

"FOURTH LONDON," A BIG HOSPITAL

Many Canadian Wounded Are Patients There.

(By Lacey Amy)

London, Dec. 6.—The Fourth London General Hospital is one of the largest military hospitals in a country that has developed its care of the wounded into one of the wonders of the war. Probably more Canadian soldiers, officers and privates have passed through it than through any other hospital in England, and its name must have appeared at the top of thousands of letters sent back to Canada.

Denmark Hill, the London suburb in which the hospital is situated, was known before the war more for its pensions and for the Fox Under the Hill, a saloon which regarded its sign as a huge sign over the door as dated from the sixteenth century. Denmark Hill was the home of Ruskin and there is still Ruskin Park, but Ruskin Manor is now only a rejuvenated boarding house with its private golf course and on tout cas tennis courts.

Now the suburb is little more than a huge hospital.

to secure the best treatment obtainable, asked of his attending physician the privilege of consulting a specialist at his own expense. Although it is outside the rules the hospital doctor consented. Looking out one of the big windows of the medical profession the soldier presented himself at the hospital house to consult the doctor who had been attending him in the hospital.

Many Canadians, therefore, have spent their last days in the hospital, and as the patient's condition improved, they were able to return to their homes in England.

At present the majority of the Canadian officers are from the western provinces, especially from Alberta. The population are unusually light, and all the boys seem to be doing well. At least they are content and cheerful, and holding forward, many of them to a period of convalescence in Canada before returning to the front with a very few, but many of the soldiers, most of them connected in the patients' words with that mountain to Canadian valor, Corcoran. These battalions represented some of the 12th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th.

and north of Courcellette, were carried.

An Ottawa Priest.

Among the patients is Major J. J. O'Gorman, the Roman Catholic priest from Ottawa. Father O'Gorman was wounded by a "whizz-bang" before Courcellette while assisting in carrying out the wounded over the open in daylight. His left arm was fractured, and bits of the shell wounded him lightly in the thighs. He is well on the road to complete recovery now and effects whatever he recited.

The experiences of the "padre" with the Germans in the course of his duties support those of most of the Canadians—that the German is unreliable in his observance of the rules of warfare. While there is almost no shelling of Red Cross workers "whizz-bangs" and other shells drop with a precision that betrays an anxiety not to miss any chance for injuring the enemy. Father O'Gorman's wound was received under a white flag and all the Red Cross marks. And as the shells especially the smaller ones are placed within a few feet of where they are intended to fall, they cannot be dismissed as accidents. The only safe time to bring in the wounded is in the early morning, when the Germans are engaged in the same work. At the same time the "padre" tells of a distinct sample of decent fighting in the Ypres salient. The cemetery where many of the dead were interred is situated only a few hundred yards behind a part of the front line and every night there were burial parties engaged there on their unspeakable tasks.

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some stray bomb fragments in the ankle. The arm is already healed and an operation the previous day on the ankle seems to have started it favorably. Lieut. R. F. Williams, Burk's Falls, of the 20th, was incapacitated by a twisted knee behind the lines. He had already been wounded at St. Eloi.

Won Commissions.

Two of the Canadian officers enlisted in England and received their commissions on the field. One a cheery young man, with pleasant recollections of his treatment everywhere, was once a cowboy near Medicine Hat. Later he studied art in Chicago. He was in Paris when the war broke out, and returning to England, enlisted as a private with the Imperial forces, later receiving his Canadian commission. The other had been living in England for some years; enlisted at Shoreham, was made a Sergeant immediately, and is now a Captain.

A rather surprising discovery to me—had not troubled to investigate it before, since it has little bearing on the question—was the unanimity of the Canadian officers in favor of centralization even for themselves. Of the many to whom I talked only two were indifferent. It must be remembered that the officer is in a peculiar position with regard to centralization, as compared with the private; had imagined that the freedom accords them, the extent and quality of their entertainment, and the extra attention it is possible for English friends to pay them, might induce them to refuse to be placed under a central command.

I find they are all hoping that their convalescence will take them to a Canadian hospital, and that, while they have no complaint to make of their treatment in the Imperial hospitals, they would appreciate being among their own, where they would see more Canadians with less trouble to themselves or their visitors.

Even Major Beggs, the hospital officer, an Imperial officer, of course, ridicules the thought of centralization being a mistake. Much as he would miss the Canadian Tommy, the benefits and expediency of centralization appeal to him from every standpoint.

