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WEATHER—MOSTLY FAIR

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BERNSTORFF MAY LEAVE U.S.; NINE MORE VESSELS GO DOWN

BERNSTORFF EXPECTS TO BE ORDERED HOME

Official Washington Silent, But Many at Capital Believe Emphatic Communication Has Been Sent to Germany—May Be Safeguarding American Interests Before Announcement Made.

PUBLIC PRESS AND OFFICIAL OPINION IN UNITED STATES STRONGLY FAVORS SEVERANCE OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH GERMANY—DIRECT VIOLATION OF SACRED WORD BY BERLIN REGARDING SINKING OF STEAMERS WITH AMERICANS ON BOARD.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Whatever course of action President Wilson has chosen to meet Germany's declaration of unrestricted submarine warfare is known only to three or four members of his official family. Neither the cabinet, as a whole, nor the foreign affairs committee of congress have been taken into his confidence.

One high official close to the president declared tonight that no communication had been sent to Berlin or to Count Von Bernstorff, who outwardly was expecting a severance of diplomatic relations.

There was every indication in official quarters that a note had been determined upon, but the indications as to whether it actually had been dispatched were about evenly divided.

Official Silence.

From under the curtain of official silence, drawn closely over every move today, came various indications taken everywhere as index fingers pointing toward the probable course of the United States.

It was undisputed that the government would not permit Germany's announcement to stand without challenge.

But whether President Wilson's answer will be a solemn warning of a break in diplomatic relations if Germany's campaign of ruthlessness is carried into execution, or actually a severance of relations without further waiting, remained undisclosed.

White House officials and Secretary Lansing followed the same course they have adopted on previous occasions when a communication had been despatched to Berlin and they were awaiting its receipt in the German capital before making any announcement in this country. It was a course of absolute silence; of flat refusal to disclose any information whatever; to discuss the subject in any way or to answer any inquiries upon it.

Secretary Lansing Secluded.

Secretary Lansing began by denying himself to all callers. Notwithstanding it was the regular day for receiving representatives of foreign governments at the state department as the British and Japanese ambassadors, and they were turned over to subordinate officials.

It became known then that Mr. Lansing was engaged at work "on something for the president."

Shortly before noon the secretary went to the White House taking with him some documents, and instead of going to the executive offices, went to the mansion itself, where he and the president conferred, undisturbed, for more than an hour.

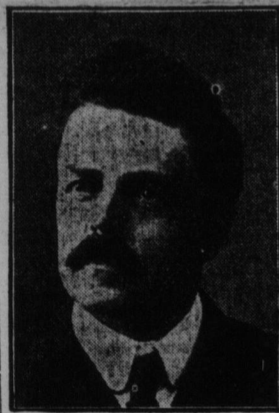
When he left the president Mr. Lansing refused absolutely to discuss the situation or answer any inquiries. Then later in the day, when he met newspaper correspondents, he said: "Gentlemen, I have nothing to tell you; neither will I answer any questions."

He modified his latter statement only to say he had no communication throughout the day with the German ambassador, adding that there was no prospect of any announcement during the night.

Decision Determined On.

Among all officials capable of judging the probable course of the president the only point of doubt seemed to be whether a communication to Germany would carry only a warning, or whether it would consider Germany's declaration sufficient in itself for action. All seemed to take it for granted that a decision had quickly been determined upon.

It was pointed out that one reason for withholding knowledge of the president's course is the necessity of completing certain arrangements, many of a physical character, to prepare the country for eventualities which would be



HON. A. R. SLIPP.

expected to follow a diplomatic break. The safeguarding of American ports, safety of Americans in Germany, the presence of German ships in American harbors and many other considerations are among them.

The last correspondence with Germany which demanded a total abandonment of such submarine warfare as the Central Powers are about to resume, declared that the United States would sever diplomatic relations "altogether." That is interpreted as leaving no opportunity for half way measures; it means the withdrawal of Ambassador Gerard and the whole embassy staff from Berlin, and the closing of the German embassy here.

Von Bernstorff May Quit.

Inasmuch as any action by the United States would be directed against Germany as a nation, and not against her ambassador as an individual, it was thought unlikely that a severance would be announced by the delivery of passports to Count Von Bernstorff, but would be preceded by formal notification to Berlin of the American government's decision. The delivery of passports to the ambassador would be left as a formality of the future.

Germany's view, as expressed here, is that neutrals should not object to the German blockade, inasmuch as they have been unable to raise the British blockade. American ships entering into the barred zones, it frankly was said, would be in danger of being sunk, but it was declared that Germany and her allies would give up the campaign of ruthlessness should neutrals, acting together, cause Great Britain to raise her blockade, or should there be a peace conference.

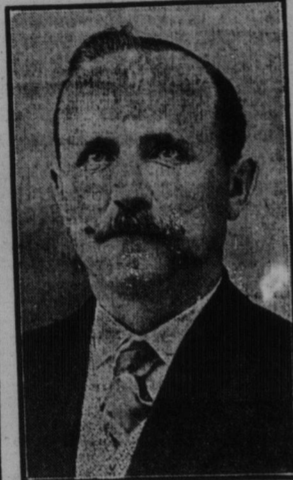
Austria Also.

Austria and Turkey are expected to make similar war zone declarations. The first notification that Austria has joined Germany was in news despatches from Paris.

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HON. JAMES A. MURRAY SWORN IN AS PREMIER OF NEW BRUNSWICK

Hon. Arthur R. Slipp Enters Cabinet as Minister of Lands and Mines—Hon. Arthur Culligan and Hon. Dr. H. I. Taylor as Member Without Portfolio—Premier Murray and Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, Hon. D. V. Landry and Hon. B. Frank Smith Will Retain Their Former Portfolios.



THE NEW CABINET.

HON. J. A. MURRAY,
Premier and Minister of Agriculture.

HON. J. B. M. BAXTER,
Attorney-General.

HON. D. V. LANDRY,
Provincial Sec.-Treasurer.

HON. B. FRANK SMITH,
Minister of Public Works.

HON. A. R. SLIPP,
Minister of Lands and Mines

HON. H. I. TAYLOR,
Member without Portfolio.

HON. A. P. CULLIGAN,
Member without Portfolio.

HON. DR. LANDRY.

Hon. George J. Clarke has resigned as Premier of New Brunswick, his declining health necessitating his retiring from active governmental work. His Honor Lieut.-Governor Wood received the Premier's resignation yesterday at Fredericton and immediately called upon the Hon. James A. Murray to form a new government.

Hon. Mr. Murray last evening announced that Arthur B. Slipp of Fredericton would succeed Hon. Mr. Clarke as Minister of Lands and Mines, while Arthur P. Culligan of Culligan, Restigouche county, and Dr. H. I. Taylor of St. George would become members of the new government without portfolio. Hon. J. B. M. Baxter will continue as Attorney-General; Hon. B. F. Smith as Minister of Public Works, and Hon. D. V. Landry as Provincial Secretary-Treasurer. The new Premier himself will continue as Minister of Agriculture.

The new government is one of the strongest administrations that has ever been entrusted with the control of the affairs of the province of New Brunswick. As executive heads, Hon. Mr. Murray, Hon. Dr. Baxter, Hon. Mr. Smith and Hon. Dr. Landry have already displayed their incalculable worth, while the record of the new members as private members of the Legislative Assembly is such an excellent one that their success as members of the new cabinet is beyond all question.

