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BRITISH REGAIN OLD POSITIONS BUT AMIENS STILL IN DANGER

FIELD MARSHAL HAIG'S MEN ARE COUNTER-ATTACKING SUCCESSFULLY JUST NOW

British Regain Old Positions in Aveluy Wood on West Side of Ancre River and Capture Prisoners and Machine Guns—Enemy Fail Before Albert—Severe Fighting on French Front—The Teutons Change their Tactics.

Enemy Repulsed Near Grivesnes—Allies Much Encouraged by Developments of Saturday and Yesterday, but Are Prepared to Lose Amiens Before which British are Fighting Against Heavy Odds—Loss of City Would Not Cause Dismay.

(By Arthur S. Draper.)

Special Cable to N. Y. Tribune and St. John Standard. London, April 7.—The Kaiser's generals having found it impossible to gain by repeated mass attacks with immense forces of men and guns, are devoting their efforts to local operations centering in the region of Laon. These operations, carried on with the purpose of straightening the salient at this point are meeting with success.

The British and French armies are not only stiffening their resistance but Haig's men are counter-attacking successfully. The British have regained their old positions in the Aveluy Wood on the west side of the Ancre river and have taken prisoners and machine guns. German attacks before Albert were unsuccessful.

Severe fighting is reported from the French front. The Germans attacked near Grivesnes, but were repulsed. A great artillery action has been in progress between Montdidier and Noyon. The result of these encounters has been such as to hearten the Allies.

Military observers believe the fighting will continue for many weeks and that it will certainly spread to other sectors. The pauses between battles will necessarily increase as difficulties of transport grow and as the Allies defence strengthen.

Germany could not afford to continue the pace of the first week without battering her army into the ground. It would prove more costly even than Verdun.

An officer who has just returned tells me he thinks that after another month fighting will die down to allow both sides time to reorganize. He believes the enemy has big reserves still practically intact and that he intends to use them soon.

FURTHER ARRESTS MADE IN QUEBEC

Hotel which Snipers Supposed to Have Used During Riots Raided—City Quiet on Saturday Night and Last Evening—May Arrest 240 More.

Quebec, April 7.—The dominion police operating with the private detectives who are working here with the object of capturing the ring-leaders of the recent riots, rounded up some nine prisoners on Saturday at a hotel on Boulevard Langelier, where it is thought much of the sniping took place on Monday night when soldiers were fired on from the roof tops.

While the arrest was made very quietly every precaution was taken to protect the police in the event of any trouble cropping up, and a considerable number of militia were about in order to be ready for any emergency.

No Further Trouble.

The usual rumors were current on Saturday afternoon that fresh trouble was afoot, but nothing materialized during the evening or at any time today or this evening.

On Saturday night most of St. Roch's merchants closed their stores. Arrests are being made every day, the military authorities say, and the investigations which are made on each prisoner brought in are disclosing certain facts which are said to be considered of value by the authorities.

It is understood that still about 240 arrests are to be made.

WILSON ACCEPTS THE CHALLENGE OF HUN POWERS

Force Will be Used Without Limit to Cut them Down In the Dust.

SECOND PHASE OF THE BATTLE DIES DOWN

Foch Will Strike with His Reserves when the Proper Times Comes.

THE BRITISH REPULSE COUNTER ATTACKS

Germans Successful in Operations Between Chauny and Berisis.

President Wilson's acceptance on Saturday of the challenge of the central powers and his declaration of "force, force to the utmost, force without stint or limit, the righteous and triumphant force, which shall make right the law of the world and cast every selfish dominion down in the dust" has had a responsive echo from the capitals of the allied powers, where the press gives high praise to the president for "putting his actions into agreement with his words."

The second phase of the great battle along the Somme, which the Germans began on Thursday last, has died down. It lasted less than three days and the fighting resolved itself into more or less isolated engagements in which the French and British allies have more than held their own.

The attention of the Germans for the present is mainly directed at the lower end of the battle zone, which apparently they are attempting to enlarge for the purpose of getting elbow room in which to move their vast masses of troops.

Berlin reports the capture of Piermande and Folembay, south of the Oise.

Meanwhile General Foch, the commander-in-chief of the allies, is biding his time, meeting the German assault with powerful resistance and here and there conforming his lines to the necessities of battle. It is confidently stated at Paris that Foch will not be drawn into any false move, but will strike with his reserves at the moment chosen by him.

Kaiser May Go East.

There may be some significance in the report that the German emperor, after a conference on the western front on Saturday, with his chiefs, Von Hindenburg and Von Ludendorff, intends to proceed to Rumania.

At the outset of the great German offensive, when it was sweeping the allied forces before it, notwithstanding their tenacious resistance, Emperor William, it was announced officially from Berlin, was in supreme command. That announcement was regarded at the time as evidence that the Emperor expected a complete and decisive victory. Since then, however, British and French and American reinforcements have come up.

The British, on Sunday, engaged in sharp local fighting at various points and repulsed German counter-attacks. They also drove off, by artillery fire, two German attacks launched in the neighborhood of Bucoy.

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United States Will Speed Preparations To Rush Men Across

(By Wilbur Forrest.)

Special Cable to N. Y. Tribune and St. John Standard. Paris, April 7.—I learn from the highest authority that the paramount thought in the mind of Secretary of War Newton Baker, on the eve of his return to America is the necessity of rushing American bayonets to France.

Since his return from Italy the secretary has declined all formal engagements or other functions and is spending hours daily at the United States embassy, where he is in constant communication and consultation with military heads, including General Pershing. His conferences in France, England and Italy, especially since the outbreak of the enemy's desperate attempt to wind up the war, have convinced him of the imperative need of America getting into actual operations with both feet on this side of the Atlantic as quickly as humanly possible.

