

PRESIDENT WILSON TO OPPOSE PLAN TO SINK SURRENDERED GERMAN SHIPS GERMAN GOVT. IS FACING ANOTHER CRISIS

GERMANY AND HER ALLIES MUST SUBSCRIBE TO LEAGUE OF NATIONS' PRINCIPLES AND LEARN APPLICATION LATER

Paris Newspaper Authorized To Print Article Which Was First Censored—Organization of the League Will Be Effected in Three Stages.

Paris, Dec. 23.—The Matin today was authorized to print the article which was censored yesterday. The article, the first headline of which reads: "Compulsory arbitration and limitations of armaments are integral parts of our conditions. You must subscribe to them at once. You will know later how these principles will be applied." The preliminaries once signed, details of the peace treaty will be discussed among the belligerents, and only after the signing of this treaty of peace proper will the third stage be reached. This will be a universal conference to settle the new relations to be created between the peoples. Germany must atone. "It seems indispensable that at this point the Entente countries bind themselves to put these clauses in the preliminaries of peace. "It has appeared absolutely necessary to the promoters that the regime of the future world should be fixed in its main outlines before there are any questions of indemnities and territories, so that the first time in history the deliberations of the plenipotentiaries should be animated by higher ideas than mere individual interests. "The second will consist in notifying the enemy powers of the fundamental principles laid down in the preliminaries, and requiring from them their adhesion to these principles. As to the conditions of peace preliminaries, other conditions of peace preliminaries, in the case of stipulations of a territorial, financial and economical character.

TWO NOMINATIONS FOR MAYOR, FOUR FOR UTILITIES AND TWO FOR HOSPITAL TRUST VACANCY

Dr. H. A. Stevenson Named To Oppose C. R. Somerville—Dr. R. W. Shaw and E. R. Dennis Proposed as New Members of Commission—Dr. W. J. Stevenson's Name Up For Hospital Trust.

There was little interest manifested in the nominations for mayor, hospital trust and public utilities commission this morning, not more than eighteen citizens being present. Quite contrary to all expectations there will be a contest for mayor. Charles Ross Somerville was nominated by E. R. Dennis, J. D. and Lady Col. W. M. Garthorne, Hugh Allan Stevenson, M. D., was followed by John E. Thompson and John E. Fitzgerald.

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HINDENBURG CONCENTRATES LARGE FORCE

Soldiers Are Reported Mobilized in Posen.

Zurich, Dec. 23.—Field Marshal Hindenburg, according to reports received here from Germany, has concentrated a large force of soldiers in Posen.

ALLIED MARITIME COUNCIL'S FLAG TO BE HOISTED

Will Be Raised On Austrian Merchantmen in Adriatic.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION

2,500,000 Tons of German Shipping To Be Treated Likewise.

Paris, Dec. 23.—By the Associated Press. The allied maritime council declared today that its new flag would be hoisted for the first time on Austrian merchantmen in the Adriatic beside the Italian flag. Dr. Silvio Crespelli, minister of the navy, said: "The new flag consists of three horizontal stripes, with top and bottom white and centre blue. This tonnage in the Adriatic will be used chiefly for relief work. There are also a hundred thousand tons of Austrian merchant ships in Spanish ports which will be treated like those in the Adriatic. "Thirty thousand more tons of Austrian merchantmen in the Black Sea will also be taken over by Italy, with an additional 30,000 tons in various northern European ports to be divided between England and France. "The same rule is to be applied to 2,500,000 tons of German shipping spread throughout the world. All these enemy merchantmen will ultimately be divided between the allied powers and the United States in a ratio which will be decided by the peace conference. "In an allied circle the decision of the maritime council is considered one of the greatest importance, as it is the first step toward international control of shipping and freights, and in some circles is regarded as the beginning of the foundation of a league of nations.

CREW RESCUED AFTER CLINGING TO RIGGING FOR EIGHTEEN HOURS

Schooner Scotia Queen Is Lost Off Cape Hatteras.

Beverly, Mass., Dec. 23.—The loss of the Danish schooner Scotia Queen off Cape Hatteras on December 19, and the rescue of Capt. E. J. Richards of New York and crew of six by the steamer Gulfport of the Gulf Refining Company's fleet, became known today upon the arrival of the steamer. The crew of the schooner had been clinging to the rigging of their water-tight life boat for 18 hours, when they were seen by the lookout on the Gulfport. The volunteers from the oil steamer, under the direction of Capt. Anderson, accomplished the rescue at great peril to themselves, as the high seas threatened many times to swamp their small boat. With the exception of the captain, all the men of the Scotia Queen came from Farrarboro, N. S., where she was formerly owned.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CONFERENCE TO BE HELD EARLY IN 1919

Paris, Dec. 23.—Representatives of several allied powers and the United States will hold a conference in London early in the new year to consider the future of international air navigation. The Echelle Paris Agreement, Great Britain, Belgium, France and the United States will be represented at the conference, which will study the question of how to prevent airplanes of different nationalities from crossing each other and how to prevent postal or commercial airplanes from being transferred into bombing machines without a few minutes. The result of the deliberations of the conference, the paper adds, will have to be accepted by Germany and her former allies in the peace treaty. Lord Weir, British secretary of state for air, announced in London Friday that the British air board had drafted articles for an international air convention, which would be submitted to the Allies.



EBERT GOVT. IS FACED WITH ANOTHER CRISIS; MINORITY MEMBERS HAVE RESIGNED

General Grosner Threatens To Seize Berlin If Order Is Not Re-established in Near Future.

Zurich, Dec. 23.—The Ebert Government in Berlin is faced with another crisis through the resignation of the minority members of the cabinet. Political circles in Berlin, another report says, are agitated by a rumor that General Grosner, who succeeded Gen. Ludendorff as chief quartermaster, has threatened to seize Berlin with troops if the minority members of the cabinet refuse to resign. The Ebert Government has been in a precarious position since its formation, and the resignation of the minority members of the cabinet is a serious blow to its stability.

WINNIPEG CROWD CHEERS FOR RUSSIAN REPUBLIC; AND DR. KARL LIEBKNECHT

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—The crowd that gathered today for the unveiling of the Russian Republic statue, cheered and shouted. The gathering was styled a "practical meeting," and resolutions demanding the withdrawal of Allied troops from Russia, the release of all political prisoners, including draft evaders and the release of all officers-in-council, were passed unanimously and with great enthusiasm.

HUNS ARE WELL SUPPLIED WITH "LIBERTY CABBAGE"

Sauerkraut by the Ton To Feed the Teutons.

Berlin, Saturday, Dec. 21.—(By the Associated Press).—The central bureau for the control of vegetables and fruit has released 300 metric tons of Liberty cabbage (sauerkraut) for civilian consumption. The stock of pickled cabbage, the requisitioning is being rapidly reduced and the full peace-time ration of the national dish. The distribution has been begun, and the amount distributed will be sufficient to supply the needs of the population for some time.

DENIAL IS MADE THAT GERMANY IS SENDING NOTES TO U. S. ONLY

Berlin, Sunday, Dec. 22.—(By the Associated Press).—It is officially denied that Germany is sending notes to the United States exclusively to the United States. The German Government has continued to address notes exclusively to the United States since Friday. This is the first time that official communications from Berlin in future will be addressed simultaneously to all the hostile belligerents.

PROPOSAL TO SINK THE WARSHIPS SURRENDERED BY GERMANY IS OPPOSED BY PRESIDENT WILSON

\$50,000 WORTH OF DIAMONDS STOLEN FROM MONTREAL FIRM

Three Masked Men Overpower Night Watchman.

SAFE IS BLOWN OPEN

Sensational Robbery Is Committed in Heart of Quebec Metropolis.

Attitude of U. S. Chief Executive Was Learned Today After Announcement Was Made That American Delegates to Peace Conference Intended To Support British On the Destruction Idea.

Washington, Dec. 23.—It may be stated authoritatively that President Wilson will oppose, in the most direct fashion, proposals from any source to sink the warships surrendered by Germany under the terms of the armistice. Since word came from Paris that American delegates to the peace conference, with British support, intended to advocate destruction of the enemy vessels to avoid contention over their distribution, the subject has been discussed with much interest among American and Allied naval officers here. Some officers found reasons for supporting such a course, particularly in the difficulty of incorporating into other navies craft of German construction. Officials have professed to know nothing about the attitude of the president until today, when it was learned that he viewed the plan as altogether undesirable.

BRITAIN'S DRAFT OF PEACE TERMS WILL BE READY CHRISTMAS DAY

London, Dec. 23.—It is expected that the British draft of peace terms will be ready by Christmas Day. The cabinet, it is said, will be able to finish by tomorrow night the draft of the terms, and the final draft should be ready by Christmas Day.

PROBLEM OF SUPPLYING FOOD TO LIBERATED COUNTRIES HAS BEEN SOLVED, BELIEVES WILSON

Work of Supplying Hungry Europe Will Fall Principally to the United States.

Paris, Dec. 23.—(By the Associated Press).—President Wilson's conference today and tomorrow will virtually complete the preliminary work he is expected to dispose of before going to England. The preliminary work will be the principal part of the conference for the actual peace conference.

EX-KAISER BILL PLANS TO HAVE AN OLD-FASHIONED GERMAN CHRISTMAS

Service in Castle Will Be Conducted by Missionary. But Herr Hohenzollern Will Do the Preaching.

London, Dec. 23.—Wm. Hohenzollern has arranged for himself a Christmas celebration after the traditional German manner, but the Berlin Government, which has refused permission for the emperor to go to Hohenzollern, has consequently refused to allow him to have a German Christmas service. Many friends of Count von Helldorf, the former emperor's host, have been asked to attend the service, the message adds, but have refused the invitation.

BARRED ZONES IN U. S. TO CEASE ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Restrictions On Enemy Aliens To Be Lifted.

Washington, Dec. 23.—President Wilson has called Attorney-General Gregory to lift the barred zone and prohibited area restrictions upon enemy aliens on Christmas Day. The restriction on restrictions will be imposed unless developments make them necessary. During the war enemy aliens have been barred from waterfronts at seaports in the District of Columbia, the canal zone and other areas.

BOLSHEVIKI PILLAGE SPANISH EMBASSY

Stockholm, Saturday, Dec. 21 (Havas).—Advices received here from Petrograd say that the Spanish embassy recently was entered by the Bolsheviks, who pillaged the archives there.

FRENCH BUILD PONTOON BRIDGE ACROSS RHINE

Mayence, Sunday, Dec. 22.—The French threw a pontoon bridge across the Rhine at Nierstein on Friday. This bridge, which is over 1,000 feet in length, was built in five hours.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 52; lowest, 46.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 47; lowest, 39.

TOMORROW—SNOW.

Toronto, Dec. 2.

Forecasts.

Today—Northwest winds and becoming colder, with local snow falling.

Tuesday—North and north-northwest winds and colder, with local snow showers and flurries.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Station	High	Low	Weather
Winnipeg	25	21	Fair
Port Arthur	25	21	Snow
Port Stanley	25	21	Snow
Port Huron	25	21	Snow
Port Clinton	25	21	Snow
Port St. Joseph	25	21	Snow
Port St. Charles	25	21	Snow
Port St. Louis	25	21	Snow
Port St. Mary	25	21	Snow
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GERMANS RESTORING GOLD
STOLEN FROM BELGIUM

BRUSSELS, Dec. 21.—German representatives have brought here from Cologne \$50,000,000 marks in gold which is being restored to Germany to Belgium (the armistice with Germany provided for the return of the cash deposit of the National Bank of Belgium which was removed by the Germans.)

"FLU" IN JAPAN

Tokyo, Dec. 23.—The epidemic of Spanish influenza has reached Japan, and many schools have been closed in the large cities of the Empire. There have been many deaths.