The members of the new government were sworn in at Fredericton before His Honor Lieut.-Governor Wood yesterday afternoon. The ceremony was an imposing one. "Friends throughout the province on both sides of politics will deeply regret Hon. Mr. Clarke's enforced retirement. The retiring Premier's record in public life has been a creditable and honorable one, and it will be the unanimous wish of the people of New Brunswick whom he has faithfully served that Providence will afford him a speedy recovery to good health.

The new Murray administration takes control of affairs at a time when several momentous matters involving the future of the province, especially the question of post-war measures, must be carried to a successful issue. That the new government will discharge these great responsibilities in an eminently satisfactory manner is assured. The calibre of the members of the new administration will inspire confidence among the citizens of New Brunswick and their past record in public life is proof positive of the fact that they will give to the public affairs of the province honest, efficient and prudent administration.

THE HON. JAMES A. MURRAY.

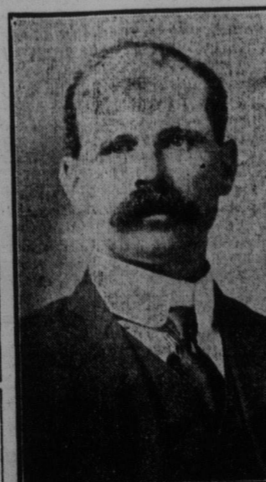
Hon. James A. Murray, the new Premier of the Province of New Brunswick, was born at Moncton on November 9, 1864. He is a son of John Murray of Scotch descent, and Caroline Mills of English descent, both his parents being Canadian born. The new Premier was educated in the public schools of the province. He was married on September 2, 1891, to Miss Annie Kate, daughter of the late James Mills of Sussex. He has



HON. J. B. M. BAXTER.

one son and three daughters. The son is Lieut. Ralph Murray, a member of the 6th Battalion, who has a splendid war record, and is in the province at the present time on furlough, after being severely wounded in fighting for the cause of Empire at the front.

Hon. Mr. Murray was in business for a number of years as a manufacturer's agent. Prior to his entry in the provincial arena of politics, he was an alderman-at-large for the town of Sussex in 1904 and 1905, being elected to that office by acclamation.



HON. ARTHUR CULLIGAN.

His success in the administration of the local affairs of Sussex brought him additional honors in 1906, when he was elected mayor of that progressive town, a position for which he was again chosen by acclamation in the following year.

The new Premier was first elected to the Legislative Assembly at Fredericton on March 3rd, 1908, having a substantial plurality over the candidates of the opposition party. Upon the formation of the Fleming administration on October 16, 1911, following the resignation of the then Premier and Attorney-General, Hon. J. D.



HON. B. F. SMITH.

Hazen, to accept the portfolio of Marine and Fisheries in the Borden Government. Hon. Mr. Murray was called to the provincial cabinet as member without portfolio. He was also the president of the Executive Council, discharging the duties incumbent on him in an admirable manner. Following the appointment of Hon. Dr. Landry to the Provincial Secretaryship, Hon. Mr. Murray was called to the administration of the important department of Agriculture. Under his capable direction immeasurable strides have been made in the development of the agricultural industry in this province. Many new departments serving to advance the interests of the farming community of New Brunswick have been inaugurated under his regime, and he is generally regarded as a most able and successful administrator.

Hon. Mr. Murray has been one of the outstanding figures in the public life of New Brunswick for the past few years and he was the logical man to be called upon to form a new administration. Last year his ability to grasp with important public matters was further recognized when he was sent to England to confer with high Imperial officials relative to New Brunswick's post-war colonization scheme. His visit to the old country produced marked results inasmuch as his efforts were successful in bringing to the people of England a greater realization of the tremendous advantages of the province. Tributes to Hon. Mr. Murray were written by several distinguished writers in the old country press, the consensus of opinion among the journalists being that the new Premier was one of the biggest and most successful public men that this section of the Dominion has ever produced.

Hon. Mr. Murray is a natural leader, an indefatigable worker; he owes his success to close and consistent attention to the affairs of the province that demanded his attention. Alive to the great possibilities of his native province, he will no doubt, in his new position, do much to develop the province's great resources, and be a big factor in the future development of New Brunswick.

The genuine congratulations of friends throughout the Dominion will be extended to Hon. Mr. Murray on the new honors that have come to him. The affairs of New Brunswick will be safe in his hands and there is no question but that he will come up to the fullest expectations of his hosts of admiring friends.

THE HON. A. R. SLIPP.

Hon. Arthur Reid Slipp, M.L.A., LL. B., K.C., of Queens, in succession to Hon. George J. Clarke, was born at Hampstead, Queens Co., Sept. 10, 1869, the son of Reid and Phoebe E. Slipp, both of Loyalist descent. He was educated at the Collegiate School, Fredericton, University of New Brunswick and the law school of Boston University. He was graduated from the law school with the degree of LL.B. in 1892.

Hon. Mr. Slipp was an alderman of

GERMAN DECLARATION QUETED PARLIAMENT

Canada Answers Teuton War Lords By Appropriation of \$500,000,000 and By Announcement That Canada Will Immediately Raise Large Force for Home Service.

LIBERALS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY WERE MILD IN THEIR CRITICISM, GRIT OBSTRUCTIONISTS EVIDENTLY SOBERED BY SERIOUSNESS OF INTERNATIONAL SITUATION

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Feb. 1.—The inauguration today of Germany's new campaign of "frightfulness" and the possibility of the American republic being dragged into the European vortex sobered parliament. The partisanship and bitter personalities which have been featuring the session were dropped. The members set themselves seriously to a consideration of Canada's part in the great war. They gave the Dominion's answer to Germany in a new war appropriation of five hundred million dollars, a hundred million

dollar borrowing bill, an interim supply of sixty million dollars and an announcement to the effect that the government will immediately raise a large force in Canada for home service.

Greatest in History.

The war appropriation is the greatest of its kind in the history of the Dominion. It was introduced by Sir Robert Borden amid cheers. Three years ago the war appropriation was only sixty millions and it would have seemed unbelievable then that today Canada would ask for half a billion and get it without demur and without hardly disturbing the financial and business interests of the country. The members view it with equanimity, and it is just possible that the whole sum will be raised in the Dominion itself. There was some discussion, many questions and some criticism, but it was for the most part a mild nature and it was never petty or marred by speeches.

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9 VESSELS ARE SENT TO BOTTOM

London, Feb. 1.—The sinking of nine vessels, causing the death of eight men and the injury of one, was announced by Lloyd's.

The announcement, as posted at the shipping agency, says: "British steamer Trevean, 3,081 tons gross, and the Belgian steamer Euphrates, 2,809 tons gross, sunk. "Steamer Dundee of Hamilton, Ont. 2,278 tons gross, submerged; one man killed and one injured. Tug Ida sunk, presumably by striking a mine while towing barges. Five men lost. "Two trawlers and three smacks sunk, with the loss of two men."

Berlin Press Gleeful. Berlin, Feb. 1, via London.—The press of Berlin received the announcement of unrestricted submarine warfare with delight.

