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THE ZEPPELINS.

How many Zeppelins fit for war service does Germany possess? According to recent articles in the British press the Zeppelin danger has been considerably exaggerated. In some quarters it has been asserted that Germany has fifty of these great air ships. A British expert, discussing this matter a few days ago in the London press, says that the last Zeppelin to be completed was No. 59, but that Germany has by no means that number in service today.

There are about forty-five airship sheds, large and small, in Germany, but it is not thought that the Germans could construct simultaneously a new ship in any shed. The rigid type of airship, according to the editor of "The Aeroplane," is very liable to damage in rising or dropping. He points out, also, that in speed and ability to rise to great heights, as well as in flying range, the Zeppelin is very inferior to the aeroplane. A good aeroplane can rise far beyond the range of bullets or shells, while the large airship which is extremely vulnerable, has a maximum altitude of about 10,000 feet, and a very limited speed as compared with the aeroplane.

In London the opinion is that Germany has not added greatly to the number of Zeppelins it had fit for use when war began. Admiral von Tirpitz, head of the German navy, in a recent interview was asked concerning an invasion of England by Zeppelins. He replied: "I believe that submarine warfare against the enemy's merchant ships would be more effective." This view would indicate any great German dependence upon the Zeppelin, and the idea of attacking merchant vessels could meet severe condemnation in all neutral countries.

A GERMAN FAILURE.

Germans in every part of the world are contributing to the campaign of misrepresentation. Even Canada does not escape the attention of the corps of falsification. The German government organized its army of liars almost as thoroughly as its army of soldiers, but a great many of its recruits in the publicity department are not noteworthy for intelligence. They do not know how to avoid overdoing it. A German who lived in Winnipeg before the war fled to Milwaukee after it began, and a letter which he wrote has been reproduced by a German newspaper in Milwaukee, and also by one in Cologne. After a labored attempt to create the impression that Canadians were cruel and unjust to German immigrants who were in this country at the beginning of the war, this German writes the following:

"Did not a Canadian newspaper recently make the philanthropic proposal that on the arrival of every report of German barbarities in Belgium one hundred German-Canadians should be shot. How dearly must the Germans in Canada love a country which treats them like this!"

Evidently this production was too much even for some Germans, for a German living in the United States sent it to the Manitoba Free Press expressing his disgust with it. Germans and German sympathizers are, of course, not popular in Canada to-day, but while we have imprisoned a few and are watching many others, we have not yet begun to line them up before the firing squad. If the plan fabricated by the German writer had been followed, and Canada had shot 100 Germans for every report of German barbarity received in this country, our entire population would have been re-

quired to handle the rifles. The German press bureau in every quarter of the world has failed, in the first place because it had a hopelessly bad case, and in the second place because its attempts to mislead neutral opinion were characterized by falsehood and exaggeration which no stupidity could avoid recognizing.

SEAPLANES IN ACTION.

The hydroplanes, or seaplanes, which took part in the British attack on Cuxhaven and Wilhelmshaven three weeks ago in co-operation with the British cruiser squadron, have been frequently used for work with the fleet when it bombarded German army positions along the coast. These seaplanes, by flying high above the land, have been able to report the effect of the British artillery fire upon the German positions, and sometimes when a plane has had engine trouble at a great height it has escaped by gliding down from far inland to the water close by the British ships. These seaplanes vary from 100 h. p. to 200 h. p., and the smaller ones carry a pilot, a passenger, a wireless outfit, and fuel for four-and-a-half hours at a speed of 70 miles an hour. These figures were published a year ago, but the new 200 h. p. machines are capable of even better results, and, according to Mr. C. C. Grey, editor of The Aeroplane, they were too fast for the German gunners to hit at Cuxhaven. The machines are built so that when they are at the wings fold back against the sides, and so take up much less room than the old style machine whose wings were always kept extended.

While the ordinary aeroplane is able to go up in almost any kind of weather they have frequently been operated in a gale of 50 miles an hour—the seaplane has difficulty in rising if the sea is rough, but improvement in this direction is being made rapidly. A new float has been designed which can be forced through comparatively rough water fast enough to give the machine sufficient speed to rise. Seaplanes as a rule are much larger than the ordinary aeroplane, and carrying bombs instead of a passenger and wireless plant they can be used with good effect against hostile ships.

The editor of The Aeroplane makes it known that a bomb from an aeroplane is not large enough to penetrate the deck of a battleship, "for no bomb which could be carried could equal the weight of the shell from one of our big naval guns, and even if it were as heavy and if it were dropped 4,000 or 5,000 feet it would not obtain the velocity imparted to the same shell from a gun, but small bombs, equivalent, say, to the 6-inch shell, or even 28-pounders, would do serious damage to destroyers or light craft, and our incendiary bombs have already proved their deadliness against airship and seaplane sheds along the coast." Mr. Grey adds an interesting note on the future of the seaplane:

"We are, however, rapidly approaching a time when we shall have seaplanes of several thousands of horse-power, capable of cruising with a sea fleet on their own bottoms, only spreading their wings and flying when really in a hurry. We shall also probably have very small aeroplanes which can be launched from the deck of a ship and can be landed again on it. Both feats have already been performed both in this country and in America, and though it was done almost in a flat calm we shall ultimately evolve machinery in the way of launching and catching gear which will make the performance possible in fairly bad weather. But of course the advent of war put a stop to all expensive experimental work, and so these developments must wait."

AN UGLY SITUATION.

The New York Sun's Washington correspondent warns the people of the United States that Great Britain, France, and Russia, have all notified the American government that trouble will follow the passage of the bill—now in the United States Senate—providing for the purchase of German merchant ships and their release for work on the high seas. The Sun charges directly that many members of the Senate and of the House of Representatives have been led to believe that President Wilson had assurances from Great Britain to the effect that the bill is unobjectionable, whereas the contrary is true. The Sun, believing the situation fraught with danger of the gravest character, editorially warns the nation and the government that they are actually inviting war. It says:

"The economic objections to the ship purchase bill which Mr. Wilson wants to force through Congress may not be clearly understood by everybody, but it requires no great information about the intensity of the war spirit in Europe or about our foreign relations of the past few years to realize that the United States could not become involved in hostilities with England without having to reckon with all her allies. On the international law that governs seizures at sea, or at least upon the interpretation of the law, it is a foregone conclusion that England and France would stand together. It is equally certain that the binding obligation of the Anglo-Japanese treaty as it affects common interests in Asia would bring Japan into a conflict. As to Russia, our relations with her are still strained rather friendly, and it is a fact to remember that in her war with Japan Russia went to the extreme in denning and dealing with her. It would be stretching the truth to describe the Russian feeling toward the United States as friendly."

The folly, the madness, of embarking upon any unnecessary un-American policy that might in its working blow our neutrality sky high and embroil us not only with one great Power but with four great Powers is manifest to the plainest understanding. While United States senators who support the bill continue to assert that it is sound and that the government sees it danger in it, while, indeed, some speakers

have intimated that the United States will resolutely face any resulting complications, the leading American commercial newspaper, the New York Journal of Commerce, joins Senator Root in declaring that the bill deliberately courts trouble and is without excuse in international law or morals. The Journal of Commerce says that although the United States never ratified the Declaration of London, "the Senate having merely advised such a course, our plenipotentiaries who attended the Conference made no objection whatever to the rule in question, their objections being confined wholly to the rule dealing with the presumption attending the transfer of the flag before the outbreak of war. When Great Britain notified the United States that it would adhere to the Declaration of London, with certain specified modifications, during the present hostilities, no protest came from our government against this declared intention, and any protest that the United States may now enter against it could hardly be taken seriously."

Moreover, while Mr. Bryan says the Declaration of London "is not in force," he is wrong. The United States did not ratify it, but, as the Journal reminds the American people, "it is the exclusive province of the prize courts of the nation of the captor ship to pass upon all questions relating to the lawfulness of the prize. Hence the lawfulness of the capture must be determined by the law of the courts of Great Britain, in the case of a British cruiser making the seizure, and the Declaration of London is the law of these courts. Were the capture made by a French cruiser, we should be face to face with the unbroken rule of the French courts, according to which belligerent vessels purchased by a neutral after notice of declaration of war are subject to seizure as lawful prize. Hence, the fact has to be recognized that if the United States chooses to purchase belligerent vessels, it is not likely that the prize courts of Great Britain or of France will regard with favor a claim made for the release of captured vessels purchased in defiance of rules to which their respective governments have announced their adherence."

