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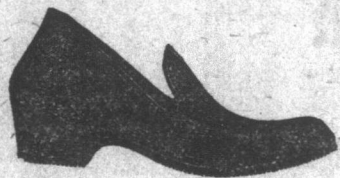


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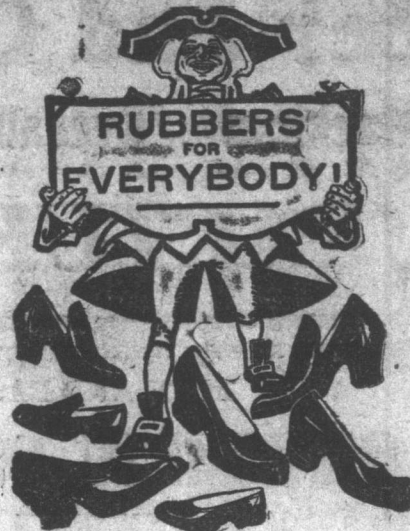
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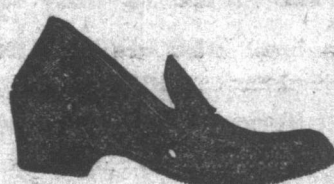
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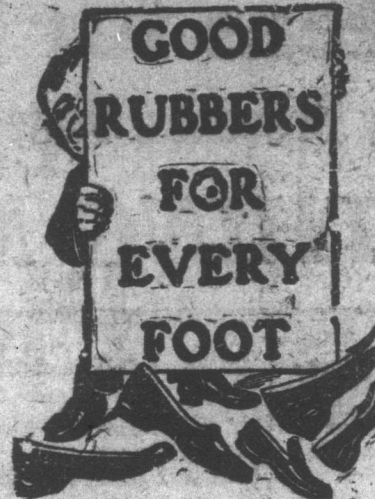


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CHAPTER IV.

"Pshaw! you talk nonsense," retorted Goldryng, testily. "The match would be a very good one for my niece, and for you, too. You would have thirty thousand pounds with her."

"After you have taken your share of the spoils? Thanks, but I neither covet that sum for myself, nor would I willingly put it in your pocket. You talk to me of a bride when I am wanting nothing but a coffin! Go away, old man, and find a dupe elsewhere to whom the bait will be more tempting than it is to me!"

And Charlie slid down on his pillows again, wavering between his angry amazement at the proposition and a strong inclination to laugh at its absurdity.

"I will go," said Lucas Goldryng, speaking and rising with provoking deliberation. "Yes, I will go, because I see that you are not fit for further conversation; but I will not accept your answer as a final one. You are much too hasty, young man. When

you come to consider that you are rejecting thirty thousand pounds and the means of putting an end to an affair that threatens to be very troublesome to your relatives, why, I believe that you will arrive at a different conclusion."

"What! and become reconciled to being the means of adding such a sum to your hoards, or to calling the man who has shown us no mercy my kinsman? Does your niece agree to the very honorable terms you offer me?"

"Of course—of course. What objection could she have?"

"What objection to a bridegroom whom she might have to put on widow's weeds with a week of her nuptials! But perhaps that contingency is a recommendation with both of you. Your niece, if she is what you describe her, must possess some of your own cool notions of looking after her own interests and nothing else. But she pays a high price for her liberty and the name of wife! Upon my word, Mr. Goldryng, this is the most barefaced scheme for dividing a heiress' portion that I ever heard of!"

"Think it over—think it over, my young friend," said the usurer, not a whit discomposed by the scorn in Charlie's looks and tones. "The scheme, as you call it, has its advantages to all three of us—Liz, you and myself. Thirty thousand pounds, remember, and the papers. I have them here."

And he tapped his pocketbook significantly.

But Charlie had drawn the bed-clothes over his head, and would not be induced to say another word; and Lucas Goldryng went back in the cab that awaited him to the dreary house where his niece was locked up, with no companion but a deaf charwoman, Hannah having been summarily dismissed as soon as her delinquencies were detected.

An hour elapsed. Sir George Ormsby came home, peeped into his son's room, and, deceived by his silence, concluded that he was asleep, and went away again. Then the rustle of light dresses and tones of girlish voices were heard outside the door, and Lily, radiant with health and happiness, appeared on the threshold.

"May I come in, Charlie?"

"Yes," he answered, looking beyond her; "but you are not alone."

"No; Camilla is here; she was so anxious to know how you are, that she came home with us."

"Will she not come in?" he asked, with strange eagerness. "It she afraid that my changed looks will frighten her?"

"No—no, indeed," cried a voice, and Lady Camilla MacIva, a fair cousin of Lord Effingham's, glided forward to put her soft hand into the invalid's, and murmur plaintive condolences and inquiries with such sympathy in her lustrous eyes that Charlie Ormsby raised the hand she had given him to his fevered lips and kissed it passionately.

Although a year or two his senior, she was the goddess of his idolatry, and she knew it. One of the hopes most difficult to renounce had been that of calling her his wife, and all those tender emotions with which she fingered there blushing beneath his ardent glances, yet not hesitating to increase her power by returning them.

"Yes, Camilla is a dear girl," Lily said, when the young lady had tripped away to pay her respects to Lady Ormsby. "I like her so much. I wish Halbert would not find such

fault with her. He is almost too strict in his notions of what our sex shouldn't do, isn't he?"

"Why does Effingham find fault with his cousin?" Charlie demanded, hotly.

"Oh! I hardly know, and perhaps I ought not to repeat anything he says, even to you; but Halbert is so very particular; he sets his face against everything that he considers dishonorable, either in man or woman."

Her brother stifled a groan beneath his coverings, and Lily, unconscious of the stab she had given him, went on talking.

"He detests flirts and flirting, and yet it is no wonder that Camilla is a little fast, she is so very much admired, isn't she? He is always complaining of her readiness to accept attentions from any one. He says she ought not to have a smile or a look now for any one but her fiancé."

"From whom?" asked Charlie, in a tone that startled Lily into a dim conception of the truth.

"Oh! dear, I am so sorry. I thought you knew that she had accepted Colonel Severn, and that they are to be married in the spring. It doesn't trouble you much, does it, dear?"

"Not a bit, Lily," he answered, more bitterly than truly. "Why should it? I shall be under the mold and forgotten before then. There, don't cry, and go away, there's a dear girl; I have had a trying day of it, and want to be left alone a while, that I may collect myself a little."

Sir George, hearing of Lucas Goldryng's visit, stole in by and by to hear the particulars of it, but was waved away with an impatient—

"Not to-night, sir. Haven't I borne

enough for one day?"

But on the morrow, at an early hour, the anxious baronet was told that Mr. Ormsby wished to see him, and he hurried to his son's room, eager to hear all. To his intense surprise and bewilderment, Charlie was up and resting in his armchair, after the fatigue of dressing.

"Is this prudent, my dear boy?"

"It is inevitable, sir. The sun is shining, the carriage is at the door; I am going out, and I want you to accompany me."

"Does Crathome sanction it?"

"Pshaw! Do we consult the physician on such occasions?" was the reckless retort. "Give me your arm, father, and help me downstairs. I am about to cut the Gordian knot of your difficulties; or, in other words, I am going to be married, and must pay a visit to my bride!"

CHAPTER V.

Mr. Lucas Goldryng rubbed his hands together with a suppressed chuckle when the deaf, old woman selected to replace Hannah, informed him of the arrival of Sir George Ormsby and his son. He even vacated his own straight-backed, uncomfortable armchair for the use of Charlie, who looked as if he would scarcely survive the fatigue of the journey, and—this was not without a considerable struggle with himself—he went the still greater length of producing the bottle of rare old wine, and pressing a glass of it upon the fainting invalid. He saw at a glance that he had compassed his ends. The father and son, under the pressure of his stronger will, had succumbed, and by this act confessed themselves at his mercy. A speculation which at first had promised to

be a very doubtful one, would enable him to grasp thirty of the thousands he had so envied his orphan niece, and the usurer was highly elated at his victory.

He began to be sorry he had not made still better terms for himself. Perhaps they would have been glad to agree to this marriage for no other consideration than the documents he held in terror over them. But it was too late to think of this now. He stood in some little awe of Charlie, whose unmeasured disdain had stung him more than Sir George's indignant remonstrances, and dared not grasp at more.

For the latter gentleman, whose unbusinesslike habits had led him into this difficulty, Lucas Goldryng felt neither awe nor respect; and when the baronet, who could not reconcile himself to such a marriage, began angrily inveighing against it, and protesting that he would never consent to his son's sacrificing himself, he was heard with a contemptuous smile.

"Have you nearly done, my good sir?" he was asked, at last. "It is rather imprudent, is it not, to express such sentiments with regard to your son's union with my niece? I, my think that a girl with a dowry of thirty thousand pounds is quite as good a catch as the heir of a baronet, who, if I chose to take offense at your unenvied remarks and break off the treaty, would be penniless."

Charlie writhed in his chair, and, when Sir George would have made a passionate retort, he interposed to prevent it.

"Father, pray say no more. It only agitates and annoys me, and it does no good. Mr. Goldryng, it is with me that this affair is to be arranged. I am of age, and may choose my bride where I like. I suppose you wish to have the ceremony celebrated as soon as possible?"

"Under the circumstances," and the callous old man glanced significantly at Charlie's attenuated form—"under the circumstances, it cannot be too quickly. I have a clever friend who shall draw up the agreement between us and also a settlement upon the bride of her own fortune."

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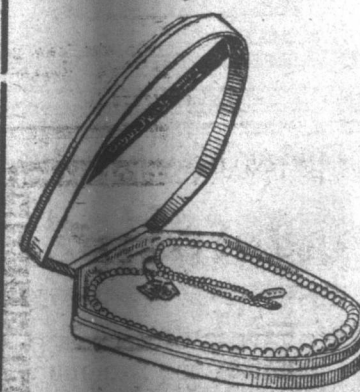
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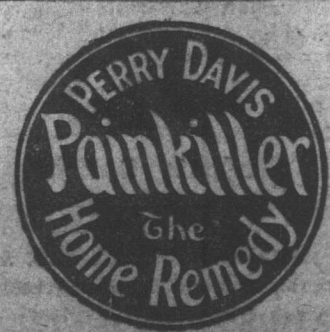
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As Ambassador to U.S.A.—The Swaraj Out-numbered in Indian Elections—Winter Weather in Austria Causes Hardship.

SIR AUCKLAND GEDDES RESIGNS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30. Sir Auckland Geddes, has resigned as British Ambassador to the United States; the resignation being due only to ill health, it is understood. Sir Auckland has been virtually an invalid for three months. He had intended to sail from England next week to resume his post, but will not do so. There have been previous intimations that Sir Esme William Howard, now British Ambassador to Spain, would succeed Sir Auckland here in the event of the latter's retirement.