The secretary's cables to Washington daily emphasize this necessity and it is certain that his own efforts when he returns will be devoted to the speeding up of the transportation of human freight and war material overseas.

My observations since Baker's arrival in Europe convince me that he thoroughly appreciates the fact that America must condense her voluminous program in order to give the best and most efficacious help to the Allies immediately. There is no doubt in his mind of the ability of the Allies to fight the enemy to a standstill, but America must prepare to help to put over the knockout blow sooner than the war office plans and blue print specifications have been called for.

I am absolutely convinced that Baker's arrival in Washington will find him the holy apostle of speed, war department red tape to the contrary notwithstanding.

A THINLY CLAD WOMAN QUITS THE HOSPITAL

Patient in Victoria General Hospital, Halifax, Mysteriously Disappears from Institution in the Night Time.

Halifax, April 7.—A young woman who was a patient at the Victoria General Hospital has escaped mysteriously in the night time. An automobile was standing at the door and the hospital authorities used it to follow and try to locate her. The car started off for this purpose within five minutes of the time the woman ran out but no trace of her could be found. She did not go to her home. The woman was thinly clad, wearing over her night dress a kimono. She had nothing on her head.

ATTEMPTING TO RAISE STEAMER CARACAS

Halifax, April 7.—Work on the steamer Caracas is proceeding so satisfactorily that it is expected she will be raised within a few days. The Caracas is a large steamer which was at Richmond on the morning of the explosion, and afterwards went ashore on the eastern side of the harbor just north of Tufts Cove. The coffer-dam is in position, and all that remains are some details for the final effort to be made. Mr. Johnson Porter, who recently successfully floated the Matanzas and Saranac, is again in charge of the work of raising the Caracas.

P. E. I. WOMAN KILLED BY TRAIN IN CALIF.

Charlottetown, April 7.—Robert Cairns, of Shamrock, has received the sad news from his brother, Mr. John Cairns, of the untimely death of his wife in California. Mrs. Cairns was driving home in a buggy and was struck by a train while crossing the tracks, she being unable to see the approaching train in the heavy rain storm. The horse she was driving was also killed. Deceased was formerly Miss Ella Leard, of Augustine Cove, P. E. I. She was forty years of age and is survived by her husband and one son.

N. T. R. FREIGHT WRECK.

Fredericton, April 7.—The N. T. R. has been reopened for traffic after being tied up by a freight wreck a mile and a half below McDivney Junction. Eight cars were derailed and 150 feet of track torn up. No one was injured.

THE KING'S COLLEGE ADVANCE MOVEMENT OPENS IN YORK CO.

Rev. Dr. T. Stannage Boyle and Rev. Canon Vernon Preach at Fredericton and Vicinity — A Strong Canvassing Committee.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, April 7.—Rev. T. Boyle Stannage, president of King's College, Windsor, N. S., and Rev. Canon Vernon, organizing secretary of the King's College advance movement, preached on behalf of that movement in this city and vicinity today.

Rev. Dr. Boyle preached at St. Anne's in the morning, at St. Mary's, Devon, in the afternoon and at the cathedral in the evening. Canon Vernon spoke at the cathedral in the morning, at St. Peter's, Kingsclear, in the afternoon and at St. Anne's in the evening.

OROMOCTO MAN FOUND DEAD IN HIS BED

Oromocto, April 7.—The many friends and acquaintances of John R. Alcorn, of Oromocto, will be surprised to learn of his death, which occurred on Friday night. While Mr. Alcorn had not been enjoying the best of health, because of a kidney trouble, yet he was able to perform his duties, and seemed to be unusually well when he retired last evening. He was found dead in bed yesterday. He was 58 years of age, and is survived by a widow, formerly Miss Macdonald, of Stanley, one daughter, Helen, at home a mother in Snocholmuk, Wash., and a brother James of the same place. Another brother, Duncan, is in Victoria, B. C. The funeral will be held Tuesday.

LONG DISTANCE GUN EXPLODES, KILLING 10

Paris, April 7.—The bombardment of the Paris district by the long-range German gun continued today. There were no casualties. The report that one of these guns exploded is confirmed from absolutely reliable sources. This occurred on March 25, a lieutenant and nine men being killed.

Charlottetown, April 7.—John R. Cameron, aged 60, of Albany, was killed by the train at that station last night. He had been snow shoveling and was returning home on the track. Cars which were being shunted struck him, two wheels passing over his body. He died three hours later.

NO SIGNIFICANCE IN RETREAT OF FRENCH ARMY

German Attacks on Left Bank of River Oise, Between Chauny and Barisis, Indicates Enemy is Finding Himself Cramped and is Seeking More Elbow Room—Paris Regards the Situation With Optimism—Slight Gains or Losses of Territory Not Important at this Stage.

Paris, April 7.—The German attack yesterday on the left bank of the River Oise, between Chauny and Barisis, is taken by some military critics as indicating that the enemy, finding himself cramped in the salient his offensive has created toward Montdidier and Amiens, is seeking more elbow room, as without it he will be unable to deploy his masses in Hindenburg style.

The retirement of the French to positions prepared in advance causes no uneasiness here. Paris is learning to neglect, in the official communiqués, smaller details, the significance of which appears only to those having the whole situation before them.

"People should not allow themselves to be hypnotized by the official bulletins," said a high official, whose advice seems to have been accepted. "In a battle like this," he added, "bulletins showing more or less important advances and retreats are simply geographical summaries which convey little meaning except to those who are directing the operations."

"People ask: 'Will the Boches get Amiens?'
"My reply is, perhaps they will. If General Foch can smash more German divisions by letting them in than by keeping them out. Unbeaten armies are more important than towns, and what has happened in this battle does not show on the map.

