

## CONVENTIONS ADOPTED AT WORLD'S LABOR CONFERENCE WILL BOTHER PARLIAMENT

Some Question How Far the Dominion Parliament Has Authority to Pass Laws Limiting the Hours of Labor.

### LABOR WILL PRESS FOR LEGISLATION

Having Agreed to Versailles Treaty Dominion Becomes Party to International Agreement and Has Authority to Act, Say Experts.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—Preparations are being made for the opening of Parliament about the middle of February. There is a general desire among members—in a word, it has been expressed in the round robin to the Government—that the session should open as early as possible with a view to prorogation not later than May. So far as present indications the seasonal programme is not likely to be heavy. Lord Jellicoe has intimated to the Government that his report on proposed Canadian naval policy will probably be ready by next week. It is, however, unlikely, especially with the Prime Minister absent, that any ambitious scheme will be laid before the House.

### Authority Questioned

Whether legislation will be submitted to carry into effect the main conventions adopted at the International Labor Conference will largely depend on the ruling of the Justice Department on the question of jurisdiction. There remains the question, now before the Justice Department, how far the Dominion Parliament has authority to pass legislation limiting the hours of labor. Among legal authorities here, the view is held that if the proposal were one of legislation from the beginning, so to speak, jurisdiction would lie with the provincial legislatures.

### Labour Insistent

A new situation has arisen, however, as a result of the Treaty of Versailles. In that treaty, Canada, along with the other nations represented at the Peace Conference, formally recognized the principles of the eight-hour day and the 48-hour week. Such being the case, according to the views of authorities here, it might be argued that the Dominion Parliament has jurisdiction, seeing that the proposal would be one of giving effect to an international treaty. There is no doubt that the labor men, when in interview with the Government early in the new year, will press for Federal legislation.

In preparation for the session, the various departments now have their estimates well under way. They promise to be much higher than in previous years. In one department, the increase is mainly as a result of increased costs.

## RHINE RIVER IS TWELVE FEET ABOVE NORMAL

Melting Snow from Lower Alps Causing Floods That Are Producing Great Damage.

Geneva, Dec. 26.—Melting snow from the lower Alps has swollen the Rhine River to twelve feet above normal, flooding lower Basle and towns along the German shore. Flowing fast are doing damage. Tramway service in Basle has been reduced one-half. Serious floods are also reported from Alsace.

## AMERICAN FLOUR FOR VIENNA RELIEF

For New York, Dec. 26.—The Wheat Elevator Company, purchasing agent for the Allies, has bought 1,000,000 bushels of flour from the United States Grain Corporation for the relief of Vienna. It was announced today that it will be shipped from New York immediately.

## France Unearths Another Scandal Connected With War-Time Shoes

Paris, Dec. 26.—Another scandal connected with manufacturers during the war came to light today when the results of an investigation into the manufacture of "national shoes" were published. It appears certain manufacturers offered to produce shoes just as cheap as the Government if they were supplied with cheap leather. The Government, finding that leather could be bought in Spain and brought to France for ten francs per kilogram, as compared with the French price of twenty francs per kilogram or over.

## Fifteen Hundred Steel Men Vote Unanimously To Continue Strike

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 27.—Fifteen hundred steel men voted unanimously, tonight, to continue on strike and to remain away from their former employment until the strike is won, or officially declared off by the national officers. The decision to remain idle was reached after they had heard the report of two of their number who had been sent to Pittsburgh to confer with W. Z. Foster, National Secretary of the Steel strikers. Mr. Foster said that it was his opinion that the men were working a winning fight and that the complaint of shortage of steel was evidence of it.

When the strike was called, 20,000 men quit work here. Many of these have found employment in other callings and some are said to have returned to work in the steel mills.

The idleness in some of the plants, the manufacturers claim, is due more to a shortage of coal than to a lack of men.

## MILD RESERVATION GROUP OF REPUBLICANS PREPARED TO BOLT PARTY AND JOIN DEMOCRATS

Are Dissatisfied With Progress Made Toward Solution of Peace Treaty Tangle and Are Determined to Secure Ratification—May Result in Bi-Partisan Movement to Ratify at the Expense of Material Concessions on Both Sides.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.—Dissatisfied with the progress made toward solution of the Peace Treaty tangle, Senators of both political parties moved today to bring greater pressure to bear on their party leaders for a compromise to insure ratification promptly on the reassembling of Congress early in January. The mild reservation group of Republicans notified their party leader, Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, that in their opinion the time had come to part company with the irreconcilable foes of the Treaty, and declared that, unless compromise negotiations were more wholeheartedly supported from the Republican side, they were preparing to act independently for an agreement with the Democrats.

Among the Democrats the movement was not so well defined, but criticism of the course of President Wilson and Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, the sitting Democratic Leader, reached proportions where some predicted that it soon would be given tangible form. One prominent Democratic Senator was said to have expressed confidence that his own compromise plan would win out. Senator Lodge asserted that the committee reserves the right to accept without material change and the irreconcilables declared that there would be no compromise at all.

## HUNGARIANS ARE DELAYING TRIP TO PEACE CONGRESS

Want Rumanians to Withdraw to Line of Demarcation Before Negotiations Are Taken up.

Budapest, Dec. 25.—Hungary's peace delegation is daily giving evidence of its desire to postpone its departure for Paris to consider the Peace Treaty. The members want to put off the trip unless the promises made to Hungary by Sir George R. Clark, as the representative of the Allies, are fulfilled, and the Rumanians, who are still lingering on the outskirts of Budapest, have been withdrawn to the line of demarcation.

## SECRETARY DANIELS BEGINS TO HEDGE

Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.—Secretary Daniels tonight ordered the Navy Department's board of awards reviewed Monday, January 5, to revise the recent recommendations as to naval awards.

## UPRISING CONTINUES AGAINST BOLSHEVIK IN TURKESTAN

Irkutsk, Dec. 25.—(Russian Telegraphic Agency.)—The uprising in Turkestan against the Bolsheviks continues, according to a wireless dispatch sent out by the Soviet Government at Moscow. The anti-Bolshevik forces have occupied the cities of Khokan and Skobelev, in Pershiana province, and are advancing on Lasp.

## NOTED DELEGATOR DISCUSSES THE IRISH WRANGLE

Sir Bertram Windle Lays Failure for the Settlement of Irish Question to the City of Belfast.

### PAWN IN ENGLISH POLITICAL GAME

Says Greatest Argument for Home Rule is to Remove Ireland from the Whims and Intrigues of Politics.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—Sir Bertram Windle, retiring President of Cork University, and newly appointed professor in St. Michael's College, Toronto, in an interview here today, said it was Belfast that was to blame for the non-settlement of the Irish trouble by the famous convention and if settlement were again postponed it would be the fault of Belfast, which city, he said, feared to lose its prosperity. This, in his opinion, was a mistaken fear, he said.

Sir Bertram said Ireland was not so extreme, on the whole, as the extremists of the Sinn Fein party would make the world believe. "The trouble is," he said, "that there are two people in Ireland. That is what it really amounts to. The Northeast corner is strongly Presbyterian and the rest is Catholic."

### Political Pawn.

"The whole trouble has been that Ireland has been a pawn in the English political game. It should have been settled by a non-partisan convention long ago. I am perfectly sure that Gladstone's plan of a non-partisan settlement in the 80's would have been best, but Lord Salisbury would not agree. The greatest argument for Home Rule is to remove Ireland from the whims and intrigues of English politics."

"The main thing is a settlement. Ireland is obsessed with politics."

### Want Harmony.

Montreal Que., Dec. 26.—Rev. Wm. Corkey, a Presbyterian clergyman from Belfast and one of the official delegates of the three leading Protestant churches in Ireland to the United States to fight Sinn Fein propaganda in America, interviewed here today, said that though Ulster did not like the Lloyd George proposals, yet would accept it as a compromise because they want peace and harmony to come to Ireland.

He added that Ulster would find it easier to run a parliament than the rest of Ireland because Ulster at the present time was paying two-thirds of Irish taxation.

He claimed that Sinn Fein propaganda which was admittedly very effective in the States, must have cost over a million dollars.

## C.N.R. BRAKEMAN KILLED WHILE AT WORK IN MONCTON

Missed His Footing and Fell Under Shunting Engine After Throwing Switch.

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 26.—Cecil Taylor Coates, brakeman on the C. N. R. was run over and almost instantly killed by a shunting engine here this afternoon. The unfortunate man had just turned a switch and was in the act of stepping on the footboard of the engine when in some unaccountable manner he slipped under the engine and was almost cut in two. He died on the way to the hospital several minutes later.

An inquest was held tonight, but it was adjourned until 10 o'clock Saturday morning. He was about 35 years of age and married.

## RUSSELL WILL APPEAL FROM THE FINDINGS OF JURY

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 26.—According to counsel for the defence and the Crown the appeal in the defence of R. J. Russell, strike leader, who was convicted Wednesday of seditious conspiracy, will come before the Manitoba Court of Appeals the latter part of next week. Counsel has been engaged today arranging data and looking up authorities.

## De Valera Sees Republic of Ireland Recognized By U. S. During 1920

New York, Dec. 26.—A prediction that 1920 may see the recognition of the "Republic of Ireland," by the United States was contained in a New Year's message cabled to Arthur Griffith, acting president by Eamon De Valera, made public here tonight.

The message follows: "Greetings to the persecuted people of Ireland from the many millions of Americans who love liberty and admire people everywhere who will not be denied liberty. Endure yet a little while. You will be sustained. The year 1920 may see the Republic of Ireland officially recognized by the United States, and then final victory after seven hundred and fifty years. Work and pray. Everyone, colleagues and self are doing our duty. We send affectionate regards to every Irish citizen."

"De VALERA."

## LIQUORS SHIPPED FROM NEW YORK CONTAINING WOOD ALCOHOL CAUSE MANY DEATHS IN MASS.

Twenty-Seven Deaths Have Already Resulted and Many Others Are in Critical Condition—Manhattan Has Had Many Deaths and Numerous Cases of Poisoning from the Use of the Same Concoction.

Chicopee, Mass., Dec. 26.—Thirty-two deaths had resulted tonight from the drinking of liquor brought in from Hartford, Conn., and drunk in this city, Holyoke and Springfield. Yesterday and last night, and today seventeen men and one woman died in Chicopee, eight men in Hartford and four in Holyoke. A number of other men were in a critical condition tonight at hospitals in Holyoke and Springfield. Four men were under arrest in Hartford and three in Chicopee pending the result of autopsies to be held late tonight.

Police investigations in Hartford indicated that the liquor, which was sent to this city from New York, contained wood alcohol. Part of it was sold at a bar in Hartford, part was bought by persons who carried it to Springfield tonight in their efforts to determine responsibility for the deaths.

Deaths in Manhattan. New York, Dec. 26.—Twenty-seven deaths from drinking wood alcohol and several cases of poisoning have occurred in Manhattan between November 1 and December 20, according to official figures made public tonight by Chief Medical Examiner Charles Norris. Dr. Norris declared that, in his opinion, these figures did not nearly represent the full toll in death and sickness, due to taking the poison as a beverage, as he believed that many deaths and illnesses reported as due to apoplexy, acute abdominal trouble and other causes were really caused by drinking wood alcohol.

The official figures show that only five deaths from drinking wood alcohol were reported in Manhattan in 1918, and only four in Brooklyn for eighteen months prior to July.

Dr. Norris said that two ounces of ordinary wood alcohol were frequently sufficient to cause death, and that taken on an empty stomach considerably less might produce blindness, or even prove fatal.

## MONCTON POLICE COURT COLLECTS FROM CELEBRATORS

Not in Years Has it Had Such An After Christmas Business as Yesterday—Liquor Fines Enrich Treasury.

Special to The Standard. Moncton, Dec. 26.—Not in years has the Moncton Police Court had so much after Christmas business as it did today. The court was crowded to the limit of the busiest days in the court's history, practically all being due to Christmas day celebration. The revenue from liquor sources (including drunks amounted to five hundred dollars on the day before and the day following Christmas. Today the court also had fifty civil cases to deal with.

## NEWCASTLE HAD FIRE LOSS FRIDAY

One Building Completely Destroyed and Another Badly Guttered by the Blaze.

Moncton, Dec. 26.—Fire this morning at Newcastle caused property loss of ten thousand dollars, completely destroyed one building, and gutting another. The building was owned and occupied by P. J. McEvoy, liquor vendor, who also conducted a crockery and glassware business. The building and contents were insured for \$3,500, practically covering the loss.

The second building, which was gutted, was owned by Dr. F. J. Desmond and occupied by R. M. Fandel, dry goods, whose stock was damaged to the extent of between \$5,000 and \$6,000. Fandel had \$5,000 insurance. George Pell, a returned soldier, who with his family lived in the second story of the Desmond building, lost their furniture, escaping with their trunk and clothing only.

## THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN AGREE ON PLAN IN SIBERIA

Vladivostok, Dec. 26.—(By The Associated Press.)—A common ground on which to base joint action in Siberia has been reached by the United States and Japan, according to an announcement given out here by the Japanese official publicity bureau.

Paris, Dec. 26.—The rule forcing restaurants and entertainments to close at 11.30 p. m., which was lifted for Christmas, will be enforced on New Year's Eve. The police explain that the shortage of coal, the waste of electricity and danger of quarrels necessitates enforcement of the rule.

## GUMMINS BILL ANGERS THE B. R. BROTHERHOODS

Notice Served on Congress by Machinists' Union That They Would Not Submit to Bill and Threaten Strike.

### OBJECT TO ANTI- STRIKE LEGISLATION

Heads of Fourteen Brotherhoods for Conference Monday to Define Their Position on Objectionable Features of Bill.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.—Organized railway machinists, through their President, served notice on Congress today that they would not submit to enactment of the Cummins Rail Road Bill, with its drastic anti-strike provision. Voting more than a month ago ninety-six per cent. of the 125,000 members of the union favored an immediate walkout in the event of the bill's passage by both Houses of Congress, but the result was not made known through fear that the Brotherhoods might appear in the light of attempting to coerce the law making branch of the government.

### Machinists Vote Strike.

The machinists, according to William H. Johnson, President of the International Association, are the only railway employees who have taken a strike vote, but the heads of all the Brotherhoods, fourteen in all, have been summoned to meet here Monday to consider pending railway legislation and define precisely their position on the clause in the Cummins Bill, which would prevent strikes and put strikers in jail.

### Conference Called.

The call for the conference was issued by Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, but Mr. Gompers and other labor leaders refused to discuss probable action by the Brotherhood leaders.

President Wilson's Christmas Eve announcement that the roads will be handed back to their owners March 1, was a distinct disappointment to labor leaders, who had been pleading for a two year extension of government control. They agreed, however, that if the roads were to go back, it was a good thing to let it be known.

## HUNGER STRIKERS IN DUBLIN JAIL ABANDON STRIKE

Certain Concessions the Nature of Which Have Not Been Revealed, Were Granted Them.

Dublin, Dec. 26.—Sixteen hunger strikers in the Mount Joy prison have abandoned their strike, according to the Lord Mayor, who visited them on Thursday and found them in good health. The Lord Mayor said the prisoners had received certain concessions. The nature of these he did not divulge.

A Dublin despatch on November 23 said official notices had been given that no prisoner would be liberated, conditionally or unconditionally, for hunger striking, and that such strikers must themselves be responsible for the consequences of their acts. It also was announced that there could be no further amelioration of the prison treatment given to any prisoner convicted under the Defence of the Realm Act.

track north of the city having been washed away.

## A Great Tide of Emigration Is Now Sweeping Into Palestine

New York, Dec. 26.—A great tide of emigration is sweeping into Palestine, influenced by the conviction that Great Britain will shortly accept a mandate for the Holy Land, and that the dream of a national home for the Jews is about to be realized, according to cable advices received by the Zionist Organization of America today. The cable message states that the world conference of Zionists, which was scheduled to be held at Basle on January 18, has been postponed in view of the

assured possibility of immediate negotiations for the mandate over Palestine. At the same time a London cable message received by the Jewish Morning Journal, of this city, stated that peace negotiations with Turkey would open shortly after the New Year, and that the British delegates would be Premier Lloyd George, Lord Curzon and Arthur J. Balfour, all three of whom have publicly declared their sympathy with the Zionist movement.

### MONTREAL TRAIN IN WRECK AT FTON JUNCTION

#### Express Car Thrown Across Tracks, Baggage Car Crashes Into Box Cars and One Coach Ditched—One Man Injured.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 26.—A broken switch not in good order was the cause of a Montreal break passenger train from Montreal, breaking apart and being wrecked as it entered the yard at Fredericton Junction this morning. The express car was thrown across the tracks, while the baggage car crashed into a string of freight cars standing on the siding, and a second class car was thrown into the ditch on the other side of the track, where it rolled over. The other cars stayed on the tracks.

Edward Barry, aged twenty-eight years, of Ennisville, N. B., baggage master, was the only person badly hurt. He suffered a broken rib and lacerations about the head, but at Victoria Hospital it was said his condition was not serious. Six Russian and two other persons as well as a news agent, were in the second class car which was badly demolished, but all escaped unhurt, except for slight cuts and bruises. C. P. R. officials said they would be able to have traffic handled without much delay by utilizing some of the other tracks in the yard.

### CAMP NIGHT AT Y.M.C.A. ENJOYED

#### Delightful Programme Last Night for Members of Junior Camp Held on Salmon River Last Summer.

Last night was Camp Night at the Y. M. C. A. for the members of the Junior Y. M. C. A. Camp held on the Salmon River last summer. Snaps of camp life were shown by the microscope, the snaps were followed by movies, parts of the camp paper "The Daily Disturber" were read, the boys then gathered around the camp fire to enjoy a story told by Bud Smith, songs were sung by all the boys and the very enjoyable evening was concluded by the serving of refreshments. Mr. Woodworth and Basil Robertson had charge of the evening's entertainment and did much to make it a success.

The spirit of comradeship that can only be acquired by camp life was quite evident last night and the acquaintance made along the banks of the Salmon last summer were most pleasantly renewed. The boys voted the evening the best yet.

As influenza is an exaggerated form of Grip, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets should be taken in larger doses than is prescribed for ordinary Grip. A good plan is not to wait until you are sick, but PREVENT IT by taking LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets.

### Investigate Killing Of Millionaire's Son At Mount Clemens

#### Authorities Inclined to Believe That Jealousy Was Cause Leading up to the Shooting—Wife and Cousin Held.

Mount Clemens, Mich., Dec. 26.—County authorities investigating the killing last Wednesday of J. Stanley Brown, son of a millionaire Detroit manufacturer, today detained as witnesses Mrs. Ruth Prevost Brown, the slain man's young widow, and Lloyd Prevost, her cousin.

Mrs. Brown and Prevost, the latter of whom was regarded as one of Brown's closest friends, were questioned separately this afternoon separately by Prosecutors Lynn Johnson and Sheriff William Caldwell. Decision to hold them as witnesses was reached after three hours devoted to interrogating Prevost.

A safety deposit vault containing Brown's papers was opened this afternoon and found to contain securities worth \$16,000. This according to William T. Kelly, an attorney who acted as financial adviser for Brown, is \$12,000 short of the amount of securities his client was understood to have had in his possession. While some of the securities were known to have been negotiable no record of their having been disposed of by Brown could be found today.

Brown frequently carried large sums of money and securities on his person. The authorities, however, scouted the theory that robbery was the motive for his slaying.

Sheriff Caldwell declared he was convinced that jealousy was the cause. In explaining this theory today he said he believed a man and a woman accompanied Brown on the automobile trip which ended in his death on a country road four miles from here. In support of this opinion he pointed to the fact that four bullets had been fired into the young man's neck from behind "so close" that Sheriff added, "that there was no chance of missing."

Pursuing his theory the Sheriff expressed the conviction that the shooting was done by a man angered because he believed Brown was attentive to a young woman in whom he himself was interested.

Stories of an estrangement between Brown and his wife were denied by Mrs. Brown, who pointed out that he had given her \$50 as a Christmas gift Tuesday evening.

Only Road to Success. Would-be Writer—What do you consider the most important for a beginner in literature? Old Hand—A small appetite.—Blighty, London.

### CREW OF WRECKED HURONA ARRIVES AT NEW YORK

#### Ship Foundered Nov. 25th in the Mediterranean—Sailed from N. Y. With Armenian Relief Supplies.

New York, Dec. 26.—Captain Robert Watts with forty-seven officers and men of the crew of the British steamship Hurona, which foundered November 25 in the Mediterranean, arrived here today on the Steamer McGill Helas from Greek ports.

The Hurona sailed from New York last October with sugar and other Armenian Relief supplies. The ship sprung a leak and went down in five hours, the officers said. The crew took to the life boats and were picked up by another vessel which landed them in Greece. They are on their way to England.

### VOTES FOR INDIANS

#### Bill Passed by British Parliament Amid Cheers.

London, Dec. 24.—India's Magna Carta passed the House of Commons yesterday. It will become law before Christmas. There was well-deserved praise for Mr. E. S. Montagu, Secretary for India, who declared that it was the proudest moment of his life.

"The passage of this Bill," he added, "marks the end of the old era and the establishment of a new one." Mr. Adamson, for the Labor Party, welcomed the Bill, but said that he would have liked to go further and give more representative power to Labor in India.

Mr. Montagu invited members of the Labor Party to visit India and study the problems there, and said that their interest would be welcomed and encouraged.

Many Indian men and women with happy faces sat in the public galleries. One young Indian cried out: "Give India complete Home Rule and remove oppression!" He then went quickly out.

The Bill achieved the miracle of going through committee for two days without one of the forest of amendments being carried. It passed third reading without a division amid cheers.

### FORMAL OPENING OF PROTESTANT ORPHANAGE

The annex to the St. John Protestant Orphan's Home in West End, formerly Martello Hotel will be formally opened on Tuesday of next week. The general public is invited to inspect the building and its accommodations, between 2 and 5 o'clock in the afternoon and from 7 in the evening. The brief formalities of declaring the building open at which the mayor and others will speak, will commence at 5 o'clock. There are twelve children in the new home already and this opening occasion has been deferred until after the holiday rush. Mrs. Land is matron and Miss Powers, nurse.

### HIDDEN DANGER IN DOG'S KISS

#### Woman Dies from Rare Disease Contracted from Dog's Saliva.

"The hydatid cyst comes from the dog. The dog communicates the disease through its saliva. People may get it through letting pet dogs kiss them," declared Dr. A. Folliott Denning at the Southwark Coroner's Court yesterday.

Dr. Denning was giving evidence relating to the death of Rhoda Jane Brown, aged thirty-seven, of Pocock street, Southwark, who died suddenly on getting out of bed on Tuesday morning.

The post-mortem examination revealed that death was due to syncope from compression of the heart caused by a hydatid cyst. It was stated that she did not keep a dog nor had she ever been in Australia, where the disease, Dr. Denning said, was particularly rife.

Dr. Denning stated that it was because of this disease that dogs were kept out of slaughterhouses. Their saliva might touch food and infect it. The coroner said that many years ago when he was at St. Bartholomew's Hospital they had a patient suffering from hydatid cyst, and he received more attention than he cared for from the students. One morning he got possessed of his boots and disappeared from the hospital.

Dr. Denning agreed with the coroner that fish, meat, watercress, and the offal of sheep were likely to become infected if dogs had been in contact. The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the medical evidence.

### RANKER OFFICERS

#### Mr. Churchill's Promise to the Future Soldier.

A scheme prepared by Captain C. E. Loseby, M. P., to enable men of small means to obtain commissions in the Regular Army was laid before Mr. Winston Churchill by a deputation from the National Democratic Party yesterday.

It was recommended that Sandhurst and Woolwich should be rendered more accessible to poor students. There should be assigned a definite percentage of vacancies, probably 20 per cent, of the full number, to be filled annually by serving soldiers. An allotment was suggested as follows: Sandhurst and Woolwich 60 per cent, graduates of Oxford and Cambridge and commissioned ranks of the Special Reserve and Territorial Forces 20 per cent, candidates from the ranks of the Regular Army 20 per cent.