HERE'S A WAY TO SAVE DOCTOR BILLS

Physicians Give Free Advice Which Parents May Profit.

It was an association of gentlemen, professional physicians and chemists, all of whom were born in the drug trade, so to speak, and who have been connected with it all their lives.

William Jennings Bryan says, the love is the only preventive of war. Tell that to the Belgians, says the New York Sun.

A public meeting in Carnarvon Wales, enthusiastically adopted a resolution favoring State purchase of distilleries, etc.

Germany has levied a contribution of 1,000,000 rubels in the district of Velm to pay for past and future supplies of food for the people.

The leader of the Radical party in the Spanish Chamber of Deputies has introduced a bill, prohibiting Spanish subjects and vessels from supplying German submarines in any way.

Horse meat has risen in Germany to 39 cents a pound for the best cuts, the price has been fixed by the authorities. Dog meat is also used, and the price will be raised before long.

A supplementary estimate issued in London, on Dec. 14th, provides for an additional 1,000,000 men of all ranks for the army service for the year 1917.

Lord Davenport, food controller of the House of Lords, announced that there are unappreciated people who are trying to lay by supplies in excess of their want, and in such cases would be necessary.

A Munich paper says the late Emperor Francis Joseph willed 12 millions of dollars out of his estate of 25,000,000 dollars for the benefit of wounded soldiers, invalids and relatives of men killed in the war.

The government of Schleswig Prussia, has proclaimed the civil conscription of school boys. They will be used particularly for railway work, and the loading and unloading of trucks, of which there is a shortage.

A Citizens Committee of Glasgow has determined to take steps to convince the British Government that Glasgow is ready to make any sacrifice in support of prohibition of intoxicants to help the national cause, and hasten the end of the war.

Mr. Bonar Law, when announcing the "dollar" cost of the war as 30,000,000 dollars, added, "We cannot hope to go on indefinitely in the present scale but we can go on long enough to make sure that it will not be from financial causes, if we fail to secure the victory."

At Mass Meetings held in New York Dec. 15th, resolutions were passed urging the Government to protest with all its force and earnestness against these outrages; to emphasize the detestation with which the American people regard these abuses; and to request the German Government in the name of all neutrals to cease its policy of expatriation and slavery.

THE EUROPEAN WAR

Britain's Army Greatest in the Empire's History

PARIS, Jan. 4.—A special Havas despatch from the British front in France says: General Sir Douglas Haig today commands the largest army Great Britain ever levied on her soil. The number of effectives in the British Army in France January 1 was nearly 2,000,000 men, completely-trained and ready, day or night, to receive orders from their Commander-in-Chief. This figure only refers to the British forces in France, and is exclusive of those employed in the defence of Great Britain, Ireland, India, Saloniki, Egypt, Mesopotamia, and Africa.

Allies Preparing for the Greatest Effort When Good Weather Comes

LONDON, Jan. 4.—While peace talk is flying back and forth over the wires both belligerents are girding themselves for the greatest fighting yet. The talk from Berlin of war to the knife will be met by an Allied counter-stroke which will make even the unparalleled effort of the last two and a half years seem feeble by comparison. General Haig's report, reducing to the simplest terms the Battle of the Somme, is a preparation of the public mind for what is to come with fightable weather. His statement that half the German army was engaged from July to November with thoroughly demoralizing results to the enemy, reconciles the country to pouring its life and resources without stint into further effort. Man power and fighting tackle are being piled up mountains high back of the Somme lines. The Government and people now trust Haig, and will back him to the hilt. His call for a stream of reinforcements will be met by a more active response in ending the Government's hesitation about methods and hastening the appointment of Lord Cordero. Fervent competition in invention and contribution in this field have placed supremacy first on one side and then on the other. For some months it rested with the entente, but its passing to the Teutons was one of the counts in the indictment against the Asquith administration.

Cunarder Ivernia Sunk

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The British transport Ivernia was sunk by an enemy submarine in the Mediterranean on January 1 during bad weather, and while carrying troops. Thirty-three of the crew of the Ivernia and 180 men are missing. The Cunard liner Ivernia has been for some time in the British government service as a transport, having at various times carried troops from Canada and between British ports and the Dardanelles. The Ivernia, which was 14,250 tons, was on her way to the Dardanelles from the Clyde when she was sunk.