"Germany's gains look like a fat juicy pear to the newspaper reader, but the Kaiser knows how hollow it is at the core."
"General Ludendorff is being fenced with and hustled, not by our main forces but by little more than our covering troops, and if it is no time for 'bragging and over-confidence, neither is it the time for nervousness over little fluctuations in the battle fronts."

All those who approach the French general staff share the confidence of this official.
Confidence continues.
Premier Clemenceau, returning from his almost daily visits to the field of operations, brings back the same note and he has earned a new title, that of confidence barometer. That barometer has been for many days fixed at fair and now is rising.
General Foch, it is now generally understood, will not be drawn by the Germans, but will hold his reserves for the moment chosen by him.

"Wait a bit, wait a bit." Thus the Entente Allied supreme commander replies, with a characteristic sweep of his arm, when asked about the future. General Foch's calm deliberation is compared with the bearing of Marshal Joffre before and during the battle of the Marne, and this contributes no little to confidence in his battle plans.

Russians May Resist "Invasion" by Entente

Soviet Government Indignant Over the Landing of Japanese and British Troops — Will Make a Protest to the Powers Concerned.

SOLDIERS OF SOIL MOVEMENT ON P. E. I.

Dr. J. W. Robertson of Ottawa Addresses Large Meeting at Charlottetown.

Charlottetown, April 7.—Dr. J. W. Robertson of Ottawa, addressed a large meeting here today on "Soldiers of Soil" movement. Other speakers were Prof. Thomas Adams town planning expert Ottawa, who will address a public meeting here tomorrow night, A. S. McAllister, Maritime secretary of Y. M. C. A., Lou Buckley, director soldiers of soil for maritime provinces, J. E. Ritchie Bell of Montreal began a three weeks campaign here tonight.

BOLO PASHA MUST DIE

London, April 7.—President Poincaré has refused to pardon Bolo Pasha, convicted of treason, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Paris.

British forces have also been landed. The council of soldiers and workmen's deputies protested to the consular corps.

Russian Statement.
The council of national commissaries today issued a statement saying: "Japan has started a campaign against the soviet republic. The situation cannot remain indefinite any longer. England has followed Japan's example. This must be put to the British government with all emphases."

The statement says the action of the entente will play a great part in determining the immediate international policy of the soviet government.
Orders have been given to all Siberian councils of soldiers and workmen's delegates to resist an armed invasion of Russia.

SUPERINTENDENT WASS WILL GO TO MONCTON

Resigns as Superintendent of Fredericton, Newcastle and St. John Valley Sub-Division of C. G. R.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, April 7.—S. B. Wass of this city, for some three years superintendent of the Fredericton, Newcastle and St. John Valley subdivisions of the Canadian Government Railways, has resigned his position and will go to Moncton as assistant in the engineering department of the C. G. R.

His resignation will go into effect in a fortnight. He will be succeeded by M. M. McLean, formerly assistant chief train despatcher at Moncton. Mr. Wass prior to taking an appointment with the C. G. R., was engineer in charge of the construction of the St. John and Quebec Railway.

FIELD MARSHAL HAIG'S MEN ARE COUNTER-ATTACKING SUCCESSFULLY JUST NOW

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Enemy Disatisfied.
This officer has no fears for the future. He thinks the enemy is far from satisfied with the results already accomplished and that he is now hesitating between another desperate gamble to split the allied armies and a series of attacks calculated to keep the British and French on the defensive.

Three things apparently worry the German people. First, the size of their casualties; second, the size of the American forces in France and the number that can be transported this summer; third, the size of the forces of the army of manoeuvre.

It has been explained unofficially that the allied army reserve is not concentrated in one place, but is divided into sectors and is placed at various points.

The Germans launched an attack between the Somme and Luce rivers, along the main road and also north of the river yesterday. The full weight of the thrust was met by Haig's troops who held this portion of the line which runs through a marshy country.

Nine Miles From Amiens.
A heavy mist which turned into rain added to the difficulties on both sides. Only a short preliminary bombardment, which reached a great intensity, gave warning of the German attempt to batter their way a little farther westward toward Amiens, which is still nine miles from their positions before Villers-Bretonneux.

The little village of Corbie, standing on the peninsula formed by the Somme and Ancre rivers, became at once the centre of a fierce struggle, although the main enemy forces moved forward on the broad highway running into Amiens.

Strong British forces, entrusted with the task of blocking the entry to the city from the eastward, fought gallantly against heavy odds. Prior to this attack the enemy launched a heavy thrust between Albert and Ayeette, but though he prolonged the fighting far into the evening and used great masses of troops, his attempt yielded him comparatively nothing.

Huns Change Tactics.

The Germans have completely abandoned their former tactics of trying to smash their way through a wide sector and they are now concentrating their attacks on narrow fronts.

While the right wing of the enemy was attempting to force back the British a heavy bombardment of the French lines southwest of Montdidier and in the region of Monchel continued far into the night. The bombardment preceded the heavy attack which developed during the day.

Meanwhile, Von Hutier's army is preparing for a smash in the center, which features the seventeenth day of the battle. At present his tactics consist of alternate thrusts on the left and right with a push in the centre, similar to the system of attack used by Haig on the Somme in 1916 and at Ypres last year.

Whether the enemy has adopted these tactics because of the costliness of sweeping mass attacks or whether shifting his blows carries a small element of surprise or whether the reserves must be economized for use elsewhere, it is too early to state.

Foch's optimistic forecasts are probably due to the knowledge he has of the enemy's losses. The Germans must persist in their battle at Amiens because they set that as their immediate goal, the ultimate design being to crush the British army. Having widely advertised their objectives the Germans would be in a bad way if they should fall short of its accomplishment.