Mr. Churchill, in reply said that while there were now 4,000 officers surplus to establishment and 3,000 others clamoring for commission rank, he felt that in the future a certain number of places should be assigned to serving soldiers. That the whole system of promotion from the ranks should be improved and steps should be taken methodically to train the young soldier.

### THE USUAL WAY



### DIED.

LASKEY—in this city on the 26th inst. died suddenly, Oram Laskey, aged 54 years, leaving to mourn a loving wife, four sons, two daughters, one brother and a large circle of friends.

BURNHAM—At Medford, Mass., on Dec. 25, Christmas Day, S. L. Tilley Burnham, after a short illness. Interment will be made at Medford, Mass.

### THE FRENCH GIRL OF THE PRESENT

#### She is Not Inferior Mentally or Morally to Her Pre-War Sister.

(Daily Express Correspondent.) Paris, Wednesday, Dec. 12.—Notwithstanding the dance craze and the passion for bare backs and abridged skirts the French girl of today is not inferior mentally or morally to her pre-war sister. Such is the verdict of a famous Churchman who is reputed to be an authority on feminine psychology.

"Despite her slang and her scanty clothing I do not believe," says the cleric, "that the virtues of patience, pity, and kindness which distinguished the French girl during the war have disappeared because the dance hall is now more frequented than the hospital ward. She is entitled to some indulgence after her long years of work, suffering, and deprivation. I am convinced that she is passing through a transition period from which she will emerge more intelligent, more emancipated, more broadminded, and not less virtuous because her outlook has been changed through the war with its horrors, heroisms, and trials shared with the pollux.

### BOLSHEVIKI ARE REPULSED BY POLES AND SIBERIANS

#### Made An Attempt to Occupy Litvinovo Station on Trans Siberian Railway.

Irkutsk, Dec. 25.—(Russian Telegraphic Agency.)—The general staff of the All-Russia Government announced, today, that an attempt by the Bolsheviki to occupy the Litvinovo station, on the trans-Siberian railway, just west of Tsina, was repulsed by Siberian and Polish troops. The Bolsheviki have been defeated at many points, losing machine-guns and prisoners. The Siberians and Poles are in possession of the Litvinovo-Tsina region.

### PILES

Do not suffer another day with itching, bleeding, or protruding Piles. No surgical operations required. Dr. Chase's Ointment will relieve you at once and as a certain cure you get a box, all dealers, or Edmundson, Hales & Co., Limited, Toronto. Sample box free if you mention this paper and enclose 2c. stamp to pay postage.

### THE WAR COUNCIL OF ITALY HELD MEETING FRIDAY

#### Secrecy Shrouds Report Presented of Negotiations With D'Annunzio.

Rome, Dec. 26.—The War Council met today under the presidency of Premier Nitti. Besides the foreign minister and the ministers of the treasury, war and navy, the council included the chief of the general staff, General Badoglio, who has just returned from Trieste with reports of the negotiations with Gabriele D'Annunzio. Great importance is attributed to this meeting of the council, the decisions of which have been kept strictly secret.

### URGENT CLEMENCEAU AS CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY

Paris, Dec. 26.—A number of members of the Chamber of Deputies intend shortly to endeavor to induce Premier Clemenceau to become a candidate for the Presidency of the Republic.

### The Coasting Party

The bill was fine for coasting. The snow was well packed down, and Sammy Black and Margie White, and little Billy Brown.

And also pretty Winnie Green and graceful Gerlie Gray. Now, please, my little readers, don't imagine what I say.

Means really that these boys and girls were painted all this way; if so, such colored children would be a bit too gay!

Their fathers' names were Mr. Black, or Mr. White, or Mr. Brown; and, funny, too, it was Greenfield. The name they called the town.

Well, just as I was saying. The coasting was immense, and after school the boys and girls were ready to commence.

All tied together in a big, long row, and Sammy Black lay down to steer. The merry-making crew.

He didn't seem to mind the wind that cut the snowdrifts blew. That made his cheeks so bright and red.

His stubby nose so blue! "Come on, you fellows; hurry up! Quick, girls, get on your sleds! And push against the other ones, I'm fixed to go ahead!"

Against the last sled Billy Brown. Then pushed with all his might, and down the hill the train of sleds began its snowy flight.

Such yells and cries! and "Hold on tight! Don't drag your feet! Keep still! Don't lean so far upon the right, or else we'll have a spill!"

Each face was beaming with delight. Each voice was loud and shrill, and the train was going all its might and nearly down the hill.

Just as they reached the bottom, though, the front sled gave a swing, and plump into a big snowdrift they went like anything!

The Blacks were mixed up with the Whites, the Browns on top of Green, a sort of coast kaleidoscope, with sleds stuck in between.

And when they all were sorted out, no easy thing to do, they found that almost every boy and girl was black and blue!

DAVID CORY. Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 26.—Hon. S. F. Tolmie, Minister of Agriculture, is suffering from diphtheria at his home in Victoria. Mr. Tolmie only left Ottawa a week or so ago and was taken ill on the train.

### RUSSIAN WORKERS HAVE 17 BRANCHES IN CANADA

#### Report of New York Investigating Committee Gives Some Idea of Radical Revolutionary Movement in States.

New York, Dec. 26.—The Union of Russian Workers has seventeen branches with seven thousand members in the United States, according to an official statement issued tonight by the legislative committee which has been investigating radical and seditious activities in New York for several months.

"It not only the large but also in the small centers of population upstate," the statement said, "there are found men and women engaged in the 'Radical Revolutionary movement.' A circular found described the would-be assassins of Premier Clemenceau as 'a bold and loyal son of the oppressed' and termed his act 'a holy duty.'"

### CHILDREN HAD GOOD TIME WITH QUEBEC SHERIFF

#### Youngsters from St. Basile, Who Got off at Wrong Station, Now Safe With Parents.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 26.—"We had a good time," said Douglas Cameron, 10 years of age, and his sister, Stella, aged 7 when they alighted from the Quebec train tonight at Place Vigier Station, where they were met by their mother, stepfather and Detective Lemont.

These were the two children from St. Basile, N. B., who spent Christmas with the Quebec Chief of Police after having got off at Quebec thinking it was Montreal, and who wandered around the city until picked up by the police.

The Prime Minister. (Winnipeg Telegram.) The whole country will hear, with deepest regret, that Sir Robert Borden is in such very poor health that his retirement from the premiership of the Dominion may be expected at any moment.

There is no question as to the esteem with which Sir Robert is held alike for his absolute probity as for the manner in which he led the Dominion with unflinching courage during its great crisis in the war. That it should be deprived of his services in settling the crisis of Peace is a tremendous loss to Canada. In the absence of actual official statements, it is only to be hoped that his present illness may be temporary, and not so serious as to compel him to retire from public life. The country will join in tendering its sympathies to Lady Borden, and will welcome, with relief, the return of good health to the Prime Minister.

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### "To What Purpose is This Waste" — Matt. 26:8

(Daily Telegraph, Monday, December 15th.) A man found to be in a dying condition from the effects of poisoning, caused from over consumption of lemon extract, Saturday, was ordered by the doctor, who attended him, taken to the hospital in the ambulance. The driver of the ambulance refused to take the patient saying that he had orders not to take any persons who were under the influence of liquor. As a consequence the man was rushed to the hospital in the police patrol, having to lie on the hard boards of the floor, as he was a stretcher case. Later, on Saturday night, he died.

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### SOLDIER SETTLEMENT BOARD ACCOMPLISHES SPLENDID WORK

A Summary of Its Activities for the Year Affords Ample Testimony of the Government's Wisdom in Resolving on a Programme of Substantial Financial Aid to Soldiers Seeking the Farmers' Vocation.

(Ottawa Journal, December 20, 1919) A summary of the work of the Soldier Settlement Board of Canada during the year about to close, affords ample testimony to the wisdom of the Government in early resolving on a programme of granting substantial financial assistance to discharged soldiers who desire to follow farming as a permanent vocation. It was only in February of this year that the project of soldier land settlement reached its full development. Prior to that time there had been slow progress for the reason that the law contemplated assistance only to those who were able to secure free Dominion lands in the Western Provinces. Free lands of first class quality close to lines of transportation were not available in sufficient amount and it was not until February that provision was made for the purchase of land in any part of the Dominion and for generous loans to soldiers taking up such land. At the same time steps were taken to bring under the control of the Soldier Settlement Board considerable areas of more or less idle lands contained in Forest and Indian Reserves throughout the Western Provinces. Large tracts of these lands have been disposed of. Others will be made available for settlement within a short time. A glance at the record of achievement of the Board is convincing proof of the popularity, among the returned soldiers, of the Soldier Land Settlement scheme. Briefly the Board has approved loans amounting to over fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000). The number of loans exceeds 17,000— which means that the average obligation undertaken by returned soldiers is in the neighborhood of three thousand dollars (\$3,000). A total of 1,449,000 acres of free lands have been disposed of to returned soldiers. The Qualification Committees of the Board have tested and passed 32,363 candidates. Trapping farms have been established in several of the provinces. Substantial allowances have been paid to returned soldiers in training on these farms and gaining experience with experienced agriculturists. An important item also is the saving of close to one quarter of a million dollars that the Board effected in the purchase of live stock and implements for returned soldiers. It will be seen that this beneficial scheme places within the reach of many thousands of war heroes an opportunity of independent existence, far from the strife and turmoil of the congested districts. As the Calgary Herald states: "It is turning out one of the greatest re-establishment successes the Government has yet undertaken."

### CANADIAN FOOD CONTROL SYSTEM WINS IN FAVOR

The Plan Adopted by the Dominion to be Brought to the Attention of Congress.

New York, Dec. 26.—Proposed adoption of the Canadian system of food control to reach profiteers and lower the cost of living in this country met with favor here yesterday, following an announcement that Arthur Capper, United States Senator from Kansas, intends soon to place the matter before Congress. "I am inclined to favor the Canadian system," said Arthur Williams, the federal Food Administrator here. "But I should like to see the added profit that the Board effected in the consumer. As a matter of fact we have gone the Canadian a step farther in New York city and have fixed both the gross and net prices. We have agreed upon the margin of profits on all staples, and the margin is placed in cents per pound, rather than in a percentage. Thus, if there happens to be an upward trend in prices, the consumer does not have to foot the extra bill. Dealers Play Fair. "It is not hard to get fair dealers against the increasing cost of living, when these dealers agree to carry along with them by moral force the dealers who would otherwise have been reluctant. The backing of the government has, of course, a large influence, too. Senator Capper believes that the installation of the Canadian system will furnish a powerful remedy against the increasing cost of living, which he views with grave alarm. The Canadian food control act fixes a limit on gross profits. In this provision lies the main difference between it and the American food control act, which Senator Capper is inclined to believe is not proving equal to the situation. "Unless we speedily check price gouging, the high cost of profits is soon to be translated into an unbearable situation will arise," declared Senator Capper in a speech made in the Senate a few days ago. "The war is over, but speculation, spoliation and plunder are as rampant as ever and more daring. Train robbery or burglary are poor trades by comparison. Nine months ago the Council that pending adjustment of coffee; today it will buy only two pounds. A nickel sack of tobacco now costs ten cents, and inside it the smoker finds a little card which reads: 'Special Notice'—This package should be sold for five cents, but the dealer has a fair margin of profit at this price. I have it from a lumberman who has spent all his life in the business, that lumber is selling at least at thirty per cent beyond all reasonable profit. Will Demand More Wages. "And so it goes and will continue to go until we beggar the people, lower consumption and kill demand unless we find and apply the means to check the game of grab which is at the bottom of most of our present troubles. Men working for wages may be expected to keep asking for more. They must if a family of five is to be supplied with eighteen dollar shoes and supplied with other wearable and eatables at constantly increasing prices. "Profiteering is now a prison offense, and I hope to see governments actively assisting the federal Department of Justice in bringing all such offenders to book. Senator Capper declared that the profiteers of business are proving a greater menace to the country than the Bolsheviks or the I. W. W.'s. "I am inclined," he said, "to think that as an emergency measure it might be well to give the federal government power to limit gross profits, as Canada has been doing so successfully, requiring every dealer or manufacturer, from the time the raw material leaves the hands of the producer, until the product reaches the consumer, to mark the most price to him on all his goods, also his own selling price and be prepared to show invoices. This will make possible quickly to spot the man who is doing the profiteering."

### AVIATOR'S BODY WASHED ASHORE ON CORFU ISLAND

British Airman Lost His Life in London to Australia Flight on December 12th.

London, Dec. 26.—The body of Captain C. E. Howell, one of the British airmen in the London to Australia flight, who lost his life when his machine was wrecked off the island of Corfu on December 12, was washed ashore on Corfu and buried at the foot of a beautiful mountain by an English chaplain, according to a Corfu despatch to Lloyds under Wednesday's date. The body of Henry Fraser, a skilled mechanic who accompanied Captain Howell, has not yet been found. Howell's airplane is a complete wreck and salvage is impossible because of bad weather.

### MEXICO WARNED BY WASHINGTON TO END OUTRAGES

U. S. Ambassador Conveys Fresh Message of Protest to the Carranza Government.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The mistreatment of American citizens by bandits and by the authorities of Mexico continues to add to the tension existing between the Mexicans and the United States governments. The demand that have been made by Washington have had no apparent effect and the situation is growing larger on the administrative horizon. Following the release of Frederick Hugo, an American citizen taken in the recent raid on Mazatlan, Sinaloa, upon his promise to pay his bandit captors a ransom of \$1,500, the State Department today instructed the American Embassy at Mexico City to say to the Mexican Foreign Office that "such outrages must not be repeated."

### MEXICANS CLOSE ANOTHER AMERICAN WELL IN TAMPICO

Kingston, Ja., Dec. 26.—The car conductors and motormen have struck for higher pay. A Canadian company, which operates the street railway, is suffering heavy losses. Under the terms of the franchise the Government will have the power to take over the affairs of the company if the service is not resumed in forty-eight hours. The pilots have refused to bring in or take out vessels unless their fees for this service are increased. "various pretexts." The Embassy at Mexico City was immediately instructed to make representations to the Mexican government in behalf of the two men.

### SOCIAL SERVICE WORKER RECEIVES HEAVY SENTENCE

Plead Guilty to Three Charges of Forgery—Forged Names of Officials of Society.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 26.—H. G. Gardner, social service worker, who pleaded guilty two weeks ago to three charges of forgery, was sentenced today to 18 months in jail. Gardner obtained \$400 by forging the names of officials of a Jewish society. He gave the money to his wife and fled to Chicago, where he was arrested three weeks ago.

### CONTROVERSY BETWEEN STATES AND BRITISH OVER GERMAN SHIPS ENDS ABRUPTLY

President Orders Seven German Ships Turned Over to British Admiralty Today—Great Britain Still Retains American-Owned Tankers That Were Taken Under German Flag.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.—The controversy between the Shipping Board and British officials over possession of seven German liners used to bring back American troops and now held in New York harbor ended abruptly today with the announcement that President Wilson had ordered the vessels turned over to Great Britain. No explanation of the order was made beyond the statement that the State Department had found there was no warrant for holding the ships now that the object for which they were assigned by the Inter-Allied Shipping Commission to America—the return of the American army—was accomplished. The eighth ship of the group, the Imperator, has already been turned over to the British and is being operated by the Cunard line. The unexpected action of the shipping board last September in refusing to deliver the Imperator to the British was understood to be connected with efforts to induce the return to the Standard Oil Company of twelve tank steamers formerly under the German flag, but now held in British custody in the Frith of Forth by order of the Supreme Council. The State Department took the position, however, that these were separate questions and to be dealt with separately, the United States carrying out its obligations to turn the German ships over to the British. Meantime the fate of the tankers remains in doubt. Chairman Payne recently made a proposal to the Supreme Council that, pending adjustment of titles, the tankers be put at the disposal of the United States and that Great Britain be given use of the former German liners. Great Britain agreed to this proposal. It was learned today, on the condition that the United States would furnish Great Britain, France, Italy and Belgium oil, but it is reported, withdrew her acceptance the day after it was transmitted. No explanation of the reported withdrawal was obtainable. In the absence of Chairman John Barton Payne, the board today was without the knowledge of the disposition of the tankers. In view of the worldwide shortage of tankers it would be a hardship to the United States, it was declared, if these American owned vessels should be turned over to other countries. Officials express the hope that the tankers would eventually be placed at the disposal of the United States. Under Versailles Treaty, final decision as to the titles of all craft requisitioned from German harbors after the armistice rests with the reparations committee. The present dispute both over passenger vessels and over tankers, it is asserted, cannot be considered as definitely settled, the present disposition being only temporary.

### LUMBER IMPORTS TO GREAT BRITAIN

Farnworth & Jardine's Wood Circular Received from Liverpool Gives Statement of N. B. and N. S. Spruce and Pine Deals Received in November.

Farnworth & Jardine's wood circular received from Liverpool, England yesterday shows the following imports for November: New Brunswick and Nova Scotia dated 1st December for the month of November. New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Spruce and Pine Deals.—The import to the Mersey (including the Manchester Canal) was small, viz: 2,950 standards, the bulk coming to Liverpool. Deliveries evenly distributed between the two ports, amounted to 4,250 standards. Holdings are on the high side, now reaching 21,900 standards, of which a large portion consists of narrow widths, and values of this description are easier. Deals are in good demand at full rates. During the month a Sale Without Reserve was held in Liverpool of a damaged cargo of Halifax Spruce stored in Preston. Full values were obtained. Pine Deals.—The import was small; deliveries fairly satisfactory from the cargo reported last month. Stocks are moderately light.

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Gravitation of Light Our Windy Sky-scrappers States of Mind Over Kreisler Our Literary Manners and Mr. Wells' American vs. Continental Sundays Warnings Against Spiritualism Best of the Current Poetry Indians in the United States—A Brief History Personal Glimpses of Men and Events

### DISTINGUISHED WAR WORKER

Vancouver is enjoying a visit from a most distinguished English woman at the present time, says the Winnipeg Telegram. Starting her war work as a statistic recorder for munition factories and ending by winning an O. B. E. for her special services in connection with the study and treatment of poisonous gases. Dr. Cossley-Batt, D. Sc., London, has had a remarkable career since she left her studies at the London university early in the war. She arrived from Australia on the Makura, and after a short stay in Vancouver, she went on to New York. Mrs. Batt was honored by General Byng as assistant recorder of the chemical warfare committee when the British government formed a special department to deal with the gas problem. She was poisoned on one occasion while carrying out one of a series of experiments undertaken as part of her research work. In consequence of ill health induced by the gas inhalation she was subsequently obliged to relinquish her special studies and secured a transfer to a position as senior woman inspector of the Optical Institute, where she also distinguished herself. During her tour of Australia and New Zealand, taken primarily for the purpose of obtaining material for trade articles for the London Times, Dr. Cossley-Batt has been delivering lectures on her experiences and observations.

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## THE GRAIN GROWER'S TROUBLES.

The United States Government having removed the embargo on Canadian wheat, Western grain growers, at whose solicitation the Canadian Wheat Board was organized and under whose control the sale of the wheat crop, are now busy blaming the Canadian Government because it did what they wanted it to do. Now United States millers across the border from Manitoba are offering \$2.75 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, and it is perhaps natural that the Western grain growers are disgruntled because they have turned over most of their crops to the Wheat Board market for them. But there is hardly justification for the indignant query of a Western grain grower in the Winnipeg Tribune: "Does any farmer suppose that if there was a representative body of Western farmers at Ottawa such an unjust and ridiculous state of affairs would be allowed?"

The Canadian Government was not responsible for the American embargo which created the situation which led the Western grain growers to demand that the Government undertake the sale of the wheat crop. The Government fixed the minimum price of Canadian wheat at \$2.15, and if the Wheat Board is able to sell at higher prices the farmers are to receive the difference, less the cost of marketing. How much of the crop the Wheat Board has contracted to deliver to Great Britain or other countries the Board has not divulged, nor is it saying whether it has at its disposal any considerable quantity of hard wheat that might now be sold to the United States. This is information the farmers may be entitled to, but if the Wheat Board said it had a large quantity the price might come down.

When the grain growers asked the Government to fix the price they had a fear that the world's wheat market might not support a profitable price for them. But now they appear to forget that the Government took the risk of guaranteeing them a price, and might have sustained a loss, which the people of Canada would have had to make good.

The Western grain growers are keen for their own interests all the time. Canadian flour mills are reported to be running on a hand to mouth basis, and none of them at full capacity, but this is a matter of indifference, except to the consumer. Ontario has large stocks of wheat, but according to the Financial Post of Toronto there is no American demand for Ontario wheat, as American mills are amply supplied with wheat of similar grade, and only want hard northern wheat. The Ontario wheat growers are not making a noise, but they are holding their stocks in the hope of higher prices. Being able to study a Farmer's Government at close range they may have arrived at the conclusion that no Government can give them everything without regard to situations beyond its control.

**AGRICULTURE AND PROTECTION.**  
While the Western grain growers are clamouring for free trade, in Great Britain comparisons are being made between the decline of British agriculture under free trade, and the development of German agriculture under protection. Addressing a meeting of British farmers recently Premier Lloyd George stated that since 1871 the number of men engaged in cultivating the soil in Britain had decreased by about 700,000. "That means," he added, "that you have a population of about three millions less than you had at that date directly associated with agriculture. That in itself is a loss to the state. The men engaged in agriculture, especially the young men, have been streaming to the towns, to the industrial centres, where they pursue their avocations under much more unhealthy conditions, and especially where they bring up their children in more unhealthy conditions. They have been passing across the seas to other lands to give new strength to other countries. That has been a serious and almost irreparable loss to this country; and had it not been for the shock of war, the shock of a great war, that process might have continued. But we discovered during four or five years of gripping, terrible conflict that this neglect of an essential industry had brought this land to the very verge of a great disaster."

The striking contrast between agricultural conditions in Germany and Great Britain was emphasized by Mr. Lloyd George. "Take 100 acres of cultivated land in this country," he said, "and 100 acres in Germany—arable and pasture. Britain feeds 45 to 50 persons out of that 100 acres; Germany feeds 70 to 75. Britain grows 15 tons of corn; Germany grows 33 tons. Britain grows 11 tons of potatoes; Germany 55 tons. I know it is said: 'Well, if you go on cultivating potatoes and grain and devoting the whole of your strength and soil to that purpose, then meat and milk will suffer.' Let me give you the most figures. Britain produces the

equivalent of 17 1/2 tons of milk to Germany's 28 tons. Britain produces no sugar; Germany produces 2 3/4 tons. Now, these are the figures—the comparison of what Germany with her soil makes out of 100 acres with the figures of what Britain, with her richer land, makes out of hers."

## SELF-GOVERNMENT.

For the publication of a paper in the interests of the United Farmers, the farmers' organizations in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia have agreed to put up \$15,000, and the Western grain growers will put up \$13,000. Of the five directors three will be western men and two eastern men. Mr. Crerar has evidently persuaded the Maritime farmers that the control of the paper, which doubtless will devote itself mainly to the political propaganda of the Farmers' party, is safer in the West. But do men living in Winnipeg or thereabouts really know more about what is in the best interests of the farmers of the East than men actually engaged in farming in this part of the world? It may be a purely business arrangement, arising from the fact that the publishers of The Grain Grower's Guide will assume the responsibility for making the eastern paper a success; and it is possible that the eastern directors will be permitted to shape the political policies of the new journal. Until it is proved that the interests of the western grain growers are identical with those of the Maritime farmers the suspicion that the new organ is controlled from the west may detract from the authority it would doubtless have if the control is exercised by the eastern farmers.