BULGARIAN AND GREEK
TROOPS COME TO BLOWS

ATHENS, Dec. 21.—(Associated Press.)—Bulgarian troops today fired on the Greek troops near Trounova, and wounded three Greek soldiers, according to an official dispatch from Seres, in Greek Macedonia. The Greeks, the message adds, then attacked and captured two Bulgarian posts. Several Bulgarian soldiers were killed. The Bulgarians retired toward the slopes of Mon' Sile.

BURIED AT ST. MARYS.
ST. MARYS, Dec. 22.—Wm. Rundle, a pioneer of St. Marys district, passed away at his home on Water street on Friday at the advanced age of 83 years. The funeral took place this afternoon at St. Marys Cemetery.

RUSSIA'S WAR
LOSSES TOTAL
9,150,000 MEN

Killed Number 1,700,000, With
1,450,000 Disabled.

ITALY LOST 500,000 MEN

200,000 Killed In Action, and
300,000 Die of
Disease.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 22.—Associated Press.—Russia's war casualties total 9,150,000 men, according to a telegram received here today from Petrograd. Of this number 1,700,000 were killed. The disabled men number 1,450,000, while 3,000,000 other soldiers were wounded. The Russians taken prisoner total 2,500,000.

ITALY'S DEATH LIST
IN GREAT WAR SHOWS
TOTAL OF 500,000.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—Five hundred thousand Italians lost their lives in the war. Of this number 200 were killed in action. This statement was made to the correspondent today by Salvatore Barzilai, former member of the Italian cabinet, who accompanied King Victor Emmanuel to Paris, explaining Italy's sacrifices and her claim to territories previously held by the enemy. Signor Barzilai said: "On the eve of the peace conference, where Italy must claim the territories due her for reasons of nationality, it is

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"The Italians severely wounded numbered 3,000,000, while 500,000 of the 3,000,000 called to the colors were taken prisoner."

BOLSHEVIKI HAVE EASY
PLAN TO BANISH ENEMIES

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 22.—In addition to the execution by Bolsheviki officials of a number of alleged counter-revolutionaries at Pskov, 160 miles southwest of Petrograd, it is reported that the Bolsheviki shot a number of leading industrialists in the Ostrov district, which is about 35 miles to the south of Pskov.

CHILE DENIES REPORT
AS TO NEGOTIATIONS

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, Dec. 21.—The Chilean Government has issued a denial of the report that it is entering into negotiations with Peru and Bolivia in an effort to effect a settlement of the controversy, according to advices received here from Santiago.

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GRADUATED WAR
SERVICE GRATUITY
FOR THE SOLDIERS

Will Replace Post-Discharge
Pay for Men.

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—An order-in-council was passed Saturday by the Cabinet Council authorizing the payment of a "war service gratuity" to be payable to the naval and land forces of Canada, in place of post-discharge pay. Under this enactment the amount to be paid is graduated up to six months' pay and allowances, exclusive of subsistence allowance and allowances in lieu of rations and quarters, according to the length and nature of service.

For the members of the land forces who have served at any time overseas, which means on the strength for pay and allowances of some recognized overseas establishment and were on the strength of the land forces on active service on the date of the armistice, November 11, 1918, the gratuity is graded as follows:

For three years' service or over, 183 days pay and allowances.
For two years' service, under three years, 153 days pay and allowances.
For one year's service and under two years, 123 days pay and allowances.

For less than one year, 92 days pay and allowances.

For the members of the land forces who were on the strength on active service on the date of the armistice, November 11, 1918, the gratuity is graded as follows:

For three years' service or over, 92 days pay and allowances.
For two years' service, under three years, 61 days' pay and allowances.

Under one year, no gratuity is given. A minimum of \$100 in the case of men with dependents who were eligible to receive separation allowance, and \$70 in the case of men without such dependents, is provided for as in the case of those who have served overseas.

As regards those who have not served at the front in an actual theatre of war, and were not on the strength of the force on November 11 last, no benefit is given under the order-in-council. These cases are already provided for under the order-in-council regarding post-discharge pay.

For members of the naval forces of Canada, effectually the same provisions are made.

Dates of Payment.
Payment of the gratuity will be made as follows:
Thirty-one days' pay and allowances on the date of discharge, and the remainder in alternate monthly payments of 30 and 31 days' pay and allowances.

Certain restrictions are placed upon the granting of the gratuity. For instance, if a man is discharged with ignominy or for misconduct the gratuity is not payable. Further, while the officer or man is undergoing treatment by and is in receipt of full pay and allowances from the department of soldiers' civil re-establishment the gratuity is withheld until such treatment and pay have ceased.

Any post-discharge pay paid under previous orders-in-council will be deducted from the amount of the war service gratuity.

It is provided that where separation allowance was payable during service and the department is still eligible, the portion of the gratuity equal to separation allowance will be paid direct to the dependents.

Regarding the adjustment of arrears where the whole or any part of post-discharge pay has already been paid under previous orders-in-council, any payment due under the new regulations shall be made on the date of post-discharge pay already paid, and will not be made until February 1, 1919.

Where To Apply.
Application for the adjustment referred to above must be made to the master of the district by which post-discharge pay was payable, or to the forms to be filled out in support of each claim for an adjustment may be obtained from the military headquarters of each district, from the district and unit paymasters and from officers commanding militia units. These forms may be obtained from the above on and after January 1, 1919.

Payment of the adjustment will be made, as far as practicable, in alternate monthly instalments of 31 and 30 days' pay and allowances.

It is further provided that if, in any case the amount of 31 days' pay and allowances is less than \$100 in the case of a man with dependents, who were eligible to receive separation allowance, or less than \$70 in the case of a man without such dependents, \$100 and \$70, respectively, will be paid in place of every payment of one month's pay and allowances.

For those who served at the front in any actual theatre of war, and were discharged prior to the passing of the order-in-council, its provisions are made retroactive to the beginning of the war.

Robins in Bidding
Lilac Bushes Give
Touch of Spring

TELESONBERG, Dec. 22.—The present springlike weather has resulted in some unusual scenes for Christmas in this locality. Groundskeepers have been seen in several parts of the district, as well as robins. Lilac bushes are budding, and in field after field the farmers are plowing, as though it were midsummer. Many people are fearing that the vegetables will not keep, as potatoes are sprouting in the cellars.

BOLSHEVIK FORCE IN
GERMAN ELECTIONS
IS NOW FORECASTED

Were Crushed in Voting in
Duchy of Brunswick.

PARIS, Dec. 22.—(Havas.)—The first elections to the new German National Assembly are symptomatic of what the final results will be, says a dispatch from Berlin to Le Journal. In the Duchy of Brunswick where the minority party had assumed power, the defeat of the Bolsheviki was crushing. In Mecklenburg and Anhalt, where the majority party was in control, the bourgeoisie also came out victorious.

POLES' ELECTION
ON GERMAN SOIL
AROUSES PRUSSIA

Latter Will Regard It as High
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ing Part.

BERLIN, Dec. 21.—(By Associated Press.)—The action of the Polish Government in ordering that elections be held on what is construed here to be

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German poll has stirred the Prussian Government to counter-action. The inhabitants of the districts involved have been informed by the Prussian ministry of the interior that any participation in the elections may be regarded as high treason and that any acceptance of official mandates from the Poles may be punished under the law regarding impersonation or officials.

ST. THOMAS, Dec. 22.—The infant of Harold A. Sleith, 101, avenue, occurred yesterday. mother is seriously ill with pneumonia.

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A HARSH DISCRIMINATION.

OR THOSE returned men discharged after November 11 the Dominion Government has made a generous allowance, not only for the post-discharge pay, but extending the term for which it is to be paid from three to six months. Married men will receive \$93 per month, and single men \$63 per month.

But, if the discharges from Ottawa are correct, has not a monstrous injustice been done to those soldiers who were discharged prior to November 11, who include tens of thousands of men, and a great many of them the early volunteers of the Canadian army? They fought, God knows, as hard as any men who went to France, and have felt the need of a little money as sternly as most. Are they to be overlooked and discriminated against by a Government that, by the adoption of such a course would show not only the basest ingratitude and the most crass capriciousness, but a positive cruelty toward a body of men who bear their scars honorably and are entitled to every cent, in the way of honorarium, that any soldier may receive? The advertiser ventures the opinion that no man now in France would willingly accept the people's gift if he knew that the men who had gone before him were left without in the cold. Nor could the people of Canada wish such a niggardly treatment to be regarded as the true expression of their sentiments to the men discharged before November 11.

In truth the men who served and were discharged in the early years of the war have no reason to cheer for the generosity of the Government. The post-discharge grant was simply three months' pay, or half of the latest grant; the gratification allowance was then \$20 per month and has since been raised to \$30 a month, and the allowance for the purchase of clothing with which to re-enter civilian life was \$8 per man; it is now \$35 per man, as well it should be, when very ordinary ready-made suits cost \$25.

Protests should be lodged at once with members of Parliament and with the Government over the seeming injustice of this discrimination. It is difficult to conceive how a cabinet council sitting down to frame the order-in-council which was necessary to make the grant, could have been dull enough to forget the men who were discharged prior to November 11. It must have been deliberately parsimonious. There was much reason for it as for a hunchback Tory or a man to refuse some of his children Christmas gifts because they were born when a government of opposite stripe was in power. And it is just as out as harshly inconsiderate.

CHRISTMAS, 1918.

NE THOUSAND nine hundred and eighteen years ago something wonderful happened. At the time it was not proclaimed publicly a great event. Every day and almost every hour, in some part of the world a child is born, and to no one perhaps but the mother and father the little babe does the occurrence really mean an epochal event.

So, when, on this certain occasion, a child's weak cry broke the silence of the winter's night, only the anxious parents noted it. Besides, they were poor folk and had not even the attention and interest that are centred on the homes of the rich, when a new life is ushered into their midst. Yet the baby's birth was the greatest event the world has ever known, save perhaps the death that ended the life thus begun.

In a stable with cattle and mules He drew His first breath; on lowly shepherds, whom a vine hand had guided to the spot, His infant eyes first gazed; on the bosom of a simple village maid His tiny head first rested, and the next morn to hold Him were those of a poor carpenter.

In this manner, there stole upon a cold, hard world the most vitalizing influence it had ever known—the Spirit of Christ. The great and mighty, the rich and famous knew it not. For them the world was to go on as before. Only the shepherds' ears were attuned to the angel voices that sung from out a starry sky, "Glory to God, peace on earth good-will to man"—the first Christmas wish, and the ideal of man's relations with his Creator, and with his fellow-creatures.

From that first morn when He found Himself among the poor and humble, the Saviour of the world gave a benediction to those who live moved from wealth, fame and splendor. His thought and care were ever for the little, the weak, the lonely. "Suffer the little children to come unto me." "The poor you have always with you." "Blessed are the poor in spirit."

Can a world that has been saddened and humbled by years of war and pestilence forget the warnings of a divine redeemer?

Can the victory that finally is ours blind us to the fact that defeat so overwhelmingly near is turned aside by supernatural intervention?

Can those to whom Christmas means a season of festivity, a superabundance of good things, a time of reckless buying and useless giving overlook the significance of that first Christmas day, when God sent His angels to sing a carol of peace and happiness, and Jesus Christ came to be a companion to the poor?

Christmas in all the fullness of its happy meaning, with its beautiful sentiments and tender remembrances, will only exist this year for those classes—for children to whom the day brings as a birthright, and for those who, after sorrow of separation, have come to the happy land of reunion. When father, husband, brother or son is given back from the jaws of death, no expression of joy can be too great.