In Sharp Salient.

Thursday's and Friday's, as well as Saturday's fighting, failed to bring the enemy any strategic advantages, but he did succeed in getting into a rather sharp salient southeast of Amiens which means that he must employ more men to hold his line than he did at the close of the first phase of the battle. It is also a reason why he elected to make yesterday's attack on Amiens.

TROUBLED FOR YEARS WITH BRONCHITIS
DR. WOOD'S NORWAY PINE SYRUP GAVE INSTANT RELIEF.

Bronchitis is a disease which is very prevalent during the late winter and early spring, when there are sudden atmospheric changes. It is a condition of inflammation of the bronchial tubes which produces mucous or phlegm. This irritates the throat and causes you to cough in order to get rid of it. The cough may be tight or loose according as to whether this mucous is sticky and hard to remove, or soft and easily expelled.

Bronchitis is not really dangerous, but the complications which are liable to follow makes it necessary to get rid of it on the first sign. This you can do by using Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. A remedy that has been on the market for over twenty-five years.

John D. McFarlane, Jr., S. W. Margaree, N. S., writes: "I was troubled for years with bronchitis, and could not find any relief. I was especially bad on a damp day. I went to a druggist and asked him for something to stop the constant tickling in my throat. He gave me a bottle of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, which I found gave me instant relief. It is the best remedy for bronchitis I know of, and I now take care that I always have a bottle of it on hand."

See that you get "Dr. Wood's" put up in a yellow wrapper; three pine trees the trade mark; price 50c and 10c; manufactured by The T. M. Bland Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

FORMER ST. JOHN WOMAN DEAD AT HOME IN MONCTON

Mrs. Margaret F. Hogan Passes Away — Dr. J. H. Ingles, formerly of Newcastle, Dead in Worcester — Charles O'Brien of Richibucto Dead.

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, April 7.—The death of Margaret F. Hogan, widow of the late Thomas Hogan, a former well known I. C. R. employee, died at her home here this morning after being in failing health for the last few years. The deceased, who was 73 years old, was born in County Donegal, Ireland, but came to St. John when a young girl. She resided in St. John more than twenty years before removing with her husband to Moncton, about 38 years ago. She was a sister of Patrick Gallagher, Moncton, and Joseph Gallagher, Campbellton, both former well known St. John residents. Mrs. Hogan's husband predeceased her over a year. Three daughters, Margaret, a nurse on the staff of the Montreal General Hospital; Annie and Agnes, at home, and two sons, Frank, a merchant in the city, and a department, Moncton, survive. The funeral will be held Tuesday morning here.

Harold Davidson, of the Bank of Montreal staff here, left today for Halifax to join the Piping Corps. General Manager C. A. Hayes left yesterday for Ottawa.

L. B. McMurdo of Donald and McMurdo received a telegram today from Worcester, Mass., informing him of the death of his brother-in-law, Dr. J. H. Ingles. Mrs. Ingles is a sister of Mr. McMurdo and belonged to New Castle.

Charles O'Brien of Richibucto died at the southeast of Amiens, N. B., Frederick T. O'Brien, here today after a brief illness. The deceased came here on a visit to his parents and contracted cold which developed into pneumonia. He is survived by a family of seven children residing at Richibucto. Harry O'Brien of Moncton is a brother; Mrs. Geo. Finnigan of Moncton is a sister. Mrs. Dr. Tritter, New Hampshire, and Mrs. Arno Bittner, Montreal, are sisters.

A joint meeting of the Home Mission, Young People's Societies, Sunday Schools and Five Year Programme Boards of the Baptist denomination met here Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. These boards comprise about forty-five pastors and leading laymen of the Maritime Provinces.

COL. C. J. STEWART DEAD IN 97TH YEAR
Was Native of Amherst and Brother of Widow of Hon. A. R. Dickey.

Halifax, April 7.—Colonel C. J. Stewart, an old citizen of Halifax, died last night. He was in his 97th year. A sister of Colonel Stewart is the widow of the late Hon. A. R. Dickey, of Amherst.

Colonel Stewart obtained his military title for service in the old Nova Scotia militia before confederation. He was a native of Amherst.

HUN THRUST SOON?
London, April 7.—Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters in France says that there are signs that the enemy is about to thrust again on a big scale.

Between Mesnil and Bucquoy the ground the Germans now occupy is very unfavorable to artillery movement should a big push develop and only by such a movement could a great concentrated attack upon Amiens be carried out.

NOT THE OFFICE STAFF.
The attention of The Standard has been called to the fact that it was not the office staff of W. H. Thorne & Co., Ltd. who played the Roses Junior at bowling but the Thorne Juniors. A person speaking for the office staff states that team is willing at any time to give either of the junior teams a whipping.

THE CONFLICT OF LOVE AND FAT
The average man will "jolly" with the stout girl, but he steals glances over her shoulder at that Miss Slender. He would sooner hold the hands of the latter in a fatuous silence than really enjoy himself with the other. Such is the power of love. Just line — from chin to toe, or nose to heel — that's all. But it rings the merry marriage bell.

Fat women should not repine—but refine—their own lines by means of that phenomenal—the Marmola Tablet. No exercising or dieting is necessary. Simply take one tablet after each meal and at bedtime, and in a little while the overplus of fat—the coarseness of aspect—will disappear. The figure will become slight enough to permit of a maidenly contour, a pure outline, being fashioned by corset and gown. Then victory—if not revenge.