## NEW SOURCES OF POWER.

Sir Oliver Lodge has been dealing with the future possibilities of utilizing the static and kinetic energy of the atom before a meeting of the Royal Society of Arts in London. A piece of chalk weighing two grammes obtained enough energy to raise a Drednought to the top of a mountain 3,000 feet high, he declared; and he expressed the view that within a hundred years man would solve the problem of utilizing the tremendous energy of matter. We are already on the verge of doing it, he added. In the wireless telephone we have the first step in that direction. In that marvellous invention, particles given off by a wire, electrically heated to a whiteness, are used to break the circuit, and so sensitive and prompt are the particles to respond to the electrical stimulus that 300 words a minute can be sent by the Morse code—a feat that cannot now be accomplished by ordinary mechanical means.

## GROWING CANADA.

Building activity in Canada during the year was twice as great as in 1918. Among the cities Toronto has shown a big lead with building permits for eleven months of the year valued at \$17,779,591, an increase of nearly \$10,000,000 over the corresponding period in 1918. Montreal comes second with \$9,378,500, practically double building construction for the previous year. Hamilton, Ontario, is third with \$4,906,712, and Halifax fourth with \$4,880,866, an increase of over \$2,000,000 over last year. St. John for the eleven months issued building permits to the extent of \$566,540, an increase of \$155,215 over the same period in 1918. Quebec, London, Ottawa, Windsor, Winnipeg, Calgary and Vancouver have all gone over the \$2,000,000 mark.

In St. John during November permits were issued for \$228,500, practically as much as for the whole preceding ten months. There are other evidences of a revival of building activity here.

In view of the difficulties of obtaining raw materials and labor troubles during the year, the showing made by Canadian builders is exceptionally good, and indicates a recovery from war conditions that augurs greater growth in the future.

## WHAT THEY SAY

Farmers' Obligations. (Hamilton Spectator.) The Dominion Government is to

guarantee repayment of loans made by Saskatchewan companies handling seed grain relief this year; but, judging by former experience, this by no means guarantees repayment to the Government by those benefited, some millions yet remaining in default from similar loans in the past.

## Needed the Money.

(Toronto Star.) Liberty league wants a recount, does it? The Liberty league action recalls the case of the gentleman who was hanged for murder, but whose lawyer went ahead and entered an appeal after the execution, because the dead man's estate was good for it anyway, and he needed the money and the advertising.

## A Logical Position.

(Hamilton Herald.) For Canada to spend any money whatever for naval purposes would be a national folly and a national crime—so thinks the Farmers' Union of the U.F.O. And it thinks the British navy should be scrapped also. These opinions come naturally from a war of moderate size, because the political absorption of Canada by the United States.

## Spellbound.

(Toronto Mail and Empire.) Herbert Hoover says that starvation threatens fifteen million people in Poland, Austria and adjacent countries of middle Europe, and advocates sending United States wheat to them on credit. Possibly, but Washington seems to be spellbound when credits for bankrupt peoples are concerned.

## The Final Loser.

(Philadelphia Record.) Strikes in 1919, according to a computation made by The New York Sun, have cost labor about a billion dollars, and capital and the community in general about two billions. Three billions is a respectable allowance for a war of moderate size. The laborers might recover the billion they have lost by means of wage increases, though it takes a long time to do this. Possibly, but not probably, the employers may recover their losses. But in these cases the entire loss falls upon the consumers and the public at large.

## A BIT OF VERSE

### THE WIND AT THE DOOR.

(William Barnes.)  
As daylight darkened on the dewless grass,  
There still, with no one come by me,  
To stay awhile at home by me,  
Within the house now dumb by me,  
I sat me still as eveningtide did pass.  
And there a winblast shook the rattling door,  
And seemed as wind did moan with out,  
As if my love alone without,  
And standing on the stone without,  
Had there come back with happiness,  
Once more.  
I went to-door, and out from trees,  
above,  
My head upon the blast by me,  
Sweet blossoms there were cast by me,  
As if my love had passed by me,  
And fung them down, a token of her love.  
Sweet blossoms of the tree where now I mourn,  
I thought, if you did blow for her,  
For apples that should grow for her,  
And fall red-ripe below for her,  
Oh! then how happy I should see you kern.  
But no, too soon my fond illusion broke,  
No comely soul in white like her,  
No fair one, tripping light like her,  
No wife of comely height like her,  
Went by, but all my grief again awoke.

## A BIT OF FUN

Really.  
Son: "Father, what is the rest of the quotation, 'Man proposes and—'"  
Father (sadly): "Women seldom refuse!"  
Beating Them to it.  
"Why don't you marry me?"  
"Because I don't love you."  
"Why need that matter? We'd simply have a 5-year start on half the people in our set"—Blighly, London.  
Worse and Worse.  
Mrs. Homebody—The cost of living is something awful. I don't know where I'll end.  
Mrs. Runabout—Yes; isn't it terrible? Our bridge club has just advanced the stakes 10 cents a point.  
Unnecessary.  
"Pay your debts, boy."  
"Ugh!"  
"And keep your credit good."  
"Aw, what's the use of credit if I gotta pay up all the time?"—Louisville Courier-Journal.  
Terrible.  
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# Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE

Yestidday some man went erround ringing door bells and giving away little bottles of perfume for sampels, and I quick ran in the house so as to be the one to open the door wen he rang our bell. Wich I did, and he gave me a bottle, saying, perfume everywhere and not a drop to drink, even wattr would taste good to me jest now.

Ill get you a drink, mister, I sed. Wich I quick went back in the kitchen and did, and he drank it all up without stopping for air, and I sed, 'Have you got eny more bottles you dont want, mister?'

I dont want eny of them as a matter of fact, heers a few exter ones for you, sed the man. And he gave me 7 mora, making 8 all together, being sutch good perfume you could smell it without even taking the cork out, and wen you took the cork out you couldnt help smelling it, and I thawt, I know wat ill do, Ill put some on everybodys hankerchiffs to sprize them.

Wich I did, opening their bewro draws and sprinkling 3 bottles on ma's hankerchiffs and 3 on Gladdies and 3 on paps on account of a man not 'needing so much perfume. And after suppr I went up in the setting room and started to look at the joaks in the paper, and ma came in, saying, Benny, you didnt by eny chance put enything in my top bewro draw, did you?'

Wy, ma, I sed, did you smell enything?'

Did I smell enything? sed ma in a voice as if she had smelled a lot. I dont see how ill ever get rid of the smell, everything is saturated with it, watever it is, my goodniss, its simply frite-ill.

I ony put it on the hankerchiffs, ma, I sed, and ma sed, 'Then it was you, well for goodniss sake, wat kind of stuff is it, for mersey sake?'

Breth of the Desert perfume in little sampel bottles, I sed, and ma sed, 'O for hevvin sake, my goodniss grayhies. Wich jest then Gladis came in mad looking, saying, 'Theres a lot of terrible smelling stuff in my bewro draw, wats the meaning of it?'

Ask Benny, he put some in mine too, he says it called Breth of the Desert, sed ma. And jest then pop called out from his room, 'Pew, pew, wat the mischief is this stink in my draw?'

Breth of the desert, called ma.  
Wat? Wat? called pop, and sed, can I go out, ma? You'd better hurry, sed ma.  
Wich I did.

## A BIT OF VERSE

### THE WIND AT THE DOOR.

(William Barnes.)  
As daylight darkened on the dewless grass,  
There still, with no one come by me,  
To stay awhile at home by me,  
Within the house now dumb by me,  
I sat me still as eveningtide did pass.  
And there a winblast shook the rattling door,  
And seemed as wind did moan with out,  
As if my love alone without,  
And standing on the stone without,  
Had there come back with happiness,  
Once more.  
I went to-door, and out from trees,  
above,  
My head upon the blast by me,  
Sweet blossoms there were cast by me,  
As if my love had passed by me,  
And fung them down, a token of her love.  
Sweet blossoms of the tree where now I mourn,  
I thought, if you did blow for her,  
For apples that should grow for her,  
And fall red-ripe below for her,  
Oh! then how happy I should see you kern.  
But no, too soon my fond illusion broke,  
No comely soul in white like her,  
No fair one, tripping light like her,  
No wife of comely height like her,  
Went by, but all my grief again awoke.

## A BIT OF FUN

Really.  
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"Because I don't love you."  
"Why need that matter? We'd simply have a 5-year start on half the people in our set"—Blighly, London.  
Worse and Worse.  
Mrs. Homebody—The cost of living is something awful. I don't know where I'll end.  
Mrs. Runabout—Yes; isn't it terrible? Our bridge club has just advanced the stakes 10 cents a point.  
Unnecessary.  
"Pay your debts, boy."  
"Ugh!"  
"And keep your credit good."  
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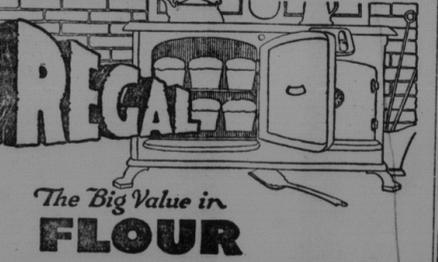
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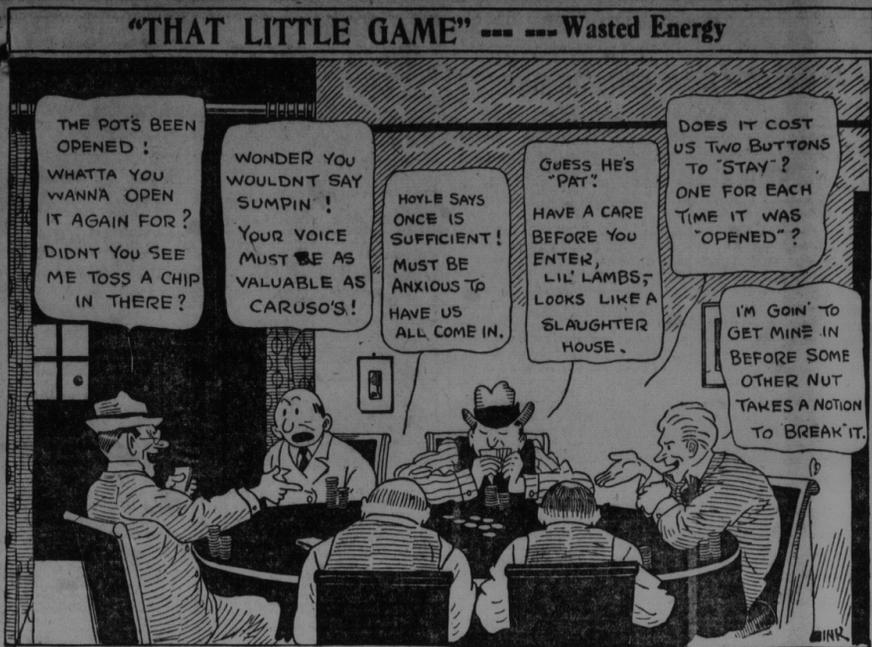


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**FUNERALS**

The funeral of William J. Hamilton took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 60 Harrison street, to Mission church, 8 John Baptist, where services were conducted by Rev. Father Young. Interment took place in the Church of England burying ground.

The funeral of John Trearlin took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 580 Main street. Services were conducted by Rev. W. R. McKim and interment took place in Cedar Hill.

The funeral of Edward Almon took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, Loch Lomond road. Services were conducted by Rev. R. T. McKim and interment took place in Fernhill.

The death of Mrs. Mary McManus, widow of Frederick McManus, occurred on December 24, in the Mater Misericordiae Home. Interment was made yesterday in the Old Catholic cemetery with Rev. Raymond McCarthy officiating.

**OBITUARY**

**S. L. Tilley Burnham.**  
 S. L. Tilley Burnham was born in St. John, N. B., son of Charles E. Burnham, with whom he was in partnership in the furniture business under the name of Charles E. Burnham & Son. Later he removed to the United States and has been located at Medford, Mass., where he passed away, after a few months' illness. He leaves his wife, three sons and four daughters, all in the United States, except one daughter who resides in Calgary; also two brothers and two sisters in the United States and one sister in St. Stephen, N. B. Mrs. Henry Harty, his wife, was Annie A., daughter of the late Charles A. Everett.  
 Interment at Medford.

**Death of Child.**  
 Mr. and Mrs. George Patterson will have the sympathy of friends in the death of their five-month-old daughter, Winifred Margaret.  
**Joseph Rowley.**  
 Joseph Rowley, one of the best known residents of St. John county, passed away at his home at Loch Lomond on December 25. Mr. Rowley was born in Golden Grove and later was born in St. John, where he conducted a blacksmith business for many years at his carriage factory in Brussels street. The last few years he spent at Loch Lomond, where he will be much missed by travellers on that road. Honest and obliging he was liked by all who knew him.  
 He is survived by his wife and four sisters—Mrs. David Ramsay and Mrs. George Saunders of St. John; Mrs. H. Flanders of Amherst, and Mrs. Robt. McKinley, of Cambridge, Mass. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 2 p.m. Interment will be in Lakeside cemetery.

**WEDDINGS.**

**Keys-Crawford.**  
 At the Rectory, Highfield, Queens County, on Tuesday, December 23, at 2 o'clock, the Rev. C. A. Warnford united in marriage Ida Pearl Crawford, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Crawford, of Goshen, Queens County, and Mr. Percy W. Keys, of Fenwick, Kings County. The bride was prettily attired in a navy blue travelling suit, with large picture hat. Immediately after the ceremony the happy couple left for a honeymoon in Sussex and St. John.

**THE COMMON COUNCIL.**  
 At a committee meeting of the Common Council held yesterday morning an assessment appeal of the Portland Rolling Mills was considered and was finally referred to the comptroller for a report on the financial condition of the company. By agreement in 1901 the value of the Portland plant was fixed for assessment, at \$3,000; last year the plant was assessed on a valuation of \$4,000. It is alleged that the company is bankrupt and that the mill is being operated by the Bank of Nova Scotia. The petition to council requests that the value of the plant be fixed at \$3,000 for assessment. There was considerable discussion over an alteration early Wednesday morning between Police Deskman Thomas and Turney Clifford. The matter will be investigated. Early police court hours and the hold-

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**POLICE COURT CASES YESTERDAY**

**Eleven Men Who Drank Well But Not Wisely Pleaded Guilty in the Police Court and Were Remanded.**

In ye good old days that time of Yule was one of merriment and song, "eat, drink and be merry," was the motto of that golden age, but alas! those days have gone and they are no more.

Eleven members of the community who had quaffed too freely of the ardent spirit, in their desire to pass what was their conception of a truly merry Xmas, were hailed before the police court yesterday afternoon. They all pleaded guilty to the charge of drunkenness and were remanded.

Two more were also held on a more serious charge; they are believed to be responsible for the break at Sidney Isaac's tobacco store on Mill street which took place early Friday morning, when several watches and flashlights were stolen.

The city court sat yesterday afternoon, the day usually for this court falling on the holiday.

**TAKEN IN CUSTODY.**

One lone drunk was gathered in off the streets last night.

Three stowaways were given in charge by Captain Faulkner of the steamship Canadian Signaller. The three colored men gave their names as Joseph Percival, Louis Martin and Thomas Rollickson. They are charged with stealing their passage from Demerara, British West Indies, to St. John.

**ST. JOHN INCLUDED IN BIG CHAIN**

The St. John concert-loving public is evidently very glad to hear news of the coming of that illustrious baritone Emilio de Gogorza, whose concerts have always stood out with prominence among the scores of musical attractions in the larger centres. He will appear at the Imperial January 15th.

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**PROBATE COURT.**

In the matter of the estate of George Walker, late of Brookline, Mass., ancillary probate was granted, in the probate court yesterday morning, to Alice K. Walker, of this city. J. R. Campbell, K. C., was advocate.

In the estate of George Henry McAuley, letters of administration were granted to J. K. Kelley, K. C.

Ancillary probate was granted to Stephen B. Bastin in the estate of William Freeman Marshall. Stephen W. Palmer was advocate.

In the matter of the estate of Jennie M. Emery, letters testamentary were granted to Ida M. Finley and Amos A. Finley. Stephen W. Palmer was advocate.

Letters testamentary were granted to Mary A. Quinlan in the estate of Leonard C. Quinlan. L. A. Condon, advocate.

In the matter of the estate of Harriet A. deVeber, letters of administration were granted to William H. deVeber. J. R. Campbell, K. C., was advocate.

In the estate of Isaiah W. Holder, letters testamentary were granted to Sarah Jane Holder. J. D. P. Lewis was advocate.

In the matter of the estate of Edgar Wheaton, Clarence L. Wheaton was granted letters of administration. J. Wilfred Tait was advocate.

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Steamships Common-150 @ 78;  
Steamships Ltd-35 @ 84 1/2;  
Carriage Factories-24 @ 30 1/2; 20 @ 30 1/2; 70 @ 32; 50 @ 32 1/2;  
Can Cement Com-20 @ 73 1/2;  
Dom Iron Com-200 @ 74 1/2; 715 @ 75;  
Steel Canada Com-425 @ 87 1/2; 100 @ 87 1/2; 2 @ 88 1/2; 130 @ 87 1/2; 195 @ 87 1/2; 200 @ 87 1/2; 404 @ 88;  
Shawinigan x-85 @ 116 1/2; 200 @ 116 1/2; 25 @ 117;  
Montreal Power-98 @ 90;  
Gould Pfd-20 @ 78;  
Gould Com-5 @ 70; 50 @ 70;  
Canada Car Com-35 @ 105 1/2; 100 @ 105 1/2; 325 @ 105 1/2;  
Abtibi-10 @ 276; 25 @ 282; 195 @ 282;  
Lauren Pulp-15 @ 264; 45 @ 267 1/2; 25 @ 268 1/2; 10 @ 268; 125 @ 268 1/2; 25 @ 268 1/2; 50 @ 267 1/2; 25 @ 267 1/2; 50 @ 267 1/2;  
Riduron-200 @ 100; 25 @ 101;  
McDonalds-45 @ 44; 30 @ 45; 50 @ 45 1/2; 20 @ 46; 75 @ 48 1/2; 50 @ 48 1/2; 48 @ 48 1/2; 150 @ 44 1/2; 100 @ 45; 10 @ 44 1/2; 25 @ 44 1/2; 10 @ 44 1/2;  
Wayamack-25 @ 82; 25 @ 84; 80 @ 84 1/2; 75 @ 84 1/2; 10 @ 85; 25 @ 85; 25 @ 85; 25 @ 85;  
B. C. Fish-15 @ 63; 35 @ 64;  
Quebec Riv-25 @ 29; 125 @ 28 1/2;  
Atlantic Sugar Com-25 @ 69 1/2; 10 @ 69 1/2; 300 @ 72; 200 @ 72 1/2; 125 @ 72; 25 @ 71 1/2;  
Lyal-30 @ 85;  
Dom Bridge-100 @ 104;  
Span River Com-125 @ 86; 40 @ 85 1/2; 25 @ 87 1/2; 70 @ 87; 25 @ 86 1/2; 25 @ 86 1/2; 50 @ 87; 150 @ 87 1/2;  
Royal Bank-44 @ 215;  
Bank Commerce-10 @ 196 1/2; @ 197;  
Merchant's Bank-33 @ 190.

Afternoon

Victory Loan 1922-18,000 @ 98 3/4;  
18,000 @ 98 1/2;  
Steamships Ltd-20 @ 84 1/2;  
Carriage Factories-75 @ 32; 50 @ 32 1/2; 50 @ 32 1/2;  
Canada Cement Com-115 @ 73 1/2;  
Dom Iron Pfd-32 @ 92;  
Abtibi-15 @ 290;  
Steel Canada Com-55 @ 85; 25 @ 85 1/2; 100 @ 87 1/2; 100 @ 87 1/2; 120 @ 87 1/2; 100 @ 87 1/2;  
Shawinigan x-45 @ 117; 20 @ 116 1/2;  
Montreal Power-175 @ 90; 10 @ 90;  
Dom Iron Com-150 @ 74 1/2; 10 @ 70 1/2; 80 @ 74 1/2; 25 @ 75;  
Dom War Loan 1921-2,500 @ 96;  
Can Car Com-10 @ 70; 25 @ 69;  
25 @ 68 1/2; 25 @ 68 1/2;  
Can Car Pfd-25 @ 106; 610 @ 107;  
Dom Iron Pfd-32 @ 92;  
Detroit-2 @ 107;  
Lake of the Woods-3 @ 200;  
Ontario Steel-50 @ 57 1/2;  
Lauren Pulp-18 @ 278; 15 @ 275 1/2; 25 @ 275; 75 @ 272;  
Riduron-100 @ 112; 195 @ 115; 75 @ 115 1/2;  
McDonalds-315 @ 45; 20 @ 44 1/2; 25 @ 44 1/2; 150 @ 45 1/2;  
Quebec Railway-100 @ 29;  
B. C. Fish-20 @ 63 1/2; 25 @ 64 1/2; 20 @ 65; 5 @ 65 1/2;  
Span River Pfd-160 @ 128; 210 @ 128 1/2; 50 @ 128 1/2;  
Dom Bridge-2 @ 104;  
Dom Cement-25 @ 58 1/2; 25 @ 58 1/2; 75 @ 58 1/2; 50 @ 58 1/2; 60 @ 58 1/2;  
Brompton-200 @ 94 1/2; 50 @ 95 1/2; 165 @ 95 1/2; 10 @ 95 1/2; 40 @ 95 1/2; 40 @ 95 1/2;  
North Amer Pulp-425 @ 4 1/2;  
Forgins-25 @ 192; 25 @ 192; 25 @ 192;  
Tram Power-25 @ 215;  
Globe Com-10 @ 64.

### MONTREAL MARKETS

Montreal, Dec. 26—Oats, Extra No. 1 feed, \$10 1/2 to \$10 1/4;  
Flour, Man. Spring wheat patents, \$11.00 to \$11.10;  
Hulled oats, bag 90 lbs., \$4.75 to \$5.00;  
Bran, \$4.25;  
Shorts, \$5.25;  
Hay, No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$24.00 to \$25.00;  
Cheese, finest eastern, 25c. to 28c. to 27c.;  
Butter, choicest creamery, 67c. to 67 1/2c.;  
Butter, seconds, 62c. to 65c.;  
Eggs, fresh, \$1.60 to \$1.10;  
Eggs, selected, 65c. to 70c.;  
Eggs, No. 1 stock, 57c. to 58c.;  
Potatoes, per bag, car lots, \$2.25 to \$2.50;  
Dressed hogs, Abattoir killed, \$25.00 to \$25.50;  
Lard, pure wood galls, 20 lbs. net, \$29c. to 31c.

	Bid	Ask
Ames Com	120	120
Ames Pfd	120	120
Brazilian Ltd	50 1/2	50 1/2
Brompton	65 1/2	65 1/2
Canada Car	67 1/2	68
Canada Car Pfd	70 1/2	70 1/2
Canada Cement	72 1/2	72 1/2
Detroit United	107	108
Dom Iron Pfd	92	92 1/2
Dom Iron Com	74 1/2	75
Dom Tea Com	122	122 1/2
Laurentide Paper	273	273 1/2
McDonalds Com	44 1/2	45
McL Ltd and Pfd	90 1/2	90 1/2
N Scotia St and C	64 1/2	65
Ogilvies	277	277 1/2
Quebec Railway	29	29 1/2
Span River Pfd	128 1/2	129
Toronto Rails	42	44
Steel Co Can Co	97 1/2	98
Tuckett Tobacco	58	58 1/2
Wayamack	86 1/2	86 1/2

### CHICAGO PRICES

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 26—Corn, No. 2 mixed, not quoted; No. 2 mixed, \$1.40 1/2 to \$1.42 1/2; No. 2 yellow, not quoted; No. 3 yellow, \$1.40 to \$1.42.  
Oats, No. 2 white, 85 1/2 to 87; No. 2 white, 83 to 85.  
Rye, No. 2, \$1.81 to \$1.82.  
Barley, \$1.50 to \$1.62.  
Clover, \$2.00 to \$2.10.  
Pork, nominal.  
Lard, \$22.50 to \$23.70.  
Hogs, \$18.25 to \$19.25.

