

## WITHDRAWAL OF GREEK TROOPS EFFECTED LEAVING CLEAR ROAD FOR ALLIED RETIREMENT TO SALONIKI

### ASSURANCES OF GREEK KING SATISFACTORY

#### In Audience Accorded Diplomatic Body—Zone Between Saloniki and Dorian Left Free, by Withdrawal of Greek Troops; for Movement of British and French—Customs House at Saloniki Taken Over by Allied Military Authorities

London, Dec. 13.—The King of Greece, in the course of an audience accorded the members of the diplomatic body at Athens on Saturday, gave personal assurances which are regarded as satisfactory. This information is conveyed in a despatch from Athens to Reuters Telegram Company.

**GREEK TROOPS WITHDRAW FROM SALONIKI.**

London, Dec. 13.—The actual withdrawal of the Greek army from the path of the Allied forces which are retreating on Saloniki is said to have been effected. A Reuters despatch filed in Athens yesterday says: "As a result of the agreement between the Greek general staff and the Allied general staff the division of the Greek army which has been stationed at Langaza has been withdrawn to Serres, about fifty miles northeast of Saloniki. The zone between Saloniki and Dorian has been left free for movements of the Allied troops."

"The Allied military authorities today took over a portion of the custom house at Saloniki."

**Arab Band Defeated on Sinai Peninsula.**

London, Dec. 13.—The defeat of an Arab band in an engagement with a British reconnoitering party on the Sinai peninsula is announced in an official despatch from that city today, which transmits the statement as follows: "A band of 3,000 hostile Arabs was routed on Saturday by a British reconnoitering party in the vicinity of Marab, on the Sinai peninsula. The Arabs, 350 of whom were killed and seven captured, were driven eastward. The British losses were sixteen killed and three officers and 15 men wounded."

### Retreat of British and French from Serbia Successfully Carried Out—Bulgars and Turks Follow to Greek Frontier, but Will Likely Leave to Austrians and Germans Task of Following Allies Across Border.

London, Dec. 13.—The British and French troops have successfully carried out their retreat from Serbia across the Greek frontier, and by an arrangement with the Greek government a clear road has been left for them to fall back on Saloniki, which is being organized as a base.

The German official report of today claims that "approximately two English divisions were annihilated," during the retreat, but this is considered here an exaggeration. Accounts from Athens and Saloniki say the retreat was carried out in an orderly manner, and without heavy losses. By the destruction of railway bridges and roads, and by stubborn rear guard actions, in one of which two companies of the Inniskilling Battalion sacrificed themselves to save their comrades, the Bulgarians were kept at a fairly safe distance.

The question now arises whether the Bulgarians and Austro-Germans intend to follow the British and French troops into Greece, and what action the Greek government will take should they do so. The impression gained from despatches emanating from Athens is that neither the Bulgarians nor the Turks, who also are reported to have arrived near the frontier, would be welcomed in Greece, and that therefore if it has been decided to follow the Entente Allies the task will be undertaken by Austrians and Germans.

**Serbs Still Doing Their Bit.**

However, with the railway destroyed, it may be some days before Greece is called upon to take any action, and that time the Anglo-French force should be safe in the defenses of Saloniki, and under the guns of their ships.

The remnants of the Serbian army are still resisting the Austrians and Bulgarians in Albania, while the Austrians are making very slow progress in their effort to overwhelm Montenegro, whose heavy fighting continues.

Only small actions have taken place on the eastern and western fronts. On the Gallipoli peninsula a fall of snow is impeding the operations, although the Entente Allied ships keep things lively for the Turks, whose attempts at an offensive last week seem to have failed.

A British official report says that the Turkish attacks on the Isparta, where British reinforcements are arriving, have been repulsed. The attacks were made from all sides, but the British position was so strongly held that the Turks were unable to make any impression on it.

**British Occupy German Crater.**

London, Dec. 13.—Field Marshal Sir John French sends the following report from the British front in France: "Last night we blew up a mine in front of Ghienchy and occupied the crater. Today there was considerable activity at various points on the front. We bombarded the enemy's positions east of Ypres and in the neighborhood of Prolinghen and shelled with heavy howitzers an enemy mine shaft north of La Bassée Canal.

"In the neighborhood of the Somme there was some fighting with trench mortars and rifle grenades. The weather today was bright and cold."

**On Italian Front.**

Rome, Dec. 13, via London, Dec. 14.—The official communication from the war office today says: "On the Isonzo front and in Carso the enemy yesterday displayed great artillery activity. Towards nightfall his infantry delivered attacks in the direction of Osavia and Selz, but the attacks were repulsed with heavy losses.

"On the southern slope of the Calvario Height, west of Gorizia, our detachments, favored by fog, captured an enemy trench, taking some thirty rifles and much other material which was abandoned by the fleeing enemy."

**Austrian Report.**

Vienna, via London, Dec. 13.—The following official communication was issued today: "Russian front: There is nothing important to report.

"Italian front: In Tyrol the Italian artillery bombarded our positions at Riva, Rovereto and on the Col di Lana. Attacks by Italian infantry northeast of Osavia were repulsed.

"In Giudicaria the Italian infantry is approaching our positions. The fighting continues.

"In northeast Montenegro, at Koritso, we made 800 prisoners. Our air-

### VIENNA PEEVED AND MAY BREAK WITH WASHINGTON

#### Amsterdam Report Says Only Question is Whether Rupture Would Not Force Berlin to Take Similar Step—Intense Anger Over American Note.

London, Dec. 14.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegram Company from Amsterdam says: "Reports from Vienna say that the American note concerning the sinking of the Italian steamer Ancona has caused intense anger in the Austrian government, and a diplomatic rupture is considered probable. The question before Baron Burián, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, is only whether a rupture with the United States would not force Berlin to a like step.

"Count Tisza, the Hungarian premier, has been summoned to Vienna to discuss the situation with the government."

### THE GLORIOUS SACRIFICE OF IRISH TROOPS

#### Died Almost to Last Man to Cover the Retreat of the British Army from Serbia.

London, Dec. 13.—How two companies of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers and another of the Irish regiment forming the British divisions, which are making a fighting retirement from Serbia, sacrificed themselves to cover the retreat of their comrades is told by the wounded who have reached British headquarters in Macedonia. The British, according to the correspondent of Reuters Telegram Company, in a despatch from the British headquarters, were outnumbered, ten to one, by the Bulgarians, who were well supplied with guns and machine guns. Last Monday morning they were attacked by a heavy bombardment by the Bulgarians who poured a hail of shot and shell on them. Splintering rocks intensified the effect of their fire.

The Bulgarian infantry then advanced to the attack in massed formation, and were punished severely, but the number of the British divisions did not permit them to take proper toll of the advancing Bulgarians. The British emptied their rifles rapidly into the crush and tried to stem the tide with bayonets, but were overborne by sheer weight of numbers, and the position was lost. Similarly, the second line was lost, and the British fell back on the third line of defenses.

Two companies of Inniskillings, however, held on to the ridge, known as Kevils Crest, and kept back the Bulgarians the whole morning, although they were supported only by rifle fire. Hardly a man escaped, but their stand impressed and delayed the Bulgarians, thus giving the British much needed time to complete defensive dispositions in the third line, where the Bulgarians were finally held up for four days.

The Bulgarians, the correspondent adds, having suffered heavily, have since then attempted no strong offensive up to Sunday.

### STRONG HAND BRITAIN FORGES PUTS DOWN ALL NEW WEAPON TO PEACE TALK CRIPPLE ENEMY

#### Hungarian Premier Suppresses all Anti-war Discussion—Munitions Workers May Start Trouble.

London, Dec. 14.—The desire of the Hungarian people, particularly the opposition party, to discuss peace has been suppressed with a strong hand by the Hungarian premier, according to the Morning Post's Budapest correspondent, and all discussions on the economic situation have likewise been banned by Count Tisza, who has acknowledged that prices are lower in Hungary than in Germany, and that various mistakes have been made in Hungary's economic management, but has stated that matters could not now be helped by debate.

Count Tisza, continues the correspondent, has been the recipient of many protests from workers in the armaments and munition factories against the denial of their right to vote. It is feared in Budapest that if the premier persists in his attitude the workers who are now under military law will put up a serious fight for the rights of their excluded comrades.

#### JIMMY MURPHY OUTFIGHTS WELSH.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 13.—Freddie Welsh, the lightweight champion, was out-fought in a six round bout here tonight by Jimmy Murphy, of this city. They met at catch weights and both appeared to be several pounds above the lightweight limit. Although Welsh was the cleverer of the two his work was marred by frequent clinches. Murphy was very aggressive and led in every round after the first. In the second round he cut Welsh's lip with a hard left, and in the fourth round staggered the champion with a right cross to the head, Welsh saving himself by clinching.

### MAJORITY WERE DUPES OF INNER CIRCLE

#### Five Plotters Dominated Labor National Peace Council—Evidence Strong Against Them.

New York, Dec. 13.—The records of the activities of Labor's National Peace Council, the organization through which, according to United States Attorney Marshall, Franz Von Rintelen carried on his conspiracy to instigate strikes in munitions factories, were turned over today to Mr. Marshall by F. P. Straube, former secretary to the council. One of the officials in charge of the prosecution stated that Straube's evidence substantiates the case against these conspirators in every detail.

