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LLOYD GEORGE NEW PREMIER; GERMANS TAKE BUCHAREST

BUCHAREST HAS FALLEN INTO HANDS OF GERMANS

Teutonic Armies Now in Possession of Half of Rumanian Kingdom—Defending Armies Believed to be in Hazardous Position.

Sensational Climax to Drive Incepted by Mackensen's and Falkenhayn's Armies—Severe Fighting Also Reported from Other Fronts.

Bucharest, the capital of Roumania, is in the hands of the forces of the Central Powers.

Exactly one hundred days after the declaration of war by Roumania against them finds the Teutonic allies in control of about 50,000 square miles of Rumanian territory, virtually one-half of the kingdom—running from the Transylvanian Alps northwest of the capital to the Danube south of it and a large part of Dobruja, and probably still on the heels of the retreating Russian and Rumanian armies which have been endeavoring to hold them back.

Simultaneously with the announcement of the fall of Bucharest came the news of the capture of the important railway junction of Ploesti, north of the capital, the conquest of which places in the hands of the invaders the last railroad in the west and gives to them the head of a line running northward to Jassy, where the capital of Roumania is now situated.

No details have as yet come through concerning the climax to the drive of the armies of General Von Falkenhayn and Field Marshal Von Mackensen, or whether the Rumanians or Russians succeeded entirely in making their escape behind the Bucharest line.

Previous to the announcement of the capture of Bucharest and of Ploesti, unofficial advices had indicated that four divisions of the defenders were in a hazardous position in the region due west of Bucharest and in danger of being enveloped. With the fall of Bucharest the Teutonic allies are now in possession of four capitals of Entente Allied states, the others being Brussels, Belgrade and Cetinje.

RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE FALLING OFF.

In the northwest, in the Carpathians, region near the Bukovina frontier and along the Moldavia front, the Russian offensive begun as a diversion against the Teutonic advance into Roumania, apparently is meeting with little success. In the Carpathians west of Jabonitza the Russians occupied a height, but later were shelled off the position by the Germans. To the south they succeeded in penetrating to the second line of the German defenses in the Trotus Valley, but were held by the defenders from further advance. North of the Otuz Pass and southeast of Kedzi Varsahely, the Austro-Germans took positions from the Russians.

SERBIANS ARE ADVANCING.

Additional fortified heights northeast of Budimirta, in Serbia, have been captured by the Serbs from the Bulgarians and Germans, according to the Saloniki war office, while the Bulgarians are reported by Berlin to have expelled the Serbs from positions near Gradeshnitsa. A heavy bombardment is in progress north of Monastir.

The Germans have again essayed a somewhat intense attack in the Verdun sector, launching it on the slopes east of the famous Hill 304 near Avocourt. According to Paris the attack was partially successful, the Germans gaining a footing in some of the advanced French trenches. Otherwise on the French front there have been only bombardments and operations by raiding parties.

In the Austro-Italian and Russian theatres the big guns are still doing the greater portion of the work. The Russians have heavily shelled the Narayuvka region in Galicia.

Berlin, Dec. 5, by wireless to Sayville.—Bucharest, capital of Roumania, has been captured; it was officially announced today.

Ploesti, the important railroad junction town 36 miles northwest of Bucharest, also has been taken.

The capture of Ploesti, on the main railway line running north from Bucharest, cuts the main railway line of retreat for the Rumanian armies operating in the Bucharest region.

The official statement does not indicate whether the entry of the Teutonic forces into Bucharest and Ploesti was simultaneous. The capture of Ploesti before that of the capital would be far more serious for the Rumanians. Many military observers looked for the Rumanians not to attempt a defense of the capital to the last, expecting an evacuation in time to save the forces defending it by a withdrawal of the railway route remaining to them.

The taking of Bucharest virtually completes the conquest by the Teutonic forces of the southern section of the Rumanian kingdom, embracing territory of more than 50,000 square miles.

From the hour when Field Marshal Von Mackensen forced a crossing of the Danube, and on November 24 set foot on Rumanian soil, effecting a junction shortly afterward with General Von Falkenhayn's armies driving through Wallachia from the west, there seemed little doubt of the ultimate fate of the Rumanian capital. The relentless pressure of the Teutonic invading armies, with their preponderance of heavy artillery, proved too much for King Ferdinand's forces once the Rumanian front was broken in western Wallachia and the Danube crossed behind the line of the northern Teutonic irruptions.

Continuously outflanked on the south by Von Mackensen's advance and on the north by further Austro-German irruptions through the mountain passes, the Rumanians had no chance but to fall back upon the line of their capital, and now have been forced to yield even that.

BRITAIN'S NEW MINISTRY WILL BE COALITION WITH LLOYD GEORGE IN CHARGE

Secretary of War Succeeds in Overthrowing His Former Chief—Called Upon by King to Form Ministry He Accepts the Commission—Earl Derby Throws More Light on Cause of Political Crisis—Laborites Pass Resolution Which Indicates They Will Not Support New Premier.

London, Dec. 6.—David Lloyd George has overthrown the Asquith cabinet, and will become prime minister himself. The new government will be coalition, like the old one, but probably without the same measure of harmonious support which attended the formation of the first coalition government, because its birth has created additional factional differences.

This result has emerged from another day of active and hurried party conferences and a day of intense suspense and interest throughout the country.

There was a prospect this afternoon that the personal offices of the King might solve the situation, and many thought that the Asquith regime might be continued. The king called the party leaders to Buckingham Palace and conferred with them for more than an hour.

Mr. Asquith and Mr. Lloyd George, of the Liberals; Mr. Bonar Law and Mr. Balfour, of the Unionists, and Mr. Henderson, of the Labor party, were with the sovereign. It is many years since a British ruler assembled the representatives of the different factions face to face when they had shown themselves unable to settle their differences. But no such serious crisis has arisen before to require such action by the king.

Whatever passed in council is held secret, but the inference that the king tried to arrange a reconciliation appears a most natural one. The five statesmen departed separately, four in their motor cars, and the workmen's spokesman afoot.

Afterwards the King gave an audience to Mr. Bonar Law, who declined to undertake the formation of a new ministry, and then to Mr. Lloyd George who accepted the responsibility, as everyone anticipated he would, if the opportunity came to him.

WILL BE COALITION GOVERNMENT.

The official announcement tonight that Mr. Lloyd George had undertaken the task, with the co-operation of Mr. Bonar Law, was a notification that the new government would be coalition. Any party government would be impossible, because neither the Unionists nor the Liberals have a majority in the House of Commons; either one must attach the Irish Nationalists or the Laborites to itself to command a majority.

The Nationalist have refused to participate in the government until home rule becomes established. The Laborites are sworn enemies of Mr. Lloyd George, because they resent his accusations that the workmen have put their personal interests above the National interests at times during the war. Continued on page 2.

SIR ROBT. BORDEN AND R. B. BENNETT OPEN BIG RECRUITING CAMPAIGN

At Mass Meeting in Monument National, Montreal, Sir Robert Declared that "Victory Depends Upon the Thorough Organization of the National Strength."

Montreal, Dec. 6.—Sir Robert Borden, premier of Canada, and Mr. R. B. Bennett, M. P., director-general of national service, opened a campaign at the Monument National here tonight that is calculated to stir up the people of Canada to a better understanding of their duty in the world war and to a realization that every man who can do so should help to gain the victory for the Allies. The campaign is to take the premier and director-general west as far as the coast and tomorrow night they are to be in Quebec.

Sir Robert was given an excellent hearing, but Mr. Bennett was subjected to a good many interruptions. There was a hostile element present was brought out more clearly by Hon. E. L. Patenaude, minister of inland revenue, was speaking. He was almost continuously interrupted, and the force of his address was spent largely in retorts.

The disturbance was so marked that Hon. T. C. Casgrain and Hon. C. J. Doherty, who were to have spoken decided to remain silent. The gathering was large. Mr. Ludger Gravel, president of the chamber of commerce, and Mr. H. B. Walker, president of the board of trade, were joint chairmen.

The premier referred to the justice of the cause of the Allies, the patriotism and suffering of the French and Belgians, the splendid response of all the overseas dominions to the call to take part in the great war, and said: "I point with pride and gratitude to the fact that during a little more than two years nearly 400,000 Canadians have responded to the call of duty, more than 150,000 have seen service at the front, and more than 100,000 of them are now in the fighting line."

He emphasized the point that "victory depends upon the thorough organization of the national strength," and said: "The government has determined that an estimate shall be made of the man power of Canada, and the board of national service, created for this purpose will place before the people, in the immediate future the means by which that estimate can be effectually made."

SITUATION IN ATHENS IS SERIOUS

London Claims Royalists Control all Cables and Press Censorship.

BRITISH AND FRENCH RESIDENTS LEAVING

Great Excesses Feared Both in Athens and Larissa—Serious Rioting Reported.

London, Dec. 6.—The foreign office has issued a statement to the effect that there is a reason to believe that press messages do not give an accurate picture of the actual situation at Athens, both because the royalists have succeeded in retaining control of the cable and press censorships, and because the allied press correspondents in Athens are living under threats of personal violence, in common with all those suspected of Venizelist leanings. The foreign office adds:

"There is unfortunately reason to believe that very grave acts of violence have been committed by royalist forces and the mob."

London, Dec. 6.—In a despatch dated Tuesday, Reuter's Saloniki correspondent says:

"According to trustworthy news from Athens order is being preserved, but arrests of the followers of Venizelos continue. Piræus is quiet. It is occupied by detachments of allied troops. The railway service between Athens and Piræus is not interrupted, but the telegraph and telephone lines have been cut by royalists."

Excesses at Larissa.

"The provisional government has received news of great excesses at Larissa, where all the shops were closed as the result of pillaging bands of royalists marching through the town shouting (to the Venizelists): 'The people are declared to be panic-stricken. Similar scenes took place at Trilissia and Volo.'"

French Residents Leaving.

Paris, Dec. 6.—A Havas despatch from Athens says that the entire French colony left Athens yesterday. The foreign colonies now all are the hotels of Piræus, and many have embarked on the vessels in the harbor. "Athens is apparently calm," continues the despatch, "but the population is much impressed by the exodus of the foreigners, and in a great state of anxiety. Arrests of supporters of former Premier Venizelos and searches of their residences continue, while the Venizelist organs so longer appear."

"Barriers have been raised in the streets, and are guarded by royalist regular troops, augmented by voluntary enrollments of reservists. The Entente ministers have been looking after the departure of their nationals."

"At Janina officers of the garrison, aided by reservists, have arrested Venizelist supporters."

British Colony at Piræus.

London, Dec. 6.—Official telegrams show that Athens is quiet, at least temporarily. Steps are being taken to insure the safety of the British colony, part of whose members have gone to Piræus.

GERMAN SUBMARINES ARE OPERATING IN ATLANTIC

Funchal, Madeira, Bombarded from the Sea—French Gunboat Sunk and 34 Lives Lost.

Because of Reports of Submarine Activity Newfoundland Government Has Cancelled Despatch of Draft of Recruits—Extra Precautionary Measures on Coast of "Ye Ancient Colony."

HUN U-BOATS AT MADEIRA.

London, Dec. 6.—The French gunboat *Surprise* has been sunk by German submarines at Funchal, Madeira, according to an announcement by the Portuguese minister of marine in a wireless despatch received here from Lisbon. Thirty-four of the crew of the gunboat perished.

A few Portuguese were also killed aboard the steamers *Kangaroo* and *Dacia*, which were torpedoed, according to the despatch.

A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Lisbon says: "News received from Madeira says that 34 persons were killed in the bombardment of Funchal."

"The submarines shelled the shore for two hours, especially the English cable station and other public buildings, but only small damage was done. The steamers *Kangaroo* and *Dacia* were torpedoed."

ENEMY BOAT DRIVEN OFF.

Paris, Dec. 6.—A despatch to the Havas Agency from Lisbon, dated Monday, says a submarine fired fifty shells on Funchal, capital of the island of Madeira. The population, frightened, fled, and only returned when the submarine departed under an intense fire from the fortress. The despatch adds that the fire from the submarine struck a ship, killing six Portuguese sailors.

PRECAUTIONS IN NEWFOUNDLAND.

St. John's Nfld., Dec. 6.—The colonial government permitted it to become known today that reports of German submarines in the Atlantic had resulted in the cancelling of the despatch of a draft of recruits for the Newfoundland regiment, which had been planned for the last week in November. Some of the regulations previously enforced, but recently suspended, regarding measures for coast defense, have been re-imposed. Lights in this city are permitted, but coast lights have been ordered dimmed. A fleet of patrol boats has been organized to scout in the vicinity of Cape Race and the Grand Banks. These boats are equipped with wireless apparatus and will give warning in case of the approach of any hostile vessel.

Funchal Shelled on Sunday. London, Dec. 6.—The despatch from the Portuguese minister of marine, dated Monday, showing that the shelling of Funchal occurred prior to that date.

Lloyd's announces that both the *Dacia* and *Kangaroo* were torpedoed Sunday by a German submarine.

The *Dacia* was a British cable-laying steamer of 1,856 tons, and was owned in London. The *Kangaroo* was a French steamer of 2,143 tons. Her home port was Havre. The gunboat *Surprise* was a vessel of 636 tons. She was 184 feet long, and carried a crew of 100. The *Surprise* was built in 1895.

