stocky, scarcheked Japanese who had walked past Brockett and himself the previous evening. When the Cuban left the telegraph office, the little brown man caught up the card.

Solano gasped, astounded, and fixed his big black eyes upon the general's face. Brockett nodded, and leaned forward, expectantly.

"I have had considerable experience with government and military atth."

"I have had considerable experience with government and military ciphers," the soldier continued, "and I must say that yours is the most extraordinary jumble and most weirdly mangled collection of hieroglyphics I ever looked upon. For that very reason, my boy, I am forced to believe that you have stumbled upon something of real value to the army, the nation—and your own personal future. nation—and your own personal future. I can't figure where any expert in the world could read that cipher without a key, and an untranslatable cipher, right now, is imperatively needed. If, during the next thirty days, the war densities the strange commission so shortly to be entrusted to his care. Mrs. Brockett, in fact, cherished an abiding belief in the foresight and the cleverness of her boy—a belief that he department—yes, and the navy, too—can transmit certain important messages, without danger of their being transcribed by hostile influences, a service of the most notable kind will dangers of the journey than either her

have been performed for the country.
Do you follow me?"

Brockett nodded cagerly, but Solano could not shift his great black eyes from the general's visage. The old

warrior resumed his speech. and ferocious insurrectos. As Misa Brockett was not only eloquent, but "Mr. Brockett, a key of your cipher, extremely pretty, her arguments might must be carried, by a messenger on



FORTUNE.

the courtly bow with which the stranger prefaced his self-introduction.
"I speak to Mr. Harry Brockett? Yes? "At your service, sir. You are "I am Mr. Yazimoto. Of Tokyo. Importer of Oriental goods."
"Won't you sit down, Mr. Yazimoipher, and can instruct in the use f its key more rapidly, more success-

"I thank you, yes. May I speak of the business that brings me to you,

Brockett, wondering, nodded his assent, and the Japanese spoke suavely. "Mr. Brockett, I am a man who has much, very much, of business trouble. There are many who are competitors with me in the hanorable occupation of importing Oriental wares.
doubtless can comprehend it so?"
"Perfectly Mr Yazimoto"

(To be continued)

THE WEEK IN NEWCASTLE

Appointed a J. P.

Mr. R. A. Murdoch has been appointed a Justice of the Peace for the County of Northumberland.

Case Postponed

The Harriman case has been postponed until Wednesday next at ten o'clock.

The Kaiser's Lament." by Michael

Canada; \$1.50 to the States.

Supper and Dance A Supper and dance, in aid of the Blackville Agricultural Society, will be held in the public hall there, on Monday evening, Dec. 27th. Admission to hall, \$1.00; supper, 25 cents.

Temporary Appointment
It is said that at the meeting of the
Provincial government held in St. John last Thursday P. G. McFarlane was temporarily appointed school inspector for Northumberland to take Col. Mersereau's place.

The Salvation Army Xmas Festivities Recruiting Meeting You are invited to come and see Santa Claus distribute presents, toys,

Mrs. Masson's liness.

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Whalen, will be found on pa.e two.
Several other of Mr. Whalen's poems will appear in later issues.

To Be Lieutenants

Sgts. Eric Benn and Alfred Frenchte Wireless, and Messrs.

Frank J. Lawlor and Arthur Jardine will leave shortly for Hellice.

recruits offered. Music was furnished by Vanderbeck's orchestra. Derby parish, however, has supplied a large H. W. Brightman.......Xmas Baking G. M. Lake

etc., to the children from our Xmas tree on Christmas night (Saturday)

Scherday night when about one hundred useful presents were given spent Sunday with friends in town.

The latter must come largely from the company went from here to on the arrival of a baby boy, on the company went from here to on the arrival of a baby boy on the company went from t 16th.

Winter Goods

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which seems a part of the Christmas

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CHRISTMAS ADVT. DIRECTORY

THE RESERVE TO SERVE THE S

PAGE ONE PAGE FOUR Russell & Morrison Special Sale
H. Williston & Co.......Rings for Gifts
A. J. Bell & Co......Pianos, etc.
Wm. FergusonXmas Groceries PAGE TWO

will appear in later issues.

Christmas Gift
The old reliable Christmas gift to a friend or relative abroad—a subscription to The Advocate, \$1.00 in Canada; \$1.50 to the States.

Frank J. Lawlor and Arther Jardine will leave shortly for Halifax to train as Lieuts. From the 132nd.

Advocate Serial The Diamond Cipher Geo. E. Fisher, Chatham

Millerton Recruicing Meeting
A poorly attended recruiting rally was held at Millerton last night. No recruits offered Waste was furnish. Dickison & Troy Thos. RussellXmas Grocerie PAGE SIX

A. D. Farrah & Co.....Salutation Firewood For Sale

Firewood in short lengths either delivered in town or taken at Mr. D. Buckley's mill where the wood is put up in piles of one and two cords. For particulars apply to Canadian Gear Works, Ltd., telephone 139.

John O'Brien

Bargains

S. B. Miller

Xmas Meats

Stothart Merc. Co. 1915 Gift

E. J. Morris

Xmas Good

A. E. Shaw Xmas Booklet

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Counsbury Co. For Xmas PAGE EIGHT Stables GroceryChoice Groceries

Christmas. Good vaudeville was given between acts each night, and altogether their performances were pleasing. On each night coupons who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wright of St. John, were given to each person as they came in, and a drawing was held on Sturday night whon about one has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. an office probably in St. John. The sooner they got to work here the better. Dates should be at once arrangement.

both could work together. Col. Mer Fridey Evening sereau should be consulted about all plans and, if possible, should be Geo. H. Oak, of Quarryville, whose two sons, one Geo. H., jr, with the 104th, and the other. Milledge C., already in France, had previously donned the khaki, has enlisted in the 132nd.

Grist Mill Openias

at 8 p. m. in the S. A. Hall. All welcome.

The West Northu: Prize West in The West Northu: Prize West of the Western end of the county. Let all get to work at once. Mr. J. D. Creaghan endorsed Hon. Friday evening, 17th instant. W. A. Wish to thank the many kind friends also the soldiers of the Wireless and the providers of the West Northu: Prize West donned the khaki, has enlisted in the 132nd.

Mrs. Frank Masson and family, Park in the chair. There were 17 mot a moment to be lost. The meetings must be arranged parish by parish. Col. Mersereu and Major Guthrie work in installing the chinery at the new grist mill been completed, and the work of connecting up is now going on.

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...Xmas Goods

.Xmas Booklets

done from here.
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The Acadians were going ahead opposite the Gear Works.

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