And President Wilson and Mr. Bryan, who are urging the passage of the bill with singular recklessness or blindness, are reminded that even American precedent is against them. As the Journal of Commerce puts it: "There is an important precedent of our own making which has a direct bearing on the consequences to be apprehended from the operation of the ship purchase bill. This was established in the case of the Georgia, a Confederate cruiser taken to an English port, stripped of her war material and purchased in entire good faith by a citizen of Great Britain and registered under the laws of that country. She was then captured by a vessel of the United States and condemned as a prize—an act which the Supreme Court held to be lawful. A previous protest had been made by the United States to Great Britain against the purchase of that class of vessels, by English neutrals, but knowledge of this had never reached the purchaser of the Georgia. The hearing of this on existing conditions consists in the fact that many of the German vessels now laid up in our ports were either constructed, or had been subsidized, with a view to their availability as auxiliary cruisers to the navy of their flag. A fair construction of the English and American rule would indicate that such ships have always been subject to seizure when sold after the beginning of hostilities."

And, if the United States passes the bill and buys and releases the German ships for trade, they will be seized by the Allies just as soon as they appear to be giving aid or comfort to the enemy. The rule to which the Allies adhere is this: "The transfer of an enemy vessel to a neutral flag effected after outbreak of hostilities is void unless it is proved that such transfer was not made in order to evade the consequences to which an enemy vessel, as such, is exposed."

Under this rule the German ships, if bought by Americans, will still be German ships in the eyes of the Allies, and undoubtedly they will be treated as such. That a neutral country should thrust such an issue upon Great Britain, France, Russia and Japan at this hour is inconceivable; but if it is thrust upon them they will deal with it.

A FINE ARMY.

"Father," said a young city man at breakfast one morning, "I've gone into the London Scottish." "Bob," said his father, "it's time." With incidents like this Mr. Will Irwin embroiders his story of the British as a fighting race. He was recently in the war zone. Before he went to Belgium, and after his return, he saw Great Britain raising its new armies, and he saw troops of all the nations in the field. Telling of what he saw in the latest American Magazine he maintains that the British soldier is the best of the lot. Mr. Irwin dwells on the fact that an army of professionals and volunteers should be better than an army of conscripts; that is to say, the German military machine seizes upon every young man, whether he is a fighter or not, and trains him, whereas Great Britain has, in addition to its small regular army, a great host of volunteers, patriots fighting not under compulsion but from a sense of duty. The English impressed Mr. Irwin as quiet, most unobtrusive, but very strong.

"The English imperturbability—if has so many sides! I take it, from testimony on all hands, that as an individual your Englishman is the best fighting man out there on the line. The Belgians and French admit it openly, and the Germans tacitly. He was made for this kind of warfare, wherein endurance of nerves under days and days of strain

from noise and battering count more than dashing courage. "Of course, he is a professional or a volunteer, and therefore a natural fighter, while the others are conscripts, and the fighting men and the peace men all mixed up. But that doesn't wholly account for it. The answer is this quality of self-control, this ability to shut his imagination, this imperturbability. That is why he gets such comfort as he may out of life in the trenches, why he manages to maintain in the midst of war, some of his fastidious personal habits, why, after a week under fire, he takes a sleep and a wash-up, and falls to playing football as though he were in camp at Aldershot."

"Say what Kipling may of the flannel-foot or the muddled out, his life-long training in sport, with the physique and discipline of the spirit which sport implies, serves him well on the line. The sports he has played have given him the quality of pluck for this greatest of all sports. If he is, as the British think, the best bayonet man on the line, it is because bayonet work amounts to a straight contest between two athletes; the best-trained muscles, the best athletic spirit, wins. And he has that."

He saw some of the British regiments in Belgium and France. He saw a vast number of recruits in Great Britain. They all impressed him as men going about a great work, quietly, with no fuss, but with an iron resolution to give their country victory.

THE WEARING-DOWN PROCESS.

When the Russian general staff announces casually that their tenth Army is now making its way through East Prussia, the news carries a suggestion of the thorough-going and dogged Russian character. The Russian losses have been immense. They have meted out as well victories, but for every Russian who falls two or three more come marching up. The temporary loss of territory produces no change of Russian plans. On a front 300 miles long the Russian masses become greater week by week. They will not be denied.

While the grim subtraction of the casualty lists hits all the combatant nations hard, Russia can better afford to lose men than Germany can, for Russia has two men in reserve for every German. The exertions which the German soldiers in the East have had to make thus far are indicated by a writer in the Fortnightly Review, who spent some time within the Russian lines a few weeks ago. A German prisoner told him that during the German advance to the Vistula and their retreat from that river, during which retreat he was captured, he took part in six battles, all serious actions with great masses of troops engaged. Four of these battles occurred within two weeks, and during that fortnight this German marched 200 miles. During that time half the men in his regiment or brigade were killed. On one day the Germans made six bayonet charges against a ridge held by the Russians, and six times the Russian artillery shattered the attack and sent it reeling back. From that ridge eighty Russian field guns poured shrapnel into the advancing Germans, until the last charge died away and the Germans gave up the attempt to take the ridge. On that day, the German said, many of his companions who were ordered to lie down in order to avoid shrapnel fell instantly asleep, so utterly worn out were they. Another German, now a prisoner in Petrograd, told of a whole company of Austrians who were captured when asleep, although fighting was going on within one hundred yards of them. The thunder of the guns no longer awakened them. They were beyond that. In another case exhausted Austrian soldiers expressed the utmost satisfaction when their rifle ammunition was exhausted, "that gave them a chance to sleep. Many sleepers were killed by shells. Others opened their eyes, stared for a moment, and then fell asleep again."

To this picture of the manner in which the German and Austrian troops are driven to the point of exhaustion, a correspondent who was recently with the Germans in France and Belgium adds corroboration. There, too, he saw German infantry go tired that the men could not stand erect when they were halted. They sank down to sleep wherever they happened to get the order to fall out. If there chanced to be a puddle of mud and water, they lay down in it, being too exhausted to seek a better spot a few yards away.

This did not matter so early in the war, when the Germans had the feeling of victory because they were constantly advancing. They hoped then that the war would soon be over. Since then the initiative has been wrested from them. They do not know where or when the British and French are going to strike. The dream of a short war has been dissipated. Even among the rank and file there must penetrate the knowledge that the Allies are not only not beaten but that every day on the German front there are massing constantly increasing numbers which, though they sometimes lack back, more frequently advance, constantly gain ground, and daily make it clear that high tide for Germany passed weeks ago.

A year ago, in time of peace, the idea that Great Britain alone could quickly raise an effective army of 2,000,000 would have been thought impossible. Within six months an army of that size has been raised, and the greater part of it is already ready for service. Even more men will be needed, and they will be forthcoming. There is a home guard movement in Great Britain of which we have heard comparatively little, but which has now assumed great proportions. The younger men are going into active service and the older ones are drilling for the protection of the country against invasion. Later on many of these older men will go on foreign service if they are needed. As a matter of fact, in addition to the 2,000,000 men

already in training for active service at least another million will be found if the summer campaign shows that they are required. What Great Britain is doing is being done in France and in Russia, and far away in the East, Japan is only waiting for a signal. If a Japanese army is necessary, it is ready.

Thus the Allies, while they still face much desperate fighting, and while the period of the war still remains of uncertain length, are much better prepared to endure the wearing-down process than are the Teutonic countries. The lesson for Canada in all this is the necessity for constantly drilling more men. We must assume that if the second contingent had been ready it would have been sent forward before this day. Whenever it goes, it is the duty of this country to prepare a third and a fourth expeditionary force. The stream of new troops from every part of the Empire must be large and constant. The Allies will win, but they must win decisively enough to win security. Germany will make the price of victory high, but when its defeat comes it will be overwhelming.

THE FAMOUS SCHOOLS OF ENGLAND.