Straube will appear later in the week before the grand jury. His information confirms, it was stated, the theory of the government that the Peace Council was dominated by an inner ring of five men, all agents of Von Rintelen. Many other members of the organization were sincere peace advocates, who did not realize what was going on in the inner circles.

### MENTION OF KAISER'S NAME BRINGS HISSES

Rome, Dec. 13, via London.—In the chamber of deputies today Carlo Altobelli, Socialist member for Naples, delivered an address in which he strongly criticized the execution of Miss Edith Cavell, the English nurse, in Brussels, and the sinking of steamers Lusitania, Ancona, Firenze and Bosnia. When the name of Emperor William was mentioned in the speech the entire chamber roared.

### Bring Officers Back From The Firing Line to Train New Battalions

#### Fifty-four Coming Back to Canada, Many of Them Now Convalescing—Will Prove Valuable Help in Giving Men Practical Hints.

Special to The Standard

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—In order to assist in the organization and training of the new battalions now being raised in Canada, fifty-four Canadian officers are being brought back from France on England for the winter. Most of them have been wounded at the front and are now convalescing. It is considered that these officers can do more important work here with their valuable knowledge of actual fighting conditions than they could by returning to the firing line during the winter where there is a prospect of little doing for the present. The other officers who are being brought back have done good work in the training of their men in Canada and England.

The officers now on the way back include Col. Welch, of Windsor, who will command the new Essex Battalion; Col. Ingram, who will have a command at London; Lieut. Cockshutt, who will be given a command in the 125th Battalion, and Capt. McInnis, of Regina, who will take charge of the raising of a battalion in Regina district.

### Zeppelin Attempt To Wreck Railway Depot Balked by Russian Guns

#### German Aircraft shot down by artillery when about to drop bombs on Railway Station.

Petrograd, Dec. 13, via London.—Russian artillery destroyed a Zeppelin airship the night of December 5, according to details which have just arrived here, near the station of Kalkun, on the Irbau-Romina Railway.

The dirigible made its appearance from the direction of Novo Alexandria, passing over the Russian positions, going toward Drinsk. It was located by a powerful searchlight and Russian artillery opened fire on it. The Zeppelin, however, then rose to a higher altitude and became lost in the clouds.

Presently the airship reappeared over Kalkun. Its motors had been stopped, which is usually the indication that bombs are about to be dropped. At that time the machine was directly over the railway station, and the artillery began shelling it. One of the shells made a hit, and the aircraft became enveloped in flames. Under the glare of the searchlights watchers saw it disappear in a cloud of smoke and heard a loud explosion. What was left of the machine fell inside the Russian lines. The charred bodies of the German crew were extricated from the debris, and buried. A cross was erected over their grave, with the inscription "Honor to the brave, though they were enemies."

### KING GEORGE ABLE TO TAKE UP AFFAIRS OF STATE

#### Permitted to do Some Work But Must Avoid all Causes of Fatigue for While Yet.

London, Dec. 13.—King George, who suffered severe injuries by being thrown from his horse at the British front in France October 28, has recovered sufficiently to take up affairs of state under certain restrictions. Respecting the King's condition, Sir Frederick Treves, surgeon-in-chief to the King, and Sir Bertrand Dawson, physician-extraordinary to His Majesty, have made the following statement: "We are happy to report that the King has so far recovered from the grave accident of October 28 as to be able to resume work with certain limitations.

"The King has lost seriously in weight, and, until a normal state of health is attained, it is essential that His Majesty should avoid any cause of fatigue. It has been necessary on medical grounds that the King should take a little stimulant daily during convalescence. As soon as the King's health is quite restored he will resume total abstinence which he imposed upon himself for public reasons."

# BOYS IN ENGLAND USE EVERY RUSE TO JOIN COLORS

## GERMAN ATTACHE AT 'FRISCO INDICTED FOR CONSPIRACY

### Detective and Woman in His Employ Also Indicted—Forty Explosions Have Been Traced to Pacific Coast Conspirators.

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—Baron Geo. Wilhelm Von Brincken, an attaché of the German consulate here: C. C. Crowley, a detective employed by the consulate, and Margaret Cornell, who was in Crowley's employ, were indicted today by grand jury on two counts each. The first count charges conspiracy to interfere with and destroy commerce between the several states of the Union, and the United States and foreign countries; the second charges use of the mails to incite arson, assassination and murder. Bail was fixed at \$5,000 on each count in the indictments. Counsel for the defendants, all of whom had been arrested previously, promised to appear in court tomorrow.

Baron Von Brincken and Crowley were previously charged in commissioners warrants with conspiracy to interfere with and destroy commerce. They have been at liberty on \$10,000 bail. The statute upon which the

## HARD JOB TO KEEP BOYS FROM ENLISTING

### Officials at Recruiting Offices Find It Hard to Keep Lads Under Teens from Getting by.

New York, Dec. 13.—A special to the Tribune from London says:

"I am sure that you are aware that young men under age, there would be no shortage of soldiers here. From the start boys have tried every dodge to get into the army, and in the rush of the last few days more than ever have made application. As a lesson to others a youngster of sixteen who wore his hair in a pompadour and was wearing a military cap, was sentenced today to a year in prison. There are many instances of boys of fifteen slipping in and even serving with distinction on the firing line. However much the government appreciates their patriotism, they do not want them now.

"John Hodge, M. P., chairman of the Labor party, explained today his somewhat pessimistic speech at Birmingham yesterday. "I didn't mean to assert that the Derby scheme had failed. My point was that it was hardly possible in the last week's rush to equalize the initial slowness. I think if the authorities had accepted in the beginning our scheme that men should merely register at night, instead of being taken from work for a indefinite period during the day, all anxiety would have ceased long ago. The working people are determined to crush German militarism, and especially to do so by voluntary methods. But for a job like this, amounting almost to social revolution, a dictator with unlimited powers was required.

Nobody can even guess the result of the Derby scheme, although many members of parliament are wonderfully sanguine."

## HAD SALT RHEUM ON HANDS. Could Not Do Her Work.

Eczema or salt rheum is one of the most common of all skin diseases. It may centre itself on any part of the body, but there are certain places where it most usually begins, such as the hands, the elbows, the backs of the knees, the grooves behind the ears, the scalp, on the palms of the hands, between the fingers, or on the soles of the feet. It is, as a rule, not dangerous, but is very irritating and annoying to the sufferer on account of the terrible itching and burning sensation it causes. It is impossible to eradicate this trouble from the system by external applications, as it is caused by the blood being in an impure state. When you use a good blood cleansing medicine such as Burdock Blood Bitters, a medicine that will drive out all the poisons from the blood and make it pure and rich.

Mrs. Adair Theriault, Theriault, N.B., writes: "Some time ago I was troubled with salt rheum on my hands, and it was so bad I could not do my work. I tried several medicines, but they all failed to help me. One day a friend told me to try Burdock Blood Bitters, so I got a bottle, and before I had taken it my hands were better. I am not afraid to recommend B. B. B. to anyone. B. B. B. has been on the market for the best forty years, and is manufactured only by The T. Millers Co., Limited,

## MESSAGE FROM LT.-GOVERNOR WOOD

I believe it is the desire of the people of many of the municipalities throughout the Province to contribute to the Canadian Patriotic Fund. Questions have arisen as to the right of municipalities to levy an assessment for this or similar purposes.

In order to remove any doubts that may exist in this regard, I wish to call attention to an Act passed at the last session of the Legislature, 5 George V, Chapter 10, which reads as follows:

"1. It shall and may be lawful for any City, Town or Municipal Council to contribute to the Canadian Patriotic Fund created by an Act of Parliament of Canada, 5 George V, Chapter 8, as well as to any other funds, raised or to be raised for the establishment of hospital beds, or the assistance generally or particularly of all persons who have suffered or may suffer, by reason of the present war, whether such person shall be within Canada, the United Kingdom, or any of the countries in alliance with Great Britain.

2. All contributions hitherto made by any City, Town or Municipal Council to the aforesaid purposes, or any of them, and any assessment heretofore made therefor, are hereby declared to be legal and valid.

3. Any City, Town or Municipal Council may apply to any of the aforesaid purposes any of its funds which are otherwise undisposed of, or may assess for such contributions as it shall decide to make."

In directing attention to these provisions of the law I desire to express my earnest wish that the Municipal Councils throughout the Province, when they next meet, will make generous contributions in order to assist in the great work with which those who are administering the Canadian Patriotic Fund find themselves entrusted.

I am pleased to be able to state that Professor DesBarres, of Mount Allison University, has placed his services at my disposal in connection with this work. I have appointed him Organizer of the Fund throughout the Province. He will visit the different localities throughout the Province as soon as possible with a view of meeting the local committees where Organizations exist, and organizing committees in sections where none at present exist, and giving his assistance in any way he can in generally promoting the interests of the Fund.

JOSIAH WOOD, Lieutenant-Governor.

Fredericton, N. B., December 10th, 1915.

## HIS ONLY THOUGHT IS TO AVOID WAR'S TERRORS



King Constantine in a message to the American people says his one desire is to keep his country clear of the perils and disaster of the great war. The King declared his country is trying by every honorable means to guard its sovereignty, protect its people and stand up for its national interests without sacrificing that neutrality which is recognized as its only salvation.