Allied War Council in Rome

PARIS, January 5.—A despatch to the Havas Agency from Rome says: Premier Briand, Minister of War Lyauty, and M. Thomas, Minister of National Manufactures, including munitions, representing the French Cabinet; Premier Lloyd George and Viscount Milner, of the British Cabinet, and General Palizini, representing the Russian Cabinet, are expected to arrive in Rome today for a war council with the Italian officials. The coming of the British and the French Cabinet Ministers is creating a most favorable opinion in the newspapers, which regard the forthcoming conference as a sign of a closer union of the Allies and as marking the beginning of more vast and formidable efforts. The Corriere d'Italia says the meeting will have significance that will not escape Berlin and Vienna, as it will demonstrate that the Entente, instead of being weakened by threats of peace, is resolved firmly to continue the war until the objects of the Allies are attained.

Greece May Declare War Against the Allies

ATHENS, January 5.—A despatch to the London Morning Post says: The local press, which is exclusively pro-government and under existing conditions entirely under the orders of the King and authorities, declares in language of all degrees of passion that the nation is becoming intolerable and that Greece is not disposed to allow herself to be forced by hunger into meek acceptance of the Allies arbitrary wishes.

As Greece cannot by her fleet break the blockade, this can only mean that she will declare war by land against the Allies. In fact, this is more than hinted by the press, which demands general mobilization. The government plainly indicated the same thing in its protest of yesterday to the allied powers by saying it must refer the matter to the Greek people, meaning thereby a convocation of the defunct chamber and the holding of public meetings throughout the country to support the government's line of action.

That the Athens government is meditating some desperate stroke seems evident from all indications, and especially from the fact that reservists here are being secretly enrolled and notified to hold themselves in readiness to join this or that regiment at an hour's notice. I am informed also that military measures with regard to the artillery and stores and munitions are being extensively taken.

MILITARY MATTERS

Briefs

More Patriotic Loans will be asked for, report says.

Mr. F. B. McCurdy M. P., Secretary of the Militia Department has gone overseas.

Holland fears she may be obliged to enter the war, and is continuing her preparation.

60,000 women of Glasgow marched the streets of Glasgow to show their desire for prohibition of intoxicants.

General Robert Nivelle, now leader of the French armies, is an artillery expert. He is fifty eight years old.

The German University of Munster has 2,155 scholars on its roll but only 240 are in attendance. 1783 are in Red Cross work or in the Army.

German papers are insisting that the new compulsory enactment must be enforced upon all classes, without distinction of rank or wealth.

London Opinion wants the War Office to send one of the war tanks through the streets of London, so that the people may have a good laugh.

A German steamer interned in Rotterdam since the beginning of the war, was preparing to leave. But, examination showed she was full of foodstuffs and she will still be retained.

The Church Times says, "Many of the clergy are now impoverished. Some of them are in actual need." The war has robbed them of their congregations.

Five soldiers tampered with the mail bags on the Corcia. Three were sentenced to the penitentiary for three years, and two were put upon suspended sentence.

An Order in Council has been passed, requisitioning all British ships registered in Canada, when required to carry provisions or other articles of Commerce, notice to be given to owners in such cases.

A Serbian boy in England, was asked to translate from Serbian into English the sentence, "He gave up his life on the battle-field." By the side of a dictionary he produced the following: He relinquished his vitality on the bellcourse meadow."

Private wireless outfits in Canada are strictly forbidden as a war measure. A young man in North Sydney who erected a wireless, pleaded he did not know the law, but he was fined 10 dollars, or a month's imprisonment.

Tommy to Sergeant, (as the company was about to move forward.) "I suppose in a few moments we will be making history."

The Sergeant's reply: "History be bluffed. What we have to make now is geography."

THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND THE PATRIOTIC FUND

Eight Hundred Thousand Required for 1917—The Share of the Counties in This.

This week in Nova Scotia counties the County Councils will be discussing the size of the grant to be made for 1917 to the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

It will be of much importance to the Fund if the Councils should have full confidence that the people will heartily approve of liberal grants. We have no doubt that the ratepayers of the Province are behind the Fund to whatever extent may be necessary. For 1917, owing to the increasing size of the Canadian armies, the demands of the Fund on Nova Scotia will reach eight hundred thousand dollars. But this is more than we raised for 1916, so it will be necessary that we contribute even more liberally than in the past.