The famous schools of England have been standing up to the war. If the Duke of Wellington did not say that England's great battles were won on the playgrounds of its schools, he should have said so. At the first of December the authorities of England's best known schools made public figures showing how many of their "old boys," or graduates, were serving with the colors. This was the list:

- Wellington, 2,116.
Charterhouse, 2,000.
Marlborough, 1,900.
Buckley, 1,820.
Clifton, 1,820.
Hullbridge, 1,450.
Harrow, 1,200.
Uppingham, 1,200.
Cliftonham, 1,180.
Malvern, 1,158.
St. Paul's, 1,112.
Eton, 1,066.
Eleven other schools contributed more than 600 each. The figures for Eton include only those on active service abroad. Wellington, which leads the list, specializes in preparing boys for the army.

But it is not only the "old boys" who have gone. Even the elementary schools have been tremendously affected by the war. By the end of October 150 teachers in the elementary schools of London had gone with Territorial regiments, and permission to enlist had been received by 885 more. By December 5,000 teachers in the United Kingdom had volunteered for service in one capacity or another, these figures being for the elementary schools alone. In the territorial scheme one feature was the creation of an officers' training corps, the object of which was to give students at universities and leading schools a certain amount of military knowledge which would prepare them later on to become officers in the Territorials or the special reserves. In time of peace the university section of this corps includes a thousand young men, and the school section more than 15,000 boys. When the war came almost every one of the members of the officers' training corps who were of military age applied for commissions, and a great proportion of the senior school boys who had taken military training enlisted in the ranks. The headmaster of Eton said recently:

"Where are the young men, the leaders of society, the seasoned captains of games, and the shapers of public opinion? About 110 of them over seventeen years of age have vanished at the sound of their country's call, and are now either manning the trenches in Flanders or finishing their training near the front in French rail-heads, or teaching the best of our recruits in a southern depot, or gathering brawn in the Sandhurst gymnasium, whether they have taken themselves by the help of a headmaster's nomination."

Since the war began nearly every eligible boy at the big schools has joined the officers' training corps with the intention of going on active service as soon as he is old enough, and instead of the ordinary games the schools have taken up military drill. At Eton they have had lectures on trench warfare. A battle is now going on over the proposal to introduce compulsory military training in all boys' schools. Old boys and young, the schools of England are standing up to the war. Newbold said it. This is the word that year by year, while in her place the School is set, Every one of her sons must hear, And none that hears it dare forget. This they all with a joyful mind, Bear through life like a torch in flame, And falling fling to the host behind—"Play up! play up! and play the game!"

NOTE AND COMMENT.

Kaiser Wilhelm's birthday was not central. If he does not already wish that he never was born he is likely to feel that way before his next birthday. In the matter of Gladys G. Charles E. Viola T. William F. Clifford, Harriet M. Blanche L., and Harvey LeRoy Godfrey, infant children of Charles Frederick Godfrey, James E. Anderson of Fairville, an uncle by marriage, was appointed guardian. The infants' estates consist of a property in Dunn avenue, valued at \$2,000, on which there is a mortgage for half that amount. Personalty \$300; life insurance, \$1,400. George H. V. Belyea is proctor.

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These have been very few, considering all the circumstances. Citizens, when they see these soldiers on parade, never forget the fact that they are making the greatest sacrifice which any man can make for his country. Presently they will be going to the front, and other young men will be coming forward to make up new battalions. New Brunswick will be well represented in France and Belgium before long.

The official reports from London and Paris record more stiff fighting on Saturday and Sunday, mostly of it favorable to the Allies. The censorship is still very strict. Undoubtedly fighting the real story of which would thrill the Empire and greatly stimulate recruiting has been going on steadily, but the War Office confines the record to a few drab lines.

London, Jan. 26.—Speaking at a recruiting meeting in Northampton last evening, Sir Nyland Adkins, M.P., said he had Lord Kitchener's authority for stating that his Lordship was abundantly satisfied with the progress of recruiting since the war began. The War Minister had told him that that progress was nothing short of remarkable.

If Lord Kitchener is "abundantly satisfied" the recruiting must be good indeed. He is not a man that is satisfied easily. A new Russian army—the tenth to enter the field—is pushing into East Prussia. This looks like a formidable movement which will necessitate rushing German troops from territory farther south, if the new Russian offensive is to be checked. At the same time the Russians are striking hard at the combined German and Austrian forces in the Carpathians. Considering the fact that this is mid-winter, and that Russia has to deal with German, Austrian and Turkish armies, the Czar's troops are doing great things. And evidently their number is being steadily augmented.

The sinking of several British merchant ships by submarines is now reported. Von Tirpitz, the German Minister of Marine, threatened, in a recent interview, to adopt this plan, but the general idea was that he was merely talking for effect. In one case at least the crew was given time to escape. It is too early yet to judge of the meaning of this latest development, but the Von Tirpitz idea that Great Britain can be starved by using submarines against her merchant ships is not to be taken seriously. The effect of British naval supremacy could only be destroyed by defeating the British fleet. That is beyond Germany's power. Some merchant ships, undoubtedly, can be sunk, but not enough to influence the course of the war by cutting off supplies from the British Isles.

IN THE COURTS.

Friday, Jan. 29. In the probate court here, the matter of the estate of Mrs. Florence Annie Kierstead, late of Grand View, P. E. I., was taken up. She was the wife of Jacob Whitfield Kierstead, since deceased, who, at the time of his death, was domiciled in Hampton, N. B., but at the time of his wife's death they had their domicile at Grand View, P. E. I. She died in December, 1908. Her will was proved in the probate court here, and she left a husband, a son, and a daughter. The value of the husband's interest in such policy is technical only, and is placed at the nominal value of \$100. Horace A. Porter is proctor.

The court also dealt with the matter of the estate of Charles Frederick Godfrey, late of Fairville, carpenter. He died from the effects of an accident on January 5. He left no will. Surviving are his wife, Mary Godfrey, and four sons and four daughters, all under age. On the petition of the widow and children, James E. Anderson, of Fairville, carpenter, a brother-in-law of the deceased, was appointed administrator. Real estate consists of a property in Dunn avenue, valued at \$2,000, on which there is a mortgage for half that amount. Personalty \$300; life insurance, \$1,400. George H. V. Belyea is proctor.

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The court also dealt with the matter of the estate of Daniel Coram, fisherman. He died in last November, intestate. He was a son of the late Joseph Coram, M. P. He had never married. His next of kin are Mary M. Welford, wife of Walter G. Welford, of St. John, seaman; John G. Abrams, railroad employe; John C. Abrams, carpenter; and Elizabeth, wife of Harry Crozier all of Providence, R. I. The children of Esther Abrams, a deceased sister, Ella M. Dyke and Smith Roop, children of Elizabeth Roop, another deceased sister; Amelia M. wife of Joseph F. Smith, of St. John; Joseph Langford Coram of Plankington, South Dakota, hotel-keeper; and Walter E. Coram of Waterford, Iowa, shoemaker, the children of William Henry Coram, a deceased brother. On the petition of all those named within this province Joseph F. Smith was appointed administrator. There is no real estate.

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personally consisting of leasehold in Protection street, valued at \$700; other personally \$100. Baxter & Logan are proctors for the petitioner, E. M. Skinner proctor for an alleged next of kin.

The court today dealt with the matter of the estate of Frank Hunter, clerk. He was a resident of Chocopee, Mass., and died unmarried and intestate in Springfield, Mass., in last December. He was a son of Andrew Hunter who, with Frank Hunter's two uncles, William and James, died before him. William Hunter, an uncle, also died intestate. He left a small estate of which Margaret Swift, his sister, an aunt of Frank Hunter, was appointed administratrix in the Superior Court of Suffolk County, Massachusetts, and now to close that estate, Mrs. Swift, who is the widow of Shaw Swift, is engaged in the United States Army in the Civil War, asks for administration of Frank Hunter's estate, and is accordingly sworn in as such. The will is no real estate; personally under \$20. Stephen W. Palmer is proctor.

The will of Miss Catherine Fraser late of Gardiner's Creek, Simonds, was proved. She gives all her estate to John A. Sinclair of St. John, barrister, and to her sister, Jessie, Fraser of Gardiner's Creek, in trust to hold the real estate for the sister for life, and after her death to pay it to her cousin George C. Forbes of Gardiner's Creek, a farmer. The rest of her estate she gives to her sister Jessie. Such sister having died, Miss Fraser died intestate as to her personally. Her next of kin are two first cousins, George C. Forbes and William J. Forbes of East St. John, grocer; William Forbes of Boston, a son of Alexander Forbes, a deceased cousin, and a first cousin, George C. Forbes, a deceased cousin, who reside in California. The real estate consists of a property at Gardiner's Creek valued at \$700; personally \$100. Sinclair, as surviving executor, was sworn in as such. Kenneth J. MacTae is proctor.