(Although Marmola Tablets often take off uniformly a pound of fatty fat a day, they are quite harmless (being made of the famous fashionable prescription: 1/2 oz. Marmola, 1/4 oz. Pl. Ex. Carapara Aromatic, 4% 10% Peppermint Water). Consequently seven timid ones are safe in using them, for no ill—not even a wrinkle or stomach ache—will follow their use; seventy-five cents secures a large case at any druggist's or by mail from the Marmola Co., 864 Woodward ave., Detroit, Mich.

ENEMY'S EFFORTS BEING CHECKED

Lloyd-George So Announces in Appeal to India — Thirteen German Airplanes Brought Down — French Frustrate Boches.

London, April 7.—There was no resumption Sunday of the heavy fighting along the British front. The Germans, according to the report from Field Marshal Haig's headquarters tonight, started two attacks at Bucquoy, but were repelled.

In a telegram to the Viceroy of India appealing to the government and the people to redouble their efforts to resist the invasion, now transparently clear, of the rulers of Germany to establish tyranny over Asia as well as Europe, David Lloyd George, the British prime minister, says:

"Thanks to the heroic efforts of the British army, assisted by the allies, the enemy's attempt in the west is being checked. But if we are to prevent the menace spreading to the east and gradually engulfing the world, every lover of freedom and of law must play his part."

Thirteen German airplanes were brought down in fighting with British

airmen Saturday, eleven others were disabled and two were shot down by anti-aircraft guns, according to the British aviation communication issued this evening. Sixteen British machines which were sent out have not been accounted for but many of them are thought possibly to have been forced to make landings inside their own lines, in the prevailing bad weather.

Throughout the present battle the Canadian air force has done valuable work.

French Statement.
Paris, April 7.—Attempts by the Germans to make gains against the French troops in the region of Hangard-Eu-Santerre Sunday were blocked, according to the official statement issued tonight. The French artillery took over its fire German troops at various points north of Montdidier.

A strong attack by the Germans in the region of Hill 344 in the Verdun sector, was put down.

The official communication from German headquarters deals with the events of Saturday, when strong British infantry forces stormed the German positions around Beaumont-Hamel and Albert and French divisions "brought up from other fronts" attacked the Germans on the western bank of the Aisne. These engagements according to the German report, resulted in failure for the Allies.

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300,000 BUSHELS OF SEED OATS FOR THE EASTERN PROVINCES
Grain is in Transit for Distribution to Planters at Net Cost—Poor Seed Sold by Some Dealers.

Ottawa, April 7.—The Canadian seed purchasing commission have now in transit for distribution in Eastern Canada three hundred thousand bushels of high-grade inspected seed oats, which are to be sold at the net cost of the re-cleaned seed. The anticipated shortage of seed oats in Quebec New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia has been due to the very dangerous practice, on the part of some local grain dealers, of distributing low grade feed oats which are frozen and of weak germination.

Now that an abundant supply of the highest grade seed oats is assured, the Canada Food Board, working in co-operation with seed inspectors, will find effective means to deal with unscrupulous dealers who endeavor to subvert the efforts for increased production through the sale to farmers of oats that are not capable of germinating.

Baltimore, April 8.—A heavy explosion, believed to have occurred at the Sparrows Point shipyards, shook this city at two o'clock this morning.

WILSON ACCEPTS THE CHALLENGE OF HUN POWERS

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West of Noyon a German detachment, which had gained a foothold in the French lines, was forced out by a counter-attack.

Another Attack Repulsed.
Another attack at Grivesnes was repulsed but the German efforts along the Oise to enlarge their previous gains were continued in the sector between Chauny and Barisis. Here the French commander deemed it advisable to withdraw to positions previously prepared and these are being held strongly.

The Germans apparently have been quite successful in their operations in this sector and have pushed down south from Cauny and Barisis, capturing the villages of Pierremarq and Pommery, the latter lying on the southern outskirts of the lower Coucy Wood. They report also the capture of fourteen prisoners and heavy French losses.

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"The Food Crisis is Grave and Urgent beyond Possibility of Exaggeration."
—Sir Robert Borden.

Fight with Food

A Call to the Whole Dominion for the Utmost Effort to Produce Food for our Soldiers and Allies

OUR ALLIES are desperately short of food. In the midst of plenty ourselves we must face the stern reality of England on shorter rations than she has been for over a hundred years, and France with only three days' food reserve. Even from their present small supplies they have been saving Italy from collapse through hunger.

Since shipping must be concentrated on the shortest routes, Canada and the United States must continue to be practically the only source of supply.

Canada must provide wheat and meat in increasing quantities to meet a situation that imperils the issues of the war. Men who can be spared for work on the farms must serve in this way. Those who are obliged to remain in the city or town can at least raise vegetables in their gardens or on vacant lots.

An increased spring acreage in wheat and other grain is vitally needed.

Stock raisers are asked to provide the greatest possible production of meat, especially pork.

The Dominion and Provincial Governments will help to supply labor where needed.

Starvation is threatening our Allies. Everyone in Canada must fight by doing his or her utmost to produce and to conserve food.

CANADA FOOD BOARD

Director of Production: *Charles H. Thompson*
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Director of Agricultural Labor: *Jard McLaughlin*

(In Co-operation with the Provincial Departments of Agriculture.)

W.C. CANADA

Most Keen York What playing to Struggle

Ottawa, April 7. Things Canadian in strength said Most Rev. Archbishop of the Canadian "There is something in the air that the nations are striving for, and it is not a mere struggle for the sake of the struggle." "How can we be asked, 'This and for the fighting and for invincible France' and the nations and small, she in freedom another spirit, by that nation people or nations makes common a decree

QUOTATIONS
ST. J.