	High	Low	Close
January	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
February	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
March	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
April	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
May	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
June	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
July	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
August	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
September	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
October	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
November	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
December	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2

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# MARKET REPORTS

## STOCKS, BONDS AND PRODUCE

### PAPER STOCKS FEATURES ON MONTREAL MARKET

Montreal, Dec. 26.—The market was strong with the paper stocks the feature. Specular advances were shown in several, such as Abtibi, which closed 30 points up from last night, Riondon, which closed at 172, 17 points up, after selling at 175, and Laurentide, which showed a nine point advance at 273 after making a new high at 276. The rest of this group closed strong—Spanish at 88 1/2 and Wayamack up four points at 86 1/2. The demand for these securities was keen throughout the day. Amongst the other stocks, the Steels closed showing fractional advances. MacDonald was a strong feature, selling as high as 45 1/2. Some of the paper stocks look as if they have reached a price at which they are discounting a long time ahead.

### N. Y. QUOTATIONS

(McDougall and Cowans)

	Open	High	Low	Close
Am Best Sug	131	132 1/2	131	131 1/2
Am Car Fdry	134 1/2	135 1/2	134 1/2	134 1/2
Am Loco	103 1/2	104 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
Am Sugar	138 1/2	139 1/2	138 1/2	138 1/2
Am Smelting	67 1/2	68 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
Am Steel Fdry	43 1/2	44 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2
Am Woolen	126	127 1/2	126	126 1/2
Am Tele	97 1/2	98 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2
Anacosta	58 1/2	59 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
A H and L P	118	119 1/2	118	118 1/2
Amer Can	54 1/2	55 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
Atchafalca	83 1/2	84 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2
Balt and O	37 1/2	38 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2
Beth Steel	94 1/2	95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
Baldwin Loco	112 1/2	113 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2
B R T	112 1/2	113 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2
Butte and S	25 1/2	26 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
C F L	40	41 1/2	40	40 1/2
Cent Leather	96 1/2	97 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2
C P R	131 1/2	132 1/2	131 1/2	131 1/2
Cres and Ohio	57 1/2	58 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2
Cruicible St	212 1/2	213 1/2	212 1/2	212 1/2
Erie Com	33	34 1/2	33	33 1/2
Gen North P	78 1/2	79 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2
Good Rub	70 1/2	71 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2
Gen Motors	338 1/2	339 1/2	338 1/2	338 1/2
Gen North Or	37 1/2	38 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2
Atlantic Alco	109 1/2	110 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2
Intor Acrl	19	20 1/2	19	19 1/2
Stromberg	73	74 1/2	73	73 1/2
Intor Paper	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Inspr Pa	57 1/2	58 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2
Kan City	15 1/2	16 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
Kennecott	28 1/2	29 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Lehigh Val	42 1/2	43 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
N Y Cent	108 1/2	109 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
More Mar	219 1/2	220 1/2	219 1/2	219 1/2
Mex Petro	109 1/2	110 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2
Pr Sll Car	100	101 1/2	100	100 1/2
Reading Com	76 1/2	77 1/2	76 1/2	76 1/2
Repub	114 1/2	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Royal Dutch	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
St Paul	38 1/2	39 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
South Pacific	104 1/2	105 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
South Ry	23 1/2	24 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Studebaker	104 1/2	105 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
U Pacific	123 1/2	124 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2
U S Steel	108 1/2	109 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
U S Rubber	125 1/2	126 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
Utah Cop	74 1/2	75 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2
Westhouse	57 1/2	58 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2
Max Motors	22 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
Overland	27 1/2	28 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2
Pierce Arrow	76	77 1/2	76	76 1/2

### GREATER ACTIVITY MARKED TRADING AFTER HOLIDAY

Definite News from President Regarding Returning of Railroads Stimulated Transportation Division.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Resumption of trading on the stock exchange after the Christmas recess was attended by greater activity and breadth of operations, due chiefly to a general demand for railroad stocks.

President Wilson's proclamation ordering the return of those properties to private ownership on March 1 next stimulated the entire transportation divisions, the buying soon extending to railroad equipments and kindred steels.

Tobaccos, shippings, oils, motors and numerous peace industrials were added to the list in the course of the almost steady rise, together with food shares and issues of no definite classification.

For the first time this month traders and commission houses reported a visible quickening of public interest, although the major portion of the day's purchases probably originated from short coverings.

Approval of the President's decree was almost universal in railway and financial circles, but it was realized that the uncertain course of Federal legislation still leaves the transportation situation in an obscure state. Heavy deposits of holiday or "shopping" funds are expected to correct last week's depletion of bank reserves, but call money rose to fifteen per cent. after opening at ten, holding at the maximum rate at the close. Offerings of time money were nominal, country banks buying freely of commercial paper.

Sales amounted to 1,250,000 shares. Dealings in foreign exchange were comparatively small, but the British rate weakened moderately on reports that plans to establish credits on London had met with unexpected obstacles.

Liberty bonds were steady and foreign features, but the general domestic list hardened on further buying of speculative raffia.

Total shares, par value, aggregated \$2,600,000.

Old United States bonds were unchanged on call.

### FALLING OFF IN SEAFISH VALUE FOR NOVEMBER

British Columbia Catch in Excess of November, 1918, But Was Offset by Falling off in Fundy's Sardine Catch.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 26.—The total value of seafish at the point of landing on both the Atlantic and Pacific coast during the month of November was \$2,138,513, as compared with \$2,272,468 for the same month in 1918.

The value of the British Columbia catch was over three hundred thousand dollars more than in November of last year, but this was offset by a great drop in value of the Bay of Fundy sardine catch. Owing to unremunerative prices, the sardine fishery was not prosecuted with the usual vigor, and consequently the catch amounted to not more than 85,000 barrels, as compared with 65,000 barrels in November, 1918.

A heavy easterly gale in the first week of the month handicapped the fishermen of the Atlantic coast by wrecking or damaging boats and fishing gear. This gale is largely responsible for a decrease in the mackerel catch which fell from 22,910 cwts. in November, 1918, to 15,800 cwts. last month.

### ALL GOING WELL ON "SOVIET ARK"

U. S. War Department Receives Wireless from Transport Buford That Departed Reds Are Contented.

Washington, Dec. 26.—A wireless message from the army transport Buford, on which a number of radicals were deported from the United States received at the War Department today, said everything was well on board the ship and "the Reds contented."

### RAILS FAILED TO CAUSE FLURRY ON NEW YORK

(McDUGALL & COWANS.)  
New York, Dec. 26.—For a short time it looked as if the much hoped for move in the railroads was about to take place, but these hopes were short-lived, the initial advances were not maintained and trading in this class of securities diminished in volume. Speculation immediately turned to industrials, the buying of which was in large volume and seemed to be wholly maintained by houses with Western connections. All advice from the industrial section of the west are bullish description and it is stated that manufacturers are more active now than they have been for 3 active long time. Renewal rates of money, which went to 151 per cent, almost entirely ignored as a market factor. Several attempts were made by the traders to bring about a reaction, but the news of the industrial was R. D. C. in which a short interest was thought to be extensive. In the last hour of the day, the market was quiet. Copper stocks developed strength and the market was more cheerful than it had been for many months. Sales, 1,251,400.

### TORONTO GRAIN QUOTATIONS

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 26.—The grain quotations on the Toronto Board of Trade today were as follows:  
Manitoba wheat, in store Fort William, No. 1 northern, \$2.30; No. 2 northern, \$2.27; No. 3 northern, \$2.23.  
Manitoba oats, in store Fort William, No. 2 c.w., \$1.71; No. 3 c.w., \$1.67; extra No. 1 feed, 90c.; No. 1 feed, 83c.; No. 2 feed, 84c. 3/4.  
Manitoba barley, in store Fort William, No. 36 w., \$1.71; No. 3 c.w., \$1.67; rejected, \$1.53; feed, \$1.33 1/2.  
Ontario oats, according to freight outside, No. 3 white, 95c. to 98c.  
Trade wheat, f.o.b. shipping points, according to freight, No. 1 winter mixed, carlots, \$2.00 to \$2.01; No. 2, \$1.97 to \$2.00; No. 3, \$1.93 to \$1.99; No. 1 spring, \$2.02 to \$2.04; No. 2, \$1.99 to \$2.00; No. 3, \$1.95 to \$2.01.  
Peas, according to freight outside, No. 2, \$2.70.  
Barley, according to freight outside, making \$1.60 to \$1.70.  
Buckwheat, according to freight outside, No. 2, \$1.32 to \$1.35.  
Rye, according to freight outside, No. 2, \$1.60 to \$1.65.  
Manitoba flour, government standard, \$11 Toronto, in jute bags, Montreal, prompt shipment, \$9.30 to \$9.40; Toronto, \$9.30 to \$9.40.  
Milled, carlots, delivered Montreal, freight, bags included, bran per ton, \$45; shorts per ton, \$50; good feed flour per bag, \$9.15 to \$9.50.  
Hay, truck Toronto, No. 1, \$27 per ton; mixed, \$21 per ton.  
Straw, carlots, truck Toronto, \$14.50 to \$15.50.

### N. Y. COTTON MARKET

(McDougall and Cowans)

	High	Low	Close
January	23.10	22.70	23.00
March	25.22	25.04	25.20
May	24.60	23.25	24.45
July	22.80	21.64	22.70
October	22.70	22.88	22.60

### SPANISH RIVER WAS LEADER ON THE MONTREAL MARKET

No Fewer Than Ten Issues Furnished a Thousand Shares or Better Each to the Activities.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 26.—No fewer than ten issues furnished a thousand shares or better each to the market today. Leading in activity was Spanish River common with 2,900 shares, followed by steel of Canada with 2,700, MacDonald with 2,300, and Riondon with 1,900.

The feature of the market was the active buying of paper stocks, with Abtibi, Riondon and Laurentide the most prominent. Abtibi made another new high record by advancing to 290 with stock offered at 295 at the close and no bids. This is a gain of thirty points and an increase of \$3 a share since the beginning of the week.

Laurentide reached a new high, closing at 276, a gain of 8 1/2. Riondon closed the day at a gain of 15 1/2 points at 172, after reaching a new high record of 175 1/2. Other paper stocks to net large gains were Wayamack up 4 1/2 points to 86 1/2, and Spanish common netted 3 1/4 points at 88 1/2.

The steel stocks were strong, iron netting a fraction, Ontario Steel 2 3/4 at a new high of 57 3/4. On rumors that American operators were going to take over control, Canadian Car touched a new high at 70 and closed at 68.

Total sales, 25,679; bonds, 180,700; unlisted, 2,580; rights, 258.

### TURK COMMISSION URGED TO HUSTLE

Grand Vizier Wants Quicker Work in Preparation of Turkish Defence for Peace Conference.

Paris, Dec. 26.—(Havas)—The Turkish Grand Vizier has requested Tewfik Pasha, head of the commission appointed to prepare a defense of Turkey's interest before the Peace Conference, to hasten the work of the Commission because the Turkish delegates may be summoned to Paris next week according to advices from Constantinople. The High Commissioners in

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We are prepared to receive applications for loans on houses now in course of erection or contemplated by private parties in the County of St. John. Application forms may be had by applying to P. O. Box 668, or to Thomas K. Sweeney, Secretary-Treasurer, 109 Prince William Street, City.

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Here is a little free pocket compendium in book form illustrated with 40 half-tone photo reproductions, and containing 8,000 words of easy advice on private matters, which I gladly send to any man anywhere in the world absolutely free of charge, and enclosed in a perfectly plain, sealed envelope, so it is received by you like an ordinary private letter. I take all this special precaution in sending my free book because, where the man who persists in living an unnatural life of stress and dissipation, no hope can be offered, but for the other kind there is every hope and encouragement, because in regulating his habits he has taken the first grand and necessary step, which prepares the way for the action of any natural treatment which may re-supply his body with the FORCE which it has been drained of.

With respect to my VITALIZER, then, if in the future you feel when you go to bed, "This, while you sleep, it sends a great mysterious power (which I call VIGOR) into your blood, nerves, organs and muscles while you sleep. Men have said it takes pain or weakness out of the back from one application; that 60 to 90 days' use is sufficient to restore normal, manly strength.

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THE WEATHER.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—The weather has been moderately cold today in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, and mild in Ontario and the Western Provinces.

AROUND THE CITY

A PRIZE WINNER. At the Christmas Fair, held at the Hotel Dieu, Chatham, recently, in the combined lottery, W. J. Tins, 21, John, N. B., was the winner of Ireland in Pictures.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTIONS. The collection in the Cathedral on Christmas morning, in aid of the orphans, amounted to \$966.25.

EARLY MORNING ROBBERY. Some time early yesterday morning Sidney Isaac's cigar store on corner of Mill and North streets was broken into and several articles stolen.

STRUCK ON HEAD. James Ferguson, longshoreman, while engaged in cutting lumber yesterday morning at Sand Point, was struck on the head with a deal and stunned for some minutes.

PRESENTATIONS. Wm. M. Campbell, secretary of the Customs Association of New Brunswick, and P. E. Isaacs, made a suitable presentation on Wednesday by the local staff at the Custom House.

DISTRIBUTING FORMS. The Board of Health have their officers distributing forms regarding the registration of vital statistics to physicians, clergymen and undertakers of the city.

CELEBRATED BIRTHDAY. Rev. J. C. Ferris celebrated Thursday his 70th birthday. An old friend, in behalf of himself and several others, called and presented Mr. Ferris with a money gift and best wishes.

AWARDED CONTRACT. The contract for the erection of a grain elevator from the C. P. R. concrete elevated in berth 15, has been awarded to Grant & Horne, according to advice received from Ottawa.

AWARDED DAMAGES. In the Chancery division yesterday morning Chief Justice Hazen delivered judgment in the case of Harry D. Baird against John B. Jones, Jr., tried some three weeks ago.

BOARD OF TRADE NOTES. The Board of Trade has been advised of a hearing at Ottawa, Jan. 6, in connection with charges for heater car service.

A pupil in a school in Roxbury, Mass., asks for information respecting St. John and New Brunswick, to be used in connection with her studies.

Entertainment At Exmouth St. Church

Scholars of Beginners and Primary S.S. Classes Gave Pleasing Programme Last Evening—Visited by Santa Claus.

A delightful Christmas entertainment was held last evening at the Exmouth Street Methodist Church Sunday School, when the members of the Beginners and Primary Classes gave a pleasing program and enjoyed a visit from Santa Claus.

The program was as follows: Lantern slides, Star exercise, five girls; recitation, Grace Johnston, Kenneth Cosman; exercise, ten little girls; recitations, Dorothy Stephenson, Calvin Brannen, Ada Brickley, James Cosman; dialogue, Kenneth Cosman, Harold Parker; recitations, Dorothy Belyea, Grace Pederson, Joan Young; candle exercise, thirteen scholars; recitations, Lillian Belyea, Cecelia Sharp, Wendell Black, Elnor Romney; solo, Lois Watters; recitations, Ralph Cosman, Dorothy Handron Marion Cosman, Dorothy Powell.

Programme For New Year's Morning

Many Athletic Events Which Will Appeal to All Are Booked to Take Place at Y. M.C.A.

An athletic event which will appeal to many is booked for New Year's morning at the Y. M. C. A. when the swimming championships of the institution are to be contested for.

The programme is booked to start at ten a.m., the events to be held are as follows:—25 yards speed swim; 25 yards back stroke; 25 yards breast stroke; Long plunge (for time); 50 yards speed swim; head dive; 100 yards speed swim; fancy diving.

PROGRAMME AT SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE

About Six Hundred Present Last Evening Who Enjoyed Concert—Seamen Received Presents from Ladies

The Seamen's Institute was filled to its capacity last evening, when about six hundred people were present, including a large number of sailors from various vessels in port, at the concert given by the ladies of the institution.

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Arrived With Many Passengers

C.P.O.S. Scandinavian Arrived from Liverpool Yesterday Afternoon With Large General Cargo and 1,464 Passengers.

The C. P. O. S. liner Scandinavian arrived here yesterday afternoon from Liverpool and docked at No. 3 berth West St. John with 499 first class passengers, 508 second cabin and 457 steerage, bringing a total of 1,464 passengers. A number of these passengers were returning soldiers and dependents.

Xmas Cheer At The Home For Incurables

Patients Delighted With Programme Yesterday—Arranged by Ladies' Aid Committee—Presents for All the Inmates.

A very pleasant afternoon was spent at the Home for Incurables yesterday when every patient was made the recipient of a Christmas gift, the presentations being made by the Ladies' Aid Committee of the institution.

Excellent Programme Arranged for Services in the Main Street Baptist Church

The following is the musical programme arranged for the Christmas services in Main Street Baptist church tomorrow:

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC TOMORROW

Quartette—"Sleep, Holy Babe." (Dyke) Anthem—"There Were Shepherds" (M. B. Foster)

ST. JOHN CATHOLIC DEBATING UNION

First Debate to be Held on Second Sunday in January in K. of C. Rooms—Other Dates and Subjects.

The first debate to be held by the St. John Catholic Debating Union is to take place the second Sunday in January in the Knights of Columbus rooms at three in the afternoon.

REPAIRS FOR HOT WATER AND STEAM BOILERS

Repairs for Hot Water and Steam Boilers, P. Campbell & Co., Prince William street.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS' LUNCHEON

Tuesday, December 30, at 1.15 p.m. At Bond Street.

VICTORIA RINK

Skating and band this afternoon. Band and skating tonight.

COMMEMORATIVE LUNCHEON

Tuesday, December 30, at 1.15 p.m. At Bond Street.

Christmas Tree At Municipal Home

Programme Carried Out by Children at the Home—Addresses by Mayor and Others—Gifts Presented to Inmates.

In the beautifully decorated school room of the Municipal Home yesterday afternoon a very pleasing programme was given by the children at the institution and a number of addresses made by the mayor and other visitors to the Home.

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## TAM O' THE SCOTS

By EDGAR WALLACE

### PUPPIES OF THE PACK

Tam was not infallible, and the working out of his great "chactics" did not always justify the confidence which he reposed in them. His idea of an "invisible aeroplane," for example, which was to be one painted sky blue that would "air-tronise" the blue skies, was not a success, nor was his scheme for the creation of artificial clouds attended by any encouraging results. But Tam's "Attack Formation for Bombing Enemy Depots" attained to the dignity of print, and was confidentially circulated in French, English, Russian, Italian, Serbian, Japanese and Rumanian.

The pity is that a Scottish edition was not prepared in Tam's own language; and Captain Blackie, who elaborated Tam's rough notes and condensed into a few lines Tam's most such an edition, for very private circulation.

It would have begun somewhat like this:

"The Hoon or Gairman is a vera hoonie fighter, but he has nae insecticide. He squirts op in the morn an' he speers a fine machine over by his nose."

"Hoot!" says he, "yon wee feeler is Scottish, A'm thinkin'—go you, Fritz an' Hans an' Carl an' Heinrich, an' strate the pair body."

"Nay," says his oonder lieutenant, "Neh, he says, 'ye daunt nae what ye're aakin', Herr Lieutenant."

"What's wrong wi' ye?" says the oberlieutenant. "Are ye Gairman heroes or just low-doon Austrians that ye fear ain wee baider?"

"Lootenant," say they, yon feller is Tam o' the Scots the Brigand o' the Stars!"

"Eh!" he says, Gang oop, ah o' ye, an' ask the lad to coom doon an' tak' a soop wi' us—we mean keep on the recit side o' Tam!"

All this and more would have gone to form the preliminary chapter of the true version of Tam's code of attack.

"He's a rum bird, is Tam," said Captain Blackie at breakfast; "he brought down von Zeidlitz yesterday."

"Is von Zeidlitz down?" demanded half a dozen voices, and Blackie nodded.

"He was a good clean fighter," said young Carter regretfully. "When did you hear this, sir?"

"This morning, through H. Q. Intelligence."

"Tam will be awfully bucked," said somebody. "He was complaining yesterday that life was getting too monotonous. By the way, we ought to drop a wreath for poor old von Zeidlitz."

"Tam will do it with pleasure," said Blackie; "he always liked von Zeidlitz—he called him 'Fritz Fokker' ever since the day von Zeidlitz nearly got Tam's tail down."

An officer standing by the window with his hands thrust into his pockets called over his shoulder:

"Here comes Tam."

The thunder and splutter of the scout's engine came to them faintly as Tam's swift little machine came skimming across the broad ground of the aerodrome and in a few minutes Tam was walking slowly toward the office, stripping his gloves as he went.

Blackie went out to him.

"Hello, Tam—anything exciting?"

Tam waved his hand—he never saluted.

"Will ye gang an' tak' a look at the instruments?" he asked mysteriously.

"Will ye, sir?"

"Captain Blackie walked over to the machine and climbed up into the fuselage. What he saw made him gasp, and he came back to where Tam was standing, smug and self-conscious.

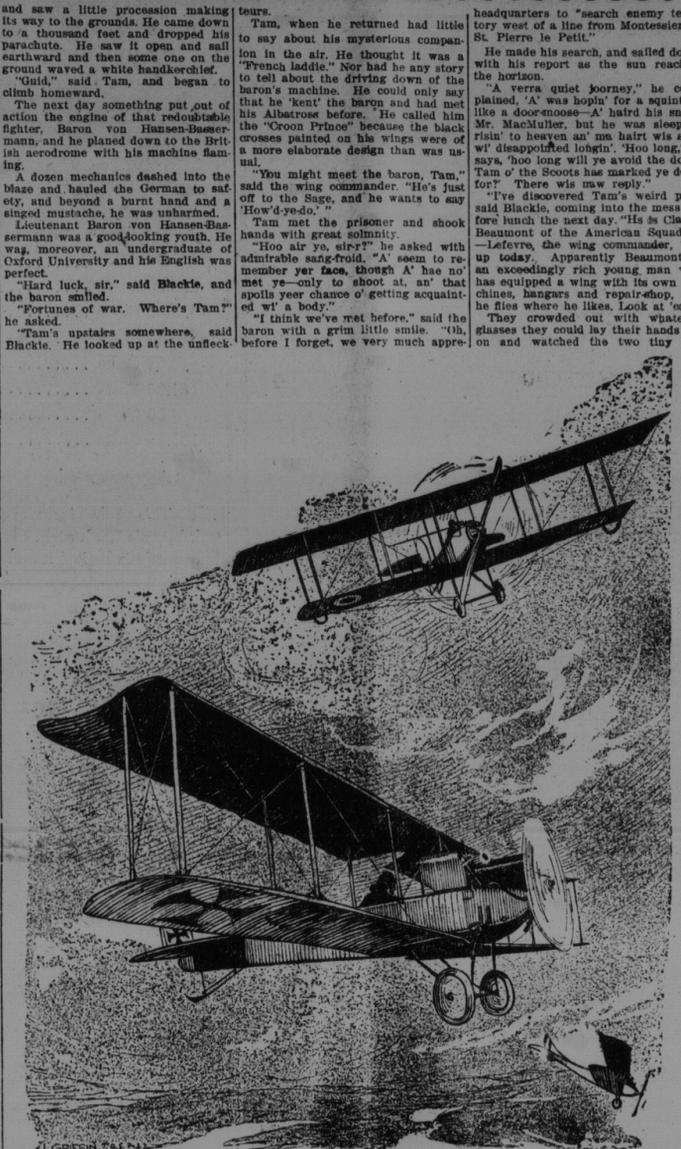
"You've been up to twenty-eight thousand feet, Tam?" asked the astonished Blackie. "Why, that is nearly a record!"

"A' doot ma barometreer," said Tam; "an' I were no' focthy thousand, A'm a Boche."

"You're not a Boche, Tam," he said, "and you haven't been to forty thousand feet—no human being can rise eight miles. To get up five and a half miles is a wonderful achievement. Why did you do it?"

Tam grinned and slapped his long gloves together.