The work the Fund is doing in caring for the families of the men at the front must not be hindered by lack of money and we suggest to all patriotic citizens that they take every opportunity of encouraging the county councilors to see that the sums voted equal up to the standard of the best paying counties in the Province. In Ontario a revenue of \$120,000 a month collected from the rates or nearly one and a half million dollars for the year, is being received from County Councils representing rural districts. Practically every county council in Nova Scotia has already voted and paid some amount to the Patriotic Fund. There's perhaps a fair way of spreading over all the people in the rural districts their share of the burden of carrying the Fund than is afforded by county council taxation, and we should be proud to let any other part of the Province bear a larger proportion than we are bearing, and certainly too proud to let any other province help out Nova Scotia in doing what after all is its simple duty.

PILE'S

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THE PETITION PRESIDENT ON SLAVE RAIDS

A petition signed by persons prominent in all walks of life throughout the country, and calling on the President of the United States "to throw the whole influence of his office against the deportation of the Belgians by the German Government," has been forwarded to Washington. It was announced by Senator Eilhu Root. The petition says: "Inasmuch as the chief magistrate of a country is entitled to know the definite sentiments of the people, we hereby petition the President of the United States to throw the whole influence of his office against the deportation of the Belgians by the German Government."

"And we especially desire that in whatever manner seems best to him, steps may be taken to join this country with the other neutral states of the American continent in a determined protest against this reversion to barbarism in warfare, not to be witnessed by a civilized world without indignation."

A statement issued regarding the petition said: "It is a response to the call of the President for the voice of the people. Almost every city of the country sends the names of its eminent men. Supreme court judges of the various states join with idealists and reformers; bishops, archbishops and prominent clergy; unite with skeptics; railway presidents with labor leaders; manufacturers with men of letters; bankers and business men with sculptors and painters; leaders of the bar with heads of retired officers of the army and navy; Democrats with Republicans in equal fervor to support the President in his efforts to save Belgium."

"Whole bodies of men in the various cities have signed the petition. Statesmen have sent special letters."

AGAIN PROTEST AT RAIDS ON BELGIANS

Col Roosevelt Says Crowding Brutality Amounts to Impositions of a Cruel Form of State Slavery.

Men and women of all conditions of Hopedstead their preparations for Christmas to attend a citizens' meeting to protest against the deportation of Belgians by Germany in the noted hall of the Newport Historical Society held over by Hon. Daniel B. Pearing and where William Roscoe Thayer, of Boston, Professor Thomas Crosby, of Brown University, and Rev. Robert Basham, Jr., of Portsmouth, were the speakers.

Among the letters read was that from Theodore Roosevelt, which stated in part: "As long as neutrals keep silent, or speak apologetically or take refuge in the facilities of the professional pacifists, there will be no cessation in these brutalities, but surely this last and crowning brutality, which amounts to the imposition of a cruel form of state slavery on a helpless and unoffending conquered nation, must make our people realize that they imperil their own manhood, if they do not bear emphatic testimony against the perpetration of such iniquity. Thus I am glad to be among the Americans who bear this testimony."

Harry Lauder, the well-known comedian, has lost his only son on the battle line. The son graduated from Cambridge University in 1913 and in 1914 went across to visit his father, who had just completed a tour of the world from Australia. He enlisted, being 23 years old, and was named John.

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Medical Journals are reluctant to discuss proprietary medicines. Hall's Journal of Health however, says "Our duty is to expose danger and recur for the means for advancing health. The day for poisoning innocent children through greed or ignorance ought to end. To our knowledge Castoria is a remedy which produces composure and healthy regulating the system, not by stupefying it, and our readers are entitled to the information."

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THE WATER WAGON

The Dominion Alliance has published a map which indicates to the eye, more quickly than words do to the ear, the progress of Prohibition in Canada. The fact is that every Province of the Dominion has passed a Prohibitory Law, excepting Quebec. But eighty four per cent of Quebec is dry under local option. And in the Territory of Yukon a Prohibitory measure was defeated by the small majority of three. This vote so near a tie has encouraged the Yukonites, and a monster petition has been signed with a hope that the desired legislation will be obtained.

Prince Edward Island has the honor of being the first of the Provinces of Canada to become dry. The memorable date is June 4th, 1901. Saskatchewan became dry July 1st, 1915; Manitoba, July 1st, 1916; Nova Scotia, June 2nd, 1916; Alberta, July 1st, 1916 Ontario, Sept. 17th, 1916; New Brunswick becomes dry on May 1st, 1917; British Columbia, on July 1st, 1917.