Sugar, standard Yellow
Rice
Tapioca
Beans—Yellow-eyed White
Cream of Tartar
Molasses
Peas, split, bag
Barley, pot, bag
Cornmeal, granulated
Haisins—Choice, seed Fancy, seed Salt, Liverpool sack, ex stock Soda, bicarb. Ca

Corn, per doz. Baked String
Beef—Corned is. Corned 3s. Pineapple, sliced Peas Peaches, 2s. Plums, comb. Raspberries Salmon—Per Pink Cohoes Chams Oysters—Per is 2s Tomatoes Strawberries.

Government st. Ontario
Oatmeal, standard (No quotation) Oatmeal, rolled
Pork, Am. clear
Lard, pure
Lard, comp. tu

Beef—Western Country Butchers' Eggs, case Spring lamb Pork Veal Mutton Butter—Tub Roll Chicken Fowl Potatoes, barre

Almonds Bananas N. S. Apples Walnuts Dates, new Filberts Lemons Cal. Oranges Canadian Onion Peanuts, roasted Florida Orange

Cod—Medium Finnan Haddie Herring—Gr. Manan, 3 Herring, kipper Haddock Halibut Oats, per bushel Oats, car lots, Bran, car lots, Hay, car lots, Middlings, small

*Royalty

WORLD WAR WILL EVENTUALLY BENEFIT CANADA

CANADA CAN ASSIST IN OTHER WAYS BESIDES BY MAN-POWER

Most Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang, Archbishop of York in Address at Ottawa Declares That Whatever Dominion Can Do in the Way of Supplying Food will do as Much as Anything Else to Strengthen Spirit of British People in Final Struggle.

Ottawa, April 6.—"There are other things Canada can do besides assisting in strengthening our man-power," said Most Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang, Archbishop of York, in his address at the Canadian Club luncheon today. "There is the matter of food." Continuing he said the British people were striving cheerfully, but under a great strain, and whatever Canada could do to aid them would do as much as anything else to strengthen the spirit of the British people in the final struggle.

QUOTATIONS IN ST. JOHN MARKET

Groceries	
Sugar, standard	\$2.90 @ \$3.95
Yellow	2.80 " 3.45
Rice	2.50 " 3.60
Tapioea	0.17 " 0.18
Beans—	
Yellow-eyed	10.50 " 10.60
White	9.75 " 9.85
Cream of Tartar	0.78 " 0.81
Molasses	0.57 " 0.58
Peas, split, bags	10.50 " 11.00
Barley, pot, bags	6.50 " 6.75
Cornmeal, gran.	0.00 " 14.50
Maisins—	
Choice, seeded	0.12 1/2 " 0.12 3/4
Fancy, seeded	0.12 1/2 " 0.12 3/4
Salt, Liverpool, per sack, at store	2.10 " 2.15
Soda, bicarb.	4.35 " 4.40
Canned Goods	
Corn, per doz.	2.50 " 2.55
Beans—	
Baked	2.40 " 2.95
String	2.50 " 2.45
Beef—	
Corned 1s.	4.00 " 4.35
Corned 2s.	3.00 " 3.25
Pineapple, sliced	2.80 " 3.00
Peas	3.00 " 3.30
Peaches, 2s.	2.20 " 2.30
Figs, Lombard	2.00 " 2.05
Raspberries	3.10 " 3.20
Salmon—(Per case)	
Pinks	11.00 " 11.25
Cohoos	13.75 " 14.00
Clams	7.50 " 7.75
Oysters—(Per doz.)	
1s.	2.25 " 2.30
2s.	3.60 " 3.70
Tomatoes	2.70 " 2.75
Strawberries	3.10 " 3.20
Flour	
Government standard	0.00 " 12.05
Ontario	11.95 " 12.00
Oatmeal, standard	0.00 " 0.00
(No quotation)	
Oatmeal, rolled	0.00 " 13.00
Provisions	
Pork, Am. clear	67.00 " 70.00
Beef, Am. plate	38.00 " 39.00
Lard, pure	0.32 " 0.32 1/2
Lard, comp. tubs	0.27 " 0.27 1/2
Meats, Etc.	
Beef—	
Western	0.17 " 0.18 1/2
Country	0.00 " 0.16
Butchers'	0.16 " 0.20
Eggs, case	0.48 " 0.50
Eggs, fresh	0.00 " 0.55
Spring lamb	0.25 " 0.25
Pork	0.25 " 0.26
Veal	0.16 " 0.18
Mutton	0.18 " 0.20
Butter—	
Tub	0.40 " 0.44
Roll	0.42 " 0.44
Chicken	0.00 " 0.45
Fowl	0.55 " 0.40
Potatoes, barrel	2.75 " 3.00
Fruits, Etc.	
Almonds	0.24 " 0.25
Bananas	3.50 " 5.00
N. S. Apples	2.50 " 5.00
Walnuts	0.23 " 0.25
Dates, new	0.00 " 0.17
Kilberts	0.22 " 0.23
Lemons	8.00 " 10.00
Cal. Oranges	8.00 " 10.00
Canadian Onions, bags	0.00 " 2.50
Peanuts, roasted	0.21 " 0.25
Florida Oranges	8.00 " 9.00
Fish	
Cod—	
Medium	9.25 " 9.50
Finnan Haddies	0.00 " 0.14
Herring—	
Gr. Manan, 1/2-bbls.	0.00 " 0.00
Herring, kippered, box	0.00 " 3.00
Haslock	0.00 " 0.10
Halibut	0.00 " 0.22
Oats, Feed, Etc.	
Oats, per bushel	1.15 " 1.20
Oats, car lots, bushel	1.10 " 1.15
Bran, car lots, bags	48.00 " 49.00
Hay, car lots, ton	16.00 " 17.00
Middlings, small lots	49.50 " 50.00
Oils, Etc.	
Royalite	0.00 " 0.19

BRITISH FACE SITUATION WITH A CALM CONFIDENCE

Britain Faces Sacrifices Greater by far than those which She has Already Suffered, but is Strong in Face of Knowledge that Germany's Huge Gamble is Practically lost—Much Depends on the United States Troops, According to Draper.