A Song They Sing.

(The Kaan in Toronto Telegram.) I heard her softly singing A song of long ago, Her voice was wondrous tender, Her eyes were soft and low: "There's a letter in the candle And it points direct to me; She clothed that song with splendor And it gives me life and cheer. "Bright spark of hope, Shed your beams on me, And speed a loving message From far across the sea."

In lands that she is brightening, In lands that write and stir, Her only joy is fighting, For all her life she's here; Tonight a memory winging Doth reach the breastworks piled, He hears his mother singing, He's once again a child— "Bright spark of hope, Shed your beams on me, And speed a loving message From far across the sea."

He sings not "Tipperary," Nor hums the Marseillaise, Her tongue is soft and low: Of homely hymns or praise; He leans on his spade handle— "A lonely singer here— "There's a letter in the candle, And it points direct to me!" "Bright spark of hope, Shed your beams on me, And speed a loving message From far across the sea."

And now the great guns thunder, The earth's arches quake and swell, And all the big earth under Is scourged with shot and shell; It hath a dreadful beauty, For the sight of the brownie bracken, But while he does his duty Our hero sings this song: "Bright spark of hope, Shed your beams on me, And speed a loving message From far across the sea."

"Oh For a Breath of the Moorlands."

Oh for the sound of the burnies That whimpers in the sea; For the sight of the brownie bracken On the hillside waving free! Oh for the blue lochs cradled In the arms of mountain gray, That smile as they shadow the drifting clouds "A' the bonny summer day! I wud gie a' the southern glory, For a taste of a good sutt wind, Wi' a road over the bonny sea before And a track of foam behind."

Auld Scotland may be rugged, Her mountains stern and bare; But oh for a breath of her moorlands A whiff of her caller air! —Harriet Miller Davidson (Australia, 1872).

A New Song to an Old Tune.

(By William Ernest Henley.) Sons of Shannon, Tamar, Trent, Of the Lohans, men of Kent, Essex, Wessex, south and shire, Mates of the net, the mine, the fire, Lads of desk and wheel and loom, Noble and trader, squire and groom, Resemble the bushes of England play Over the hills and far away!

Southern Cross and Polar Star— Here are the bushes bred afar— Serry O serry mine, fierce and keen, Under the flag of the Empress-Queen, Shoulder to shoulder down the track, Where to the unperturbed Jack, Come the bugles of England play Over the hills and far away!

Are Known in New Brunswick.

E. N. Drehting & Co., owners of the mine, has held an option on Elm Tree mine, Gloucester county, before the war and with several provincial men were engaged to develop it. W. S. Montgomery, mayor of Dalhousie, was one of these gentlemen interested.

Chatham Gives \$4,000.

Ottawa, Jan. 28.—The Canadian Patriotic Fund received today \$4,000 from Chatham, N. B. The total is now \$2,412,680.

Halifax Bank Clearings.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 28.—Bank clearings for the week ended today were \$1,027,025.30, and for the corresponding week last year \$1,547,107.10.

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Greatest Profits of Much Popular and New

(By Dr. N. W. San) As I look over my garden every year I know that my paying department of this farm, I confidently expect to be my most profitable three years, but possibly if the same dry my apple and plum trees better growth returns; but one weather and must account as I do. Each season the good crops, last year were picked, and the orchard, Apple-noon of one day we before 9 o'clock of This involves no extra work of rearing and I got more per bush than for one to four surplus apples were the coming of the season, teaming to the city loss from freezing, made with the Gray Bartlett pear. On of this variety are to thaw in the spring crop matures when marketed their fruit high selling price, to pay.

It is seldom that I am given over to exclusively. Economy then, some of the crops be produced, busy throughout the that some crops should be in demand. I know of many who yield four to five bush of corn and turnips in crops from a money team that hauls my poultry on the farm as well carry along. Each branch helps my Golden Bantam served as an incubator, and I applied her largest container cured through my a sure supply of fine the autumn months, fruit growing and a splendid combination small farm. The milk might be added. I am frank to say that my farming operation on at a loss.

The easiest and poultry on the farm, fence bred stock. You fancy side of the foundation work she producing the fine of fresh eggs, and along utility lines, some show bred bill supplies layers, it easier I have seen. Garden requirements made to make from the You need to have six egg bred qualities, and the best way of the big egg farm largely stocked with This is especially true New York, where New England you at Wyandottes, Plymouth Island Reds, partly because for brown eggs has set the p. Leghorns. In the of egg shell, demand or price. She have more to do with eggs the next ten points.

A profitable farm of the future to good utility lines, growth of the chicks yield from the best methods that have been in late years. Farm poultry nest buildings of modern construction, concrete square house, 20 by most floor space for. It can hardly be too good given, and what you need to give the pure air, or vigorous health do not use as large pens as I did. What you need ventilation enough to be compelled to have been created before enough circulation house to accomplish the results of England play Over the hills and far away!

What point gains not the loss of some of up in the body to in winter weather. There is usually a where the poultry tere to avoid the fences. If garden the most decide why in or the hens out, seventy acres I have provided the laying give free range to they of six months costly, are some and should be plan fence and future in simple the limit of the heavier breeds, a four foot wire fence. The breed is higher fence and venting the sides of bottom boards, or bottom. If you bottom yearlings and are made of wood, enough when you have boards at the bottom. Simple feeding in simple feed rations of the farm, one go back to the wet ago, which involve feeding is to bring to the lowest limit. One of the sim mash hoppers which made of an ordin







# RUSSIANS DEFEAT ENEMY IN PASSES OF THE CARPATHIANS

## Austro-Germans Compelled to Retreat Leaving Ammunition and Stores

Military Observers Believe Czar's Troops May Turn Flank of Teuton Allies and Threaten the Large Austro-German Army in That Region—Much Speculation About the Balkan Situation—German Aeroplane Brought Down—Much Snow in the East.

London, Jan. 29, 10.35 p. m.—With the armies in France and Flanders recuperating after the strenuous fighting of the earlier days of the week, and only local actions being recorded, interest in the war situation has been transferred to the Russian offensive in East Prussia, and the attempt of a strong Austro-German army to dislodge the troops of Emperor Nicholas from their positions in the Carpathians.

In East Prussia a Russian offensive has developed in the extreme north, where the renewed fighting seems to confirm the belief that a definite effort to advance north of the Mazurian Lakes district, where previously the Russians were defeated, has been decided upon by the Russian general staff.

More vital to both sides, however, apparently, is the campaign in the Carpathians where, to the southwest of the Dukla Pass, the Russians have delivered an energetic attack, and, according to their account of the combat, compelled the Austro-Germans to retreat, leaving behind ammunition and stores. This attack, according to military observers, indicates an attempt by the Russians to turn the flank of the Teuton allies, and if it should prove successful, the observers say, it would have serious consequences for the large Austro-German army in and about the Carpathians.

The Russian military experts anticipate that the Austrians will deliver their main attack with their extreme right in Western Bukovina, in the hope of achieving a signal victory, and thus give Romania cause to pause. The only thing holding Romania in check at present, it is stated, is the uncertainty as to the action Bulgaria would be likely to take. Bulgaria, it is asserted, is still demanding that part of Macedonia, now under Serbian rule, as the price of her neutrality, and this Serbia is reported to be willing to part with.

Greece, it is asserted, also objects to Bulgaria extending her boundaries westward, taking the ground that this would place a wedge between her and her ally, Serbia. Thus, seemingly, the whole Balkan situation remains involved, and it is stated that it is not likely to be cleared up until the demands of Bulgaria are satisfied.

Another skirmish with the Turkish advance guard not far from Suez is reported from the British forces in Egypt. It was not of a serious character. On the other hand, British marines are said to have landed at Alexandretta, Asiatic Turkey, and to have cut the telegraph wires.

### German Aeroplane Captured.

Paris, Jan. 29, 10.30 p. m.—The following communication was issued this evening:

"At the east of Soissons the Germans have made two attempts to cross the Aisne, one at the mill of the rocks, and the other at the head of the bridge which is held by our troops to the north of the bridge of Venise."