Italy Determined to Fight to a Finish

Rome, Dec. 6.—The Allies do not desire to force Greece into war, nor do they support anti-dynastic movement in Greece asserted Premier Benelli, in his report on war, delivered before the chamber of deputies yesterday. He reiterated the determination of Italy to maintain the war with her allies until the restoration of Belgium, Serbia and Montenegro was accomplished. He termed this "the noble and essential object of the war." At the close of his speech he sent a message of greeting to "our valorous Latin sister, Roumania, trusting for her final success."

The premier's speech was very long, and in it he recapitulated the whole history of Italy's participation in the war, and enumerated the reasons which induced King Victor to enter into the struggle. As a proof that Italy was prepared to push her operations vigorously the premier announced that there were now 2,100 factories working on war material, the workers being one-fifth women, whose participation both in industries and agriculture was increasing daily. The premier declared that victory would insure the equilibrium on the eastern Mediterranean which he termed one of the chief foundations of Italian policy.

He said that Valona would be Italy's strategic post on the Adriatic, from which would radiate her future commercial expansion in the Balkans.

TWO N.B. MEN IN CASUALTY LISTS

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—The 10.30 p. m. list of casualties includes the following:

Killed in action—
W. L. Fowler, St. John, N. B. Previously reported dangerously wounded, now died of wounds—
Frank Devine, North Sydney, N. S. Previously reported wounded, now wounded and missing—
Russell Colburn, Shulce, N. S. John Gurn, Fisherman's Point, N. B. J. S. Hatherly, Box 33, River Hebert, N. B.

MIDNIGHT LIST.

Killed in action—
F. A. McPhail, River Dennis, N. S. Died of Wounds—
Gunner F. S. Halliday, Elton, P. E. I.

NO BRITISH TANKS.

London, Dec. 6.—Commander Locker Lampson, who has been in three sections on the Dobruja front with British naval armored cars, has been wounded, says Reuter's Petrograd correspondent. The despatch adds that six British petty officers are missing but that none of the cars has been lost.

BRITAIN'S NEW MINISTRY WILL BE COALITION WITH LLOYD GEORGE IN CHARGE

Continued from page 1.
The country awaits the rising of the curtain on the next act of this historical and remarkable crisis with an expectancy which never surrounded the birth throes of any previous government. The Lloyd George ministry means the direction of the war by a dictatorship in the form of an inner council of the cabinet and means the scrapping of those elder statesmen, whose supremacy in the councils of the nation, until they choose to withdraw from the scene voluntarily, has always heretofore been regarded by the British people as a matter of course.

OLDER MEN MUST GO.

Mr. Asquith, Mr. Balfour, Viscount Grey and Lord Lansdowne "must go" the Lloyd George press has been crying. But their going will be attended by widespread misgivings among the people, who have thought their knowledge and experience as necessary to the government as the push and driving power of the group which will succeed them.

WILL FORM WAR COUNCIL.

Mr. Lloyd George is committed to the formation of a war council, and the membership of that dictatorship will be the most important and crucial work he will have to deal with. Andrew Bonar Law, the Earl of Derby and Sir Edward Carson, all of them Conservatives, are most talked of. Mr. Bonar Law and Lord Derby would be generally approved, but Sir Edward Carson has many critics who concede his talents as a brilliant lawyer, but question whether he has also the stability, sound judgment and business experience for directing war measures.

The new premier is confronted with the problem whether he will become a member of his own war council. His scheme for the council, which he presented to Premier Asquith as the price of his continuance in the Asquith cabinet, excluded the premier on the ground that the general duties of the office did not leave time for daily sessions, to which the council must devote itself. The question whether Lord Northcliffe, to whom more than to anyone, unless himself, Mr. Lloyd George owes his advancement will enter the cabinet is much discussed. If he does, the presence there of Mr. Asquith, Viscount Grey and Mr. Balfour, whom Lord Northcliffe's newspapers call "the Haldane gang" apparently becomes entirely improbable.

Who will be minister for foreign affairs and chancellor of the exchequer—two of the most important offices outside of the military and naval spheres—is a matter of speculation, on which predictions are all guess work. The House of Commons will meet tomorrow, but no notice regarding the new government is expected. An official note says the proceedings will be formal and that no questions will be answered.

WHERE LABOR STANDS.

London, Dec. 6.—That the Laborites are not likely to support a Lloyd George administration was further indicated at a meeting of the parliamentary committee of the trades unions today, which adopted a resolution unanimously expressing profound regret "that certain statesmen, influenced by the press campaign have, in the hour of the nation's crisis, entirely failed to observe loyalty and self-sacrifice, which they repeatedly urged upon the workmen during the war."

The resolution continues:
"Further, we earnestly hope that the present unseemly quarrel amongst those entrusted with great responsibilities shall immediately cease, and so set a better example to the workers."

Earl Derby Charges Government Not Aggressive.

London, Dec. 6.—Speaking at a public meeting today, Lord Derby threw further light on the cause of the political crisis. He said it became apparent, especially in the matter of man power, that no serious grip was being maintained by the government on the position which existed. What was required, he said, was a small committee which could come to a decision quickly on any question and make the department concerned carry out the decisions arrived at. Unless that were done there would be great danger that the plans of the general staff might fall in the coming year.

For this reason, Lord Derby said, he associated himself with the proposals of Mr. Lloyd George, which provided that the war committee should consider all real questions in regard to the war, constituting, in fact, a war cabinet. Its duties would be to consider carefully every possible proposal and, looking forward, anticipate what the policy should be.

Having adopted a policy, he said, the committee would stick to it and see it through.

It was proposed further that the premier should be required to attend all meetings, and should have power to veto proposals of the committee. The difficulty arose over the composition of this committee.

Knew of No Intrigue.
Declaring that he knew of no intrigue, and would have nothing to do with any intrigue if it existed, Lord Derby made a strong appeal to the conflicting ministers to sink their differences.

"To go back to party administration," he said, "would spell ruin for this country. Is it too much to ask for reciprocal consideration? We want the best men of all parties, and I feel it will arouse an echo here, and probably in the country, if we appeal to all men, even at this eleventh hour, to sink their differences, and under, perhaps, new leadership, give us still the best men of both sides for the pro-

GERMANY TO PAY NO ATTENTION TO U. S.

Will Conduct Her Submarine Warfare to Suit Herself, Says Cologne Gazette.

London, Dec. 6.—A wireless despatch received here from Cologne says:
"The Cologne Gazette declares that in her submarine warfare Germany will be guided by her own interests, and will not allow herself to be influenced by American threats or suggestions."
"The Frankfurter Zeitung warns Germans against expecting double rations as a result of the invasion of Roumania. It says the Russo-Roumanians may save their harvests and granaries, which are situated mainly on the lower Danube in territory which has not yet been invaded."

TRIAL OF KARL GRAVES GOES OVER TO MARCH 10

German Spy Charged with Attempting to Extort Money Gets Three Months Postponement of his Case.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The preliminary hearing of Karl Arnsperg Graves, self-styled international spy, charged with attempting to extort \$3,000 from Countess Von Bernstorff, wife of the German ambassador, was further continued today until March 10.
Formal notification has not been received through the state department by the district attorney of the availability as witnesses of members of the German embassy staff.
Attorneys for Graves explained that

their client had a business engagement which would require three months to fulfill, and requested if any postponement be granted it be for at least three months.

A Japanese Social.
Last evening in Coburg street Christian church the members and friends held a re-union and Japanese social. An excellent programme was carried through and each number was enjoyed. After the opening addresses by Sergeant A. P. Hodges, there was a piccolo solo by Ronald Edwards. Vocal solos were given by Miss Audrey Mullin, John D. Woods, Miss Olive Amdur, F. J. Punter, Miss Edith Morrison, Mr. Bambury, Mrs. Paterson, Mrs. W. F. Smith, Mrs. Henderson, and Mrs. Gregg. Piano selections were rendered by Mr. Barranco, Miss Doris Barnes and Miss Lillian Codner. Cornet solo by H. F. Black; banjo duet, Misses Bond and Bagnell; ball selection, Walter Bagnell; reading, R. J. Currie. There were also selections from Mikado and the Gelsala, given by members of the church choir. The school room was beautifully decorated for the occasion.

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Nerviline possesses another and not less important action—it equalizes the circulation in the painful parts, and thus affords a sure barrier to the re-establishment of congestion.
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It doesn't matter whether the cause is spasm or congestion, external or internal; if it is pain—equally with its curative action upon neuralgia—Nerviline will relieve and quickly cure rheumatism, sciatica, lumbago, strains, swellings or enlarged joints, and all other muscular aches.
Nerviline is a guaranteed remedy, 25 cent trial size. Sold by dealers everywhere, or direct from the Calthorpe Co., Kingston, Canada.

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London, Dec. 6.—In order better to secure food supplies, King George has signed an order-in-council empowering the board of agriculture to take over unoccupied or occupied land for the purpose of cultivation.

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At 10 a. m. sharp, FRIDAY 100 PAIRS MEN'S PANTS values to \$2.50 For \$1.37 per pair

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We say, BUY IT NOW! It is just like finding money.

SUITS THAT WERE \$12 Closing out for \$ 6.48
SUITS THAT WERE 14 Closing out for 9.87
SUITS THAT WERE 18 Closing out for 12.98
SUITS THAT WERE 25 Closing out for 16.48

DO YOU REALIZE WHAT IT MEANS buying Men's Boots at these prices? And remember they are all high grade goods that will stand the test—Come see them!

MEN'S BOOTS THAT WERE \$6.50, Closing out for \$4.48
MEN'S BOOTS THAT WERE 5.00, Closing out for 3.48
MEN'S BOOTS THAT WERE 4.00, Closing out for 2.48
MEN'S RUBBERS, best makes Going for 78c.

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Rubbers closing out for59c.
Ladies' \$2.75 Overshoes closing out for \$1.78
Ladies' \$6 Boots closing out for \$3.98
Ladies' \$5 Boots closing out for \$3.48
Ladies' \$4 Boots closing out for \$2.48

A lot of Child's Boots, regular price \$1.50 and \$1.75. Closing out for99c.
Girls' Boots that were \$3 and \$3.25 Now \$1.99
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Girls' Boots that were \$2.25. Now \$1.68

SEE HERE!

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Men's Dress Shirts, that were \$1, Closing out for68c.
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Men's Fine Shirts that were \$2.00, Closing out for \$1.28
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The Pio IX, leader ried no passengers. er of 3895 tons gross Sunderland in 1887. Buenos Aires, which ity, was unable to e stance on account

London, Dec. 6.—T ship Urbitarte, 1.7 reported to have be crew has been land

London, Dec. 6.—T or Elswick Park wh pha on September been posted at Loy

CANADIAN PACIFIC PLANS FOR RETURN

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TOO DROWNED IN WRECK OF SPANISH STMR.

The Pio IX from New Orleans for Barcelona Sunk in Storm 200 Miles off Canary Islands - Another Steamer Torpedoed.

Madrid, Dec. 6, via Paris.—One hundred members of the crew of the Spanish steamer Pio IX, from New Orleans for Barcelona, were drowned by the sinking of the vessel in a storm when 200 miles off the Canary Islands. Twenty-six members of the crew were saved.

The Pio IX, laden with cotton, carried no passengers. She was a steamer of 3,995 tons gross and was built at Sunderland in 1887. The steamship Buenos Aires, which was in the vicinity, was unable to give but slight assistance on account of the high seas.

London, Dec. 6.—The Spanish steamship Uribitarte, 1,756 tons gross, is reported to have been torpedoed. Her crew has been landed.

London, Dec. 6.—The British steamer Elswick Park which left Philadelphia on September 29, has been posted as missing.

CANADIAN PACIFIC ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR FARMS FOR RETURNED SOLDIERS.

The Canadian Pacific Railway through its Department of Natural Resources, now makes an official announcement of its plans whereby its land holdings in Western Canada are placed at the disposal of such men who, having seen active service in the British forces in the European war, are desirous of taking up agricultural work at the close of hostilities.

After defining that amongst the many big problems to be faced by the British Empire after the war is the return to civil life of the many millions of men who are returning home, the company has taken part in the great struggle, the company recognizes that active service in this cause will have created a desire on the part of many men who, before the war, were engaged in other work, to take up outside employment, and that of this number a considerable proportion will be desirous of obtaining land upon which they can create farm homes.

"Western Canada offers one of the best opportunities in the British Empire for those men who may wish to engage in farming. While of course any general scheme of land colonization in Canada by returned soldiers must necessarily be formulated and administered by the Dominion Government, the Canadian Pacific Railway, as a large landowner in the western provinces of Canada, is desirous of doing its share in attempting to solve this important problem."

Only those are eligible who can produce proof of service in the Canadian unit of the British Army, or in the British Army or Navy, are married, of physical fitness and have had previous experience in agriculture. Candidates are required to appear before an Examining Committee before a contract is entered into.