The Dominion Alliance is at the present time making plans for a united drive of all the Provinces for the prohibition of the manufacture of intoxicants in Canada, and of their importation and sale as a beverage. And why should not the Dominion Parliament pass such a prohibitory statute? There cannot be any reasonable doubt of the wishes of the great majority of the citizens from the Eastern to the western Coast. In this matter "vox populi" is unquestionably "vox dei."

Who will be the first to win the victory over strong drink, Canada or the United States? Of the two thousand eight hundred and ninety eight Counties in the United States, two thousand five hundred and forty three are dry. Here is a competition between our great neighbor and ourselves, which may well attract our attention and awaken deep interest.

If the first to win is the United States, Canada will celebrate. If Canada wins first the United States will celebrate. The interests and aims of the best elements on each side of the border are the same, and what benefits the one benefits also the other.

Russia has knocked the bottom out of the argument that the prohibition of intoxicants is injurious to general business. Mr. Bark, the Russian minister of Finance estimates that the revenue of that country will reach in 1917 the unparalleled sum of two billions of dollars. This proves that the only business in Russia which prohibition injures is the rum business. It is well known that the Premier Lloyd George, advocated the nationalization of the drink traffic in the spring of 1915, but was unable to carry his views to success. But, some breweries and distilleries in the munitions districts have been purchased, as a war measure, and the business has been controlled with good effect. Memorials, however, are reaching the Government from many of the principal cities, Birmingham, Manchester, Liverpool, Glasgow, and others warning against delay. The recent changes in the Government have accentuated the situation. Some influential men are urging the purchase of the entire business. Sir Thomas Whitaker, who was Chairman of the Committee in 1915, which advocated the purchase, is reported as expressing the opinion that the House of Commons would at present pass such a measure without difficulty. The Times does not favor prohibition, as in the United States and Canada, because the circumstances are so different. But it recommends State purchase and control as the easiest way to settle the question at present, and one which has much to commend it.

Ancient Colony, we are convinced, will never take a retrograde position. A life-taker in an Illinois prison tells in the following lines, why in his opinion, the drinking saloon is rightly called a bar. "A bar to heaven, a door to hell, Whoever named it named it well. A bar to maintain an unhealthy, A door to want and broken health. A bar to honor, pride and fame; A door to grief, and sin and shame. A bar to home, a bar to prayer; A door to darkness and despair. A bar to honored, useful life; A door to brutalize, and waste of life. A bar to all that's true and brave; A door to every drunkard's grave. A bar to joys that home imparts; A door to tears and aching hearts. A bar to heaven, a door to hell; Whoever named it named it well."

THE RUM RATION IN THE ARMY.

Many remonstrances and petitions have gone over seas from Societies and individuals, to British authorities because of reports circulated in Canada to the effect that rum rations were regularly served to the soldiers before going into battle. The Dominion Women's Christian Temperance Union has been especially interested in the endeavor to ascertain the real facts, and to protest against the giving of intoxicants, as a beverage, to Canadian boys under any circumstances.

The Rev. T. Albert Moore, D. D., in a letter to the Montreal Daily Star, reports that the Union referred to has just received the following communication from the Secretary of the War Office through the Under Secretary. "I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, and in reply to inform you that rum is only issued to the troops under the strictest supervision, and when considered necessary by the General Officer Commanding, and this only through the recommendation of the Medical Officer."

WESTERN NOVA SCOTIA BOARD OF TRADE

The second quarterly meeting of the Western Nova Scotia Board of Trade will be held in the Ruggles Block, Bridgetown, Friday, of this week, Jan. 12th. Afternoon session opens at 2:30 Evening session at 7:30.

The following is the program: Minutes of last regular meeting. Minutes of Council Meeting. Report of Committee appointed at Council Meeting. One Cause of Short Apple Crop in Annapolis Valley, W. H. Brittain, Provincial Entomologist. "The Necessity of Better Roads for Western Nova Scotia - How Best Obtained," Bear River Board. Spraying Requisite to Increase Production of Apples in the Annapolis Valley, Geo. E. Saunders, Annapolis Royal. "Increased Trade" Service between "Middleton and Kentville," Berwick Board. Muffled Exhaust on Motor Boats. Lights on Teams, Digby Board. A Provincial Assessment for Patriotic Fund, H. B. Short of Digby. Dogs Laws, Apple Crop 1917, Vegetable Canning, Per Capita Tax, Kentville Board. Modus Vivendi, Yarmouth Board. Changing Bye-Laws, F. E. Cox, Middleton Board.