Died In The Hospital. Miss Fannie Evans, aged 19 years, passed away in the General Public Hospital at an early hour this morning. Her home was in Lorneville, N. B. Death was the result of an operation for appendicitis.

N. B. MILITARY ASSO. TO DINE MARCH 22

After considerable discussion it was decided at the meeting of the New Brunswick Military Association, held last night in their rooms in the Market building to hold their annual dinner on March 22. It was thought owing to the war that it would be only fit and proper to dispense with the annual banquet. However, on account of many of the members being well advanced in years it was decided to hold the accustomed dinner. The reason for selecting the date is on account of it being the day on which the members answered the call to defend the country from the Fenians.

INTENSELY COLD WAVE MOVING EASTWARD.

An intensely cold wave from the west is approaching on horse-back to round out ground-hog day. The temperature at Edmonton yesterday was 48 below zero; at Regina, 45 below; Saskatoon, 42 below; Prince Albert, 42 below; Moose Jaw, 40 below. The coldest in St. John yesterday was two below, early in the morning before the storm hit the city. It looks as if the ground-hog would beat it for his last again.

WORLD AWAITS ACTION OF THE U. S. GOVERNMENT

CRITICAL SITUATION IN UNITED STATES AS RESULT OF HUN EDICT

Announcement of Decision of Washington Government on Murderous and Inhuman Declaration Issued from Berlin Yesterday was Anxiously Awaited Throughout the Republic—Upon Decision Question of Peace or War Possibly Hinged—How Edict was Received in America and Abroad.

Washington, Feb. 1.—After an hour's conference between President Wilson and Secretary of State Lansing, it became known today that the German situation is viewed with extreme gravity and that the American government had already begun to formulate definite steps. It was regarded as not impossible that action of some kind had already been taken but there was no indication of its nature.

There were also indications that no announcement of the course of the government would be made until certain steps had been taken through the navy department and the treasury for safe-guarding American ports and other interests.

Night Conference. It was disclosed that Mr. Wilson and Mr. Lansing had a conference last night although it was then denied they had conferred at all.

Passports for Count Von Bernstorff, orders for recall of Ambassador Gerard, solemn warnings to Berlin that breach of her pledges means a severance of diplomatic relations, or tense waiting for an overt act which would sweep aside diplomacy and bring the American government to the point of action, are among the contingencies which fill the situation today.

Diplomats who were very busy engaged preparing something for President Wilson.

Serious Situation. New York, Feb. 1.—An Associated Press despatch from Washington this morning says:

Ruthless submarine warfare, inaugurated today by Germany, brings the United States face to face with what President Wilson has solemnly declared to be the only alternative to recognition of American rights on the high seas—a break in diplomatic relations, with its accompanying grim possibilities.

Washington awoke this morning with a shiver to a realization of this situation. It had come so suddenly in the midst of lingering hopes for an early peace and speculation over what might be the president's next move toward that end that there had been little time for deliberation.

In fact, even members of the foreign relations committee of the senate read for the first time in the morning papers the text of the warning note handed yesterday to Ambassador Gerard in Berlin and delivered to the state department by Count Von Bernstorff.

President Wilson, upon whom lies the burden of determining the nation's course, was alone in his study at the White House until late in the night with a copy of the German note. He saw no callers, but it is understood to have held several telephone conversations with members of the cabinet and to have sent a summons to Col. E. M. House, his close friend and constant adviser on foreign affairs.

exceeds in "hideous barbarity" anything in the history of modern war. "Behind everything the enemy does," the naval expert adds, "there is a determination to prove that he will admit of no restraint and therefore cannot be defeated by those who will not descend to his level."

The Morning Post's naval correspondent, discussing the submarine menace generally, says Germany knows if she can reach a certain point in commerce destroying the Entente Allies must yield and therefore she is desperately yet methodically, striving to reach that point while there is yet time.

"In general terms," says the correspondent, "the situation may be defined as a race against time. If Germany can destroy enough ships both neutral and belligerent before she is defeated on land, she will win. If the Allies can maintain sufficient sea transports they will win. At this moment it is impossible to predict the issue, but the people of this country would do well to prepare for certain contingencies."

American Comment. New York, Feb. 1.—The Buffalo Express says: The note is a virtual declaration of war on the United States and on all other neutral countries and upon all civilization. It is especially a defiance of the United States on account of the ultimatum which the president sent to Germany in the Sussex case and the protests which led up to it. Immediate and vigorous action by the president is imperative.

Syracuse Post Standard: The first American merchant vessel sunk by Germany will be a virtual declaration of war. There is no other answer to Germany's note.

Germany Desperate. Albany, N. Y., Argus.—It is indeed Germany's last desperate throw, her recognition of the fact that in reversion to savagery is the only chance of winning this war. She knows now that she cannot conquer on land and even if she cannot be conquered there.

Philadelphia Inquirer—It can hardly be necessary to say that the United States cannot upon any ground or for any consideration excuse or condone or tolerate the heinous, abhorrent course which Germany has determined to pursue. Apparently, after all, we have come to the turn of the road at last and have reached the crisis so often threatened and so long deferred.

Pittsburgh Gazette-Times—The communication handed to Ambassador Gerard is insulting. It amounts almost to a declaration of war. It puts squarely upon President Wilson to act with promptness and vigor to maintain the rights of Americans on the sea. How long will President Wilson endure the official presence of Count Von Bernstorff in America?

Watterson's Paper Wants War. Louisville Courier-Journal — Surely the president has been awakened from his dream of the millennium by Germany's latest note. It is a direct challenge of war to the United States. It is a time for no further parleying. That challenge should be accepted within twenty-four hours, and the war thus entered on by America should not end until the imperial despotism of Germany which dares plunge the world into such a war, is completely and eternally crushed.

London Surprised. London, Feb. 1.—The text of the German note to neutrals announcing the abandonment of restrictions on naval warfare reached London an hour after midnight in a summary of the Berlin despatch cabled from New York. It was consequently too late for the first editions of the morning papers or for editorial comment.

cate that the note to neutrals will not cause surprise. The intimation that the government plans reprisals is generally acclaimed through the Daily News, while refraining from speculation as to the form reprisals may take, says: "The question is peculiarly difficult, both practically and ethically. If we are already waging war to the full extent of our capacity within legitimate limits there is little margin left for reprisals unless we are prepared to follow Germany into the region of lawlessness and barbarism where her predominance over all rivals is unassailable. In a contest of that kind we have been and always will be at a hopeless disadvantage. Of that Germany is doubtless aware and lays her plans accordingly."

New York Again Open. New York, Feb. 1.—After being sealed off all night by a cordon of destroyers and coastguard patrol boats, the port of New York was today opened by the customs authorities to all in-coming and out-going shipping.

The stand taken by the collector of the port was that ships could sail at their own risk. They were permitted to clear as usual.

Passports Suspended. Washington, Feb. 1.—The state department suspends issuance of passports to American travelers abroad.

French Not Frightened. Paris, Feb. 1.—The central committee of French ship owners informed the Associated Press today that the new German submarine policy will cause no change whatever in sailings from France.

The Germans, it was declared, can do no more with their submarines than they have already done, and the only result will be to increase insurance rates and freight charges.