## ARROSTOCK JUNCTION FAST MOTOR CRAFT TO HUNT DOWN "U" BOATS

Arrostock Jct., N. B., Dec. 9.—The school Trustees of School District No. 4, Andover Parish, called a special meeting of ratepayers at 1 a. m. today to consider the question of transportation for children from outside points. The chair was taken by H. S. Sloat, and there were fifteen ratepayers present.

## SHIPMENT OF BOATS FROM NEW YORK FOR BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO CHASE GERMAN UNDERSEA CRAFT.

New York, Dec. 13.—Fast motor boats, valued at \$48,000, and intended for use by the British navy in chasing submarines, were shipped from this port during the week ending December 4, according to statistics made public today, by the foreign trade department of the National City Bank. This is said to be one of the largest shipments of American motor boats made since the beginning of the war.

## DMR. STANLEY GOES TO AID STRANDED VESSEL.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 13.—The Dominion government steamer Stanley which left last night for Bryon Island, Magdalen Islands, to the assistance of crew of the stranded Norwegian steamer Kwango reached there today and took off the men; she will lift boys around the Magdalen before her return here.

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## NO INTENTION OF TRAPPING THE PRESS

### Lord Cecil Says Censors Will Gladly Advise Newspapers on All Doubtful Matters.

London, Dec. 13.—Explaining the suspension of censorship by the press bureau, insofar as foreign affairs are concerned, Lord Robert Cecil, under secretary for foreign affairs, in the House of Commons tonight said that it was considered by the foreign office, when the change was initiated, that while once it laid down under the provisions of the Defense of the Realm Act broad rules as to what ought, or ought not, to be done in the public interest, it was really better that those who were skilled in presentation of the news to the public should be left free to carry out those rules for themselves. This proceeding, Lord Robert explained, has nothing to do with what the naval and military authorities might think necessary.

## TURKISH "U" BOAT TOOK NO CHANCES WITH RUSSIAN WARSHIPS

Petrograd, via London, Dec. 13.—Two Turkish gunboats are declared to have been destroyed near the island of Kefken, in the Black Sea, about thirty miles east of the entrance to the Bosphorus, by three Russian torpedo boats under the command of Captain Count Troubetzkoi.

## ONE-THIRD OF THE PRESBYTERIES HAVE VOTED FOR UNION

Toronto, Dec. 13.—According to returns received here today, one-third of the Presbyteries of Canada have recorded a majority of 15,199 in favor of union with the Methodist and Congregational churches. The votes in these Presbyteries totalled 74,077. The number of congregations voting was 546. The vote in favor was 45,613, three hundred and seventy-three congregations voted in favor of the union.

## ST. JOHN'S BAZAAR RAGING.

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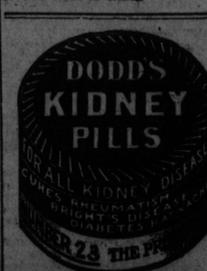
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## NEW SCHOOL

## CHINA'S KING-ELECT SO TAKES HIS JOB VERY SERIOUSLY

### Advices Ministry to eliminate festivities at accession to Throne and devote energies to bettering conditions of Nation.

Peking, Dec. 13.—The Chinese cabinet went to the palace in a body today to congratulate President Yuan Shi Kai on his forthcoming accession to the throne. The president said cordialness would be more in order, as he had assumed the greatest responsibilities for himself and his family. The president discouraged any idea of holding entertainments or celebrating in other ways the re-establishment of the monarchy. He urged his ministers to redouble their efforts to better conditions in China. The Japanese charge d'affaires, M. Oba, visited the foreign office today. He denied that he had discussed the pending change in the form of the government. The attitude of Japan is now the subject of greatest speculation at Peking.

## BIG TASK FOR THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION

### Rest with that body to determine how great assistance gov't is giving Agriculture can be most advantageously used.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—"It is up to you; it is about the biggest opportunity a commission ever faced," said Sir George Foster, acting premier, addressing the first sitting of the Economic and Development Commission, which assembled here today. "I do not think the governments of Canada, federal or provincial, have been as ready towards agriculture. They have done a great deal, but the feeling is abroad that still more ought to be done. Upon you is laid the responsibility of determining how it can be done and the best results to achieve."

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"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.

### AMERICA'S STRONG STAND

The American note to Austria in connection with the sinking of the Italian steamer Ancona is by all means the strongest pronouncement that has emanated from Washington since the commencement of the war. It is the sort of document the world expected but did not receive when the Lusitania was sent to the bottom, and in every line and phrase it breathes evidence that at last the great American nation has awakened to the fact that it cannot stand supinely by and allow the disciples of German Kultur to continue unchecked in their murderous attacks upon innocent and unarmed non-combatants.

It is not well, however, to judge the American case too severely, or to be too free of censure for the previous inactivity of Washington. No nation on the face of the earth, not actually engaged in war, has suffered so severely from the pernicious German policy of "peaceful penetration" as have our neighbors to the south. In times of peace Germans flocked to the United States by the tens of thousands and although a very large proportion of them complied with the formalities in the way of taking out their naturalization papers, yet to all intents and purposes they have always remained true subjects of the Fatherland, ever ready to work in Germany's interests, even though their efforts in that direction made it necessary for them to step aside from the path they had obligated themselves to follow as good citizens of the American republic.

These gentlemen, for the most part, have been little more than German agents, sent abroad, as were the emissaries of old, to spy out the land and secure for the advantage of the Kaiser all that might be worth taking. Thus it is that although the chiefs of the band, the Dumbas, the Boy-Eds, and the Von Papens have been removed from their sphere of activities, the multitude of private workers still remain to pursue their nefarious calling.

Those of the American people who are not pro-British are pro-German, and it may fairly be said that had it not been for the very large influx of German citizens into that country during the past twenty-five years the sympathies of the nation would be wholly British. As it is there are millions of hyphenated Americans who will never permit the obligations of their American citizenship to interfere with what they conceive to be their duty to the land of their birth.

This being the case, and indubitably it is the case, the President of the United States is to be congratulated on the very firm attitude his government has adopted in the note to Austria. It is now necessary to insist upon a prompt and satisfactory reply. The note itself does not permit of evasion and it is the plain duty of the American government to see to it that all its terms are complied with.

### THE VALLEY RAILWAY.

The call for tenders for the completion of the Valley Railway and its equipment in shape for operation, aside from rolling stock, which is made this morning by the directors of the company, is plain evidence that even in war times and despite the prevailing scarcity of money for all construction enterprises, the Government of New Brunswick is prepared to fulfill its bond to the people and provide railway facilities down the St. John valley.

The Valley Railway has had a chequered career but it does not lie in the mouths of the Liberal opponents of the Clarke Government to indulge in criticism or condemnation. If the Laurier government had done its duty when the National Transcontinental was being planned, and routed that road down the valley of the St. John, its natural and logical course, it would not have been necessary for any provincial government to undertake what under any circumstances must be a troublesome project. Premier Clarke and his colleagues did well to accomplish what they have and now that the construction work is to be speedily completed all will unite in the hope that the new line will have a most successful and prosperous career. Those portions of the line already in operation have shown that good business can be worked up and when the

### whole system is completed there is no doubt it will prove a most profitable investment for province and people.

### THE ATMOSPHERE OF VICTORY.

The Times' editor is right when he insists that it is necessary to create throughout the city a "war atmosphere" and with that end in view, declares that "every minister in St. John should not only speak at recruiting meetings but deliver recruiting sermons and urge his people not merely to attend recruiting meetings but to organize them." Such a programme for the city clergy requires no defence, neither should it be necessary to make excuses for the holding of patriotic meetings on Sunday evenings.

The great recruiting meeting of last Sunday night was certainly an inspirational one. Some of the greatest church leaders in Canada, men of light and leading, such as His Lordship the Bishop of Fredericton, and Rev. Dr. Bruce Taylor, minister of the leading Presbyterian church in the Dominion, impressed upon their hearers that this was a most righteous war and that unless the Empire won it there would be an end for many years to all that is most valued in our Christian civilization.

Some of the city clergymen have rendered Herculean service in the cause of recruiting, others have done little or nothing and it may fairly be asked why? Some clergymen have gone so far as to make their churches uncomfortable for young men who should be in khaki and are not, but there are other churches in this city in which vastly more than has been done might be done in order to create that necessary war atmosphere.

Also there are several prosperous fraternal societies with large membership and flourishing exchequers. Why should they not participate in the recruiting campaign? Why not organize meetings, provide speakers and entertainers and do everything possible to assist the handful of men who have been carrying on the work? This war is not the business of a few, or of any special group of men; it is, or should be, the business of all and the most important business requiring attention at the present time. Until the Empire's problem is solved all other business should take second place. An atmosphere of war, yes, more than that, an atmosphere of victory is required in St. John and the clergymen and fraternal societies could well assist in creating it. There are battalions yet to be raised to which the youth of St. John must contribute very largely. The filling of these battalions is of the utmost importance. Are the leaders in the community doing their full duty?

### FORD'S JONAHS.

The Old Testament story of Jonah relates that when the prophet reluctantly took ship for that very wicked city of Tarshish a hurricane arose and the crew, in terror of their very lives, decided to cast him overboard. But as nearly as can be gathered that old time hurricane did not commence to compare for fury and vigor with the "wind storm" which has arisen on board Henry Ford's peace ship.