"For peace an' quiet," he said. "A've been chased by thirty air hoonies that got 'twixt me an' ma breakfast, so A' went oop a bit an' a bit more an' two fellaers came behind me. There's an odd job that A've never understood



The German swooped in his drive and missed his proper place.

and saw a little procession making its way to the grounds. He came down to a thousand feet and dropped his parachute. He saw it open and sail earthward and then some one on the ground waved a white handkerchief.

"Giddy," said Tam, and began to climb homeward.

A dozen mechanics dashed into the maze and hauled the German to safety, and beyond a burnt hand and a singed mustache, he was unharmed.

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"You might meet the baron, Tam," said the wing commander. "He's just off to the Sage, and he wants to say 'How'd-yee-do'."

Tam met the prisoner and shook hands with great solemnity.

"How air ye, sir?" he asked with admirable sang-froid. "A' seem to remember yer face, though A' has no met yer—only to shoot at, an' that spots yer chance o' getting acquainted wi' a body."

"I think we've met before," said the baron with a grim little smile. "Oh, before I forgot, we very much appreciate your poem, Tam; there are lines in it which were quite beautiful."

Tam flushed crimson with pleasure. "Thank ye, sir," he blurted. "Ye couldn't a' made me more pleased—even if A' killit ye."

The baron threw back his head and laughed.

"Good-bye, Tam—take care of yourself. There's a new man come to us who give you some trouble."

"It's no' Mister MacMuller?" asked Tam eagerly.

"Oh—you've heard of Captain Muller?" asked the prisoner interestedly.

"Hardly—good Lord, mon—sir, A' mean—look here!"

He put his hand in his pocket and produced a worn leather case. From this he extracted two or three newspaper cuttings and selected one, headed "German official."

"Captain Muller," read Tam, "yesterday shot down his twenty-sixth aeroplane."

"That's Muller," said the other carefully. "I can tell you no more—except look after yourself."

"He's na doot about that, sir," said Tam with confidence.

He went up that afternoon in accordance with instructions received from

headquarters to "search enemy territory west of a line from Montessier to St. Pierre le Petit."

He made his search, and sailed down with his report as the sun reached the horizon.

"A vera quiet journey," he complained, "A' was hopin' for a squint at like a doornoose—A' ha'it his snoot Mr. MacMuller, but he was sleeping risin' to heaven an' ma ha'it wis sick wi' disappointed loagin'." "How long," A' says, "how long will ye avoid the doom Tam o' the Scots has marked ye doon for?" There wis na reply.

"I've discovered Tam's weird pal," said Blackie, coming into the mess before lunch the next day. "His name is Claude Beaumont of the American Squadron—Lefevre, the wing commander, was up today. Apparently Beaumont is an exceedingly rich young man who has equipped a wing with its own machines, hangars and repair-shop, and he flies where he likes. Look at 'em! They crowded out with whatever glasses they could lay their hands upon and watched the two tiny machines that circled and dipped, climbed and banked about one another.

First one would dart away with the other in pursuit, then the chaser, as though despairing of overtaking his quarry, would turn and chase the other.

"Have you ever seen two puppies at play?" asked Blackie. "Look at Tam chasing his tail—and neither man knows the other or has ever looked upon his face! Isn't it weird? That's von Hansen-Bassermann's ninth sense. They can't speak—they can't even see one another properly and yet they're good pals—look at 'em. I've watched the puppies of the pack go on in exactly the same way."

"What is Tam supposed to be doing?"

"He's watching the spotters. Tam will be down presently and we'll ask David how he came to meet Jonathan."

"This business has been going on for weeks."

Tam had received the recall signal. Beneath him he saw the two spotters returning home, and he waved his hand to his sporting companion and came round in a little more than twice his own length. He saw his strange friend's hand raised in acknowledgement, and watched him turn for the south. Tam drove on for a mile, then something made him look back.

Above his friend was a glittering white dragon-fly, and as he looked the fly darted down at the American tail.

"Missed him!" said Tam, and swung round. He was racing with the wind at top speed and must have been doing one hundred and twenty miles an hour, but for the fact that he was climbing at the extreme angle. He saw the dragon-fly loop and climb and the American swing about to attack.

But his machine was too slow—that Tam knew. Nothing short of a miracle could save the lower machine, for the enemy had again reached the higher position. So engrossed was he with his plan that he did not see Tam until the Scot was driving blindly, and he was behind and above him, but in no position to attack. He could, and did fire a drum into the fleeing foe, but none of the shots took effect.

"Tairn him, Archie!" groaned Tam, and as though the earth gunners had heard his plea, a screen of bursting shrapnel rase before the dragon-fly.

He turned and nose-dived with Tam behind him, but now his nose was for home, and Tam, after a five-mile pursuit, came round and made for home also. Near his own lines he came up with the circling "Frenchman" and received his thanks—four fingers extended in the air—before the signal, taking a route within the lines, streaked for home.

"Phew!" said Tam, shaking his head.

"Who were you chasing?" asked Blackie. "He can go!"

"You're MacMuller," said Tam, jerking his thumb at the eastern sky. He's a vera likeable feller—but a wee bit too canny an' a big bit too fast. Captain Blackie, sir, can ye no' get me a machine that can fly? Ma wee machine is no' unlike a haire, but A'm wishin' o' providin' the coorse."

"You've got the fastest machine in France, Tam," said the Captain.

"Tan needed."

"It's vera likely—she wis do' runnin' so sweet," he confessed. "But ain't so sweet! He's a braw Hoon moon! That outraged by the fine things that the baron said about ma poetry. Eh! A've got a grand vintur, but I'll be a seagull about ye, Captain Blackie! A' gave ma case to the Duke of Argyll an' he has no' returned it."

Next Week:  
THE COMING OF MULLER.

### VALUE OF MANURE DEPENDENT UPON NATURE OF LITTER

Straw is Universal Litter, But Sawdust is Proving Quite Satisfactory and Particularly Valuable.

(Experimental Farms Note.)

The amount and value of manure produced on the farm is a measure dependent on the nature and supply of the litter used. For the purpose of a litter is not only to act as a bedding material, to keep the animal warm, dry and comfortable, but also to serve as an absorbent to take up and hold all the liquid excreta—the most valuable part of the manure.

Straw is the universal litter and there are few better but there are seasons in which the supply is short and it may then be advantageously supplemented with sawdust. Indeed used alone dry sawdust is quite satisfactory. It is clean and easily handled but is particularly valuable for its high absorbent power for liquids, which is two to three times that of ordinary straw. It is not rich in plant food constituents but its subsequent decomposition in the soil gives rise to much humus-forming material. It should be used in sufficient quantity to absorb completely all urine.

There is a more or less general impression among farmers that manure from stables and cow barns in which sawdust has been used as a litter is injurious to the land. While we would not say that this suspicion may not have some foundation we have never been able to discover a single instance of such injury and enquiry has been made both in Canada and the United States in this matter. Such injury could only occur on very light soils following very heavy applications. Most satisfactory evidence has been obtained from many farms upon which sawdust has been used as a bedding material for a number of years and upon which the soil is light and sandy. Naturally it is on heavy soils that this class of manure proves most effective.

One word of caution is necessary. Horse manure from stables using sawdust heats very rapidly, especially if left in the pile, and the excessive fermentation that may take place will seriously injure the manure. Such manure should be mixed with that from the cow barn, which can readily be managed when manure carriers are installed and a manure spreader used. Mixed manure (horse and cow) may be handled in the same manner as that made with straw. The saturation of the sawdust with the liquid excreta promotes the ready decomposition of the litter under favorable conditions of temperature and the best place for this to take place, in order that the full manurial effect may be obtained, is in the soil. If the manure cannot be spread at once, it should be kept moist and compact, as in the case of manure made with straw.

The sawdust of hardwoods, decomposes more readily and further is richer in potash and phosphoric acid than that of pines and conifers generally, but no harm due to resistance to decay need be feared. The use of the litter provided for a number of years employed in larger quantity than is sufficient to absorb and retain the liquid excreta.

### President Covey Over In Halifax

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 26.—A. W. Covey, St. John, president of the Maritime branch of the Canadian Amateur Athletic Union, is in Halifax in an endeavor to straighten out the difficulties arising in the ranks of the amateur club of that province in seeking registration cards for athletes who broke the rules of amateur sport during the war. Mr. Covey says that he is pleased with the conditions in Halifax, and that he found registration cards were being issued to the deserving ones. His big job in the Maritime Provinces will be the adjusting of affairs in Cape Breton applications having come from the mining towns (or several well known pros. But only the boys who have played professionally during the war, up to January 1 of this year, will be considered.

### AN APPEAL TO SANITY

Under that heading Mrs. Cyrus Hall McCormick today wrote to Mrs. W. H. Winslow, president of the Chicago Women's club, a request that the people of Chicago, the women especially, return to their wartime mode of living as one means of reducing the high cost of living. The letter says in part:

"I have been much concerned for some time over the possibility that with natural relaxation of our war

### BRINGING UP FATHER



By McMANUS.

Tempting the Enemies.

"Be careful, Johnny, what you eat." Says ma, "now, dearest, do. You know mince pie and turkey meat Are enemies to you."

But when I pass the pantry stair And see them on the shelf, I love my enemies for fair— Yes, better than myself.

PRESENTED WITH CARE

William Kerr, superintendent for New Brunswick of the Soldiers' Settlement Board, was on Christmas Eve the recipient of a handsome silver mounted cane from the members of the office staff.



The fact that Christmas fell this year on Thursday, was responsible for a week of social quiet, owing to the busy season, and the constant attention to so many details in connection with its celebration. Party receptions at dinner were as usual the chief events of the day, and as is the custom many embraced the opportunity at this time to entertain the stranger within our gates. Public institutions were appropriately decorated with evergreens and holly and everything possible done to reflect the happiness of the festival on the inmates.

The Manor House on Christmas night was the scene of much merry making and seldom is ever has a more elaborate entertainment taken place within its walls. The house was beautifully decorated, and evergreens and holly were everywhere in evidence. Two tables were required to accommodate the guests, one for the older and the other the younger members of the party. The table decorations were alike in the two dining rooms, and consisted of miniature Christmas trees, three on each table beautifully trimmed with boughs and bright with ropes of tinsel and streamers of scarlet satin ribbons. Appropriate cards and favors marked the places of the guests. Mr. Arthur W. Adams was the toast-master, and during the evening called upon His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, General Macdonnell, Mrs. George K. McLeod, Mrs. David P. Chisholm, and Mrs. Charles Coster for short speeches, which they delivered in the happiest manner possible, each in turn expressing the hope that those present might have the opportunity of joining together yet many times, to celebrate the Christmas festival. After dinner dancing was enjoyed until midnight, and noticeable among the new-fashioned dances on the program were those of an earlier period, which were equally enjoyed by the guests. Among those present were His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Pugsley, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. George K. McLeod, Dr. and Mrs. Stewart Skinner, Mr. and Mrs. Heber Vroom, Mrs. David P. Chisholm, Mrs. Busby, Mrs. Gillmour Brown, Mrs. Charles Coster, Colonel Spurling, General Macdonnell, and Mr. Meunier, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Fowler, Miss Barbara Jack, Miss D. Brown, Miss Phyllis Kenney, Miss Andrew McLeod, Miss Leslie Skinner, Miss K. Sturdee, Miss K. Coster, Mr. Stuart McLeod, Mr. Murray Skinner, Mr. Douglas White, Mr. C. H. McDonald, Mr. Bayard Coster, Mr. Daryl Peters, Mr. J. Humphrey, Mr. Murray Vaughan, and Mr. Brydon MacIlwidge. Other guests arrived after dinner to enjoy the dancing, and included the Misses Kerr, Miss Catherine McAvity, Miss Dorothy Blizard, Miss L. Raymond, Colonel Lawson, Capt. Winter, Capt. Bennett and Capt. Wallace Alward.

Mrs. Thomas Bell entertained on Monday at the Union Club at an enjoyable luncheon, in honor of Mr. Herbert Clinch. The table was artistically arranged for the occasion and had for decoration American Beauty roses. Those present were Mrs. Clinch, Mrs. Perry W. Thomson, Mrs. Walter Harrison, Miss Gertrude David, Miss Mabel Thomson and Miss Katherine Bell.

Mrs. M. B. Edwards entertained at an enjoyable dance on Monday evening in honor of her daughter, Miss Christian Edwards and her guests, Miss Anne Frazer of Yokohama, a student at Vassar, New York. Jones' orchestra provided excellent music for the program of dances. At midnight a delicious supper was served. Among those present were the Misses Armstrong, Miss Phyllis Kenney, Miss Leslie Grant, Miss Andrew McLeod, Miss Leslie Skinner, Miss Valde Fenton, Miss Rhona Lloyd, Miss Helen Wilson, Miss Angela Magee, Miss Katherine Wilson, Miss Elizabeth McLeop, Miss Jean Foster, the Misses Anderson, Miss Margaret Carvill, Miss Dorothy Blizard, Miss Catherine McAvity, Miss Lois Grimmer, Miss Barbara Jack, Miss Kathleen Coster, Miss Rosemond McAvity, Miss Marion Moore, Miss Lillie Raymond, Miss Teed, Miss Grace Kurling, Mr. Alward, Mr. Gerald Anglin, Mr. Ives Anglin, Colonel Lawson, Mr. Ian McLaren, Mr. Lloyd Campbell, Mr. Bayard Coster, Mr. Cecil Fitzgerald, Mr. John McCready, Mr. Thomas McAvity, Mr. C. H. McDonald, Mr. Hugh McLeod, Mr. Stuart McLeod, Mr. John Moore, Captain Murdoch, Mr. G. Paterson, Mr. Pearce Paterson, Mr. Harold Peters, Mr. Arlaur Schofield, Mr. Leslie Peters, Mr. Don Skinner, Mr. Murray Skinner, Mr. Gordon Peters, Mr. Peniston Starr, Mr. Daryl Peters, Mr. A. Murray Vaughan, Toronto, Mr. Cecil West, Mr. Douglas White, Mr. Moffat Bell, Mr. Martin Merritt, Mr. Laurence Scovil, and Mr. Hart.

Miss Lawson and the pupils of the Witsand School are being congratulated on their successful efforts in connection with their gift to the Children's Aid. They recently provided three beds with mattresses and coverings, and also the chickens for the Christmas dinner. At the home a plate with the name Witsand School will be placed on each of the beds. Miss Lawson and her pupils have taken a keen personal interest in making their gift suitable one.

Mr. Justice and Mrs. Grimmer announce the engagement of their daughter, Lois Hazen, to Mr. Geoffrey M. Wheelock, of Shanghai, China, the wedding to take place shortly.

General regret is expressed on account of the unfortunate illness of Archibald Crowfoot and his many friends wish him a speedy recovery. Mrs. Thomas G. Marquis of New York is visiting her mother, Mrs. H. P. Sandall, 141 Wright street.

Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Topley and

### St. Andrews

St. Andrews, Dec. 25.—Sir Thomas Hall was in town on Friday.

The Misses Gladys Horanell and Dorothy Rankin, who have been attending Mount Allison, are home from Sackville for their Christmas vacation.

Capt. George Lowery left Friday night for Brunswick, Me., to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Marr are spending their vacation in the city.

Mr. William Parks of Montreal, is visiting his mother, Mrs. John Parks, Parks street.

Major and Mrs. Bruce Kelly of Halifax, spent Tuesday in St. John, en route to Woodstock to spend Christmas with Mrs. Kelly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dibble.

Mr. Kesson Howe of New York, is visiting friends in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. H. McAvity and Miss Nona McAvity arrived in the city this week and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McAvity, King street, East.

Colonel and Mrs. M. B. Edwards, Miss Christian Edwards and Miss Franz were dinner guests at the Manor House on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Furlong of Ottawa, are visiting Miss Furlong for the holidays, and are receiving a warm welcome from their many friends.

Mrs. Harold Coleman leaves this evening for Boston and New York, and expects to be absent about ten days.

Mrs. L. A. McAlpine, Princess street, is entertaining at a dance on Monday evening, in honor of Miss Christian Edwards.

Mrs. Walter Gilbert has issued invitations for a dance at the Manor House on Tuesday evening, in honor of her daughter, Miss Frances Gilbert and her son, Mr. Raleigh Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Robinson and children of Montreal, arrived in the city on Tuesday and are visiting Mrs. Robinson's mother, Mrs. George F. Smith, Union street.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Merritt announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Georgia to Mr. Walter K. Ganong of this city.

Major General H. H. McLean, Mr. Hugh McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Stetson and Miss Jean Stetson spent Christmas at "The Grove," Rothesay.

Mr. Don Skinner is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Skinner, Coburg street.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh MacKay and children, Rothesay, are guests of Sir Douglas and Lady Hazan.

Mrs. G. Wotmore Merritt and Mr. Martin Merritt have issued invitations for a dance at The Studio, on Tuesday evening, December 26th.

Major and Mrs. David B. Pidgeon and sons who have resided in London, England, for six months, are expected in St. John early in January.

Mr. Charles Scammel and Miss Ann Scammel spent Christmas in Rothesay, the guests of Mr. Walter Allison.

Miss Olive Burrill of Yarmouth, is spending the holidays in the city with relatives.

Mrs. Arthur Julien left on Tuesday for Halifax to spend Christmas.

Lieutenant Colonel Beverly R. Armstrong and officers of the 3rd N. B. Regiment, Canadian Garrison Artillery, have issued invitations for a dance at the Armory on Wednesday evening, December 31st.

Mr. James McG. Humphrey of Montreal arrived in the city on Wednesday to visit relatives.

Among the students from McGill who arrived in the city this week for the holidays were Miss Catherine Wilson, Miss Joan Foster, Miss Mary Barnes, Miss Edith Barnes and Miss Angela Magee.

The Great War Veterans' on Wednesday evening presented to Mrs. J. H. Tritson a table mirror and a cut glass vase filled with roses, accompanied by an address of appreciation for her faithful and earnest work among them ever since the beginning of the war. Mrs. Tritson although taken completely by surprise thanked the members for their kind words of appreciation and for their beautiful gift.

Miss Nina Field is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Field.

Miss Bessie Quinn of Boston, Mass., is visiting her father, Mr. Henry Quinn.

Dr. Wallace Broad is spending the holiday in St. Stephen.

St. Andrews friends are interested to hear of the engagement of Miss Lois Hazen Grimmer, daughter of Hon. Justice Grimmer and Mrs. Grimmer to Mr. Geoffrey Wheelock. Both Miss Grimmer and Mr. Wheelock are well-known in St. Andrews.

Mrs. Richard Owens of Edmonton, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kennedy at "The Cottage."

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Rigby and mother Robert have returned from Montreal.

Mrs. W. F. Kennedy has returned from visit to St. Stephen.

Mr. Ben. Hanson of Moncton, is spending the vacation with his family.

Penobscquis, N. B., Dec. 22.—The Rev. J. C. Rice of Sussex, occupied the pulpit of the Lower Church here, on Sunday afternoon and preached to a large congregation.

On Saturday evening a meeting of the farmers of this place was held in the hall at which the president, secretary and several directors of the Sussex and St. John's Agricultural Society were present. Many very interesting subjects were brought up and discussed briefly, among them the importation of pure-bred live-stock, the use and abuse of commercial fertilizer, also the value of lime on some land. This is the first meeting of its kind held in Penobscquis, but judging from the interest taken it is safe to say it will not be the last.

On Sunday morning a very interesting Christmas program was carried out at the Sunday School. Following this each scholar was presented by their teachers with a small Christmas gift.

Last week a car on its way from Sackville to St. John, being driven at far too fast a rate for safety, left the road just below the village, collided with a heavy log that was in the ditch and as a result the rear wheel, axle and housing were torn off. Fortunately no one was hurt. The car was towed to Sussex for repairs.

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### ASSOCIATION OF ARMY AND NAVY

#### A Meeting Was Held Last Evening to Discuss the Formation of a Branch of Army and Navy Association.

A meeting was held at the Y. M. C. A. board rooms last evening in the interests of the Army and Navy Veterans' Association of Canada. Rev. A. P. Hodges, who was formerly minister at the Coburg Street Christian Church in St. John is now secretary of the Army and Navy Veterans' Association in Halifax, and he addressed the meeting outlining the charter and constitution of the Association. He stated that the Association in Halifax has over two thousand members. It is a very old society and has accomplished much good.

The matter was left in the hands of a committee and another meeting will be called early in January to discuss plans for forming a branch of the organization in St. John. All returned soldiers whether veterans of the South African war, or those who served in the great war either in Canada or overseas are eligible for membership as are members of the Navy.

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Miss McMillan was the Canadian Government conductress on the S. S. Scandinavia for this trip. There were no Household Helpers on this boat and none are expected until January.

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Miss Kathleen J. O'Hara, Centreville, was a visitor in town last week.

Dr. F. W. J. Kelly and Mrs. Kelly of Bridgewater, N. S., are guests of Mrs. J. T. A. Dibblee.

Mr. R. Hugh Bruce of St. John, spent Christmas in town with his family.

Messrs. Donald Rankin and Glenn Adney, students at McGill College, are at home spending the Christmas holidays with their parents.

Misses Maud and Elinor Slipp, who have been spending several weeks in Fredericton, the guest of their cousin, Mrs. A. A. Colter, returned home on Saturday evening. Miss Elinor is much improved in health.

A daughter was born to the wife of Mr. A. L. Slipp on December 13th, at the Fisher Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Ernest Ryan, who is in the Muskoka College Sanatorium, is much improved in health.

Miss Marion Winslow of Montreal, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. W. Winslow.

Mr. Douglas Winslow of Toronto, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. W. Winslow.

Mr. Edward Wright of Quebec, is spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Main.

Miss Agnes Griffin has returned home from school and is spending the holidays with her parents, Dr. T. F. Griffin and Mrs. Griffin.

Master Hamilton Baird left for Fredericton on Tuesday evening, where he will spend Christmas with relatives.

Mr. Fred Risteen spent Christmas in Fredericton with his family.

Mr. Robert G. Allen of the C. P. R., who has been ill for the past two months, passed away at his home here Tuesday afternoon. He was fifty-one years of age, and is survived by his widow, one son Geoffrey and one daughter, Florence. The late Mr. Allen came here from St. John about ten years ago. He was a member of St. Luke's Church choir, and always took a deep interest in music, being president of the Woodstock Choral Society for several years. His funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon, under the auspices of Ivanhoe Lodge K. of P. of which he was a member.

Mr. Stewart Bailey of the Royal Bank of Canada, Fredericton, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Raymond left for Sherbrooke, Que., on Wednesday where they spend Christmas. Mrs. Raymond expects to remain there until the latter part of January.

Mr. John Watt is confined to his home through illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Deming and little daughter are the guests of D. T. F. Sprague and Mrs. Sprague.

# Sussex

Sussex, Dec. 26.—Miss Mary Connelly, private secretary to Lady Borden, Canning, N. S., is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Robert Connelly.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Atherton spent Monday in St. John.

Miss Marjory Bradshaw left on Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, at Oxford, N. S.

Miss Helen Murray of MacDonald College, P. Q., is spending the holidays at her home here.

Ralph Murray of Ottawa, is the guest of his parents, Hon. J. A. and Mrs. Murray.

Mr. William McDonald and Mr. Geo. Crood, who are attending U. N. B., are home for the holidays.

Miss Frances Sharp, who is attending Dalhousie College, Halifax, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sharp.

Miss Mary Allison of St. John, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. L. Allison.

Rev. G. H. MacDonald is spending the holidays in Sussex with his family.

Charlie Armstrong, Fredericton, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Armstrong.

Master Leland Sprout is spending his holidays with his parents at Newcastle, N. B.

Miss Olive McKenna of Netherwood School, Rothesay, N. B., is at her home here for the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McFarlane announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Mary Allison, to John Alexander Adams of Pictou, N. S., the wedding to take place in January.

Miss Hazel White of the Ladies' College, Sackville, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Harley White.