ANENT NATIONAL SERVICE CARDS

Mr. Editor - Bridgetown Jan. 9, 1917. I understand that quite a number of persons have not returned the National Service cards. In this great crisis of our Empire in order that victory may be won and the objects for which we fight be achieved, it is necessary that our nation be thoroughly organized so that all the resources of this Dominion be utilized in the most efficient manner.

The object of this national registration is to discover what valuable people there are for different kinds of work. There are a great number of persons in Canada waiting to be told what to do, but it is necessary to find out who they are and what they can do. The citizens of Bridgetown have proved their patriotism by willing sacrifice and brave deeds. Many of our best and finest young men are in the trenches. Some of them have already paid the last full measure of devotion to the cause of humanity. It is for us who stay at home to do all that we can to assist in our last cause so that our sacrifices will not have been in vain.

BELLEISLE

Jan. 8. Miss Jennie Bent spent the holidays with friends in Truro. Mr. Gladstone Parker spent a few days, recently visiting friends at Torbrook. Our school opened today in charge of Miss Lillian Powell of Little River, Digby County. Miss Olga Wade is visiting in Middleton the guest of her cousin Mrs. R. S. McKay.

TORBROOK

Jan. 8. Miss Ethel Reynolds spent New Year's at Port Wade. Blake Armstrong, Frank Thompson and Leonard Nelly left on the 30th ult. for Boston. Mr. Percy Jefferson has returned from Halifax after successful treatment for hernia. Miss Bessie Parker has had to resign her position as teacher at Mt. Hanley on account of illness.

MOUNT HANLEY

Jan. 9. Mr. George Elliott is spending the holidays with his parents in this place. Miss Celia Hines visited her many friends in Greenwood and Kibrtown last week. Miss Ora B. Elliott, B. A., and Miss Celia Hines have returned to their schools. We wish them success. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Strong from Arlington were guests of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Balsor, on Sunday last.

CENTRE CLARENCE

Jan. 8. Mr. Jabez Godfrey, Brooklyn, Queens County, has been visiting friends in this place. Miss Hattie Bennett, a recent guest at the home of Mrs. Ida Witham. Miss Saunders and Miss Hettie Fairn, Albany, recently visited at the home of Major A. P. Ramsey.

PARADISE

Jan. 8. Mr. J. S. Lomley visited his brother at Windsor last week. Mrs. J. C. Morse is spending a few days with friends in Middleton. Rev. I. A. Corbett was in Bear River last week, returning home on Friday. Mrs. Porter of Bear River was a guest last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Layte.

LOWER GRANVILLE

Jan. 8. Capt. and Mrs. Herbert Hudson left on Monday, Jan. 8, for New York. Mrs. G. Hines is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. G. E. Shaffer. Mr. Howard J. Croscup left on Friday for Shelburne County, on a business trip. The Red Cross Society meets at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Anthony on Wednesday evening.

ST. CROIX COVE

Jan. 8. Miss Leta Poole returned to Wolfville, New Year's Day. Mr. Handley Britton, Hampton, visited relatives here yesterday. Principal B. R. Hall returned to his school at Joggins Mines on Friday. Mrs. Johnson Beardsley is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Zacheus Hall.

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Jan. 9. Mr. George Elliott is spending the holidays with his parents in this place. Miss Celia Hines visited her many friends in Greenwood and Kibrtown last week. Miss Ora B. Elliott, B. A., and Miss Celia Hines have returned to their schools. We wish them success.

CENTRE CLARENCE

Jan. 8. Mr. Jabez Godfrey, Brooklyn, Queens County, has been visiting friends in this place. Miss Hattie Bennett, a recent guest at the home of Mrs. Ida Witham. Miss Saunders and Miss Hettie Fairn, Albany, recently visited at the home of Major A. P. Ramsey.

PARADISE

Jan. 8. Mr. J. S. Lomley visited his brother at Windsor last week. Mrs. J. C. Morse is spending a few days with friends in Middleton. Rev. I. A. Corbett was in Bear River last week, returning home on Friday.

LOWER GRANVILLE

Jan. 8. Capt. and Mrs. Herbert Hudson left on Monday, Jan. 8, for New York. Mrs. G. Hines is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. G. E. Shaffer. Mr. Howard J. Croscup left on Friday for Shelburne County, on a business trip.