Special Cable to New York Tribune and the St. John Standard. (By Arthur S. Draper.) London, April 6.—Three thousand miles away from the battle front, no one can appreciate the anxiety of the British in the last fortnight. With lightning rapidity the whole complexion of the war was changed, and the British people awoke to find themselves engaged in a struggle for their very existence. There have been many kaleidoscopic changes in the last few years, but none has been more dramatic than that which has come in the last two weeks. Battered but unbroken, the British face this grave moment with a calm confidence, more restrained than that of the French, but equally as strong. Today's commemoration of the entry of the United States into the war divides interest with the great battle still raging on the plains of Picardy. For a whole year Britons and Americans have talked of closer relations between the great European and western democracies, they have exchanged a host of high compliments and they have pledged their resources to the common cause for which they are battling. But it remained for adversity to unite them.

Britain Sorely Pressed. Great Britain is sorely pressed. She faces sacrifices greater by far than those which she has already suffered. Upon her, and will fall for some time to come, a tremendous weight that would break any nation that was not sound at the core. All of America's material help, her shipments of food, her tremendous financial advances have been highly appreciated, but upon the masses all these things have made little impression, as compared with her decision to throw in her military strength whenever it could be used to the greatest common good. That act proved to the Britons the reality of the sacrifices America is prepared to make, which has filled them with confidence and gratitude which has much to dissipate their anxiety. Today the British press devotes many columns to America, her president and her people. There has been nothing like it before by way of demonstration, not even a year ago when America took her stand against the enemy. Then the Allied future brightened

ground without exacting ten times its value in human lives. Little wonder it is that British remain confident. The great German gamble is practically lost, and as the power of Germany has been sapped by her sacrifice for a hoped-for gain, so the allied power has grown steadily with greater unity, larger reserves, and American troops pushing forward into the fight.

MONCTON
Miss Freda Morash, of the C. G. R. has returned from Sussex where she spent the holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Morash. Miss Kathleen Burgess and her friend Miss Luella Ladley, of St. John's Nfld., both students of Mount Allison, spent the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Burgess, Queen St. Mrs. Oscar Gronlund and daughter, Miss Vega Gronlund, of St. John's Nfld., were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. Lodge, Union St. Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Bell, have returned from a trip to Hammond, La., where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Corbett. Mr. and Mrs. Bell also visited New Orleans and other southern cities. They returned home via Chicago, visiting Detroit and Windsor, Ont., where they were the guests of the American Consul Col. and Mrs. Hendrick, former residents of this city. Miss Emma Atkinson and Miss Jean Gross, of this week were the

guests of Dr. and Mrs. Snow, in Sackville, during the Easter season. Misses Emily Oulton, Helen and Margaret Tennant, Ada McAnn, and Marion Murray, all students of Mt. Allison have returned to college after spending the Easter holidays at their respective homes in this city. Mr. Laurence Bell, left this week for Toronto where he has joined the Flying Corps. Mrs. C. D. Thomson, has returned from a trip to Montreal, Toronto, Vancouver, and various other cities. Also several cities in the United States. Miss Gwen Mews of Mt. Allison, was a recent guest of Dr. and Mrs. P. Atkinson. Miss Marie Methot left this week on a trip to Boston and New York, she expects to be absent about two weeks. Miss Eunice Dixon, of Sackville, was a recent guest of her cousin, Miss I. Avard. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Chapman, are spending a few days in Sackville the guests of their daughter, Mrs. C. W. Fawcett. Mrs. H. H. Pickett, of St. John, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Warman, Cameron St. Mrs. John Sangster and Mrs. Chas. Sweeney left this week for Boston where they will attend the graduation exercises in that city. Mr. F. W. Dickie, has returned to his home in the city after spending a few days in Halifax.

SHIPWRECKED ON THREE OCCASSIONS AND WILL RETIRE

A. Thomassen, Carpenter of Wrecked Bark Ashmore Has Followed the Sea for Forty Years—Never Sailed Under His Own Flag.
A. Thomassen, carpenter of the wrecked bark Ashmore, who has followed the sea for forty years has been shipwrecked three times and now he thinks he will retire from the sea when he reaches his home in Sweden. He lost his tools and outfit in each wreck and there was no insurance. When the Ashmore was wrecked on the Muir Ledges last week Thomassen, was severely injured when the boat was put over. He is recovering. Although he has been at sea forty years he has never sailed under his own flag. The crew of the Ashmore is still in the city. Some of them will visit relatives in the west and the others will go home or ship on other vessels. J. H. Marr, of the Marr Millinery Co., Limited, returned on Saturday from a buying trip to Montreal, Toronto and New York, where he secured the newest millinery novelties.



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Nujol for constipation



DEDICATE AND PREPARE FOR Greater Food Production

Every One's Duty. Give One Week to Preparation for the Spring Crop Drive. PLAN EARLY! BE READY!

A SPECIAL Proclamation by His Honor the Lieutenant Governor has been made to all County Councils to convene an extraordinary meeting to discuss ways to increase Food Production. ALL CLERGYMEN to proclaim from their pulpits on April 14th the terrible truths of the 1918 food situation. ALL CITIZENS to co-operate loyally in the sacred cause of producing more Food this year.

THE CRISIS IS WITH US—THE TIME OF SOWING IS AT HAND—THE RESPONSIBILITY UPON NEW BRUNSWICK IS GREAT.