When the war cloud has been lifted from a whole world, the blue sky of peace is only clearer, and the sun shines more brightly with a promise of even better things to come.

Let not your joy be dimmed, you who have been blessed with glad tidings of safe return, by the thought of the sorrow that is the portion of others. But let your attitude toward them be rather a reflection of the happiness that is your own. Think, that in at least one house in every block, the dawn of Christmas Day opens the wound that time was healing; the hour for Christmas dinner marks too vividly the unfilled place at table; and in the singing of the sweet old songs the clearest voice is the one stilled forever.

If it be in your power to soothe the grieving hearts count it your greatest privilege to do so. In some way you who are knowing the fullness of Yuletide happiness take the keen edge off their suffering; if it means a word, say it; if it costs a gift, give it; if a kindly act will help, do it.

And the more poor and lonely and helpless those to whom your heart turns, the more worthy shall you be of sharing in the real Christmas spirit—the spirit of remembrance, of peace, of harmony and of love.

THE PRESS AND THE CONFERENCE.

NORTHCLIFFE only gives expression, perhaps, to his news instinct when he demands in the London Times that the peace conference shall be thrown open to the press. But he also expresses the desire of democracy for an end to the making of secret treaties. Even now the confusion of thought regarding what must and what must not be done arises from a babble of tongues, British, French and American, the speechmakers, have framed a dozen peace treaties already. But the men who will sit at Versailles have said little, and only they and the Germans, perforce, have held their tongues. It were better, as Northcliffe says, if the official leaders had cast some prophecy upon the waters, for the world is somewhat confused as to the manner in which peace is to be made.

At any rate, it is difficult to conceive of this peace conference being held in secret. The press could not be admitted in full force, for there are hundreds of journalists swarming to the gathering of such money, but a representative body should be chosen, the great agencies and the conspicuous writers admitted. Otherwise the world's Bolshevik will set up its cry of hidden alliances. The need for publicity of an official character on the preliminaries is already apparent.

THE IMPOSSIBLE GERMAN.

WILL THE German ever be able to comprehend the mental attitude of others? The world has had many amazing exhibitions of the Hun's inability to look at or consider things from any other point of view than his own. A new instance is the surprise expressed by Germans that liberated Alsace-Lorraine should object to their continued residence in returned provinces. A German official speaking of this feeling says: "I cannot understand why they do not like us after all we have done for them in improving their towns and bringing German culture among them."

A Britisher or an American would understand instantly how such a people as the French would prefer liberty and freedom to anything that could be introduced by conquerors no matter how beneficial they might be. Note, too, the difference between the spirit of the two nations. German officials are to be removed from office and all influence from Berlin will be wiped out, but there will be no reign of terror such as Germany introduced. The tyrannies of two score years that have been inflicted on the French inhabitants will not be turned against German residents. The latter, if they so desire, can remain, certain of just and decent treatment. The mayor of Metz, who was one of the first and heaviest sufferers at the hands of Germans when the war opened, beautifully expresses the spirit of the French people when he proclaims that, "We are French, and we place equity, duty and justice above everything else."

To the German mind, this showing magnanimity appears foolish, and it will be long years before the Hun is educated and converted away from his narrow, selfish and ruthless views.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Mobilize for the last drive at Christmas shopping.

Some folk never learn the lesson. Here's Hindenburg talking of establishing another line.

Von Mackensen storms over being interned in Hungary. He's lucky in not being interred there.

Have you noticed these days how large a number are adepts in the gentle art of hinting?

Wilson while in London will no doubt sample some of the "roast beef of old England"—from Chicago.

Did you ever see such a lack of adequate hiding places as the modern house furnishes at Christmas time?

The Germans are reported greatly interested in the Highland pipers. They had better not forget they have to pay the piper.

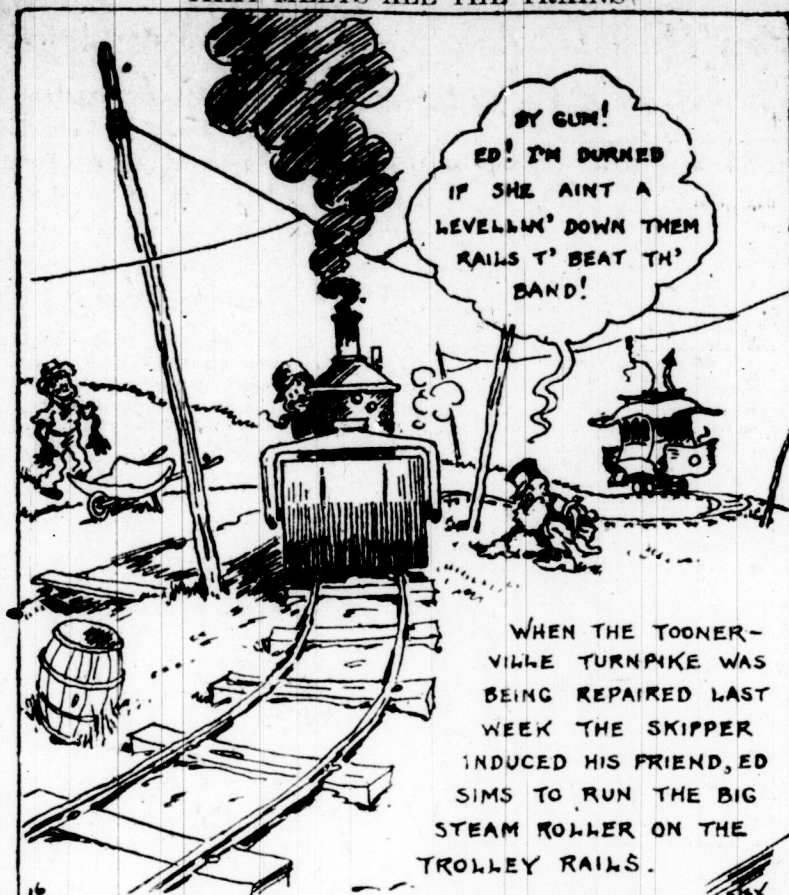
We refuse to worry further about freedom of the seas, Bolshevik, Bill Hohenzollern's fate or whether Ty Cobb will play again, until we find out what is in our sock Christmas morning.

"Self-determination" sounds splendid, but it looks as if a large section of central and south-eastern Europe will have to be told what is best for it, even if it is not what it wants, for some time to come.

TIMBER IN CYPRUS.

In ancient days Cyprus was known to be rich in timber, and its mountain districts were clothed with trees. In 1878, when Cyprus passed under British control, the condition of the so-called forests had become deplorable under centuries of Turkish misrule. Steps were at once taken to appoint Government forest officers with scientific knowledge in order to remedy this condition and to stop further destruction of the forests remaining. The forest areas were gradually delimited and settled. They now extend to some 700 square miles. Owing to the fact that very small sums were for some years voted annually to the department of forestry, the work of protection was the only course opened to the officers, and no progress in the re-afforestation was made for nearly thirty years after the British occupation of the island. Since 1907, however, special tree planting has made considerable progress, and there is no doubt that the forests of Cyprus are now on the high road to recovery, and are likely to become an added source of beauty and prosperity to the island.

THE TOONERVILLE TROLLEY THAT MEETS ALL THE TRAINS.



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—By FONTAINE FOX.

The Advertiser's Daily Short Story

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FARM ADMINISTRATION—59.
By Jane Osborn.

If women students took courses in veterinary surgery and animal husbandry there was no very good reason why the men students at the short winter courses of the State Agricultural College should not select Professor Lucy Cummings' course known as farm administration—59. Still Professor Lucy Cummings was surprised, not to say a little confused, when off to the left side of the lecture-room, contrasting with the fifty or more young women's faces, she saw the four men students who had apparently elected to take her course.

It dealt, as the catalogue said, in describing it, with "the psychological and sociological problems of the farm household," and considered in detail the problems of "making the farm home a centre for family recreation and neighborhood social activity."

Three of the young men who had elected it were spectacles and took notes copiously. Lucy discovered that they were fitting themselves for the profession of agricultural subjects and were apparently going straight through the catalogue as part of their preparation.

The fourth member took no notes—he was, in fact, not taking the course for credit. He was just there to see the attendants of the agricultural college who apparently came to a few lectures merely as a matter of diversion during the winter months when time hung heavy on their hands.

The fact that he was the only one of the class who was not taking the course for credit and that, therefore, his was the only pair of eyes left to study the lecture and Lucy saw that she had delivered her lecture made her feel that she had achieved her purpose, and in fact many of the students of that year had told her that it had proved immensely helpful.

In the lecture she gave practical advice on how to bring Yuletide cheer to the farmhouse, how to set up the Christmas tree and how to deck it with ornaments that could be all produced on the farm—string popcorn, cranberries and rosy apples.

She took occasion to draw a contrast between the Christmas season in a city home and that in a farmhouse, with all the advantage scored in favor of the latter. In order to get through the lecture at all she had to keep her eyes steadfastly turned away from the side of the room dominated over by the two brown eyes. Then came the end of the lecture and Lucy knew that she had said something that had brought an anticipatory thrill of Christmas spirit to her class.

She was almost overcome with happiness as she heard the many voices giving their Christmas best wishes. They had actually clapped to show their appreciation. This Lucy knew to be most unusual tributes at the college.

And Lucy needed this encouragement sorely, for after college had closed all that was left to her was the little deserted boarding-house in the college town. Almost every one had left for the holidays, but Lucy had no place to leave for. Her only relatives, very distant cousins, lived across the continent, and Lucy had grown used to solitary Christmases, the one day in the year when people so seldom include anyone but their own family in their joyifications.

So a snowy Christmas came and went and all the yuletide cheer that Lucy got was in the recollection of the spirit of Christmas that she had put into that lecture and the applause of appreciation that came afterward.

Lucy went out for a solitary stroll over the snow the day after Christmas, and it was there that she met the two brown eyes for the first time out of classroom. All she had learned about the owner of them was that he was a well-to-do and prosperous farmer who was taking the course merely for a diversion.

As far as actual knowledge of agriculture went there wasn't a specialist in the college to whom she could not give practical pointers in the specialist's own subject—so Lucy had been told.

Before Lucy knew it she had accepted the invitation offered to her from her interesting student to get into his sleigh, and then she realized that she had actually consented to accompany her companion to his farm five miles away.

"I'd like to have it fixed up the way you told us farms ought to be fixed up," he smiled, "but it's pretty hard for an old bachelor like me to get any of that fine spirit into farming. When my mother was with me there we used to sometimes fix up a little, but now all the company I have in the winter is one hired man and his wife to do the cooking, and a lot they know or care about the higher psychological aspects."

Lucy flushed. She was afraid that her student was laughing at her, but when she looked at him she saw that he was looking very serious.

"I'm surprised, though, that you are here for the holidays," he went on. "I had an idea you were off having just the kind of Christmas time you pic-

BITS OF BYPLAY

BY LUKE McLUBE

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Scared.
She saw us go
And lick the Dutch.
Now Mexico
Ain't saying much.

Sent.
This knowledge isn't in a book.
For, though a man has reason, he
You'll find a fellow is a crook
Because he's bent that way.

No.
"A woman is usually shy about telling
her age, isn't she?" remarked the Old
Fogey.
"Yes," replied the Grouch. "Several
years shy."

No Joke.
"With their wives all men should agree,"
Said wise old Mr. Beesons:
"For, though a man has reason, he
Will find his wife has reasons."

How About It?
Now that the war is over the Club is
organizing a ball team for next season
and we want to know if Will Catch, the
Muskegon, Okla., oil royalty collector,
will catch for us?

By Gosh!
By Gosh!
Old Foch
Did squish
The Roche.—F. P. D.