Wireless reports are responsible for the information that the angelic evangelists of peace who are journeying to Europe at the automobile king's expense, are having a very lively time among themselves as to the manner in which they are to set about imposing peace on the benighted citizens of those pagan courts now engaged in settling momentous questions at the point of the bayonet or by the arbitrament of armed force.

What a pity there isn't a real old-fashioned whale in the North Sea, such as the famous old song told about. If he could be persuaded to follow the Oscar II, he might find a twentieth century Jonah with whom he could become intimate. Falling this means of appeasing the wrath of the peaceable people on the Ford craft the tender mercies of a German submarine might prove effective. Meanwhile it is interesting to note that no matter how the wind blows the Jitney man succeeds in securing a lot of valuable advertising at a very cheap price.

### The British Soldier.

The "Snapper" monthly magazine published by the East Yorkshire Regiment.

Would you like to hear a secret? How the British Soldier's mood. How it is there's naught can beat them. Think you, sir, "die on parade."

When you see the Army See them, round-backed, awkward, top.

See them six months after joining—Is a stiff mill they go through.

True, their parades, gymnastic training. Bring them out and make them smart.

But what we aim at in the Service Is to train their head and heart.

Just before they join the Service All the Army seems the same, Every man is just a soldier, Every Regiment just a name.

Soon he learns that each brave regiment Has a pride that can't be beat, Knows that his own special regiment Means all other corps to beat.

Soon his heart is with his regiment, With his King and Country too, Sooner than see their name tarnished Worse than Hell's fires he'd go through.

On the sporting field in peace time On the battle field in war, 'Tis the honor of his regiment Tommy knows he's fighting for.

Love of Empire, love of Regiment, Tommy understands their worth, And that's what makes the British soldier.

The finest fighter on the earth, ONE LEG AND A SWINGER, Hull, 6-11-15.

### HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Royal.

J. M. Carr, Truro; T. Hutchinson, R. C. E.; J. P. Symington, V. E. Belanus, G. F. Drew, Brunswick, Me.; J. A. B. Cowles, W. G. Bradley, A. J. Greig, New York; A. Taylor, G. F. Fisher, R. E. Jamieson, Montreal; O. G. McPherson, Toronto; E. C. Duffy, Chicago; W. G. Crowther, Hamilton; J. H. Waterman, Boston; Mrs. A. E. Holstead, Moncton; T. G. Loggie, Fredericton; G. D. Campbell, Weymouth; F. W. Nichols, Digby; H. S. Murray, Wainwright; I. R. Todd, Milltown; G. J. Clarke, St. Stephen; F. W. Holsworth, Digby; W. W. Clarke and wife, Bear River; L. De V. Chipman, Kentville; C. Jamieson, Digby; E. H. Nichols, T. E. G. Lynch, Digby; R. O'Leary, Richibucto; E. Grouard, Moncton; J. M. O. Collins, Boston.

Victoria.

F. L. Landers, Truro; J. S. Boyes, Montreal; Seth Jones, Sussex; W. P. Mallman, Toronto; O. A. Smith, Guy Charles, New York; H. B. Durst, Woodstock; J. A. Murray, Miss Helen Murray, Sussex; Edwin Lubert, H. A. Janick, New York; E. S. Collins, Boston; J. W. Dawson, A. McEneaney, H. Martin, Toronto; Jas. W. Day, St. Stephen; Dr. Stuart Loggie, Chatham; Herbert McLean, Arthur Winslow, Wm. McLean, J. V. Guphill, Montreal; Thos. E. Day and wife, Parrsboro; T. C. Dennis, Ottawa; E. Tasser, V. Campeau, Montreal; F. P. Hunter, St. Stephen; S. A. Stafford, Lepreau; C. E. Gates, New River; E. Boyne, Lepreau; F. S. Inglis, Shediac; L. A. Putnam, Moncton; M. A. McLeod, Sussex; C. A. Marceau, Montreal; G. A. Ross, Florenceville.

Dufferin.

J. McSpear, Sussex; Miss Hazel E. Winter, Fredericton; H. Trueman, Wainwright; H. H. Carr, Truro; J. H. Corcoran, Moncton; H. M. Armstrong, Chipman; J. Cook, J. A. Hunter, R. G. Maco, I. O. Whitcomb, J. L. Cooke, F. E. Cummings, C. H. LeTourneur, Montreal; S. L. Gates, Port Williams; M. E. Price, Sussex; H. Warren, Toronto; B. E. Dakin, Halifax; F. C. Hinkley, Bangor; Dr. B. Lees Stevens, Hampton; Miss Doris King, Chipman; Capt. Davies, 149th Battalion.

### LOGGIEVILLE NOTES

Loggieville, N. B., Dec. 13.—The past week was one of great social activity in the town here. On Thursday evening "Starlight" lodge celebrated its first anniversary by holding a social evening in the lodge rooms. A number of guests were present. Enjoyable games of various kinds were indulged in and much was served by the members of the society. Speeches, solos, etc., were given during the evening. A good time is reported by those who attended.

The above mentioned society, which is a branch of the Rebekah Order, has made marked progress during its first year of existence. The membership of the lodge has been increased considerably of late, and even better things are looked forward to in the incoming year.

On Thursday evening the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Loggie was the scene of a social gathering, when the Ladies' Aid Society of Knox church met to spend the evening. The members of the society were accompanied by a number of friends. Interesting games were enjoyed by the company. Delicious refreshments were served at the lunch hour.

Mrs. Wm. Edge entertained the Missionary Society on Wednesday afternoon.

A recruiting meeting is to be held in the Temperance Hall on Thursday evening of this week. This will be the first meeting of this kind held in the town here. All the citizens are deeply interested.

Miss Jennie Noble, who spent some days at her home in Hardwicke, recently, returned to town last week.

Miss Eva Deady returned home from Bathurst last week.

Horatio Smith, who spent the past week at his old home in Black River is loud in praise of the reception given him by his friends there. It is some time since Mr. Smith visited that section of the country and he reports

### Little Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE.

I had a fierce tooth ache last night and pop had to tell me to get up and put olive oil on it. With she did, saying, Now you go to bed and you had to get the fever teeth tomorrow morning, don't you.

Yes man, to the dentist, I said.

And so mummy blames about it, saying, you've got to go, and pop.

Oh go, aw right, this beats feature, I said. And I went back to bed holding my face and wishing it was morning so I could go to the dentist, and this morning when I woke up the tooth ache was aw better, and I went down for breakfast I didn't say anything about teeth or anything, and ma said, Well, Benny, I suppose you remember were your going before school this morning.

Wars, I said.

To the dentist, that was, and I want you to go with him, farther, to make sure he goes, and ma.

It's a pleasure to make sure that somebody else goes to the dentist, and pop. And after breakfast he and him walked around to the dentist house, me saying, I milt be late for school if I go to the dentist now, pop.

That would be a unusual calamity, wooden it, and pop. Meaning I am jennely late for school anyway. And wen we got to the dentist house, pop said, Now, ill stand outside heer till I see you go inside, I havent time to wate any lawngs, the office calls to me. With I waked up the dentist frunt steps and a sine sed, Wawke in without ringing. With I did, ony a bell rang when I opened the door and keep awn ringing till I closed it agan, and the dentist came to the top of the stairs and saw somebody standing there, being me.

Wy, hello, Benny, sed the dentist, come awn up. With I did, saying, I ejst wantid to see you about sumthing.

About teeth, I sippose, sed the dentist.

No sir, I sed.

Wat then, sed the dentist.

I wantid to no if you wantid to buy a dawg, I sed.

Have you got wen to sell, sed the dentist.

No sir, I sed.

You hop into this chare, sed the dentist. With I did, and he looked in my mouth, saying, Ah hah, ah hah, I see a hole, Im going to fill it up. With he did, herting ferse for a wile, and then I went to school and let my fello look into my mouth that wantid to, about 10 wanting to.

tion of the country and he reports many changes.

At the Sunday evening meeting in the Young Peoples Society their new lantern was used for the first time. The meeting was of a missionary character and interesting slides on the life of Livingstone were shown. An address on the life of this great missionary was cleverly handled by Rev. W. J. Rosborough. A paper bearing on the women's missionary work in Canada was read by Miss Bertie Loggie.

The two illustrated hymns were heartily rendered. A missionary male quartette was sung by Messrs. Simpson, Dempsey, Herby and Hornbrook. The devotional exercises were led by the president, J. W. S. Babbirk.

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Dainty Bronze Gipsy Boots advertisement with illustration of a woman in a dress.

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SCHOOL BOARD RE-ENGAGES DR. BRIDGES FOR FIVE YEARS Superintendent of Education receives expression of confidence and good wishes.

Richard O'Leary says season so far has not been successful.

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NEW STUDENTS HOLD FIRST MOCK TRIAL Case of John Smith vs. St. John Railway Company causes much amusement and interest.

Advertisement for La TOUR FLOUR.

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Advertisement for SLEDS AND FRAMERS.

Advertisement for MEN'S VELOX.

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Advertisement for BOYS' VELOX.

Ye Old Time Yule-Tide Mince Pies advertisement.

Big Drawing! advertisement with illustration of a drawing.

Wins Every Race! advertisement with illustration of a sled.

SLEDS AND FRAMERS advertisement with illustration of a sled.