These two attacks were repulsed. "During the night of January 28, Dunkirk was bombarded by more aviators who caused some insignificant losses, but killed or wounded a few persons."

"Between 11 o'clock on the night of Jan. 28, and 3 o'clock on the morning of Jan. 29, two of our aviators launched numerous bombs upon the enemy's works in the region of Laon, La Fere and Soissons. In the morning of Jan. 29th, a German aeroplane was brought down east of Gerbeviller. Its pilot and mechanic, a German officer and a sub-officer, were made prisoners."

### Heavy Snow in the East.

Vienna, via London, Jan. 29, 11.31 p. m.—The following official communication was issued tonight:

"There has been a heavy snow fall in West Galicia and Poland, so that only reconnoitering and fighting between patrols have occurred, and artillery engagements where circumstances permitted."

"In the Carpathians west of the Uzsak Pass, the Russian attacks were repulsed with heavy losses. Near Veszecskas and Volovoc the battles ended with the enemy having been repulsed from the heights and having suffered 400 prisoners. "Calm prevails in Bukovina."

### The Russians at Lemberg.

Berlin, Jan. 29.—(By wireless to Sayville)—Despatches from Vienna state that the Russians probably will be compelled soon to evacuate the Galicia city of Lemberg which they have occupied for several months. From all the news of war comes news of freezing weather, which bids fair to continue for some time.

The temperature in East Prussia has fallen to thirteen degrees above zero. Thus far, however, the cold weather does not appear to have affected military activity.

### The German Rescued.

Berlin, Jan. 29.—(By wireless to Sayville)—A telegram was received in Berlin today from Wilhelmshaven written by a member of the crew of the German armored cruiser Blücher, sunk in the North Sea battle on Sunday, on which the sailor reports that he was rescued by German vessels. This gives rise to the hope in German naval quarters that more members of the Blücher's crew may have been similarly picked up.

### Germany's Money.

Berlin, Jan. 29.—(By wireless to Sayville)—A report on the conditions of the savings banks of the empire during 1914, issued in Berlin today, shows that the deposits in the twelve months of the year increased by \$250,000,000 over the total of the previous year.

### Canadians Arrested.

Berlin, Jan. 29, via London, 5.10 p. m.—A despatch reaching here from Hamburg says that all British colonialists in that city, with the exception of the time being of the Australians, have been arrested and transported to Ruhleben where they are to be interned in the concentration camp along with other British civilians. Something like sixty Canadians are in this new draft of prisoners. The arrest of British colonialists in Germany probably will be continued. Colonialists were originally left at liberty when Englishmen were interned, but now they are to be gathered up and sent to concentration camps.

### France Dealing With Problem.

Paris, Jan. 29, 5.45 p. m.—The Chamber of Deputies today adopted a bill

# GERMAN SUBMARINES SINK FIVE BRITISH STEAMERS

## The Tokomaru, Well Known in St. John, Lost in Channel With New Zealand's Gift for Belgians

### Crews of Three Rescued and Others Not Heard From—French Ministry of Marine Charges Germany With Systematically Violating International Law—Torpedo Fired Into Ben Cruachen Ten Minutes from Time Order is First Given to Abandon Her.



THE TOKOMARU.

British Steamer Sunk by German Submarine. She was well known at this port. Both in the English Channel and the Irish Sea German submarines were active yesterday and at least five British steamers were sent to the bottom, in some cases the crew escaping, in others, it is feared, being lost. One of the steamers sunk was the Tokomaru, well known in this port, which was carrying to England New Zealand's gift of \$35,000 and much clothing for the Belgians. The French ministry of marine, in issuing an official statement, remarked that in not allowing the crews on merchant vessels sufficient time to get clear in boats, the Germans were "systematically and deliberately violating international law."

### SCANDINAVIAN SEEMS SAFETY.

London, Jan. 31, 8.35 p. m.—The toll taken by the German submarine U-21 in its raid Saturday afternoon in the Irish Sea, the vicinity of Liverpool still stands at three ships—the steamer Ben Cruachen, Linda Blanche and the Killoan, the latter a small vessel. The crew of the Killoan was landed today on the Isle of Man by a coastwise steamer.

In addition a German submarine also has torpedoed two British steamers in the English Channel, near Havre—the Tokomaru and the Icaris. The Irish Sea raider easily made her escape and shipping interests are confident that she has returned to her base, and have ordered a resumption of normal traffic today.

The Allan line steamer Scandinavian, from St. John (N. B.), Jan. 22 for Liverpool, with 500 passengers on board, learned of the raid and put into Queenstown for a short time. The steamer proceeded for Liverpool.

### TOKOMARU SUNK IN CHANNEL.

Paris, Jan. 31.—The French ministry of marine announced today that two British ships had been torpedoed in the English channel, off Havre, by a German submarine. They are the steamers "Tokomaru and Icaris." The Tokomaru was bound from New Zealand to England. Her crew was rescued by the trawler Semper. Her cargo consisted in part of clothing and a contribution of \$7500 New Zealand's "Gift to Belgian refugees." No details are available concerning the torpedoing of the Icaris.

The following statement was given out by the ministry of marine:

"The Tokomaru was sunk by a torpedo from a German submarine. The English vessel Icaris was also torpedoed in the same locality."

"Hitherto the Germans, before attacking a merchant vessel, always allowed the crew sufficient time to embark in the ships' boats. That custom has now been abandoned as was shown by the bombardment of the Admiral Ganteaume, which was filled with Belgian women and children refugees. The German marines have decided to violate systematically and deliberately international law."

The Tokomaru was a vessel of 3912 tons. She sailed from Newcastle, New South Wales, on Oct. 28. Shipping records make no mention of the Icaris. The French steamer Admiral Ganteaume, to which reference is made in the statement of the ministry of marine, was sunk on Oct. 26 while on her way from Calais to Havre with a strong of Belgian refugees, of whom forty left their lives. The British admiralty later announced that the ship was sunk by a German submarine.

### CREW GIVEN TEN MINUTES TO LEAVE.

Fleetwood, via London, Jan. 31.—The German submarine 21 on Saturday torpedoed the North Shields steamer Ben Cruachen, off this port. The entire crew, numbering twenty, was landed here.

The same German submarine is reported to have sunk two other vessels in the vicinity where the Ben Cruachen went down.

The captain of the steamer says he was overtaken by the submarine this morning, and ordered to leave his ship within ten minutes. Hardly had the crew got into the boats when a torpedo was fired and the steamer went down.

The Ben Cruachen, which was of 1978 tons, and belonged to the Morrison Shipping Company, was on a voyage from the Orkney Islands to Liverpool, with a general cargo.

Fleetwood is one of the principal fishing and shipping ports and watering places on the west coast.

### GRAPHIC CHASED BUT ESCAPED.

Liverpool, via London, Jan. 31.—The Ben Cruachen left Cardiff Tuesday with 5000 tons of coal, and was on its way to this city, according to the Liverpool Post, when it met the submarine.

The steamer Graphic, with passengers, Belfast to Liverpool, the paper says, passed Fleetwood and soon afterwards saw the Ben Cruachen sunk. The Graphic was chased, but eluded pursuit and reached the Mersey safely.

### ELEVEN SAVED FROM LINDA BLANCHE.

London, Jan. 31.—At least one other vessel, besides the Ben Cruachen was sunk by the German submarine 21. This fact became known when a trawler brought in the eleven members of the crew of the steamer Linda Blanche, which was sent to the bottom by the German raider.

The Linda Blanche was on its way from Manchester to Belfast when the submarine suddenly appeared alongside. Officers came aboard and ordered the crew to leave the steamer. As soon as the men of the Linda Blanche were in their boats the German attached a mine to the bridge and another to the forecastle, and the vessel was destroyed.

The Germans told the British sailors they could find a trawler by proceeding in a certain direction, and the crew was picked up when the fishing boat was reached.

The skipper of the trawler stated that at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon he sighted another ship on which an explosion evidently had occurred. He was steering in the direction of this vessel when he picked up the Linda Blanche's boats. When he reached the point where he had seen the other ship he found no trace of wreckage, and believed it went down after he first sighted it.