Two kinds of farms will be available for colonization - Improved Farms and Assisted Colonization Farms. In the first case, a limited number of farms in selected areas, with distinctive military names, will be improved, previous to occupation, by the erection of a house, barn and fence, the provision of water supply, and the breaking of forty acres. Live stock, implements and seed grain will, where necessary, be provided. In the Assisted Colonization scheme, in which an almost unlimited amount of land will be available, farms will be first selected by the intending colonists, and then improved by them with assistance from the company in the way of advanced building and fencing material, live stock, implements and seed grain.

In case where the Examining Committee is satisfied that the colonist is unable to provide living expenses for himself and his family during the first year of his occupation, financial assistance, in the way of cash advances not exceeding one-half the value of any work done by the purchaser in permanently improving the farm may be made.

On each Improved Farm Colony a Central Control Farm will be established and operated by the company, in charge of a colony superintendent. The colonist's operations will be directed with the advice of the superintendent, and the central farm will be used for purposes of demonstration, to maintain service animals and to keep on hand the larger and more expensive machinery which the individual farmers would probably not be able to buy at first, for the use of which a fixed daily charge will be made. Assisted Colonization Farmers will also receive the benefit of instructive directions given by the company's inspectors.

Land will be sold to bona fide settlers only, settlement and occupation being the basis of the contract. Evidence will be required periodically that this requirement has been complied with. The maximum amount of land sold to one man is 160 acres under the Improved Farm scheme, with a reduction to eighty acres in the case of irrigable land, and 320 acres of non-irrigable land under the Assisted Colonization scheme, but adjoining land will be as far as possible reserved for future extensions and for pasture.

The terms of payment provided are very easy. In the Assisted Colonization scheme, land will be sold on a twenty-year basis, and the first pay-

CROWN DROPS CASE AGAINST COL. SIMPSON

Manitoba Jury Couldn't Agree in Case Against Ex-Minister and Charges are Dropped.

Winnipeg, Dec. 6.—The crown's case against Lieut.-Col. R. M. Simpson, M. D., is to be dropped. R. A. Bonnar, K. C., chief crown counsel, announced this afternoon, as the result of the grand jury's report yesterday that they were unable to reach a decision on the case, no further action will be taken by the crown.

Dr. Simpson was charged with conspiracy to defraud the province in connection with the parliament buildings, and with conspiracy to keep William Salt out of the province, where his evidence was wanted.

ment will not be due until two years after the date of the contract. In the Improved Farm scheme, the colonist will occupy the farm as tenant for three years, and will not be required to make any payment in the nature of rent until the end of three years, when an amount equal to six per cent. on the cost of permanent improvements will be charged for each year that has passed since the colonist went into occupation. The colonist will at that date enter into an agreement to purchase the land on a twenty-year basis, and will make his first payment on account of that contract one year later. No water rental will be charged for the first two years of irrigable land. The cost of permanent improvements and any cash advances made will in the case of both schemes be added to the purchase price of the land and thereby spread over a twenty-year basis of repayment. Live stock, implements and seed will be secured by lien notes or mortgages.

The announcement concludes: "The project has been formulated and brought into force with a keen desire on the part of the company to do its share in recognizing the work of men who have fought for the empire, and who desire to take up farming at the close of the war; and while it is recognized that the scheme must of necessity contain something of philanthropy in the way of easy terms and material assistance in the earlier years of the colonist's efforts, it is not intended to do otherwise than administer those farms on a thoroughly businesslike basis, or to allow them to be taken up except by men who are earnest in their intention to try and make a success of farming and who have the foundation qualifications to justify an expectation of success."

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POTATO SHORTAGE IN GREAT BRITAIN.

J. Forsyth Smith, trade commissioner for the commercial intelligence branch of the Department of Trade and Commerce, Ottawa, in his report dated from Leeds, England, November 6, states as follows with reference to potato shortage in Great Britain: "As previously reported, prices for potatoes are exceptionally high on the British market, wholesalers now paying £11 to £12 per ton of 2,240 pounds, as against prices of £2 10s. to £3 15s. during the same season in 1913 and 1914, £3 10s. to £4 15s. in 1915. Wholesalers interviewed here expressed the view that while values must fall, when farmers' holidays at present held back on account of labor shortage and for speculative purposes reach the market, prices cannot but remain abnormally high. The one circumstance that might completely change the situation is the fear of drastic government action to reduce prices. In this connection, it is worthy of note that a statement was made in Parliament on November 7, that the Government was seriously considering whether something in the nature of commandeering might not have to be resorted to. Large Liverpool dealers have manifested a keen interest in the possibility of obtaining supplies from Canada, expressing a preference for purchase on a c.i.f. basis. If c.i.f. prices cannot be quoted, shippers quoting f.o.b. Canadian port should give rates obtainable, as this information cannot be obtained on this side.

THE SALVATION ARMY AND THE WORLD'S WAR

Commissioner Richards and Col. McMillan in City Yesterday, Tell What the Army has done for Empire.

Commissioner W. J. Richards, head of the Eastern Division of the Salvation Army, accompanied by Colonel McMillan and Brigadier Morris, arrived in town yesterday on a tour of inspection. Special services will be held here during their stay.

Commissioner Richards inspected the Halifax district before he came to St. John, and said he was very much pleased with the progress made there. He stated that this tour was specially in the interest of the young people in the Sunday schools.

Commissioner Richards spoke last evening at the Salvation Army Citadel on Charlotte street to a large audience. He gave an interesting talk and was listened to with rapt attention.

Col. McMillan, one of Com. Richards' party, was stationed in Canada a number of years ago but was transferred to Melbourne, Australia, coming back to Canada recently. He gave

some interesting data on the war as it affected the Salvation Army. He stated that a good many of the army bands have volunteered en bloc for service at the front and for recruiting purposes. There are now twelve Salvation Army chaplains working with the colonial troops. Since the beginning of the war the Salvation Army has spent several thousand pounds in erecting huts in France for the convenience of the soldiers. They have sent 38 motor ambulances, fully equipped, for use at the front. They also have an unit of nurses working in the military hospital in Cairo, Egypt. About 80,000 Salvationists have enlisted for service on the various fronts.

Commissioner Richards and party will leave for St. Stephen today and then go to Woodstock, returning here on Saturday. A meeting will be held on Saturday night at the Citadel with Com. Richards as the principal speaker.

A congress for the young people will be conducted by the commissioner in the Orange hall, German street, Sunday and this is expected to be one of the features of the tour.

During their stay in the city they will be the guests of Major Barr, Pitt street.

DEPORTATION OF BELGIANS.

Amsterdam, Dec. 6, via London.—According to advices received by the Telegraph from Ghent, more than 40,000 citizens of Ghent already have been deported.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1916.

"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H.M. The King. TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE: Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

A FORTUNATE SELECTION.

If David Lloyd George can secure and hold the co-operation of the diversified elements in the British Parliament, his selection as leader of the government will be the most fortunate move in Britain since the beginning of the war. And the retirement of Mr. Asquith will inevitably result in a more active prosecution of the campaign. It cannot be denied that coalition in Britain under Mr. Asquith has not been a pronounced success. It has taken away from the leaders of his government the strongest possible incentive to be found in politics, namely, the active criticism of opponents, and it has developed among members of that government an impression that they are not only right in everything but almost absolutely indispensable to the well-being of the country. Indeed among certain English journals the title of the "Twenty-three Indispensables" has been commonly applied to the coalition ministry and in certain of these independent papers there has been continued and bitter criticism of the half-hearted manner in which some of the government departments have been administered.

Mr. Lloyd George is an outstanding figure, enthusiastically hated by a certain section of the ruling body and just as enthusiastically upheld by another wing. It is true that since the beginning of the war there has been a very marked change in British popular opinion and methods of administration are now tolerated and even approved which would have been heartily condemned three or four years ago. And for this sentimental revolution Mr. Lloyd George is largely responsible. Thus it has come about that his enemies in parliament, in the government, and throughout the country are by no means as numerous today as they were when he first took hold of the administration of one of the principal departments. There is therefore a sporting chance that he may be able to so reconcile the elements of the various parties represented in the proposed reorganized coalition as to provide a reasonable working government. And should this condition be brought about there is no doubt that he will be inclined to prosecute the war in a more active manner than heretofore. Certain it is that in recent public utterances Mr. Lloyd George has suggested lines of action approved by critics of the Asquith government, and which have been advocated by many in view of weaknesses in various branches of the service.

THE ROMANIAN SITUATION.

It is reported from Berlin that Bucharest, the capital of Roumania, has been captured by the Germans, and that the retreat of the Roumanian army has been cut off by the seizure of an important railway junction northwest of the capital. This may or may not prove a decidedly serious development of the Balkan situation. If, as is hoped, the Roumanians have had time to withdraw their army from before the advancing Teutons they may yet be able to put up a resistance against further aggressions. Bucharest may have been abandoned rather than impeded the army and the city itself by a prolonged defense against a superior force.

Even if the worst is the case, and the Germans capture the capital, overrun the country and eliminate Roumania as a factor in the eastern situation, that country may suffer grievously, but the reverse may have a chastening and stimulating effect upon the British and the Canadian people. The Toronto Mail and Empire takes the view that there is and has been too much complacency in the certainty of British victory. Britain will win, but stronger, more aggressive measures must be taken if that victory is to come soon.

The expectation of great benefits from the entry of Roumania as an ally and, it was fondly hoped, as a short-cut to Vienna and Berlin, have not been realized. In the face of an attack on the Roumanian front it was felt that Austria could not long survive. What is the situation viewed in the light of the facts rather than as we would have it? The Roumanians have not invaded Austria or Hungary, on the contrary they have been kept busy defending their own territory and now their capital is gone. There is no occasion for pessimism but events

such as the capture of Bucharest should help to teach the people of the Empire that the war is not yet over and that before victory can perch on British arms much hard fighting must be done, and much sacrifice must be endured. And the men of the Empire must do the greater portion of it.

The Mail and Empire commenting upon the war situation has this to say:

"We have been inclined to regard the naval blockade as a stranglehold upon the throat of the German people; but we ought to remember that if food is dear in Germany it is not cheap in England, and we were warned the other day by a British authority that in the event of Germany being able to avoid a decisive naval engagement, pressure exerted against her imports would not decide the war. Others again have hoped that the German people would wake up some fine morning, perceive the true state of affairs, turn on their rulers and submit to peace terms. This, too, must be dismissed as a dream. It is not the German people who need to be awakened; it is our own people. The German people look at the military map. They see Belgium seized and annexed; part of France and much of Russia in the grip of their armies; most of Serbia in their possession, and Roumania apparently on the point of collapse. Naturally the German point of view is that it is the Entente Powers who are asleep, or are blind to the plain facts of the situation. Until either on the East front or on the West, and probably only on the West front, there is an overwhelming German defeat the German people's confidence in their armies is not likely to be destroyed. What armies are going to win this great victory on the West? Britain must win the great and final victory in this war unless Germany is to win it."

SIR WILFRID'S PROMISES.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has announced that if he is returned to power at the next election he will form a government that will be national in every sense of the term. From this his friends are led to believe that he would call to his cabinet representatives of the people without regard to party lines.

Of course, Sir Wilfrid Laurier would do nothing of the kind. Even if he had any idea of coalition, his followers would not for a moment stand for such a policy. Sir Wilfrid would probably follow the course which he adopted after his election when he left the different provincial legislatures for cabinet material, and even in talking that step he did not secure a government out of the ordinary. Any cabinet that Sir Wilfrid would form would be national in a geographical sense only. The leader of the opposition has not yet lost the art of saying one thing while he means something entirely different.

THE DOMINIONS AND PEACE.

The pledge given in 1915 that the Dominions would be fully consulted and their agreement secured before the Empire agreed upon terms of peace has been solemnly reiterated. This does not necessarily mean that only such terms of peace as Canada or South Africa or Australia may consider the best will be granted. It means that they will consent upon acceptance by themselves of the paramount reasons for their consent. So far as Canada is concerned, the matter is not of high practical importance in regard to this war, says the Winnipeg Telegram. We certainly do not intend that Germany shall have any possibility of lodgment upon this hemisphere, north or south, but as the United States intends the same thing, though without the same power as the Empire and its allies possess, the risk of any Germanic sovereignty being established in America is small.

To South Africa and Australia, the question is of great practical importance. We need not forget that Canada was once on the bargain counter in determining peace terms. If the Brit-

ish Empire were simply Great Britain, there might be an irresistible inclination to use German East Africa in that way to placate Portugal or gain something somewhere else for Great Britain. Anything of the kind attempted, or even suspected, would threaten the disruption of the British Empire. Australia, too, must not be sacrificed on the Pacific in the interests of either Japan or Russia.

Constitutionally, the recognized necessity of consultation and consent is not merely important, it is vital. Getting out of war with honor and profit is a matter of great concern to everybody (at times also a matter of difficulty, as Germany is discovering), but it is a more trifling concern with keeping out of war, and getting into it when necessary. The people who say that it is never necessary to get into war and that this is the last war are not optimists, but idiots. In a hundred years we have had three "last" wars, the Napoleonic, the Crimean and the Franco-Prussian. The others have had, not so recognized, are as countless as they were sanguinary.