Mrs. G. N. Pearson was a visitor to St. John on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Worrell are spending the Christmas holidays in St. John.

Mr. A. Gorham spent Christmas Day at his home in St. John.

Miss Edna Rochat went to her home at Annapolis Royal, N. S., for the holiday season.

Mr. Fred Leake of Dalhousie College, Halifax, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Leake, Paradise, N. S.

Mr. Harold Manning, St. John, spent Christmas week in Sussex.

Miss Kathleen Kirk of Campbellton, N. S., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Kirk for the holiday season.

Miss Gladys Arcott has returned from a visit to St. John, and is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. H. Cox.

Mr. William Matthews of Fredericton, is spending the Christmas holidays at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ross spent Monday and Tuesday in St. John.

Mr. Alward King of the Record staff, is spending the Christmas holidays at his home in Annapolis Royal, N. S.

Miss Marjorie Willis is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Leo Moses, Amherst, N. S., for the holiday season.

Rev. Mr. Thompson, Loggieville, N. B., was in Sussex for Christmas, the guest of Rev. A. V. and Mrs. Morash, at the Manse.

Mr. Edward Connelly, Martin's Head, spent the holidays at his home here.

Mr. C. Munro of the office staff of C. L. White and Son, spent Christmas at his home in Truro, N. S.

Norman S. Fraser, B.S.A., of Stanley, N. B., was a recent visitor to Sussex.

Miss Bertha Jonah, Miss Julia Keith, Miss Alta Slipp and Mr. Harry Jonah, students at Mount Allison, are here to spend the Christmas season with their parents.

Miss Freda Reid is home from Acadia University for the Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Robertson and Miss Winifred Robertson, St. John, spent Christmas in town, guests of Mrs.

# Shediac

Shediac, Dec. 26.—The stores on Main street are presenting a very attractive appearance in holiday attire, and the merchants report a good Christmas trade. A choice line of gifts suitable for Christmas is being shown in the stores, including neckties, hats, bags, hosiery, handkerchiefs, and scarfs. The grocery stores are carrying a variety of fruits and confectionery. In the drug stores, one finds a fine assortment of note-paper, perfumes, chocolates and numerous novelties appropriate to the occasion.

An event of the past week much enjoyed by all present was the Christmas entertainment put on by the pupils of the Central School, Sackville street. The program was given in the Assembly Hall, which was appropriately decorated for the occasion. Mr. H. B. Steeves, principal of the school, acted as chairman. The pupils performed in a way to reflect great credit on themselves, and their teachers. The program was varied, consisting of choruses, dialogues, recitations and drills. Miss Beaulieu and Miss Thompson were the pianists of the afternoon. Previous to the closing of the entertainment, Rev. Dr. Weddell, who was present in a few brief remarks complimented the scholars on the excellent manner in which they had rendered the different selections. He wished them all, including their teachers, the season's greetings and urged upon them to "carry on" in a way, such as would bring credit to the school, and a credit to the great nation to which they belonged. The performance closed with the National Anthem.

The congregation which met in the Methodist Church Sunday evening had a rare treat, when they listened to a very interesting and instructive address given by Miss Jessie Howie of Vancouver, who is at present the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. J. T. Miss Howie for some years was engaged in Missionary work in Japan, and for the past two years has been a worker in the Japanese Mission in Vancouver. In an easy fluent earnest manner she spoke of the good citizenship of those people, their progressive spirit and desire to adopt Canadian manners and customs. She impressed upon her hearers how important it was that our Christianity, ideals and those things worth while be inculcated in "the strangers with us in our gates," in order that they may be proud.

There are a number of visitors in town for Christmas, among them Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Harper of St. John, guests of his mother, Mrs. D. S. Harper.

Mrs. Dube of Rivière-du-Loup, and her daughter, Miss Madeline, are Christmas-side guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. McMillan.

Miss Margaret Bellevue is home from Mount St. Vincent for the holidays.

Messrs. Reginald Murray, son of Dr. and Mrs. H. V. Murray and C. Dolan, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Dolan, are home from Dalhousie College, for their vacation.

Miss Jean Webster, accompanied by her sister, Miss Joyce, is home from the Ladies' College, Halifax, to spend Christmas-tide with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Webster.

Ned and Bob White, students of St. Mary's College, Halifax, are at their old home in town.

Messrs. Arthur Melanson, Ola Lege and Leo Dolan are home from St. Joseph's, for their Christmas vacation.

A large number of the people of the town, were in Moncton this week.

Messrs. John and W. Webster and Miss Janet Webster are home from their respective colleges to spend their vacation with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Webster.

Miss Rhoda Macdougall of St. John, and Miss Jess Macdougall of Moncton, are spending their holidays at their old home in town.

Mr. Stuart Macdougall of Halifax, is the holiday guest of his sister, Mrs. W. A. Flowers, Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Streat and members of the family visited Moncton, Christmas day.

Mr. Arthur Foster, teacher of the Primary Department of the Central School, is spending her vacation at her home in Salisbury.

Miss Wood of the Intermediate Department is spending her holidays at her home, Carter's Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Avarad White have closed their shore cottage on Water street, and are at present at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George A. White, Main street.

An event to give great pleasure to a large number of little folk was the annual Christmas tree treat, given by Mr. R. C. Tait to the children of his employees. The pleasurable occasion took place in Tipperary Hall, where from a well-laden tree, Santa Claus with gifts, candy and fruit, remunerated over one hundred girls and boys.

Miss Hester Bray of Moncton, has arrived in town to spend some time at the home of Mrs. J. C. Bray, Sackville street.

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Mr. Leslie Harper spent Saturday in Fredericton.

Miss Abbie Dehany is spending a few days in St. John.

Mrs. George Briggs and her son-in-law, Mr. William Darrall, spent Saturday in Fredericton.

The teachers, Miss Puddington, Miss Buckley and Mr. Milton left for their homes on Saturday.

Mr. R. D. Richardson, who has been ill with a cold, is now out again.

Mr. Don Richardson is home from Mt. Allison University for the vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rideout visited Fredericton on Saturday.

Mr. Wishart Forsythe is home from St. John.

Mr. Nelson Constantine is spending the holiday season at his home in Hartland.

Miss Margaret Porter, of the Emerson School of Oratory, is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Orchard and family are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Orchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Ferris returned from the St. John General Hospital on Tuesday much improved in health.

Mr. William H. Woods left this week for his home at French Lake.

Mrs. Enoch Thompson and Mr. John Tomkins, a returned soldier, were married on Tuesday by the Rev. David Price.

Mr. Frank Taylor, of Halifax, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer King, and son, Eugene, of St. John, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. King.

Mr. Jim Baird, of the Bank of Nova Scotia, is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Baird.

Miss Laura Henderson, of Fredericton, arrived home today.

Mr. Frank Henderson, son of Mrs. John Henderson, who has been with the C.E.F. for some time, arrived from England today.

Mr. Michael Kane is visiting his sister, Mrs. John Cullon.

Mr. John B. McNeill, of Bertha, N. H., who has been away for eight or nine years, is spending a few days at his home, Salmon Creek.

Mr. Albert Belyea, of Fredericton, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George H. King for Christmas.

Mr. Harold Baird is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Baird.

Mr. Frank Baird and Miss Agnes Baird are visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Baird.

Mr. Harry Day, of Edmundston, is spending a few days with his family.

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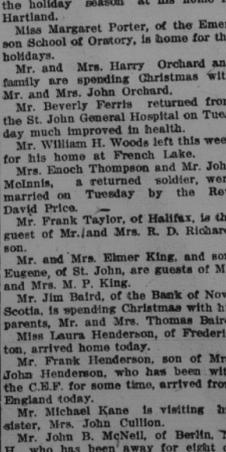
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Weekly Chat

My Dearest Kiddies:— With so much excitement about you during the past few days I don't suppose you can settle down enough yet to have a "chat."

Now without a Christmas so that is one of the reasons we should have for being most thankful for the first Christmas Day of all. It will be such a treat to hear from you all to know of your celebration.

None of us are perfect so we can pick out our worst faults next Wednesday and be ready on New Year's Day to watch ourselves and see, that these things which we know to be objectionable, cease to be.

Then after giving thanks for all our Christmas gifts received from those who love us, isn't it time we stopped and counted up God's Christmas gifts to us. Are we saying thank you for those too? They may not be visible with mortal eyes, but we taste and feel them, for they are the spiritual gifts of love, truth, life and happiness.

Make this coming year better than the last, as far as you are able; show a cheery, happy disposition, even though things don't always please you, for you know "The one worth while is the one who can smile when everything goes wrong."

Here is wishing you all the best there is to store for you and may the Whole Year Be Bright and Happy to You All.

UNCLE DICK.

The Coasting Party

The hill was fine for coasting. The snow was well packed down, and Sammy Black and Margie White, and Little Billy Brown.

And also pretty Winnie Green and Graceful Gertrude Gray—New people, my little readers. Don't imagine what I say.

Means really that these boys and girls were painted all this way: If so, such colored children would be a bit too gay!

Their fathers' names were Mr. Black, Or Mr. White, or Mr. Brown; And funny, too, it was Greenfield "The name they called the town."

Well, just as I was saying, The coasting was immense. No And after school the boys and girls were ready to commence.

The sleds were in a big long row, All tied together, too. As Sammy Black lay down to steer The merry-making crew.

He didn't seem to mind the wind That over the snowdrifts blew. That made his cheeks so bright and red, His stubby nose so blue!

Each face was beaming with delight, Each voice was loud and shrill. The train was going all its might, And nearly down the hill.

Just as they reached the bottom, though, The front sled gave a swing, And plump into a big snowdrift They went like anything!

The Blacks were mixed up with the Whites, The Browns on top of Green, A sort of coast kaleidoscope, With sleds stuck in between.

And when they all were sorted out, No easy thing to do, They found that almost every boy And girl was black and blue!

Answers To Letters

REUBEN P.—Glad to hear from you again and to know you are enjoying yourself. I suppose George is not old enough to know much about our C. C. yet, but he may be a member some day.

MURIEL H.—You are surely a stranger, but glad you did not forget me altogether. Thanks for the pretty Christmas card. That walk in the woods must have been pretty especially if the branches were covered with snow.

DORA W.—Your pretty card reached me in good time and many thanks. Will hope to hear from you very soon and know of your Christmas celebration.

RAYMOND W.—So you did get down to business at last and wrote your uncle. Well, that was a fine closing and I know you are enjoying the holidays with so many gifts to distribute.

LOUISE C.—You are indeed very welcome to our C. C. and you have made a very good beginning by sending in those riddles. They seem all new too.

WALTER G.—Pleased to hear of your doings and to know you have such jolly times. You will be ready for the skating when it does come and I am sure you will have lots of chances for Jack Frost makes lengthy visits as a rule.

MURIEL B.—I cannot find words good enough to write you concerning your scrap book. It is certainly lovely and I enjoyed looking through it so much.

STUART D.—Your story was just a little too late for our Christmas page. It has been very wintry since you wrote, hasn't it? Why don't you write to some of the members and start the correspondence.

ALBERTA BROWN, Newman St., City. MURIEL GREEN, Up Greenwick. BEATRICE SPITZEL, Queen St., City. MARGARET LEVES, Hollington St., Geraldton, Red Bank.

MAHEL WRIGHT, Cumberland Bay. LILLIAN KILGUP, Leptrean, he was coasting Rachel Maxwell, Elliott Row. Percy Brunst, Sussex.

LEURA BLACK, Newcastle. EMMA C. KETCH, Centreville. GERALD STONE, Charlottetown, City. NOAH MCGARRY, St. Stephen.

CHARLES SWAIN, Charlotte St. DOROTHY EVANS, Westfield. ALGERNON THURSTANT, Black's Harbor. WINIFRED WHITE, Mecklenburg St. MERLE CRIPPS, Sussex.

ROSE FOSHAY, Mouth of the Jemesse. DAISY NORTHROP, Belleisle Creek. (Sent by Stuart Dickson, Chatham.)

There was a book from Aunt May and a hockey stick from his cousin Jack, and a pair of boots and skates from father and big Jack knife from his mother, that was all he could find except chocolates and nuts, but after a while he found a small little parcel from his father and what do you think was in it, a two dollar gold piece.

That day he spent most of his time coasting and skating, the next in reading his books.

DAVID COBB.



CHILDREN'S CORNER

BEHIND THE PORTIERES

Last year it was my good fortune to spend some time with a charming American child of nine years. I say charming because she is quite true.

I got on quite well with Ronnie. He was a born entertainer. I am sure that in forty years, even thirty years, he will be remembered by his friends.

But even at the mature age of nine Ronnie showed a very childlike desire to be acquainted with the cobwebs that were in the corners of his room.

He was very hard to get on with. He was a dandy book, and he was a dandy boy. He was a dandy boy, and he was a dandy book.

never jugged that "ol' book" up to bed with her, and refused to be comforted by her Prince, to the rage of the ugly Sisters, bowed themselves out through the portieres, Ronnie drew a long breath.

I feel sorry for Serena! She had

BEDTIME PENCIL PICTURES



ARTHUR'S mother took him to the park this morning and he had a wonderful time rolling about in the grass and playing mumble-dee-pep in the shade of a big tree.

SLEEPY-TIME TALES

The Tale Of Cuffy Bear

Far up on the side of Blue Mountain lived Cuffy Bear with his father and mother and his little sister Silkie.

But for a long time every winter Cuffy was never angry. You might think that that was just before Christmas.

He went to the door of his house and looked out. And he saw that the weather was warm and fine, so he stepped back into the bedroom and said—

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A Regular Saturday Page for the Kiddies

Smile Kiddies, Smile

Where ignorance is bliss, He was a nice benevolent-looking old gentleman, beaming with kindness and good nature.

He got into the train and sat down on a newspaper that lay on a vacant seat. Of course, no one would want the paper—oh, dear no!

Presently he noticed that a little girl sitting next him showed evident signs of distress.

She took it, but did not seem quite satisfied. Still, she said nothing till the train stopped and she rose to go; and then, after hesitating for a moment, said in a plaintive voice:

"Now, sir, if you please, can I have my fried fish, too? It was in the paper, and when you eat on it, it fell out."

A schoolmaster was trying to explain the meaning of the word "concocted." "Now, boys," he said, "suppose that I was always boasting of my learning—that I knew a good deal of Latin, for instance—or I said that I was a handsome man, what should you say I was?"

Then he sent his son a letter from himself, brief, but to the point, and with this he enclosed a blank sheet of newspaper. Surely, he thought, that would bring him to his senses.

With tears in her eyes the devoted mother kissed her darling good-bye, and told him how she would look forward to his weekly letters.

Weeks glided into months, still no letter came from Tommy to gladden their aching hearts.

At last Tommy's disappointed father wrote, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope.

Still no reply. Then he sent his son a letter from himself, brief, but to the point, and with this he enclosed a blank sheet of newspaper.

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Puzzles

Riddles Sent By Muriel Hibbard, Rothsay.

1.—A house full a hole full and you cannot gather a bowlfull?

2.—Arthur o bower has broken his hand, he comes roaring up the land. The king of Scots with all his power cannot turn Arthur of the bower.

3.—What is the most desirable fish for dessert?

4.—What is the most costly fish?

5.—Who is the tallest Author?

6.—Who is the meekest Author?

7.—Who is the holiest Author?

8.—Who is the fastest Author?

9.—Who is the most desirable Author for breakfast?

Word Square. ESTATE S - - - - N T - - - - T A - - - - E T - - - - R N T E R S

Riddle in Rhyme. My first is long and slender, Yet guides and safe controls, When horses go a-prancing And swift the carriage rolls.

My second draws no carriage, No harness they obey, As free they go a-prancing Adown the woodland way.

My whole are like my second— Yet once a year, they say, They bear, with joy a-prancing, A Saint upon his way!

ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLES. Enigma—Christmas. Riddle answers which were sent by Jennie McIlwain.

1.—Conundrum. 2.—Articles. 3.—She is full of airs. 4.—Yesterday.

Musio Terms. 1. A swell; 2. bars; 3. sharp; 4. key; 5. notes; 6. a rest; 7. triplets; 8. hold; 9. press toe (presto); 10. beat (beat).

When children have tired of even their new possessions (and how soon the new becomes old) and it is too early for the sandman to pay his nightly visit, try this simple amusement.

Suspend a wreath of holly or evergreen from a doorway and give to each child an equal quantity of nuts or hard candies in the centre, which will stand handling, then see who can throw the most articles through the wreath into a basket placed to catch them.

Give a simple reward to add zest to the game. In the same manner the game of "Toss" is conducted. Take a large napkin or piece of stout paper, place a lot of nuts or hard candies in the centre, let a child take hold of each corner and give three vigorous tosses, singing "Goodies, goodies, dance my Christmas goodies, up they go, down they go, dance my Christmas goodies."

Then there will be a lively scramble to see who can recover the most.

The Leap Year Dance

The dolls were all together one day at a tea party which one of their owners was giving, when they heard a lot of talk about its being leap year.

They talked so much about it among themselves that finally one of them suggested that they give a leap year dance and invite all the toy friends they knew and all the toys, too, who could dance.

So one night when their little mistresses were all asleep the dolls stole out of their homes and went to a big play house in the yard of one of the little girls. They worked hard and trimmed it up with evergreen and flowers they had brought from the houses, and soon had it looking like a fine party place.

Soon the guests began to arrive. There were a lot of boy dolls, all dressed up in their best, six Teddy Bears who could dance the new dances, and a number of dolls who were very smart.

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HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

Any boy or girl under sixteen years of age may join by sending in his or her name, address, birthday and age.

For convenience the coupon printed below will be found occasionally on our page and may be filled out and mailed along with your letter to Uncle Dick, care of The Standard.

I wish to become a member of the Children's Corner.

My Name is .....

Address .....

Birthday .....

I was born in the year 19.....

My Name is .....

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Simple

Dear Mable!— Merry Christmas to you even worse than the army. You do so much there, the same boat, being lonely is it is having a boat place. If you know else was done you Me an Angus to Christmas at Mr. Jacobs an Mr. H. comes into the room as he opens though had kid It seems to affecter.

Uncle Charlie man by asking his place. Hee Jacobs an Mr. H. comes into the room as he opens though had kid It seems to affecter.

Hee always useful presents at that had been ap shus an vasee insurance. Hee of slipped it along ly that if they present to make For instance he ter to put in a jewel box.

Me an Angus decide what to g down to the All the stores had everything useless two mufflers in a we could so cause Uncle Char I never know The man told us up cause in the hoards on. Th to go round in is tryin to buy chief.

Two Viewa Christmas morn early to open th He couldnt see Just as good as stand for that. up the when packages had got on all open but A stand for that. an the nuts an careful so she co year. Uncle Char women spent ha string an paper blowin a months muffer. He see present. bed the card an lts from Mrs. P sent her a thing. Harrys is like a Charlie sez that spirit. He was get a present cou he hadnt got

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For the Kiddie

Puzzles

Sent By Muriel Hibbard, Rotheray.
as full a hole full and you
her a bowlful?

Author Riddles Sent by
Louise Calder.
is the most desirable fish?

is the tallest Author?
is the meekest Author?
is the holiest Author?

Word Squares.
E S T A T E
S A T T N
T A S T E
A S T E R
N T E R S
fill in the missing letters?

Riddle in Rhyme.
long and slender,
and safe controls,
sees go a-prancing
the carriage rolls.

draws no carriage,
is they obey,
go go a-prancing
woodland way.

are like my second—
a year, they say,
with joy a-prancing
on his way!

Answers to Last Week's
Puzzles.
Answers which were sent by
Gowans,
drum,
leas,
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burday.

Musio Terms.
well; 2, bars; 3, sharp; 4,
notes; 6, a rest; 7, triplets;
press toe (preato); 10,
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becomes old) and it is too
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wrapped candies, or far-
will stand handling, then see
throw the most articles
wreath into a basket plac-
them. Give a simple
hard candies in the centre,
in manner the game of "Toss-
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of stout paper, place a lot
of Christmas goodies,
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CHILDREN'S CORNER

years of age may join
s, birthday and age.
below will be found
filled out and mailed
care of The Standard,
the Children's Corner.

body just swarped you might as well
have a clean house an cancel the
whole thing.
The next package was Anguses. He
told Angus he was a fine lad an hed
always said so. Angus has been won-
derin since who he said it to. He
certainly kept it a secret from him.
Then he opened it. He sez a man
couldn't have too many muffers. If he
kept his neck warm he didn't have
to worry much about what else he
wore. Angus whispored how he
ought to try a night gown.

I could see the rest of the family
was gettin restless about something.
Then Uncle Charlie started undir-
one muffer after the other. For the
first half dozen he insisted a fello
couldn't have to many. Then he sez
that stuff about the war givin people
imagination was all bunk. Aunt Har-
vey told him it was his own fault for
talkin about muffers as a useful pre-
sent. They all thought he was hint-
in. He cheered up after a while an
told her she could sew some of them
together an make him a fancy vest

MAGAZINE FEATURES

Simple Letters of A Simple Fello

Dear Mable:—
Merry Christmas is over. I misued
you even worse than I used to in
the army. You didn't mind Christmas
so much there. Everybody was in
the same boat. Half this bias of
being lonely is thinkin the other fello
is havin a better time some other
place. If you know what everybody
else was doin you never miss em.

Uncle Charlie came through like a
man by askin me an Angus out to
his place. Hes something like Dr.
Jacks in Mr. Bodegas story. He
comes into the office all smiles,
soon as he opens his roller top desk
though hed kill a man for 20 cents.
It seems to affect him like a bad ois-
ter.

Hes always talking about giving
presents and how all the money
shure an vasos would get him his
insurance. He told me how hed sort
of slipped it along to the whole fam-
ily that if they had to give him a
present to make it something useful.
For instance he had something bet-
ter to put in a warm muffer than a
sevel box.

Me an Angus hadnt been able to
decide what to give him so we sneek-
ed down to the village Crismus eve.
All the stores had a complete line of
everything useless. At last we saw
two muffers in a window. Angus sez
we couldn't go wrong on muffers.
cause Uncle Charlied spoke about em.
I never knew they cost so much.
The man told us the price had gone
up cause the big muffer men was
hoardin em. The greatest incentive
to go on round in a barrel these days
is tryin to buy a pocket handker-
chief.

Two Views of Christmas.
Crismus mornin everybody was up
early to open their presents. Uncle
Charlie was kind of grumpy at first.
He couldn't see why presents wasnt
just as good after breakfast as in
the middle of the night. He undir-
ed up the when he saw how many
packages hed got. He started tearin
em all open but Aunt Harrey wouldnt
stand for that. She made him untill
all the nets an take the paper off
careful so she could save it for next
year. Uncle Charlie couldnt see why
wome spent half their time savin
string an paper an the other half
blowin a months salary on a hat.

The first package he opened was a
muffer. He sez "Thats a real
useful present." Aunt Harrey grab-
bed the card an sez "Isnt that awfu-
le from Mrs. Pardee an we never
sent her a thing?" Crismus to Aunt
Harrey is like a horse track. Uncle
Charlie sez that wasnt the Crismus
spirit. He was tickled to death to
get a present out of somebody whos
he didnt gave them one. If every-

an maybe a warm pair of palamas.
That night there was a big dinner.
Uncle Charlie explained how he gath-
ered in all the family baracods every
year; fed em an sent em home. They
began celestin about 4 o'clock. The
first one there was an old fello they
called Granfather Haslett. He was d-
livered in a wheel chair like a bund-
le. Granfather Haslett didnt have
much to say for a while. Then he
heaved an awful groan an sez we
better make the most of him cause
my time. Hed had many first ap-
pearances than Subern Marlow, the
actor. Aunt Harrey sez she expected
to see him sittin by her grave
while she was bein lowered into it.

He was the life of the party though
compared to Uncle Charles Aunt Ma-
lida. When he wished her a merry
Crismus she sez not to make fun of
her. Crismus was the saddest day
in the year. If he spoke of it again
shed bust into tears.