### CREW LANDED AT ISLE OF MAN.

London, Jan. 31, 9.16 p. m.—The crew of the British steamer Killoan has been landed on the Isle of Man in the Irish Sea by the coasting steamer Gladys. The crew reports that the Killoan was sunk by a submarine. The Killoan was a small steamer of 456 tons.

### THE LINSTEIN ESCAPES.

Dublin, Jan. 31, via London, Feb. 1, 1.50 a. m.—The steamer Linstein, from Holyhead to Kingstown, reports that she was chased by a German submarine for fifteen minutes off the Kish light vessel, but succeeded in escaping. The Kish light vessel is opposite the mouth to Dublin Bay.

# ALLIES GIVE WARNING DOUBT WILL FOLLOW

## Vessels So Purchased by the United States Will Be Treated as Enemy Craft—"Good Faith" Rule Held Not Sufficient—Britain, France and Russia Make Issue of Motive for Transfer.

### FINANCIAL MEN SEE END OF WAR IN COMING MAY

German Collapse from Lack of Funds and Ammunition is Predicted

### Lloyd George Going to Paris for Conference But Reported International Loan Not Likely—Teutons Prudential Wasters of Their Ammunition While it Lasted.

Washington, Jan. 29.—It may be stated with positiveness that if the United States purchases interned German and Austrian ships under the provisions of the pending ship purchase bill it will become involved with the Governments of Great Britain, France and Russia in a controversy vastly more serious than any that has confronted this nation in many years.

Although the administration is refusing to disclose just what it intends to do if it succeeds in having the ship purchase bill passed, there is no mystery as to all about what the allied governments in the European war will do in case the proposed government owned corporation buys and puts into trade with Germany and Austria vessels now owned by their enemies. Positive and authoritative statements that these vessels under such circumstances will be treated as enemy vessels are now obtainable in Washington and leave not the slightest doubt as to where the allied governments stand on the issue.

The Democrats succeeded in forcing night sessions in the Senate to rush through the ship purchase bill. But the Republican members led the merry chase before they were able to do so.

When the Democrats sought to bring up the bill the minority hurried to the cloak room and a point of no return was raised. Then the members returned and answered the roll call. Finally a ruling of Vice-president Sherman was invoked and when the roll call made previous to a motion showed a quorum the motion was declared carried.

Not only is there no uncertainty about the position of the allied governments in principle but it is also clear that all are in the mood to treat this possible emergency just as forcefully as they have treated other situations in the war which have been regarded as likely to result in aiding their enemies or injuring themselves.

### Serious Consideration Likely.

Realization of the stand of the allied governments on this issue has in the last few days begun to dawn more fully upon those in Washington interested in the proposed legislation. This realization has come with startling force to many of the impression that the administration had received assurances in advance that there would be no objection to the plan of purchasing belligerent ships for the proposed steamship line, or at least that such assurances would be obtained before anything was done.

The knowledge that not only have such assurances not been obtained but that the allied governments have taken a stand emphatically to the contrary has come as a shock to these legislators, and the indication is that a serious consideration will be given to the issue involved in the administration plan.

For the present the administration is standing on its statement that "where there are no foreign complications." This expression was used at the White House yesterday in response to an inquiry regarding the delicate question of the operation of the ship purchase plan may bring up, but in no responsible quarter of the government can a positive statement be obtained that the president's plan does not contemplate the purchase of interned German vessels.

According to views of the three allied governments, however, any attempt of the United States to put into trade belligerent ships without getting adequate assurances that no difficulties would ensue.

Investigation of those reassuring statements by Democratic senators fails to disclose any basis for the assumption that the possibility of foreign complications has been anticipated and that action is being taken by the state department to clear the situation.

Just where it is intended to get the balance of the money to spend \$80,000,000 administration officials and administration leaders thus far have refused to disclose. Most of those who have studied the subject agree, though, that the only ships available for the purpose are the interned German and Austrian vessels.

It is pointed out that the British government is not disposed to look with favor on any of her merchant vessels being alienated at this time, and will maintain her hold on them to the limit of the world's tonnage.

There are many neutral ships which might be purchased, but in view of the fact that these ships are now earning from two to five times as much in freight receipts as ordinary ships, it is conceded they will not be purchasable except at fabulous prices. Consequently the only recourse seems to be the purchase of the interned German and Austrian ships.

The views entertained by officials of the state department and by the allied governments on the issue involved are as far apart as the two poles.

State department authorities hold that the "good faith" of the transaction is the only rule to be applied in case the government should purchase the interned ships, and that the world could not question the good faith of the transfer itself. Holding the view that this is the only rule which could apply department officials thus quickly reach the conclusion that there could be no valid objection to the purchase of vessels engaging in trade on the high seas as American vessels.

First reports of this proposed international loan came from the Paris correspondent of the Daily Telegraph. The sum of \$200,000,000 or \$300,000,000 was suggested.

The allied governments, on the other hand, hold that the American rule of "good faith" covers only part of the complicated case. In their conviction, besides the question of good faith, there is the question whether the transfer is made to avoid the consequences of the war.

The latter question includes the vendor as well as the purchaser.

In other words, the state department would hold that if the United States bought in good faith, the transaction would be government, and the European governments would bring into consideration the motives of the vendor.

There is no doubt that the allied governments are of the opinion that the present owners of the interned ships were permitted to permit the ships to evade the consequences of war and the liability to capture.

This is the European interpretation of the provisions of the London Declaration, which the Allies have asserted they would in general observe. The United States, however, has served notice on them that inasmuch as the Powers are not willing to accept the London Declaration without substantial modifications, the government will rest its case on the accepted principles of international law.

In that event, however, the case of the United States in regard to the interned ships would be even worse. France, Germany and Russia all hold that sales of enemy ships effected after the beginning of the war are not valid unless it can be proved that the ships would have been effected at the time even if there were no war. Were these traditional policies to be invoked against the proposed purchase of belligerent ships, the United States, it is conceded, would have no case at all.

### Apprehension Feelt.

Although the British rule is more lenient than that of France, Germany and Russia, there are positive indications that the British government will be found quite as severe in its attitude on slightly different grounds. There is reason to believe that the British are prepared to attack any attempt by the United States to put into trade belligerent ships as an unneutral act by this government.

Those in Washington official life most familiar with the views of the allied governments are apprehensive over the situation. It is pointed out that it does not matter so much how innocent the intention of purchasing belligerent ships for the proposed steamship line, or at least that such assurances would be obtained before anything was done.

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BIETES

SMITH—Mr. and Mrs. Roland Smith are rejoicing over the arrival of a little son, who came on Sunday, Jan. 24, at the home of Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Andrew Kerr, of Bathurst, N. B.

MARRIAGES

CROSBY-FLEWELLING—At the Victoria street Baptist parsonage, St. John, N. B., January 29, 1915, William W. Crosby, of this city, to Mita Flew- elling, of Fairville (N. B.), by Rev. B. H. Nobles.

DEATHS

MACDOUGALL—On Wednesday, Jan. 27, at the home of C. S. MacTavish, 238 Charlotte street, city, Mrs. Anne T. MacDougall, aged 100 years.

BLACK—In this city, on the 27th inst., Jennie F., beloved wife of Carey B. Black, aged thirty-six years, leaving her husband, two daughters, mother, six brothers and four sisters to mourn.

ROBINSON—In this city, on the 28th inst., after a lengthy illness, Mrs. J. P. H. Crosby, of this city, to Mita Flew- elling, of Fairville (N. B.), by Rev. B. H. Nobles.

ALEXANDER—Suddenly, in this city on Jan. 27, 1915, Mary A. Alex- ander, daughter of the late John Alex- ander, leaving two sisters to mourn.

HILLAND—In this city, on the 28th inst., Mary A., widow of Michael Hill- land, in the 79th year of her age.

O'NEILL—At St. George's on the 28th inst., Frances M., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. O'Neill, aged 9 months, after only a few days' illness.

O'TOOLE—At Fairville, on the 28th inst., Francis K., third son of John and Espella O'Toole, in the 10th year of his age.

JOHNSTON—At the Home for In- curables, on January 30, Hazel M. D., wife of Sherman Johnston, and daugh- ter of William Ross, aged 29 years.