Wars depend upon a long course of national policy in international relations. They never break out until they are invited. The idea that a nation declares war by a man chooses between a sausage and an omelet, when they are both on the table as he sits down to breakfast, is too crude. There are times when peace is simply another way of spelling cowardice. The British Empire has been at a good school and knows how to spell. From this it follows, that consultation and consent before getting out of war means also consultation and consent before getting into war; in other words, foreign policy. The Empire must have a representative Imperial foreign policy. Foreign policy is not exactly a matter for popular discussion, but the helm of the Empire must be held by representative men in whom all the people have confidence. Salisbury, Rosebery and Grey were and are such men for Great Britain. They could not be such men for Canada, because of being products of British, not Canadian, environment. The Empire must have such men who are Canadian, Australian and South African products at the helm of Imperial policy as well, if its course is to be straight, both to avoid war when it is avoidable, and to fight effectively when it is not.

WHAT GERMANS DID IN OLNE.

An Appalling Vignette Illustrating the State of the Unhappy Land of Belgium.

The report of the Commission of Inquiry in the violation of the rights of nations in Belgium has recently been published by the British government. Here is a sworn statement of what happened when the Germans invaded the little country town of Olne:

"As the vicar and communal secretary lifted a window curtain to see the troops pass, they were torn from the house and shot. The Germans burnt the house of Madame Desenay, a paralysed widow, who was killed, as well as her daughter Josephine. They dragged from the house the schoolmaster Warnier and his family. The house was burned at once, and Mr. Warnier shot before the eyes of his wife.

"A few paces off, his two young daughters, two brave teachers were cowardly shot in the back. The elder, whose head had only been grazed by the bullet, recovered consciousness in the ditch beside the road. A dead body was washing upon her—it was that of her sister, who had been killed on the spot by a bullet. The survivor remained there, motionless, until the last soldier had gone. Then she heard one of her brothers in the throes of death a little way off.

"The spirited girl only found out later that her left arm was broken in two places, that she had a wound in her head, and bruises all over her body. Subsequently she found her mother and her little sister. Her father, her sister of 18, and her two brothers of 18 and 16, were lying stretched on the road dead, with two other inhabitants of Falveu and three victims from Forest. All the houses in the neighborhood were in ashes."

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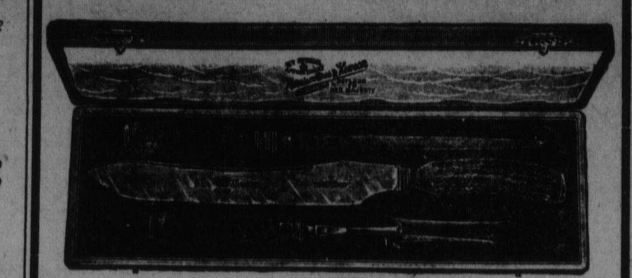
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BOYCOTT OF ICE CREAM IS DEVELOPING

Girls' Club Joins Ranks of Those Fighting for Cheaper Milk—Council Today Will Frame Questions to Dealers.

The ice cream boycott is becoming more general. The latest development in this connection has been the action of the Girls' Club in eliminating this delicacy from the list of good things that they propose selling at their entertainment on Friday afternoon and evening. The following announcement is self-explanatory:

"The Girls' Club have decided in view of the high cost of milk not to sell ice cream, as advertised, at their entertainment to be given Friday afternoon and evening at their rooms, 82 Princess street."

It was the exorbitant cost of milk that caused the Women's Council to establish the boycott on ice cream at their meeting on Tuesday, and the action of the Girls' Club shows that the opponents of ten cent milk are gaining in numerical strength almost daily. Not only has an ice cream boycott been established by the women of Lancaster but they are manifestly antagonistic to ten cent milk. As announced yesterday they have given instructions to the suppliers of milk that they will be satisfied with half the quantity formerly supplied, while in families having no children the milk supply has been not merely curtailed, but entirely eliminated.

At today's meeting of the City Council the questions which it is the intention to submit to the milk dealers with a view of ascertaining the basis of the price of ten cents a quart now being exacted will be drafted. These questions will be submitted to the dealers at once and sworn statements, in reply, will be demanded by the council. When the replies have been received interesting developments may be anticipated.

TO PAY DIVIDEND ON INSPIRATION COPPER

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
Boston, Dec. 6.—Predictions are coming from Boston copper circles in a position to know the intention of directors to the effect that Inspiration will announce a dividend of \$2.50 a share on Dec. 28th, the next scheduled meeting of the directors. The outside long interest in the copper shares is of considerable proportions according to specialist advices and reports from commission houses.

N. Y. F. B.

IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec. 6.—There was a better tone to today's market and general advances were shown throughout the list. Trading was more active and there was a better demand for securities. Steel of Canada made a new high at 87 1/2, closing only a half point off at 87. Dominion Iron was up a point to 74 1/2. There was a report that Toronto Rails had declared their regular dividend—the stock advanced four points from the morning's quotation of 75 to 79. Brazilian was up three points from the opening, closing at 46 1/2 bid. Civic was firm and fairly active at 82.

The demand continues for the war loan, some large blocks of the new selling at 98 1/2, this price being bid for \$100,000 at the close. In the unlisted department Tram Power was better, advancing to 40. Brompton sold at 71, and North American Paper was 13 1/2 to 14.

THE FINANCIAL PRESS.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
Journal of Commerce—"A favorable impression is created by the president's address."
Financial American—"The president's message is favorably construed by all important interests."
Sun—"Bankers for the most part intimate that there will be a lowering of money rates toward the end of the week."
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J. A. LEBLANC HEADS LAW SCHOOL SOCIETY

Elected Yesterday Vice W. Grant Smith who is on Active Service—Other Changes in Officers.

At the regular monthly meeting of the students society of King's College Law School, held yesterday in the Equity Chambers, Papsley building, the resignation of W. Grant Smith, who was elected president at the beginning of the year, was reluctantly accepted by the members of the society.

Mr. Smith, who is now attached to the military department at the army, in asking the society to accept his resignation, stated that owing to the nature of his work and the uncertainty of his whereabouts, it would be impossible to devote to the office the amount of time it required.

A committee was appointed consisting of W. Shea, '17; J. Melville, '19, and T. K. Sweeney, '17, to draft a resolution of appreciation which will be forwarded to the retiring president.

J. A. LeBlanc, B.A., '17, on motion of T. K. Sweeney, was nominated president. The nomination carried unanimously.

The vacancy in the vice-presidency office, caused by Mr. LeBlanc's appointment will be filled by T. K. Sweeney.

On motion of R. A. Stephenson, the office of recording secretary went to Lawrence Manning, '19. It was also decided to prepare an honor roll to be placed in the students' room, of the members of the society, of which there are a large number who are serving their King and country.

In view of the fact that owing to the number of students who at the time of closing last year were unable to be present at the closing exercises, acting on the suggestion of the secretary-treasurer, W. E. McMonagle, '18, the society decided to banquet the members who graduated last year and since have been admitted to the Bar, as well as the retiring president, Lieut. W. Grant Smith, '18. The honor list will include Edward Hannaberry, B.A., B.C.L., attorney-at-law; R. Mooney, B.A., B.C.L., attorney-at-law, and T. O'Leary, B.A., B.C.L., attorney-at-law.

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LETTERS EMPHASIZE THE GREAT NECESSITY OF MORE CANADIANS

New Brunswick Officer on Furlough in England Reports Need of All Available Men at the Front.

Letters received from New Brunswick officers who have been on furlough in England report the great need of all available men at the front.

"No one can realize the need of men until they get over here," writes a well known local officer who is now enjoying a short leave of absence in England.

The letters give interesting news in regard to several officers who recently proceeded to England on their way to the front. Lieut. Louis Ritchie who was formerly a sergeant with the 23rd Battalion, is now at the Canadian Military School, Crowborough Camp, Sussex. Other well known officers from New Brunswick who are

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Miss Marion Crockett, of Fredericton, a niece of Dr. A. P. Crockett, is engaged at Leeds in connection with V. A. D. work, and is much enamored with it.

Lieut. Arthur Finn, a son of the late M. A. Finn, is doing light duty with the Ninth Reserve Battalion at Folkestone, after several months of active service at the front.

EXPLOSION IN MUNITIONS FACTORY.

London, Dec. 6.—Twenty-six women were killed and about thirty injured by an explosion in a munitions factory last night, according to an official announcement which adds that the effect of the accident upon the munitions output will be negligible.

DESERTERS REJOINING UNITS.

Toronto, Dec. 6.—Following the proclamation of the amnesty to deserters 144 men are being collected from the various penal institutions of the province, and will be sent to the exhibition camp at Toronto, whence they will be drafted into their respective units.

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NEWS AND COMMENT FROM THE FINANCIAL WORLD

EXPECT ANOTHER DROP IN THE MONEY RATES

Surplus Reserve in New York Expected to Reach Normal Condition by Next Week.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
New York, Dec. 6.—There is considerable misunderstanding over the decreases now being reported by some of the railroads as compared with last year. We are informed that this is due to firstly, the fact that comparisons are being made with unusually large earnings last year and, secondly, the car shortage is operating against proper handling of traffic.
Predictions are being made in private banking circles that the surplus reserve of the New York banks next Saturday will show a restoration of last week's reduction and probably an increase beyond that total, due to the receipt of new gold and also funds from the interior, attracted by the call money flurry. In commission house circles there is a strong feeling developing that the loan readjustment and money flurry are due entirely to a feeling that part of the conservative banking element in speculation should be diverted to the railroad list and that the momentary prominence is part of a well defined programme to bring this about.
N. Y. C. and Reading are being recommended by influential quarters since the remainder of the standard list. There appears to be an informed absorption of both associated with "bonus assurances." Reading's next dividend meeting is Dec. 20th, and that of N. Y. C. Dec. 13th.
N. Y. F. B.

A STEADIER TONE IN LONDON MARKET

Slight Rally in Gilt Edged Securities and in Rubber, Iron and Steel Shares — Money Steady.

Special to The Standard.
London, Dec. 6.—The stock market developed a steadier tone today. There was a slight rally in gilt-edged securities and Rubber, Iron, Steel and Spring shares hardened but transactions were limited elsewhere. American stocks were neglected. President Wilson's message had no effect. Money and discount rates were quietly steady. The money market was not affected by the flurry in New York, which is being watched with interest. There was considerable business in the New York Exchange with about an equal amount of buying and selling.

WALL STREET SHOWED NEW VIGOR YESTERDAY

New York, Dec. 6.—Relaxation of money rates prompted fresh speculative ventures today, although the movement of stocks was hardly regular or uniform, some shares recording steady pressure. The maximum rate for call loans was seven per cent., with an abundance of offerings later at five and a final rate of three per cent.
The easing of money was ascribed to another heavy inflow from Canada, a total of \$17,000,000 being received here and in Philadelphia from that source. Further stabilization was afforded by the large amount of Russian gold recently consigned to local bankers, and the reduced demands from the interior, virtually insuring a favorable bank return at the close of the current week.
Price movements were often confusing, cheap rallies moving to higher levels while standard shares of that group were either hesitant or lower. Demand for the new Missouri Pacific issues all at record quotations was a noteworthy feature. There was considerable inquiry for Rock Island, Lake Erie and Westerns, Wheeling and Lake Erie's, Chicago and Alton, Missouri, Kansas and Texas, Wabash A. and B. preferred, Toledo, St. Louis and Western and Southern Railway was well sustained, surface conditions indicating steady accumulation.
Petroleum as a class were responsive in substantial measure to the recovery of crude oil prices, and sugars were better, with further strength in American Woolen, Corn Products, gas shares, Western Union, and numerous specialties, including Owens Bottle Machinery at an extreme gain of 9 1/2 points.

MONTREAL PRODUCE.