SIR ESME HOWARD SUCCEEDS GEDDES.

LONDON, Dec. 30. The resignation of Sir Auckland Geddes, as Ambassador to Washington, owing to troublesome eyesight, and the appointment of Sir Esme William Howard, formerly Ambassador at Madrid, to take Sir Auckland's place, has been confirmed. Sir Howard is returning to Washington for a brief visit.

BLIZZARDS IN AUSTRIA.

VIENNA, Dec. 29. Severe blizzards in Vienna are diminishing supplies, and prices are rising rapidly. Three thousand freight cars are snowed in at Alibor.

AVANCHES IN THE ALPS.

BERNE, Dec. 29. Avalanches are crashing down the passes of the Alps with greater frequency than at any time within the last ten years. Many buildings have been destroyed and in some cases whole families have been buried while asleep. Forests are suffering considerably.

DALEY AGAIN SERIOUSLY ILL.

TORONTO, Dec. 29. H. J. Daley, President of the Home Bank who with nine directors and officials of the institution face severe charges in connection with the bank's suspension several months ago, is again seriously ill; it being necessary for him to be removed to hospital.

INDIAN ELECTION RETURNS.

LONDON, Dec. 29. Returns from the Indian elections are now sufficiently complete to indicate the strength of the Swaraj or Home Rule Party in the Assembly than in the Provincial Councils. Results from 92 of the 105 districts show Swarajists obtained 41 seats, while in the Council the avowed Home Rule party held 208 seats out of 637. There are 26 Independents who will probably support the Swarajists on any question. Nationals nominated and officials members of the Assembly total forty, and as the Council members thus chosen total 179, the Swarajists will be roughly in a minority of four to one.

A FEDERAL REPORT.

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 29. With Guadalupe practically surrounded by Federal troops and all towns in the outskirts of the city being evacuated by rebel forces, the fall of the city is but a question of hours, according to a statement received here last night from Gen. Serrano, Minister of War, who returned to

MEXICO CITY YESTERDAY FROM THE GUADALUPE FRONT.

NOTHING TO INDICATE CAUSE OF ACCIDENT. PARIS, Dec. 29. Nothing was found in the pockets of Lieut. Grenadier which would lead to knowledge of the fate of the dirigible Dismude. This is causing officials here to believe the accident which befell the airship was a sudden explosion.

TO HELP PEOPLE OF HEBRIDES.

LONDON, Dec. 29. A movement has been started in Scotland for relief of the widespread acute distress in the northern islands of the Hebrides, especially the Isle of Lewis where the people are on the border of starvation owing to the destruction of their crops by the abnormally wet weather of the past summer and autumn and the impossibility of the inhabitants drying peat in wet weather.

ALL WERE LOST.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 30. Confirmation was received to-day of the sinking of the United States Shipping Board steamer Conesjos in the Black Sea. All on board were lost.

MUTE EVIDENCE OF A TRAGEDY.

LOOKPORT, Dec. 30. A weather battered dory drifted in to Jordan Bay this afternoon and was identified as that of George Dobson, of the Lockport fisherman Nellie and Viola, who were lost from the vessel when the Lockport fleet were chased to port by the sudden blizzard which struck the coast Friday night. Dobson failed to return when signalled and was cut off by the storm. He had already been given up as lost.

RELEASED.

LUNENBURG, Dec. 30. The schr. Douglas J. Conrad, seized by writ of attachment on December 11th, when her skipper, Capt. Andrew Gauvreau, was arrested on a charge of having taken fifty thousand dollars worth of spirits from the Lucille B. of Weymouth, off Boston, some months ago by piratical means, was released by order of the court on Saturday and sailed for St. John's, Nfld.

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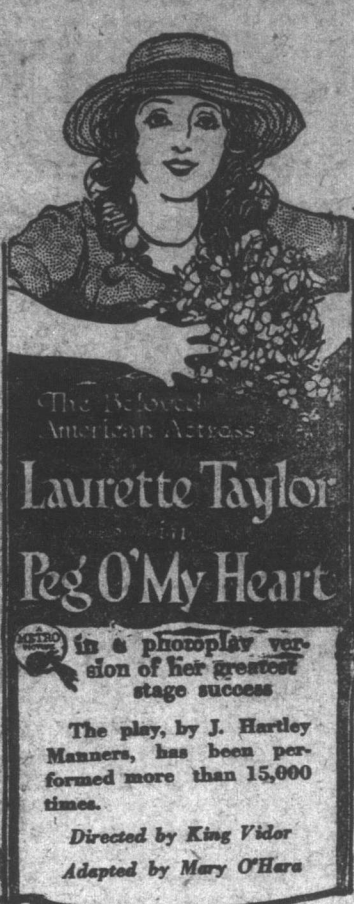
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Margaret O'Connell (Peg) as a child . . . Eileen O'Malley
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In the Realms of Sport

NO GAMES; NO MONEY.

The way the weather man now works is certainly most shocking. Looks like there won't be much to put in the rink director's stocking.

POT POURRI.

Some day you may expect to see old Doc Cook pop up with a sheaf of statistics proving that he not only discovered the north pole but built it.

Figures never lie. Statistics are figures that started out in life with high ideas but fell in with a gang of toughs around the corner store.

You can prove anything by statistics. . . . except that roquefort isn't cheese, and Jess Willard ditto. Statistics are coy little symbols which are forever being laid end on end and reaching from here to gosh knows where.

At a football game it is never prudent to cheer the halfback who runs 87 yards for a touchdown.

The statistics of the game, published the next day, may show that your cheer was entirely out of place.

Be it ever so humbling, there are no statistics like "ten and out," says Joseph Beckett of London.

A statistician is a man with a head full of figures. . . . a figure head, as it were.

FATHER OF JACK DEMPSEY ARRESTED ON LIQUOR CHARGE.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 24.—Hiram Dempsey, father of Jack Dempsey, world's heavyweight boxing champion, is free to-day on bonds of \$500 after arrest on a charge of violating the prohibition laws.

The older Dempsey was arrested in a local cafe last night by a policeman who confiscated a flask from which Dempsey is said to have been pouring liquor for highballs. A young woman also was taken into custody but she was released and police declined to give her name.

The police to-day said that it had not been decided what to do in the Dempsey case but that it was possible Federal officials would prosecute.

WANT TO WORK ALONG WITH N. H. L.

Amherst, N.S., Dec. 24.—A four-team Independent Hockey League was formally made effective Saturday afternoon when representatives from Amherst, Halifax, Moncton and Stellarton met here. A thirty-six game schedule was drawn up with the league opening in Moncton on December 31, with Amherst and Moncton as the contenders. The schedule concludes on February 29.

While a shortage of players was reported in Amherst and Halifax, it was stated at the meeting that there was a possibility of securing a working agreement with President Calder and the executive of the Hockey League, whereby certain substitute players will be sent to the Maritime League for experience.

ZEY AND GREY LAG FOR ASCOT.

New York, Dec. 24.—Zev, the American champion three-year-old, and Grey Lag, handicap king of the American turf, have been entered by Harry F. Sinclair, their owner, in the 1924 Ascot Gold Cup race, the big classic of the British track, it was announced yesterday.

The two great thoroughbreds will be shipped to England next Spring, and will be trained there for the Ascot race, which is to be run in June. They also may be entered in several other big European classics.

Earl Sande and Laverne Fator, the two star riders of the Ranococas stable, will be taken along by Sam Hildreth, the Ranococas trainer.

SWAN RIVER PLATE.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 24.—A twenty-year-old Anglo-Argentine girl swimmer, Lillian Harrison, has completed a swim across the River Plate, being the first person to accomplish the feat. She started Friday from Colonia, on the Uruguayan side, and reached Punta Lara, near La Plata, a distance of about thirty miles, Saturday morning. She swam for twenty-four hours, nineteen minutes.

SUZANNE AGREES TO PLAY FOR FRANCE IN OLYMPICS.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—Suzanne Lenglen has agreed to represent France in the Olympic tennis matches, says L'Auto to-day.

THE PASSING HOUR

Father—"Is the teacher satisfied with you?"

Tommy—"Oh, quite."

"Did he tell you so?"

"Yes. Just the other day he said to me: 'If all my scholars were like you I would shut up my school this very day.' That shows I know enough."

Judge—"Have you anything to say before the court passes sentence upon you?"

Prisoner—"Well, all I've got to say is, I hope your honor'll consider the extreme youth of my lawyer, an' let me off easy."

She—"In Africa a man doesn't know his wife until after he has married her."

He—"Hum! Why mention Africa particularly?"

Mrs. Goodheart—"I am soliciting for the poor. What do you do with your old clothes?"

Mrs. Hardup—"I hang them up very carefully every night and put them on again the next morning."

AN EVEN SCORE.

Dining with his bride at a Continental hotel, a young Englishman was angered to find on his bill a charge of ten francs for fruit. Calling the manager he protested the item.

"Ah," replied that worthy, pointing to a large dish of fruit upon the table, "but the fruit is there. It is not my fault that you did not eat it."

The Englishman said no more, but on paying the bill he counted out all but ten francs, and seeing the look of inquiry on the manager's face, he remarked calmly, "that is for kissing my wife."

"Kissing my wife!" exclaimed the other aghast. "But I have not kissed your wife."

"No," said the Englishman, "but she was there, wasn't she? It is not my fault if you did not want to kiss her."

THUS MANY WILL SWEAR.

Bishop (visiting Sunday school class).—"What is the chief evil of gambling?"

Boy (who knew).—"Losing, sir."

ONE REASON.

Teacher—"Now, why do you think the mother bird sits on her eggs?"

Maudie—"I spects it's 'as she's got no chair."—"Puck, London."

A doctor and his Irish coachman were driving past a duck pond, when the coachman said:

"O! hate them birds, sorr."

"Why should you hate the poor creatures, Pat?" the physician asked.

"I'm sure they nager do you any harm."

Screen Version of "Peg O' My Heart"

NOW SHOWING AT THE NICKEL THEATRE.

One of the most popular plays ever produced is J. Hartley Manners' "Peg O' My Heart." The play has been produced in St. John's on many occasions and each time made a notable hit. At last, however, we have the opportunity of seeing the original "Peg," in the person of Laurette Taylor who plays the role in the big picture now showing at the Nickel.

Peg is the daughter of a poor Irish farmer who has married a high-class English woman, whose family has disowned her. She grows up into a vivacious, fun-loving, imaginative girl and aids her father in his campaign work for the Irish cause.

On his death bed, her uncle repents of his harsh treatment and leaves a sum of money to be used for Peg's education, with the proviso that she be taken in hand by his sister, Mrs. Chichester. Peg goes, taking with her her little dog Michael. The Chichesters are snobs and treat her with small consideration, but with her native wit she frequently gets the best of them. She makes one real friend but is disillusioned when she finds he is a nobleman, Sir Gerald Adair. Conditions get so that she decides to return home, but Sir Gerald follows her and all ends happily.