Caution in Spain. London, Feb. 1.—A Reuter despatch from Madrid, says the Spanish minister of the interior on communicating to the newspapers the note of the Central Powers regarding their new naval measures, appealed for the necessity of preserving neutrality and on account of the gravity of the situation, to observe discreet composure.

The minister said he feared that when the purport of the note became known disorders might occur particularly in the eastern districts, as the policy of the Central Powers meant interruption of foreign trade and grave dislocation of the internal life of the country.

The impression prevails in Madrid, the correspondent says, that parliament will be adjourned in order to prevent discussions which might be dangerous.

In Denmark. London, Feb. 1.—A Copenhagen despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co. says that a full meeting of the cabinet was held last night to discuss the German submarine note and its probable effect on Denmark.

Dutch Vessel Sunk. Lloyds announces that the Dutch steamer Epsilon, 3,211 tons, has been sunk. The crew was landed.

America, are booking passengers and freight today as usual. The American lines have received no intimation of any change in sailing programmes on account of the newly announced German naval policy.

It was instituted in 1879 by 488 members who seceded from the American Order of Foresters. Today it has a membership of over 9,000, which is the largest purely Canadian membership of any of the fraternal insurance societies doing business in the Dominion.

The society has had a most successful record and has accumulated funds, which, at the present time, amount to between five and a half and six million dollars. Last year was apparently

one of the most successful years in the history of the institution. The amount added to the insurance funds for 1916 was between four and five hundred thousand dollars. Notwithstanding this success the management decided to ascertain what the actuarial standing of the society was, and secured the services of one of the most competent actuaries on the continent. Acting on the advice of the actuary, the society decided to re-adjust its rates and place itself upon a basis

which will give it at least 100 per cent actuarial solvency. By taking this course, while its funds were still piling up it has been able to treat its members much more favorably than many of the societies which have re-adjusted their business during recent years. The management is to be congratulated upon a course of action which will place the society upon a splendid financial basis, and insure the future of the order for all time.

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CANADA MUST BORROW \$250,000,000 WITHIN YEAR TO FINANCE WAR

Sir Thomas White in Discussing Proposed \$100,000,000 Loan Tells Commons He May Be Obligated to Borrow Part of it in United States - J. R. Rainville Elected Deputy Speaker.

Ottawa, Feb. 1.-Sir Thomas White's resolution calling for legislation authorizing the government to borrow \$100,000,000 to meet maturing obligations of the Dominion, to carry on public works and to meet expenditures for general purposes, was adopted in the commons today and the bill based upon it was introduced. The finance minister during the discussion intimated that a considerable portion of any money which might be borrowed under the provisions of the bill would be obtained by domestic loan. He said he would like to float all loans in Canada but pointed out that the condition of exchange might make it desirable to borrow in the United States. Encouraging Revenue. He told the house that Canada's revenue for the present fiscal year would be sufficient to pay all ordinary and capital expenditures of the country and sixty seventy million dollars of the principal of its war expenditure. He estimated that during the coming year it would be necessary to borrow \$250,000,000 on this side of the Atlantic to meet war expenditures and additional sums to establish credits for Great Britain in the Dominion. Balancing the advances made by Canada to the Imperial government to

pay for munitions manufactured here, against the sums owing by Canada to the Imperial government for supplies for the Dominion's troops overseas, he concluded that Great Britain was now indebted to Canada to the extent of \$18,000,000. Rainville Deputy Speaker. Mr. J. H. Rainville of Chambly Veterans was elected, upon the nomination of Sir Robert Borden, at the opening of the house to the office of chairman of the committee of the whole and deputy speaker. The prime minister in proposing Mr. Rainville's name said he had had experience as a member of the house for a period of nearly six years, had a knowledge of the rules of the house and possessed the qualities of promptness of decision, courtesy and tact, which were so necessary to the successful discharge of the duties of the office. The prime minister read a telegram received from the British ambassador at Washington announcing that the German ambassador had informed the secretary of state of the United States that all Germany's pledges respecting restrictions on submarine warfare were withdrawn from Feb. 1st. The Railroad Embargo. Mr. A. B. McCoig of West Kent read

a newspaper despatch from Saskatoon stating that there was a large quantity of grain in elevator in other parts and no cars wherewith to move it because of the embargo east of Port Arthur. He said there was a shortage of feed grain in Ontario and that in consequence hogs and cattle were being marketed prematurely. He asked the government to take some action to raise the embargo on cars. Sir George Foster replied that the despatch indicated that the grain crop in the west was larger than was generally believed. He said that the car shortage was being felt all over the continent and that the railways were doing their best to relieve it. He asked if Mr. McCoig had any suggestion for the improvement of the situation. Discussed Big Loan. The house then went into committee on Sir Thomas White's resolution to authorize the borrowing of \$100,000,000 to meet maturing obligations of the Dominion, carry on public works and provide for expenditures for general purposes. Sir Thomas said that the government still had authority under previous legislation for loans to the amount of twenty-five or thirty million dollars. It had not in mind the immediate flotation of a loan but would have to consider before long the raising of money. Some of that money would be obtained in Canada and some, possibly, in the United States. Replying to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the finance minister pointed out that if the balance of trade with the United States were unfavorable to Canada, when the time for floating a loan came, the exchange situation might make it desirable to borrow in the United States. Large production with high prices for commodities, too, might throw a burden on the Canadian banks which would lead the government to sell its securities in the United States. Would Float Loan Here. Speaking generally, however, Sir Thomas said he would like to float all loans in the Dominion because that the fact that the public debt was held by Canadians who would contribute greatly to financial stability after the war. Mr. A. K. MacLean of Halifax thought investigation would show that the country's revenues this year would be sufficient to pay all ordinary capital expenditures and \$60,000,000 or \$70,000,000 of the principal of the war expenditure. He then explained to Mr. E. M. Macdonald why he had counselled Canadian investors not to buy any securities issued in New York, whether British loans or otherwise. If such issues were bought in Canada it would injuriously affect the Canadian exchange situation and it would mean that Canadian money was paying for munitions bought in New York instead of in Canada. Sir Thomas informed Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux that the Canadian war loans were expressly exempted from income taxes, and told Mr. E. B. Devlin that the business taxes imposed last year had brought in \$10,000,000 for this year and that the amount next year would be much larger, while the special tax on the banks had earned \$1,000,000. To Mr. A. K. MacLean, who suggested government control of stock exchange operations to conserve Canadian finances, Sir Thomas said he had considered it but on account of the nearness of the United States thought the best course was to watch the exchange situation. If that became unfavorable it might be necessary to take drastic measures. The Finance Minister then told Hon. Geo. P. Graham that after consideration he had found it undesirable to make an arrangement by which war loan subscriptions would be free from provincial succession duties. He found a supporter in Mr. F. B. Carvell, who did not think any portion of the community should be relieved from its share of taxation and considered the government should prevent the flotation of any but war loans. To Sir Wilfrid Sir Thomas White then stated that Canada would need to borrow \$250,000,000 for war expenditures on this side during the coming year and considerable sums in addition to establish credits here for Great Britain. Mr. J. A. Robb of Huntingdon advocated the control of mining stock issues, and Hon. Geo. P. Graham pointed out in connection with the question of the terms to be offered in future Canadian war loans, that British loans were paying 6 per cent. The bill was then given first reading. CANADIAN BANK CLEARINGS. St. John. The St. John bank clearings for the week ending today amount to \$1,508,665, and for the corresponding week last year, \$1,611,092. Toronto. Toronto, Feb. 1.-Bank clearings for the week ended today were \$50,641,615, as against \$41,022,117 last year, and \$39,946,383 in 1915. Winnipeg. Winnipeg, Feb. 1.-Bank clearings for the week ended today were \$36,683,973, corresponding week last year, \$31,021,778, and in 1914, \$26,065,846. Montreal. Montreal, Feb. 1.-Bank clearings for the week ended today were \$66,613,747, compared with \$56,981,483 for