Montreal, Dec. 6.—Corn—American, No. 2 yellow, 1.16 to 1.18.
Oats—Canadian western, No. 2, 68 1/2; No. 3, 67; extra No. 1 feed, 67.
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RANDOLPH REPORTS GOOD MARKET TONE

Wall Street was Moderately Strong on Afternoon Dealings — Montreal Showing Better with General Advances.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
New York, Dec. 6.—The market turned moderately strong in the afternoon and the undertone appeared good. The uncertainty caused by the advance in money rates seems to be abating although six per cent. was as low as call money got during the day. There are good indications, however, that lines of stock sold recently by large interests have not yet been replaced at least not in full amount. Further efforts to depress the market are likely to occur and there are uncertain factors including German submarines that such efforts may be successful. The action of the railroad stocks was rather disappointing following President Wilson's message and the main strength in today's market was in industrial specialties showing the greatest advances. There was little news bearing on the market situation.
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Am Car Fy	77 1/2	78 1/4	77 3/4
Am Loco	89 1/2	90 3/4	89 3/4
Am Smelt	117 1/2	117 3/4	117 1/2
Am Steel Fy	72 1/2	72 3/4	70 3/4
Am Wagon	56 1/2	57 3/4	56 3/4
Am Zinc	81 1/2	82 3/4	81 3/4
Am Tele	127 1/2	127 3/4	127 1/2
A H and L Pfd	81	81	79 3/4
Am Can	62 1/2	63 3/4	62 3/4
Atchison	106 1/2	106 3/4	105 3/4
Balt and Ohio	86 1/2	86 3/4	86 1/2
Bald Loco	77 1/2	77 3/4	75 3/4
Butte and Sup	72 1/2	72 3/4	71 3/4
Calif Petrol	27 1/2	27 3/4	27 1/2
C F I	57 1/2	57 3/4	57 1/2
Ches and Ohio	70 1/2	70 3/4	70 1/2
Chino	69	69 1/2	68 1/2
Cent Leath	109 1/2	109 3/4	108 3/4
Cruc Steel	86 1/2	86 3/4	86 1/2
Erie Com	37 1/2	37 3/4	37 1/2
Erie 1st Pfd	52 1/2	52 3/4	52 1/2
Good Rub	69 1/2	69 3/4	68 3/4
Inspira Cop	70 1/2	70 3/4	69 3/4
Kans City Sug	26 1/2	26 3/4	26 1/2
Kenne Cop	57 1/2	57 3/4	57 1/2
Lehigh Val	83	83	82 3/4
Mer Mar Pfd	115 1/2	115 3/4	114 3/4
Mex Petrol	108 1/2	108 3/4	108 1/2
Nor Pac	111 1/2	111 3/4	111 1/2
Nor and West	142	142	140 3/4
Nor Pac	111 1/2	111 3/4	111 1/2
Nevada Cons	31 1/2	31 3/4	30 3/4
Ont and West	32 1/2	32 3/4	32 1/2
Penn	56 1/2	56 3/4	56 1/2
Pres and Car	84 1/2	84 3/4	84 1/2
Reading Com	111 1/2	111 3/4	110 3/4
Repub Steel	88 1/2	88 3/4	88 1/2
St Paul	94 1/2	94 3/4	93 3/4
Sou Pac	100	100	99 3/4
Sou Rail	29 1/2	29 3/4	29 1/2
Utah Cop	126 1/2	126 3/4	126 1/2
United Fruit	160	160	162 3/4
Westinghouse	63	63	62 3/4
West Union	103 1/2	103 3/4	103 1/2

MONTREAL SALES

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
Montreal, Wednesday, Dec. 6th—Morning.
Steamships Pfd.—30 @ 92 1/2, 22 @ 92 1/2.
Steamships Com.—25 @ 40 1/2, 20 @ 40 1/2.
Steel Canada Pfd.—100 @ 100, 25 @ 100 1/4, 10 @ 101.
Steel Canada Com.—550 @ 85, 20 @ 85 1/2, 55 @ 85 1/2, 925 @ 85 1/2, 100 @ 85 1/2, 50 @ 85 1/2, 500 @ 85 1/2, 360 @ 85 1/2, 950 @ 86, 225 @ 86 1/2, 75 @ 86 1/2, 1,325 @ 86 1/2, 275 @ 86 1/2, 175 @ 86 1/2, 325 @ 86 1/2, 550 @ 87, 15 @ 87 1/2, 350 @ 87 1/2.
Dom. Iron Com.—70 @ 73 1/2, 25 @ 73 1/2, 100 @ 74, 585 @ 74 1/2, 75 @ 74 1/2, 610 @ 74 1/2.
Shawinigan—1 @ 134.
Civie Power—235 @ 82.
New War Loan—4,000 @ 98 1/2, 25,000 @ 98 1/2.
Can. Car Com.—25 @ 44 1/2.
Toronto Ry.—170 @ 75.
Smelting—180 @ 39 1/2, 25 @ 39 1/2, 55 @ 40.
General Electric—15 @ 120 1/2, 50 @ 120.
Riordon—10 @ 141, 5 @ 141.
Scotia—50 @ 145 1/2, 290 @ 146, 100 @ 147.
Quebec Ry.—220 @ 43 1/2, 25 @ 43 1/2, Illinois—5 @ 90.
Spanish River Com.—50 @ 20 1/2.
Dom. Bridge—10 @ 195 1/2.
Tram Power—220 @ 39, 2 @ 39 1/2.
Ames Holden Com.—15 @ 23, 5 @ 23 1/2.
Afternoon.
Steel Canada Pfd.—35 @ 102.
Steel Canada Com.—465 @ 87 1/2, 1,540 @ 87 1/2, 150 @ 86 1/2, 350 @ 87 1/2, 200 @ 87 1/2, 200 @ 87 1/2, 260 @ 87.
Dom. Iron Com.—375 @ 74 1/2, 500 @ 74 1/2, 75 @ 74 1/2.
Civie Power—65 @ 82.
New War Loan—19,000 @ 98 1/2, 300 @ 99, 3,600 @ 98 1/2.
Toronto Ry.—10 @ 73 1/2, 75 @ 75, 25 @ 75 1/2, 5 @ 78, 125 @ 78 1/2, 60 @ 79.
Detroit United—25 @ 119 1/2, 15 @ 119 1/2.
Smelting—40 @ 40, 35 @ 39 1/2, 75 @ 40.
Riordon—5 @ 142.
Quebec Ry.—265 @ 42 1/2, 25 @ 43.
Spanish River Com.—25 @ 21 1/2.
Dom. Bridge—50 @ 195 1/2.
Tram Power—25 @ 39 1/2, 380 @ 75.

M'INTYRE PORCUPINE TO GET OTHER MINES

Arrangements Now Under Way for a Merger of Important Mining Interests in Canada.

Special to The Standard.
Montreal, Dec. 6.—The shareholders of the McIntyre Porcupine Mines are today in receipt of a circular announcing the terms upon which McIntyre Extension and McIntyre Jupiter will be taken over. Extension has given an option on its property, the price being 294,000 shares of McIntyre, equivalent to one share for every 3 1/2 shares of McIntyre Extension. For Jupiter the price will be 316,250 shares of McIntyre, which is equal to one share for every three shares of the Jupiter.
The combined capital of the three companies as they exist today is \$7,338,878 and it is proposed that \$1,000,000 of McIntyre stock shall be issued to complete the purchase of the outstanding stock of the absorbed companies.
This will make a total authorized capital of \$4,000,000 of which there will be in the treasury 389,317 shares. A special general meeting of the shareholders of McIntyre Porcupine Mines Limited will be held in Toronto on the 28th of December, to sanction the proposals.

MONTREAL MARKETS

Bid.	Ask.
Ames Holden Com.	22 1/2
Ames Holden Pfd.	63
Brazilian L. H. and P.	46 1/2
Canada Car	44 1/2
Canada Car Pfd.	83
Canada Cement	69 1/2
Canada Cement Pfd.	95
Can. Cotton	60
Civie Power	81 1/2
Crown Reserve	44
Detroit United	119 1/2
Dom. Bridge	195
Dom. Iron Pfd.	95
Dom. Iron Com.	74 1/2
Dom. Tex. Com.	85
Laurentide Paper Co.	208
Lake of Woods	132
MacDonald Com.	13
N. Scotia Steel and C.	146
Ogilvie's Limited	143
Penman's Limited	73
Quebec Railway	43 1/2
Shaw W. and P. Co.	132
Spanish River Com.	21 1/2
Spanish River Pfd.	66
Steel Co. Can. Com.	87 1/2
Steel Co. Can. Pfd.	102 1/2
Toronto Rails	78 1/2

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MONTREAL CAPITAL FOR EDDY COMPANY

Report is that Offer of \$9,000,000 has been Received for Big Hull Plant.

Special to The Standard.
Montreal, Dec. 6.—The fact that a group of Montreal capitalists spent some time at Hull recently looking over the plant of the E. B. Eddy Company naturally linked them up with the report from Ottawa that the company has received an offer from Montreal parties, the figures mentioned being \$9,000,000.
Although the street admitted that it was surmising the identity of the capitalists in question, some credence was given to the guess from the fact that the same parties handled the stock market end of the Riordon boom and conducted the financial reconstruction of the Brompton Pulp and Paper Co. The Eddy Company's news-print plant is a comparatively small one but it has a wide range of other paper and wood products including a big business in matches.

CHICAGO PRODUCE.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)
Chicago, Dec. 6.—Wheat—No. 2, red, nominal; No. 3, red, 1.69 to 1.71; No. 2 hard, 1.81; No. 3 hard, nominal.
Corn—No. 2 yellow, 94 1/2 to 95; No. 4 yellow, 90 1/2 to 94 1/2; No. 2 white, 91 to 93 1/2.
Oats—No. 3 white, 53 1/2 to 54 1/2; standard, 54 to 55.
Rye—No. 2, 1.47.
Barley—85 to 1.23.
Timothy—3.50 to 5.50.
Clover—12.00 to 17.00.
Pork—25.50.
Lard—16.77 to 16.82.
Ribs—18.75 to 14.20.
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July 151 1/2 147 1/2 150 1/2
Dec. 170 1/2 167 1/2 169
Corn.
May 95 1/2 92 1/2 95 1/2
July 95 1/2 93 1/2 95
Dec. 93 1/2 90 1/2 93 1/2
Oats.
May 58 1/2 57 1/2 58 1/2
July 55 1/2 54 1/2 55 1/2
Dec. 54 1/2 53 1/2 54
Pork.
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Dec. 26.70 26.50 26.55

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NOVEMBER SAW RECORD IN BUILDING OF CARS

Orders for Rolling Stock of Record-Breaking Proportions — Builders Did Not Expect Rush.

Special to The Standard.
New York, Dec. 6.—Orders for freight and passenger cars and for locomotives placed during the month of November were of record making proportions. The influx of business was far in excess of the expectations of builders who foresaw the advent of the buying movement but underestimated its scope. Many car builders had to go into the market and purchase thousands of tons more steel.

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Special to The Standard.
Montreal, Dec. 6.—Announcement is made that an agreement will be ratified today for the acquisition of the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company, one of the largest enterprises of its kind in the country by a syndicate representing the leading interests in Canada Steamships which will create a new corporation with a capital of \$2,000,000 in common stock.
The capital of the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company is \$1,250,000 and the vendors will receive 1500 per share for their stock in the form of 6 per cent. ten year first mortgage bonds and also \$650,000 of the common stock of the new \$2,000,000 company.

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British Plantation Rubber Is Saving Canada Millions

Low Prices of Rubbers and Overshoes Due to Britain's Control of Situation

Here in Canada many of us have fallen into the truly Anglo-Saxon habit of considering the "Mother of Parliaments" slow and a bit behind the times. The present price of rubber, when its cause is revealed, affords one of the many proofs that such an opinion is away off the mark.

Thanks to great rubber plantations established, in the face of criticism and ridicule, many years before in her tropical dominions, Great Britain at the outbreak of the war held a firm and tightening grip on the world's supply of raw rubber—a grip reinforced by her dominating navy. From 60% in 1914, the production of these plantations has grown this year to 75% of the whole world's output, leaving only about half the requirements of the United States alone to come from all other sources.

The result has been that the needs of the Allies, enormous though they are, have been plentifully supplied, while Germany has been reduced to registered mails and the "Deutschland" in desperate attempts to mitigate her rubber famine. Neutrals have been allowed all the rubber they want, at prices actually lower than before the war, so long as they prevent any of it from reaching the enemy, while Canada and other parts of the Empire have an abundant supply at equally favorable Government-regulated prices.

In this foresight and generosity of the British Government lies the reason why rubber alone, of all the great staples, has not gone up in price—why rubbers and overshoes, in spite of increased cost of fabric, chemicals and labor, are as inexpensive as ever, while shoes are costing several dollars a pair more. Wearing rubbers or overshoes through this winter to protect these expensive shoes is more than practical thrift—it is grateful patriotism, for in thus saving leather we make it easier for the Government to secure the absolutely necessary supplies of this alarmingly scarce material for our soldiers.

Both Thrift and Patriotism Point to Rubbers!

BOARD OF EDUCATION PLEASED WITH WORK OF SCHOOL CHILDREN

Supt. Carter will Officially Recognize Good Results of Campaign for Belgian Children — Ernest Fenety Resigns Clerkship.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 6.—The board of education in session here today accepted the resignation of Ernest Fenety, clerk at the education office. Mr. Fenety is a returned soldier who was a member of the 10th Battalion and was appointed to the position some months ago. He is to go to the west.

The board instructed Dr. W. S. Carter, chief superintendent of education, to prepare an official recognition of the efforts of the school children in raising a fund for Belgian children. The fund has reached the \$32,500 mark and will be closed at the end of this month.

The provincial government finished its session here this afternoon. Attorney-General Baxter left for St. John this evening and the government will resume its session at St. John on Friday.

At this morning's session F. W. Daniel of St. John was appointed a member of the Industrial Home Board at St. John; Miss Mary S. Cougle was appointed stenographer for the St. John County Court, and Messrs. J. R. Mooney, E. J. Henneberry, E. A. McKay, G. T. Feeney, C. R. Barry and Thomas O'Leary were appointed notaries public.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

The report of Dr. Melvin for the quarter ending September 30, presented to the Board of Health, showed 115 cases of notifiable diseases reported, as against 58 for the corresponding period last year. Sixty-nine cases were reported in July; thirty-one in August, and fifteen in September.

The report says that "this is the third successive September quarter showing decrease in diphtheria, the figures being respectively, 28, 14 and 10. Scarlet fever has been almost non-existent, while typhoid, for the fourth successive September quarter, shows a continuous decrease, the figures being: 1913, 49; 1914, 17; 1915, 15; 1916, 8."