Patrons visiting St. Joseph's Hall New Year's night can enjoy themselves after Concert, playing cards or dancing.—dec 31.11

"The Little Minister"

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MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR DUST-TEMPER.

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NEWFOUNDLAND DURING 1923.

THE year 1923 will always be remembered in the political history of the country for the sensation caused by the resignation of the Prime Minister, Sir Richard Anderson Squires, a few months after the election which had returned him to power. The events which led to the meteoric descent of the leaders for a second term were as follows:—Elected in the Autumn of 1919, it was naturally expected that the last session of Parliament would be held in the early spring of 1923, and that an appeal to the country would be made in the autumn. Such a course seemed the more obvious owing to the fact that unemployment had reached a serious stage, and the difficulties in connection with the railway were becoming acute and demanded a settled policy with regard to the management.

The Government, however, decided otherwise. The Prime Minister had spent considerable time in England arranging the terms of an agreement with the Sir W. G. Armstrong, Whitehead Company for the construction and operation of a pulp and paper mill on the Humber. The agreement entailed a guarantee on the part of the British Treasury and the Newfoundland Government, and it was decided to submit the question to the country. Parliament was therefore dissolved and an election was fought nominally on an issue advocated by the Government and by no means opposed by the Opposition. The election campaign was marked by the usual amount of acrimony, here and there, by acts of violence, and generally by the empty promises which seem to be a necessary part of every contest. The election took place on May 23rd and resulted in the return to power of the Government by a majority of 10. The Government candidates elected numbered 23; the Opposition 13. On June 7th the Parliament met, and His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Allardice, delivered his first speech from the Throne. As soon as possible, the Humber Project was introduced and, with but certain amendments to the original draft, was passed through all its stages. A Railway Bill, whereby the Railway and the Dry Dock was taken over by the Government, was also passed. By the Moorey and H. J. Crowe Bills, concessions were granted for the development of timber operations in White Bay and several others on minor importance were approved.

The information obtained through questions tabled by the Opposition, disclosed that expenditure was of a startling nature had been indulged in by several Departments, chiefly in connection with the relief of unemployment. The Auditor General's Department came in for severe censure because of the extravagance of its operations. On the next day the Hon. W. R. Warren, Minister of Finance, presented a report to the Department of the Controller. Such was the feeling aroused that on July 23rd, Hon. W. R. Warren, Minister of Justice, W. H. Halford, Minister of Fisheries, A. Barnes, Minister of Education, and S. J. Foote resigned, and the Prime Minister, Sir Richard Squires, tendered his resignation to the Governor, which was accepted. On the next day the Hon. W. R. Warren was appointed leader at a Party meeting and the new Cabinet was sworn in on July 28th. The Hon. W. F. Coker became a member of the Executive without portfolio; the Hon. J. Downey succeeded to Dr. Campbell as Minister of Agriculture and Mines; Hon. M. E. Hawco became Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, and Hon. W. H. Halford replaced Sir Richard Squires as Colonial Secretary. During the remainder of the session which closed on August 18th, matters were quiet, and the Opposition co-operated in every way with the Government to facilitate business.

In consequence of the scandal that it was alleged had taken place during the tenure of office of the former administration it was decided to appoint a Royal Commission to make enquiries into the whole matter. As it was impossible to obtain locally persons to undertake the responsibility, the Home Government was asked to select a Commissioner, and T. Hollis Walker, K.C., Recorder of Derby, was appointed.

During the absence of the Prime Minister at the Imperial Conference, the Hon. George Shea acted as Premier. The Executive gave approval to the establishment of the Nfld. Flour Milling Project, and also to a scheme introduced by Mr. H. C. Thompson to establish on the South Coast a transshipment depot. A circular was also issued fixing the price of boots and shoes landed in Newfoundland at a definite price for the purpose of calculating the duty. It met with strenuous opposition, and finally when local action threatened, it was rescinded. On the return of the Prime Minister from overseas it was announced that Mr. T. Hollis Walker would begin the Enquiry on Jan. 7th, 1924. In consequence the

result of the events which led to the greatest upheaval in the whole of our political history is a tale to be told in the next chapter.

The Industries

THE CODFISHERY.

Although the codfishery has closed months ago and the greatest part of the voyage has been shipped to market, it is, at this date, impossible to get statistics of the quantity of fish caught, and therefore all estimates are but guess work. The actual facts will not be available until after the end of the fiscal year in June next and probably not then. As an instance at the annual meeting of the Board of Trade in January last, the total catch for 1922 was given out at about 1,300,000 quintals. Since then it has been ascertained that 1,432,000 qtls. is nearer the mark. Generally it is admitted that owing to the poor trapping season and a decrease in the number of vessels fishing on Labrador, the shortage in the voyage is nothing less than 250,000 qtls. compared with that for 1922. In fact some put the figures at over 350,000 qtls. From the most reliable records obtainable, the catch is estimated as follows:

Shipments from Labrador	90,852
Brought to Newfoundland from Labrador	280,000
Bank Fishery	50,000
Shore Fishery	700,000
	1,120,852

To date about 800,000 quintals have been sent to market. The local prices varied from \$5 to \$7 for Shore; and \$3.50 to \$4.10 for Labrador fish. Although it was anticipated in the early part of the season that the markets would not warrant such high prices it is conceded that no financial losses have been sustained by shippers. Prices for Shore fish in Italy opened at from 47 to 50 shillings. In Spain they were the same as obtained last year. The present tendency is to higher prices in Oporto and Brazil so that the balance of the catch to hand, about 400,000 qtls., should be marketed to advantage. There will not likely be much old fish on hand when the fishery begins in 1924. During July and August about 130,000 qtls. of the 1922 catch were disposed of, principally in the West Indies and Brazil. An earnest effort by all concerned would solve most of the difficulties which now beset the industry. Amongst these, first consideration should be given to the reduction of taxation in general. The absence of reliable statistics is the cause of much annoyance and financial loss to both fisherman and exporter. Unsuccessful attempts have been made by the Trade to obtain the necessary information, and at the last annual meeting of the Board of Trade, the following resolution was passed:—

Resolved—That this meeting of Fish Exporters regret to find that no reliable figures can be furnished by the Marine and Fisheries Department in relation to the quantity of fish caught upon the Newfoundland Coast, or brought in by Bankers, or from the Coast of Labrador, and in view of the great importance of such statistical information, regard it as a reflection upon the Department that such returns are not available.

LOBSTER FISHERY.

Approximately the same number of licenses to operate factories were issued this year as were in operation in 1922. Returns of the pack have not been yet received from the fishermen, therefore the Department of Marine and Fisheries is unable to give an estimate of the number of cases packed. The number of lobsters caught last year was over one and a half million, and the pack amounted to 8,539 cases.

SALMON.

The returns from the salmon fishery show that about 1,800 cases were packed, and a total of 42,000 lbs. was put up by cold storage methods and exported. In 1922, 280 cases of salmon were exported and 1,592 cases packed. Eight hundred and ten thousand pounds of frozen salmon, valued at \$1,160.00 were sent out of the country.

HERRING FISHERY.

The herring fishery on the East Coast has not yet begun and up to a few days ago there was not a sign of the fish in Green Bay. In Bay of Islands the fishery opened at the usual time and so far the voyage gives indication of being an average one.

THE SEAL FISHERY.

The seal fishery during the spring of 1923 was prosecuted by 8 ships as against 9 in 1922. The total number

of seals brought in was 101,770, as against 209,135 in 1922, a decrease of 24,261. In spite, however, of the smaller number secured, the net value was greater than that in 1922 by \$11,297.61; the value for 1922 and 1923 being respectively \$126,031 and \$197,328.61. One vessel only, namely the Viking, commanded by Capt. Wm. Bartlett, prosecuted the fishery in the Gulf, but the heaviness of the ice, which was unprecedented and the continuance of N.W. gales, made it impossible to secure more than 6,343 seals. The Sagona, Eagle, Seal, Neptune, Theis, Terra Nova and Raker, were on the front. The prevailing wind all through the spring had been N.W., and consequently the ice was far off the land. Most of the seals taken were between a point about one hundred miles S.E. of Cape Bonaville and a point about two hundred miles S.E. of Cape Spear. The Neptune took out an aeroplane for the purpose of locating patches but it was not used owing to the irregular surface of the ice. The Raker's crew each received \$69.70, which was the largest share paid on any ship.

LUMBERING—A RETROSPECT.

The writer distinctly remembers when our forest wealth was probably twice as great as it is to-day, yet no measure then was its value that, with a view to encouraging the utilization thereof, a "timber limit"—and one without the handicap of the "royalty" and "rental" fees imposed to-day—could be had for the asking, yet no one sought such.

The requirements in timber and lumber of St. John's and the other large centres were supplied from New Brunswick; the St. John's importations being entirely in the hands of Messrs. Boyd, Clift, Wood & Co. and W. & G. Rendell. The output supply was chiefly of "pit-saw" production, every man sawing to-day could be had for the asking, yet no one sought such.

In the late Sixties of the last century the first fully equipped saw mill was erected in the Exploits section of Notre Dame Bay by the late firm of Winsor and Vallance. This operated for a number of years and was succeeded by a larger and more efficient plant at Botwoodville. The Company operating this mill had its headquarters at Quebec, its Manager was the father-in-law of the late Archdeacon Botwood and Botwoodville, now Botwood, was named after the Archdeacon.

Meeting a number of smaller mills had been put in operation and extensive and well-equipped operations were entered and operated at Gambo, for many years by the present energetic Hon. John Murphy, and in the Gander Bay country by the late Mr. Phillips, and the Horwood Lumber Company.

The first really extensive and modern lumbering operation was that exploited by Louis Miller at Millerton. This, with other acquired properties, later passed under the control of Mr. H. J. Crowe who expanded the Miller enterprise until he had large capacity mills in operation at Millerton, Badger, Norris Arm, Botwood, Glenwood, Gambo, Notre Dame Junction, Indian Arm and Point Leamington; sawing in the aggregate over quarter of a million feet per day.

The shipping point for the Crowe product was Lewisporte, in Notre Dame Bay, where extensive wharves and stock yards were established. A very large percentage of the product of the Crowe mills was shipped to South America and British markets and an immense volume of business was done for some years. The large capacity mill has not, for certain reasons, been found profitable in Newfoundland, whereas the small mill may be advantageously operated.

The average Newfoundlanders evince a keen appreciation of whatever his sound judgment shows to have an advantage industrially, hence the abnormal increase in saw mills of limited capacity of late years. The figures that I quote to illustrate this expansion are those for 1920, 1921 and 1922. The current year's returns are not so far tabulated as many of the mills were sawing until quite recently. In 1920 the number of mills licensed was 494, of which number 110 were not operating.