B-r-r-r-r-r!
Arthur Frost and Ada Blizzard were
married in New York city last week.
May their love never grow cold, and

may a flock of little icicles hang around
their home.

Wot's a Matter, Iva.
We don't know what she is scared
about. But Iva Pearing lives at 920
Richard street, Dayton, Ohio.

Wise Girl.
Because his name was Johnny True,
She said she'd be his wife;
Convinced that one with such a name
Would sure be true for life.—Brett.

Names Is Names.
Ray D. After lives in Dayton, Ohio.

Luke McLube Says
Along about the fourth week of married
life the collector from the Furni-
ture House, the collector from the Rug
and Curtain House, the collector from
the Milk Company, and the collector
from the Phonograph House will call
on the same afternoon, and while Lovey
is having a good bowl the Honey-moon
will streak out of the back door.

The reason why Father raises so
much Cain when one of the children
objects to taking Castor Oil is because
it would take ten strong men, a
strait jacket and a dentist's gag to get
a dose of the stuff into Father's
system.

No matter how much they knock you
while you are here, they will all have
a kind word for you when you are dead
—if that is any consolation.

A woman can't understand why
Nature gives a man who doesn't ap-
preciate it, naturally wavy hair.
For one man who wakes up and finds
himself famous there are ninety-nine
who wake up and find themselves in-
famous.

When a man brags that his wife pays
forty dollars for a hat you can bet
that if his wife ever paid more than



four dollars for a hat he would want a
divorce.

Father can sleep right through it when
Baby falls out of bed, but Mother is
hurt more and shocked more than the
Baby when anything like that happens.

The man who has always knocked his
too wise to marry only to exist.

You might raise a lion and a lamb to-
gether on the same premises. But you
can't raise a small boy and a prize fern
on the same premises.

Don't get discouraged. Your tutor
was a student too, once upon a time,
and he didn't learn any faster than you
are learning.

Even the bitterest opponent of
the supreme court will never accuse
that august body of violating the
speed limit.

Our idea of the height of something
or other would be a blind man trying
to eat spaghetti.

One thing we can't understand is
why women can be so kind to other
animals and so cruel to husbands.

STRENGTH FOR THE DAY'S WORK

in these times of food conser-
vation is no longer a problem
for the man or woman who knows

Shredded Wheat

It is the whole wheat—nothing was
ted. The most real Food for the
least money—and it is ready-cooked
and ready-to-eat. No sugar is re-
quired—simply milk and a dash of salt.



Nearly Everybody uses CHARCOAL

How about you? Are you enjoying the comfort and convenience of CHARCOAL for kindling your fires—for making toast—for taking the chill off your kitchen when a big fire is not needed?

Order a week's supply from your dealer to-day. You'll wonder how you ever managed to get along without CHARCOAL.

It lights so quickly—just a little paper—then a few pieces of charcoal poured right out of the bag on top of the paper—touch off with a match, and you have a clean, red, cheerful fire in a few moments. No smoke—no clinkers—no dirt—just a few clean, white ashes remain when the fire burns out.

CHARCOAL is the ideal home fuel for everybody. Your grocer will supply you with CHARCOAL in strong, clean paper bags.

For Sale by

All Grocers and Butchers

URGES NATION OF 7 REPUBLICS FOR FUTURE GERMANY

Rhenish Official Would Adopt Plan Similar to United States.

DRESDEN, Saxony, Dec. 22.—(Associated Press.)—A Rhenish official advanced the suggestion for a future Germany composed of seven republics constructed along the lines of the United States as follows:

First: Upper Saxony, composed of the former kingdom of Saxony with Thuringia, Erfurt, Magdeburg, Anhalt and German Bohemia as capital, Dresden.

Second: Lower Saxony with Hanover, Lüneburg, Lüneburg and Schleswig-Holstein as capital, Hannover.

Third: Rhine-Ruhr, with Baden, Alsace, Pfalz, Rhenish Hesse, the Rhine provinces, Hesse-Nassau and Westphalia as capital, Cologne.

Fourth: Swabia, with Württemberg and Hohenzollern as capital, Stuttgart.

Fifth: Bavaria.

Sixth: German-Austria, with Vienna, Kärnten and the Tyrol.

Seventh: Brandenburg and Prussia, with Mecklenburg, Pomerania, Posen and Silesia as capital, Berlin.

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA ENJOYS REMARKABLE GROWTH

During Period of Greatest Growth in History, Assets Increase Nearly One Hundred Millions and Now Amount to Over Four Hundred and Twenty-seven Millions—Total Deposits After Withdrawals For Victory Loans Amounted to \$332,591,000 Against \$252,987,382 at the End of the Previous Year.

MONTREAL, Dec. 21.—The Royal Bank of Canada reports to its shareholders a year of remarkable progress. For a number of years past the Royal Bank has been going forward by leaps and bounds, and on this account the growth and expansion it is able to report for the past twelve months is little short of phenomenal. This in turn reflects the success with which the very large organization of the bank has been planned and carried out. Just how great has been the expansion may be realized at a glance at the figures now reached by the total assets, which amount to \$427,428,243, a gain during the past twelve months of over ninety millions while in the last two years the increase has totaled over one hundred and seventy millions.

This year a relatively small proportion of the increase is accounted for by the absorption of the Northern Crown Bank and the greater part comes as a natural consequence to the organization the Royal has built up wherever it could be of assistance to the commercial interests of the country.

With its deposits now generally from the savings of the Canadian people, the withdrawals for investment in the Canadian Victory Loans have undoubtedly been very large. Notwithstanding this development, which particularly affects the deposit account at the end of the fiscal year on November 30, the deposits bearing interest have increased to a new high record at \$332,591,000, as compared with \$312,488,718, and at the same time deposits not bearing interest have jumped to \$132,247,775 from \$70,498,667, an increase of approximately sixty-five millions.

At the same time the bank has developed a large and profitable connection in Cuba, the British West Indies, and Central America, and is now building up of a competent organization in this field, where in some cases the staff is required to speak foreign languages, was no light task. In its foreign operations the bank has never equaled to employ Canadian capital, as the deposits obtained locally have more than sufficed to meet the requirements. The extension of its operations, moreover, have been of great benefit to Canadian trade.

With the very large assets at its disposal, the management has evidently found it possible to give full assistance to the Government at a period when war requirements were especially large and at the same time has met the growing requirements of its commercial business. Of the total assets of \$427,428,243, the amount maintained in liquid assets is \$224,822,088, equal to 52.5 per cent of the liabilities to the public. Included in the liquid assets are \$12,000,000 of Dominion notes of \$12,000,000, as compared with \$14,364,275, a year ago, and in addition the deposits in the Central Gold Reserve have been increased to \$76,000,000 from \$60,000,000. The larger assistance given to Canadian governments and municipalities is reflected by the Dominion and Provincial Government securities of \$36,699,976, as compared with \$22,127,197, and Canadian municipal securities and British foreign government public securities of \$29,620,355, up from \$21,586,345. The larger amount of the business of the bank is in the liquid assets, which are equally marked, total current loans now standing at \$183,748,392, as compared with \$150,000,000.

The very much larger amount of business handled has naturally added materially to the earnings, and advantage has been taken of them to further strengthen the general position of the bank.

The profit and loss account is an interesting one, showing as it does earnings of \$2,809,846, equal to about 10 per cent on the combined capital and reserve.

The earnings added to the amount carried forward from the previous year brought the total amount available for distribution up to \$3,274,110. Out of this amount the dividends paid during the year required \$1,614,702; \$166,904 was transferred to officers' pension fund; \$400,000 was written off bank premises account; \$133,651 was required to pay the war tax on bank note circulation; \$40,000 was contributed to patriotic fund; \$50,000 to the Halifax relief fund, and an amount of \$50,000 was transferred to reserve fund. At the end of the previous year the reserve fund stood at \$14,000,000, and in addition to the \$500,000 transferred from profit and loss, there was an amount of \$500,000 premium on new capital stock issued to Northern Crown shareholders, bringing the total of reserve fund up to \$15,000,000. At the end of the year the total capital stock paid in amounted to \$1,900,000.

The principal accounts at the end of the bank's fiscal year with comparisons with those of the previous year are as follows:

	1918.	1917.
Total assets	\$427,428,243	\$335,574,187
Equity assets	\$224,822,088	\$165,121,127
Total deposits	\$332,591,000	\$312,488,718
Domestic notes	\$12,000,000	\$14,364,275
Dep. in Capital	\$76,000,000	\$60,000,000
Gold Res.	\$76,000,000	\$60,000,000
Dep. in Current	\$132,247,775	\$70,498,667
Dep. in Other Banks	\$25,000,000	\$25,000,000
Dom. and Prov. Govt. Sec.	\$36,699,976	\$22,127,197
Can. Mun. Sec.	\$29,620,355	\$21,586,345
Foreign Govt. Sec.	\$29,620,355	\$21,586,345
Can. Govt. Sec.	\$29,620,355	\$21,586,345
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3,760 GERMAN GUNS ARE HANDED TO U. S. FORCES

AMERICAN ARMY OF OCCUPATION, Friday, Dec. 21.—By the Associated Press.—The German authorities today began turning over to the American army large quantities of war material, which will require several trains to transport. Included in the articles given up by the Germans are 3,760 guns of large calibre and nearly 500 machine guns. It will take one train to carry the machine guns alone.

Dowlers' Great December Demonstration!

OF EXTRAORDINARY CLOTHING, UNDERWEAR AND CHRISTMAS FURNISHING VALUES

We have been noted throughout Canada as plungers since the start of the war. We plunged away deep while plunging was good, and our immense purchasing for spot cash—when cash was scarce with many manufacturers—brought us big rewards in sterling values, which we are now fast handing out. No other stores have so aggressively provided by advance preparations such a comprehensive collection of fabrics with the same high standards of tailoring and service essentials—such male apparel as we are now producing. Over \$95,000 worth of magnificent stock. The choicest products of the Allies' best makers. Winter Overcoats at extraordinary keen prices; Fur, Fur Collar and Fur-Lined Overcoats at less than February prices. Suits for men, young men and boys, in pure wool serges, tweeds and worsteds from the best English, Scotch and Irish mills. Extraordinary value in Underwear, Fine Shirts and Hosiery that warrant both style and comfort.

Extraordinary Sale of OVERCOATS-- \$27.65

We are featuring this big special for an extraordinary holiday Overcoat selling—hundreds of them. Smart Young Men's Belted Coats, in three-quarter length, with snug two-way collars—Dressy Form-Fitters, too—Comfortable Driving Coats—Chesterfields for dress wear—in solid wool fabrics, heathers, that most stores are advertising at \$35.00.

Fast Blue Suits, \$24.50, \$27.50, \$30, \$35

Guaranteed pure wool, wool serge lined, haircloth and canvas stayed coat fronts, which are hand needle molded and stay-taped inside, as are all Dowler coats. There are four lines, the cloth of which we plunged on some seasons ago. You make a clear saving of \$10.00 or over on each suit. Stout men's, short men's, tall men's and regular styles.

OVERCOATS, \$32.50

Finest Pure Wool Winter Overcoats, in Crombie's English fabrics, coats that your tailor would ask as high as \$60.00 for. Young Men's Smart Belters, Waist Seams, Town Ulsters, Swagger Slip-ons; greens, olives, heather, browns, greys.

YOUNG MEN'S SUITS

In a most beautiful choice of the new styles \$22.50, \$25.00, \$27.50, \$30.00, \$32.50 and \$35.00

Designed and tailored specially for Dowler stores, which places us a full season ahead. Besides, our big buying facilities give us the advantage of from \$2.00 to \$4.00 on each suit of a saving from other stores' prices.