Girls' Club Entertainment.

An entertainment called "The Fairies Garden" will be given by the Girls' Club of the Playgrounds Association at their rooms, 92 Princess street, on Friday in aid of the funds of the Association. There will be a sale of Christmas novelties and candy. The rooms will be open both afternoon and evening of Friday, Dec. 8th.

EXECUTIVE MEETING OF N. B. RED CROSS

At an executive meeting of the New Brunswick Provincial Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society, held Wednesday afternoon in the Mayor's office, the major of the new hospital which the Canadian Red Cross is soon to build in Paris, was discussed.

This splendid hospital is to be built and equipped by the Canadian Society, and upon its completion will be presented by them to the French government. Estimates as to the cost of the various parts of the building were submitted to the Central Council at Toronto, and from them word was sent to the provincial branches. So popular is the idea, that amounts covering the cost of the different parts have been quickly promised, as follows:

Administration building, \$1,250, Ottawa; Psychological building, \$400, London; Operating Theatre, \$1,400, Victoria, B. C.; Recreating Room, \$2,000, Toronto; Dental block, dispensary, eye and ear, \$1,750, Alberta; and in a letter just received from Lt. Col. Marshall, chairman of the executive at Toronto, he states that almost as soon as his first letter was sent out these buildings were taken up, and just one "The Servery" remained. This he consented to hold until bearing from New Brunswick. It is the intention to put up a plate in each building existing who the donors are.

It was felt that New Brunswick should be represented in this gift to France, whose people have given so freely of their best and bravest to the cause of humanity, and it was therefore decided that Lt. Col. Marshall be asked to retain the servery for this province. This will cost in the vicinity of two thousand dollars (\$2,000), and the appeal will be issued at once for this amount. Any contributions toward this fund will be welcome and may be sent to Lady Tilley, treasurer of the N. B. Provincial Branch Canadian Red Cross Society, St. John, N. B.

THE POLICE COURT.

In the police court yesterday Vincent Rogers, an Italian, was charged with having intoxicated liquor on his premises, Brussels street, he holding a beer license. Detectives Barrett and Briggs gave evidence regarding the raid and of finding liquor there.

Lorenzo Giobl, a witness for the defense, testified that Detectives Barrett and Briggs were under the influence of liquor when they entered the house. Information was then sworn out against Giobl, who was charged with perjury. The two detectives testified that they were not under the influence of liquor when the raid was made. Giobl and Rogers were remanded to jail.

A case against Michael Angelo, charged with selling and keeping liquor on his premises, 168 Union St., was finished. The magistrate found the defendant guilty of illegally keeping the liquor in his house and imposed a fine of \$50.

Four drunks were fined the usual amount.

CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND.

Monthly—Alison Armstrong, (2 mos.), \$2.00; Mrs. F. Stetson, \$2.00; Miss Stetson, \$2.00; J. N. Galding Sr., \$4.00; J. Hunter White, \$5.00; A. M. Gregg, (6 mos.), \$6.00; Mrs. Geo. Hatfield, (3 mos.), \$6.00; Mrs. Robt. Haley, \$1.00; Mrs. J. Smith, \$1.00; Mrs. R. M. Magee, \$2.00; John Klambie & Sons, \$30.00; Municipality of Albert Co., \$553.00; Miss M. M. Tennant, New York, (2 mos.), \$5.00; F. Harper, \$2; H. V. Wood, (6 mos.), \$30.00; E. T. Kennedy (2 mos.), \$2.00; M. V. Paddock, (4 mos.), \$10.00; Mrs. Christanson, (2 mos.), \$1.00; E. N. S. Stewart, \$1.00; Chas. Kain, \$2.00; Miss Belle Shaw, \$1.00; Miss M. Moore, 50c. Single—Geo. A. Klambie, \$500.00.

HARMONY LODGE DONATIONS.

St. John, Nov. 28.—At the last regular meeting of Harmony 178, L. O. E. A., the committee reported a balance of \$78.49, from a social held on Nov. 2nd. By a unanimous vote \$25 was donated to the Soldiers' Comfort Association fund. This lodge although only organized about two years ago, has already donated \$127 towards benevolent purposes. It has twice equipped the lodge with paraphernalia as a few months past fire destroyed the original one. They are earnest, energetic workers, and "benevolence" is their motto.

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SCHOONER NOTES.

Last week a large number of interested spectators gathered at Cheverie, Hants Co., to witness the launching of the three masted schooner Minnie G. Parsons, constructed by Albert Parsons, M. L. A., Walton, and his

brother, Mortimer Parsons of Cheverie. The Minnie G Parsons' dimensions are 125 feet length, 33 1/2 feet beam and 11 feet 6 inches hold; tonnage 320.

Sch Rebecca R. Douglas, which went ashore on Fiddler Ledge, near Fox Island-Thoroughfare, was pulled off by the cutter Osagee, Sunday and proceeded on her way to Rockland.

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SHIPPING NEWS

MINIATURE ALMANAC. December—Phases of the Moon. First Quarter.....1st 9h. 55m. p.m. Full Moon.....9th 5h. 44m. a.m. Last Quarter.....17th 2h. 6m. p.m. New Moon.....24th 4h. 31m. p.m. First Quarter.....31st 5h. 7m. a.m.

Table with columns: Date, Sun rise, Sun sets, H. water a.m., H. water p.m., L. water a.m., L. water p.m.

PORT OF ST. JOHN, N. B. Arrived Wednesday, Dec. 6. Stmr North Star, Mitchell, Boston via Maine ports, passengers and general cargo.

BRITISH PORTS. Glasgow—Arr Dec 4, str Athena, Montreal. Liverpool—Sld Dec 2, str St Paul, New York; Canada, Portland.

FOREIGN PORTS. Boothbay Harbor—Arr Nov 4, sche Willis and Guy, Calais for Boston; Storm Petrel, Ellsworth for do; Maple Leaf, St. John for do; Helen, Advocate, N. S. for do; Flora M. Weymouth, N. S. for do; Winchester, Dorchester, N. S. for New Haven; Julia Frances, Ellsworth for New York.

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

The sale of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the District. Entry by proxy may be made at any Dominion Lands Agency (but not Sub-Agency), on certain conditions.

OLEOMARGARINE USED IN PLACE OF BUTTER

Ottawa Free Press Declares Quantities of it are being Brought into Capital and Sold at 22 Cents.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Dec. 6.—The Free Press declares tonight that oleomargarine is being brought into the city and selling at 22 cents a pound, although it is not coming through the grocers, dairy dealers or meat markets. Margarine is prohibited entry into or manufacture in Canada.

"The substitute is being brought in by men who are not in business," says the Press. "It started with their bringing it in for themselves, and gradually spread through their friends to their friends, and to their friends, until it must have become quite a profitable business."

"The sale is among people who could not possibly afford to pay fifty cents for butter and the motive was truly altruistic to start with, it is still a friendly enterprise carefully covered by secrecy, but a great number of people are profiting."

MARRIAGES

Dean-Earle.

On Tuesday afternoon in German street Baptist parsonage, Richard N. Dean was united in marriage to Mrs. Annie O. Earle, widow of James E. Earle, formerly of St. John. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. S. Poole. Mr. and Mrs. Dean afterwards left for a wedding trip to American cities. They will reside at 72 St. James street on their return.

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Mrs. W. Pye.

A large number of friends will bear with regret the death, early yesterday morning, of Mrs. William Pye. The deceased, who was thirty-six years of age, leaves besides her husband, one boy, aged eleven years, her mother, father, five brothers and two sisters. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. John Connell of Cranston avenue. The brothers are John, Walter, Albert, Arthur and William, and the two sisters Mrs. Fred Pye and Mrs. Albert Graham, all of this city. The funeral will take place on Saturday morning from 3 Barker street, the late residence of the deceased, to Holy Trinity church for requiem mass.

Mrs. E. Feltham.

Mrs. Elizabeth Feltham, widow of William Feltham, passed away at her late home, 37 Elliott row, on Tuesday evening. The deceased, who had many friends in the city and elsewhere is survived by one daughter, at home, and one son, Sergeant Major Feltham, of the home guard. The funeral will take place today.

FUNERALS

The funeral of John McAnulty took place yesterday morning from the residence of his brother-in-law, Thomas H. Halsey, Rockland road, to Holy Trinity church, where high mass of requiem was celebrated by Very Rev. J. J. Walsh, V.G. Interment was made in the old Catholic cemetery. Among the floral tributes was a wreath from the four degrees of Knights of Columbus. Members of the K. C. attended and there was a large gathering of friends.

The funeral of Cornelius E. Halsey took place yesterday morning from his late residence, 17 Queen street, to the Church of the Assumption, where high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. J. J. O'Donoghue. Interment was made in Holy Cross cemetery.

TORONTO MANUFACTURER LEAVES LARGE ESTATE

Head of Gurney Foundry, Company Worth Nearly a Million Dollars at Death—Terms of Will.

Toronto, Dec. 6.—The will of the late Edward Gurney, foundry man of Toronto, is inventoried at \$1,818,803.83 of which \$629,850 is stock in his several enterprises, the Gurney Foundry Company, Toronto; the Gurney Heating Company, Boston, and the foundry at Winnipeg, and \$95,048 is life insurance. His widow receives the family residence and \$20,000 per annum for life, and until 1925 each of his five children receives \$3,000 a year. After January 1, 1923, the bulk of the estate is to be divided equally among the five children, subject to the continuance of the widow's annuity, if she be still living.

EVERYDAY CLUB CONCERT.

One of the best entertainments given this season to the ladies of the Everyday Club took place Tuesday evening.

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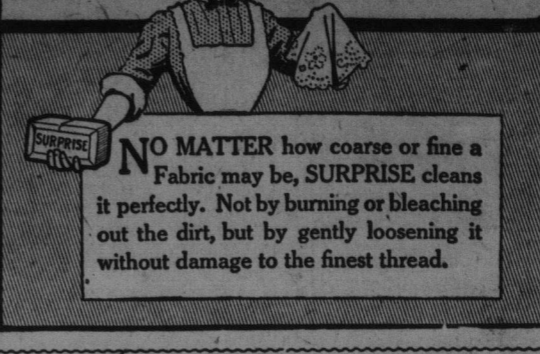
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THE MARITIME COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS' ASSOCIATION.

The Annual General Meeting of the Members of this Association will be held at the BOARD OF TRADE ROOMS, HALIFAX, N. S., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8th, at 3 p. m., to receive the report of the Board of Management for the year, and the report of the result of the ballot for Officers and Directors for 1917, and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

TO BUILDERS.

Sealed tenders marked "Tender for School Building," will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock noon December 8th, for the erection of a new school building at "Glen Falls," Coldbrook, N. B., according to plans and specifications prepared by H. Claire Mott, architect, at whose office the plans, etc., may be seen.

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CERTIFIED COPY OF A REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL, APPROVED BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF THE 24TH NOVEMBER, 1916. 652-17-22

The Committee of the Privy Council have before them a report, dated 9th November, 1916, from the Minister of Militia and Defense, representing that many soldiers of the Canadian Overseas Expeditionary Force are absent from their units without leave. It is probable that the larger number of them did not, when leaving, appreciate the seriousness of their offense, and that they are now desirous of coming back, but, fearing severe punishment hesitate to do so.

Further, soldiers of the Overseas Force now undergoing imprisonment for "desertion" or "absence without leave" are available for service with the Force, if pardoned and released from imprisonment.

The Minister therefore recommends that Your Excellency, as an act of grace on assuming the Government of the Dominion, be pleased to grant the Royal Clemency to such persons by issuing a Proclamation to the effect that those soldiers of the Expeditionary Force who are now absent without leave be pardoned for such offense, provided they surrender themselves to the Officer Commanding the unit to which they belonged, where that unit is still in Canada, or if it be not to the District Officer Commanding any Military District in Canada not later than the 15th day of December, 1916, for the purpose of completing their engagements, and that those soldiers of the said Force who are now under sentence of imprisonment or detention for desertion or absence without leave be pardoned for such offense, be released from imprisonment or detention, and be handed over to the Officer Commanding the Military District in which they are, for the purpose of being returned to some other units of the Expeditionary Force in order to complete their engagements.

The Committee concur in the foregoing recommendation and submit the same for approval.

(Sgd.) RODOLPHE BOUDREAU, Clerk of the Privy Council.

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THE HOME THE WORLD

NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

THE MOVIES THE PLAYERS

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

WHAT IS CROWDED OUT? What gets crowded out? Day by day that is the great test.

DE MONTS CHAPTER, I.O.D.E. The regular monthly meeting of the de Monts Chapter, I.O.D.E., was held on Wednesday morning, the report, Mrs. A. W. Adams in the chair.



Admirably suited to a youthful figure is the costume pictured above. There are a number of up-to-date touches in this model which will repay study.

Resolved, that the de Monts Chapter place on record its strong disapproval of the high prices of staple foods as at present existing in St. John, and further resolved the members will co-operate with any body of women in their efforts to reduce these prices to more reasonable conditions.