The total catch was 25,000,000 ft. B.M. and the value thereof \$1,231,000. In 1921 the number of mills had increased to 532, of which number 270 were not operated that year. The cut was 30,116,591 ft. and the value \$1,204,615. In this year (1921) prices dropped sharply with the result that in 1922 there were but 325 mills in operation, with a cut of 8,426,852 ft. and a value of \$246,648.

The construction of the immense plant of the Newfoundland Power and Paper Company at Corner Brook and at Deer Lake and Grand Lake has created an unprecedented demand for lumber, square stock and logs, with the result that the present and ensuing year's cuts should be record ones. The value of the product of the 550 saw mills, our present number, considerable though it is, but a small percentage of the total yearly value of our forest products.

In 1920 the value of the 23,000 tons of paper exported was \$1,845,344. And of the 7151 tons of Mechanical and Sulphite Pulp 153,678

Being a total for the year of \$2,020,522. In 1921 the paper exported equalled 50,717 tons, of a value of \$4,725,660. The 21,000 tons of pulp of a value of 334,276. And the 1,610,000 ft. of sawn lumber exported had a value of 63,847.

Being a total for the year of \$5,123,793. In 1922 our export of paper was 62,300 tons, of a value of \$4,646,582. Our pulp of that year equalled 26,333 tons, of a value of 249,013. 622,000 of laths and shingles of a value of 3,075. And 1,650,000 ft. of manufactured lumber, of a value of 70,338.

Making a total for the year's exports of \$4,966,512. With the completion of the Newfoundland Power and Paper Company's plant at Corner Brook, the volume of our annual exports in paper and pulp should be above twelve million dollars and in the next ten years will probably approximate the twenty million dollar mark. With such a prospect ahead of us we should give serious thought to the conservation of our forest resources. Anything and everything that can be done towards ensuring continuity of supply of wood is entitled to serious consideration.

Very largely owing to the wise procedures of the Fire Patrol Commission and the efficiency of its patrol men, we have been saved in late years from a recurrence of the calamitous forest fires that were almost annually in bitter evidence in the past. The extent of the work initiated and controlled by the Fire Patrol Commission may be gathered from the fact that 654 miles of railway were constantly patrolled by 31 wardens, and that 260 fires were successfully fought. In the past season, so that no appreciable damage resulted.

I see nothing to deter the assumption of an optimistic view of the future, industrially, of Newfoundland. When, a few months since, the worth to the country of the then proposed Humber Project was under discussion in the Legislature, it was contended that, through its instrumentality, the railway could be made to pay under Government management. The statement was not taken seriously, but to-day it appears as if such consummation was within reasonable distance of being realized.

Unemployment

During the early part of the year unemployment was, very much in evidence but with the beginning of the fisheries, the starting of operations on the Humber, and increasing opportunities as the summer advanced to provide labour along the water front and dock, the number was consequently diminished. Road and bridge construction in various parts of the island provided work which not only gave employment, but was productive of good results as well. Timber operations in White Bay, and increased activities on the part of the Harmsworth at Grand Falls materially relieved the situation. The action of B. E. Steel Corporation in closing down the mines in Bell Island was, however, a serious setback and threw out of employment a large number of men. Efforts are being made to have the mines reopened at an early date and it is hoped that they will be successful. Poverty in certain cases is very evident and in certain cases Government relief will have to be provided, but this is nothing like so general as it was twelve months ago.

Items of Interest

NEW YEAR HONOR—Jan. 1, Hon. Marmaduke Winter, C.B.E., member

of the Legislative Council, created a Knight Bachelor.

PREMISES GUTTED—Jan. 1, Premises in Stab Rows Cove, occupied by W. B. Fraser, gutted by fire.

GIVEN FREEDOM—Jan. 3, Thos. Rees, after serving half of a 14 years sentence in the Penitentiary, was given a pardon.

GOLD SEEKERS FORM COMPANY—Jan. 3, A local company known as Labrador Gold Deposits Ltd., was incorporated with a capital of \$150,000.

OCTOGNARIAN CELEBRATION—Jan. 6, Sir Joseph Outerbridge, Kt., senior director of Harvey & Co. Ltd., celebrated his eighteenth birthday by dining the employees of the firm.

BODY V. A. D. DISCOVERED—Jan. 9, Body of Miss Lindsay, V. A. D. at Cartwright, found in woods after a four months search.

ORE SHIP ARRIVES—Jan. 9, S. S. Sharras, 19 days from Norway with a load of iron ore, arrived in port for repairs.

HARBOR MASTER DIED—Jan. 10, Capt. Edward English, Harbor Master and Examiner-in-Chief for Masters and Mates, died in his 76th year.

BELL ISLE OPERATIONS CLOSE—Jan. 13, Work at Bell Island suspended and 1,300 men thrown out of employment.

STORM ACROSS COUNTRY—Jan. 15, Storm raging across country. Snow drifts 10 ft. deep along railway and operations temporarily suspended.

ROYAL GAZETTE CHANGES HANDS—Jan. 17, Royal Gazette, purchased from the Withers' Estate by a company, the principals of which are Hon. Dr. Mossell, B. B. Stafford, and D. R. Thistle.

PLANE DELIVERS MAIL—Jan. 18, Major Cotton, flying from Botwood, delivered mail matter to various settlements in St. Barbe district.

AD LIMINI VISIT—Jan. 21, His Lordship Bishop Renoult left for Canada enroute to Rome to pay his ad limini visit to the Holy See.

DELEGATES BEGIN CANVAS—Jan. 19, Delegates of United Fishermen's Movement left by train to make country wide canvas.

PRESIDENT B. T. ELECTED—Jan. 22, Newfoundland Board of Trade held 14th annual meeting, Mr. L. E. Outerbridge elected President.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE ANNIVERSARY—Jan. 24, The 82nd anniversary of the founding of Queen's College celebrated by a large gathering at Canon Wood Hall.

"GUARDIAN" REVIVED—Jan. 26, Bay Roberts "Guardian," after three years' suspension, revived.

BURNS' ANNIVERSARY—Jan. 25, St. Andrew's Club celebrated 16th anniversary of birth Robert Burns.

MISSIONARY BISHOP ARRIVES—Jan. 29, Bishop Mowell arrived by S. S. Kyle and opened a Mission Service at St. Thomas's.

CAPT TO TOWED TO PORT—Jan. 28, S. S. Sachem, after towing S. S. Cape 760 miles, arrived in port at 10 a.m. The Cape was laden with iron ore and lost her rudder.

BROUGHT BIG WHISKEY CARGO—Jan. 30, S. S. Sable I, with a cargo of whiskey valued at \$450,000, sailed for St. Pierre.

ZERO WEATHER—Feb. 5, A W. N. W. blizzard raged across country. Lighting system of city out of commission. Thermometer at 3 a.m. registered 6 below zero.

FIRE FIEND TAKES TOLL—Feb. 6, A fire in a block of buildings on Rawlin's Cross did damage estimated at \$25,000. Three buildings were gutted and another was badly damaged.

KYLE CAUGHT IN STORM—Feb. 8, S. S. Kyle met with terrible experience in a one hundred and twenty hour trip from St. John's to Port au Basques. Second officer Carter was washed overboard and drowned.

DISTINGUISHED K. C. DIES—Feb. 8, James Augustus Clift, K.C., C.B.E., passed away in his 68th year.

WESTLAND PLANE CRASHES—Feb. 8, A Westland machine, making a flight from Botwood to Quidi Vidi, crashed on the White Hills. The pilot, Mr. Basedon, escaped uninjured but the machine was wrecked.

RINK OPENED—Feb. 13, St. Bon's Rink formally opened by His Excellency the Governor.

LEGISLATURE DISSOLVED—Feb. 15, Proclamation dissolving the General Assembly issued.

LEADER ENDORSED—Feb. 28, meeting of West End Liberal Labor Committee endorsing appointment of J. R. Bennett as leader of Opposition Party.

HORSE RACES—Feb. 31, at the annual horsemen's meet at Quidi Vidi, May Thornton (local bred) made ½ mile in 1.08 4/5.

BLIZZARD RAGING—Mar. 3, a severe blizzard, the worst for the winter, blocked the streets with drifts from 8 to 10 feet high.

SEALERS PROTEST—Mar. 4, a meeting of sealers at the Grenfell Hall passed resolutions protesting against an election before May 8th.

SCHOONER FOUNDERED—Mar. 5, S. S. Belvernon arrived in port bringing the crew of schr. James O'Neill, which foundered off St. Pierre.

RESCUE OF CREW OF SCHR. A. B. BARTEAU—Mar. 6, badly frostbitten, due to 3 days' exposure on the ice, when their vessel, the A. B. Barreau, foundered, the crew were rescued by Capt. Alston of S. S. Hawk. Four of the seamen had to be taken to hospital on the ship's arrival in port.

HOCKEY CHAMPIONS DINED—Mar. 14, Guards' hockey team, League champions for the season 1923 and winners of the Cup, were dined at the Grenfell Hall.

B. I. S. PARADE—Mar. 17, a feature of the annual B. I. S. parade was the carrying for the first time the Irish Free State flag.

POWER SHORTAGE—Mar. 19, Owing to prevailing frosty spurt the Port Harbor plant could not supply sufficient power for the city and the plant closed for a brief period.

COLONEL C. L. B.—Mar. 20, Battalion orders read announced the appointment of Lt.-Col. Walter Rendell, C.B.E., as Officer Commanding the C. L. B. in Newfoundland.

FATAL BURNING WITH GASOLINE—Mar. 19, Two girls, daughters of Ralph Corrad, Cape George, died as result of the burning of a gasoline lamp.

BOWLING LEAGUE FORMED—Mar. 20, The St. John's Merchants Bowling League formed at 5 o'clock in the Grenfell Hall. Twelve clubs were elected as members of the league.

FLIGHT TO LABRADOR—Mar. 27, A Martinside plane, piloted by Major Cotton, and taking mail and passengers, made a flight to St. John's, Labrador.

FATALITIES FROM STORM—Mar. 29, As a result of an unexpected storm four men in different sections of the country lost their lives. The victims were: John Hayse, Renewes, Henry Butt, Admiral's Cove, Peter Raymond, Goulds Road, John Tobin, Trepassay.

SCHR. FOUNDERED—Mar. 30, Schr. Gordon M. Houllet, 65 days out from Cadiz, was abandoned 30 miles off Cape Race. The crew were rescued by S. S. Sable I.

FIRST ARRIVAL—Apr. 4, S. S. Sagona, Capt. John Khee, the first ship to arrive from the Seal Fishery, hailed for 11,360 prime young harps.