FUR OVERCOATS, FUR COLLAR AND FUR-LINED COATS ACTUALLY LESS THAN FEBRUARY PRICES.

Headquarters for Men's Christmas Furnishing Gifts

Our big furnishing department, a whole big store in itself, is brimful of the choicest stocks of well-assorted Christmas furnishings ever shown in the city.

House Coats, hand-tailored

...\$4.95, \$6.50, \$8.50, \$10.00 and \$12.00

Bathrobes and Lounging Robes, in colorings,

weaves and cloths selected from the best

English and American makes.

...\$4.95, \$6.00, \$8.00, \$8.50, \$10.00, \$12.00 to \$15

WEATHER COATS in silk and wool, hand-

some stripes, checks and weaves.

STERLING SILVER INITIAL BELT

BUCKLES, with selected genuine leather

belt, in very handsome box; make a unique

Christmas gift, appreciated very much by

the young men. A full range of initials.

Silver-plated Buckles, initials, with solid

leather belt.

SILK SOCKS—A splendid range of colorings,

cashmere socks, pure wool,

special... 50c

Silk and Wool Socks, very

special... 75c

Pine-Grade Wool Socks, with

fine... 50c

combed cotton... 50c

NIGHTGOWNS AND PY-

 JAMAS, in handsome || patterns and splendid color- |
| ings... \$1.00 to \$4.50 |
| Boys' Pyjamas, Cashmere |
| Pyjamas, in fine |
| wool... \$1.50 |

MUFFLERS, silk broad-

ed, fringed, the silks are

quite weighty, with plenty

of body to insure better

than "average" wear. Do

not miss them.

OVERCOAT. We have magnificent ranges in

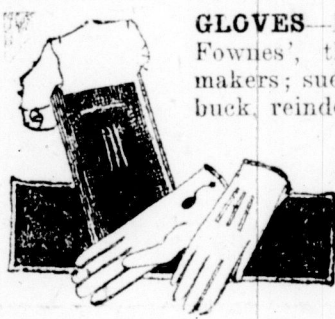
them, suitable for Christmas gifts.

UMBRELLAS, gold and silver mounted

handles, silk and wool, and mercer

silk tops, a very choice assortment.

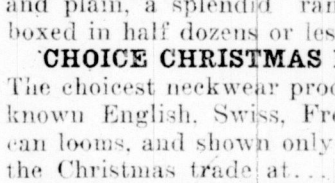
Initial Watch Fobs, very special... \$1.50



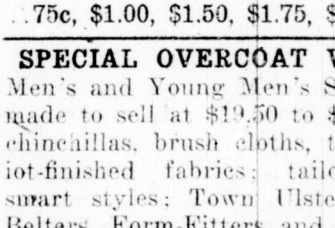
GLOVES—Dent's, Perrin's, Fowles', these world's best makers; suedes, capes, silks, buck reindeer, mochas, etc., greys, tans, olives, browns, ivory and natural, at very special prices for big selling. Wool Knitted Gloves in Scotch Heathers, with dome fastener.



SILK SHIRTS, selected from our spring, 1919, range, just in. A regal assortment of fine shirts, in all the newest colorings, silks, dimities, English percales, Scotch madras, all absolutely fast colorings.



CHOICE CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR. The choicest neckwear produced by the best known English, Swiss, French and American looms, and shown only by this store for the Christmas trade all... \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00



SPECIAL OVERCOAT VALUES \$15.75 Men's and Young Men's Stylish Overcoats, made to sell at \$19.50 to \$22.00, pure wool cheviots, brush cloths, tweeds and cheviot-finished fabrics; tailored in several smart styles: Town Ulsters, Chesterfields, Belters, Form-Fitters and Slip-ons.

FUR-COLLAR OVERCOATS

\$14.65, \$16.50, \$18.50, \$28.00, \$32.50, \$35.00, and \$38.00.

English beaver and mouton shells, heavy curl cloth and quilted sateen-lined, rubber cloth interlined, wind shields in cuffs, coats with fit, quality and wear.

FUR-LINED COATS

\$45.00, \$65.00, \$89.00 and \$95.00.

Here are excellent coats at last season's prices, marmot and rat lined, choice pelts, all selected collars, Persian lamb and other. Korean Beaver Fur Overcoats \$38.00, \$40.00, \$45.00 Men's Black Dog Coats, all firsts, selected \$30.00, \$35.00 and \$40.00

Boys' Bloomer Christmas Sale

Lined throughout, Dixie worsteds and good strong \$2.00 quality tweeds, every boy's mother should take advantage \$1.19



Society Brand Clothes

A Coat of Superb Style Lines

Extraordinary Trouser Selling

On actual comparison we are selling many of the lines at 10 per cent to in many cases 25 per cent less than present wholesale prices. Here again we demonstrate to your advantage the purchasing power of the Dowler organization.

SPECIAL SALE OF TROUSERS.

Only 260 pairs in the lot.

We cleared up this lot at

from 20 to 40 per cent

less than regular; sizes 31

to 44.

\$1.95

Men's \$4.50 Trousers, Saturday... \$2.93

Men's \$6.00 Solid Wear Worsted Trousers... \$3.89

Men's \$6.50 Well Tailored Trousers... \$4.50

Extra Quality Trousers, hand-tailored, at

\$5.00, \$5.50, \$6.50, \$7.50, \$8.00 and \$8.50

UNDERWEAR HEADQUARTERS

In scores of lines at last season's prices, heavy winter weights, in rib and plain weaves, in pure wools and nine-tenths wools, winter weights and medium weights, natural wools, in the popular spring needle combinations and plain weave two-piece suits, Stanfields heavy pure wools, Penman's, Wolsey, Dr. Jagers, Tru-Knit. Penman's No. 95, natural wool, in men's and boys' combinations and two-piece suits.

Men's Combinations 95c, \$2, \$2.39, \$2.75, \$3 And better lines at \$3.75, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$6.50

Penman's Special Natural Wool Shirts and Drawers... \$2.35

Dowler Stores "Own Label" Natural Wool Shirts and Drawers, the best value in the trade... \$2.00

EXTRAORDINARY VALUES AND BETTER MADE

OVERCOATS \$10.50, \$12.50, \$14.00, \$16.50, \$18 and \$20

Boys' Junior Overcoats, ages 3 to 12 years... \$4.85

Bigger Boys' Double-Breasted Winter Overcoats... \$7.95 and \$8.50

SUITS

Students' Big Bloomer Suits, tailored specially for Dowler stores, from men's suitings, sizes 30 to 36 \$12.00, \$14.00, \$16.50, \$18, \$22

Boys' Bloomer Suits, that cannot be repeated at less than \$7.00... \$5.65

\$10.00 and \$11.00 Boys' Bloomer Suits \$8.33

Boys' regular \$12.50 to \$15.00 suits \$11.50

RUSSIA IS ALLIES' GREATEST PROBLEM; SITUATION URGENT

Conditions There Have Reached a Serious Stage.

SOME ACTION IS ESSENTIAL

British Leaders Likely To Discuss Question With President Wilson.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Reuter's Agency.—The whole question of Russia is under serious consideration by the Allies, Reuter's Agency learns from an authoritative British source. No plan, however, has been formulated to discuss anything as yet. It is realized on all sides that the Russian problem is one of the most urgent and important that is to be dealt with, and it is hoped that during President Wilson's stay in London it may be possible to discuss it with a view to prompt action. There have been numerous alarmist reports recently relative to the state of the Bolshevik army, but figures quoted so far are considered exaggeration. The actual fighting strength is probably not much over 200,000 or 300,000.

Discipline has been introduced, but only by means that are far more tyrannical than anything known under the old regime.

Opposing Bolsheviks.

In the Kuban district Gen. Alexiev's

volunteer army, which, since his death, has been under the command of Gen. Denikine, is maintaining a valiant fight against the Germans and Bolsheviks. The Russian government, here Gen. Kraasoff's army is operating under the political control of M. Harmsdorf, a Moderate Social Democrat.

There is reason to hope that the policy followed by the Allies will promote unity between these various governments in Southern Russia, all of which repudiate tyranny and Bolshevism. A late and satisfactory development has been a steady flow of emigrant and loyal Russians of all parties in the direction of London and Paris for the purpose of setting up an organization to deal with the Bolshevik problem, and to be at hand during the peace conference. Prince Lvoff, with Baron Kerff, vice-governor of Finland, left London today for Paris. Count Kokovtsov, another widely-known Russian, leaves for France tomorrow. While these Russian leaders have been in London they have exchanged views with leading British statesmen, Peter Struve, Russia's leading economist, is reported to have returned from Russia and to be in Finland. It is said that he is on his way here. It is also reported that M. Hasinkoff, who has been thought to have been in China, is now on his way to Europe.

WILSON WILL SPEND FOUR DAYS ON ENGLISH TRIP

PARIS, Dec. 21.—The outlines of President Wilson's itinerary during his visit to England were announced today. On the day of his arrival in England, on Thursday, December 26, the president will dine with King George. For Friday, December 27, a dinner at the Guildhall is on the program. On Saturday the president will go to Manchester, and on Sunday he will attend church at Carlisle, his mother's birthplace. Returning to London he will leave for France at noon on Monday, December 30.

WALTER HINES PAGE DIES IN CAROLINA

Was U. S. Ambassador To Great Britain Until August, 1918.

PINEHURST, N.C., Dec. 27.—Walter Hines Page, who resigned last August as American ambassador to England, because of ill-health, died here last night.

Dr. Page returned to the United States on October 12, and he was moved directly from the steamer to a hospital in New York. Early this month he rallied and ten days ago was brought to Pinehurst. For a while he seemed to grow stronger, but suffered a second relapse last Thursday. Most of the members of Dr. Page's family were with him when he died.

HUNS' CONSTITUTION WILL RESEMBLE U.S.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 22.—The Dusseldorf Nachrichten says that the conference held in Berlin to discuss the new constitution of Germany agreed upon the following principles: An elected president, to be head of the government, with powers midway between those of the president of the United States and the King of England; parliamentary principle to govern the president; in forming a cabinet,

which will be assisted by delegates of the federal republic to the so-called statehouse, which corresponds to the American senate; the statehouse, however, must not interfere with the independence of the individual federal republics, which will number fourteen or fifteen.

DISTRICT CASUALTIES

DIED DASHWOOD 312235 T. H. Hise. OIL SPRINGS 118659 W. G. Penfold.

DIED OF WOUNDS

NOT STATED 2355975 H. J. Slattery.

PRESUMED TO HAVE DIED

KINCARDINE 15581 M. Welsh. PRESTON 125 A. H. Wade.

ILL

GALT 731481 L. W. Longhurst. WINGHAM 654057 G. W. Schaefer. MILVERTON 727722 S. M. Henry.

PRISONERS REPATRIATED

CHATHAM 6724 F. Pitt. MUIRKIRK 74622 R. J. O'Neill.

UNFIT TO LIVE—MUST DIE

The verdict rendered a thousand times when courts get over. Do them to death by Put #2 Carn Extractor. It cures indigestion in twenty-four hours. Put #2 Carn Extractor is now on hand at all dealers.

Huns Value Gold Much More Than Valiant Tribute

British Admiral Did Not Call for U-9, But It Was Surrendered.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 22.—Although Admiral Beatty, commander of the British grand fleet, refrained from requiring the delivery of the German submarine U-9, with which Commander Wedgigen torpedoed and sank three British cruisers, out of consideration for the "glorious record" of his boat, says the Cologne Volks Zeitung, the submarine was delivered to the British, because the German crew was unwilling to forego the opportunity of earning the 500 marks promised to each man for taking the boat to England.