WHAT IS HAPPINESS? (By John Galeworthy, in the Atlantic.) The aim of human life, no doubt, is happiness. But, after all, what is happiness?

WOMAN. She is neither a beauty nor genius. And the world would not call her wise; In a crowd of other women She would draw no stranger's eyes.

Efficiency, wealth, material comfort? Many by their lives do so affirm; few are cynical enough to say so; and on their death-beds none will feel so. Not even freedom in itself brings happiness.

RULES OF HEALTH WORTH HEEDING. There are four things which have a great deal to do with health and which should be borne in mind: First, fresh air. We are built to breathe air.

Rest important. Second, sufficient rest. Eight hours' sleep, except on exceptional occasions, will do more to keep a man well than all the drugs known.

Good Food. Third, good food. Not pies, cake and doughnuts, but—(a) Meat, fish and potatoes, (b) Plenty of bread and butter, (c) Plenty of rice, spaghetti—especially when combined with cheese—and the cereal breakfast foods, and (d) green vegetables and fruit.

Fourth, cleanliness. Wash your body once a day. A quick sponge in the morning, followed by a quick brisk rub with a coarse towel, will make you feel better all day.

Keep Happy. Look out upon the world, if you can, with serene countenance. Keep the tin from away if you value a pleasing expression. Smile, if you will, but don't overdo it, for "crow's feet" is the price you will pay for the privilege.—Exchange.

How Sickly Women May Get Health

If they could only be made to see that half their ills are caused by impure blood, it wouldn't take long to cure them with Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Truly a wonderful medicine that invigorates, strengthens, renews. Every tired, worn-out, woman that tries Dr. Hamilton's Pills will improve rapidly.

Uncle Dick's Corner.

TODAY'S LITTLE JOKE. "What Next." Caller: "Nellie, is your mother in?" Nellie: "No, mother is out shopping."

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS. Uncle Dick wishes many happy returns to the following kiddies who are celebrating their birthdays today: Bennie Levine, 53 Chapel street. Dorothy Hayman, 95 Queen street.

Makes Good Suggestions. 16 Exmouth street. Dear Uncle Dick: I am sending you some of the jokes which I said I would. Don't you think it would be a good plan for some of the children in our Corner to send you any good jokes, pieces, or riddles for it, combined with fresh air, but keep well covered up. Keep your head cool but your feet warm.

Dear Uncle Dick: I like the Children's Corner in the St. John Standard because I find its stories very interesting and instructive. There is a lot of newspapers published, but none amusing to children as is your St. John Standard. Awaiting an answer. I am, yours truly, Stanley Johnson.

Her First Try. South Branch, N. B. Dear Uncle Dick: I enclose herewith the picture contest and hope I will get a prize. This is the first one I have ever sent. With best wishes to the Corner. I remain, your friend, Beatrice M. Dunfield.

A New Member. Rolling Dam. Dear Uncle Dick: May I join your Corner. I am Alma's sister. My birthday comes on the 30th November. I am 10 years old. In school I am in Grade II. We have to have something to recite in school every three weeks in school. My verse is "New Year in the Piping Line." The motto I like best for the Children's Corner is "The Boys' and Girls' Happy Hour." My name is, Dorothy Goodill.

Never Lonesome With Corner. 319 Germantown street. Dear Uncle Dick: I like the Children's Corner because it is amusing, and you need never be lonesome when you belong to it because you can always be doing the contests or reading the stories. Besides being amusing the drawings you always put in the paper help to increase my love for drawing. There are many other large enough things in my opinion, but the largest I have mentioned. Nellie Lasher.

It's a Big Venture. The giving away of 94 free trip tickets, or a total cash amount of \$1,250.00, is indeed a big venture that is now under way by the City Cornet Band, but the band members are equal to the task, and are selling tickets to tourists enough to hold the lucky ticket can receive one of the many prizes, which range from one dollar to \$500. The net proceeds go to the patriotic funds and many tickets are being sold. Corinthian Due Today. The S. S. Corinthian is due today. Up until an early hour this morning no word had been received concerning her. PASSED WRECKAGE. "On Dec 2, passed a spar, apparently a schooner's mast, presumably attached to submerged wreckage, about ten feet out of the water. Seal Island, bearing N 38 deg W magnitude, about ten miles." Report made by Capt. B. E. Griffiths of S. S. Maskinonge, at St John.

Who's Who and What's What in the Picture World and on the Stage--Favorites and What They Say and Do.

IMPERIAL "The Combat."

If I complained of not seeing Anita Stewart quite enough in her last picture there is no need for any such complaint about The Combat. Please do not misunderstand me, I did not think Miss Stewart overrated one bit in this splendid Vitagraph production. She seemed to look prettier each time she appeared, and she has so much vitality and temperament that her vision on the screen is always welcome.



WINIFRED KINGSTON Palms-Paramount

One could not help feeling a little sorry for husband No. 2, for after all he married Muriel for love and she was decidedly chilly to him and never even said she was sorry when the truth came out. That scene of the presentation of the diamond pin to the unloving wife gave an opportunity for some very fine acting. The coolness of Muriel, the disappointment of the husband, and the gushing enthusiasm of the mother were all splendidly done. Miss Stewart was up to her best all through the picture, and it would be hard to name an actress who could better have played this role.

LIFE OF "LOTTA" HANGS ON RETURN OF HER DOG. According to physicians in the Elm City Private Hospital, the life of Miss Lotta Crabtree, the former actress, may be saved only by the return of her Yorkshire terrier, "Baby," which was lost when Miss Crabtree's automobile was wrecked in North Haven Wednesday, says the Boston Globe. Miss Crabtree is in a serious condition at the hospital and continuously cries for her pet dog. The physicians said today that she is gradually sinking and that the return of her dog would go a long way toward restoring her health.

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THE IMPERIAL Vitagraph Blue Ribbon Masterpiece in Six Parts "The Combat"

HUSBAND No. 1 Secretly married to Anita he goes West. Falsely accused of murder he breaks from courtroom. Seeks shelter from terrible blizzard in smallpox camp. Finally reaches New York and in disguise saves Anita from blackmailer, also assumes blame for Anita's shooting of the scoundrel. Is condemned to die.

To Whom Did the Wife Belong ANITA STEWART AT HER VERY BEST Amazing Escape from Northwest Mounted Police. Mile-a-Minute Train Dashes Over Embankment. Hero Lost in Raging Blizzard on Canadian Prairie ANIMATED WEEKLY and MAGAZINE FILMS

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GinPills FOR THE KIDNEYS restores affected kidneys to regularity. Gin Pills have restored health in thousands upon thousands of cases. All druggists sell Gin Pills at 50c a box, or 3 boxes for \$2.50. NATIONAL DRUG & CHEMICAL CO. OF CANADA, LIMITED Toronto, Ont. 71

Cleaning the steps, either wood or stone, is a lot easier if you use Old Dutch. Includes illustration of a person cleaning a step with a brush and a can of Old Dutch Cleanser.

Germany Gets None of Belgian Relief

Conditions of Agreement with Neutral Relief Commission respected by Germany. When the Belgian Relief Commission was organized, Britain insisted that Germany guarantee not to touch a particle of the food imported by the Commission for the Belgians. This guarantee, given to the American business men who are the executive heads of the Commission, has been respected—probably because its violation would be reported at once and would rouse the whole neutral world.

Belgian Relief Fund

Belgian Relief Fund. \$2.50 Feeds a Belgian Family One Month. How many families can you undertake to feed till the war is over? Includes illustration of a ship and a person.

G. B. CHOCOLATES. A Few Favorites—Cereals, Almondines, Almond Crispettes, Nougataes, Burt Almonds, Maple Walnuts, Caramels, Cream Drops, Milk Chocolate, Creams, Fruit Creams, etc. EMERY BROS. 82 Germain Street

Not a Bite of Breakfast Until You Drink Water

Says a glass of hot water and phosphate prevents illness and keeps us fit.

Just as coal, when it burns, leaves behind a certain amount of innocuous material in the form of ash, so the food and drink taken day after day leaves in the alimentary canal a certain amount of indigestible material, which if not completely eliminated from the system each day, becomes food for the millions of bacteria which infest the bowels. From this mass of left-over waste, toxins and ptomaine-like poisons are formed and sucked into the blood.

Men and women who can't get feeling right must begin to take inside baths. Before eating breakfast each morning drink a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of Limestone phosphate in it to wash out of the thirty feet of bowels the previous day's accumulation of poisons and toxins and to keep the entire alimentary canal clean, pure and fresh.

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THE WEATHER.

Forecasts. Maritime—Strong winds, and gales from west and northwest; local showers or snow flurries but mostly fair; stationary or lower temperature.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Forecast: Northern New England—Fair Thursday; Friday increasing cloudiness followed by rain or snow in west; strong west winds.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes entries for Prince Rupert, Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Calgary, Edmonton, Medicine Hat, Battleford, Prince Albert, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Port Nelson, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, London, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Around the City

Soldier's Arm Broken. Miss E. Friars received a letter yesterday from George S. Friars, a soldier in Bramshott Camp, England, in which he stated that he was suffering from a broken arm, and being treated in No. 9 Stationary Hospital.

Naval Service Recruits. The Naval Service received three applications yesterday and all passed the doctor. They were: Arthur Henderson, George Devlin and Wm. Friars, all of this city.

Same Old Trouble. Yesterday afternoon a horse owned by George Smith got one of his hoofs caught in the railway track in front of the Union Depot on Mill street. The horse was thrown, the wagon was damaged, and traffic was blocked for about 15 minutes. Similar accidents have happened on a number of previous occasions.

The 104th. Word received in the city yesterday from members of the 104th Overseas Battalion, under command of Lt.-Col. G. W. Fowler, M. P., is to the effect that the band of the battalion left England on Saturday last for Scotland on a ten days pass. It is also rumored that the 104th will do guard duty in the City of London during the coming winter.

New Silk Crepe de Chine. Nothing could make a more appropriate Xmas present than a waist or dress length of the pretty silk crepe de chine that has been in stock. By purchasing a large quantity of these crepe de chine they were able to secure them at a price which permits them to be sold at \$1.50 per yard, with 38 inches. Black and white and all the leading colors are to be had in these lengths. They come nicely boxed in Xmas boxes.

Y. M. C. A. News. Under the auspices of the Young Ladies' League of the Y. M. C. A. a very pleasant evening was spent at the Y. M. C. A. The first part of the programme consisted of games and competitions. Six different groups were chosen and the group that composed the best yell won the prize. The group known as the Jokers were successful in carrying off the honor. They also won in the walking relay, the ping pong tournament and the parlor football game. A mock school was held by the members in the gymnasium. The Y. M. C. A. orchestra furnished music for the evening, under the direction of the leader and instructor, Mr. Bowden.

Beautiful Bermuda. You should hear the illustrated lecture by Rev. Clayton Munro on "Beautiful Bermuda," in Centenary Hall this (Thursday) evening at 8 o'clock. Admission 25c.

PERSONAL

Dr. Townshend of the River Glade Sanatorium was in the city yesterday. Hon. A. B. McLean and Mrs. McLean, of Riverside, Albert county, are registered at the Royal. Richard O'Leary, of Richibucto, is registered at the Royal. Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, who had been attending the meeting of the provincial government at Fredericton, returned home on the Boston express last evening. Richard O'Leary, of Richibucto, was a guest at the Royal yesterday. He left on the Montreal express en route to Fredericton.

PROF. W. C. KEIRSTEAD AGAIN EXPLAINS ASSESSMENT LAW

Meeting in High School Assembly Hall Last Evening was Very Well Attended—Much Information Given in Regard to New Civic Assessment Plan—Open Discussion Follows Address.

Before a large and representative gathering in the High School assembly hall last evening Rev. Wilfred C. Keirstead, a member of the Civic Assessment Commission, delivered a scholarly address on the proposed new system of taxation for which legislation will be sought at the next session of the Legislative Assembly. The address was followed by an interesting discussion on several of the features of the new act which has been recommended by the commission.

His Worship Mayor Hayes was the chairman of the meeting and all the city commissioners as well as a large number of citizens were present. The audience evinced lively interest in the remarks of the speaker. Dr. Keirstead said in opening that it was his intention to dwell particularly upon the leading features of the act and to make his address as brief as possible, leaving ample room for discussion. He desired to point out that the commissioners had been actuated in their deliberations with the sole desire to give the city a fair and equitable system of taxation. There might be many imperfections, and, in any respect, the citizens thought the act impracticable, there was no reason why changes should not be made. The commission proposed that real estate should be taxed where it is located, while tangible personal property should be taxed on the same principle as its location. With respect to income derived from employment, trade, profession or industry the commission recommended that the tax should be levied where such was carried on and not at the place where the recipient resided; while incomes in the forms of interest on bonds, mortgages and dividends should be assessed at the residence of the recipient.

Burdens Lighter on Poor. Under the new system it was proposed to inaugurate a general tax rate which would be based upon a careful valuation had been made. This rate would be applicable to real estate, tangible personal property such as stocks in trade, tools, machinery and earned incomes. The system provided for certain exemptions, primarily the entire exemption of household effects. Furthermore, there would be no poll tax under the new act, but provision was made for assessing a minimum income tax in cases where no other income tax was paid. The commission also proposed the making of the burden of taxation somewhat lighter for the man of small income. A man having an income of \$800 under the present system would pay in the vicinity of \$20, while under the proposed legislation his taxes would be approximately \$8.