ST. CROIX COVE

Jan. 8. Miss Leta Poole returned to Wolfville, New Year's Day. Mr. Handley Britton, Hampton, visited relatives here yesterday. Principal B. R. Hall returned to his school at Joggins Mines on Friday.

SATURDAY SPECIALS For this Date Only JANUARY 13th 15 pairs Cotton Blankets Single bed size, for 85c. pair 15 pairs Cotton Blankets 10-4 size, for only \$1.00 pair ONLY ONE PAIR TO A CUSTOMER STRONG & WHITMAN 'Phone 32 Ruggles Block

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HAY WANTED We the undersigned have been appointed to act as inspectors for the Dominion Department of Agriculture in connection with the hay to be purchased in Annapolis County for account of the Imperial War Office.

46 Years in Business Bell Pianos! Bell Pianos! Bell Organs! Bell Organs! There is music even in the name. The BELL is one of the oldest as well as the largest manufacturers of Pianos and Organs in Canada.

Happy and Prosperous New Year with a hope that during the New Year peace may again prevail among the nations of the world. J. HARRY HICKS Corner Queen and Granville Streets BRIDGETOWN

FRUIT GROWERS Annual Meeting The Fifty-third Annual Meeting of the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association will be held in the new Demonstration Building, Lawrence-town, Jan. 16th, 17th and 18th, 1917

THE WONDERFUL FRUIT MEDICINE

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"FRUIT-A-TIVES", the marvellous medicine made from fruit juices - has relieved more cases of Stomach, Liver, Blood, Kidney and Skin Troubles than any other medicine.

DOMINION ATLANTIC RY

On and after November 1st, 1916 train service on the railway is as follows:

ST. JOHN - DIGBY DAILY SERVICE (Sunday excepted)

BOSTON SERVICE Steamers of the Boston and Yarmouth S. S. Company sail from Yarmouth for Boston after arrival of express trains for Halifax, Wednesday and Saturday.

H. & S. W. RAILWAY

Table with columns: Accom. Times Table in effect, Stations, Read down, Read up. Lists routes like Middleton A.R., Digby, and Yarmouth.

Yarmouth Line

STEAMSHIP "PRINCE GEORGE" Leaves Yarmouth Wednesdays and Saturdays at 5 p. m. Returning leaves Central Wharf, Boston, Tuesdays and Fridays at 1 p. m.

EDDY'S Matches

although somewhat increased in prices owing to the continued high prices of potash-glue and other raw material, are of the usual high standard of quality which has made them famous for two-thirds of a century

Indigestion and Biliousness

Indigestion, biliousness, headaches, flatulency, pains after eating, constipation, are all common symptoms of stomach and liver troubles. And the more you neglect them the more you suffer.

Lawrencetown

Mr. C. R. Marshall of Falkland Ridge, is a guest at the Elm House. The Woman's Institute will meet with Mrs. W. P. Morse on Thursday afternoon.

MIDDLETON

Mr. Hilbert returned to Halifax on Friday. Miss Alex Parker returned to her school on Monday.

MELVERN SQUARE

Miss Lucy Stoddart was a recent guest of her sister, Mrs. Kenneth Chisholm.

DEEP BROOK

Mrs. A. G. Sallis was the New Years' guest of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Rook of Digby.

MORGANVILLE

Mrs. Jacob Morgan arrived from Boston last Wednesday. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rice on the birth of a little son.

PRINCE DALE

Mrs. Albert Fraser spent Wednesday in Annapolis Royal. Miss Jennie Peemer spent Monday and Tuesday in Clementsport.

MOTHER SEIGEL'S SYRUP

have lost tone. Mother Seigel's Syrup is made from the curative extracts of certain roots, berries, and leaves, which have a remarkable tonic and strengthening effect on all organs.

100 YEARS

and more, people with chest and throat troubles have tried to cure them by pouring cough syrups, lung tonics and the like into their stomachs. All a mistake!

Poultry

It is the Day of Opportunity but Important Improvements Must Be Made. (By W. A. Brown)

FACTORS TO ENSURE DEVELOPMENT

The market and remunerative prices of eggs must be insured a remunerative market for their product. Prices have been good this year, and the prospects for a continued demand are very bright.

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Ladies' Department

On the counters in this department Ends of Lace, Ribbons, Embroideries, Fur, Blouse Waists, Lawns, etc., will be found.

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