AGED WOMAN DIES

INGERSOLL, Dec. 22.—The death occurred today of Maria Henderson, an old and respected resident, who was in her eighty-fifth year and had only been ill a few days. She was the widow of Edward M. Henderson. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon in the Lutheran Rural Cemetery.

STEAMERS ARRIVED

New York, Dec. 21.—Arrived Steamship Empire (British), from Liverpool; Palmer Castle (British), from Liverpool.

JOHN MUIR HEADS BRANT LIBERALS IN ANNUAL ELECTION

GRANTFORD, Dec. 22.—At the annual meeting of the Brant Liberal Association here Saturday night, John Muir accepted the presidency, declaring that the Liberals who left the fold for the Unionist election would be welcomed back, and the only system of government for this country was the two great parties.

The officers elected were: President, John Muir; vice-presidents, George Cook, Oakland; John White; treasurer, W. H. Whitaker; secretary, Herbert McIntyre.

INGERSOLL WELCOMES RETURNED HEROES

INGERSOLL, Dec. 22.—Several returned citizens gathered at the G. T. R. auditorium at 2 o'clock this afternoon to welcome home five local soldiers, just returned from overseas. They were: Messrs. Duggan, Stacey, H. P. Jones, Sheldons and Smith.

The returned men were escorted by the Soldiers' Aid Committee and others to King street west in front of the town hall, where three cheers were proposed by Mayor Buchanan, and given by the crowd with intense enthusiasm. The new band turned out for the parade and the soldiers occupied seats in automobiles.

FARMERS' CLUB BUSY

DORCHESTER, Dec. 22.—A number of the farmers of this vicinity have been attending the United Farmer's convention this week.

Grant Shunk of the Dorchester chess factory introduced a circular of call this week.

The Farmers' Club at the village is doing a wonderful business. They are selling thousands of pounds of chop, flour, oats and oil cake. The farmers state that they could not do without the club now.

INDIGESTION, GAS, UPSET STOMACH

Hurry! Just eat one tablet of Pape's Dipsosin for instant relief.

No matter how much you eat and you have gas, acids and indigestion and stomach distress ends by Pape's Dipsosin. It cures indigestion, gas, heartburn or headache. Here is instant relief!

Just as soon as you eat a tablet of Pape's Dipsosin all the dyspepsia, indigestion and stomach distress ends by Pape's Dipsosin. It cures indigestion, gas, heartburn or headache. Here is instant relief!

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SAFE CRACKERS, HEAVILY ARMED, PUT UP SCRAP

Taken After Gun Fight With
Police at Wood-
stock.

FERRETTED OUT OF HAY

Had \$7,100 in Victory Bonds,
Which Arthur Smith of Wye-
combe Says Are His.

WOODSTOCK, Dec. 22.—Safely con-
fined in the local jail are the two men
who the police allege blew the safe at
Arthur Smith's store at Wyecombe
early Friday morning and secured \$7,100
in Victory Loan bonds, over \$200 in
money and other articles. They are
Fred Donnelly, who gives his home as
Sherbrooke, Quebec, and Thomas Gor-
man, who claims Peterboro at his home
town. Chief of Police Moore stated
today that he had telephoned Smith and
that the bonds are his.
The capture of these two men, armed
with 28 calibre revolvers, was effected
following a sharp encounter in the hay
mow of George Wills's barn, one
mile west of the city, Saturday morn-
ing. About 10 o'clock the police were
warned that a man was in the hay mow
of the barn and Chief Moore and Con-
stantine Priest left for William's.
Hidden Under Hay.
On entering the hay mow they found
a man hidden underneath the hay.
When asked what he was doing there
he at once jumped up and brandished a
28-calibre revolver. The police were
too quick for him, however, and before
he could do any harm he was knocked
out from a few runs from the constab-
le's baton. He was handcuffed and
brought to town.
He insisted that he was alone, but
the farmer soon spotted another man
in the barn and once more the police,
assisted by Sheriff McGhee and a num-
ber of men went back to the barn. A
few minutes later the second man was
seen from his hiding place. He
proved to be a walking arsenal. He
carried a gun, a dynamite fuse cut-
ter, nitro-glycerin, a flashlight and
other articles usually found in the
possession of crooks.
Took Finger Prints.
This afternoon the men had their
photos taken and finger prints made.
They appeared before the magistrate
and were remanded for a week. The
magistrate charged the constables with
registering against them.
Mr. Smith, whose store was bur-
glarized, will visit the city this week
and endeavor to identify the property
now in possession of the police. The
two men will then be given a prelimi-
nary hearing.

Not only did the officials gather in
between \$10,000 and \$20,000 worth of
contraband whiskey, but they brought
to the city in police headquarters six
men, who because of their financial
strength, are believed to be the strongest
factors yet uncovered in liquor law
violations in this state. The six are
Six Men Taken.
Alexander Simons, president of the
Michigan Mill Supply Company, 519
Bancroft street, today, and made the
most important raid and capture of
whiskey in the history of Michigan's
prohibition campaign.
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prohibition campaign.

To Explore North Pole by Airplane Is Peary's Plan

Capt. Bartlett Will Go To the
Polar Regions in June
Next.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—An expedition
to be led by Captain Robert A. Bart-
lett, noted explorer, will be sent to
the North Pole by airplane, ac-
cording to an announcement here
last night by the Aero Club of America.
The plan was said to be conceived
by Lt. Vincent Robert E. Peary, dis-
coverer of the pole.
LAUNCHING WAS DELAYED.
TORONTO, Dec. 22.—The launching
of the ocean-going steel freighter, War
Apulia on Saturday at the Police from
Works was not completed until today.
The steamer left on the water on
Saturday and through the ice, im-
porting the way until the low point
into the ground.

SIX MEN AND HAUL OF \$50,000 WORTH OF WHISKEY IN DETROIT

Police Raid Results Biggest in
History of State.

WAS SHIPPED IN RAGS

Came From Chicago to Rag
Firm—Many Bales Yet
Unproved.

DETROIT, Dec. 22.—With every de-
tail of their raid carried out with ab-
solute precision, officers of the law en-
forcement division of the state food and
drug department, under Inspector Dow-
ney, swooped down on the warehouse of
the Michigan Mill Supply Company, 519
Bancroft street, today, and made the
most important raid and capture of
whiskey in the history of Michigan's
prohibition campaign.
Not only did the officials gather in
between \$10,000 and \$20,000 worth of
contraband whiskey, but they brought
to the city in police headquarters six
men, who because of their financial
strength, are believed to be the strongest
factors yet uncovered in liquor law
violations in this state. The six are
Six Men Taken.
Alexander Simons, president of the
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prohibition campaign.

The men will be arraigned Monday
before the United States commissioner
on a charge of violating the Webb-Ken-
nedy act by importing liquor into a div-
ersity. Proceedings against them
were taken in the United States court
rather than in the state courts, be-
cause of the difficulties experienced
with liquor case prosecutions through
regular state channels.
The warehouse of the company fol-
lowing the seizure was immediately
placed under guard, as it is suspected
it may contain more liquor.
Shipped From Chicago.
The whiskey was shipped to Detroit
from Chicago, hidden in bundles of
rags. Federal officers from the de-
partment of justice, with Inspector
Downey's men, obtained shipping in-
formation at the Chicago end in con-
junction with federal officers in Chicago,
and watched the shipment through.
The Michigan Mill Supply Company
officially does a wholesale rag busi-
ness as part of its legitimate trade. The
whiskey seized today consisted of bot-
tles of various sizes, some of which
were of usual size of rags baled. Whiskey
in kegs was similarly concealed. Officers
found a large number of bales of rags
in the warehouse, but no examination
of these was made today. They will be
unpacked Monday.

TORONTO'S POLICE BACK ON THE JOB

Men Win Point in Regard To
Holding Charter.

TORONTO, Dec. 22.—The Toronto
striking policemen returned to work at
10:45 last night. The police commis-
sioner, who had been in the city since
the union charter, temporarily, but the
policemen undertake not to engage in
any strike action pending the in-
vestigation by the royal commission.
WINGHAM SCHOOL CONCERT.
WINGHAM, Dec. 22.—A high-class
school entertainment was held at
Lower Wingham school under the
direction of the teacher, Hector Mutton.
This entertainment was one of a large
scale, lasting from the morning until
the evening and upwards of 100
pupils, along with the trustees and
parents, attending. The presents given
out by the teacher to the pupils were
numerous. Dialogues, recitations and
songs, comprised the program.

MILO PIPER, HELD AS GIRL'S SLAYER, COMMITTS SUICIDE

Sensational Climax to Muske-
gon Murder Mystery—Pris-
oner Hangs Himself.

MAINTAINED INNOCENCE

Accused Man Used Belt and
Collar While the Cell Was
Momentarily Unguarded.

MUSKEGON, Mich., Dec. 21.—With-
in a foot of a guard, who had been sta-
tioned outside his cell, to thwart any
attempt at suicide, Milo H. Piper, local
insurance broker, charged with the
murder of Miss Freda Welchman, of
Chicago, hanged himself in his cell to-
night.
Officials of the jail for a time denied
that Piper had ended his life, but after
an examination by Dr. Jackson, county
physician, it was announced that the
accused man was dead.
Piper, it is said, removed his collar,
twisted it as nearly into the shape of a
rope as possible, and secured it around
his neck, then looping his belt through
the collar, he fastened it to the iron
bars of the cell gate, and threw his
weight into the noose, ending his life.
Up to the last Piper maintained his
innocence in connection with the death
of the Welchman girl, whom he was
charged with killing in order to hide
from his wife and child here his alleged
bigamous marriage in Chicago in 1916.
For several days the accused man
had been morose, and refused to eat,
according to jail attendants. Sheriff
Carl Stauffer, fearing he might attempt
suicide, had stationed a jail attaché to
constantly watch his cell.
Tonight, while the cell was momen-
tarily unguarded, Piper slipped his belt
through the bars and completed his pre-
parations.

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ENGLAND PREPARES FOR FIRST REAL XMAS SINCE WAR STARTED

Soldiers Pack London—Leave
Is Now Twelve
Days.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The whole coun-
try is preparing for the first old-fash-
ioned Christmas in five years, with
more than old-fashioned enthusiasm.
Nearly all the soldiers in England are
flocking to their homes on a twelve
days' leave, thousands more are com-
ing across the channel, while colonies
and Americans are pouring in for
sight-seeing.
London is the clearing house for sol-
diers from every section, muddy and
loaded with equipment. The prices are
higher than ever, also, but the ship-
shelves are being swept clean.
The theatres and restaurants are doing
a record business. The east coast
resorts, which were deserted for nearly
four years, because they were in the
first line of naval bombardment and air-
raids, are regaining their old-time pros-
perity.
DISCHARGED HUN TROOPS
WORK ON STATE PROJECTS
WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY OF
OCCUPATION, Dec. 21.—By the Asso-
ciated Press.—Thousands of discharg-
ed soldiers throughout Germany are
being employed on state projects tem-
porarily. Even with the work under-
way, the problem of unemployment
persists, but without reaching the
critical point that at first was be-
lieved by the authorities to be im-
minent.

PURSE OF GOLD FOR ST. MARYS WOMAN

ST. MARYS, Dec. 22.—The home of
Dr. and Mrs. Bryan was the scene of
a happy event on Wednesday evening
last, when the Women's Missionary
Society of St. James' Church met to
honour Miss Edith Taylor, who is leav-
ing for Miss Taylor to take a position in
Hamilton. Miss Taylor, daughter of the
late rector, Rev. W. J. Taylor, has been
actively associated with this society,
and her untiring efforts for the church
and its people have endeared her to
every member of the congregation.
Capt. (Rev.) C. K. Masters, M. A.,
B. D., acting as chairman of a musical
program, an address was read
by Mrs. W. J. Mills, and the presenta-
tion on behalf of the society was made
by Mrs. C. S. Worley of a life mem-
bership pin and purse of gold. Miss
Taylor spoke feelingly about her long
and happy connection with St. James'
Church, and expressed her thanks to
the W.M.S. for its kind remembrance.
The hostess served a dainty lunch, after
which a vote of thanks was tendered
her for throwing open her home for
the occasion.

STEAMER ARRIVALS.

Arrived At From
Waller Castle New York ... Liverpool
Baltic ... New York ... Liverpool
Mongolia ... New York ... Bermuda
Charybdis ... New York ... Liverpool

SOLICITOR DOWNEY JUMPS ON BECK AND COUNTY ENGINEER

In Letter to Press, He Dis-
putes Figures.

TALBOT "WENT TOO FAR"

City Official Says Sir Adam
Got Signs Orbed and
Figures Mixed.

ST. THOMAS, Dec. 22.—Through the
local press, City Solicitor W. B. Do-
herthy has published an interesting let-
ter in reply to certain statements by
Engineer Talbot, regarding southern route
of the provincial highway. Engineer
Talbot is quoted as repudiating the
figures quoted by Sir Adam Beck, a
week ago at Toronto, as to there being
an average of 1,300 vehicles over the
Longwood road each day at the pres-
ent. In replying to this Mr. Doherthy
says in part:
"I am not surprised that he re-
pudiates them, as no man having any
regard for the truth or the facts
would make such a statement, but he
goes a little too far when he says
that 'Sir Adam did not make that
statement.'
"I have before me a verbatim re-
port of Sir Adam Beck's speech be-
fore the Government on the 12th inst.
and I quote it as follows: 'It has been
estimated by the engineer of the coun-
ty of Middlesex, after going over the
road in conjunction with another en-
gineer, whom I had go over the road
that the average one-way traffic dur-
ing any day, in winter or summer,
would be not less than 1,300 trips per
day. I am convinced that if the
average is 1,300 trips per day, that
which the road is completed it will
double that.'
"So that is, as plain as it possibly
can be that Sir Adam stated to the
prime minister that there was a traf-
fic of 1,300 per day over the Long-
wood road and he made that statement
on the authority of the engineer who
now contradicts him, and say that Sir
Adam got his signs crossed, and his
figures mixed, his superstructure of
figures based on this false and base-
less foundation, regarding the extra
annual cost in mileage on the south-
ern route. He placed the extra cost
at \$265,000 to \$1,055,000. Could absurd-
ity go further?
"County Engineer Talbot states now:
"Neither Sir Adam, nor myself said
that 1,300 machines passed over the
Longwood road at the present time in
a day. My figures were that any
day 500 cars would make use of the
Longwood route. These were the fig-
ures I gave Sir Adam."
(Signed) "W. B. DOHERTY."
"St. Thomas, Dec. 21, 1918."

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assortments of Shoes, Felt and Leather Slip-
pers, Rubbers, Travelling Goods, Skates, Moc-
casins, Hockey Shoes, Mitts, etc., at money-
saving prices. And after such a rush as we
experienced on Saturday, we are again ready
with replenished racks, tables, and many new
and attractive lines for TWO MONSTER
DAYS' BUSINESS. Come! Don't miss seeing
our wonderful display of Christmas Footwear.

HOCKEY SHOES.

Always something new at the Peoples Shoe Store. No bet-
ter gift, more appreciated by the boy or girl than our Mc-
Pherson Lightning-Hitch Hockey Shoes.
Ladies' Hockey Shoes. Per pair \$2.98, \$3.50 to \$4.95
Men's Horse Hockey Shoes, \$7.00 value, for \$5.00
Men's Black Mule Hockey Shoes, McPherson and other ce-
lebrated makes \$3.49 to \$5.95
Boys' Hockeyes—Big lot of White Mule, strong and service-
able, McPherson make. Special \$4.95
Boys' and Youths' Black Hockeyes at, per pair, \$2.50 to \$4.95
All Skates put on Free of Charge when Shoes are bought here

SKATE DEPARTMENT.

Miema, Crescent, Starr, Viking, Acadia, and other popular
makes of Hockey Skates, From \$1.00 to \$4.50

LADIES' SLIPPERS.

Ladies' Black Felt House Shoes, fur trimming, Special \$2.00
Big lot of Women's Felt House Slippers, collars brown and
black colors, heels. Special \$1.69
Ladies' Oxford Pink Slippers, leather soles and heels, comfy
and warm. At \$1.75
Ladies' Green Plush Slippers, leather soles and heels. Spe-
cial 98c

LADIES' CARPET SLIPPERS, 49c.

Ladies' Grey Plaid House Slippers, with collars and pom-
poms \$1.00
Women's Black Felt House Slippers, with felt soles. Spe-
cial price \$1.00
Women's Black Felt House Slippers, leather soles and heels
..... \$1.65
Elderly Ladies' Felt House Slippers, can be laced if desired.
Sale price \$2.00

MEN'S MITTS AND GLOVES.

Would be an appreciated gift. We have them in real horse-
hide or bronco leathers, some lines with cuffs. Our price
..... 85c to \$1.50
Men's Gauntlets at \$1.50
Men's Horsehide Mitts, wool lined \$1.50 and \$1.25
Men's and Women's Fleece-Lined Gloves only 85c
Men's Muleskin Mitts, warm and woolly 85c
Boys' Leather Mitts 55c

JUST RECEIVED BIG SHIPMENT OF WOMEN'S FELT COSY SLIPPERS.

With red and white collars and pom-poms. On sale today
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12 MARKET SQUARE.



MEN'S, WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S FELT SHOES
Felts are very scarce this season. We would advise our
many patrons to buy early.
Women's Felt Foxed, leather soles. Special \$1.98
Women's Felt Foxed, leather soles \$2.98
Men's Felt Foxed Shoes, leather soles \$3.98
Misses' Kid Shoes, felt lined and uppers \$2.75
Girls' Kid Shoes, felt lined and uppers \$2.48

MEN'S SLIPPERS.

Men's Black Felt Slippers, leather soles and heels, a very
serviceable slipper, for \$1.98
Men's Dark Green Velvet Slippers, leather soles and heels.
Special \$1.25
Men's Plaid Arctic Slippers, with buckles, combination of
felt and fibre sole, a warm and comfy line. At \$2.00
Men's Plaid Arctic Slippers, cosy and warm \$1.49
Men's Leather Slippers, in brown and black, with and with-
out elastic sides \$1.98
Men's Green Plush Slippers, leather soles and heels. Special
..... \$1.25
Men's Carpet Slippers 49c
Men's Brown and Black Leather Slippers, with elastic sides,
all sizes; a great bargain; \$3.00 value. For \$2.00
Men's Brown Kid Boudoir Slippers, leather sole. Special
..... \$1.75

VELVET SLIPPERS.

Misses' Red Velvet Slippers, ankle straps 75c
Same line in Children's 69c
Boys' Alligator Slippers, sizes 1 to 5 \$1.00
We have Slippers for everybody, and cosies are always
appreciated.
SPATS—Tan, white, black, grey, brown, checked, cham-
pagne, cream; fawn, mauve, etc. Prices \$1.00 to \$2.25

MOCASINS.

A pair of Moccasins in the Christmas stocking would delight
any boy or girl. We have a large stock this season.
Ladies' Select Buckskin \$2.75
Another splendid lot at \$1.75
Boys' at \$1.75
Misses' at \$1.50
Men's at \$2.50
We've also got the Oil Tans—solid, hand-sewed, waterproof
Moccasins, for men, boys and youths. \$1.50
Boys' Leather Leggings at \$2.00
Men's Canvas Leggings at \$1.50

FREE! FREE! Pencil Boxes given away with Boys' and
Girls' School Shoes.

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Something
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An Electric Lamp Is Truly the Ideal Christmas Gift

It is both beautiful and useful. Be sure and see our splendid
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Boudoir Lamps, in charming de-
signs, with beautifully tinted
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Table Lamps, in many beautiful
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In the saving of fuel, food, time and labor—
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trical?

ELECTRIC IRONS	 \$3.95 to \$7.00
TOASTERS	 \$4.00 to \$6.50
PERCOLATORS	 \$12.00 to \$22.50
VACUUM CLEANERS	 \$27.50 to \$48.00
ELECTRIC HEATERS	 \$6.50 to \$15.00
CURLING TONGS	 \$16.00
WASHING MACHINES	 \$94.50 to \$160.00
ELECTRIC RANGES	 \$60.00 to \$150.00

We also have a splendid line of gifts for the young-
sters—Christmas Tree Lighting Outfits, Electric Trains,
Boat Swings, etc.

But what's the use of offering suggestions? Come
into the Hydro Shop where the articles themselves will
tell you—in an instant—just what to select for each one
on your list.

The Hydro Shop

CANADIANS REFUSE TO GO TO SIBERIA; NOW IN VANCOUVER

Tom Moore Tells of Men's Alleged Refusal.

Toronto, Dec. 22.—Tom Moore, president of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, while in Toronto today in connection with the executive of the Toronto Police Men's Union, received a message from a well-known labor orator asking him to take up with the Government immediately the situation which has arisen in Vancouver because of the alleged refusal of members of the C. E. F. to go to Siberia to proceed any further.

Men Refused to Go as Volunteers. Mr. Moore said the story upon which he was asked to act was that when the troops were gathered in British Columbia and about to sail, hostile labor organizations and the men were asked to re-act as volunteers. A number refused, and after some days which were later returned when it had been said that the British Columbia now, and positive in their determination that they would take no part in the Siberian expedition.

Stretching Act to Limit, Says Moore. "According to my informant," Moore said, "the men are not going to stretch the act to limit the matter up immediately with the military department, and if they do, they will be informed I will press the views of the different trades unions against Canadian police duty in Siberia."

Mr. Moore said he was not sure of the limit to force men to police duty in Siberia. In fact, I doubt if the Government has the authority to compel men to go to duty in Siberia when they have not yet declared war against Russia," said Mr. Moore.

Blinded But Able to Resume Duties as School Principal

Dr. Paul McKibbin and Dr. A. A. Livingston Among Them.

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There he was blinded in October, 1917, and for months was faced by the necessity of learning new ways in life and in all probability a new vocation. In the meantime his old position was held open for him as principal of the Regina normal school. With the courage and ambition combined with patience and perseverance which had always characterized him, he set to work in St. Dunstan's School for the Blind in England to find his way about in a world of darkness. He is now back in his old job, and is as active as ever in his educational work.

EXPENDS \$98,158

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—The net expenditure of the military service act to the limit to force men to police duty in Siberia. In fact, I doubt if the Government has the authority to compel men to go to duty in Siberia when they have not yet declared war against Russia," said Mr. Moore.

UNIVERSITY MEN EXPECTED BACK

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

THE LOCAL MARKET

Turkeys on Saturday's market sold for 45c per lb. but a few sold for 46c. The demand for all poultry was good. Last year the farmers were offered 34c per lb. at their doors for turkeys. The majority would not accept that price, thinking that turkeys would bring a higher figure on the local market, but at the last day the farmers only got 30c per lb. for their turkeys. This year the farmers who lost out last year sold their turkeys to the wholesale buyers. This accounts for poultry not being so plentiful at the Christmas market.

Hay is slow, mostly on account of 100 loads being sold on the market last week. Potatoes also are slow, most people having got their supply in for the present.

Dressed hogs are easy, owing to the fact that the market is not so good as it was at this time of the year. It is doubtful if a shipment of live hogs will be made this week. There are signs of a sudden jump in price, and are now selling at 52 to 54 per cwt. The market for 52 to 54 per cwt. for live hogs.