CLOTHES CAUGHT IN FIRE FROM STOVE

Monday, Feb. 1. Mrs. William J. Hunter, 900 Rockland Road, had a very exciting experience on Saturday morning when her clothing caught fire from an overheated hall stove and she was saved a terrible death by her own daring and presence of mind.

Mrs. Hunter was only slightly burned and has fully recovered from the shock of her narrow escape.

About 9:30 o'clock while alone in the house she had thrown into the stove some fresh coal and a quantity of paper which blazed up very fiercely. A few minutes afterwards she was standing with her back to the stove and her apron strings caught fire. When she discovered it her clothing was all aflame and she ran quickly to a bedroom and rolled herself on the bed with heavy quilts about her. As she ran the blazing apron fell from about her waist and ignited a rug on the floor. As she hugged the quilts about her on the bed in an effort to smother the flames she saw what had taken place and the fire in the rug rapidly gaining but did not move, calculating coolly that once her clothing was free of fire that she would have little difficulty in dealing with the fire on the floor.

So it proved. The fire in her clothing had been smothered, but slightly when she realized that it had been quenched. Then she quickly rose and crumpling up the rug also smothered out the flames there. This done she telephoned to her husband, who is an operator at the Western Union office, who found a nervous but almost un- injured wife when he reached home, it being unnecessary to call a doctor. Mrs. Hunter's friends were glad to hear of her escape and heartily congratulated her upon the nerve and coolness in a most trying situation.

Easily Upset. Mrs. Kowler—Did Mrs. Blank mind it much when her husband left her for good?

Mrs. Muchweid—Yes, poor dear; the slightest thing upsets her.

In Real Life. The girl at the exchange, after you have waited fully for a few weeks, "They don't answer. What number was it you wanted?"—St. James' Gazette.

TEN MEN INJURED IN STEAMER EXPRESS WRECK

Moncton, Jan. 29.—Ten passengers were slightly injured, although by a miracle none were killed, when at 2:55 this morning No. 39 northbound Maritime express, in charge of Conductor James Swetnam and Engineer Owen McGinlay, both of Moncton, while running at a high rate of speed, was wrecked near Woodstock, a small flag station, about five miles east of Campbellton.

Everything excepting the engine and postal car left the track, the two sleeping cars at the rear of the train plung- ing over a thirty-foot embankment. Fortunately no one was killed, but bruises and slight injuries were numerous among the passengers with whom the sleepers were well filled.

The exact cause of the run-off has not yet been determined, although it is thought it was due to spreading of the rails.

The official list of slightly injured pas- sengers is as follows: C. H. Millville, Montreal; Mrs. P. N. G. Starr, Saskatoon; Miss Ethel Gibson, Saskatoon; Major A. A. Bartlett, Charlottetown; Mrs. A. A. Bartlett, Charlottetown; Mrs. E. L. Elliott, Pictou; O. W. Goshwale, St. Lambert; G. E. Messes, Hamilton; John Murphy, Ottawa.

Engineer McGinlay stopped the loco- motive as soon as possible. Conductor Swetnam and crew, assisted by passen- gers, succeeded in extricating the pas- sengers from the sleepers. The passengers were taken to Campbellton on the postal car. A passenger special was made up at Campbellton and all northbound pas- sengers, including the injured, continued the journey to Montreal.

The sleeping cars were badly damaged but were not broken up beyond repair. The line was cleared at 14:10 this afternoon.

N. W. Rowell, leader of the Ontario opposition, was held up by the wreck and reached Moncton at 8:30 tonight. As he was unable to reach Halifax tonight, he addressed the Moncton Canadian Club on the subject, Britishism and Germanic Ideals of Empire. He will leave on the midnight express for Halifax.

\$5,000 FIRE IN WOODSTOCK

Woodstock, N. B., Jan. 29.—Fire broke out about 1 o'clock this morning in the Payson block, corner of Main and Connel- ly streets, and the entire building was gutted, an estimated loss of \$15,000.

The building is a two-story brick edifice in the heart of the town and is owned by the Payson estate. The ten- ant, Mrs. J. P. H. Crosby, 473, goods. Farmers' Exchange, St. P. B. telegraph office; office of Thane Jones, judge of probate, and A. D. Nicholson, tailor. All suffered total losses with the exception of Mr. Nicholson, some of whose stock was removed by the salvage crew.

The firemen responded quickly to the alarm but despite their efforts the build- ing was soon totally destroyed. The loss on building is covered by insur- ance.

MARINE JOURNAL

PORT OF ST JOHN. Arrived. Thursday, Jan. 28. Star Moanmouth, 2,569, O'Reilly, Lou- don, C. P. B., gen cargo.

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Friday, Jan. 29. Str Sagamore, 3,905, Penton, London, Wm Thomson Co, general cargo.

Sailed. Thursday, Jan. 28. Star Manchester, Spinnies, Williams, Manchester in Halifax, via St. John. Star North Star, Mitchell, Boston via Maine ports.

Friday, Jan. 29. R. M. S. S. Granpian, Williams, Liverpool via Halifax. Str Ertrix, Starratt, French trans- portant port.

Str Nevada, Willett, Parbrobo. Str Montreal, Hodder, London. Str Inshoven Head, Pickford, Bel- fast. Str Chignecto, Lewis, West Indies, via Halifax.

BRITISH PORTS. Liverpool, Jan. 29.—Ard, str Lapland, New York. Dublin, Jan. 29.—Ard, str Bray Head, St. John.

FOREIGN PORTS. Mobile, Jan. 28.—Sld, schr P. C. Lock- hart, St. Andrews (Fla). Pensacola, Fla, Jan. 26.—Ard, schr Al- bert D. Mills, Guantanamo. Newport News, Jan. 26.—Sld, str Leko- nia, Glasgow via Liverpool. Boston, Jan. 24.—Sld, schr R. Bowers, from Gold River for Bridgeport. City Island, Jan. 26.—Passed, schr Lu- cille, Carteret (N. J.) for St. John. Gloucester, Jan. 26.—Sld, schr Mon- um, New York for St. John. Eastport, Jan. 27.—Ard, schr Lewis K. Coddington, St. George.

Boston, Jan. 28.—Clg, sch D. W. B. St. John. New York, Jan. 29.—Sld, str Manches- ter Corporation, Royal St. Nasarie. Boston, Jan. 28.—Sld, sch D. W. B. St. John. City Island, Jan. 28.—Ard, sch Adonis, Perth Amboy for St. John, and anchorage. New York, Jan. 28.—Ard, str Europa, Genoa.

Fredericton, Jan. 29.—The first soldier of any of the military units being mobilized here to be discharged from the service for an infringement of the re- cent regulation, was turned out last night. The soldier hails from Moncton and was a member of the 24th battery of field artillery.

CONDENSED NEWS: LOCAL AND GENERAL

Nine marriages were recorded last week at the office of J. B. Jones, registrar of vital statistics, and twenty-nine births—fifteen boys and fourteen girls.

Mrs. Wilhelmina Young, of Chicago, has written to Mayor Frink, asking in- formation as to how families like hers that she was born in Carleton in 1853 and was a daughter of the late William Winter Fleetw.

Deputy Sheriff Clifford left Saturday morning for Dorchester penitentiary with Scott Scribner and Irvine Stern. The former was sentenced to two years on a charge of stealing. A new office has been opened in the city for the last five years for forgery and passing bogus checks.

The offices of the mechanical superin- tendent of the C. P. R. C. Kyle, are being removed from McAdam to St. John, and will be located in the new building in King street. A new office has been placed on the floor occupied by the general superintendent and his staff.

Friends of John Calnan of Ready street, Fairville, will regret to hear that he suffered a stroke of paralysis on Monday. His condition is not considered serious, and he is expected to recover sufficiently to be about again. Last summer he celebrated the golden anniversary of his wedding.

Iring Stern, accused of forgery and obtaining money under false pretences, was sentenced by Judge Forbes yester- day morning to serve five years in Dor- chester penitentiary, three years for his former offence and two for the latter. He will probably be taken to Dorchester at the first of the week.

Rev. R. A. Armstrong, rector of Trinity, arrived in the city on Saturday, ac- companying his wife and family and H. A. Bruce, and was taken directly to his residence in the ambulance. Rev. Mr. Armstrong is making satisfactory progress towards recovery from burns received in an accident last summer and is now under the care of Dr. Skinner.