What Happened to Santa Claus.
She went around tellin everybody
they was lookin bad an a lot older.
She guessed we was all decayin like
the trees and flowers. At last she fas-
sioned herself on Granfather Haslett.
They began fightin about when the
end of the world was comin an seem-
ed to have a pretty good time out
of it.

After dinner everybody went out
of the room an Uncle Charlie sez
with a big paste board fire place with
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Bill Back

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Two Workingmen Who Changed World

BY WILLIAM T. ELLIS.
The International Sunday
School Lesson For December
'THE TRAINING OF
PETER AND JOHN'—I. John
1:1-9.

Upon the clouded horizon of the
restless world today the most hope-
ful sign is the fact that Jesus and
most of his apostles were callous-
pained workmen.

That portends peace. When the
world's toilers turn from the shrill
harsh and unyielding voices of pres-
ent-day "leaders," they will be
ready to listen to the quiet, confi-
dent tones of the fellow workingmen
who, although they lived long ago,
nearly two thousand years ago, still
have the most modern messages for
today.

Most of what is wrong with this
old earth—its injustices, its evasions,
its ignorances, its prejudices, its sel-
fishness—as due to plain misunder-
standing. What are the perils there in
our own present situation arises
from the lack of confidence of masses
of people in the sincerity and sym-
pathy of law-makers and executives.
They feel that their viewpoint is not
the viewpoint of the dominant few.

For Jesus and his associates are not
subject to this suspicion. They were
plain people, workers with their hands.
They experienced the lot of the poor.
All their teaching revealed a sympa-
thetic comprehension of the loads
that the mass of mankind carry. One
of our modern poets, Sara N. Cleghorn, has strikingly voiced this mes-
sage from the Bible:

"Thanks to Saint Matthew, who had
been
At mass-meetings in Palestine,
We know whose side was spoken for
When Comrade Jesus had the floor.

"Where were they told and heard
they lie,
Among the great unwashed dwellers?
The tramp of the convict, the thief,
The cold-shoulder him, cold-shoulder me!"

"By Dives' door, with thoughtful eye
He did tomorrow prophesy:—
'The kingdom's gate is low and small;
The rich can scarce wedge through at all!'"

"A dangerous man," said Calphas;
"An ignorant demagogue, alas!
Friend of low rabble, he would be
Slanders the upright Pharisee."

"For law and order, it was plain,
For Holy Church, He must be slain.
The troops were there to awe the
crowd,
And violence was not allowed.

"His clumsy force with force to foil
His sacred, clean hands He would not
soil.
He saved their childrens quite plain
Between the lightning of His pain."

"Between the twilight of His end,
He made His fellow-fallen friend;
With swollen tongue and blinding eyes
Invited Him to Paradise."

"Ah, let no local Him refuse!
Comrade Jesus hath paid His dues,
Whatever other be debared,
Comrade Jesus hath His red card."

Where It All Occurred.
This is the time for the long look
backward. The International Sunday
School Lesson Committee has assign-
ed for this Review the topic:
'The Training of Peter and John.'
The training of Peter and John con-
tains the two apostles who figured in
the year's studies. So we are to take
a broad, far survey of them, and of
the conditions amid which they lived.

Perhaps we may catch a new
glimpse of the importance to our own
world of these two Asiatic work-
men of the long ago.
That there is such a thing as a
place-providence, no reverent stu-
dent of history will deny. There is
a geography of God. He has chosen
the main lands as the scene of His
major operations. A myriad preach-
ers have seen such a significance in
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nent, as is old, the shores
of the Mediterranean are the thea-
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DOPE SMUGGLED TO BANGOR FROM NEW BRUNSWICK

Police of Maine City Make
Raid, Catching St. John
Man in Their Net — Big
Profits from N. B. Nar-
cotics.

(Bangor News.)
Buying whiskey at \$2.25 to \$3 a
quart in Canada and peddling it in
Maine cities at \$8 to \$12 is a paying
business, but the dope traffic beats it.
That's why times have been so prosper-
ous at No. 11 Pine street of late,
and also why Edward Malone could not
afford to travel constantly at war time
prices between Bangor and the New
Brunswick border. But things won't
be so lively around No. 11 for a while
now, because dope peddlers and all
were cleaned out Wednesday morning
afternoon by the police. Guy Achey, a
Cora McDonald and her circle can
minister further to the local appetite
for morphine and cocaine.

Since plain whiskey went out of
style around here, lower Pine street
has been doing the best it could with
substitutes, and Patrolman Rogan,
who sees and hears everything that
goes on in that part of ward 1, has
long been aware of the fact; but to get
the dealers with the goods has been
something else again. However,
enough came to Rogan within the last
few days to convince him that a visit
to Mrs. McDonald's at No. 11 would
show something worth while. So, at
12:30 Wednesday morning, accompa-
nied by Capt. Sprout, he went up to look
the place over. It was after three
o'clock when the officers got through
their search, which yielded these re-
sults: Arrest of Cora McDonald, prop-
rietor of the place; Guy Achey, a
"distributing agent"; Nellie Thibeau,
a lady boarder, and Allison McKel-
of St. John, N. B., who had
called upon Nellie, socially. Also:

Quantities of morphine and cocaine,
and combinations of those drugs, by
podernic needles used for injection,
spoons in which the combination was
mixed and heated, glass tubes, etc., and
the delicate scales used in weighing
all of which were found secreted in
hid pictures, in the woodbox, in gas
fixtures and in bureau drawers.

For a considerable part of the day
the municipal court was busy hand-
ling doses of justice to the Pine street
syndicate, as follows:

Held For Grand Jury.
Cora McDonald, for having in her
possession narcotics, held in \$1,000
for the January grand jury; receiving
from Nellie Thibeau money which
was the proceeds of prostitution, held
in \$500; permitting a building under
her control to be used for purposes
of prostitution, held in \$500.

Guy Achey, having in his possession
narcotics, held in \$1,000 for the Jan-
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Allison McKel, frequenting a house
of ill fame, held in \$400.
All five respondents went up being
unable to furnish bail. County At-
torney Blanchard appeared for Ed-
ward Malone in each case, and Edward P.
Murray represented the women pris-
oners.

Rogan Gets Malone.
Mr. Malone, the dope runner, was
out of town while all this was going
on. Patrolman Rogan knew it—knew
where he was, and when he would get
back. It has been a cleverly planned
part of Mr. Malone to drop off the Calais
train at Brewer Junction so that, not
being seen alighting at Bangor sta-
tion, no one would know of his "drop"
in town. So Rogan, on a good tip, went
over to Brewer to welcome him and
the welcome took place on schedule
time, 12:30, noon. Malone had been
making two trips a week between here
and the border, bringing back each
time enough dope to supply the Pine-
street trade. This time he had \$75
worth of cocaine and \$60 worth of
morphine. New Brunswick wholesal-
ers, besides a complete dope ped-
dler's outfit. He and Achey are said
to be the leading peddlers of dope in
eastern Maine. In 1914, Malone was
held in \$1,000 for having narcotics in
his possession, and in \$1,000 for sell-
ing and dealing in narcotics.

Big Money in It.
How well the dope trade pays may
be shown by a little calculation. A
dram of cocaine yields 60 cents in New
Brunswick \$35 yields 60 cents in \$150
at \$2.50 each, or a total of \$150 to
\$160. A dram of morphine costing \$30
yields the same amount of "shots"
at \$2 each or a total of \$120 to \$125.
Better than 200 per cent.

SEVEN SENTENCE SERMONS.
New Year, 1920.
Mean to be something with all
your might.—Phillips Brooks.

Doing what can't be done is the
glory of living.—General Armstrong.

A bright New Year and a sunny
track
Along an upward way,
And a song of praise on looking back.
When the year has passed away;
And glad sheaves, nor small, nor
few!

This is my New Year's wish for you!
Mean to be something with all
your might.—Abon.

If you tell the truth, you have in-
finite power supporting you; but if
not, you have infinite power
against you.—Charles George Gor-
don.

And let the peace of Christ rule
in your hearts, to the which also are
were called in one body; and be ye
thankful.—Col. 3:15.

I asked the New Year for some mes-
sage sweet.
Some rule of life, with which to guide
my feet;
I asked, and passed, he answered
soft and low,
"God's will to know." —Abon.

What thou has in store
This coming year, I do not stop to
ask;
Enough for day by day there dawns
before me
My appointed task;
I seek not great things,
For I have learned how vain such
seekings are;
But let me seek Thy will, O King of
kings,
And find therein my bliss. —O. E. Fuller.

REV. DAVID LANG HERE

Rev. David Lang, who ministered so
acceptably to St. Andrew's Church in
the city for several years and who is
now minister of a large congregation
in Pittsburgh, Pa., arrived in St. John
yesterday afternoon. Mr. Lang is to
preach in his old church St. Andrew's
on Sunday morning, and will occupy
the pulpit on Sunday evening at Knox
Church. His many friends in the city
will be pleased to have the opportu-
nity of seeing and hearing him again.
While in the city Mr. Lang will be the
guest of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Wilson,
Queen Square.

FAITHFULNESS AND KINDNESS WIN RICH REWARD

Maid to Boston Woman Will-
ed Estate Valued at Over
\$200,000.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 26.—The faith-
fulness and kindness with which Miss
Agnes Jane McNevin cared for Mrs.
Mary O. Knight during the many years
she served her as maid were rewarded
today when she was given the Knight
home, its furnishings and funds the
aggregate value of which was estimat-
ed at \$250,000.

The will of Mrs. Knight, who died
at her home in the Roxbury district
two months ago, at the age of 78
years, was admitted to probate today.
The beneficiaries of the \$300,000 es-
tate besides Miss McNevin, are large-
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# THE STANDARD'S SPORTING SECTION

## Jeannett And Greene May Meet

### Champion of U. S. Army and Navy May Wrestle Greene in St. John if Arrangements Can be Made.

Prospects are good for the bringing together of Bridson Greene and Archie Jeannette, two well known wrestlers. Greene has been seen in action here and is looked on as a good man. It is altogether probable that these mat artists may try conclusions in St. John if arrangements are satisfactory.

Jeannette has signified his willingness to try conclusions with Greene and the fans who follow the wrestling game think a match between these men should prove interesting. Jeannette hails from Utica, N. Y. and defeated twelve out of thirteen men for the New England championship. He was in the U. S. Navy for two years and met all comers both in army and navy and holds that championship. Besides being a real grappler Archie is quite an entertainer as he bends bars of iron, breaks chains, and horse shoes and can drive a nail through a two inch plank with a blow of his fist. It is hoped that this bout will be staged in St. John.

## WINTER CARE AND REPAIR OF FARM MACHINERY

(Experimental Farms Note.) "Let him use more machinery then," is the stock phrase and cure-all prescribed by the "know-it-all" of the farmer's labor problem. This is just what has been done to the extent of ton or ever since city wages were distinctly higher than those upon the farm. Today machinery has doubled in cost because it does not grow upon the land by the free agency of sunshine like crops, but is made in cities and by labor that exacts far more than the farmer's wage. Thus there is a limit to the machinery the farmer can afford to buy and to the extent to which he can substitute machinery for his own labor. In other words machinery is now expensive labor. Farmers, therefore, are being to house their machinery in some way since the price is still soaring and since the life of an implement well cared for is prolonged four or five times the life of machinery which is left in the open. An energetic farmer will not allow his horse or cow to stand out in the rain or snow. He will rush to get his crop into the ground on time and in the best possible condition, and he will gather his harvest promptly and carefully so that there is the least possible loss. Many of us will do all these things and still allow a part of the total revenue to be swallowed up in the purchase of sky-scraping priced machinery or in expensive repairs.

See to it that each implement is cared for and does not rust out. Everyone knows that it should be housed, but housing under any condition and not properly caring for it otherwise constitutes very poor care. Machinery may be just as well cared for if it is allowed to stand in the shade of a tree as if stored in some of the leaky sheds, open sheds, poorly drained sheds or combined implement-sheds and hen-roosts which are found.

Do not merely go through the motion but shelter considerably, and before doing so, first list the repairs needed for next season and secure them, along with an assortment of bolts, rivets, springs, etc. in time to have each implement repaired and ready for use on time. An implement in repair at all times will have a longer life, and will give more satisfactory service during its life than one receiving irregular attention. Secondly, clean and oil rust out. Machinery give all polished surfaces an application of some anti-rust preparation. Axle grease or other lubricant will answer the purpose.

Another "trick" occupies space in the implement shed, the twenty-four-hour-day-iron horse or tractor has arrived on the farm. To insure more efficient use of this implement next season there are two things that should be given special attention. First, take steps to put it in the best possible condition now, and secondly learn as much as possible about the fundamentals of tractor operation. Read carefully the instruction book; newspapers, books and magazine articles also furnish a wealth of information. If possible attend one of the tractor schools which will be conducted during the winter. Leave nothing undone that will fit you to become a more proficient tractor operator.

A properly fitted workshop is a necessity on most farms. It provides a means of acquiring the "knack" in doing repair work. Again at critical times, such as harvesting or seeding seasons, one long trip to town for repairs may cause a loss more than equal to the value of a well-equipped shop.

Paint, although last mentioned, is by no means the least important factor in prolonging the usefulness of an implement. Painted machinery on the farm is an exception rather than a general rule. The chief utility of paint is in protecting materials rather than improving appearances. Paint of good quality only should be used, and the surface to be painted should be dry and clean before the paint is applied.

W. L. GRAHAM, Asst. Dominion Field Husbandman.

## BOMBARDIER WELLS.



## CANADIAN RECRUIT REGARDED NOW AS COMPLETE LOSS

### Little News from the Canadian Spinner Which is Fighting a Lone Battle With Ice.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 26.—Little news came today in reference to the Canadian Spinner, which is still fighting her lone battle with the elements somewhere between Matane and Cape Chat on the St. Lawrence. The Lady Grey, Government ice-breaker, will probably leave Quebec for Tadoussac to pick up the crew of the Canadian recruit, which vessel may now be regarded as abandoned.

## WHISKEY FOR EXPORT SWAMPS SHIP COMPANIES

### Millions of Gallons in New York Waiting Cargo Space May Become Total Loss.

New York, Dec. 26.—Distillers and other owners of alcoholic beverages are seeking to export millions of gallons of whiskey and other liquors from this and other Eastern ports before January 16, when the national prohibition amendment becomes effective, but are meeting with great difficulty in getting freight and cargo space, it was learned here yesterday.

## Liquor Exports Increase.

Wine exports in October increased from \$11,357 in 1918 to \$12,853 in 1919. Of this amount \$12,247 worth was sent to Great Britain and Ireland, \$8,655 to Norway, and the remainder in small amounts to other countries. Exports of liquor to Cuba is said to be much smaller than generally reported. It is pointed out that the heavy import duty on liquor in that country, combined with the fact that the space in bonded warehouses and storage plants there is greatly limited, has forced exporters to seek other fields. Last minute shipments probably will be made to Bermuda, Mexico and Central and South American ports.

Shipping men declare that it is extremely doubtful whether cargo space can be obtained for more than a comparatively small percentage of the liquors offered for export, although some firms have announced a willingness to give preference to liquor shipments to help distillers and others out of their difficulties.

Custom House officials state a heavy export movement already is under way. Liquor exports have been increasing steadily for many months, but the heavy movement is said to have begun in October, the latest month for which detailed statistics are available, when the value of the exports of distilled alcohol, spirituous and malt liquors reached \$1,307,276, as compared with only \$399,774 during the same period last year.

Exports of rye whiskey increased from \$18,879 in October, 1918, to \$413,155 in the same month of 1919. Of the amount shipped last October \$398,643 worth was sent to Great Britain and Ireland; \$7,375 to Cuba; \$3,150 to

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London, Dec. 26.—(By Canadian Associated Press.)—Boxing Day football results were as follows:

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## MANITOBA UNIV. EXPECT SLICE OF ROCKEFELLER GIFT

### Dean Thinks \$1,000,000 or More Would be Its Deserving Share Which He Thinks Moderate.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 26.—The medical faculty of the University of Manitoba is likely to get \$1,000,000 or more as its share of the \$10,000,000 Christmas gift made by John D. Rockefeller to the medical institutions of North America. The Dean of the faculty thinks this is a moderate estimate, as the Manitoba institution is the third largest in the Dominion, and has not lately received any large donation, but the conditions of the gift are that the colleges must raise additional funds from other sources.

## MOSCOW REPORTS MORE SUCCESSES FOR BOLSHEVIK

### Claim Existence of Kolchak's Army in Irkutsk Region is Ended.

London, Dec. 26.—The Bolsheviks have captured Tomsk and also the towns of Fastoff, Vassilov, Kremenov, Izum, Belovok, Makkeva and Kokepshita, according to a wireless despatch received tonight from Moscow.

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### AND ON THE WAY OVER LITTLE ALBERT INVENTED A NEW GAME CALLED, "OBSERVATION TOWER"

Albert Ritchie was arrested last evening on a warrant, charged with breaking and entering. Four drunks were also taken in.

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# New and Interesting Facts from Science and Life

## Why EGGS ARE Used At EASTER

By DR. CLIFTON HARBY LEVY

THE egg is the great original, for out of it came all life, according to the Latin proverb, "Omne vivum ex ovo." When we describe its shape we speak of it as being oval—egg-shaped—far from it came the word oval, which form was first noted in the egg. The old riddle of "Which came first, the egg or the hen," has never been answered, though science says that the egg must have come first or there could have been no hen. Yet what laid the first egg?

The egg is the centre of countless myths of creation all the world over, for Egyptians, Persians, Gauls, Greeks and Romans saw in it the emblem of the universe. The Egyptian divinity Khneph is painted with an egg issuing from his mouth as a symbol of life. From the egg came Pithah, or the Fire, the Greek Vulcan, and on the temple of Sais was the inscription, "The fruit which I have produced is the sun."

The primitive idea of Chaos in Greece was that it was in the shape of a huge egg from which all life came. The ancient Romans believed that the twin sons of Jove, Castor and Pollux, were born from one egg.

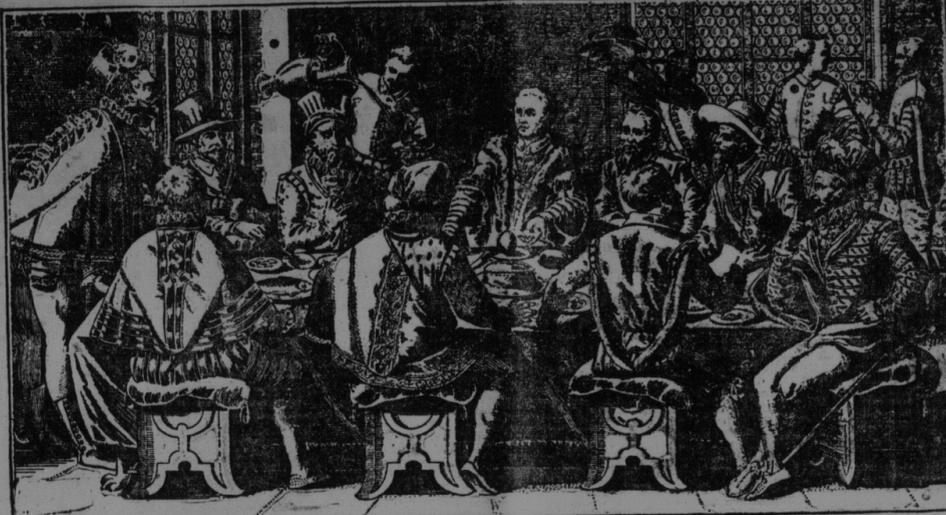
The Persians held that Light produced twenty-four good spirits included in an egg. The Hindus believed that all came from an egg and, therefore, would not eat eggs.

The Mongolians assert that a mystic bird laid an egg on the bosom of one of their deities, there to be hatched. He let it fall into the water and it broke; the upper part became the sky, the lower the earth; the liquid white formed the sun, the yolk the moon, the bits of shell the stars.

The dome of the Mohammedan mosque is held to be a relic of primitive egg-worship. Some of the Greek philosophers held that eggs should not be eaten, as that the witches could not make boats of them. The Netherlands say that ague may be prevented by eating on Easter day two eggs laid on Good Friday.

The association of eggs with Easter precedes Christianity by many ages, for almost every nation had its spring festival at the vernal equinox, which is Easter-time, celebrating the awakening of nature from the sleep of winter. The egg became thus a symbol of spring and of resurrection. It was easily adapted to Christian ideas and became the chief Easter symbol. The word Easter is traced to the Anglo-Saxon goddess Ostara or Eostre, who corresponded to the Latin Aurora.

## As Sacred EMBLEM of Future LIFE, the EGG Is SYMBOLIC of the RESURRECTION



REPRODUCTION OF A PRINT FROM AN OLD WOOD ENGRAVING SHOWING HOW COLUMBUS ANSWERED HIS CRITICS WITH AN EGG.

The Most Famous Egg in the World, Undoubtedly, Was the One Used by Columbus to Confuse His Critics Who Said That His Discovery of the New World Was a Very Simple Thing and That Anybody Could Have Done It. He Asked Them to Stand an Egg on End, but None Could Do It. When the Discoverer Took an Egg, Smashed the End and Stood It Up, All Then Admitted That It Was Easy When You Knew How."

fire. Air was found under the shell and it was a sign to destroy the germ of all life.

Many superstitions cling to the egg. Children were told to push their spoons through the shells so that the witches could not make boats of them. The Netherlands say that ague may be prevented by eating on Easter day two eggs laid on Good Friday.

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whose festival occurred at this season. When the Saxons were converted to Christianity they still preserved the name Easter, but instead of saying "Eostre hath awakened," greeted one another with "The Lord hath risen."

Savages in Africa and South America offer eggs to their idols in the spring. Even the Greeks presented colored eggs in their temples. St. Augustine recognized the egg as a symbol of hope, and in the tombs of early Christian martyrs are found marble eggs.

The game of matching eggs was played by the ancient orientals who, in the celebration of the spring festival, struck one egg against the other, the breaking egg going to the owner of the one that broke it. The Romans had egg-games in honor of Castor and Pollux, races in an egg-shaped ring, with eggs for prizes. The Saxons had their egg-tournaments in which youths with blunt lances ran around a circle in which were twelve short poles with an egg on top of each. The youth breaking the largest number of eggs was the winner.

The eggs of the moa, an ancient bird of New Zealand, were very large. Those of the Aepyornis maximus were equal to about 150 of those of our ordinary hen. A single egg of the great auk, now extinct, has been sold for as much as \$1100, only 67 of these being known to exist.

An ostrich egg is equal to about 28 ordinary eggs, the shell holding three pints. The average weight of eggs is as follows: Hen's eggs, 1 1/2 to 2 ounces; duck's eggs, 2 to 3 ounces; turkey eggs, 3 to 4 ounces; goose eggs, 4 to 6 ounces.

Hens lay many or few eggs a year, while a properly cared for leghorn will lay from 150 to 200. Hamburgs will lay about 170 per annum and Plymouth Rocks only 100. Turkeys lay 60, guinea fowl 60, and geese only 20 eggs a year.

The most famous egg in the world, undoubtedly, was that used by Columbus to confuse his critics, who said that his discovery of the New World was a very simple thing and that anybody could have done it. He asked them to stand an egg on end, but none could do it. When the discoverer took an egg, smashed the end and stood it up, all admitted that it was easy when you knew how. This was the discoverer's answer to his critics.

## Did a CHINESE MONK Visit AMERICA 1000 YEARS Before COLUMBUS?

ONE thousand years before the caravels of Christopher Columbus reached the West Indies, a Chinese Buddhist monk visited the western coast of the American continent, according to the Chinese annals. This mysterious explorer then was said to have returned home and told what manner of men he had found in the new lands, so many thousand li to the east.

Columbus, it is said, disappointed the Spanish court by telling too tame a story when he came back. The Chinese Columbus avoided this mistake and so there was sobriety set down in the

Chinese histories a fantastic description of the first Americans.

A Cuban writer, Salvador Massip, had the help of a young Chinese scholar in translating these passages into Spanish. Mr. Massip's article in the Revista Bimestre Cubana (Havana) is selected for translation into English by the editor of Inter-America, who is trying to interpret Anglo-Saxon America and Latin America to each other.

An extensive controversy has arisen over this Chinese claim to a fifth-century discovery of America. Mr. Massip cites several authorities on both sides, but seems to be convinced that one Huel-Sen and a group of Buddhist priests of Afghanistan actually reached this continent in the fifth century A. D.

Mr. Massip points out that the Chinese were using the compass for navigation in the fourth century of our era. He also notes that Chinese navigators are known to have made journeys about that time as far as the mouth of the Euphrates. It would be fairly easy for Chinese junks to coast along to Kamchatka and to be carried along to the coast of America by the Kuroshio of the Pacific, which corresponds to the Gulf Stream of the Atlantic. And Mr. Massip remarks that "if to the ability and courage of the mariner are joined the ardent faith and the unconquerable will of the disciple of Buddha, the journey is not only possible, but it becomes an absolutely achievable undertaking." He shows that the route said to have been taken by the Chinese Columbus would have landed him on the west coast of America, and he identifies the regions described by Huel-Sen.

The most important country was Fu-Sang, apparently Mexico. Then there was the Kingdom of the Women, which seems to have been located in Central America. A little afterward other Chinese explorers reached the Land of the Marked Bodies, identified as the Aleutian Islands, and the country of the Great Han, which seems to be the coast of Alaska or British Columbia. The following description of Fu-Sang and the Kingdom of the Women was taken directly from the narrative of the Chinese Columbus himself and quoted from the translation in Inter-America.

"In the first year of the reign of the Tsi dynasty, a shaman named Huel-Sen came to King-Chen from the land of Fu-Sang, relating the following narrative:

"Fu-Sang is situated 20,000 li or more to the east of the country of the Great Han (which also is situated to the east of the Middle Kingdom). It produces many fu-sang-trees, whence comes the name. The leaves of the fu-sang are like those of the tree that the Chinese call tong. Its

first shoots look like those of the bamboo. The inhabitants of the country eat them, as also the fruit, which is in the form of a pear, although of a red color. From its bark thread is made, which they weave to make their clothing. They also make from it fine cloths and broades.

"The King of the country boasts the title of Chief of the Multitudes. The nobles of the first category are the nobles; those of the second category, the little tui-lui; those of the third category, the na-to-oha.

"The inhabitants of the country have

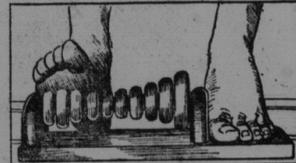
herds of deer, just as the Chinese have herds of cattle. They make cheese from milk. They have a kind of red pear that keeps a year without rotting, and they also have tomatoes. In the country iron is not found, but copper is. Gold and silver have no value."

These descriptions appear in the Chinese annals for the year corresponding to 499 of our era. Later on, between 502 and 556, three other strange lands found across the Pacific by Chinese adventurers are mentioned. In one the men had dogs' heads; instead of speaking they barked.

## For TIRED FEET

SEEKING relief from fallen arches, an engineer has invented a muscle strengthener with which the benefits of massage and exercise can be applied to the bottom of the foot.

As described in Popular Mechanics Magazine, it consists of a series of wooden disks of varying



A Foot-Massaging Device.

diameters, mounted on a rod in such an order that they thoroughly massage the entire sole when the foot is moved back and forth over them, causing them to revolve.

It is claimed that this treatment not only tends to strengthen the muscles, but also stimulates circulation and gives relief after hard walking.

## The SUPERSTITIONS of THIEVES

SOME of the most notorious criminals, who, it might have been thought, would not pay the slightest attention to omens, good or bad, have a profound belief in superstitions.

Curiously enough, the burglar will often relinquish a big burgling feat if a dream the night before has warned him that he will be in danger. But should it happen that he sees a rainbow during the day he will consider it to portend that, however reckless he may be, he is not likely to fall into the hands of the police for a space of three months.

Many burglars carry a donkey's shoe in their pockets before setting out, believing that this will protect them from danger, while others pin their faith to a piece of coal, which they will carry in their pockets throughout their career. The pickpocket is equally superstitious. He will not rob a person who squints, this being accounted a certain sign of disaster, and if it happens that the purse he steals contains foreign money it is believed to augur that he will travel in the immediate future. But whether in the company of a couple of warders or not there is nothing to show.

Weddings and funerals are pregnant with meaning for the professional thief. To pick a

pocket at a funeral would be to court immediate disaster, whereas if a purse stolen at a wedding contains gold it portends the best of luck for the thief.

Some pickpockets have a favorite pair of boots that they wear as long as they can keep them on their feet, and if they are not arrested while wearing them they cut the boots up into little square pieces and give them away as "lucky tokens" to confederates.

## SCREEN of Human SKIN Is Turkish TROPHY

THERE are many priceless relics in the menagerie of the Sultan of Turkey, most of which symbolize brutality and vice. But the romance of the famous screen in the throne-room of the Sultan's palace is worth repeating.

It is made, according to an account in London Tit-Bits, of human skin, perfectly tanned and elaborately tooled and embossed, and it has been in the Royal quarters for more than two centuries. This remarkable screen is not an evidence of cruelty or barbarity on the part of Turkey's ruler two hundred years ago, but is a memorial to twelve faithful servants of a former Sultan.

At one time during the Sultan's reign, two hundred years ago, a wing of the palace caught fire, and during the conflagration a much-loved member of the Sultan's family was rescued by twelve servants. The twelve servants perished, some of them dying later of their wounds and burns, so His Majesty had their skins removed by an expert and had them preserved in this touching though remarkable manner. The screen is now looked upon as a part of the ruler's inheritance, and it is said that every Sultan cherishes it as a mascot.

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## Origin of CUSTOM of DYEING Easter EGGS

EGGS have a history as old as the world. They were held by the Egyptians as a sacred emblem of the renovation of mankind after the deluge. The egg was the Eastern symbol of fertility and was dyed, ornamented and presented to the goddess. It was also the old Druidical emblem, and the Hindus have a golden and the Japanese a brazen egg.

The Jews adopted an egg to suit the circumstances of their history as a symbol of their departure from the land of Pharaoh, and it was used in the Feast of the Passover as a part of the furniture of the table, with the paschal lamb.

The coloring of Easter eggs goes back to pagan times, when eggs were dyed to express special joy over the coming of spring and were also exchanged as a sign of good will.

The Christians have used eggs on Easter Day as containing the elements of future life, symbolic of the resurrection. Painted or ornamented eggs have become in many lands an Easter institution. One authority says in regard to ornamenting eggs:

"It seems as if the egg was thus decorated for an Easter trophy, after the days of mortification and abstinence were over and festivity had taken their place, and as an emblem of the resurrection of life, as certified to us by the resurrection from the regions of death and the grave. Not only do we find this record of the use of eggs among the practices of the Egyptians, the ancient Israelites and the early Christians, but De Gobelin informs us that the custom of using eggs at Easter may be traced up not only to the theology of the people of Egypt but to the theology and philosophy of the Persians, the Gauls, the Greeks and the Romans, all of whom regarded the egg as an emblem of the universe and the work of the Supreme Divinity."

In the oriental sports of the early Christians of the Mesopotamia and other Eastern countries

we learn that on Easter Day and for forty days afterward the children buy as many eggs as they can get and stain them a red color.

One of the sports of the season consists of the pitting of one egg against another, the egg broken in the collision being surrendered to the owner of the egg that made the fracture.

Carmel, in a work entitled "The History of Customs," tells us that during Easter and the following days eggs boiled hard and painted different colors, but particularly red, were the ordinary food of the season. He says that in Italy, Spain and Provence there were in public places

sports with eggs, a custom which he thinks was derived from the Jews or Pagans, as it was common at certain seasons to both.

The ritual of Pope Paul V. reads thus: "Eless, O Lord, we beseech Thee, this Thy creature of eggs, that it may become a wholesome substance to thy faithful servants, eating it in thankfulness to Thee on account of the resurrection of the Lord."

It is thought by naturalists that the eggs of domestic hens of the present day are larger and heavier by nearly a third than those of the hens of the ancients.

## Service FLAG for Returned HEROES

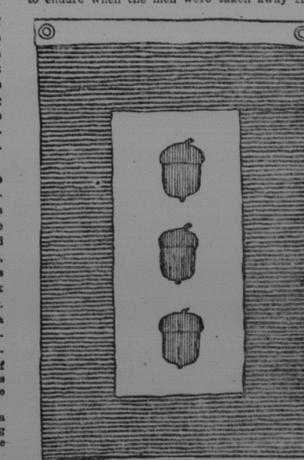
USING a national service flag in honor of the men in the American army and navy was a very happy thought, as was attested by the widespread and practically universal use of this flag throughout the country, although it was in no sense an official flag. Every home which could boast of a blue star was proud to exhibit the flag in its window. Commercial concerns were also proud to make as large a showing upon their service flag as possible. Indeed, there was a certain amount of rivalry between various concerns as to which could show the greatest number of stars.

But the flag, in the opinion of a writer in the Scientific American, represented no special patriotic service upon the part of the concern. It was the soldier who was honored, rather than the company which was for the time being deprived of his services. If the flag had any significance, it was that the company counted the soldier as one of its employes who would be taken back into the company's service at the end of the war. But the war is now over, and over to such a degree that a great many concerns have forgotten their patriotic claims and are making no effort to reinstate their former employes, or if they do so grudgingly, and seek every possible excuse to turn them away.

A new flag has recently appeared which a few companies are displaying. This is a flag which means far more to the company than the former service flag.

The new service flag is exactly like the old one except that the blue stars are replaced with khaki acorns. These acorns represent the returned men who have been reinstated in their former positions. An employer can point with far more pride to a flag of this sort than to the old service flag, because the new flag is an announcement of the fact that he is making good to the men who were

drafted into the service, whereas, the old flag merely represented the handicap which he had to endure when the men were taken away from



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him, and, judging by the reluctance of so many companies to reinstate their former employes, this handicap, apparently, was not very small.



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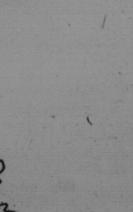
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# THE WRECK OF THE ENGLAND IN COURTENAY BAY HARBOR

### December, 1846, Was Date of Serious Marine Disaster— Full-Rigged Ship Arrived on 19th Before Gale of Wind and Struck on Foul Ground—Captain Andrew Irving and Four of Crew Drowned.

The loss of the ship "England" in Courtenay Bay, St. John harbor, in December, 1846, was the most serious marine disaster that ever took place in the waters immediately around the city, and to many of the older people it is not difficult to find some few who remember well the night of the occurrence, and incidents which attended the affair up to the time of the burial of the body of the captain in the lot where now a crumbling stone records in brief the story of the tragedy.

The "England" was a full rigged ship of 588 tons, built at Ten Mile Creek, St. John County, in the year 1837, by Captain Robert Ellis, who was the principal owner. The vessel was wrecked and captured by the "England" and had a particularly high forecastle, even for those times, which were before the days of deck houses forward and aft. The "England" had for some years been owned by parties in Cork, Ireland, and was engaged in the ordinary trade between Liverpool, London and St. John.

On this last and fatal voyage the ship had sailed from London in ballast, during the latter part of September, under command of Captain Andrew Irving, a native of London, and a stranger to the navigation of these waters. This was his first voyage to St. John. The autumn of 1846 was a particularly bad one, marked by several severe storms, and thus it was that the long period of eighty four days passed before the ship could reach St. John harbor. The ship's complement was twenty men, but a less number was sufficient for general purposes, and on this occasion the total number on board was reduced, including two apprentice boys, one of whom was related to the captain.

Mention has been made of the stormy character of that season. Just a month before Christmas, on the night of the 25th, and the morning of the 26th of November, one of the heaviest gales known in history of the city was experienced in St. John, and along the coast it was the worst known since the great storm of 1819. In this gale the steamer "Atlantic" was lost off the coast of Connecticut and many passengers perished, while the St. John steamer "North America" was wrecked off the coast of Maine in the city of St. John. Trees were uprooted, chimneys blown down, and roofs of houses partially wrecked. The new ship "Howard" was driven ashore on Rankine's wharf and fell over on its side, while the barque "Commerce" was jammed across the ferry slip in the midst of a quantity of timber. Other vessels were driven in the timber ponds, a schooner and a woodboat were sunk near the end of North wharf, and there was much other damage done.

The "England" had its experience of the storm on the ocean, but came through it safely, and as Christmas week approached it came up the Bay of Fundy. Captain and crew alike were doubtless rejoicing that after nearly three months, buffeting with wind and wave at that inclement season, they were at last drawing near to port, where their perils would be over and their expenses reduced to ten in the joys of a Christmas on land.

The "England" was sighted off Partridge Island early in the afternoon of Saturday, the 19th of December, in company with the schooner "Oronoco" and the brig "Charlotte" from Yarmouth. These were a little in advance. The barque was in charge of Captain David Grant, a native of St. John, who thoroughly knew the harbor, and the "England" would have been safe following him. The brig and the barque passing the island, kept the course of the "England" had no pilot on board. The pilot boat "Rechar" with John Haviland, branch pilot, had gone out to her, but a strong southwest wind was blowing from the west, and she could not board the ship. He shouted what he thought were simple directions as to the course to be taken, and then put his boat about signaling for the ship to follow in its course to the westward.

Captain Irving knew nothing of the harbor, but he had with him a mate, one John Robertson, who claimed to know all about it, from having been a surveying vessel with Admiral Owen in the Bay of Fundy, some years before. Relying on his statements the captain entrusted the guidance of the ship to him and paid no further attention to the course of the pilot boat or the other vessels.

It was then about an hour and a half before low water, and the wind was growing stronger every minute. Under the mate's directions the ship came along before the gale, under its three topsails, and standing by, and bore down upon the foul ground, on which, about half past four o'clock it struck with great force and remained fast. At this juncture, pilot Haviland got aboard with one of his apprentices, Patrick Lenihan, with the hope of still saving the ship. By this time darkness had set in and the force of the wind was unabated. Nothing could be done until the flood tide should come, which would be after six o'clock, and the captain and crew had their supper as usual. While at supper the second mate directly laid the blame of the disaster to Robertson, the first mate, who was somewhat related to the captain. Had he assumed to know less and followed the pilot boat, the ship would have been safe. There was no time for discussing what might have been, however, and the great question was as to what they could do to make matters better. The only hope was that when the ship was floated by the flood tide it might be worked to a secure port of the harbor.

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of the interment until the next evening.

Captain John Leavitt then took the floor, and a lively passage of words ensued between him and Mr. Robertson. After the latter had retired, Mr. McLaughlin was admitted, and detailed the efforts he had made to find the undertaker in time, but said he had met him only when he was on his way to the grave with the captain's body. The meeting then expressed its approval of Mr. McLaughlin's conduct, and proceeded to pass the following resolutions:

"Resolved, that the remains of the late Captain Irving be removed from their present resting place, and conveyed to the grave from some respectable dwelling, for the purpose of being re-interred, and that a tombstone be erected to his memory, and also to the memory of those of the crew who perished with him."

It was also resolved that a subscription be opened to defray the necessary expenses, and that the proceedings of the meeting be published in the city papers. In addition to Captain Leavitt, Thomas Rogers, and Charles Burdett, of London, and Charles Ward, of Coventry, apprentices, Young Lenihan, the pilot apprentice, Pilot Haviland, to attempt to get ashore, and the venture was made with success, using being made of the wreck of the stern for a part of the distance. Then the other survivors were to go to land, but not without difficulty and danger. So exhausted were the men with their terrible night's experience that on getting ashore, some of them lay down on the snow ready to fall asleep, and had not been for the strenuous exertions of Pilot Haviland they would have con- sidered the matter until the sleep of death overtook them. Kneeling then, he conducted them to the almshouse, where they received every possible care.

The bodies of the dead were looked after on the following morning and placed in an outbuilding. It was a sad enough sight, that of the five frozen remains of those who, at sunset the previous day, had been abounding in life and hope. Two of the bodies were those of mere boys. An inquest was held on Monday, when a verdict was returned in accordance with the facts. One of the bodies rescued from the wreck was kindly treated by a family living in that vicinity. He thus made the acquaintance of a daughter of the owner of the house, to whom he was afterwards married.

The "England" had been consigned to the Honorable John Robertson, and it was supposed he would attend to the burial of Captain Irving, as became the latter's position, and the sad circumstances under which he met his death in a strange land. There appears to have been some mistake made in the matter, however, and there was great surprise and indignation among the shipmasters when they learned that both captain and crew had been buried as paupers in the Old Burial Ground; that the undertaker had taken the captain's body to the grave late in the afternoon; that it had not been followed by a single mourner, and that no minister of religion had taken the captain's body to the grave. Upon learning these facts, a meeting of the shipmasters was held at the St. John Hotel on the evening of Saturday, the 26th of December, and on the following day a Christmas gathering, but one which they would not bear postponement. The object of the meeting was stated to be the eliciting of information relative to the interment of Captain Irving and his men, "reports having got into circulation that they had not received a Christian burial," and Captain Abell occupied the chair. Captain Abell opened the proceedings by some remarks in which he characterized the affair as a foul blot on a Christian community, asserting that a man who had lost his life in the exercise of his duty had been dragged to his final resting place like a felon, betwixt day, light and dark. He used other strong language, and trusted the blame would be put where it belonged.

At this stage of the proceedings Hon. John Robertson sent a note requesting that he be heard before the meeting, and he was accordingly admitted. His explanation was that he gave orders to the undertaker to have the bodies decently and respectfully interred, without either extravagant or unnecessary expense, as soon as it could conveniently be done. After this Mr. Charles McLaughlin called on him and said there was a feeling against the bodies being buried in the poor house burial ground; that the Collector of Customs (Mr. H. Bowyer Smith) and other officials had made a contribution toward funeral expenses, and that he (Mr. McLaughlin) was willing to take charge of the arrangements. Mr. Robertson had replied that Mr. McLaughlin would have to see the undertaker. He also had suggested that the bodies be buried side by side and a tombstone erected, towards which he offered to contribute. He had left the arrangements with Mr. McLaughlin, and had not been aware

of the interment until the next evening.

# Some Canadian Political Topics

### Hon. Mr. Crerar Receives Much Attention from Canadian Papers—Toronto Globe Looking for Free Traders—Chatham Commercial on Warpath.

#### Protective Tax (Montreal Gazette.)

Mr. Crerar has concluded his speaking tour in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. He had good gatherings to hear him, and seems to have grown somewhat more radical as he went on. At Kentville, according to the Halifax Chronicle reporter, he said that protection, as we have it, is a fizzle. We don't need and don't want it. It only enables the Canadian manufacturer to sell his goods, plus the protective duty, to the rest of us. What we want is absolutely free intercourse with our neighbors, not a tariff that will permit our own manufacturers to charge us more simply because the Government adds a protective tax. He advocated free and open competition, dwelling on the idea that men who owned properties that were permitted to lie idle should be compelled to put a price on these properties, and if they refused to sell at that price, were to be taxed for that amount. The question has been asked, he said, if the protective tariff is done away with, where will the country derive sufficient revenue. Who pays the customs duties, asked Mr. Crerar. He said that paying taxes, when you know you were paying them, was preferable to paying them without realizing it, for it would lead to greater economy and a more active interest in the affairs of the country.

#### No Free Traders Now.

A reported remark by Mr. Halbert, M. P., the victor of North Ontario, leads the London Free Press to speak as follows:

Retiring President Halbert of the United Farmers' Association, and member for North Ontario, declares himself a low tariff advocate, but adds that he is not one of those who believe in wiping out the tariff altogether at once. "I am not a free trader," he says. "The Toronto Globe asks who is a free trader, and says the 'Liberal party holds precisely the position now assumed by Mr. Halbert. Here we have two political parties in Canada each finding it necessary to declare that they are not free traders. It was not always so."

#### No Fancy Parties.

Mr. Crerar, on his way home from the maritime provinces, stopped over at Quebec, and is understood to have had conferences with some of the local M.P.'s, who, of course, are all Liberals. Mr. Crerar's latest speeches seemed more designed for the radical westerners than for the conservative Quebecers, who have as a rule been inclined to protection. The "Solid Quebec," however, is attractive to all the leaders, as its representatives may readily hold the balance of power after the next parliamentary election, and those who will co-operate with them. There are Liberals, however, who want nothing to do with fancy parties. Among the latest to declare himself is Mr. Gauthier, M. P. Speaking in Montreal he held that most good is to be expected from the success of parties constituted on the old lines, representing all the classes. There are Conservatives who have been led by recent events to share in Mr. Gauthier's view.

#### Back to Party.

The Edmonton Bulletin, Hon. Frank Oliver's paper, dealing with the result of the North Ontario bye-election, has the following to say:

"Nobody doubts for a moment what would happen if the Government were to come back. And in its place would

be set up a Government representing the farmers almost exclusively, in competition, policy and support. And the law of necessity would drive that Government on a course that would compel all the other interests in the country against it in a fight for life. We are in Canada on the way to a condition of war between town and country. However attractive that condition might be for the stronger faction, a country thus divided against itself cannot prosper. The only hope of avoiding the condition seemingly lies in the breakup of the coalition party and the re-division of Parliament and country on the lines of traditional principle instead of class interests."

#### Language in Business.

#### (La Patrie.)

Lloyd Harris, the Canadian Commerce Commissioner in Europe, yesterday addressed the Publicity Association on the necessity of knowing two languages in order to achieve success in business. It is even better, he believes, to learn three or four or more, but two are essential. On the same occasion Mr. Harris advised his hearers to develop a Canadian patriotism in order to destroy the last traces of racial antagonism and the prejudices of language so that the different groups in the nation can work in harmony one with another. The experience which Mr. Harris gained during the years he spent in France as Canada's representative give his words great weight. Instead of a sentiment of pure sympathy inducing our English speaking fellow citizens of the other provinces to learn French it is the interests of Canada as a nation and their personal interest that should make them do so. Moreover the acquisition of two languages should be recommended to the English element in our own province. How many business men of Montreal speak nothing but English.

#### Mr. Crerar's Ambition.

(Chatham Commercial.)

There is one thing certain, and it is that the attempt that is being made by Mr. Crerar and some of his friends to warn the farmers of provincial Canada is going to do two things. It is going to cause a great many people who are friendly to the platform as laid down by the Canadian Council of Agriculture, to withhold their assent

until it is proven whether the Council puts forward the platform and is engineering the Farmers' movement merely as a friendly aid to the Liberal party, or as a genuine and independent political movement. The other is that such dictatorial and arbitrary methods across the new leadership to the possibility of receiving a direct slap in the face from some adherents of and believers in the capabilities of the Farmers, and the genuineness of their efforts to give the country the sort of government they believe it wants.

# GENERALS WARM UP AND CHALLENGE FOR DUEL FOLLOWS

### Outburst of Ilfeeling Between Czechs and Russians is at the Bottom of the Wrangle Between Commanders.

Irkuak, Dec. 25.—(By the A. P.)—As a result of a new outburst of ill-feeling between the Czechs and Russians, following an exchange of recriminations by Admiral Kolchak, head of the All-Russian government, and Dr. Valda Gira, Czechoslovak commissioner in Siberia, General Kappell, of the Western Armies of the All-Russian government, has challenged General Strykov, commanding the Czechs, to a duel.

The Russians charge the Czechs with high-handed actions in requisitioning locomotives, thereby causing the Bolsheviks to capture 12 trains. General Semenov, the Cossack anti-Bolshevik leader in Siberia, on the other hand is said to be blocking the evacuation of the Czechs and has sent a message to Dr. Gira imploring the Czechs to support their brother Slavs.

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There is no need to comment on a statement like this. It's true. What was done for Mr. Connors has been done for hundreds of others. Dodd's