MEN'S VELOX advertisement with illustration of a bicycle.

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BOYS' VELOX advertisement with illustration of a bicycle.

W. H. THORNE & CO. LTD. advertisement.

LATEST FINANCIAL AND SHIPPING NEWS AND MARKET LISTLESS AND HEAVY U.S. STEEL AND OTHER LEADERS UNDER FIRE

WEEK'S MARKET SEEN IN REVIEW BY J. S. BACHE & CO.

The copper stocks, and some others, blossomed out this week with added dividends: Utah, Ray, Chino and Nevada. In zinc, Butte & Superior declared an extra dividend, which makes the disbursements to stockholders this year total \$18 per share (par value \$10). The bell of business well-being struck at 12 o'clock noon on Friday, when unfilled tonnage of the Steel Corporation came over the tape at over 1,000,000. Last month's Steel business was booked at very high prices, meaning unusually large earnings when deliveries are made. The demand is unabated, and it is said that in the trade more business is being refused than booked. With Steel the exponent, the outlook for general business conditions is pointing skyward. While all business conditions are bullish and money abundant, the technical market situation, as shown by the level of prices and by the height of loans, is considered bearish by many brokers, who do not wish to increase their commitments, and so the market remains at more or less of a level, which is irregularly disturbed by foreign sales coming in from day to day and depressing prices. These extra supplies of securities are soon absorbed by outright investors and the market once more regains its level, with comparative dullness following. But on the conditions prevailing, the market must eventually go higher. That will come when the supply of stocks, and consequently the volume of loans, is reduced. A real reaction reducing prices to attractive levels; or large absorption for investment, extending much beyond the supply from abroad, would bring about this result. The future course of prices, then, must depend upon the extent to which the real investor relieves the present situation.

Among high priced specialties American Tobacco was the weak feature, sustaining an extreme loss of 9 points at 290, with sympathetic declines in kindred issues. People's Gas of Chicago dropped 5 1/2 to 112, and the more prominent war shares were two to five points lower. Bethlehem Steel, on one sale, dropped 16 points to 455, and the preferred lost five at 150. Later Bethlehem common rallied to 468. General Motors common and preferred, Studebaker and Texas Company, the latter selling "ex-dividend," constituted the only strong features of the session, which lapsed into complete stagnation and lowest prices in the final hour. People's recoveries from minimums were registered at the close. Total sales amounted to 376,000 shares. A development of broad financial interest was the decline in exchange on Germany to 77 1/2, the lowest rate quoted since the outbreak of the war, and probably in the history of banking relations between this centre and Berlin. All other forms of foreign remittances were lower. Cables announcing the intention of the British chancellor of the exchequer to purchase American securities, paying for them in five year five per cent treasury bonds, confirmed recent reports of general "mobilization" of such securities now held in Great Britain. The effect of this manoeuvre seems to have been partly discounted in the recent recurrent foreign liquidation. Anglo-French bonds repeated last week's price of 94 1/2, for future delivery, while cash trades were effected at 93 and "the regular way" 94 1/2. The general bond list was under constant pressure. Total sales, par value, \$2,990,000. United States registered 4 1/2 advanced 1/2 per cent on call.

MARKET LISTLESS AND HEAVY U.S. STEEL AND OTHER LEADERS UNDER FIRE

Market variable with downward tendency—Exchange on Germany slumps to 77 1/2, lowest mark since outbreak of the war. New York, Dec. 23.—Washington's firm attitude toward Vienna regarding the sinking of the Ancona furnished the most likely reason for today's listless and heavy market. A combination of foreign and domestic selling, the latter largely from professional sources, resulted in variable changes, mainly downward. In its efforts to depress prices the trading element again concentrated its attacks upon United States Steel and such other leaders as the Pacific group of rails, also Reading and Baltimore & Ohio. Declines in these issues extended from one to almost two points. New York Central was the only noteworthy exception to the lower levels reached by rails. Among high priced specialties American Tobacco was the weak feature, sustaining an extreme loss of 9 points at 290, with sympathetic declines in kindred issues. People's Gas of Chicago dropped 5 1/2 to 112, and the more prominent war shares were two to five points lower. Bethlehem Steel, on one sale, dropped 16 points to 455, and the preferred lost five at 150. Later Bethlehem common rallied to 468. General Motors common and preferred, Studebaker and Texas Company, the latter selling "ex-dividend," constituted the only strong features of the session, which lapsed into complete stagnation and lowest prices in the final hour. People's recoveries from minimums were registered at the close. Total sales amounted to 376,000 shares. A development of broad financial interest was the decline in exchange on Germany to 77 1/2, the lowest rate quoted since the outbreak of the war, and probably in the history of banking relations between this centre and Berlin. All other forms of foreign remittances were lower. Cables announcing the intention of the British chancellor of the exchequer to purchase American securities, paying for them in five year five per cent treasury bonds, confirmed recent reports of general "mobilization" of such securities now held in Great Britain. The effect of this manoeuvre seems to have been partly discounted in the recent recurrent foreign liquidation. Anglo-French bonds repeated last week's price of 94 1/2, for future delivery, while cash trades were effected at 93 and "the regular way" 94 1/2. The general bond list was under constant pressure. Total sales, par value, \$2,990,000. United States registered 4 1/2 advanced 1/2 per cent on call.

CLOSING LETTER OF N. Y. MARKET BY E. & C. RANDOLPH

New York, Dec. 23.—The market continued dull to the end of the day and the tone was heavy throughout. There was nothing in the news to furnish an incentive to activity on either side, and traders were inclined to wait for Austria's reply to the American note before adding to the extent of their commitments. While this government has pressed for an early answer, there is no time limit and Austria's reply may not come for many days. Exchange rates moved off further against Berlin and Vienna, probably reflecting the weak situation now prevailing in those countries. The possibility of labor troubles now begins to engage serious attention. The various railroad labor unions are getting together to co-operate in demands for increased wages and reduced hours of service while it is a practical certainty that the anthracite miners will endeavor to obtain better conditions following the termination of their agreement with the companies next April. It is unfortunate that such important labor matters should arise within less than a year of a presidential election, as political influences are likely to be injected into the labor side. A continuance of great activity is reported from steel trade centers, and an advance in the prices of certain important lines of material is expected in the near future. The technical condition of the market continues weak and while stocks meet support on declines, news of an unfavorable kind might result in a considerable movement downward.

SHIPPING

MINIATURE ALMANAC. December Phases of the Moon. New Moon, 6th. 2nd, 4m. a. m. First Quarter, 13th. 7th, 38m. p. m. Full Moon, 21st. 8h, 52m. p. m. Last Quarter, 29th. 8h, 59m. p. m.

DOMESTIC PORTS. Halifax, Dec 10—Ard: Str Hotham Newton, Horne, New York for Mid-desboro, put in leaving.

BRITISH PORTS. Belfast, Dec 11—Ard: Str Howth Head, Moore, New Orleans. Lizard, Dec 10—Passed: Str Beachy Head, Holt, New York for London.

FOREIGN PORTS. Catania, Dec 11—Ard: Str Tanagra, Dalton, Philadelphia. City Island, Dec 11—Sid: Str Turret Crown, Pitou, N. S. and Sydney, C. B. via Norwalk, Me, for Perth Amboy, Sch Francis Goodnow, St George, N. B. via Norwalk, Ct, for New York. Passed Dec 11: Str Harry W Lewis, New York for Weymouth, N. S.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET SALES. High. Low. Close. Jan. 12.16 11.85 12.16. Mar. 12.42 12.06 12.41. May . . . . . 66 . . . . . 65. Oct. . . . . 12.77 12.33 12.74. Dec. . . . . 12.34 11.99 12.33.

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CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE

(McDUGALL & COWANS)—Chicago, Dec. 23.—Wheat, No. 2 red, 1.12; No. 2 hard, 1.14 to 1.16; No. 3 hard, 1.08 to 1.10. Corn—No. 2 yellow, old, 73; No. 4 yellow, new, 64 to 66; No. 4 white, 64 to 65 1/2. Oats—No. 2 white, 40 to 42; standard, 42 1/2 to 43 1/2. Rye—No. 2, 85 to 96. Barley—61 to 70. Timothy—5.00 to 8.00. Clover—10.00 to 19.00. Pork—16.25; lard, 9.42; ribs, 9.62 to 10.00.

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"Stolen Goods," an emotional drama of Justice and romance, opened the week at Imperial Theatre and set a new standard in stage realism. Incidental to the story it was necessary to show how King Albert's little kingdom has been devastated by the opposing armies and how under the sun the mechanism of the stage succeeded in imitating the results of gunfire, even to the demolishing of large buildings in front of one's very eye, seemed a mystery even to the wisecracks. The following cast introduces the players: Margaret Huntley, Dressmaker's Assistant. . . . . Blanche Sweet, Helen North, Kleptomaniac. . . . . Cloo Ridgely, Edward Carlton, American Red Cross Surgeon. . . . . House Peters, French Surgeon. . . . . H. B. Carpenter, Mr. North, Helen's Father. . . . . Sydney Deane, German Surgeon Major. . . . . Theodore Roberts, Margaret Huntley, a poor girl working in a dressmaking establishment, is sent to match some samples at a store. While she is standing at a counter Helen North, a rich girl kleptomaniac, steals a piece of lace, and noticing that it is missed, saves herself by thrusting it into Margaret's open bag. Thus Margaret goes to prison for a crime which she did not commit. When Margaret leaves prison she becomes a trained nurse, but her "prison record" is discovered and she feels that her best field for work is in the Belgian hospitals under the Red Cross. There she again meets Helen, who has lost all her money but who has received a ticket to America and some cash from a friend to whom her father wrote before his death. Helen is apparently killed by a shell, and Margaret determines to go to America under the name of the woman who caused all her misery. Helen is not really slain, and when she seeks to claim her own the drama develops to a most unexpected climax. Blanche Sweet plays the role of Margaret and House Peters is the Red Cross surgeon who loves her and remains true under all conditions. A singer entirely new to this part of Canada made his bow at the Imperial yesterday in Mr. Henry Kelly, a cultured Bostonian. His interpretation of Gounod's exquisite number from Faust, "Eve's Bravest Heart," was of the most artistic character and won for him a great deal of applause. It was that he was forced to respond with other selections. Mr. Kelly is a finished performer, a good looking and attractive personality, so he looks as if his stay at the Imperial will be marked with the prospect of success. Frank Keenan, the eminent star of twenty years standing, will be seen tomorrow and Thursday in the Universal masterpiece "The Long Chance." This is a drama of extraordinary strength and depicts a chain of incidents at the time of the great California gold rush in '49, when the honor of woman was a marketable commodity.

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The Mutual Weekly shows many interesting items, including many from the fighting arena. The Unique management makes the interesting announcement that dating from yesterday the Mutual pictures will be shown almost exclusively and this means that Florence LaBoadie will be seen frequently.

THE CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND

Payments to treasurer of Canadian Patriotic Fund, St. John: Single payments: W. L. H. \$100.00; McHenry, Wm., \$60.

Monthly subscriptions—Thomas, S. A., \$5; Puddington, H. M., (two months), \$20; Ellis, F. B., \$5; Ellis, Mrs. F. B., \$5; Driscoll, S., (two months), \$11; Mathers, W. R., (two months), \$10; O'Prey, John (two months), \$11; Fitzgerald, R. E., \$3; Johnston, F. A., \$3; O'Regan, F. L., (two months), \$4; Cooper, W. E., (two months), \$4; Hopper, H. M., (two months), \$10; Cosman, L. W., (two months), \$2; Campbell, G. W., (two months), \$4; Girvan, S., \$3; Padlock, M. V., (two months), \$3; Dykeman, E. P., (two months), \$2; Phillips, A. W., (two months), \$2; Downer, R. J., \$4; Stewart, T. R., (two months), \$4; McKenrick, H. W., (two months), \$3; Barbour, Fred (two months), \$10; Robertson, G. M., (two months), \$4; McClary Mfg. Co., \$10; Gallivan, Mrs. (two months), \$1; Wetmore, H. W., \$5; McVey, Dr. W. B., \$5.

In the individual numbers, Mr. Simons, whose pleasing tenor is well known, gave Ponchelli's "Cloro e mar." It was very nice, but he can do a lot better—in English. C. E. Girvan is a remarkably fine baritone and handles his voice well, but is somewhat backward about letting his audience have the full benefit of it.

There were several other numbers. One was a duet by Mr. Munro and Mr. Guy described as "Love and War," though the program did not say which was which. However, they sang just as well as usual, and that means a whole lot. And there was a trio, too, with Mr. Skelton, Mr. Guy and Walter Pidgeon. It was of the brighter class, got the audience going and had to be repeated.

These three should sing together often—it is good for folks to hear them. Messrs. E. T. Clarke, A. J. Coster, C. E. Girvan and I. B. Kierstead were heard in "Allan Water." Their performance was creditable although not spectacular, and would stand a little more smoothing down at the edges.

On the stage was a piano which fitted into its place so well that few people realized it was there. Harry C. Dunlop was in command and his accompaniments were what accompaniments are supposed to be. More than this, when the lid came off and Mr. Dunlop was given chance to go it alone, did he keep on playing till the audience were on pins and needles? Not much! He played well, particularly well, and just when the people were enjoying it most, he stopped. Mr. Dunlop's solo was brilliantly rendered, but was no better than his work as accompanist led the audience to expect.

It was a good concert—a real good concert—and St. John music-lovers will be pleased to know that another entertainment by this club another different line is to be given later in the season. Mr. Peacock and his associates are doing a very excellent work, not only in raising the standard of music in the city, but in giving pleasure to many people to whom such opportunities come very seldom. The proceeds of last evening's concert will go to the Patriotic Fund.

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TO TAKE CENSUS OF MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY IN CANADA

Special to The Standard

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The scenes depicting the transformation of the sea nymph to the human being, the dance before the king and the re-transformation, all of which were suppressed by the censors were found, by Judge Armstrong, to be objectionable. The diving scene was found unobjectionable.

The case is said to be the first in the eastern provinces in which an appeal has been taken from the decision of motion picture censors.

A census was about to be taken by post of the whole manufacturing industry of the country. This will show the production, number of employees, wages paid, etc. Manufacturers will be especially asked to indicate what proportion of their output is for purposes of the war and what proportion for ordinary purposes. Also the same in regard to employees.

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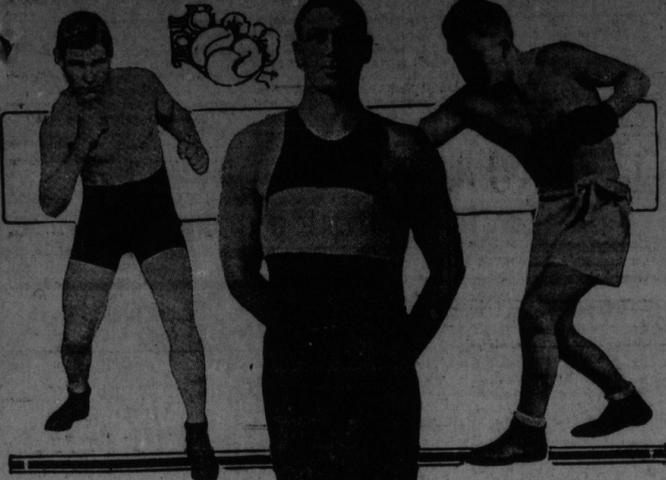
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# Live Sporting News and Notes

BOXING STARS WHO HAVE JUMPED INTO PROMINENCE



LES DARCY.

JOHN ERTLIE.

FRED FULTON.

In the last year three boxers have jumped into prominence. Two of them are known quantities. The ability of the third is shrouded in more or less mystery, but the fact that he has been selected to be the first to oppose Jess Willard since the latter won the heavy-weight championship of the world from "Jack" Johnson entitles him to mention with the others—"Les" Darcy, the Australian middleweight, and "Johnny" Ertle, the St. Paul "Kewpie." They represent three divisions. Ertle is a bantamweight, Darcy is a middleweight, and Fulton, a heavyweight, is known as the "Rochester Giant." Darcy's fame was enhanced when he stopped "Eddie" McGeorty. Ertle polished his own reputation when "Kid" Williams lost to him on a foul. Fulton came out of the "back woods" when he asserted he had felled Willard in an exhibition bout.

## LIVE SPORT TIPS AND TOPICS

There were many fans who believed that Joe Lannin's idea to cut salaries on the Red Sox would extend to everyone on the team. That there was no clipping of Larry Gardner's checks for 1916 was the natural consequence of his steady and all-round value to the World's Champions last season.

Harvard, as usual, will not make a fight to secure the annual intercollegiate championship track and field games next May, but already enough college have gone on record for Cambridge over Philadelphia to make it almost sure that the games will be held in the Crimson stadium. It has been announced that the next intercollegiate chess tournament for Yale, Princeton, Harvard and Columbia will be held in New York, Dec. 22, 23 and 24. The championship has been won by Columbia 10 times, by Harvard nine times, by Yale twice, and by Princeton once. The originator of the tournament was Edward A. Caswell, Yale, '06, who yesterday, for the first time in 24 years, was unable to attend the business meeting of the association at the Yale Club in New York.

Connie Mack, in reply to a query put to him by newspapermen in Philadelphia, said that he knew of no arrangement whereby Baker was to go to the White Sox. "I gave the New York Club permission to deal with Baker, and to my knowledge Capt. Huston and Col. Ruppert are the only men who have talked business with him. Of course, if Comiskey agents are dickering with Baker, that is something I know nothing about. I'm sure that if Baker plays with any club in the American League next season, that club will be the New York Club. The news of Baker already being under contract with the White Sox is news to me. In fact, I might add it is too ridiculous to be considered seriously."

Baker, it is contended, has a natural preference to go to Chicago, since his teammate of the Athletics is there, and no one could better Comiskey's terms in the matter of salary. Next week will tell the story.

Just what a hold hockey has at St. Paul's School at Concord, N. H., is indicated in a measure by the fact that hockey sticks are ordered not by the dozen, but by the thousand, by the school supply department.

## LOCAL BOWLING YESTERDAY

In the City League on Black's alleys last night the Tigers captured three points from the C. P. R. team and rolled up a good total of 1498. The following is the individual scores:

Tigers	
Belyea	106 104 96 306 102
Black	117 95 107 319 106 1-3
Howard	110 80 93 283 94 1-3
Balley	84 121 99 304 101 1-3
Coughlan	83 113 90 286 95 1-3
600 513 485 1498	
C. P. R.	
Clary	97 85 99 281 93 9-3
Howard	93 90 100 283 94 1-3
McDonald	99 123 106 328 109 1-5
McIntyre	86 102 94 282 94
Stevens	85 85 104 274 91 1-3
460 485 503 1448	

Tonight the Wanderers and Easterns will play.

## HOCKEY HAPPENINGS.

When the Arena Hockey Club holds its first practice next week there will be many Canadians in the squad as ex-Canadian collegians who have entered the various institutions around Boston will come out for the team.

The great team, the B. A. A., will have this season will meet a severe test when it meets the Harvard Varsity team a week from tonight. With Tom Thatcher, Murray Taylor and George Percy coming up from the freshman team, the Crimson ought to have one of the best seasons in its history.

Harvard has been fortunate in having popular men manage its hockey team the past few years. Johnny Fleck was a rink favorite last year and Bill Enright, who succeeded him this year, is a hustling, popular manager. The fun will start Monday night when the army of candidates for assistant manager-ship of the Harvard team will report to Manager Enright. These boys are so eager to make good that they run wild looking for lost pucks, sweaters and blankets.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS HELD BY L. O. L. NO. 98 AT WELSFORD

Welsford, Dec. 11.—At the monthly meeting of L. O. L. No. 111, held at the Orange Hall on Tuesday evening last, there were eight visitors, members of the Westfield L. O. L. No. 98, Brother Royal Arch Degree. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

Worshipful master—Bro. H. Kirtley. Recording secretary—Bro. H. Wood. Deputy master, chaplain and treasurer were re-elected.

The members of the Boys' Scout Movement met at the Victoria Hall on Thursday evening last. There were twelve members present. The programme for the evening was the first part of test No. 3, stave drill, troop formation and physical drill. The boys were also tested in the work already covered. There was one visitor present, Private G. C. Armstrong, who was pleased to see the way in which the boys got through the work and complimented them highly. The next meeting will be held on Thursday next. There was a very large attendance at the weekly meeting of S. of T. Lodge No. 428 held at the Victoria Hall on Wednesday evening last, numbering 26. There were three new members initiated.

Brother Gregg, who represented the lodge in the Temperance Alliance delegation when the delegation placed their plea for prohibition before the local house which met in Fredericton the beginning of this week, presented his report.

Private S. C. Armstrong, of the Army Medical Service Corps, Halifax, is in Welsford on a short furlough renewing old acquaintances. He leaves this evening for Westfield to spend Sunday with his sister before he returns to Halifax on Monday.

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## EVERTS TRADE WAS NOT EVEN CONSIDERED

Johnny Everts will play with the Boston Braves next season and if the rumors of his being traded to Cincinnati for "Buck" Herzog were exploded by Pres. Gaffney yesterday in a letter to Business Manager Hapgood.

The owner of the Boston club, in unmistakable language, declared not only that there was no foundation for the report, but went further and said that no such trade had ever been contemplated by him; and further still, that no owner or manager in the National League had suggested to him a purchase or trade in which Everts would be involved, for the reason that they knew he would not consider it for a moment.

Many fans in Boston had been misled by this rumor, he said, and had written to him in protest against letting his captain and second baseman go. He was in perfect accord with the sentiments expressed by them and there was, not and never had been, any occasion for their concern about the much-talked-of exchange of players.

He would go into the market and strengthen the Boston club by securing another good catcher, and one or two hard-hitting fielders, if he could get them by purchase or otherwise, but Everts would play at second base, he said. This assurance, coming as it does without any qualification whatsoever, effectually disposes of a matter of grave concern to the Boston fans. Larry Gardner has signed up with the Red Sox for next season at the

## THE BEST HIGH BALL

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## SACKVILLE MAN HAS FOUR SONS IN KHAK

Middle Sackville, Dec. 12.—Miss Fannie Barnes of Sackville is spending some time with Miss Alice Ayer. Mrs. Bedford Harper was hostess at a delightful tea party on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Alice Atkinson of Sackville is the guest of her daughter Mrs. Walter Melanson. The members of the Red Cross Society are still actively engaged in the good work of preparing comforts for the wounded. They are this week packing another box of socks, shirts, etc., to be shipped at once.

The many friends of Rev. David Price, pastor of the United Baptist church in this place, will be interested to know that he has applied for the position of Chaplain in the new West-Portland Co. battalion.

Albert DeVarrenne, son of Mr. Stephen DeVarrenne, is one of the latest to enlist for foreign service. Mr. DeVarrenne, who already has three sons in England, viz., Fred, Arthur and Meddie, all members of the 56th Batt., is surely doing his bit for his King and Country.

Owing to the fire which destroyed the harness shop and offices of the A. E. Dry Co. in Sackville, on Sunday morning, the business has been transferred to the company's store in this place and the staff now occupy the offices formerly used by the Standard Mfg. Co.

## SCHR. LAVENGO ASHORE AND TOTAL WRECK

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 12.—Word was received here today from the captain of the schooner Lavengo, stating that she was a total loss at Burn Point Sage, Nfld., being driven ashore during the gale. Crew saved. Schooner insured.

## POSTAL ORDERS TO U. S. NO LONGER LIMITED TO \$5.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Dec. 12.—The post office department gives notice that postal orders for remittance to the United States are no longer limited to \$5. The department has issued fraud orders against the Manitoba Merchandise and Finance Agency of Winnipeg, L. F. Underwood, manager, and against "Bennett" 134 De Grand Pre street, St. Louis, Montreal and 104 Boulevard, St. Joseph, Ouest, Montreal.

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**THE WEATHER.**

Forecast.

Maritime—Strong winds and gales from southwest at first, with snow and rain.

Washington, Dec. 12—Northern New England—Snow Tuesday, colder at night; Wednesday fair northwest gales.

Toronto, Dec. 12—An important disturbance has developed off the middle Atlantic coast and an area of high pressure is centered to the westward of the Great Lakes. Light snow has fallen in Ontario and Quebec, while in the west the weather has been mild and rather cold.

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**Temperatures.**

	Min.	Max.
Prince Rupert	34	38
Victoria	42	50
Vancouver	42	46
Kamloops	28	34
Calgary	2	24
Edmonton	6	18
Battleford	6	6
Prince Albert	6	2
Moose Jaw	5	12
Regina	5	6
Winnipeg	6	4
Port Arthur	8	14
Ferry Sound	26	26
London	26	33
Toronto	28	33
Kingston	30	32
Ottawa	4	24
Montreal	14	26
Quebec	8	22
St. John	12	26
Halifax	14	28

—Below zero.

**Around the City**

**RECRUITING MEETINGS.**

There will be a recruiting meeting tonight at eight o'clock in the Temperance Hall, St. James street, when Rev. F. S. Porter and others will speak. A musical programme will be provided.

A meeting in the interest of recruiting will be held on Thursday night at the Temperance Hall, Carleton. Rev. W. R. Robinson and Miles E. Agar will speak.

**Assessment Commission.**

The St. John Assessment Commission held a meeting on Saturday. Statistics were considered as affecting other cities. There will be no further meetings until the new year. No definite plan has been arranged regarding the trial of members of the commission to enquire into the matter of taxation in other communities.

**Wants to Go Back to War.**

Among those who applied at the recruiting office yesterday was Ernest Clapp, of Liverpool, England. He has been at the front but was wounded and discharged. He enlisted on the 14th of July, 1914, in the 25th King's Liverpool and was with them until the 28th of August, 1915, when he was wounded. He is one of the men who went through Neuve Chapelle. He was turned down here on account of being fit for one of the steamers in port.

**Deserters Escape.**

There have been frequent reports of deserters from the 69th Battalion deserting, and some of these have been captured. Last night there were three men locked up in the guard room at the armory. About 10.30 o'clock it was discovered that the prisoners had torn down the bars of the guard house and had made their escape. The military police, as well as members of the local force are on the lookout for the deserters.

**Pleaded Guilty to Selling Liquor.**

On Monday, the 14th inst., William McAleer of Erin street was arrested on the charge of assaulting Paul Ranta with an axe. For some time Detective Barrett and Briggs have had suspicions that McAleer was engaging in the illegal sale of liquor, and after the arrest was made on the assault charge the detectives searched the premises and found a quantity of liquor. The officers also procured evidence of selling liquor and yesterday he pleaded guilty to the charge and was remanded to jail.

**Presentation to Soldier.**

Wm. W. Dorman of 20 City Road, who has enlisted in the 115th Battalion, was waited on at his home last night by his fellow employees of the McClary Company and presented with a gold illuminated wrist watch, pipe and purse. Mr. Dorman was taken entirely by surprise but made a fitting reply, thanking his friends for their kindness. He has been in the employ of the McClary Company for about ten years and has been connected with the 62nd Battalion for about sixteen years, the last seven of which he was color sergeant of H Company.

**A Musical Evening.**

The regular meeting of the Young Peoples' Association of Saint David's church was held last evening. An interesting programme was carried out under the leadership of Miss Edith Doherty. The following famous songs were sung and the history of each one told by Miss Finley, Robin Adair, Dr. Leonard, Old Folks at Home, Miss C. Baillie, Marseilles, Curlew record, Sally in Our Alley, Mrs. Barnes; Kathleen Mavourneen, Miss Williams; Hark, Hark, the Lark, Mrs. Barnes.