The commission felt strongly that an accurate valuation of properties in the city should be made, while they also advised with a view to bringing the system up to a high state of efficiency that valuations be made at frequent intervals. Briefly, the leading features of the proposed act provided for a tax on real estate at the general rate, a tax on a half of the value of tangible personal property, a tax on incomes from intangible personal property at the rate of six per cent. with a tax on ordinary incomes at the general tax rate. The system really represented a tax on real estate, a tax on incomes and a tax on business, while they also advised with a view to bringing the system up to a high state of efficiency that valuations be made at frequent intervals.

Some Queries Answered. Replying to W. F. Hatheway, Dr. Keirstead said that the income tax in British Columbia is only fairly successful, while the results achieved from the operation of the income tax in Ontario had not been very great. But in the State of Wisconsin wonderful strides had been made following the introduction of a modern income law and its administration had been so successful as to cause a reversal of opinion regarding this form of taxation. This act has state and not local application. Professor Adams, however, has told the speaker that it was possible to enforce an income tax more efficiently in a city with a population of 50,000 than in a large state. Hon. J. E. Wilson said that there was a strong feeling in the city to encourage manufacturing, and he would like to know how the new legislation would affect manufacturers, particularly with regard to the machinery used in their plants.

Dr. Keirstead said that machinery used in connection with manufacturing would be exempt under the proposed legislation, but that machinery forming part of the reality would be liable to taxation. Replying to Alex. Wilson, Dr. Keirstead said that the earnings of the express companies, according to their report furnished to the Dominion government, did not represent one per cent of the gross earnings. To Judge Armstrong, Dr. Keirstead said that the earnings of the express companies was small in comparison to the capital invested. N. C. Cameron thought that it would be more equitable to tax the merchant on the value of the property they occupied rather than on their stock.

Prof. Keirstead inquired whether or not any other cities had divided the personal property tax as proposed by the commission? Dr. Keirstead thought that several cities in Canada and the United States where this tax prevails had made such division. The tax, he said, was not in force on the continent. The "Business" Tax. With regard to the proposed "business" tax, Dr. Keirstead said that the city of St. John had surprised the world by the magnitude of the amount received from this source. Under the new system the value of the "business" tax on present in the various sources from which it would be derived. The Ontario system, Dr. Keirstead pointed out, had many supporters. Under the system in vogue there fully eighty per cent of the revenue was derived from a taxation on real estate. It would be possible to adopt the "business" tax of Ontario here if the adoption of the real estate tax was also practicable. But there was a strong feeling throughout the United States that the raising of eighty to ninety per cent of the revenue through a tax heavy a proposition. E. L. Rising inquired as to the manner by which the assessors would ascertain the income of a man who had no stated salary. Dr. Keirstead pointed out that such a man was obliged under a heavy penalty to make an accurate return of his earnings. The act also laid down a schedule which it was proposed to follow in such a case. Replying to C. W. Brown, Dr. Keirstead said that manufacturers should be given all possible concessions. With respect to engines used in connection with the plant of a manufacturing concern he felt that it was a point worthy of consideration that they might be exempted from taxation. The Street Railway Tax. There was some discussion as to the amount of taxes which the Street Railway Company should pay and as to the most practicable manner of assessment of the company. Dr. Keirstead expressed the opinion that the tax of four and a half per cent on the gross income was quite equitable, but said there was considerable weight in the contention that should there be a material advancement in the rate of taxation that the amount assessed on the railway's earnings might be graduated proportionately. Relative to the rate of six per cent proposed to be levied on intangible personal property Dr. Keirstead said that if the rate on such property was placed at too high a figure it would be impossible to collect it. St. John had collected an amount from intangible personal property which was larger than almost any other city on the continent.

Intangible Personal Property. T. T. Lantian inquired if the meeting did not think the tax rate on intangible personal property was rather excessive in its application to widows and spinners. Dr. Keirstead said that if the provisions of the act worked hardship in such cases, both the Board of Assessors and the Board of Revision had the power to remit the taxes in all deserving cases. R. B. Emerson in moving a vote of thanks to Dr. Keirstead said that the address was not only eloquently delivered but was a clear and explicit explanation of the proposals of the commission. James L. Sugrue and W. F. Hatheway also spoke. The vote of thanks was carried unanimously and was extended to Dr. Keirstead by His Worship the Mayor. Dr. Keirstead in expressing his appreciation said he agreed with Mr. Hatheway that the administration of the act afforded a difficult problem but he was satisfied that if the citizens would co-operate that it would be entirely successful in its operation. The meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

Gundry's \$18.00 Gold-filled Bracelet Watch is the best thing on the market for a Xmas present, 17 jewels, 14 kt. gold-filled case with the best expansion bracelet made in America. The only thing cheap about it is the price. Every watch guaranteed.

The 26th Pictures. On account of the many requests from patrons, the Opera House management has secured the 26th Battalion motion pictures for one more day and will show them this afternoon at 2.30 and tonight at 7.15 and 8.45, in connection with the new change of programme by the Homan Musical Company. The 12th chapter of Liberty is also on the programme today. Clark Short. At the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. B. H. Nobles, 41 Cedar street, at 8 o'clock last evening, Isaac H. Clark was united in marriage with M. Winifred Short, both of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Clark will reside in Albert street. Supper was served after the ceremony at their future home, many guests being present. A large number of wedding presents were received. Seriously Ill. Friends of W. A. Spears, night operator in the Union Depot, will learn with regret that he is seriously ill in his home Charlotte street.

WINE ON THE HONOR ROLL YESTERDAY

Recruiting Again Makes Better Showing—General Benson Here—News of the Local Military Units.

- HONOR ROLL. Wm. Alex. Foster, St. John, N.B.; 9th Siege Battery. Wm. F. Miller, Glasgow, Scot.; Chas. F. Brogan, Glasgow, Scot.; Wm. Leader, Halifax, N. S.; 236th Battalion. A. Gaugreau; R. Gaugreau; F. Corrier; A. Richard; Wm. Donaldson; 169th Battalion.

In addition to the names on the honor roll four other applicants had not been examined last night. They were for the Canadian Engineers. Recruits seem to come in bunches, said the sergeant at the recruiting rooms yesterday. This is the best day's work for some time, and if the same rate of enlistment as yesterday continues this week's total will be far in advance of last week's.

The work of recruiting for the 165th Battalion is gradually bringing results and the officers commanding, Lieut. Col. D'Aigle, feels confident that the 165th will be up to strength before he is ordered overseas. Yesterday the 8th Field Ambulance and the 165th Battalion were inspected by the general officer commanding the 6th Division, Major General Benson. He was accompanied by the G.S.O., Major A. N. Jones, and Major S. Vanturn of the engineering staff, Halifax. The party arrived yesterday morning and in company with the G. O. C., Brigadier General McLean, visited the quarters of the 165th and after inspecting the officers and men a general inspection of the barracks was made. The general was more than pleased with the showing made and complimented the training officers for their efficiency.

The officers and men of the Field Ambulance Depot were inspected in the afternoon. The boys presented a fine appearance which received the attention of the inspectors. Before leaving for the city there was a complete survey of the different military buildings, especially the dairy building, in which will be quartered the 21st Calgary Battalion. Arrangements were made by the engineer to have the building heated. No information as to the length of time the new battalion is to remain in the city was forthcoming from the officials at headquarters yesterday.

Lee Fowler Killed. Alex. L. Fowler of 213 Germain St., died of wounds yesterday that his brother, Lee W. Fowler, had been killed in action on Nov. 21st. The deceased soldier is the son of William Fowler of this city. He left St. John for the west about eleven years ago. When war broke out he enlisted in the 62nd Battalion, but was afterwards transferred to another unit.

Mrs. P. G. Smith of 31 Somerset St., received word yesterday that her son, Horace, who enlisted in the naval service was at Halifax. He will take a course of instruction on the cruiser Niobe. Quartermaster Sergeant Scott of the staff at headquarters is confined to his room with a severe attack of influenza.

A Clever Conceit. With each purchase Gundry's is enclosing a combination of Christmas cards and stickers so very handy in doing up a gift parcel. This consists of a nice card for the address, a gum label of the "Don't open till Xmas" variety, and two Xmas stickers for closing the parcel. These do not represent much value but they save you trouble and are just as nice as you can buy in a book store.

The Chocolate Shop, 26-28 Charlotte street. Hot Drinks, Lunches at all hours, and deliciously fresh candies.

Jean Valjean, Pyramallon and Gals tea, A Good Lass, by Rev. W. H. Piercy, Germain street Baptist this evening.

Moose Hold Social. The Moose Lodge held their fortnightly social last night in their rooms on Union street. Dancing was indulged in and refreshments served.

Hours of Joy for Juveniles THE ONLY KIDDIE-KAR. The Kiddie-Kar is among the latest and most popular Playtime novelties of the present season, and will, no doubt, gladden the heart of many a little one on Christmas morning. The Kiddie-Kar is made to stand the hard usage of strenuous outdoor play, being made from excellent material and stoutly constructed throughout. It is nicely finished and comes in several styles at the following prices: \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$2.75. TOY DEPARTMENT - 2ND FLOOR - KING ST. STORE. Market Square - W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. - King Street

A Great Trimmed Hat Week-End Sale Starts This Morning at The Marr Millinery Co. Limited. Dozens of New Trimmed Hats Shown For the First Time in St. John. New Styles New Trimmings Even New Special Values.

Gift Suggestions in Brass Emerson & Fisher Ltd. Gifts that are of real service. The largest and best assortment we have ever carried. BRASS JARDINIERS, \$1.25 to \$7.00. BRASS FERN DISHES, \$1.25 to \$1.75. BRASS UMBRELLA STANDS, \$3.75 to \$5.50. BRASS ASH TRAYS, \$1.50 to \$5.00. BRASS KETTLES, \$1.75 to \$2.50. BRASS CRUMB TRAYS, \$1.75 to \$2.50. BRASS CANDLE STICKS, \$1 to \$5 a pair. BRASS TRAYS, \$1.25 to \$7.00. BRASS SMOKER STANDS, \$2.50. BRASS CUSPIDORS, \$1.25 to \$2.50.

Stores Open 8-30 Close at 6 P.M. Saturdays 10 P.M. KING ST. GERMAIN ST. AND MARKET SQUARE. MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON LIMITED

LINGERIE for Christmas Giving On Display in King Street Window and in Whitewear Department, Second Floor. THESE LOVELY PIECES OF FEMININE APPAREL IN LAWN, NAINSOOK, CREPE DE CHINE AND WASH SATIN, PRETTILY TRIMMED WITH LACE, EMBROIDERY AND RIBBON, EMPLOY THE OLDEST CREATIONS OF EXPERT DESIGNERS, AND ARE SURE TO MEET WITH THE APPROVAL OF EVERY WOMAN WHO APPRECIATES DAINTY LINGERIE. NIGHT DRESSES—Fine Nainsook and heavy Cotton, \$1.50 to \$5.00. Nainsook, embroidery and lace trimmed, \$1.00, \$1.15. Nainsook, Cambric or Crepe, prettily trimmed, \$1.00, \$1.15. Fine Lawn, Bias fold and Ribbons, fancy trimmed, \$1.25. A great variety of Materials at \$1.75. Beautiful Gowns in Lawns, Batiste and Crepe de Chine, \$3.50 to \$10.00. CORSET COVERS, \$2.50 to \$4.00. FANCY CAMISOLES, daintily trimmed with and without sleeves, \$5c. to \$3.40. ENVELOPE COMBINATIONS—Nainsook, Crepe de Chine, Jap Silk. Newest models, \$1.00 to \$4.50. DRAWERS—in great variety, Plain and elaborately trimmed, \$1.00 to \$4.00. SKIRTS—Plain, tucked and hemstitched, \$1.00 to \$5.00. SHORT DRESSING GOWNS—Crepe de Chine and Jap Silk, lace and insertion trimmed, \$3.50 to \$5.00. JAP KIMONOS—Pinks, Blues, Heliotropes. Hand embroidered, \$1.60, \$2.35. BOUDOIR CAPS—New shapes. Large variety, \$5c. to \$3.40. BEAUTIFUL SILK KIMONOS—Jap Silk, embroidered with Floral design, delicately shaded in Pale to Dark Blue, also in Pink, \$5c. to \$13.00.

New York's Latest Shirt Novelties Patterns and Color Effects Are Entirely Different and Positively Exclusive. On account of a late purchase we are again in a position to offer THE "CORDLAY," a make of shirt which has proved extremely popular. It is not a pleated front, nor a starched bosom, but a double thickness of fabric assuring extra protection, stitched to give the corded appearance so much desired. Some extreme novelties in design in the regular Soft Fronts with soft double cuffs or starched cuffs attached. Be sure and see these Exclusive Novelties as they would be most acceptable as gifts for the man of stylish inclination. Sizes 14 to 16 1/2. At Popular Prices. Now on Display in King Street window. (Men's Furnishings Dept.) Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited