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## AUSTRIANS RETIRE ACROSS PIAVE; RUSSIAN REDS CAPTURE POITAVA

### PIAVE NEARLY CLEAR OF THE HUN INVADERS

Smashing Defeat of Teutons  
at Zenson Bridgehead  
Hopeful for Venice.

### THE INVADERS RAID 4 TOWNS

Berlin War Office Claims Fur-  
ther Gain South of  
Marcoing.

### LITTLE ACTIVITY ON WEST FRONT

Bolsheviki Occupy Important  
City of Poltava, Famous  
Old Battleground.

Another reverse for the Teutonic  
armed forces, following that effected  
by the French troops in their initial  
drive on the northern front in Italy,  
has been brought about by the Ital-  
ians in a sharp attack in the famous  
Zenson loop, on the lower reaches of  
the Piave River. Here the enemy has  
been driven to the eastern bank of  
the stream from positions he had  
held since the Italians in their retro-  
grade movement from the Isonzo made  
their stand along the western shore  
of the Piave. Thus the entire right  
bank of the invaders, except far to the  
north, where the battle line runs  
westward from the stream through  
the hill region.

The fighting for the Zenson bridge-  
head had been in progress since last  
Thursday, the Italians keeping ener-  
getically after the foe in order to re-  
gain the position, which always has  
been considered a menace to Venice.  
Heavy casualties were inflicted on the  
enemy by the artillery and rifle fire  
of the Italians before he was forced  
to recross the stream.

#### Enemy Air Raids.

On the northern front the infantry  
again is idle for the moment but the  
big guns of both sides are keeping  
up intensive duels on various sectors,  
particularly around Monte Tomba  
and on the Asiago Plateau. The enemy  
is continuing to make air raids  
over important towns on the plain,  
his latest attack having been directed  
against Vicenza, Bassano, Costeltran-  
co and Treviso. Thirteen persons  
were killed and forty-four others  
wounded, the majority of them civil-  
ians. Only small material damage  
resulted from the new raids.

Likewise the operations on the  
fronts in France and Belgium are be-  
ing confined almost exclusively to  
bombardments, although the German  
war office claims a further gain of  
ground by the army of Crown Prince  
Rupprecht over the British south of  
Marocq in the Cambrai sector.

#### Fighting in Russia.

There are persistent reports that  
heavy fighting is in progress between  
Bolshevik Cossacks and Bolshevik  
troops in southwestern Russia, and  
that the casualties have been heavy.  
No details of an authentic nature have  
yet come through, but the reports say  
the Bolsheviks have been defeated on  
the southwestern front with numer-  
ous losses of men and guns, but that  
the Bolsheviks have occupied the im-  
portant town of Poltava.

Still further progress has been  
made by the British troops operating  
against the Turks in Palestine, north  
of Jerusalem. The Turks in the fight-  
ing of the past several days have lost  
more than a thousand men killed and  
100 men made prisoners.

### TUG IN DISTRESS

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Jan. 1.—The  
tug ferry, Prince Edward Island, was  
lost to the west of the tug Claspian  
in distress in the Northumberland  
strait. She towed the tug within  
two miles of the pier at Port Borden  
but was unable to take her in owing  
to heavy fog.

### MONCTON TIMES HAS WEDDING

Foreman Clarence Wilson and  
Miss Lottie Clara Brown  
United in Marriage.

#### Special to The Standard.

Moncton, Jan. 1.—The marriage of  
Clarence Wilson, foreman of the  
Times composing room, and Miss  
Lottie Clara Brown, daughter of Mr.  
and Mrs. Ernest Brown, was solemn-  
ized this afternoon at 5.30 at 144 High-  
field street. Rev. Bowley Green,  
pastor of the First Baptist church,  
officiated, only immediate friends be-  
ing present. The bride was groomed  
in a travelling suit of navy blue and  
was attended by her sister Miss Lena  
Brown, while the groom was supported  
by his brother, Cecil O. Wilson, of  
Amherst. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson left  
for Nova Scotia points on a wedding  
trip.

### 40,000 MILITARY AND NAVAL VOTES ARE FORWARDED

Counting at Ottawa Will Not  
Be Begun Until Jan. 8 and  
Will Probably Last Remain-  
der of Month.

Ottawa, Jan. 1.—Forty thousand military  
and naval votes cast in North  
America have been received in Ottawa.  
They come from all parts of the United  
States and Canada, from polling  
stations held on trains and ships, from  
points as remote as Sable Island. Only  
one poll—that held on a vessel now on  
the high seas—still remains to be  
heard from.

Allocation of the votes to their  
various constituencies will be begun prob-  
ably on January 5. That and the sub-  
sequent counting is expected to take  
up the whole of January. Final an-  
nouncement of the military and naval  
vote, here and overseas, is not expect-  
ed before the first week in February.

### HARRY C. GREEN IS DEAD, AGED 100

Former Sheriff and Postmaster  
at Summerside and Oldest  
Free Mason on P. E. I.

Summerside, P. E. I., Jan. 1.—Harry  
C. Green is dead in his 101st year. He  
was at one time sheriff of Prince  
County, postmaster of Summerside  
and was the oldest Free Mason on the  
Island. He was the father of Herbert  
Green, manager of the Bank of Nova  
Scotia, at Digby, N. S., and an uncle  
of A. B. Warburton, M. P.

### SIR GEORGE FOSTER CONTINUES TO GAIN

Was Able to Be Up for Short  
Time on Sunday.

Ottawa, Jan. 1.—Reports received  
here indicate continued improvement  
in the condition of Sir George E. Fos-  
ter, Minister of Trade and Commerce,  
who is suffering from the effects of the  
accident he received at Toronto. Sir  
George was able to rise for a short  
time Sunday.

### N. B. MAN KILLED

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 31.—Tonight's list  
of fifty-four casualties reports seven  
Canadian soldiers killed in action, four  
died of wounds, one prisoner of war,  
twenty-four wounded, seven gassed,  
ten ill and one seriously injured. Mar-  
time names:

Infantry.  
Killed in action:  
P. A. Murphy, North Head, N. B.  
W. N. Cummings, Stellarton, N. S.  
Wounded:  
H. H. Aitchison, Richmond, P. E. I.  
Artillery.  
Wounded:  
C. Goutiers, Glace Bay, N. S.

### BOLSHEVIKI DEFEATED IN BIG BATTLE

Petrograd Dispatch, However,  
Claims They Have Cap-  
tured Poltava.

### SCENE OF HISTORIC STRUGGLE IN 1709

Ukrainians and Cossacks De-  
feat Bolsheviki Near  
Hapranda.

### AMERICANS ARE UNDER ARREST

M. Avskentieff, Former Presi-  
dent of Council of Repub-  
lic, in Custody.

Petrograd, Monday, Dec. 31.—The  
battle between the Ukrainians, Cossacks  
and Bolsheviki troops has been re-  
sumed at Kuruk, midway between Mos-  
cow and Rostov-on-Don. It is reported  
that there have been heavy casualties  
in the three days fighting.  
The Bolsheviki are reported to have  
occupied Poltava, the scene of the  
historic battle at which Peter the  
Great defeated Charles XII. of Sweden  
in 1709. The city has a population of  
50,000. There is a famine in the gov-  
ernment of Moscow.

Bolsheviki Defeated.  
Stockholm, Dec. 31.—Ukrainian and  
Cossack forces, in a great battle on the  
southwestern front, have defeated  
Bolsheviki troops, taking four hundred  
prisoners and capturing eight big guns  
and 628 machine guns, according to a  
despatch received by the Dagoz Nybe-  
ter from Petrograd, by way of Hapar-  
anda. The Cossacks are in hot pursuit  
of the Bolsheviki.

Americans Arrested.  
London, Jan. 1.—It is reported that  
the Bolsheviki have arrested the mem-  
bers of the American railway mission  
at Irkutsk, Siberia, says a despatch  
to the Exchange Telegraph Company  
from Petrograd.

Avskentieff Incarcerated.  
Petrograd, Monday, Dec. 31.—M.  
Avskentieff, former president of the  
council of the republic, has been ar-  
rested and taken to the St. Peter and  
St. Paul fortress.

### LIGHTLESS NIGHTS

New York, Dec. 31.—A lightless  
night every night in the week except  
Saturday was ordered today by the  
state conservation commission on  
fuel, on recommendation of the ad-  
visory committee representing light,  
heat and power companies. The or-  
der will go into effect on Wednesday  
throughout the state.

### DR. REMINGTON DEAD

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 1.—Dr. Joseph  
Price Remington, dean of the Phila-  
delphia College of Pharmacy and a  
pharmacist of international reputation,  
died today. He was seventy years old.

### HEAVY STORM

Sydney, N. S., Jan. 1.—The heaviest  
snowstorm since March, 1907, swept  
over Sydney on Monday and last night.  
Traffic was tied up all over the city.  
Railway traffic has been tied up since  
Sunday night. Many of the streets  
are completely blocked.

### P. E. I. ISOLATED

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Jan. 1.—The  
Prince Edward Island Railway has  
been tied up since Sunday, owing to a  
drifted track. Two trains got through  
tonight, but no mail has arrived from  
the mainland since Sunday morning.

### COLD HAMPERS THE RAILROAD

Last Month the Coldest Mon-  
ton Has Experienced in  
Many Years.

#### Special to The Standard.

Moncton, Jan. 1.—Last month goes  
on record as the coldest December  
Moncton has experienced in many  
years. Thirteen days of the month  
the thermometer registered below  
zero and the last seven days the  
mercury has ranged between five and  
eighteen below.  
Last Thursday was the coldest of  
the snap, the mercury being 18 below.  
Last night the glass showed 14 be-  
low. The cold spell has been dan-  
gerous to rain soles on the C. C. R.  
Through passenger trains are running  
hours behind time and even local  
trains find it impossible to run on  
schedule. The effect on freight trans-  
portation is even more serious as it's  
almost impossible to keep trains from  
freezing up in sidings. Railway men  
report that the past week, as a result  
of the extreme cold, has been one of  
the toughest in their experience.

### 79,527 BRITISH CASUALTIES IN PAST MONTH

List Shows Marked Decrease  
from That of November,  
Which Totalled 120,089,  
Highest in Five Months.

London, Dec. 31.—British casualties  
reported in December reached a total  
of 79,527, divided as follows:  
Killed or died of wounds—Officers,  
1,046; men, 14,805; wounded or missing  
—Officers, 2,842; men, 60,335.  
Casualties reported from December  
26 to 31 were 9,951, divided as follows:  
Killed or died of wounds—Officers,  
60; men, 2,600.  
Wounded or missing—Officers, 298;  
men, 1,549.

British casualties this month show  
a marked decrease from November, re-  
flecting the slowing down of operations  
with the coming of winter. The total  
for last month was 120,089, the highest  
in five months, owing to the severe  
fighting on the Cambrai front.  
The figures for the last six days of  
December are much lower than for the  
preceding six days. The report for the  
period December 1924 gave a total of  
15,945.

### MISSING MONCTON GIRLS ARE FOUND

Their Mother and Four Other  
Members of Family Killed in  
Halifax.

Halifax, Jan. 1.—Mrs. John Reid, 59  
High street, Moncton, through J. J.  
Stroder, chairman of the information  
bureau, found her two nieces, Annie  
and Lizzie White this evening at St.  
Joseph's Orphanage. Their mother  
and four other members of the family  
were killed in the explosion and their  
father, Walter B. White, formerly a  
brakeman on the C. C. R., is now  
overseas.  
One of the girls found this evening  
was in practically an unconscious con-  
dition since the explosion until Sun-  
day last. Only today did she learn of  
her mother's death. Mrs. Reid will  
take the two little girls to her home  
in Moncton.

### 86 BELOW ZERO!

Dawson, Y. T., Dec. 31.—Eighty-six  
below zero is the record for this  
season of cold which began several  
weeks ago. This temperature was re-  
corded at the mouth of the Peily  
River, 100 miles up the Yukon from  
here.

James A. Seely.  
The death occurred at Upham Cor-  
ner, Dorchester, Boston, on Monday of  
James A. Seely, formerly of St. John.  
Mr. Seely was 56 years of age.

### THE ITALIANS FORCE BACK AUSTRIANS

Later Compelled to Abandon  
Zenson Bridgehead and  
Cross Piave River.

### ITALIANS HOLD ZENSON BEND

Enemy Sustains Heavy Losses  
in Concerted Drive  
by Italians.

### THE BRITISH ALSO ARE SUCCESSFUL

French Forces in Monte Tom-  
ba Execute Important Vic-  
torious Move.

Rome, Jan. 1.—The Austrians last  
night were compelled, in consequence  
of Italian operations, to abandon the  
Zenson bridgehead, where they had a  
lodgement on the western bank of the  
Piave River, and pass to the eastern  
bank of the river. The war office re-  
ports. All the Zenson Bend is now  
held by the Italians. The text of the  
statement follows:  
"At Zenson Di Piave, owing to our  
energetic pressure, begun on Thurs-  
day and continued without interrup-  
tion, the enemy last night was obliged,  
as the result of our combined opera-  
tion with fire and detachments, and  
after having suffered heavy losses to  
abandon the bridgehead and to pass  
again to the eastern bank of the river.  
All the ground in the bend is now held by us.  
Moderate Artillery Fire.

"On the remainder of the front the  
artillery action on both sides gener-  
ally was moderate. Our artillery  
showed more activity on the Asiago  
Plateau, and the enemy's guns in-  
creased their fire in the Monte Tom-  
ba sector."  
"Last night enemy aircraft attacked  
the aviation camp of Istrana and re-  
peated their aggression against the  
inhabited and open cities of Vicenza,  
Bassano, Cavallfranco and Treviso,  
where bombs were dropped. Alto-  
gether we registered 18 dead and 44  
wounded. The victims, for the most  
part, belonged to the civil population.  
The material damage was slight.  
"Our air squadrons bombarded  
enemy aviation camps. Two hostile  
machines were brought down in the  
course of the day by French and  
British airmen."

### British Active.

London, Jan. 1.—The following  
official communication dealing with the  
operations of the British forces on the  
Italian front was issued tonight:  
"The British commander-in-chief in  
Italy reports that the Italians at the  
end of the year remain in possession  
of their defensive lines on the Monte  
Grappa and Asiago sectors, which  
they have worked untiringly to  
strengthen. Little snow has fallen.  
The success of the French yesterday  
in the Monte Tomba region has given  
much satisfaction."  
"Some small raids have been suc-  
cessfully made across the Piave River  
by the British. The crossing of the  
river is difficult at this season of the  
year. British artillery and aircraft  
continue their efforts daily to destroy  
the enemy's batteries."  
"In retaliation for December 26,  
when they lost eleven machines, the  
enemy aircraft has been active lately  
in bombing raids. The damage thus  
inflicted has been slight."  
"All the allied troops are confident  
of future success of their united  
efforts and look forward to the new  
year."

### French Take Positions.

Rome, Dec. 31.—In the Monte Tom-  
ba region on the northern front the  
French have captured enemy posi-  
tions between Osterio Di Monteforno  
and Maronino, the war office an-  
nounced. They also captured about  
1,400 men and 60 machine guns and  
seven cannon.  
The French Report.  
The French Army Headquarters in Italy,  
Monday, Dec. 31.—(By The Associated

### GOMPERS CALLS UPON LABOR

In New Year's Message Asks  
Members of A. F. of L. to  
Support Country in War.

Washington, Jan. 1.—In a New Year's  
greeting to all organized labor, Samuel  
Gompers, president of the American  
Federation of Labor, calls upon repre-  
sentatives and organizers to make  
plain to their fellow the issues in-  
volved in the war and the obligation  
that devolves upon all citizens. He  
also emphasizes the importance of see-  
ing to it that the spirit and methods of  
democracy are maintained at home  
while the country is fighting to estab-  
lish them in international relations.  
"War means victory for our cause,  
or danger to the very existence of our  
nation," says the address. "With our  
nation at stake, individuals cannot in-  
terpose opposition to the war—a war  
declared by the will of the nation's  
representatives. Under the exigen-  
cies of war opposition to the war de-  
clared by constituted authority be-  
comes treason."

### LLOYD-GEORGE GREET'S ALLIES

"All Hopes of the Human  
Race Centre Upon Triumph  
of Our Cause," He Says.

London, Dec. 31.—Messages from  
the British prime minister, David  
Lloyd George, have been sent to all  
the allies except Russia, but includ-  
ing Greece. All express the good  
wishes of the British war cabinet to  
the governments and peoples address-  
ed. To President Wilson, Mr. Lloyd  
George says:  
"At this season I wish in behalf of  
the British war cabinet to send to  
your government and people a mes-  
sage of good will. Every day that  
passes must make us realize more  
clearly that the hopes of the human  
race centre upon the triumph of our  
cause."  
"Every day proves to us that our  
friendship for one another is becom-  
ing more and more the cement of  
that league of free nations which now  
stands as the guardian of justice and  
liberty."

### FIREMAN HURT IN MONCTON

D. E. Shaw Falls from Hose  
Cart and Sent to Hospital.

Special to The Standard.  
Moncton, Jan. 1.—D. E. Shaw, sub-  
stitute fireman in No. 2 Hose Co.,  
while returning from a fire today was  
thrown from the cart and sus-  
tained injuries which necessitated his  
being taken to the hospital. He was  
unconscious for a time but late to-  
night his condition seemed improved.

### TWO BRITISH NAVAL VESSELS ARE SUNK

Mine Sweeper and Boarding  
Steamer Torpedoed—Seven  
Landsmen Killed by Mine.

London, Jan. 1.—The Admiralty an-  
nounces that the mine sweeping sloop  
Arbutot and the armed boarding steam-  
er Grive have been sunk owing to bad  
weather, after having been torpedoed.  
Seven persons were killed and twenty-  
four injured by the explosion of a  
mine that was washed ashore today  
between Ramsgate and Deal. The ex-  
plosion occurred while an attempt was  
being made to haul it out on land.

France.—The attack of French troops  
in the Monte Tomba region was ac-  
companied by three battalions of picked  
men. The artillery preparation,  
which was intense, lasted for hours,  
and then at 4.15 o'clock the French  
made a brilliant and impetuous charge.  
The struggle was heaviest on the  
French right wing. The attacking  
troops swept forward steadily until  
the enemy trenches were reached, a  
great number of their occupants be-  
ing captured. The success of this  
first important movement by Italy's  
allies arouses the keenest satisfaction,  
and is a notable tribute to the dash  
and steadfastness of the French forces.

### TWO MILLION BLAZE SET BY ALIENS

Norfolk, Va., Practically Plac-  
ed Under Martial Law  
by Mayor.

### THREE EXPLOSIONS DISTINCTLY HEARD

Three Persons Killed and a  
Score of Others Were  
Injured.

### NORFOLK IS A NAVAL STATION

Granby Theatre, Monticello  
Hotel and Business Blocks  
Are Destroyed.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 1.—Nearly two  
blocks in the heart of Norfolk's busi-  
ness district, including the Monticello  
hotel, were destroyed today, three men  
were killed, and a score more injured,  
in a series of explosions and fires to-  
day which both the police and naval  
authorities believe were incendiary.  
The fire had been checked tonight,  
but still was burning fiercely in the  
ruins. The loss is roughly estimated  
at more than \$2,000,000.

Three distinct explosions in as  
many buildings, one after the fire  
once virtually had been brought un-  
der control, led to the general belief  
that enemy agents were at work.  
Mayor Mayo practically placed the  
city under martial law by turning the  
situation over to naval officers, and  
some 2,500 marines and blue-jackets  
from nearby naval stations assisted  
the police and home guards in main-  
taining order and preventing vandal-  
ism.

Five Men Arrested.  
Naval patrols rounded up suspicious  
persons throughout the afternoon  
while five men were arrested as sus-  
pects. Two of these, Hugo Schmidt  
and H. K. Lessing, said to be Germans,  
were turned over to the department  
of justice agents. Tonight there were  
reports that two Germans had been shot  
by sailors during the day, but neither  
the police nor naval authorities could  
confirm them.

The fire started before dawn in the  
old Granby theatre and gained head-  
way rapidly as the firemen were handi-  
capped by near zero temperature. It  
quickly spread to the Monticello hotel  
and other nearby buildings in the  
block.

### Firemen Killed.

Falling floors and walls took toll of  
firemen and naval guards. One fire-  
man was killed and seven others hurt  
in the collapse of an upper floor of the  
Monticello hotel in the day and tonight  
two firemen and several sailors were  
caught in a falling wall of the Lenox  
building. Three were brought out  
badly hurt, but two others were left in  
the debris.  
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The explosion first was in a cloak  
and hat shop near the Monticello. The  
second was on the sixth floor of that  
hotel after the first fire was practi-  
cally under control and the third in the  
Lenox buildings, which later was de-  
stroyed.  
When the second explosion occur-  
red, Mayor Mayo put the naval authori-  
ties in charge. They placed patrols  
throughout the business district, threw  
a cordon of marines and blue-jackets  
around the fire district, began picking  
up persons unable to account for  
themselves.  
Department of justice agents joined,  
with the city detective force in seek-  
ing to unravel the mystery of the ex-  
plosion.

Just as dusk fell in the Monticello  
cloak shop burst out afresh and despite the  
heroic work of the firemen and sail-  
ors, the Lenox, Carpenter and Tans-  
well buildings, six story structures,  
across the street, were wrecked.



# PER CAPITA DEBT OF UNCLE SAMUEL ABOUT \$51

## UNITED STATES NATIONAL DEBT NOW \$5,615,000,000

### Amount More Than Five Times Greater Than When Country Entered War Nine Months Ago, But Only One Third of Debt Which Promises to Develop by First of Next Year.

Washington, Jan. 1.—The United States enters the new year with a national debt of \$5,615,000,000, more than five times greater than when it entered the war nine months ago, but only one-third of the debt which promises to develop by the first of next year. The debt per capita is about \$51 and the percentage of debt to the estimated national wealth is 2 1/2 per cent.

#### Increase in War Expenses.

An enormous prospective increase in war department expenses for munitions and materiel contracts to be filled in the spring, will raise the government outlays at that time, but officials feel some doubt that ordinary

## JOINT COLORS TOMORROW

### Every Man Called Under First Draft Has Been Notified to Report.

Ottawa, Jan. 1.—The first draft under the military service act joins colors on Thursday. Every man called up has received from a district registrar notification to report to his depot battalion. As rapidly as district headquarters can handle and equip the men, the balance of the first draft will be called up day by day.

#### Shipping Outlay.

Shipping board expenditures were \$13,800,000, while the year's estimate is \$901,000,000. Each of these three principal departments has outstanding contracts for which big expenditures will be made within the remaining half of the financial year, however, and the aggregate of these is the uncertain element which makes it impossible to determine at this time precisely how many additional liberty bonds must be issued between now and next June 30.

## IMPROVEMENT IN THE U. S.

Washington, Dec. 29.—President Wilson yesterday directed that maximum prices previously fixed upon iron, steel, pipe, iron, iron, steel and steel products be continued in effect until March 31st. They were subject to revision on January 1st.

## HOCKEY PLAYERS FREEZE THEIR TOES

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 30.—The Ottawa Senators moved up within one game of the champion Canadiens Saturday night when they defeated the Wanderers of Montreal by a score of nine goals to two, in a fast and brilliantly played game. Thirty-five hundred spectators shivered in the bitter cold, awaiting the arrival of the Montreal team, whose train was two hours late.

## FERDINAND IS STILL KING

### Rumanian Monarch Evidently Has Not Abducted as Rumored Last Week.

Jassy, Roumania, Friday, Dec. 28.—The Rumanian parliament was opened with an address by King Ferdinand. "However painful may be the sacrifices that we will have to make in order to realize our legitimate aspirations," said the King, "we have the conviction that they will be compensated on the decisive day when there is established the reign of justice and liberty in the relations among nations."

## ST. STEPHEN

St. Stephen, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Ellen Berryman has returned from an extended visit with relatives in Boston. Mrs. Berryman was accompanied by her daughter, Miss Hill M. Orlin, who has been spending a few days with relatives in Boston.

## SACKVILLE

Sackville, Dec. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Nichols and family of Montreal are spending the Christmas holidays here, with Mrs. Nichols' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Webber spent Christmas with Mr. Webber's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Webber.

Mr. Harold McLean of the Bank of N. B. A. at Halifax, spent Christmas in town with his parents.

Mr. G. H. J. Cockburn of the 9th Siege Battery, St. John, was the guest of friends in town during the week.

Mr. Kenneth Murray, who returned from France to complete his medical course at McGill College, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Murray.

Miss Elsie Lawson of Edmundston is spending the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lawson.

Mr. Kenneth Storey of St. John, formerly of the 25th Battalion, was in town during the week, en route to

# Hunt's Annual Pre-Stock-Taking Sale!

## STARTS FRIDAY, JANUARY 4

And Ends Saturday, January 19

### Clothing and Furnishings for Men and Boys at Cut Prices for Two Weeks Only

In Addition to the Prices Listed Below You Will Find Distributed Throughout the Store Scores of Other Bargains That Will Be Worth Your While to See

- #### Men's Socks
- Reg. 35c. Black Wool Socks, Sale Price 23c.
  - Reg. 45c. Black and Gray Heavy Wool Socks, Sale Price 33c.
  - Reg. 45c. Khaki Cashmere Socks, Sale Price 33c.
- #### Sweaters
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  - Regular \$22.50 Overcoat, Sale Price \$18.50
  - Regular \$25.00 Overcoat, Sale Price \$20.00
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  - Regular \$25.00 Coats, Sale Price \$20.50
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  - Boys' Navy Serge Bloomers, (ages 6 to 16), Reg. \$1.75 and \$2.00, Sale Price \$1.35
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  - Reg. \$7.50, Sale Price \$5.59
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## THE WEATHER

Maritime—Moderate winds; fine and decidedly cold.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Northern New England: Increasing cloudiness and not so cold Wednesday. Thursday snow, northeast and east winds.

Toronto, Jan. 1.—From Ontario to the Maritime Provinces the weather has been fine and not quite so cold as yesterday. In the west it has been fine and quite mild except in Manitoba where it has been moderately cold.

Location	Min.	Max.
Edmonton	16	35
Battleford	10	43
Prince Albert	10	43
Calgary	10	43
Medicine Hat	10	43
Mooselaw	10	43
Winnipeg	10	43
Port Arthur	10	43
Perry Sound	10	43
London	10	43
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Kingston	10	43
Montreal	10	43
Quebec	10	43

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"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H. M. The King.

THE UNIONIST PARTY.

The Unionist party in Canada, we believe, has come to stay, for it is difficult to imagine that the elements within the Canadian nation which found common cause in the recent national crisis will ever again be separated to return to their former political allegiance.

In the interests of Canada there are many excellent reasons why the strongest and ablest men in the country who united to form and support the Union Government should remain united, not only for the period of the war but for many years after the conclusion of peace.

In the recent election the Unionists stood for principles which they knew to be patriotic and in the best interests of the country. Opposed to them were the Laurierites whose policies were just the reverse. It is true that the strength of the Laurier party is found chiefly in Quebec, but it is also true that other provinces have their some support.

After the war trade issues are likely to occupy much of the public mind. These issues are largely between the East and the West and they can be grappled with more easily by a Government which has the support of a large and united party.

One of the most insistent of all national questions is that of transportation. Here again the mighty problem can be solved in the most practical manner by men who have hitherto stood upon different sides, and who now see the difficulties in all their complex character.

Not need we ignore the attitude of Quebec, and the positive necessity of dealing in terms of the utmost firmness and generosity toward the people of that province, whose troubles and differences have been brought upon them by politicians. Union Government, whose strength in the nation exists outside of Quebec, and is dependent in no sense upon political support from that province, is equipped to deal with the whole situation as no other government would be.

Taking the questions mentioned and others that will readily suggest themselves it is quite within the mark to say that while many reasons exist for the continuance of Union Government and the Union party, not one good reason can be urged to support the claim that after the war is over the people of this country should again divide into the old time partisan political camps.

The first draft of Canada's new democratic army will soon be on the march. On Thursday, according to orders issued from military headquarters at Ottawa, the first of those drafted to service under the Military Service Act will report at the headquarters of the divisional district in which they reside at the rate of two hundred and fifty a day. Every man liable for service in the first draft has been notified to report upon a certain specified date and has been furnished with transportation and a subsistence allowance. The arrangement that the men report at the rate of two hundred and fifty a day has been made to give time for proper housing facilities and equipment.

The entire first draft will be easily available from among those who have waived exemption and those whose claims for exemption have been refused. The number of men to be called out by this draft cannot be stated, but it is authoritatively reported that it will be sufficient to provide adequate reinforcements to the men overseas for at least three months.

It is understood that the draft, once mobilized, will not be kept in Canada for any great time. The men will be despatched overseas and will do their training in England. Great credit is due to the Military Service Council for its tactical, firm, and generally efficient operation of the Act. The machinery of the law has operated with the greatest smoothness and precision; predicted difficulties and obstacles have either not materialized, or have been splendidly overcome, and the law, upon the whole, has been wisely and efficiently administered. Conscription, instead of proving a tyranny and a broader of strife, has proved workable and a splendid instrument for the provision of needed reinforcements at the front.

GERMANY'S PEACE OFFER.

The British press is unanimous in believing that the peace terms offered by the Central Powers through Russia are wholly inadequate as they stand. But they differ as to whether these proffered terms may be considered as forming a possible basis for peace. That is, Germany having proposed reparation without reparation, may be prepared under pressure to accept reparation also.

The thought to be kept constantly in mind is that Germany must not be allowed to escape from this war without the stigma of defeat attaching to her military system. There is no desire upon the part of the government of any belligerent country to bring unnecessary pain and humiliation to any people, but there is a fixed determination at Paris, London and Washington to so end the war that even the German public will know and understand that the Kaiser and his armies have met disaster.

The issue of territorial changes is not vital in itself. The Allies would not fight another day to take Alsace Lorraine from the Germans merely as a geographical change. But since the final disposition of Alsace-Lorraine depends upon the question of victory or defeat for Germany; since it signifies the glorification of militarism or its utter rout, then it is necessary that the Allies remain firmly behind France in the unalterable demand that Germany shall relinquish to the French the provinces stolen in 1870.

Germany is quite evidently not enjoying the Russian situation. This is not only because in making a separate peace with Russia she would have to relinquish her largest war gains. There is another and a very important reason. The German autocracy hesitates to enter into negotiations and arrive at definite obligations with a government of extreme Socialists such as are the Bolsheviks. Germany has her large Socialist population and the Kaiser is quick to understand that a Socialist success in Russia will sooner or later be reflected in Germany, and may even reach to Potsdam.

In the meantime it is of interest and encouragement to note that the Allies encourage Germany from the position of a "Deutschland über Alles" attitude to the peace without annexations or indemnities of 1917. Germany's huge preparations for war, her definite planning for a period of forty years, her unlimited expenditure upon her military system—all these have brought her no advantage when put to the test, but on the contrary she finds herself without a friend among the nations, the name of Germany a byword and reproach, her people impoverished and destitute, her commerce destroyed, her colonies gone. And the end is not yet. Complete defeat and the acceptance of allied terms of peace is the ultimate fate of Germany. This fate can be delayed; it cannot be avoided.

During the recent election campaign Sir Wilfrid Laurier denounced the War-time Elections Act and particularly those sections of it providing for the disfranchisement of German and "Austrian" reservists in Canada as "a blot upon the instincts of justice." Evidently open or secret hostility to Canada's war effort did not appeal to Sir Wilfrid as sufficient reason for disfranchisement and he held up the United States as an example of superior wisdom and justice, as a country that did not fail to respect the citizenship conferred upon all nationalities under the protection of the flag.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's idea of the position of the Vice-President, Thomas Marshall, an old-school Democrat, and who undoubtedly voices the sentiments of the great majority of Americans here is what Mr. Marshall says about it as contained in a statement recently given by him to the New York Times: "I want to see Congress take action to take away the citizenship

of every disloyal American—every American who is not heartily in support of his government in its support of every such individual and confiscate his property. By next spring we ought to know every man in this country who is disloyal, and we ought by that time to have legislation that will deprive him of the privileges he enjoys as a citizen. The war will be worth all it will have cost us if, in the end, we have real American citizenship in this country."

From the foregoing it is evident that they raise a stalwart band of patriots in the United States. Here and there a voice occasionally rises to hysterically proclaim a doctrine that is either faint-hearted or disloyal, but the great mass of the citizenship and leaders of substance amply demonstrate that they are in the war heart and soul—not merely in it to the point where it collides with sectional prejudices or political expediency.

Little Benny's Note Book

Puds Simkins and my cousin Artie came around to my house after supper yesterday, and my sister Gladis was sitting on the parlor sofa, reading a book and eating chocolate out of a box, the box being on the little table next to the sofa, and my folks was in there looking at her reading and eating them, and Gladis said, Now I'll give you boys each one piece of candy pertaining you clear out of here.

Which we did we wood and she gave us each a piece instead of leaving which we each we wanted, and we went out in the hall and started to wisper, mo wispering. Lets pretend to be Germin spies and get up a plot to get more candy. And Artie wispered, Lets ask the telephone girl to ring the telephone to see if its working all rite, and then lets tell Gladis its for her, and wen she goes to anser it lets each take another pece.

Being a fine deeser, and I snuck up to the setting room and took the reesever off of the hook, and the girl sed, Number please, and I sed, Will you please make this telephone ring to see if it will? And she sed, Have you had any trubbel with it? and I sed, No, but we lpect to have some, and she sed, Well, Ill give you a ring. Wich she did, ringing fine, and I went down stairs agen and me and Artie and Puds wawked into the parlor trying to look natural, mo saying, Gladis, yours wanted on the telephone.

Well, jst wen im all nice and comfortable, sed Gladis. And she got up and started to go out, and then she looked at me and Puds and Artie and came back and picked up the box of chocolate and took them up with her.

Aw heck, sed us 3 Germin spies.

And we all quick got our coats and hats and ran out jst as Gladis started to call down, Benny, wy, the reesever isent even off the hook, Benny, Benny.

Proving the more Germin of a plot it is, the more its libel to fail.

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A BIT OF VERSE

THE SILENT TOAST. They stand with reverent faces, And their grins arement give o'er. As they drink the toast to the unseen host Who have fought and gone before.

It is only a passing moment In the midst of the feast and song But it grips the breath as the wing of death In a vision sweeping along.

No more they see the banquet And the brilliant lights around; But they charge again on the hideous plain When the shell bursts rip the ground.

Or they creep at night like panthers, Through the waste of No Man's Land, Their heads aghast with a wild desire, And an adre on every hand.

And out of the rear and tumult, From their eyes fall in the banquet hall Are lit with a light divine.

And the love that is passing woman's, And the bonds that are forged by Now grip the soul with a strong control And speak what no man saith.

The vision dies off in the stillness Once more the tables shine, But their eyes fall in the banquet hall Are lit with a light divine.

A BIT OF FUN

SHE PITIED THE GERMANS. (From Tit-Bits). Her son had enlisted, and she was a proud old woman as she harangued a group of friends on the village street. "Jarge always done 'is duty by me, 'e did, an' now 'e's doin' 'is duty by King 'e's country," she said. "I feel right down sorry for them Germans, to think of 'im goin' into battle with 'is rifle in 'is 'and and 'is 'Long Way to Tipperary' on 'is lips."

"Poor Germans, indeed!" exclaimed one of the audience. "Pity's wasted on 'em." "Praps you 'ave'n't 'eard of their cruelties."

"Praps I 'ave'n't," agreed the old lady. "An' praps you 'ave'n't 'eard Jarge sing."

PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECT. "We don't always," replied Mrs. Chiggins. "When we speak of it in company we call it a motorcar; but when we take it to a repair shop we call it a 'fiver,' hoping it will influence the man to be easy with the bill."

TWO REASONS. "Why in the world does his wife call him Picket-fence?" "Well, she says he's easy to see through."

"And then, he's very useful around the house."

PATRIOTISM IN PRAYER. Mother (to curate)—"And do you really pray for your enemies?" Ethel (overhearing): "I do, mummy."

Curate: "And what do you say in prayer for my child?" Ethel: "I pray that they may be beaten."—Punch.

lived by three daughters, Mrs. Sergt. G.B. Baxter, Mrs. Adam Philip Phillips, Mrs. J. E. Brown and three sons, John and Robert Colwell, city, and James of Cumberland Bay. The funeral took place from the residence of Sergt. Baxter yesterday morning, and the body will be taken to Young's Cove, Queens County for burial.

Mrs. Annie Johnston. The death occurred on Monday evening at the infirmary, after a brief illness of Mrs. Annie Johnston, widow of Ezekiel Johnston of Upper Loch Lomond.

Mrs. Johnston was proprietress of the Johnston House, at Upper Loch Lomond, and was known by many people of this city, and the New England States who had spent many pleasant hours at her house. She was beloved by a very wide circle of friends who will deeply regret her death. She is survived by five sons and two daughters: Ezekiel K., of Salmon Arm, B.C.; James H., of Sioux Lookout, Ont.; Crawford B., Guy F. and Roy G. of Upper Loch Lomond; Mrs. Fred C. Cairns and Mrs. George T. McCafferty of this city. One sister, Mrs. A. C. Geer, of New Mexico, also survives.

The funeral will be held from her home, Upper Loch Lomond, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Coaches will leave the residence of her daughter, Mrs. George T. McCafferty, 27 Richmond street, at 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

Mrs. Alma Barton. The death of Mrs. Alma Barton, wife of F. E. Barton, who died at her home Mill Cove, Monday, December 17th, at 7 p. m. after a lingering illness of three weeks. Beside her husband and two children, Arthur and Edith, she leaves bereaved her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Hamm, of Waterboro, Queens county; her two brothers Blair and Blake, at home; also four sisters, Bessie and May, at home; Mrs. James A. Thompson, of Narrows, Cambridge, Queens county; Mrs. Harry K. Adamson, of Montreal, P. Q.

The deceased was a member of the Mill Cove Baptist church. Her loving disposition and Christian spirit endeared her to all who knew her.

Mrs. Frederick E. Vincent. The death is announced at Cambridge, Mass., of Mrs. Frederick E. Vincent, 182 Harvard St., Dorchester, Boston. Mrs. Vincent was formerly Miss Mary E. Newcomb of St. John.

Amsterdam, Jan. 1.—Berlin reports that Emperor William has addressed the following New Year order to the army and navy: "A year of heavy and important battles has come to a close. The gigantic battles which raged from spring to fall on Belgian and French soil were decided in favor of our glorious arms. In the east the brilliant victories in a few days destroyed the Italian offensive preparations of years."

In co-operation with my army, my fleet still hopes with the assistance of my allies, to defeat you and then to destroy forever the world position won by your arms in hand endeavor. They will not succeed. Trusting in our righteous cause and in our strength, we face the year 1918, with firm confidence and iron will. Therefore, forward with God to fresh deeds and fresh victories!"

OBITUARY

Mrs. Ellen J. Gregory. Many friends learned with deep regret the death of Mrs. Ellen J. Gregory, widow of the late Hugh S. Gregory, which occurred on Monday morning at eight o'clock at her home 179 Canterbury street, after a few days illness. She was in her 77th year and survived her husband five years. Five sons and one daughter survive: Norman N., Alexander C., Herbert W., H. Roy, Alma E., and Willard B. Mr. Herbert Gregory resided at Grand Forks, B. C., and the other members of the family are residents of this city. There are two grandsons and two granddaughters. Mrs. Gregory was a daughter of the late Mr. George Johnson of St. Stephen and was a member of Trinity Church.

The funeral will take place this afternoon from Trinity church at 2:30 o'clock.

Thomas W. Breen. The death of Thomas W. Breen took place early Monday morning, following a short illness, at his residence 84 Moore street. Deceased was in his eighty-fifth year and in his younger days, when shipbuilding flourished in the city, was a well-known boat shipjoiner. Of late years he had been employed in the King street store of T. McAvity & Sons. He was a member of the Portland Street Methodist Church, and is survived by his wife and three sons, James I. Buffalo, N. Y.; Thomas D., Roxbury, Mass.; and Herbert P. City. The funeral will take place this afternoon from his late residence at 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Annie Wright. The death took place at the General Hospital on Sunday evening of Annie, wife of Jacob Wright. Mrs. Wright, ninety-two years of age, was a life long resident of Cumberland Bay, Queens County, and was twice married, her first husband being Robert Colwell. Besides her husband, who is over 95 years of age, she is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Sergt. G.B. Baxter, Mrs. Adam Philip Phillips, Mrs. J. E. Brown and three sons, John and Robert Colwell, city, and James of Cumberland Bay.

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The Meth... The tenth annual school New Year rally in Centenary Methodist day morning, was held at the... and those who attend with enthusiasm for coming year. Eleven young men who had p... Alice Hea, organist... of the Methodist church... presidents of Sunday... on the platform. The roll call of the... sponded to by each... the calling of their na... a verse of scripture or... of some hymn. The l... writing a list of over... young men who had p... sacrifices in the presen... feelingly referred to b... Marshall. A the tribu...

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### SABBATH SCHOOL CHILDREN HOLD ANNUAL GATHERINGS

#### New Year's Rallies of Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian and Congregational School Children Held Yesterday Morning and Were Largely Attended.

The Methodist school children were the first to assemble at the Queen Square Methodist church yesterday morning for their annual gathering. The school was held in the morning and was a most successful one. The children were very happy and enjoyed the program very much. The school was held in the morning and was a most successful one. The children were very happy and enjoyed the program very much.

The Baptist school children were the next to assemble at the Baptist church. The school was held in the morning and was a most successful one. The children were very happy and enjoyed the program very much. The school was held in the morning and was a most successful one. The children were very happy and enjoyed the program very much.

The Presbyterian school children were the next to assemble at the Presbyterian church. The school was held in the morning and was a most successful one. The children were very happy and enjoyed the program very much. The school was held in the morning and was a most successful one. The children were very happy and enjoyed the program very much.

The Congregational school children were the last to assemble at the Congregational church. The school was held in the morning and was a most successful one. The children were very happy and enjoyed the program very much. The school was held in the morning and was a most successful one. The children were very happy and enjoyed the program very much.

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### NEW YEAR WELL OBSERVED IN THE Y.M.C.A. YESTERDAY

#### Annual "Open House" Programme and Reception Proved Very Attractive.

The annual "Open House" programme and New Year's reception at the Y. M. C. A. yesterday was in every way equal to any of previous years. An attractive programme card had been printed and distributed among the members and their friends. On the back of this was a New Year's greeting from the board of directors and the executive staff.

The main lobby was handsomely decorated. Spruce boughs covered the central pillars and were arranged in arches over the doors and the mantle. On the left of the entrance was decorated with a very pretty camp scene, representing Camp Weresagum on the Salmon River near Chipman which will open its second season next June. The scene showed a tent camp, a tent, a table, a stove, a campfire, and a realistic camp fire was arranged outside the tent door near a miniature forest.

On the right of the entrance was an excellent reproduction of a Y. M. C. A. dug-out in the front line trenches. This was designed by W. A. Ross, the Y. M. C. military secretary for St. John, and exhibits considerable artistic ability on his part. During the evening, the Women's Auxiliary used this as a depot for serving coffee and cake.

At 8:30 a.m. a basketball game between teams from the third and fourth floor dormitories took place. What ever criticism a professional would have passed, the men entered heartily into the game and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The score was twelve to nine in favor of the third floor team. Following the game eighteen men sat down to the annual dormitory men's breakfast.

The interclass athletic meet at ten o'clock between the Intermediates and High School was won by the former who secured 39 1/2 points while the latter secured but 24 1/2.

In the running high jump, Seeley came first, Josselyn second, Wetmore and Napier tied for third, distance four feet, nine inches.

The track relay race was won by the Intermediates. Seeley, Jacobson, Stirling, Arnold, Cheeseman, High School, Wilkes, Patterson, Neizer, Josselyn, McRae.

Seeley won the stamper broad jump with Napier second and Waddington third, distance eight feet, three and one half inches.

Waddington won the hop step and jump with McRae second, distance 22 feet, six and one half inches.

In the five lap potato race, Pattison came first, McRae second and Stirling third, time 27 seconds.

Waddington won the shot put with McRae second, distance 40 feet, five inches.

The High School won the water relay. In the plunger for distance, Jordan came first, Seeley second and Wetmore third, distance 31 feet.

At four p.m. the executive staff played volleyball with the board of directors winning two out of three games.

A basketball game between the High School and Senior Business Boys at seven o'clock was won by the former team with a score of 29 to 17.

This was followed by an exhibition of class work in the gymnasium, basketball match between the ladies from Haverhill College and a basketball and a baseball match between two teams from the Senior Class.

T. Y. M. C. A. orchestra furnished music during the evening.

JANUARY 2, 1918.

## RING OUT THE OLD RING IN THE NEW

To Our Friends and Customers:  
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### BORN.

HILL—On Sunday, December 30th, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Hill, Rockland Road, a daughter.

### DIED.

JOHNSTON—At the St. John Infirmary, Dec. 31st, 1917, Annie, widow of Ezekiel Johnston, of Upper Loch Lomond, (Boston papers please copy).

Funeral will be held from her late residence, Upper Loch Lomond, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Caches will leave the residence of her daughter 27 Richmond street, at 10 o'clock Thursday morning. Friends invited. Service at her late home at 2:30 o'clock.

GREGORY—On December 31, 1917, Ellen Gregory, widow of Hugh S. Gregory, leaving one daughter and four sons to mourn. No flowers by request.

Funeral on Wednesday afternoon from her late residence, 178 Canterbury street to Trinity church. Service at 2:30.

BREEN—In this city, on the 31st ult., after a short illness, Thomas W. Breen, aged 84 years, leaving a wife and three sons to mourn.

Funeral on Wednesday from his late residence, 84 Moore street. Service at 2:30 o'clock.

SANCTION—In this city, Dec. 31, 1917, Arthur M. Sanction.

Funeral on Thursday at 2:30 from 23 St. James St., to St. John Baptist church, Broad street.

### PROPOSITION FOR SARDINE FACTORY

Representatives of Booth Canners of Eastport Ask Concessions from City—Formal Application Today.

It is understood that a proposal to build a sardine factory under certain conditions will be laid before the common council at its meeting this morning. Representatives of the Booth Canners, Eastport, held a private meeting with the mayor and commissioners on Saturday and talked over the situation, and while nothing definite was done at that conference, it is understood the matter will come officially before the council at the meeting today, when the concessions which the city will be expected to grant in the event of a factory being built will be outlined.

It was reported yesterday that many persons who have escaped water troubles due to frost up to the present had pipes frozen this time and plumbers were in great demand. The continued cold weather has interfered to a large extent with the trains and also with the ferry traffic as the harbor was at times as thick as fog and it was hard to navigate the passage between the east and west sides.

On Monday the official reading was 15 below in the morning. This rose to 5 above in the afternoon and fell to 5 below at 9 o'clock that night. Yesterday morning at the observatory the thermometer read 11 below and this had risen to zero at noon. At nine o'clock last night the reading was 5 below and the probabilities are for continued cold weather for at least another day.

### COLD WEATHER STILL WITH US

Lowest Temperature in Last Twenty-Five Years — Indications Are That It Will Continue.

"Where is that plumber?" This question was frequently asked during the last day or two as many citizens had water pipes frozen in what is easily the coldest snap this city has experienced in the last 25 years. The nearest approach to it was in February, 1914, when there were three days of extremely cold weather but the mercury did not go as low as it did this time.

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### WARMER SOON

Washington, Jan. 1.—Relief from the cold wave in the east was promised today by the weather bureau, and it began to grow slightly warmer to night. While the east is suffering from the cold, the western part of the country, except in the Pacific states, is enjoying decidedly warmer weather, with temperatures from five to thirty-

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five degrees above the season average. In the south, temperatures below freezing were predicted for tonight, extending into Central Florida.

# THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE WORLD OF FINANCE

## VICTORY BONDS WILL PROBABLY SELL AT FIXED PRICE OF 98 5/8

**This Figure is Actual Net Cost to Purchaser—A Strong Syndicate Being Formed to Purchase Bonds Should There Be Heavy Offerings from Small Investors—Trading Will Probably Begin January 11.**

Special to The Standard.  
Montreal, Jan. 1.—The establishing of a fixed price for Victory bonds based on the net cost to a purchaser in the original subscription, is likely to precede the opening of trading in Canada's big war loan. It will be a "fixed" price rather than a "minimum" price, and will be subject to adjustment from time to time as conditions in the financial markets warrant it. This it would be raised if the demand proved in excess of the supply. The actual net cost of the bonds to a subscriber in the campaign of last November was approximately 98 5/8. It is understood that this will be the price at which transactions in the Canadian market will commence very shortly. The buyer, of course, will, as usual, pay accrued interest and a brokerage commission of 1/2 of one per cent.

This syndicate, which will be managed by important banking interests, becomes from the outset a reserve buying power which assures a market for the loan of a high degree of stability. At times when the supply of offerings from small investors exceeds the demand, the presence of this buying power will assure the investor of an immediate market for his security.

**Fixing of Price.**  
The fixing of price at 98 5/8 for initial trading is based in part on the fact that while a syndicate of this sort would be willing to buy in bonds at the net cost of an original subscription, it would hardly be willing to pay a premium right at the start. The general feature in connection with the opening of a market for the bonds were discussed at a meeting of representatives of financial houses of Montreal and Toronto held here Monday. Certain recommendations were drawn up and these will be laid before meetings of the Bondholders' Association and the stock exchanges here and in Toronto on Thursday. Following these meetings a general plan will be drawn for approval.

Trading will probably not begin until January 11th, the limit of the time within which payments of the second instalment of the loan may be made.

## ALL RAIL ROUTE to Prince Edward Island

With the inauguration of the car ferry service between the two nearest points of land, Port Borden and Cape Tormentine, a distance of eleven miles, Prince Edward Island may virtually be said to be connected with the mainland by rail.

Heretofore freight, mails, and express have had to be unloaded from the train at Charlestown and Summerford, transferred to the steamer, unloaded on the steamer at Pictou and Point du Chêne, and reloaded on the train. It took about four hours to load the vessel, from three to four hours to cross the Strait, and then only for eight months in the year.

Under the winter passenger schedule the ferry will make one round trip a day.

The summer service contemplates two round trips of the ferry daily (Sunday excepted), which will mean that passengers from the Island will be able to arrive at Halifax much earlier in the evening, and also make connection with the two expresses, the "Ocean Limited" and the "Maritime Express," for the west coast will arrive at their destinations on the Island much earlier.

So that with a passenger, mail and express daily service the west and the east will be connected with the ferry making such extra trips as business warrants—rail shipments of heavy freights, connection in the open season with the two expresses for the west and the earlier arrivals on Prince Edward Island, the new route must lead to the greater development of the "Garden of the Gulf," a free intercourse between its people and those on the mainland, and a powerful factor in removing its feeling of isolation from the rest of the Dominion—an improvement of conditions in such a respect, and particularly Eastern Canada, will equally participate.

A refrigerator car service for perishable goods is to be established. Another important feature is that heavy freights, such as undressed lumber and coal which has up to the present been dependent upon sailing craft, can now be assured of through rail carriage. Special facilities are being provided for the unloading of coal shipments, and development may be expected along similar lines where commodities require special handling.

Express, mail and baggage will be transferred at Port Borden, but until the Island Railway gauge is standardized there will not be any necessity to ferry passenger cars. The "Prince Edward Island" Government Railways mainland line, the latter having double the capacity. Thus there will be in actuality standard mainland freight cars loaded on the Island ready for the mainland rail. The car landed from the Island on to the mainland without breaking bulk, and vice versa. In other words, through freight service has been established between Prince Edward Island and the mainland railways. The twelve cars are capable of carrying a tonnage equal to one steamer load. The ferry is scheduled to run with a similar cargo. This at two points only and by a route which is confidently expected to be operated the year round.

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## INDUSTRIALS ARE STRONG IN THE LATE TRADING

Advance of United States Steel Helps the Entire Market—Rise Varies from Two to Four Points Above Saturday's Close.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS)  
New York, Dec. 31.—Strength and activity in the industrial continued during the afternoon. The advance of U. S. Steel helped the entire market, various groups of stocks advancing successively to a general level of prices two to four points above the previous close. The copper stocks took their turn as the feature of the market and made more advances than they have done for a long time past. Nothing in the day's news seemed sufficient to account for the upturn in the market.

The burden of the gossip in the street was the prospect for an early peace. There was nothing new in this but for some reason a good many people in the street chose to take it seriously.

**NEWS SUMMARY.**  
(McDOUGALL & COWANS)  
New York, Dec. 31.—McAdoo calls for conference with railway brother heads on Thursday to discuss wages. Walker D. Hines, chairman of Atchison board appointed assistant to Director McAdoo.

Present copper prices fixed by government to stand until January 21st. Bank Commerce—1 at 135. Penman's Limited—5 at 65.

**DECEMBER BANK CLEARINGS.**  
St. John bank clearings for the month ending December 31, 1917, were \$8,329,418; for December, 1916, \$9,025,354; for December, 1915, \$6,990,553.

## "TOURS OF THE WEST INDIES"

The above illustrated booklet, telling about a trip through-out the West Indies by one of the regular fortnightly "Royal Mail" steamers from Halifax to Demerara, can now be obtained by application to us.

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Leave Grand Manan Thursdays at 7:30 a. m. for St. Stephen via Campbellville, Eastport, Cummings Cove and St. Andrews.

Returning, leave St. Stephen Fridays at 7:30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via St. Andrews, Cummings Cove, Eastport and Campbellville (tides and ice conditions permitting).

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This company will not be responsible for any debts contracted after this date without a written order from the captain or captain of the steamer.

## J. S. HAD EXPORTS OF \$6,000,000

**New High Record in 1917—Imports Less Than \$3,000,000.**

Special to The Standard.  
Washington, Dec. 31.—America's exports were estimated today at the department of commerce to have passed the \$6,000,000,000 mark in 1917, a new high record. Imports were less than \$3,000,000,000, and the trade balance in favor of the United States probably will be more than \$3,500,000,000.

## ACADIA REFINERY NOT TO BE SOLD

**Deal by Which Montreal Capitalist to Get Control Called Off.**

Special to The Standard.  
Montreal, Dec. 31.—The Financial Post learns that all negotiations have been called off for the purchase of the Acadia Sugar Refining Company by a Montreal capitalist who was interested. The directors have decided that it would be better to endeavor to reorganize the company and continue operations with the idea that conditions that have been unfavorable for the company for the last two years or so will improve.

Primary Department which is already supplied with individual drinking cups, Miss Julia F. Brewster teacher of that department made a suitable reply expressing gratification and appreciation of the much needed gift.

Mrs. O. B. Perkins of Medford, Mass., is spending a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wood, Albert.

Joseph Walton of Campbellton came Friday to spend Christmas with his wife and little son who are visiting her mother, Mrs. Ernest H. Haviland.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Chester Peck are spending a few days in Salem, with friends.

The Xmas session of the Women's Institute was held on Wednesday at the home of the president and was a particularly enjoyable one. Quotations suitable for the season were read, and the Roll Call. After the routine of business, the programme committee which was represented by Mrs. Josiah McEae and Mrs. C. West, entertained the members to readings and solos, the latter being sung by Mrs. Fred J. Smith and Miss Mabel Steeves, "Christmas Eve," an instrumental solo was rendered by Miss Collis Peck. There was also a guessing competition which was amusing.

A programme for the next six months was made out which, promises to be interesting as it includes a spelling match and a debate. The question of holding a "Farmers Supper" again this winter was brought up and strongly advocated as the former one had been such a success. It was decided it should be held the last week in January.

The meeting closed with the singing of "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" and the National Anthem.

George D. Prescott is absent in Montreal on a business trip.

## CANADA'S CROPS WORTH BILLION

**Value of Products of Field, Forest, Mine and Sea \$1,507,687,000 in 1917, a Large Increase.**

Special to The Standard.  
Toronto, Dec. 31.—The value of production in Canada during the year ending today from field crops, forests, mines, and fisheries, according to the Monetary Times, was approximately \$1,507,687,000, compared with \$1,475,738,812 in 1916. The value of production, (field crops, mines, fisheries and forest), in 1908 was \$763,590,000. For the first time on record, in 1917, the value of Canada's field crops was over \$1,000,000,000. This was due to the high prices prevailing.

## EUROPE HAS A SEVERE WINTER

Paris, Dec. 31.—All of southern Europe is in the grip of a severe storm and unusually cold weather. Dispatches received from Madrid say that snow is still falling heavily in that city and that there is much suffering as a result of lack of fuel due to the stoppage of railroad traffic.

This evening the temperature throughout France is rising.

## CHICAGO PRODUCE

(McDOUGALL & COWANS)

	High	Low	Close
May	125 1/2	124 3/4	124 3/4
June	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2
July	81 3/4	77	75 3/4
Aug.	46 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
Sept.	46 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2

## MONTREAL SALES

(McDOUGALL & COWANS)

Morning.

Can Cen Com—5 at 90.
Can Cen Com—5 at 57 ad.
Steel Can Com—75 at 50 1/2.
1931 War Loan—500 at 92.
1887 War Loan—500 at 92; 20,000 at 92 1/2; 8,000 at 92 1/2.
Ogilvie—25 at 145.
Laurentide Pulp—6 at 152.
Scots ad—3 at 66.
Brympton—7 at 40.
Bank Commerce—1 at 135.
Penman's Limited—5 at 65.

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## NEWCASTLE CLUB SELECTS SKIPS

Newcastle, Dec. 31.—A meeting of the skips selected by the Newcastle Curling Club for the coming year, have chosen the following to play for the different trophies offered for competition: C. McWilliam, E. Robertson, Chas. Dalton, C. Sargeant, Skip; J. A. Belliveau, Jos. Mitchell, P. E. Locke, John Ferguson, C. P. Stohart, John Ferguson, A. Demers, D. J. Buckley, Skip; Jas. Gillis, C. C. Hubbard, R. C. Clarke, P. Russell, skip; H. A. Bussell, Wm. Gifford, P. Maltby, J. H. Sargeant, skip; J. A. Creighton, Harry McLean, A. J. Ritchie, J. R. McKnight, skip; W. W. Bailey, A. L. Kerr, A. T. Gremley, G. P. Burchill, skip; A. J. Travers, George Mason, A. H. McKay, John H. Troy, skip; Robert Graham, A. Brooks, Fred W. Dalton, H. W. Crocker, skip; Geo. Thomas, Walter Amy, F. Dignan, R. Lawlor, skip; Dr. J. D. MacMillan, J. D. Kennedy, John Morley, skip; Wm. Stahler, R. Galloway, Jos. Jardine, skip; Wm. McKinnon, J. P. Ryder, C. J. Morrissey, E. Dalton, skip; W. W. Cormier, Fred Lucas, D. A. Jackson, J. E. T. Lindsay, skip; H. R. Hicks, D. Ritchie, W. R. Melanson, G. G. Stohart, skip; Geo. Mann, A. H. Cole, Wm. Stahler, R. Galloway, R. Cassidy, C. M. Dickinson, skip; R. H. Lockwood, Lieut. Lains, J. P. Kingston, D. S. Creighton, skip.

## HOPEWELL HILL

Hopewell Hill, Dec. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. Cronkite, Boston, Mass., came on Wednesday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alonso Brewster Harvey.

Charles Morris of St. John spent a few days in Albert this week.

Leulle and Harry Barnett of Moncton spent Sunday in Albert with friends.

S. D. Prescott and W. A. McPherson went to Moncton on Tuesday on a business trip.

H. Lester Smith, Barrister, Judge of Probate went to St. John this week for a few days.

Rev. Herbert E. DeWolfe of St. George, a recent pastor on the Hopewell Baptist Field conducted the services in the different churches on Sunday. Many friends were glad to see him.

J. S. Hayward, St. John spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Archie Downing of Albert.

Much regret is felt at the resignation of Mrs. C. T. Kelly who has been principal of this school for the past term. During her short stay she has thoroughly enjoyed the esteem and affection of parents and pupils as was evidenced by the large audience yesterday at the closing exercises. Grades V and VIII presented her with a scarf and Bible and many of the scholars presented her with other tokens.

Miss Collis Peck on behalf of the Women's Institute was present and presented a covered drinking tin to the

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### Hamm Bros.' Biscuit Works, Blue Ribbon Bottling Works and Other Buildings Damaged—Firemen Have Hard Fight Under Difficult Weather Conditions—\$5,000 Fire in Smalley's Jewellery Store.

Two St. John industries, Hamm Bros. Biscuit Works and the Blue Ribbon Bottling Works, were put out of business temporarily last night by fire and the total loss will run well up to \$100,000, with probably a quarter of that amount of insurance. Four factory buildings and two dwelling houses fell victims to the flames and four families were turned out of their homes. Hamm Bros. Biscuit Works occupied two three story buildings, one brick and one wooden, on Main street, and these were completely gutted; a small dwelling adjoining the eastern end of Hamm Bros., in which was located the harness shop of R. J. Currie on the ground floor and a dwelling in the rear; the Blue Ribbon Bottling Works facing Elm street; a dwelling house owned by Hamm Bros. and occupied by three families, adjoining it, and the boiler house, which supplied power for both the Biscuit Works and the Bottling Works, and standing at the rear of the Elm street plant, were the buildings destroyed.

Mr. Hamm stated last night that he was unable to account for the fire as there had not been any fire in the buildings except a small fire in the furnace to keep up steam enough to heat the plant, as no work had been done since the day before Christmas and so far as he knew there were no wires where the fire was first noticed.

Officer Sends in Alarm. The fire was first seen by Officer Kierstead, who was passing the building and noticed the reflection in the eastern end of the wooden building. He rang in an alarm from box 143 and by the time the apparatus arrived there was a big flame visible in the stock room and in less than half an hour both buildings were a seething mass of flames and the efforts of the firemen were concentrated on trying to keep it from spreading.

The officer stated that he passed the building on his way up the street about ten minutes before he rang in the alarm and that on occasion noticed nothing wrong. Mr. Hamm said he did not see how it could have started from the boiler in the boiler house, as it was at least one hundred feet away from where the fire was first noticed.

Spreads to Elm Street. The Main street buildings were connected with the Elm street building by a covered alleyway and the flames followed this and finally got a grip on the Bottling Works and the adjoining house. The house was occupied by Joseph

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Montreal, Dec. 30.—A fair degree of optimism was evident today as to the outlook of Canadian market in January. Some houses believe that money is going to be a little easier, and the belief is apparently based on something more tangible than mere hopes, that it will be easier. Most firms have been carrying large cash balances because of recent uncertainties as to the permanency of their loans. If any new money made its appearance and there was a reasonable prospect that money could be found to raise loans that might be called from time to time there would be a disposition to put these idle cash balances to use.

A very little freedom with respect to money would bring about some improvement in market conditions. The improvement might be slow at first, but the market believes that the worst stage of the deadlock brought about in October has been completed.

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## ENEMY HOLDS 46,712 BRITISH PRISONERS

London, Dec. 15.—(By mail)—British prisoners held by the enemy, including those in Switzerland, total 46,712, according to an official announcement. The prisoners include members of the regular army, territorial forces, royal naval divisions, divided as follows: Officers other ranks In Germany . . . 1,863 41,836 In Turkey . . . 340 1,959 In Bulgaria . . . 42 586 In Austria . . . 12 74 Totals . . . 2,257 44,455

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## BROWNVILLE FIRE

Word was received here last night of a fire at Brownville, Me., on the C. P. R. A double tenement house occupied by Philip Legore and Griffith Jones, William Briggs' house and barn and several sheds were destroyed. The loss is about \$10,000.

## A SLIGHT FIRE

While plumbers were thawing water pipes yesterday afternoon in Dr. J. C. Doore's dental parlors, corner Douglas avenue and Main street, some packing between the floors in the laboratory caught fire and a stubborn blaze was the result. It was at first feared that the flames would spread to the handsomely appointed reception parlors, but quick work on the part of Dr. Doore and the plumbers extinguished the blaze without calling upon the fire department.

## THREE ALARMS OF FIRE

The firemen had their first run of the New Year yesterday morning when they were called to the premises of the Canadian Fairbanks Morse Company for a slight fire caused by an overheated dynamo. It was quickly extinguished by the chemical and the blaze without calling upon the fire department.

## A \$5,000 BLAZE ON PRINCE WILLIAM ST.

An alarm was sent in from box 26 at 10:45 last night for a brisk blaze in the jewellery store occupied by A. B. Smalley & Son Ltd. on Prince William street. The fire is supposed to

## THE CANADIENS DEFEATED TORONTO

Montreal, Dec. 30.—By defeating the Torontonians by a score of 9 to 2, at the Arena last night, the Canadiens showed a glaring form reversal over their previous meeting with the Queen City aggregation, when they were beaten by a score of 7 to 4.

## MRS. WHEELDON IS OUT OF PRISON

London, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Alice Wheeldon, who with her daughter and the latter's husband, was found guilty and sentenced last March to ten years imprisonment on the charge of conspiracy to poison Premier Lloyd-George, has been released from prison at the premier's request. Mrs. Wheeldon is near death through a hunger strike.

## PURE RICH BLOOD PREVENTS DISEASE

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## THIRTEEN FALSE ALARMS IN QUEBEC

Quebec, Dec. 30.—Between six o'clock and eleven o'clock Saturday night thirteen false fire alarms were sounded in this city. The temperature at the time was nearly thirty below zero and the firemen suffered keenly from the cold many of them having their hands, faces and feet badly slipped by the frost. The horses were badly jaded and two of the auto hose wagons were put out of commission.

## FOR HALIFAX RELIEF

East Florencville and neighboring communities have already responded to the call for help from the needy in the stricken city of Halifax. In addition to three crates of bedding and one of clothing the sum of \$321 has been sent forward.

THE HOME  
THE WORLD

# NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

THE MOVIES  
THE PLAYERS

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

### THE LITTLE MORE

You know the quotation from which my title is taken? "A little more and how much it is." It is a quotation which is frequently used in a sentimental manner, but I am going to try to apply it very practically today. Talking with a well known business man in this city in reference to girls working in offices, he said: "Girls are very well up to a certain point but very few of them ask for more work. They are perfectly content to do what they are told but if they finish that seldom, if ever, say: 'Is there anything else I can do?'" The mere fact of asking for business and it is that spirit which the head of a firm is likely to reward. The man who just does what he is told may be a faithful work-worm but he never gets on in the world. Sometimes when one has done what seems to be more than one's share it appears as if no one notices the extra effort and that the person who just does their work sets through so much better. This is not the case however, for eyes are watching and if not in that place in some other the reward will come. There is an unmistakable look about the "capor work" person and it will be recognized sooner or later that is certain. Why not try in the new year to make yourself known as able to do just a little more and willing to fill up those spare moments in the office with the work that is waiting to be done? I would like to have some expression of opinion as to whether the business man was right.

### PERSONALS

The proceeds will be given to the S. C. A. Mr. Merritt, who has the check room at the Lake, gave the check every possible assistance.

### WOODSTOCK

Woodstock, Dec. 28—Christmas day was spent quietly here. A large number of visitors were in town. The weather was delightful. Miss Marjorie Rankine, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. D. Rankine returned home from New York on Friday. Miss Rankine is a student Pratt Art School in that city. Capt. B. M. Hay of St. John is spending the Christmas holidays in town. Miss Jessie Foster is visiting relatives in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Durst left on Monday to spend the holidays with friends in Hartland. Rev. Frank Baird left on Tuesday for Chipman, Quebec Co., to visit his father for a few days. Master Willie Dallings is the guest of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Dallings. Miss Mary Adams of Fredericton is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bailey. Miss Alice Polley is spending the holidays with her parents in St. Stephen. Mr. Foster of the firm of Robson & Foster, Montreal, who has been spending a few days in town, has returned home. Mr. T. W. Brown of Western Ontario is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Brown, Main St. Mr. Frank Woolverton who is a student at Tufts Medical College, Boston, is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. James Wolverson. Miss Sadie Brown of the Central Maine General Hospital, Lewiston, is spending the Xmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Brown, from his son, Ralph, who has been in France for the past two years, with the exception of eight months spent in a hospital in England. He has received his discharge, and expects to return home in a short time. Dr. T. Sprague received a letter from a visitor in town on Wednesday. Mr. Clyde Chamber of Westfield, Me., is spending the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. D. Chamber. Mr. J. W. Ellsworth who has been in Halifax in connection with committee work returned on Wednesday. Miss Ruth Thompson, who is attending the Convent School at Bangor, Me., arrived home on Friday for the holidays. Miss Dorothy Dickenson who is attending the Provincial Normal School arrived home Thursday evening. Norman Bull, son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bull of Lower Woodstock, who has been overseas for some time returned home last week on furlough. Mrs. Fred Doray of St. Stephen who

### LANCASTER RED CROSS.

The treasurer of the Lancaster Red Cross gratefully acknowledges the sum of \$24.00 from the Junior Willing Workers of Dipper Harbor West. This amount is to be used for Red Cross work.

### S. C. A. AT LILY LAKE.

A Circle of the Soldiers' Comfort Association had the happy thought of

servicing refreshments at Lily Lake on New Year's Day, and very welcome indeed these refreshments proved to the many skaters who enjoyed the food, ice cream and cake were served by members of the Red, White and Blue Circle of the S. C. A., who were busily engaged all day at the check room at the Lake. Miss Mary Thorne, president of the circle, was convenor assisted by the members.

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

**LYRIC.**  
"The Fall of the Romanoffs"  
"The fall of the Romanoffs" was spoken of in the New York Morning Telegraph as "One of the most remarkable and noteworthy pictures of the year." Emphatically a first forward in motion pictures. Another well known newspaper says "It has an almost startling effect of reality." Personally I should have left off, that "almost" for I don't want to see anything much more realistic than this story of the evil genius of Russia. Lavishly embellished with Russian scenery and telling with minute detail of the rise to power and the fall not only of the Romanoffs but of Russia, the picture could hardly fail to hold the interest. It is horrible, but so was the man, and the historic elements make it all the more fascinating, as one realizes the truthfulness of much that is portrayed on the screen. The fact that authority is given for many of the facts shown was something rather new. The weakness of the film and the strong German tendency of his court were well brought out. One very human scene is that when the Czarevitch rushes into his royal father's presence and upon being rebuked, his tears, presented in due state by his princely titles. The family of the Romanoffs is well represented. Nance O'Neill taking the part of the Czarina, Ilodor, the Czar's former confessor, is seen in the part of the man who first exposed the wickedness of Rasputin. The entire cast is excellent. Undoubtedly this a wonderful picture, an example of "the truth stranger than fiction" saying and staged by Herbert Brenon, one of the foremost directors of today.

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Waugh-Kilpatrick.  
A very pretty wedding took place on Wednesday, December 19th, 1917 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kirkpatrick Wickham, when their daughter, Jean Gertrude, was united in marriage to John Petwick Waugh of East Florenceville. Rev. Mr. Whitman officiating clergyman.  
At one o'clock the bridal party entered the parlor taking their places under a beautiful arch of evergreen and pink and white roses. The bride who was formerly a popular young lady of Florenceville looked charming in a bridal gown of white Duchesse satin and georgette crepe, wearing the conventional veil and orange blossoms

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Around the City

THE COMMON COUNCIL. The regular meeting of the common council will be held this morning at eleven o'clock.

HOME MADE HAPPY. Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Hill, Rockland road, were made happy by the arrival of a little daughter on Sunday, December 30th.

WANTED IN HALIFAX. Mayor Hayes has received telegrams from Halifax requesting that all available carpenters be sent forward and that six coal stoves and two coal carts with harness, were required for three months.

SMOKES FOR FISHERMEN. Commissioner Russell played Santa Claus yesterday and provided a box of fine cigars for the fishermen who attended the sale at the Court House. His thoughtfulness was appreciated by them.

JOINED THE ALLIES. The Cuban Consul has advised the Board of Trade officially that on the 15th inst., the Cuban government declared war on the Austrian-Hungarian Empire and joined the allied nations in the struggle for international justice.

OCCUPANTS THROWN OUT. Just before the New Year arrived in St. John a sleigh on the north side of King Square hit a car track and the box, seat and two young men on the latter were dumped onto the street. The horses did not run away and no person was hurt.

AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. Sir Frederick Fraser, chairman of the Halifax Blind Relief Committee, desires to acknowledge with grateful thanks the receipt of £11.10 per cent Gladys E. Northrup, being the proceeds of a pie and basket social held at Cole's Island, Queens Co., N. B.

HORSE RUN AWAY. A white steed of uncertain age and appearing as if he had thrown his rider, galloped down King street about 6 o'clock last evening and evaded several attempts to catch him. After drinking at the Market Square fountain he kicked up his heels and disappeared down Canterbury street.

BASKET SOCIAL AND CONCERT. The basket social and concert held in the public hall at Salt Spring in Kings county, on December 24th was a great success. A large crowd listened to a very enjoyable programme given by the scholars of Salt Spring school under the management of their teacher, Mrs. Annie Ferguson, aided by people of the place. The sum of \$55 was realized, clear of expenses, which will be used in relief work at Halifax.

THE POLICE COURT. Twenty-four Chinese appeared in the police court Monday morning charged with rambling on Sunday night at 29 Mill street. Lim King was charged with being the keeper and the others as inmates. There were 26 taken in the raid by the police out of two of the number who left deposits of \$50 each Sunday night did not appear in court. E. S. Ritchie appeared for the defendants and the case was adjourned until today.

EFFICIENT MANAGER RESIGNS. Maurice E. Dickinson, who for several years has been the popular and efficient manager of the Elliott Hotel, has resigned his place and with Mrs. Dickinson leaves this morning for the home of his parents. Mr. Dickinson will take up the potato business. He was formerly a resident of Carleton county. While in this city and Mrs. Dickinson made many friends. Mr. Dickinson is succeeded by Harry Worrell, a well known railroad man.

THE ANNUAL TREAT. The annual treat for the boys at St. Patrick's Industrial Home was held yesterday and the boys had a good time. There was a big Christmas tree with something for everybody and candy, suits, fruit, etc. galore. His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc, Father Costello, rector of St. Peter's, Father O'Neill and Father Moors were present and addressed the boys and a number of friends attended and helped in the entertainment.

THE PROFITT CASE. That action of some kind would be taken in the case of the death of Charles M. Proffitt, the young lad who died recently at the St. John Infirmary while undergoing an all-glass operation was the statement made to The Standard last night by the boy's father, A. E. Proffitt. He was of the opinion that the boy's death was caused by negligence, and he felt that something ought to be done so that more care would be taken in such cases in the future.

I. O. O. F. OBSERVE NEW YEAR. The Oddfellows of the city held their usual New Year's gathering yesterday morning in the rooms Germain St. Owing to the cold weather the attendance was not as large as on former occasions but the gathering proved an enjoyable one. District Deputy Grand Master John Jackson, presided, and there was the customary round of felicitous speeches. An enjoyable feature of the morning was a vocal solo well rendered by J. A. Murdoch of Pioneer Lodge.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES. The evangelistic meeting in the Charlotte St. United Baptist church, West St. John, assumed a new character last night in that Prof. Duffey, Evangelist Kenyon's choir leader, was present to lead in the singing. Prof. Duffey has a rich baritone voice which greatly contributed to the success of the meeting. Besides leading in the singing he rendered several solos. Rev. R. W. Williamson, after offering prayer, sang a selection in a pleasing manner. Rev. E. W. Kenyon delivered the first of a series of addresses on the general subject of "The Plan of Redemption." His subject for the evening being "The Reason for Creation." Mr. Kenyon is a powerful speaker and in his discourse last night he spoke strongly against "Darwinism" and the evolutionary theory.

A LARGE INCREASE IN ANNUAL SALE OF FISHING PRIVILEGES

Auction at Court House Yesterday Morning—Total Was \$3,329.65 Larger Than Last Year—J. Fred Belyea, the Largest Buyer, Paying \$9,457 for Lots—This Amount More Than the Grand Total of Previous Sale.

Bidding was brisk yesterday at the annual sale of the fishing privileges owned by the city and as a consequence the prices paid in most cases were considerably higher than last year and the total was \$3,329.65 larger. The big increase was in the Courtney Bay lots which last year sold for \$800 and this year brought \$4,051. It was whispered around at the sale that the runners up on these waters were acting for the "Booth" interests and when his lot was put up J. Fred Belyea called the attention of the auctioneer to the fact that only citizens of St. John could bid at the sale. A new bidder appeared on the scene in the person of J. S. Gregory, who purchased a number of the Courtney Bay lots after the bidding had begun.

The big buyer was J. Fred Belyea, who purchased the Courtney Bay lots for \$4,051. This is more than the whole sum received last year when all the lots sold for \$3,314.75 and is nearly double the total received in 1916 when \$3,812.20 was taken in. In two instances the runner up on Mr. Belyea was W. A. Spence. He was interested in the Navy Island lots, and for a time the bidding was keen between them for Nos. 1, 2 and 7 and No. 8. Nos. 1, 2 and 7 fell a little short of the high price of last year, but No. 8 jumped from \$1,127 to \$1,926, an increase of \$799.

The usual procedure was followed in the selling of the lots and after T. T. Lantalam, who acted as auctioneer, had read the proclamation he put slips with the number of the fishing island lots on them in a hat and drew them one at a time. This was objected to by J. Fred Belyea who wanted all the numbers put in the hat at once. He was overruled and the sale went on. The first number drawn was No. 8, the upset price of this lot being \$1,127 and a number took a hand in the bidding until it reached \$1,000, when it was left between W. A. Spence and J. Fred Belyea. Considerable laughter was caused by Mr. Belyea who every once and a while would bid ten cents and the privilege was finally knocked down to him at \$1,926.

The other lots were quickly knocked down until 1, 2 and 7 were put up when another battle royal resulted between Mr. Spence and Mr. Belyea, the lot falling to Mr. Belyea at \$3,450, which was \$30 less than last year's price. The next lot to cause much bidding was lot No. 20 (The Devils Bay) on the West Side shore. The upset price on this lot was \$600 and the bidding was between Mr. Belyea and Robert Irvine. Mr. Irvine was winning on a cost of \$340.

A number of those present wanted Courtney Bay lots and the bidding participated in by quite a few; \$3,000 was quickly reached and it seemed to be all over at \$3,900, when someone bid \$4,000. This was raised \$25 by Mr. Belyea when the other party came back with \$4,050. Mr. Belyea raised this to \$4,051 and the lot was knocked down to him. The bidding on lots 17 to 31 on Straight Shore was keen and the price realized for this privilege was over three times as high as last year. Following are the names of the purchasers and the prices paid:

Table with columns for lot numbers and names of buyers (e.g., Navy Island, Courtney Bay, West Side Shore) and their respective purchase prices.

MANY SPENT LAST HOURS OF OLD YEAR IN CHURCH

"Watch Night" Services Drew Usual Large Congregations Despite Biting Cold of "Below Zero" Weather.

Watchnight services were held in many of the city churches New Year's eve. Although the weather was very cold, in most cases the congregations were large. In Stone church, the organist, D. Arnold Fox, gave a short organ recital from 11 to 11:30 o'clock. This was followed by the Litany and an address by the rector, Rev. G. A. Kuhring. Appropriate hymns were sung. The service in Portland Methodist church was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Neil McLaughlin, who spoke of the passing of the old year and the entrance of the new. Rev. R. A. Armstrong, in Trinity Presbyterian church was held in the Waterloo street church. Rev. F. H. Wentworth presided. An address from the text, "So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom," was given by Rev. Mr. Boothroy of Zion Methodist church. Rev. M. Thompson of Calvin church and Rev. George Boister of Halifax assisted in the service. The congregation passed the last moments of the year in silent prayer. Then they formed a circle around the church by joining hands and sang "Blest Be the Tie that Binds."

The service in Main St. Baptist church was conducted by the pastor, Rev. D. Hutchinson, who gave an address speaking of thanksgiving to God for blessings of the past year and confession of sin on account of failure. He emphasized the importance of the consecration of the spirit when entering upon the new year. The congregation remained in silent prayer while they passed from the old year to the new. The service closed with the Doxology and the Benediction. In the Ludlow St. church, the pastor, Rev. W. R. Robinson, gave an appropriate address. Hymns suited to the occasion were sung.

GOVERNOR GENERAL SENDS GREETINGS TO THE BOY SCOUTS

Telegram from Chief Scout Received Yesterday by A. C. Skelton, the President—Suitable Reply Was Wired to Ottawa.

The following telegram from the Duke of Devonshire to A. C. Skelton, president of the New Brunswick Provincial Council of Boy Scouts was received yesterday: Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 31, 1917.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 31, 1917. A. C. Skelton, President Boy Scouts' Assn., St. John, N. B. I desire to extend to all Boy Scouts, Scoutmasters, and other officers my congratulations on their splendid efforts in aid of the war cause and other activities during the past year, and I hope they will accept my warmest good wishes for the New Year. All scouts will, I am confident, do their utmost to assist the common cause in every direction, and especially in regard to the vital needs of increased conservation and production of food and other necessities. DEVONSHIRE.

The following is the reply sent to the Governor-General: George H. Brown, Dominion Secretary, The Boy Scouts' Association, Ottawa. On behalf of the Boy Scouts, Scoutmasters and officers throughout the province, please convey to our Chief Scout, the Governor-General, my thanks and appreciation of his good wishes, and my assurance that the Scouts of New Brunswick will endeavor to carry on along the lines suggested by him. (Sgd.) A. C. SKELTON.

NEW YEAR'S TREAT AT THE BOYS' CLUB

Between Ninety and One Hundred Youngsters Made Happy Last Evening.

Between ninety and one hundred boys were made happy at a New Year's treat given for them at the Boys' Club on Union street last evening. An interesting programme was arranged for the occasion. Hon. R. J. Ritchie briefly addressed the boys and presented to them a framed copy of the New Year's message of the walls of the club. H. S. Culver, American consul, gave a very fine illustrated talk on Southern Ireland. Views were thrown on the screen and these were vividly described by Mr. Culver who was stationed at Cork for some years and covers that part of Ireland well.

As the pictures were shown a melody of Irish airs was played upon the piano by Mrs. A. J. Mulcahy. Mayor Hayes said a few words to the boys and A. M. Belding also spoke briefly. Solos were sung by Mrs. W. C. Good and Percy Reid gave a mandolin selection. Several choruses were sung by the boys themselves. The boys were treated to cake and ice cream cones and as they filed out each one was presented with a bag of fruit and confectionery. The boys were warmly congratulated upon their excellent behavior. The committee in charge were delighted with the large number of boys present. Members of the playgrounds executive present were Mrs. W. C. Good, Mrs. H. C. Groat, Mrs. J. H. Doody, Mrs. J. Mulcahy, Mrs. A. M. Belding, Mrs. J. E. Secord, Mrs. A. C. D. Wilson, Mayor Hayes, Capt. Kane and Rev. J. H. Anderson. The lantern views were shown by C. G. Fliewelling.

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HUNT'S PRE-STOCK-TAKING

SALE starts 11:15-day morning at 9 o'clock. For particulars see advertisement on Page 2.

ST. JOHN BUSINESS COLLEGE.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Mrs. Catherine McKay took place Monday morning, at 8:45 o'clock, from the Mater Misericordiae Home to the Catholic cemetery, St. John, N. B. Interment was made at the new Catholic cemetery.

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