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**TENDERS ON TENDERS FOR THE ST. JOHN AND QUEBEC RAILWAY.**

**COMPLETION OF VALLEY RY.**

**Building of sections from Andover to Centreville and from Gagetown to Rothesay to be undertaken at once—Tenders close on December 30th.**

The directors of the St. John and Quebec Railway Co. (the Valley line) at a meeting held at the Royal Hotel last night approved of a form of tender for the completion of the road. The notice calling for tenders is made public this morning.

The uncompleted portions of the Valley Railway are those extending from Andover in Victoria County, to Centreville, in Carleton County, and from Gagetown to Rothesay. The extension from Gagetown to Rothesay will be subject to diversion of route as the exact location of this end of the road has not been definitely decided upon.

President Irving R. Todd in his call for tenders announces that tenders will be received up to noon on Thursday, December 30. The tenders are to state the cost per mile for a complete line of railway without rolling stock, ready in every other respect for operation by the lessee.

**C. B. WARD HEADS PRECEPTORY NO. 62 OF BLACK KNIGHTS**

Queens Preceptory elected officers and heard reports—Year most successful.

C. B. Ward was elected worshipful Preceptor of Queen's Preceptory, No. 62, Royal Black Knights of Ireland at the annual session held last evening. The other officers elected follow:—J. H. Burley, deputy preceptor; R. F. Goodrich, chaplain; Alexander Millson, registrar; James Spry, treasurer; F. Pitt, first lecturer; B. Heans, second lecturer; P. McMain, first censor; George Clarke, second censor; W. Reid, first standard bearer; A. Winchester, second standard bearer; G. O. Aberley, purveyor. Committee, G. A. Earle, E. W. Rowley, James Elliott, A. Galbraith, J. K. Lawson, C. Hughes, A. Rolston.

The annual reports of the retiring officers showed that the preceptory was never in better condition. The membership has increased during the past year, and there has been an amplification of all degrees from black to the red cross on large classes.

The preceptory has a good degree team and the new year starts better than any in its history. The preceptory has three members at the front fighting for the Empire.

**FORTY MEN WAITING TO BE EXAMINED FOR ENTRANCE TO RANKS**

Good meeting in Mill street offices—Rev. W. R. Robinson and Dr. Magee the speakers.

While no applicants were finally passed by the doctor yesterday, there are about 40 waiting to be examined. At the Mill street meeting last night R. J. Walsh acted as chairman and the speakers were Rev. W. R. Robinson and Dr. Magee. The rest of the programme consisted of a reading by Miss Walabansone by Moore Brothers and harmonics solo by P. C. Johnson. Rev. Mr. Robinson said every day the call from the different fronts is becoming more insistent for men; we are going to win this fight but it will not be until we get more men. There is one class of men who are not getting their proper share of credit for the work they are doing in this war, that is the men of the merchant marine. They are taking all sorts of chances in order that the army may be fed and clothed and we take it as a matter of course. If there is anything that should stimulate recruiting it is the fact that a British army has had to retire before the Bulgarians and lack of men was the reason for that retirement. There is a man in one of the New Brunswick battalions 68 years old, in order to get in he gave his age as 45, if that same spirit inspired all Britain should soon end this war.

Dr. Magee said it was a great pleasure to him to try and do his little bit for the Empire. This is a war, he said, one can be proud to be engaged in, and if we all do our best it will soon be brought to an end.

**ST. MATTHEWS CALLS MONTREAL PASTOR**

Rev. John Hardwick invited to succeed Rev. J. J. McCaskill who has gone to front.

The congregation of Saint Matthews' Presbyterian church, Douglas Avenue, has extended a call to the Rev. John Hardwick to fill the pastorate of the church left vacant by the Rev. J. J. McCaskill, who went as chaplain in the 73rd Highland Regiment from Montreal. Dr. Hardwick has been preaching in Montreal and it is altogether probable that he will accept the call of the church.

The Young Peoples' Society of the church held their weekly meeting last night and the subject for the evening was missions. Mr. Harry Keene presided and papers on missions were read by Miss Aird, Miss Leggett, Miss Turner, Miss Daley and Miss Keene. These dealt with the life of the Rev. Dr. Robertson, the pioneer of Presbyterianism in the Canadian west. The Rev. John Hardwick gave a pleasing address on his own missionary work in northern Ontario, in the vicinity of Cobalt. Short addresses were also given by J. Fraser Gregory and Charles Steeves and the evening was brought to a close with the national anthem.

**COMPLAINED OF VOTING CONTEST**

Retail Merchants Association laid complaint in Court against Union St. business man.

In the police court an official of the Retail Merchants' Association complained that H. H. DeMille & Co., who conducts a men's furnishing house at 199-201 Union street, was violating the law. Mr. DeMille was in court and explained that with every purchase in his store the purchaser was given a slip of paper registering the amount and was allowed one vote for every cent expended in the store. Every Wednesday these votes were deposited and at the end of six months the person who had the highest number would be presented with a piano. Mr. DeMille stated that he was working this plan for the Business Boosters, who had wired him to the effect that it was fully within the law. There was no game of chance or lottery in connection with it.

The Association representative stated that it was a game of chance and was contrary to the act. The court was inclined to believe that the way the matter was run by Mr. DeMille was not illegal, but would fully look into the matter and inform the complainant that a date would be set for later in the week, or after Christmas, and if the Association wished then to take out an information the case would be given a hearing. It was suggested, however, that the whole case would only rest on a technical point of law.

**PERSONAL**

Hon. J. A. Murray, minister of agriculture, was in the city yesterday and left for Fredericton in the evening.

Miss D. Colgan has returned home after a month's visit in Boston and New York.

Prester Clarke is at the Royal.

Richard O'Leary of Richibucto was at the Royal last night.

Fred S. Inglis of Shediac is at the Victoria.

Charles Jamieson, M. P. for Digby, was at the Royal yesterday.

Christmas Walets.

F. A. Dykeman & Co. have just received a lot of late arrivals, 11th Hour styles. They bought these especially for Christmas presents and they are without doubt the daintiest designs that have been shown for a long time. Made from crepe de chine, in the new pastel shades, also plaid silks, silk voile and pongee silks. The prices run from \$1.75 to \$5.50 each.

**MAKING READY FOR THE 115TH**

Agricultural Hall to be fitted for accommodation of 1100 men—Mess Room under grandstand.

The agricultural hall near the exhibition buildings will be fitted up during the next few days for the accommodation of 1100 men of the 115th Battalion. Major Van Tuyl of Halifax, who is here arranging for the comfort and health of the battalion, yesterday conferred with Mayor Frink, Commissioner McLellan and Lieut. Col. Wedderburn.

Because the agricultural building had been formerly occupied by horses and cattle, the militia authorities have arranged with the city to have the place thoroughly fumigated. A layer of tar paper will be placed over the original floor and the city will put down new flooring over all.

The space under the grand stand on the grounds will be used for the mess room. There is sufficient room under the grand stand to accommodate the entire battalion at one time.

The quartermaster will utilize the poultry house for the storage of blankets, rifles and other army property. It is understood that the cost to the city will not be great.

Billy Triffo to Wear Khaki.

Master "Billy" Triffo, the thirteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Triffo, Richmond street, who applied to Sir Sam Hughes, minister of militia, for a place in the department here, with the privilege of wearing khaki, will be a member of the 115th Battalion during its stay in St. John. "Billy" appeared at the office of Lieut.-Col. Wedderburn after school hours yesterday to see about his uniform.

He will be fitted with a uniform and equipment and will be attached to the headquarters staff, aiding by doing chores after school hours and on Saturdays. The minister of militia last week wrote a personal letter to the lad telling him to apply to Capt. L. P. D. Tilley, chief recruiting officer, for a position. Billy has two uncles and two cousins in the service.

**ALLIED GOVERNMENTS PROVIDING FOR THE SERBIAN REFUGEES**

Food and clothing in large supplies being sent forward to stricken country.

London, Dec. 12.—The Allied governments have taken steps to provide for the needs of the Serbian refugees, as far as possible.

"Ample supplies of food and clothing and facilities for shelter are being provided at the most likely points, in co-operation with the Serbian relief committee," said Lord Robert Cecil, under-parliamentary secretary of state for foreign affairs, in the House of Commons today.

"There are great difficulties to be surmounted, and in certain areas it is not known what the extent of the influx of refugees will be."

"However, I believe the numbers to be provided for will not be so large as at present supposed."

**FUNERALS.**

The funeral of Samuel D. Hamm took place from his late residence 354 Main street, yesterday afternoon. Rev. B. H. Noble conducted services, interment took place in Cedar Hill.

**FIRST PLACE IN RECRUITING**

Weekly report from recruiting officers shows this city well in the lead.

During the week which ended Dec. 11, 222 men enlisted in New Brunswick according to statistics received by Capt. L. P. D. Tilley, organizing recruiting officer for the province. St. John headed the list with 51 men and Restigouche came next with 47. The list follows:

York 20, Northumberland (Chatham 14, Newcastle 18) 35, Charlotte 4, Carleton 16, Albert 3, Kent 2, Westmorland 19, Restigouche 47, Madawaska 4, Queens and Sunbury 2, St. John 51, Gloucester 18, total 222.

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