Grain. Wheat—No. 1, 21 to 22; No. 2, 20 to 21; No. 3, 19 to 20; No. 4, 18 to 19; No. 5, 17 to 18; No. 6, 16 to 17; No. 7, 15 to 16; No. 8, 14 to 15; No. 9, 13 to 14; No. 10, 12 to 13; No. 11, 11 to 12; No. 12, 10 to 11; No. 13, 9 to 10; No. 14, 8 to 9; No. 15, 7 to 8; No. 16, 6 to 7; No. 17, 5 to 6; No. 18, 4 to 5; No. 19, 3 to 4; No. 20, 2 to 3; No. 21, 1 to 2; No. 22, 0 to 1; No. 23, -1 to 0; No. 24, -2 to -1; No. 25, -3 to -2; No. 26, -4 to -3; No. 27, -5 to -4; No. 28, -6 to -5; No. 29, -7 to -6; No. 30, -8 to -7; No. 31, -9 to -8; No. 32, -10 to -9; No. 33, -11 to -10; No. 34, -12 to -11; No. 35, -13 to -12; No. 36, -14 to -13; No. 37, -15 to -14; No. 38, -16 to -15; No. 39, -17 to -16; No. 40, -18 to -17; No. 41, -19 to -18; No. 42, -20 to -19; No. 43, -21 to -20; No. 44, -22 to -21; No. 45, -23 to -22; No. 46, -24 to -23; No. 47, -25 to -24; No. 48, -26 to -25; No. 49, -27 to -26; No. 50, -28 to -27; No. 51, -29 to -28; No. 52, -30 to -29; No. 53, -31 to -30; No. 54, -32 to -31; No. 55, -33 to -32; 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WELL, THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NOTHING I CAN AFFORD TO!

SO I DID, MA! SO I DID, MA!

BUT YOU TOLD ME YOURSELF THAT YOU INTENDED TO SPEND \$3000 ON CHRISTMAS PRESENTS THIS YEAR!

WELL, THEN—

BUT IT AIN'T ALL GOIN' FER ONE PRESENT, IT AIN'T!

THERE'S TWENTY OTHER LADIES ON MY CHRISTMAS LIST THIS YEAR!

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BORN, MARRIED, DIED

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KAISER—To Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Kaiser, Worthington road, on Dec. 22, 1914, a son, Harold Wellington.

BOYCE—At the residence of her parents, 717 Central avenue, on Sunday, the 22nd of December, 1914, Lola Mary (Mamie), the dearly beloved wife of Wm. J. Boyce, and eldest daughter of Mrs. J. Boyce and Mrs. John J. Russell, aged 28 years.

Interment at Mount Pleasant Tuesday afternoon. Services at 2 p.m.

CALHOUN—At his late residence, 875 Trafalgar street, on Sunday, Dec. 22, 1914, Harry Edward Calhoun, beloved husband of Josephine Calhoun (nee Reeves).

Funeral will leave the above address on Tuesday, December 24, 1914, at 2:30 p.m. Services at 2 o'clock interment in Woodland Cemetery.

CHICKES—At the family residence, 24 Beaconsfield avenue, on Sunday, Dec. 21, 1914, Minnie L. Crookes, dearly beloved second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William W. Crookes, aged 25 years.

Funeral private from above address on Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 11:30 a.m. Services at 11 o'clock, for the 12:20 P. M. train. Interment at Petrolia, Ont., upon arrival of train. Petrolia and Sarnia papers please copy.

ELIAS—A hit late residence, 600 Central avenue, on Sunday, Dec. 22, 1914, George H. Elias, beloved husband of Mary Elias, aged 52 years.

Funeral will leave Geo. E. Logan's undertaking parlors on Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 2:30 o'clock. Interment at Mount Pleasant. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation. Interment at Woodland Cemetery.

GIBBONS—At her late residence, 303 Dufferin avenue, on December 20, 1914, Eliza J. Gibbons, beloved wife of William Gibbons, aged 35 years.

Funeral (private) from the above address Monday, Dec. 23, at 10:30 a.m. Interment at Woodland Cemetery.

GOWER—At St. John's Hospital, Toronto, on Sunday, Dec. 21, 1914, Mary H. (Dorrie) Gower, daughter of the late Stephen L. Gower, of London, Ont., aged 20 years.

Funeral private. Interment at Woodland Cemetery.

METCALF—At the parents' residence, 275 Hale street, on Sunday, Dec. 21, 1914, Charlotte May, dearly beloved daughter of J. and E. Metcalf, aged 10 months and 21 days.

Funeral from above address on Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 2:30 p.m. Services at 2 o'clock interment at Mount Pleasant.

PATRICK—Suddenly, in this city, on Sunday, Dec. 22, 1914, George A. Patrick, aged 40 years.

Funeral from the residence of his brother-in-law, Mr. Neil McConnell, 416 Richmond street, on Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 2:30 p.m. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation. Interment at Woodland Cemetery.

WEIR—At Victoria Hospital, on Saturday, Dec. 20, 1914, Victoria Weir, daughter of the late Thomas and Elizabeth Weir, aged 24 years.

Funeral from parlors of Smith, Son & Clarke, on Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 2:30 p.m. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation. Interment at Gore Cemetery.

MEETINGS

FOREST CITY LODGE, NO. 38, I. O. E. Meets second and fourth Mondays in its hall, Richmond street. Second and third degree and general business. Officers and members please attend. Visitors welcome. R. H. Swartz, N. G.

Nomination Meeting

A meeting of the electors of the Township of Westminster will be held at the Masonic Hall, Lambeth, at noon on Monday next, the 30th day of December, P.M., for the purpose of electing fit and proper persons for the offices of Reeve, Deputy Reeve and Council.

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CHRISTMAS PARTY MARKS OPENING OF RED CROSS LODGE

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It was a happy Christmas party which took place on Saturday night at the military hospital at the barracks, a Christmas dinner given for the patients by the Red Cross, followed by the formal opening of the new Red Cross Lodge, which is to be used for the present for recreation purposes, a concert and Christmas tree were features of the program.

Of all the patients in the hospital only one was unable to come down to the gaily-decorated tables, and to these bed patients a whole big juley, temptingly roasted turkey was sent up to be carved in their midst, a huge dish of scalloped potatoes, salad, pickles, pudding and the odds and ends which go to the making of an ideal Christmas dinner.

Including the visitors and several of the officers of headquarters a staff of about 250 people gathered in the Red Cross Lodge at 7:30 o'clock, an auditorium elegantly new and clean, and bright with festoons of green and red and holly wreaths. An immense Christmas tree stood in one corner, twinkling with colored electric bulbs and laden with gifts, a parcel for every soldier man, who is a patient in the hospital.

Lady Beck, president of the London branch of the Canadian Red Cross, extended an address of welcome to the lodge, calling upon His Worship Mayor C. R. Somerville to declare the building formally open, for the service of the military. The mayor was in a most happy mood, several amusing stories told by him in the course of his address evoking outburst after outburst of laughter. Sir Gen. L. W. Shannon, G. O. C. 1 Military District, accepted the use of the lodge on behalf of the military, expressing deep appreciation of the work done by the London branch of the Red Cross during the war, and especially for this latest evidence of unceasing thoughtfulness on behalf of the men.

Sir Adam Beck, as chairman of the evening, appeared in a new and most acceptable role, that of humorist, keeping things moving merrily from beginning to end, routing by some laughing-making remarks anything that began to look like a dull moment. Each of the artists taking part Lady Beck, Mr. Dornoda Abbott, soloists, Miss Florence Ecclestone, violinist, and Miss Newbury, reader, contributed generously to the enjoyment of the evening. Accompaniments were played by Miss Marion Beck and Miss Lenore Coughlin.

Community Chorus.
Just at the close of the first of the presents were being distributed, Miss Lockhart, a visitor in the city from Toronto, led for a few minutes "community chorus," which proved just the kind of a wind-up which appealed to everybody, affording everyone an opportunity to join in the singing of "Katy," "Take Me Back to Blighty," "The Long, Long Trail," etc.

On behalf of the patients of the barracks hospital, Mr. Wilkinson thanked the ladies, who provided the most entertaining and the Christmas tree. During the evening three lusty cheers and a cheer were given for Mayor C. R. Somerville, who Sir Adam Beck declared had been an exceptionally good guest to the soldiers during his term of office.

A number of entertainments are already being booked by the Red Cross to be given at the lodge.

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This role affords Miss Clayton many opportunities for the display of her exquisite talents. The picture was directed by Robert G. Vignola and the scenario was written by Beulah Marie Dix. Miss Clayton's leading man is Elliott Dexter.

In the case of 20th vs. Christian, Geo. Gibbons obtained, with the consent of the solicitors of all parties, an order commanding a judgment which provides that the insurance money in question and an additional amount of \$1,500 be paid to the plaintiff.

FOUR CASES HEARD IN WEEKLY HIGH COURT

At the weekly high court, held in the court house Saturday, Hon. Mr. J. H. Macdonald, chief justice of the King's Bench, presided. In the estate of Frederick T. Irwin, an interim report of the local master, was confirmed. The costs of the case are to be paid out of the estate. P. H. Bartlett, for the estate; W. R. Meredith, for the executor.

In the case of Hodgins and Hodgins, a report of the local master for the sale of certain land in the township of London to Fraser D. Hodgins was confirmed. F. P. Hodge, K.C., for the vendor; P. H. Bartlett, for the purchaser.

Re Thomas Culbert estate. An order was made authorizing Edwin Culbert to represent all legatees of his estate. The estate, upon the motion made for

POLICE ASSOCIATION CHOOSES OFFICERS

At a recent meeting of the Police Association of London, Ont., the following officers were elected for the year 1919: President, Thomas Lucas; vice-president, William McCullough; secretary, Walter Harpur; treasurer, Thomas Macdonald; warden, Roy Venner; conductor, Gavin Monahan, and trustee, Roy Monahan.

SUFFERS STROKE.

ST. MARYS, Dec. 22.—Robert Clyde, a retired building contractor of St. Marys, suffered a paralytic stroke recently at his home on Church street, and is at present in a very serious condition.

JUDGE MACFARLANE DEAD.

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—His Honor Judge Duncan B. MacFarlane, senior judge of the county of Carleton, died this morning after a brief illness. He was in his 65th year.

ANTHRACITE BEING USED RIGHT ALONG IN THE POSTOFFICE

Fuel Controller Waiting Before Making Seizure.

Local Fuel Controller J. W. McCullum as yet has taken no action in regard to the anthracite coal that is being used at the customs house and postoffice, notwithstanding the fact that he has the necessary authority from the powers that be to take the coal and divert it to domestic use. He says that he is holding it for a reserve in case of need. In the meantime the rate of several tons a day, and the 44 tons that were placed in the cellars have no doubt shrunk to a much smaller amount by this time. Mr. McCullum contends that there is no need to seize the coal as it is not for export.

Some Without Anthracite. These coal dealers who assert that some action should be taken at once by the fuel controller and the coal taken on the ground that there are many in the city who are unable to get anthracite coal for their real reference to the coal is that for every ton of anthracite coal removed one ton of bituminous coal must be placed in its place. Mr. McCullum said this morning that the coal dealers have no difficulty in getting the coal to any place in the city designated by him. He further said that he would not take this action until he thought it was needed. Questioned as to whether or not he thought the time is ripe now, he replied: "You are not going to get any coal story out of me."

Waiting for Frost. His contention is that as long as the weather remains as it is there will be no need of the coal in question. He will not guarantee that unseasonable, but not unseasonable, warm weather for any length of time, however. In the meantime the coal in question is being burned to heat the customs house and postoffice while, it is added that there are citizens owning soft coal because they cannot secure any hard coal to use in their kitchen ranges.