A full blooded Karakule lamb, said to be worth \$2,000, was lost by the National Karakule Company's ranch at Shanklin (N. B.), this week. This is the second of the kind to be born in New Brunswick, another having arrived at the Canadian Karakule-Arab Com- pany's ranch at Apohaque a few days earlier.

Nineteen burial permits were issued by the board of health during last week. The causes of death were: Senility, in- fantilism, epilepsy and heart disease, two each; cancer, pericarditis, endocarditis, premature birth, mucous colitis, arterio- sclerosis, thoracic aneurism, strangulated hernia, hemorrhage of stomach, gangre- nous cholecystitis and malignant dis- ease of bowel, one each.

Subscriptions to the Belgium relief fund have been received as follows:—William Hammond, night watchman, offering valuing bridge, \$5; Sunday school, Jubilee Station, J. H. A. L. Fair- weather, \$4.45; Miss A. L. Fairweather, \$5; School District No. 29, Dorchester, collected by Antoine D. LeBlanc, \$2.75; Order Railway Telegraphers, per G. B. Burnett and Rev. R. A. Robinson, \$7.

At the annual meeting of the Wel- ford and Hampstead Telephone Com- pany, Dr. A. A. Lewis, J. Willard Will- ington, J. L. Donnelly, J. D. Orr, and H. W. Wood were elected directors; Doctor Levin was appointed president, H. W. Wood, M. L. A. vice-president; and E. C. Armstrong, secretary. The company has thirteen miles of telephone in operation between Welford and Sum- mer Hill.

The sympathy of a large circle of friends in St. John will be extended to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. O'Neill, of St. George, in the loss of their only child, Frances M., whose death occurred Thursday at the age of nine months. The little one had been sick but a few days. Mrs. O'Neill was formerly Miss Agnes Mc- Ginnis, of this city. Both she and her husband are well known here, and who will bear of their loss with keen regret.

At a representative gathering of some forty members of St. George's Society, Friday afternoon in Mayor Frink's office, P. E. Hannington presented to Rev. E. F. Hooper, the society's chaplain, a substantial sum of money, enclosed in a purse upon which was inscribed his name and a record of the occasion. The presentation was from the members of the society and was recognized by prominent members of the society.

The chief of police delivered his ultimatum to the members of the city, ordering in different parts of the city, ordering them to cease business within forty-eight hours or take the consequences. A police officer, J. L. Donnelly, J. D. Orr, and H. W. Wood, to the police to be con- ducting this class of business. The chief explained to them that their work was illegal, and that they should never have opened such places here, and that it was his intention to stop all "fake" affairs in the city. All of the women objected to the orders. They promised to close up business, but at the same time argued that this was their sole means of support.

REAL ESTATE. Transfers of real estate have been recorded as follows:—H. G. Marr to Marr Millinery Co., Ltd., property corner Union and Char- lotte streets. R. M. McCarthy et al to William Robinson et al, property in Lancaster. Gilman Scribner to Mrs. Annie T. Ryan, property in Exmouth street. Leasehold properties have been transferred as follows:—Extras, Mary A. Brayden to Jimena Crowley, property in Egbert road. Jimena Crowley to George Stevenson, property in Egbert road. Mary A. Logan to Gertrude E. Porter, property in Strait Street road.

SAVINGS BANK. During January the St. John branch of the Dominion Savings Bank received deposits of \$67,129.62 and paid withdrawals of \$70,959.90.

BREAD GOES UP. An increase of one cent a loaf in the price bread went into effect Monday by agreement between members of the Bakers' Association. The nine-cent loaf is made necessary, the bakers say, by the unprecedented increase in flour from 36.45 in August to 38.45 at present.

STABBING AFFRAY AT P. E. C. WEDDING CELEBRATION

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Jan. 29.—Dur- ing a light at a wedding at New Har- mony, near Souris, Allan J. MacDonald was badly stabbed and is now in a criti- cal condition. He was one of a party of characters who called Frank Mc- Intosh and bride.

McIntosh admitted the crowd of about twenty into the house and all went well until suddenly a party of five men were sent for from Souris, arrived. Then a drunken melee started in which heads and furniture were broken and knives used. After the affair MacDonald was found lying outside stabbed in several places, while other combatants also were injured.

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THE NEWS OF THE WORLD TOLD IN BRIEF

Berlin, Jan. 29, via London, Jan. 30.—A decree prohibiting the export of pub- lish salts and the manufacture thereof is published in the Reichs Anzeiger.

London, Jan. 29, 7 p. m.—The oil tank steamer Brindilla, sailed from Shields today for the United States, after having been detained there for sev- eral days by the customs officers, pend- ing an inquiry into her ownership.

Toronto, Jan. 28.—Foley Bros. and the Northern Construction Company, of Sud- bury, railroad contractors, have entered action against Mackenzie & Mann and the C. N. R. Company, under mechanics lien proceedings, to recover \$4,276,667.84, due on the Port Arthur-Sudbury section of the C. N. R.

Galt, Ont., Jan. 28.—The Liberals of South Wabikon this afternoon failed not to put up a candidate in opposition to F. Stewart Scott, the Conservative candidate for member in the by-election, by the vote of the trace existing be- tween the two parties.

Toronto, Jan. 31.—The Ontario gov- ernment has been notified that the intention of the federal authorities to indemnify the families of the two Buf- falo duck hunters who were shot off Fort Erie by Canadian soldiers some time ago. This compensation will take the form of a cash donation, but the local auth- orities were not informed as to the amount, which it is understood, has not yet been decided upon.

Washington, Jan. 29.—By a vote of 8 to 9 the House Immigration Committee today voted to report the Immigration Bill, vetoed by President Wilson yester- day, back to the house, with the recom- mendation that it be re-passed over his veto.

Chairman Burnett expressed the opinion that the bill would get the necessary two-thirds vote. The committee's report will be brought in for a vote next Thursday.

Montreal, Jan. 29.—The city council of Montreal, through a bill now before the provincial legislature, seeks to raise re- venue by imposing a tax of 25¢ on any workman, operative, longshoreman or laborer who works in this city but does not reside here.

About 100,000 men would be affected, if such a bill becomes law, as that num- ber of men who live in separate munic- ipalities in this district are employed in Montreal.

Alexandria, Egypt, Jan. 29, via Lon- don, 4:35 p. m.—The American cruiser Tennessee, which for some weeks past has been engaged in bringing refugees from Asia Minor to Egypt, has up to the present time landed no fewer than 8,000 Syrian refugees at Alexandria.

The new building which will be built where the cruiser comes in tomorrow. Four thousand of the refugees now here are destitute.

At least two-thirds of them are of Russian nationality. The local govern- ment is dealing temporarily with the problem of housing, clothing and feed- ing the hundreds of refugees. It is expected that the children are scantily clad and further relief measures are urgently needed.

A small piece of glass placed on the cookery book when lying open on the table keeps it open, and enables the cook to read the recipe without handling the book with sticky fingers, and the glass from a photo-frame or small picture would do.

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\$30,000 FIRE IN AMHERST, N. S., INSURANCE \$20,000

Amherst, N. S., Jan. 31.—Fire starting at 11 o'clock last night wiped out several business firms and caused a sev- eral loss estimated at \$30,000. The fire was in wooden buildings, extended from Eddy street north, up Victoria street to the residential part of that section.

The blaze started in the Andrews block, which was in the centre of the buildings burned, and worked west through what is known as the Fugley block, and in a short time these, with their contents, were destroyed. The fire then burned through the basement and upper flat of the W. D. Main block, and the Chambers block.

The temperature was below zero, and with a high wind the firemen had a hard battle getting the flames under control. The burned buildings were owned and occupied as follows: Fugley block, corner Eddy and Victoria streets, owned by Timothy O'Hearn, the four lower stories being occupied by Boushais Bros., general mer- chants. The upper flat as sample rooms of the Amherst hotel.

The Andrews block, owned by the estate of the late W. D. Main, occupied by Mrs. Allen, millinery, and J. J. Houston, shoe maker. The Robert Chambers block, occupied by Chapman & Flynn, stoves and fur- naces.

The Douglas block, occupied by the Amherst Trading Co., of which Coun- cillor Charles D. Shipley is manager. The loss on the buildings will amount to \$15,00