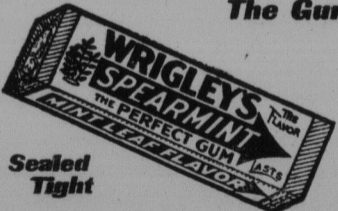
the corresponding week last year, and \$40,968,958 in 1915. Halifax. Halifax, Feb. 1.-Halifax bank clearings for the week ended today were \$2,134,480, and for the same week last year, \$2,426,389. The Finance Minister told Mr. F. B. Carvell that the net debt of Canada which was \$335,000,000 on March 31, 1914, \$448,000,000 in 1915, and \$615,000,000 in 1916 was \$745,000,000 on January 31, 1917. There was also the factor of expense involved in maintaining Canada's troops overseas. Great Britain, which supplied to those troops munitions, rifles and other supplies of every kind, had since last session agreed to do so for a total cost of \$6. per man per day, a very reasonable figure. Up to date the expense thus incurred was in the neighborhood of fifty or sixty millions. Sir Thomas, after a discussion with Mr. E. W. Nesbitt as to his manner of floating war loans, during which he stated the cost of the last loan had been only three-quarters of one per cent., assured Mr. Richard Blain that the country's revenues this year would be sufficient to pay all ordinary capital expenditures and \$60,000,000 or \$70,000,000 of the principal of the war expenditure. He then explained to Mr. E. M. Macdonald why he had counselled Canadian investors not to buy any securities issued in New York, whether British loans or otherwise. If such issues were bought in Canada it would injuriously affect the Canadian exchange situation and it would mean that Canadian money was paying for munitions bought in New York instead of in Canada. Sir Thomas informed Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux that the Canadian war loans were expressly exempted from income taxes, and told Mr. E. B. Devlin that the business taxes imposed last year had brought in \$10,000,000 for this year and that the amount next year would be much larger, while the special tax on the banks had earned \$1,000,000. To Mr. A. K. MacLean, who suggested government control of stock exchange operations to conserve Canadian finances, Sir Thomas said he had considered it but on account of the nearness of the United States thought the best course was to watch the exchange situation. If that became unfavorable it might be necessary to take drastic measures. The Finance Minister then told Hon. Geo. P. Graham that after consideration he had found it undesirable to make an arrangement by which war loan subscriptions would be free from provincial succession duties. He found a supporter in Mr. F. B. Carvell, who did not think any portion of the community should be relieved from its share of taxation and considered the government should prevent the flotation of any but war loans. To Sir Wilfrid Sir Thomas White then stated that Canada would need to borrow \$250,000,000 for war expenditures on this side during the coming year and considerable sums in addition to establish credits here for Great Britain. Mr. J. A. Robb of Huntingdon advocated the control of mining stock issues, and Hon. Geo. P. Graham pointed out in connection with the question of the terms to be offered in future Canadian war loans, that British loans were paying 6 per cent. The bill was then given first reading.



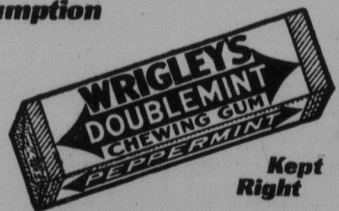
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CANADIAN ORDER OF FORESTERS RECORD WILL READU Society Proposes P on a Basis of 10 Actuarial So The Canadian Order has had a record with the history of Frat Associations operating Society was instituted 1885 It enacted a tall assessments which ha from that time on without a single cha period all other Frat Societies have found revise rates, until this as the only promi operating upon a r schedule of rates. In ty paid out in dea \$725,000.00. Notwithsta payment, it added to Fund, for the year. The balance standi the Insurance Fund of member, last was \$5,622. In this most unual city decided to have a and comprehensive v of its actuarial standi was thought wise by legislature passed by the Legislature in 1917. The Act which requires the Insurance Societies sh fore, the first day of a report with the Reg ly Societies, which re retain a valuation of al Certificates in force o ember, 1917. This r only show the insu which the Society has pay, but also the As Society has available, accumulated Funds, an ments for the paymen ance Liabilities as the object and the stateme the degree of actu which each Society ha ber 31st, 1917. The further, that at the en year period, after 1917, ment of valuation shall der to ascertain wheth Society has maintained actuarial solvency. Th Act is, that where a g the end of the first th that it has not mainta of actuarial solvency t be such an increase i sure that the society the degree of solvency 31st. December, 1917, o position. In view of this legisla dian Order of Forester to wait until the 31st D to ascertain the facts r recognize in its Insu His experience extends twenty-five years, eight which has been devote Fraternal Insurance Ass these eighteen years Mr. vided with one hundred societies, six of these s Canadian. He has also years on the Committee Legislation of the Natio Congress, and has been identified with the draft dealing with Fraternal felation. Mr. Landis is a of-eight books on Insu and has accepted as autho The Actuary has found its whole experience years, the Canadian Ord has had an exceptional mortality experience. B exceedingly favorable mo rates funds, Mr. Lan able to prepare unusu monthly assessment rate enable the Society to pr payment of all future c rates of assessment, as c rates deduced from othe rates, are much to th of the members of the Cr of Foresters. In constructing a mort the experience of the Landis has eliminated years of membership du object of this course is i sure the death rate und normal conditions than v able by taking the first duration into consider the first five years then a recent medical selection, commended a schedule of based upon the report v filed as of the 31st Dec should show more than of actuarial solvency, be gins of safety which may as follows: First: There would be actual interest earned in per cent, which is the Actuary fixes as the be tions. As a matter of fact interest earned by the 5 its Insurance Fund, as a vested, is 5.44 per cent. Ates held by the Society a long term, there should tial path on interest acc Second: There would from a lower death rate the fact that the first membership has been ell

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HON. GEORGE J. CLARKE.

The resignation of Hon. George J. Clarke from the premiership of this province will be received with very general regret. For a great many years Hon. Mr. Clarke has given of his best efforts to the public good, at the expense of not only his personal advantage but of his health as well, and largely as a result of the untiring activity which he has displayed he is now in a very serious condition. Indeed, Hon. Mr. Clarke's health is such as to cause the gravest anxiety to his many friends throughout the entire province. For the earnest endeavours which have marked his devotion to public affairs the people of New Brunswick owe to him a debt of gratitude which cannot be repaid, while the sacrifice of health and strength involved in his attention to public affairs is of course something which cannot readily be appreciated. Hon. Mr. Clarke has resigned because of his failing health, and this in itself is sufficient recognition of the deep and personal interest he has always displayed in the affairs of his province, in that he realizes the burden imposed upon the leader of the Government and feels that one holding such a position should at all times be prepared not only mentally but physically to withstand the strain involved through the ordinary duties of office. As a private member of the legislature, as Speaker of the house, and as leader of the Government, Hon. Mr. Clarke has displayed a whole-hearted devotion to the interests of the people, a consideration of his colleagues in the House worthy of the broadest mind, and a grasp of affairs of province-wide importance which have made his handling of public affairs creditable not only to the party which he represents but to himself personally. In acknowledging his resignation from the premiership his colleagues, and we feel sure, the people of New Brunswick, will wish Hon. Mr. Clarke a speedy recovery from his present illness and many years of health, comfort and rest from the pleasing but exacting duties of public life.