NEW COMMANDING OFFICER—Apr. 4, Lt.-Col. W. F. Rendell was officially installed as Officer-Commanding the C. L. B. Brigade. His Lordship Bishop White, Regimental Chaplain, very fittingly performed the ceremony before the full battalion.

VISITS SEALING INDUSTRY—Apr. 7, His Excellency the Governor and party paid an official visit to Bowring's Southside premises to observe the skinning of the seals and the manufacturing processes.

MAN BURNED TO DEATH—Apr. 26, Early morning blaze on Spencer Street resulted in the death of an aged man named Thomas Donovan. The other occupants of the house escaped in their night attire.

WELL KNOWN CITIZEN DIES—May 7, Mr. Allan Frazier, one of our most esteemed townsmen passed away to-day. The deceased was identified with the firm of T. & M. Winter for the past thirty years.

SUCCESSFUL FLIGHT—May 16, A non-stop flight, was made by Major Cotton from Hawke's Bay, Newfoundland, to Rioget, Labrador, and the Martinside made a landing five miles outside with only four gallons of gasoline in her tanks.

MARVALE'S PASSENGERS ARRIVE—May 23, Both the passengers and the crew of the ill-fated C. P. R. tiger Marvale arrived in the city by the Trepassay train from St. Shotts.

BIG LINER SINKS—May 31, The C. P. R. liner Marvale, bound from Montreal to Liverpool, crashed ashore at Cape Frels Rock, 3 miles from Cape Pine Lighthouse, and becomes a total wreck. The passengers and crew were saved.

EMPIRE DAY CELEBRATED—May 24, Fully 2,500 boys and girls assembled in the Government Grounds to hear His Excellency the Governor and the Prime Minister address them on Empire Day. The Girl Guides and Boy Scouts paraded in full uniform.

FATAL ACCIDENT—May 27, Mr.

Jas. Boone, of 22 Belvidere St., this city, died as result of injuries received by being thrown from a wagon on his way to church in Flatrock.

FIRST VESSEL TO GOLD FIELDS—June 6, Schr. Climax, the first vessel to leave this port for the gold fields at Stag Bay, Labrador, sailed to-day.

NEW LEADER—June 7, Mr. W. J. Higgins, K.C., was unanimously elected Leader of the Opposition, successor to Mr. John R. Bennett.

BODY ARRIVES—June 14, The body of Miss Lindsay, who met a tragic death at Cartwright, Labrador, arrived by the express for shipment to Montreal.

NEW LADDER TRUCK—June 14, A new aerial ladder truck arrived by the Silvia, and placed with other up-to-date equipment in the Central Fire Hall.

POLICE PATROL—June 18, S. S. Watchful, with a posse of police and other officials on board, left port for Stag Bay, Labrador.

PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION—June 19, A public demonstration of the new aerial ladder truck, recently imported from the States, gave an excellent demonstration of its usefulness at the Colonial Building, Court-House, and other places to-day.

PORTIA DAMAGED—June 25, S. S. Portia became badly damaged as a result on grounding of a shoal near entrance to Nipper's Hr.

BID FAREWELL—June 26, Colonel and Mrs. Martin bade farewell to Newfoundland, and left by express to take charge of the Montreal Division.

COAL STEAMER LOST—July 1, S. S. Banda, bound to France with a cargo of coal, struck at Watling Cove and became a total loss.

MEMORIAL UNVEILED—July 21, Memorial Service at Sergeants' Memorial, Queen's Road. Unveiling ceremony at Wesley Church. His Excellency Sir Wm. Allardice officiated at the unveiling.

SHIPWRECKED CREW ARRIVES—July 2, S. S. Genet, Capt. T. Connors, arrived in port bringing 32 members of the crew of S. S. Knudsen, a coal boat which was wrecked at Gull Island Point, St. Vincent's.

AMERICAN FLAG PRESENTED—July 3, at the usual weekly luncheon U. S. Consul J. S. Benedict, on behalf of the Rotarian Club of Detroit, presented a silk American flag to the Rotarian Club of St. John's.

HUMBER DEAL PASSED—July 4, A Bill confirming the agreement with the Armstrong-Whitworth Co.'s development scheme in the Humber Valley passed third reading in the House of Assembly.

JOURNALISTIC APPOINTMENT—July 7, C. E. A. Jeffery becomes Editor of Evening Telegram.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS ARRIVE—July 9, Baron Amptuhl, Pro Grand Master of English Freemasonry, accompanied by Sir John Ferguson, Lt.-Col. H. Hamilton Wedderburn, A. E. Carlyle, J. H. Winfield and James Jones, arrived in the city by express for the purpose of installing Mr. J. R. Bennett as D.G.M. for Newfoundland.

FATAL ACCIDENT—July 11, Mollie, the 4 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Humphries, was run down by a motor cycle on Cornwall Avenue and died almost instantly.

LAUNDRY GUTTED—July 11, a Chinese laundry on Cochrane Street, owned by Ham Lung, was gutted through a fire caused by the explosion of a gasoline tank.

S. A. CONGRESS OPENS—July 14, the Annual S. A. Congress opened by a monster welcome meeting to Commissioner Sowton and Lieut.-Col. Morshen.

NO GOLD AT STAG BAY—July 18, a wireless message from Capt. Thompson received by the Telegram made the first announcement that the gold seekers at Stag Bay had been disappointed.

FARM HOUSE DESTROYED—July 22, a landmark on the Cockpit Road, a farm house owned by Henry Stone, was destroyed in an early morning blaze.

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS RESIGN—July 23, four members of the Executive in the Squires Government, Hon. W. R. Warren, Hon. Dr. Barnes, Hon. W. W. Halford and Hon. S. J. Foote, submitted their resignations. At 5 p.m. the Prime Minister announced to his party in the Council Chamber that he had tendered his resignation to His Majesty's representative.

A PRISON SENTENCE—July 24, a motor mechanic, convicted for the second time of a breach of the motor traffic regulations, was given a prison sentence.

NEW CABINET ANNOUNCED—

July 28, Hon. W. R. Warren announced that he had formed a new Cabinet.

DIED ON LABRADOR—July 30, Rev. Dr. Whelan, P.P. of North River, died whilst on his annual mission to the Indians at Labrador.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT—July 30, two sets of all steel playground equipment were imported by the Rotarians for the use of children frequenting the Parks.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR—July 31, General Sir Newton Moore, K. C. M. G., European director of Besco, paid a visit to the city.

KILLED BY MOTOR CAR—July 61, Gerald Griffiths, a 12 year old boy of the Southside, was killed by a motor car.

ANNUAL REGATTA—Aug. 1, Annual Regatta. Only half the programme could be carried out owing to rain. The second half of the programme was run off on the evening of the 2nd inst.

COMMISSION NAMED—Aug. 10, Messrs. J. P. Blackwood, H. E. Knight and John Fenslen were named by Premier Warren as members of a commission to enquire into the happenings which led up to the resignation of the Squires Administration. All refused to act. Subsequently the services of an English barrister, Sir H. Walker, were secured.

MEMORIAL SERVICE—Aug. 10, a Memorial Service for the late President of the United States, Hon. Warren G. Harding, held in Thomas's Church. His Excellency the Governor, all foreign consuls

Newfoundland During 1923.

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land was discussed at a meeting of the Board of Trade.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.—Sep. 29, Hon. Edmund Harcourt, M.P., of the British Parliament and party of friends arrived in the city from Grand Falls.

CIRCUIT COURT RETURNS.—Oct. 1, The Supreme Court of the Northern Circuit with the Chief Justice Sir Wm. Horwood and staff, arrived by S. S. Watchful. The court dealt with four criminal cases during the session.

CRUSHED TO DEATH.—Oct. 2, The locomotive of a west bound train left the rails near Northern-Bight, and pinned Engineer Charles Cahill underneath the boiler, killing him instantly. The cause of the tragic happening was due to railway washout.

TOTAL LOSS.—Oct. 3, Steamer Troutpool and three schooners were wrecked near St. Pierre as result of storm on Southwest Coast. The crews in each case were saved.

MEMORIAL TABLET UNVEILED.—Oct. 9, A beautiful bronze memorial erected to the memory of those members of the T. A. & B. Society who gave their lives in the Great War, was unveiled at the T. A. Hall by the President of the Society, Hon. W. J. Ellis.

PROMOTION.—Oct. 10, Major W. H. Herder was promoted Officer Commanding the Newfoundland Highlands, succeeding Lt.-Col. Dr. L. Paterson, resigned.

RECEIVES APPROVAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.—Oct. 12, The proposals of the Newfoundland Fur Mill Company received the full sanction of the Executive Government today and will be submitted to the Legislature at the next session for approval.

DEATH OF WELL KNOWN PHYSICIAN.—Oct. 13, Dr. W. T. Scully passed away suddenly. Illness was only a few days duration, death being due to Pneumonia. The funeral took place at 11 a.m. today, in the presence of a large number of citizens. The contractors who undertook the work of excavation for the laying of the foundation commenced the job almost immediately.

FIRES THE FIRST SHOT.—Oct. 23, The first blast for the excavation in connection with the foundation for the National War Memorial at King's Beach, was set off by Sir Wm. Allard at 1 p.m. today, in the presence of a large number of citizens. The contractors who undertook the work of excavation for the laying of the foundation commenced the job almost immediately.

SHIP DISMANTLED.—Dec. 24, Barq. Czarina dismantled off Cape Race. Crew rescued by S. S. Cairn Mona.

Arctic Mails.—Slow But Sure

Minneapolis, Dec. 25. (A.P.)—Four years ago Roald Amundsen, the explorer, mailed a letter in the far North to a friend in Minneapolis. After various adventures the communication reached its destination a few days ago, bearing on its face an epic of the postal service at the world's edge.

Esquimo carriers and dog teams, who started with the letter, had succumbed to cold and starvation, and their mail pouch lay for nearly four years preserved by ice and snow under the Arctic sky.

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A Reasonable and Justifiable Kick

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—At the first sign of snow the unsatisfactory light and power service breaks down, and on two days this week the manufacturing and business community are brought to a standstill through lack of power and light, and private houses are plunged in darkness. The excuse given in the press is that "snow formed a contact between two wires on the South Side."

Truly, we are a soft, patient people to put up with such a ramshackle outfit. Have not the St. John's Light and Power Company had sufficient experience in this country to know what to expect during the winter season and to provide against such unnecessary break-downs? Why should two main wires be so placed that snow could cause a short circuit and tie up the whole city?

To have 100 mechanics sitting or standing idle for hours, often in the dark, is a serious loss to any industry, and the danger of fire and accidents through lighting candles and lamps is very great. It is time that this capital city of St. John's demanded the expenditure of sufficient time and money to maintain the light and power system at the highest state of efficiency, and at least give us some guarantee against simple and unnecessary stoppages.

Yours truly,
MANUFACTURER.

Dec. 29th, 1923.

Lady Carnarvon Again Married

Widow of Finder of Tutankhamen Tomb, Who Died in March.

London, Dec. 19. (A.P.)—The Dowager Countess of Carnarvon, widow of the Earl of Carnarvon, discoverer of the tomb of the Pharaoh Tutankhamen, was married today to Lieut.-Col. Ian Osmond-Dennistoun, formerly an officer of the Grenadier Guards. The ceremony was performed at a registry office here in the presence of a few friends.

Col. Dennistoun, 44 years old, was educated at Eton, and adopted the army as a career. Entering the service in 1900 he served in the South African war, where he won distinction, and was made captain in 1910 and a major in 1915 during the European war.

When Lord Carnarvon was suddenly stricken in Egypt last March from an insect bite, Lady Carnarvon started in an airplane to hasten to his bedside, but was taken ill during the flight and proceeded by boat from a Mediterranean port. She reached Cairo in time to assist in nursing the patient, who finally died on March 29 from a complication of diseases following the initial attack.

Ask your Grocer for Stafford's 15c. Ginger Wine.—nov20,tf

A WOODLAND SCENE. (Clara D. Helnecke)

One bright, sunny day in June I went by myself into the woods. As I wandered on I came to a little stream. I stopped to admire it and its surroundings. The sun was shining through the trees making the pure water sparkle like diamonds.

Next to the stream stood three trees. They were all alike in size, and towered above all the rest. The scene had a soothing effect upon me and I lay down upon the soft, mossy bank with my face to the sky. The rustling of the leaves was putting me to sleep and I thought only of the beauties of nature.

Suddenly I was startled by a little furry creature which fitted by me as if on wings. I lay very still for it was a rabbit, and I did not want to frighten it. I watched it drink the pure sun-kissed waters of the stream. The rabbit did not even notice me, but drank on in peace.

Bang! I jumped up at this, for it was the sound of a gun. When I again looked at the stream, I saw that my little friend was no longer drinking, but lay by the stream dead.

Alas! Not even in the woods can there be peace. The world is wicked.

Ladies' Black Hockey Boots \$6.00 at SMALLWOOD'S. dec24,tf

Population of Ireland

Dublin, Dec. 24. (A.P.)—Official statistics show the estimated population of the Free State as 3,165,000 persons. Births, marriages and deaths for the last quarter all show decreases.

Witness Nan's introduction to Ned Blake's friends. "Lighthouse Nan, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th January."—dec31,tf

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Criticised in Letter of British Bishop. Plymouth, Dec. 18. (A.P.)—The Rev. Lord William Gascorne-Cecil, Bishop of Exeter, in a pastoral letter says America has antipathized men of moderate opinion, and there seems to be a danger that its total prohibition will in the end be far less successful than this country's practical prohibition of spirits among the working classes, by a heavy tax. "Still I deeply regret," he continues, "that Englishmen have been found to assist in breaking American laws. Each country has the right to govern itself. Whether the laws are good or bad, it is fundamentally opposed to the doctrine of self-government that another country should allow its citizens to encourage a breach of those laws."

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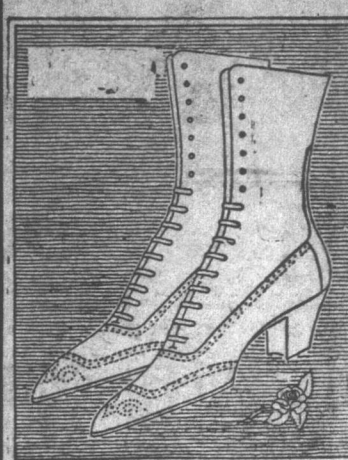
very narrow skirt are an smart as ever.

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A Mystery of the Sea.

(H. F. SHORTIS.)

Last Christmas I related, through the columns of the "Telegraph," the story of the writing being placed on the slate in the cabin of the Newfoundland schooner, *Eliza*, owned and commanded by Capt. Patrick Strapp, father of the beloved Rev. Brother Strapp of the Christian Brothers' Schools, St. Bonaventure's College. I presume there were some doubting Thomases amongst the readers of the *Telegraph*, who were under the impression that I had drawn on my imagination, and that such an event did not occur. At the same time I gave an extract from Capt. Strapp's diary, with regard to the mysterious occurrence, also the names of some of the crew. I assure you Capt. Patrick Strapp was not the man to be frightened by a bog-man, banshee, leprechaun, or even a full-legged ghost, but he had to believe his own eyesight, and the subsequent events. In Newfoundland it has ever been our custom, when comfortably ensconced in our arm-chair, round a good warm fire at Christmas to relate stories of interest for the edification of—more particularly—the younger portion of our audience. Of course, to give the story a real flavor, a ghost or something uncanny, must play a prominent part in the event. It would be just as insipid to quaff a glass of Buchanan's Blend without three or four slices of lemon and four lumps of sugar in it, as to relate a story during the Christmas Festival without the entry of a ghost. It would be the play of Hamlet: with the Prince left out.

Some time ago, I came across the following story, which is, in almost every particular, similar to that related by Capt. Strapp of the brigantine *Eliza* in the Sixties of the past century, and here it is for the benefit of the thousands of the readers of the *Telegraph* at home and abroad.

THE WRITING ON THE SLATE.

In the year 1823, a young man named Robert Bruce, of Forbury, was mate of a vessel, trading between Liverpool and St. John's N.B. After sailing west for five or six weeks, the ship approached the east Coast of Newfoundland. At mid-day the Captain and Bruce were on deck, taking the usual observations of the sun. They then went below to work out the position of the ship and set the course for the day. The companion-way was short and descended obliquely. Facing it was Bruce's cabin. At the foot of the companion-way there were two doors, side by side, one leading into the main cabin, the other into that of the mate. Inside the latter a writing desk lay on the table behind the door. It was so placed that one sitting at it could see, by looking over his shoulder, what was going on in the main cabin. Bruce was engrossed in calculating the position of the ship. This appeared to differ greatly from what he expected to find it. As he was so deeply engaged he did not notice the movements of the captain, and when he had finished his work and was unable to reconcile the result of his calculations with his expectations, he shouted to the captain, without turning round, and asked him what was their position according to his estimate. As he got no reply, he repeated the question, looking over his shoulder, and he saw, as he thought, the captain writing earnestly on his slate, but he received no answer. Bruce then got up, and when he was at the door of the main cabin, the man he took for the captain raised his head and showed himself to be an absolute stranger. The mate was no coward, but as he met that earnest gaze in the uncanny silence, and felt certain that never before had he seen that face. A cold

mean, but with a smile, he consented. The captain took up the slate and looked at it closely. Then he moved away so that the stranger should not see him as he turned over the slate, revealing the first message. He presented the slate with the writing upon it to the man.

"Is this your handwriting," he inquired. "Yes, certainly," said the man. "You saw me writing those words."

"And this is also your writing," said the captain, turning over the other side of the slate. The man was astonished when he saw the slate, and he protested that he had written only on one side of it. Who could have written on the other side? What was the meaning of it all? Much he said to the same effect.

"My first mate declares," said the captain, "that you yourself wrote those words as you sat in my chair with the slate before you about mid-day to-day."

The captain of the abandoned vessel and the man looked at each other awestruck, and the former asked—

"Did you dream that you wrote this on the slate?"

"I do not remember having dreamt anything about it," replied the man. The other captain said—

"What was this man doing about mid-day to-day?"

"I do not quite know," was the answer, "but this is a dreadful business, and I meant to speak to you about it as soon as I had an opportunity. This officer, being utterly exhausted, fell into a profound sleep shortly before mid-day. After about an hour's time he awakened, and he came to me and said, 'We shall be rescued to-day,' and when I asked him what ground he had for saying that, he replied that he had seen himself on board another ship which was now hastening to save us. He described the appearance and rig of the ship, and when this ship approached us, I found that everything corresponded exactly with what he had told me. We had not given much weight to his story, but we thought there might perhaps be some sense in his dream, for drowning men catch at straws; but as things have turned out, it is indeed certain that everything has been directed by the hand of the Almighty to rescue us from death."

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me as if I had seen them before, but I am quite certain that I was never before on board this ship. This is a mysterious business, but what precisely did Mr. Bruce see? Bruce described to him the vision he had seen, and how the captain had been persuaded to change the course of the ship. All on board felt persuaded that it was a Power from above that had directed the course of events, so as to secure the safety of those on board the ice-bound ship.

The matter is really too difficult to explain, but with regard to the writing on the slate it would perhaps be overbold to affirm that it was traced by the Hand which of old wrote the Commandments on the tables of stone. But the opinion of men of learning and piety may be indicated. Some of these hold the view that all our thoughts and actions are traced and recorded on the ether in much the same way as images of things are photographed by means of light on paper or glass, and that these records may be seen and heard by those who are divinely gifted, although they can be neither seen nor heard by the ordinary senses. But to him alone is the heart known, as the Psalmist says:—

"Thou know'st what 'tis my lips would vent."

My yet unutter'd words intent . . . O skill for human skill too high, Too dazzling bright for human eye!"

The narrator further records that this story was told to him by Mr. S. Clarke, captain of the ship "Julia Hallcock," with whom he sailed in the years 1830-1837. Clarke got it from Bruce himself eight years after the remarkable events took place. He lost sight of Bruce shortly afterwards. Bruce became captain of the ship "Comet," and was lost at sea.

Such is the account given, which was published in Gaelic at the time, and enlarged on in detail by a Scotch paper, and it will be seen that it is almost a similar mysterious event experienced by Captain Patrick Strapp and his crew of Newfoundlanders, which occurred on board the brigantine *Eliza* in the early sixties of the past century, and related by me through the columns of the *Evening Telegram*.

THE MYSTERIOUS LADY OF SABLE ISLAND.

The above can be better unravelled by such scientists and spiritists as Sir Oliver Lodge and Sir Conan Doyle, but I admit it is too much for me. But for a real "I-declare-to-goodness-gracious" ghost story, I think the following will take its place among the most rank—especially as the truth is vouched for by the highest authority, after investigation. In the year 1802 the transport "Princess Amelia" was wrecked off the South Side of Sable Island. Part of the cargo consisted of some furniture belonging to the Queen's father, Prince Edward. Among the passengers on board were a number of officers, soldiers and their wives and servants—in all about 200 persons. They all perished. At that time some piratical vagabonds made the island a base of operations for their terrible work as there was no regular establishment kept on the island. It is supposed that some poor souls of that unfortunate vessel reached shore in safety and were murdered by the wreckers for their property. Captain Torrens of the 29th Regiment then lying at Halifax, was sent to look after the missing ones, and was wrecked too, but escaped to shore with his life, together with others. In a hut they found some arms which the captain appropriated. On returning to the hut on one occasion the first thing he saw inside was a lady sitting by the fire, with long, dripping hair hanging over her shoulders. Her dress was covered with sand, and clung to her as though it was wringing wet.