THE NEW MINISTRY.

There are three new men in Premier Murray's Government. Hon. Arthur R. Slipp, who has successfully represented Queens county in the Provincial Legislature since 1908, succeeds to the portfolio of Lands and Mines, formerly held by Hon. George J. Clarke, while Hon. Arthur Patrick Culligan of Restigouche, and Hon. H. I. Taylor of Charlotte become ministers without portfolio. Attorney-General Baxter, Hon. Dr. Landry and Hon. B. F. Smith retain under Premier Murray the departments they so successfully administered under his predecessor. There are few more popular men in the New Brunswick Legislature than Hon. Arthur R. Slipp, and his appointment to the important portfolio of lands and mines is a distinct tribute to his ability and character. The department, having to do with the largest revenue producing asset of the province, the crown lands and mines resources, is of paramount importance to provincial prosperity. In the capable hands of Mr. Slipp it will be well administered. The two members without portfolio, Hon. Dr. Taylor and Hon. Arthur Culligan, are not strangers to public life. Dr. Taylor has represented Charlotte county for several years, heading his ticket in the election of 1911. He is widely popular and his elevation to cabinet rank will be hailed with distinct approval all over the province. Hon. Arthur Culligan represents Restigouche, politically. In business life he has been particularly identified with the lumbering and farming interests of the province. He is deservedly popular, and as a private member of the Legislature has given valuable service to his constituency and the province at large.

THE NEW PREMIER.

The announcement that Hon. James A. Murray is Premier of New Brunswick will be accepted with favor all over this province. Since it became apparent, some weeks ago, that the health of Hon. George J. Clarke would make it necessary for him to retire

WHAT WILL GROUND HOG DO TODAY?

Is Backbone of Season of Cold and Storms Broken, or Will There be "Two Winters in the Year"?

What will the renowned ground hog do today and is the backbone of winter shattered, are two important interrogations which those who put their trust in the antics of the more or less celebrated little animal are putting up to themselves and to some other people. Yes, this is the day when the wood-chuck, guard-wack, arctomys monax, or whatever you please to call that distinguished member of the North American marmot tribe, emerges from his burrow after quite some period of fasting, hibernating and sucking his paw when he is awake. Now for centuries it has been popularly, even if superstitiously, supposed that the hog in question is a sure and certain weather prophet just once a year, namely, on Candlemas Day, the date when this latitude winter is thought to be at least half over. Tradition has it that when this diminutive marmot leaves his lair he takes his blinkers and as soon as he can get a snifter of the light of day casts his optics about him. If the day be overcast that winter is about to breathe its last gasp. But on the other hand, should the wary wood-chuck see his shadow, he immediately decides that he will not chuck up his warm bed, but beats a hasty retreat for his winter quarters, the shadow indicating to his meteorological hog intellect that old Boreas and the chilling frosts and snows of winter are still present and that there are more to come.

REJECTED AS SOLDIER, KILLED ON RAILROAD

Son of Thomas Hennessy, a Leading Resident of Irish-town, Moncton, Meets Untimely Death in Maine.
Moncton, Feb. 1.—Basil O. Hennessy, aged twenty-two, son of Thomas Hennessy, J. P. of Irishtown, was killed while packing on the Maine Central, according to a telegram received by his father. He was well known in Moncton, having been formerly employed in the C. G. R. machine shops. He enlisted in the 56th Battalion, but for some disability was unable to go overseas. Last August he went to the United States. Besides his parents, he is survived by three brothers, Charles Augustus, who has been overseas for two and a half years in the artillery; William P., charge hand at the C. G. R. repair shop; John P., C. G. R. locomotive fitter, Moncton, and four sisters, Sister Mary Benedicta of St. Mary's Convent, Haverhill, Mass.; Annie, in Boston; Gertrude, of the C. G. R. general office staff, and Beatrice, at home. His father is one of the Conservative leaders in Moncton parish.

FUNERAL OF HON. ABNER R. MCGLELAN TOMORROW

Special train arrangements have been made to accommodate any persons residing along the line from St. John to Salisbury who may attend the funeral of the late Hon. A. R. McGlelan which is to take place tomorrow afternoon. The regular train leaving St. John at seven a.m. will reach Salisbury about ten o'clock. This will connect with the regular Albert and Salisbury train leaving Salisbury at 11:30. Arrangements have been made further so that after the funeral is over there will be a train leaving Riverside, back to Salisbury in time to connect with the C. G. R. train back to St. John tomorrow night.

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By LEE PAPE.
My cousin Artie stayed at our house for supper yesterday, with me and Benny, and he and I were enjoying myself eating, and Benny, for merseys sakes take your time, you don't see your cousin Artie eating like a famished lion, do you?
Always eat slo, sed Artie.
Like fun you do, I sed.
Benny, sed pop, you mousent cast asparagus on your kumprints table manners, it not cast in the best families.
Well, ma was casting it on mine, I sed. And I kepp on enjoyng myself eating, and pritty soon ma sed, Benny, Im surprised, the idee of taking a peece of bread in yor hand and mopping up your gravy, you dont see your cousin Artie doing that.
That dont say he dont do it wen hes home, I sed.
I never do, sed Artie.
The heck you dont, I saw you, I sed.
Benny, thats not hospitabl, sed pop.
Well its true, I sed.
Truth is impoliter than fockshin, sed pop. And him and ma and my sister Gladdis finished thare supper and went out of the dining room and me and Artie stayed there eating our peece of minis pie, and as soon as everybody was out Artie sed, G, I hate to eat pie with a fork. And wat did he do but pick his peece up in his hand and eat it that way.
You dont call that good manners, do you? I sed.
Sertany I do, sed Artie. And he kepp on eating it that way with all the minis meat falling out.
Proving you never can tell till you see sombody wen nobody is looking.

TODAY IS FEAST OF CANDLEMAS

Today is Candlemas Day, a religious feast which commemorates the Purification of the "Blessed Virgin Mary, or the presentation of the Holy Child Jesus in the temple, and is a holy day in the Anglican and Roman Catholic churches throughout the world; also in the Lutheran churches of Germany, Scandinavia and the United States, and in the Greek Catholic and Armenian churches, although because of the difference in the calendar the eastern churches do not observe the feast the same time. The feast commemorates the event related in the second chapter of St. Paul's Gospel. The festival dates from early times and is said to have been formerly instituted by Pope Gelasius in A. D. 494. In the Roman Catholic churches and in some of the other denominations named the candles for the use of the church services during the coming twelve months are consecrated. In the East. In the Armenian church of Russia, Asiatic Turkey and the United States the sacred new fire is kindled on the eve of the feast day instead of at Easter, as is the usage elsewhere. In some parts of Germany and the Hebrides it was once the custom to observe certain rights on Candlemas Day, to ensure good crops of flax and oats in the coming year. And Germany still needs good crops! Candlemas is chiefly known in Scotland, in secular matters, as the first of the quarter days for the payment of rents, etc. Major Edmund H. Drury. Ottawa, Feb. 1.—Major Edmund Hazen Drury, acting assistant director-general of engineering services, on the headquarters staff here, died suddenly in his room last night. He was in apparent good health up to within half an hour of his death. Major Drury, who was born in Halifax, was a brother of the late Major-General Drury, of Halifax, and Mr. Harry Drury, of Winnipeg.

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APOHAQUI

Apoahqui, Feb. 1—The pupils in the advanced grades of the Superior School had a very pleasant outing on Thursday evening last, in the form of a sleigh ride. Leaving the village at 7 o'clock the jolly party after a joy ride made success their objective point, where they attended the movies, some taking in "The Battle of the Somme," while others preferred the antics of Charlie Chaplin at the Hippodrome.

Councillors J. Everett Fenwick and John Armstrong were in the Shetler town a few days of last week attending the sessions of the Kings County Council.

Coby H. Jones spent the week-end in Fredericton.

Miss Nellie Veasey has been spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Heber Wiles of Colledge Bridge.

The annual meeting of the Berwick and Middleton Branch of the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church, met at the home of Mrs. John Northrup, on Monday evening of this week, when twenty members were present.

The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Thomas Patterson; vice-president, Mrs. James McAfee; secretary, Mrs. Ingalls Kilham; treasurer, Mrs. E. R. Polkins.

The local Red Cross society, as well as those of Berwick and Lower Millstream, are continuing their good work with much zeal.

HARTLAND

Hartland, Feb. 1—The cold wave has struck the people here pretty hard, and the householders and plumbers being kept busy with their water pipes. The high price of fuel has also had a discouraging effect on the people.

known residents of Carleton County. He had been ill but a short time of pneumonia. He is survived by his widow, three sons and one daughter.

On Thursday, Jan. 18, the marriage took place at Rockland, of Miss Clara Josephine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer B. Estabrook, and Mr. James Leroy McWade of Williamstown.

Physicians and nurses are overworked just now on account of an epidemic of sickness in the village and districts surrounding.

The power to issue marriage licenses has been conferred on Mr. Alva O. Phillips of Bristol.

Following a streak of hard luck by sickness and otherwise, Mr. Freeman Hallett now has the care of his little daughter to attend to, she having fallen from a hay mow the other day, and sustained serious injuries.

Mr. Samuel Darkie of Bristol, is seriously ill and his son, Scott Darkie, has arrived from West Summerland, B. C., to minister to him.

The Berwick Society has in readiness a large shipment of socks to be sent at an early date, and has also made a number of quilts and hospital shirts.

Rev. James Calhoun, who for some years has ministered to the Presbyterians in the Glassville district, announces his intention to return to the land of his birth in the Emerald Isle, early in February.

At Bloomfield last week the death took place at the age of 67 years of Mr. Bruce Black, one of the well

service to and from this town, and consequently has made a change in the arrival and departure of the mails.

On Thursday evening last week the many friends of Mrs. Melvin Daley regret to learn of her illness. She was taken to the Chatham hospital one day recently.

Mrs. Harrison is recovering from a recent illness.

Those from other towns who attended the funeral of the late Mr. Alexander Lowe were: Mr. Joseph Smith, Moncton; Mr. Iria Smith of Spring Hill, and Mr. and Mrs. George Crossman of Moncton.

On the death of the late Mr. Ernie St. John, the heart becoming weakened or the nerves unstrung, Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills should be taken.

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of Moncton, conducted the services of the First Baptist Church on Sunday last, both morning and evening.

Miss Delta Lowthers visited friends in Moncton last week.

Thomas E. McQuaid of Alma, spent the week-end at his home here.

Miss Mary Moore of Alma, spent the week-end with friends in town.

Mr. W. K. King has returned from a visit to Clarkburg, West Virginia.

Mr. Warren Dury visited friends in town last week.

Miss Daisy Stinson returned last week to her home in Albert, having spent a few days with her sister, Miss Mina Stiles.

Bloomfield, Feb. 1—Sigs. C. Brock Flewelling, of the 9th Siege Battery, spent Thursday the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Flewelling.

Mrs. Thomas S. Ganong came home on Saturday, her many friends are pleased to see her home again and looking so well after her recent operation.

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THE WEATHER.

Forecasts. Maritime—Strong north-westerly winds, local snow-falls or furies, but mostly fair, and becoming decidedly cold.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Rows include Dawson, Prince Rupert, Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Calgary, Edmonton, Medicine Hat, Moose Jaw, Regina, Port Nelson, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, Toronto, Kingston, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Around the City

Arrested for Begging. William Leonard was arrested by Police Constable Hogz yesterday afternoon on Main street for begging.

A New Arrival. W. R. Gould of the Telegraph staff, is open to congratulations, for a daughter arrived at his home yesterday. Can't you see him smiling?

Women's Canadian Club. A reply has been received from Capt. Shatford of Montreal stating his regret that he is unable to address the Women's Canadian Club here as was hoped.

Enjoyable Smoker. There was an enjoyable smoker in the Elks' Club room last evening. In addition to some local talent, there was some gentlemen from ships in port who entertained in excellent manner.

Held Sleigh Drive. The St. James' school of boy scouts held its most enjoyable sleigh drive last night, during the course of which the scout bugle band rendered several selections. On their return to the city a few social hours were spent in their rooms. Cake and coffee received a large amount of patronage before the boys dispersed.

Captain Hatswell Entertains. A number of local friends were the guests of Captain Hatswell, the captain of a steamer now in port, aboard his ship yesterday. The party included C. D. Jones, A. M. Rowan, R. W. W. Fryk, D. Arnold Fox, D. H. Waterbury, Major Weeks, Wm. O. Raymond, W. H. B. Sadler, C. Guernsey. An enjoyable repast was done justice to and the affair was a most pleasant one for the friends of the popular captain.

Feast of the Purification. Today the Catholic church celebrates the feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Special services will be held in the Cathedral and in the different Catholic churches throughout the city. Father Gaudet, chaplain of the 165th Battalion, will celebrate the first mass in St. John's Baptist church at 7 o'clock. Today also being Candlemas Day the usual blessing of the candles and the distribution thereof will take place.

TEN SHIP THIEVES ARE LODGED IN JAIL

C. P. R. Police Arrest Ten Members of Steamship Crew in Few Days—A Charged With Broaching Cargo.

Stealing from the cargo on board a ship is, according to the law, a most serious offense, and within the last ten days the C. P. R. police have arrested no less than ten members of the crew of one of the big ships in port and all are charged with the offense of broaching cargo.

The amount and the class of the cargo that has been taken from the ship is not given out at police headquarters, but it is stated that if every one of those arrested are found guilty they are each liable to a long term in the prison at Dorchester.

FOURTEEN ON ROLL OF HONOR

Recruiting in St. John Continues at High Level—Forestry Battalion Authorized—"Bantams" Recruiting Here.