"Where did you come from, madam?" he asked, but her only reply was to hold up her hand, and then he saw that one of the fingers had been cut off and was still bleeding. He got a bandage and was about to offer his assistance in dressing the wound when the mysterious visitor rose up suddenly and slipping past him, started for the beach. He followed, begging her to return, as he thought she must be out of her mind, and ran after her. But the quicker he ran the quicker she fled, until reaching the shore she plunged into the waves and disappeared. Then he returned to the hut and was amazed to find that the strange visitor had preceded him. Again she held up her wounded hand, and this time he took a good look at her to be able to identify her afterwards, if necessary. All at once it struck him that it was the wife of Dr. Copeland, of the 7th Regiment. When she saw that he recognized her, she rose, smiled and disappeared. Capt. Torrens got the names of three of the most prominent wreckers, and after a good deal of difficulty, found the man who had stolen the lady's ring and disposed of it to a Halifax jeweller, at whose shop he found it. It was identified at once by the ladies of the regiment, and by some of the doctor's brother officers. Chief Justice Halliburton (better known as Sam Slick), in a footnote in his history of the island, vouches for the truth of the narrative.

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A very pretty wedding took place at the R. C. Cathedral on the afternoon of Dec. 20th, when Mr. Thos. J. Greene led to the altar Annie, daughter of Mrs. and the late Wm. Wells, of Fortune Bay. Rt. Rev. Monsignor Mc Dermott officiated. The bride was daintily attired in a dress of white tulle and Brussels lace, with bridal veil and orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of white carnations. She was attended by Mme. Rivel Le Roy. Mr. Emilio Fee ably supported the groom. After the ceremony the happy couple and their friends motored to the West End Restaurant where a sumptuous wedding supper was served. After a very enjoyable evening the happy couple left by train for Donovan's to spend their honeymoon.

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CUSTOM TAILOR, 292 WATER STREET. dec 31, 1923

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America Might Improve Her Own Affairs First

The United States government is out after special favors from both Ottawa and London in respect to running down their rum hounds, but at the same time they appear to have done very little toward closing down their own supplies of illicit liquor. Uncle Sam is strong for altering and amending international undertakings so that he may search vessels flying the British flag up to the twelve mile, and he is also appealing for aid from Canada in order that the international boundary may be tightened up in respect to the flow of liquor from north to south, but he does little or nothing toward gagging his own law-breakers who sit comfortably at home manufacturing alcohol for beverage purposes.

As a matter of fact the great proportion of liquor now consumed in the United States is the product of that country, and very little of it genuine, that is to say the bottle does not contain what the label says it does. Not long since the U. S. Federal authorities made an analysis of several hundred samples which had been seized and only two out of the whole number proved to be genuine, implying that the consumption of home-made poison had become a very important and no doubt a very paying business.

On the other hand Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania, not long since, in making out a case against the Federal authorities, charging them with the non-enforcement of the Volstead Act in his state, said that in Pennsylvania there were operating seventy-two breweries and forty-four distilleries and bonded warehouses, all of which leads one to ask why Uncle Sam does not mend his own fences and clean his own cellar before asking other countries to lend a hand.

From the highest to the lowest, from Senators and Congressmen in Washington to the denizens of the underworld, the people of the United States, as a whole, have no regard nor respect for the Volstead Act, and display no intention of obeying it, any more than have the manufacturers of the illicit liquor which flowed their saloons.

Hon. W. E. Raney, late Attorney-General of the Province of Ontario, has taken upon his shoulders the self-appointed task of showing how Canadians are responsible for Uncle Sam's wet orgie. Mr. Raney should master the facts before submitting such articles for publication. There is rum running it is true between Canadian and American points, these projects being mainly conducted by United States citizens, but at the same time the amount of Canadian liquor which finds its way over the border is but a drop in the bucket as compared with what the United States consumes daily, and which has its origin largely in that country.—Saturday Night.

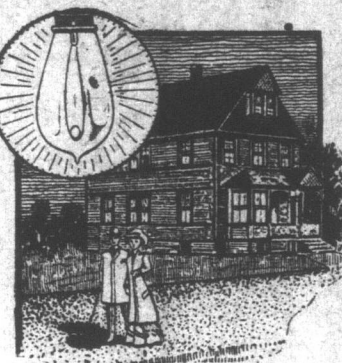
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But she can't be inveigled into telling who or where. In 1921 the engagement of Miss Lloyd George to St. Philip Sassoon, political secretary to Lloyd George, and a fabulously wealthy young man, was rumoured. Since that time the little lady, who is tremendously popular, has divided her attentions more equally.

Miss Megan, who her father confesses, fades him into the background wherever they appear together, is often referred to as the ideal type of "new girl."

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ROBBERY UNDER ARMS.

"I'll have your money or your life," the old time robber used to say; he threatened you with gun or knife, but 'twas not often he would slay. If you were wise and dug the mon from out the gypsite at your belt, the robber would not use his gun, or mutilate your priceless pelt. I've been held up at divers times by highwaymen, a godless crew; and having pulled their midnight crimes, they lashed their halibuts and withdrew. Held up in alley or in court, I'd cuss a season and perspire; but he was a rather costly sport, but held no perils deep and dire. Then robbers knew that human life by every law was sanctified, and though they threw on sin and strife, they drew the line at homicide. But nowadays the robbers shoot before they ask you for the dough; for human life they care no hoot, it is the cheapest thing they know. You'd gladly dig, at their demand, the bright rose-nobles from your purse, but they assail you, gun in hand, and you go touring in a hearse. Since cave men in their lawless clime on paths of slaughter used to creep, methinks there's never been a time when human life was held so cheap.

WALKING WITH THE ROBBER. (Fitted with a pelt of fur, a godless crew; and having pulled their midnight crimes, they lashed their halibuts and withdrew. Held up in alley or in court, I'd cuss a season and perspire; but he was a rather costly sport, but held no perils deep and dire. Then robbers knew that human life by every law was sanctified, and though they threw on sin and strife, they drew the line at homicide. But nowadays the robbers shoot before they ask you for the dough; for human life they care no hoot, it is the cheapest thing they know. You'd gladly dig, at their demand, the bright rose-nobles from your purse, but they assail you, gun in hand, and you go touring in a hearse. Since cave men in their lawless clime on paths of slaughter used to creep, methinks there's never been a time when human life was held so cheap.

Women Vote as Men

The Vancouver Province says editorially, in connection with the British Election: Always when votes are counted it is found that the vote of women does not differ essentially from that of men. This does not mean that the women vote as the men advise. It only means that all the members of the family now vote together in the same fashion that the male members vote together. In practice, the family is the political unit. Whether the husband has the vote or the wife has it, or both have it, the result is much the same, except that with women suffrage the family with women in it has greater political power than it had when only the male members could vote.

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(By PROFESSOR J. ARTHUR THOMSON.)

Man has a long ascent behind him, but is he still on the way up? Is he continuing to evolve as an organism? Does he show any organic racial change in definite directions? It is plain that his external or social heritage is changing, but is man himself changing? He suffers dints and he puts on veneer; he fattens himself and makes himself lean; he develops Sandowian muscles and dulls his sense of smell; but are these and similar changes more than superficial modifications? Do they in any direct way grip the race? It does not seem easy to prove that man as an organism is evolving either up or down, either progressively or retrogressively. It seems as if animal species often took a rest after a period of marked variability and progress. Perhaps man is one of these periods of stability. Perhaps human evolution has passed from being mainly organismal, as in the days of primitive man, to being mainly outside the body—that is to say in the social environment.

How to Prove Active Evolution.

We can prove the reality of continued evolutionary change in a race of domesticated animals or of cultivated plants when we have definite records of the state of affairs at successive periods. We are sure that dogs are continuing to evolve—for the worse as well as for the better. We are sure that wheats are still evolving; finer and finer races continue to emerge. Similarly in Wild Nature, if we measure a set of characters year after year under similar conditions of life, and find an emphatic increase or decrease in certain measurements, we may safely conclude that the species is moving in a certain direction as regards particular characters. The difficulty of doing this for man is that a human generation means a long time, and that the habit of taking exact measurements is very young. The anatomist knows well that little variations are always cropping up in man's body, but it is another thing to prove that any of these is taking racial grip.

Why Man is Slow to Change.

It is easy to suggest theoretical improvements in man as an organism. His thirty feet or so of food-canal is probably far too long for the requirements of civilized dietary. The appendix vermiformis seems a troublesome relic which might be dispensed with. The teeth are often inconveniently crowded, and as a matter of fact the wisdom tooth often fails to cut the gum. The little toe does not seem to be of much account. Now it may be that some of the desirable improvements are going on at present

but so slowly that their advance is hardly to be discerned. There is not, however, much convincing evidence that man is adding any marked way to his bundle of adaptations, as an evolving organism should do.

Man is an antiquity, the long result of time; he is in many ways highly specialized; and a high degree of specialization tends to limit further evolution—the balance of an intricate organization will not admit of any great change. No doubt there are some parts of man's body that are not of taking exact measurements in very some parts of man's body that are not highly specialized, the hand being a notable example. It is a generalized hand compared with a horse's hoof, or a bat's wing, or a mole's shovel, or a whale's flapper. Why, then, should we not find signs of evolution in man's hand? The answer must be in part this, that for man's purpose a generalized hand is far and away the best. It is a universal tool with which man can do a hundred things well.

How New Departures Are Treated.

In the ordinary course of Nature advantageous variations or novelties have a good chance of persisting. When they come, they come to stay. Professor Punnett has calculated that "if a population contains .001 per cent. of a new variety, and if that variety has even a five per cent. selection advantage over the original form, the latter will almost completely disappear in less than a hundred generations." This is in Wild Nature. Why does it not continue to occur in mankind? Because man has rebelled against Nature's method of drastic sifting for health, vigor and efficiency.

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By many artificial devices, he has brought it about that valuable new departures (in artistic talent for instance) do not find their due reward whereas deteriorative changes (extreme short sight for instance) are not visited with their natural penalties. This is probably the deepest reason for the sluggishness of organic evolution in mankind.

Two Open Doors

The probability is that some improvements in adaptation, such as a shortening of the food canal and immunity to certain diseases, are in slow progress in mankind; but even if this be so, there must be put on the other side of the account the likelihood that disadvantageous changes, such as short sight and neurasthenia, are taking racial grip because of the inadequacy of the sifting processes that remain at work.

Two lines of possible evolution seem to be particularly promising. The first is an increase in the com-

plexity of the inter-relations amongst the 2,200 millions of nerve cells in the cerebral cortex. The size of the brain has not increased since the days of the Cro-Magnon men, who lived some 20,000 years ago, but without increase of size there might be increase in complexity; and that would mean the improvement of intelligence. The second possibility is an extension of the youthful period and an abbreviation of the time of senescence. That might come only by variations in the endocrine or regulative system of the body.

Man stands apart in his reason and language and morality, but also in the degree to which he enregisters the gains of the past in the social heritage. This is only incipient among animals, and in the permanent anvil of the heavier village; it means half of evolution. To the enrichment and increased utilization of the social heritage no limits can be set. But there is more than that. Every vigor-

ous animal that is an agent does in some measure share in its own evolution; and so it has been a fortiori for all men who have been swimmers, not drifters, in the stream. But there is more than that. To modern man there is coming a growing awareness that he can, in ways previously un-

dreamt of, control not only the individual life, but racial evolution as well.—John O'London.

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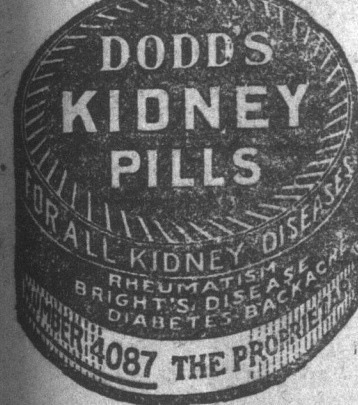
All-over Chinese embroidery in dull colors is used on a coat-frock of heavy black silk crepe.

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By Ruth Cameron.

THE PETS OF OUR CHILDHOOD.

Last night I had a very vivid dream. I dreamed of the first cat I owned as a child. She has been dead 20 years, that kitty, and yet in the dream she was just as vivid as if it were only yesterday that I played with her and the innumerable families of kittens with which she enriched my childhood. She herself was the child of a tramp cat who had kittens in the neighbor's tool house. The ownerless kittens were adopted by four families in the neighborhood at the urgent request of the younger members of said families. The one who fell to our lot was a pretty little tiger. She was called simply Kitty, at first, and then as I grew older, I felt the need of a more worthy name, and as we were studying Marmion at school, I rechristened her Constance de Beverly—Kitty for short.

How Much Pets Mean to a Child. What a flood of memories that dream brought back! Of how Kitty used to jump from the apple tree to a second story window sill in the morning in order to tell us she would like to be let in; of how she would signify her fondness for mother by jumping on the bureau and rubbing against her while she dressed; and finally, if not sufficiently noticed, by giving her elbow a little playful bite. Of the time she took her kittens out of the box in the cellar, and hid them in the box on top of mother's best hat. The tenderness and the vividness of those memories made me realize how much pets do mean in the life of a child.

I always have a deep pity for the child who is brought up without being allowed to have any pets. I know a little boy who simply adores dogs. And as always happens, dogs reciprocate. Every dog on the street is his friend. If ever a boy deserves a dog of his own by right of eminent domain, it's that

boy. And he never has had one and never will. His mother is afraid of dogs. There will be an empty spot in that child's life that nothing will ever fill. When I see him yearning over some neighbor's dog I could almost weep for him.

Something You Have to Feel.

"What use are pets, anyway," says another neighbor whose children are always begging for a cat or a rabbit or a dog or something. "They are just a lot of bother and I can't see what good they do anyone."

No one could tell her. Any more than one could tell a man stone deaf from birth what music was like.

The love of pets is born in the average child. I suppose the psychologists would tell us it is some subsidiary form of the maternal or paternal instinct. A dog, of course, is the ideal pet. If a friend is a person who knows all about you and still loves you, who more perfectly answers that definition than a man's dog? There is just one thing against the dog to my mind and that is that he cannot possibly live as long as his master and when he goes you feel, as Kipling puts it, that you have "given your heart to a dog to tear."

Those Poor Rich Folks!

Cats are next best as pets, I think, especially if they are the kind that have white mice. White mice (who turned out most expectedly to be the kind who have baby mice), two birds with broken wings that we rescued and nursed until one was able to fly away and the other, alas, was laid in a little white candy box coffin, are among my lesser childhood memories of pets. I never had a rabbit, but once someone's stray rabbit went through our yard and the memory of that exciting event is another high light.

I believe there is an old proverb that every poor family has a dog and every poor family has two dogs.

It is often in the most comfortable and luxurious homes that the children are not allowed to have pets. There are times when I think that poor folks have more than their share of fun after all.

Just Folks.

By EDGAR A GUEST

CHRISTMAS OVER THERE.

Perhaps He tells them over there about his birthday long ago. And pictures for the children fair. The happy times He used to know.

Perhaps He takes them on His knee. Our babies He has called away. And tells them of the days when He With earthly children used to play.

I fancy at this Christmas time He tells them tales to us untold. Repeats some little nursery rhyme He spoke when He was six years old.

There were not many then to keep His birthday as we do to-day; The shepherds, watching o'er their sheep. Had no such happy time of play.


They little knew or dreamed, back then, Who saw the little boy at play, Carols of peace, good will to men, The world would sing for Tim to-day.

To-night perhaps He calls them all. The little children round His knee, And tells those eager angels small Of Christmas days that used to be.

And it may be the one we miss Sadly at this Christmas time, Climbs on His knee His face to kiss And nestles in His arms sublime.

A New Fortune Theatre

London is again to have a "Fortune Theatre." The original theatre, to bear that name stood in Golden Lane, Cripplegate, and was burned down in 1621—five years after the death of Shakespeare, who had often appeared there with his players. The new "Fortune," is rising near Drury Lane. It will be small as London counts theatres, holding 700 people, and will be the first house in Europe to adopt a system of "hidden" lighting for auditorium as well as stage. Mr. Dennis Budge, the first lease, hopes to open it on New Year's Day.



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were removed immediately af-
ter; everything very satisfac-
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a heifer in his possession at
end of Mundy's Pond, which be-
d to somebody's name Mount.
The message stated that the
was not fed and I went in to
about it but the man who had it
in possession had it killed. I
visited some stables, found one
Mundy's Pond Road without a
or floor and gave the owner

notice, he promised to have it re-
paired right away. I ordered three
truck horses off the street for a few
days rest owing to lameness. There
was also a dog sent to my residence
on Mundy's Pond Road, which has
been advertised by Mr. James Halli-
day, but I can't find an owner for it.
It is a black and white female set-
ter. The owner can have it by ap-
plying to Dr. Bishop and paying ex-
penses. Several complaints are in
about cats being left out all night.
Some of them having been found dead
in back yards. I would like people
to understand that the law is very
severe on this point and I may have
to issue summonses. All those who
helped the Society in any way in
caring for the dumb animals have
my best wishes for a Happy and
Prosperous New Year. And further,
on behalf of those who cannot speak
for themselves excepting by a silent
look of appreciation. I thank all

those drivers, owners and the gen-
eral public interested in the Society
for Protection of Animals for their
interest in them during the past
year in treating their beasts kindly
and their increase of general inter-
est in the Society's work. On be-
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on Her War Debt**

SETTLEMENT MADE WITH LIB-
ERTY BONDS, PURCHASED
UNDER PAR.

New York, Dec. 15.—The second
semi-annual installment of interest on
the British Government's war debt
to the United States and first payment
on the principal account, since the
debt agreement was signed, was
made in Liberty bonds to-day.

The total involved is \$92,000,000, of
which \$69,000,000 represents interest,
duplicating the payment of last June,
and \$23,000,000 represents principal.
All the bonds required to make
the payment have been transferred
from the offices of J. P. Morgan and
Company, fiscal agents for Great
Britain in this country, to the New
York Federal Reserve Bank, as agent
for the Treasury.

The movement of these bonds has
been spread over the last two or three
weeks to eliminate the risks involved
in the transfer of the entire amount
at one time, so that the operation to-
day consists merely of the notification
by the Morgan firm of the bank to
turn the bonds over to the Treasury.

Some slight cash payment may be
needed to bring the amount of the de-
posited bonds and accumulated inter-
est to the exact total required, but
this is extremely small.

The bonds used for the pay-
ment are chiefly of the Second and
Fourth Liberty loans, which have
been cheaper on the average than the
other loans. It is estimated that by
taking advantage of the option of
paying in Liberty bonds rather than
in cash the British Government has
saved approximately \$1,800,000, since
all bonds have been purchased at a
discount of more than a point.

Since the bonds will be cancelled
when turned over to the Treasury De-
partment in the same manner as
those purchased by the Government's
sinking funds, the payment will in-
volve the actual reduction of the Uni-
ted States public debt to the extent
of the bonds submitted. The pro-
cess of cancellation probably will oc-
cur at the Reserve Bank, thus obvi-
ating the necessity of shipment of the
valuable paper to Washington.

In preparing for this payment, the
British Government has resorted to
various expedients to provide the
necessary dollars, making heavy pur-
chases in the foreign exchange mar-
ket, acquiring the balances of other
Governments, and shipping gold. The
accumulation of Liberty bonds has
been carried out under cover and in
such a way as to fit in with the op-
erations of the United States Govern-
ment's sinking funds.

It is understood a substantial bal-
ance against the June, 1924, payment,
already has been built and that pur-
chases will begin shortly in the Lib-
erty Bond market.

The Marrying Province

WINNIPEG, Dec. 20.—(Can. Press)

—Manitoba is perhaps the most mar-
rying province in Canada. No other
province is quite so addicted to its
young men and women entering into
the happy state although there be
more marriages performed in some
of the other provinces. For instance,
in Ontario there were some 24,871
marriages in 1921. But even that
only gave Ontario a rate of 8.5 mar-
riages per thousand of its population
of 610,000. There must be something
about Saskatchewan not conducive
to giving in marriage. Its marriage rate
in 1921 was low. It is interesting, al-
so, to note that more than half of
the brides and grooms married in
Western Canada were not Canadian
born. The only province in Canada
where practically all those mar-
ried that year were Canadian born
was Prince Edward Island. Of these
born outside of Canada, Alberta had
the largest percentage of grooms and
British Columbia the largest per-
centage of brides.

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ple find it difficult to decide on which
to use. If economy means anything to
you—if purity in your soap means
anything—then you should use Ivory
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A Shrinking Necessity

Around the base of the dome of St.
Paul's Cathedral are a number of
small stone chambers, which are peri-
odically inspected and repaired.
They can be reached only by an open-
ing several feet in depth and a little
more than a foot square. A visitor
must be pushed in lying on a plank,
like a loaf into a baker's oven. There
is a legend that some years ago a
plump workman got into one of these
cells with considerable difficulty, and,
after half an hour's work in the con-
fined space, could not be got out. At
each attempt he slipped off the plank
and was left inside, even after he had
removed every stitch of clothing. At
last someone had a bright idea. A
bucket of cold water was passed in
to the prisoner, and a cold douche
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