HONOR ROLL

- F. D. Perkins, St. John, N. B. 236th Battalion. A. Ober, Allensville, N. B. J. H. Ogden, St. John, N. B. Canadian Engineers. C. W. Cunningham, Digby, N. S. Machine Gun Draft. A. D. Kellar, France. F. Dunphy, Springhill, N. S. H. Beaty, Hampton, N. B. H. Englington, Birmingham, England. W. J. Lisdorf, Fredericton, N. B. W. Wilson, St. John, N. B. J. E. Earl, St. John, N. B. L. Sinner, Windsor, N. S. 25th Railway Construction Battalion. C. Collet, Amherst, N. S. F. Martin, Amherst, N. S. 165th Battalion.

The Railway Construction Corps is recruiting with signal success in their campaign for 250 men in this province. Measured by the last three days reports the number required from this section of the country will be secured about the end of next week. Yesterday no less than eight men were accepted. Two men will be examined for this unit this morning.

The total number of recruits enlisted yesterday was fourteen. Two of the number signed on for the Canadian Engineers, two for the 165th Battalion, and one each for the 236th and the Machine Gun Draft. This brings the total for the week up to seventy-five.

A Forestry Battalion.

Major Herbert Jones, formerly of the 55th Battalion, has received instructions to recruit as soon as possible a battalion for forestry work. Major Jones was sent back to Canada on account of ill-health, but has recovered sufficiently to permit him to begin an active campaign for the latest New Brunswick unit. The military authorities require at least 250 of the unit immediately and the work of securing this number will be pushed ahead with the utmost vigor. However, recruiting will not stop with that number but will be carried on as fast as possible.

Having been connected with lumbering in all the different branches Major Jones is well qualified for the high command entrusted to his care. He will start in at once and hopes to have at least 250 men before the end of the month. The physical standard for the forestry battalion is not as high as other units. The pay and separation allowance, however, are the same as in other overseas units. The number of the new unit has not yet been announced by the authorities.

The Field Ambulance.

Every member of the Field Ambulance Depot was "let loose" yesterday for the purpose of canvassing for men for the unit. The number required is about seventy-five and the officer commanding, Major G. C. Corbet, is determined to complete its establishment before another draft is summoned by the authorities.

The boys were in the city yesterday and although they had not reported last night, it is thought that they have secured several men. "Bring a friend back with you" were the last words as the boys left the barracks.

With the Acadians.

The officers of the battalion were entertained at the Elks' Club last night by the members, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. The 165th Battalion secured two men yesterday, C. Collet and F. Martin, both of Amherst, N. S.

New Battalion in Field.

Still another unit is granted permission to recruit in New Brunswick. It is the 216th Bantam Battalion with headquarters at Toronto. Yesterday Sergeant P. J. O'Rourke arrived in the city to look after the interests of the "bantams." Sergeant O'Rourke was at one time employed at the Western Union Telegraph office in St. John but removed to the States, and afterwards to Toronto.

The present strength of the 216th is about 900. One hundred men are required from this province, and as the height is far less than required in other units the desired number should soon be forthcoming. No recruit will be accepted who is over five feet two inches.

William and Thomas O'Rourke of this city are brothers of Sergeant O'Rourke.

The Army Service Corps. The Army Service Corps have opened a new recruiting office in the basement of the Bank of Montreal. There is an imperative demand for men in this branch of service and no man can serve the Empire in any better

CAPTAIN HATSWELL OF THE TORPEDDED SHIP GRANGEWOOD AGAIN WELCOMED TO THE CITY

"Abandon Your Ship, We Are Going to Sink Her," Message of German Submarine Commander to Ship Which Started Notable Voyage from This Port—Had Terrific Battle With Waves While Rowing for the Shore.

"Abandon your ship, we are going to sink her," shouted the commander of a German submarine to Captain Hatswell of the Grangewood, while the craft was on a voyage from Archangel to France with a cargo of cereals. But the gallant captain did not desert the ship until all hope of her getting away from the enemy "sub" had gone. Then he was the last man to leave the Grangewood and was forced to row for five hours and a half in a heavy and stormy sea before he reached shore.

Captain Hatswell was in the city yesterday. He could relate a remarkable tale of the sinking of his vessel, but his friends had a hard time even to get bare facts. The Grangewood was torpedoed on July 24th, 1915, twenty-five miles northeast of the Shetland Islands. The sinking marked the culmination of a notable voyage. In December, prior to the sinking, the Grangewood left the Port of St. John for Buenos Ayres and then proceeded to Coronel, where bunker coal was loaded. Captain Hatswell then sailed under sealed orders for Uquique, where he took aboard a cargo of nitrate for the Russian government which cargo was safely discharged at its destined port. Leaving Uquique the Grangewood sailed through the Panama Canal en route to Colon, Chilli, and from that port was ordered to Archangel.

When the Grangewood approached the White Sea Captain Hatswell saw a steamship 200 rods on his port bow strike a mine and sink. With consid-

HAVE YOU GOT TICKETS FOR DENNIS' LECTURE?

Have you got your tickets for Mr. Dennis' lecture on Tuesday night in the Knights of Columbus Hall? His subject is a most interesting one dealing as it does with our returned soldiers and what the government can do for them. Mr. Dennis' eloquent address will be supplemented by a choice musical programme by the splendid band of the 15th Regiment and the skirl of the pipes will also be heard by two pipers from the 236th Battalion. The evening promises to be a very interesting one. As the seating capacity of the hall is limited it is well to get your tickets early. Tickets may be obtained from Gray & Richards and at Nelson's book store.

IAN HAY IS TO ADDRESS WOMEN'S CANADIAN CLUB

The executive of the Women's Canadian Club has received word from Ian Hay, author of many notable books, including "The First 100,000," that he will accept their invitation to lecture before the club on some date in March. Baroness Heward will also speak before the club during the month of April. Her French chateau was overrun by Von Kluck's army and she will describe her experiences of those times.

Miss Ada Ward, the English entertainer is at present touring Canada on behalf of the company of entertainers who are visiting the front giving entertainments for our men in billets. She is expected to speak before the club during February. Her entertainment is extremely amusing and is intermingled with more serious descriptions of her experiences at the front.

way than by enlisting in the A. S. C. It may be noticed that the casualties on the A. S. C. are fewer than in many other units at the front. Applications for this unit will be accepted at the new recruiting office on Prince William street.

On the Island.

About twenty-five members of the 9th Siege Battery have been granted leave for four days. As the number includes only St. John boys it is thought that a draft from this unit may leave at any time for new quarters. Recruiting for this unit is not as good as it has been in the past. The reason offered for the change is the fact that with so many units seeking recruits some one has to suffer, and for this week it is the Siege Battery.

MILITARY NOTES.

Harry Ward Heans (Infantry), son of Mrs. Sarah Heans, of 78 Paradise Row, who was recently reported dangerously ill, is now reported out of danger at No. 22 General Hospital, Camiers, France. Prior to enlisting he was employed in the Bank of Nova Scotia in this city.

Lieut.-Col. P. A. Guthrie says that there is no truth in the report which has gained currency in the province that the 236th Klitties was to be amalgamated with the 234th Battalion on Upper Canada.

Percy Carter, son of Thomas Carter, Sunny Brae, has been wounded in action. Prior to enlisting he was employed by the Western Union at Moncton.

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