- SUGGESTIONS.**
- PLANS—**
- (1) Arrange definitely crop rotations.
 - (2) Secure seed early.
 - (3) Where possible arrange to co-operate with neighbors in the seeding season. Change work.
 - (4) Prepare to remain on farm every day after seeding commences until the seed is sown—transact all necessary business now.
- EQUIPMENT—**
- (1) Carefully overhaul all harness.
 - (2) Put all machines and implements into shape.
 - (3) Procure the most needed repairs—Secure a few extra.
 - (4) Have all tools, such as axes, saws, hammers and wrenches, ready and conveniently placed.
- SEED—**
- (1) Reclean seed unless it is satisfactory.
 - (2) Treat oats for smut. Add 1 pint Formalin to 36 gallons of water. One gallon of this mixture will treat about two bushels of grain.
 - (3) Treat potatoes for scab.
 - (4) Have seed prepared before Spring operations commence.
- FERTILIZERS—**
- (1) Procure them early—The supply is very limited.
 - (2) Have you used more than necessary in past seasons? Plan to use more green manures.
- CROPS—**
- (1) If your land is suitable for wheat sow a few acres; if not, arrange in order that some cereal will be grown.
 - (2) Food, not dollars, is the great essential—Use your land so that your country and also that you may feel that the best possible use has been made of every acre.
- CONSIDER WHAT MAY HAPPEN IF AMERICA FALLS SHORT IN CROP PRODUCTION IN 1918! NEW BRUNSWICK IS EXPECTED TO DO ITS DUTY IN THIS HOUR OF CRISIS.**
- J. F. TWEEDDALE, Minister of Agriculture of New Brunswick.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., MONDAY, APRIL 8, 1918.

"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H. M. The King.
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE— Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

THAT SEED FIASCO.

Mr. Tweeddale's report for the Agricultural Department for the fiscal year closing October 31st last has been distributed in the Legislature and the members by this time have had an opportunity of seeing what a poor business the Minister has made of the administration of his department.

The report is less entertaining than it would be if the Minister had taken the public into his complete confidence and revealed all the details of his departmental activities. There are many things he does not tell but which the public should be informed upon. For instance his notorious fiasco in the purchase and re-sale of seed is not told in anything like the detail it deserves.

When Mr. Tweeddale was questioned last year on his plans for the sale of seed he launched into a glowing description of the methods by which he expected to supply the very best seeds to the farmers of this country and all without one cent of expense to the public. The government would buy the seed; the eager agriculturists, all asex to secure the bargains, would rush to the cars with cash or approved commercial paper and purchase what they required. Those who had the cash would pay on delivery but those who lacked that useful medium of modern exchange—and here is the most beautiful part of the plan—would deposit their approved paper and before October 31st would liquidate their debt to the province. The net result would be that the farmers would have their seed, the province would be paid in full and Mr. Tweeddale's name would go in the provincial hall of fame as the most wonderful Minister of Agriculture in captivity.

But something slipped. The government purchased the seed, the farmers in turn obtained it, but the alleged plan of payment did not work out as expected. The sad fact was that when the due date for the payments came around the payments did not, and this session the doughty Minister was forced to admit that his department had lost thousands of dollars on the deal.

Now the farmers of New Brunswick are not dishonest; neither are they unable to pay their bills. Therefore the fact that they did not pay is due either to unardonable laxity in the agricultural department or possibly an understanding existed that where political services had been rendered to the government of which Mr. Tweeddale is an ornament the seed would apply as a sort of payment on account.

It should be understood that the people from whom the government purchased the seed received their money but the government itself was less fortunate. That is why in the public accounts for the year ending October 31st, 1917, the seed wheat account stands like this:
Purchase of seed by government \$30,443.17
Sale of seed by government 18,891.68
Government's loss on the transaction \$11,551.49

Oh yes, the Honorable J. Fletcher Tweeddale, Minister of Agriculture, is certainly the most wonderful specimen of the kind in captivity.

"SOLDIERS OF THE SOIL"

To obtain the necessary labor for farm work in Canada during the present season an effort is being made to enlist 25,000 boy volunteers to be known as Soldiers of the Soil. The demands of war have made such roads upon the man-power of the nation that in no other way can the requisite labor be secured and those in charge of the Greater Production Campaign are straining every nerve to make the new plan the success it must be if we are to produce anything like the required quantity of food-stuffs.

The urgency of the call for help may be more readily appreciated from the statistics in the following table showing the requirements of the different provinces in Canada:
Alberta—6,000 more men needed for spring and summer. 7,000 more for the harvest.
Saskatchewan—10,000 more men needed for spring and summer. 15,000 more for the harvest.
Manitoba—7,000 more men needed for spring. 10,000 more for the harvest.
Ontario—7,500 more men needed for the spring and summer. 12,500 more for haying and harvest. 15,000 boys and 5,000 women.
Quebec—10,000 more men needed.
New Brunswick—1,500 to 2,000 more men needed.
Prince Edward Island—Barely enough.

British Columbia—Men scarce.

Nova Scotia—2,500 more men needed. It is necessary for this and probably the next two years that Canada shall supply a still greater proportion of the foodstuffs to be imported by Britain, France and Italy and the extent of this demand can be realized by a comparison of the import requirements of the countries named in the five great cereal crops, wheat, barley, oats, rye and corn. The season's requirements in these lines compared with the pre-war imports of the countries named are as follows:

	Pre-war.	1918.
Wheat	312,684,000	525,085,000
Barley	54,000,000	69,000,000
Oats	97,000,000	171,000,000
Rye	5,549,000	28,271,000
Corn	115,048,000	151,135,000

Thus it can be seen that Canada's task is to raise larger crops with fewer helpers than before. And in that direction some of the most effective sort of war service can be done. Canada requires men to reinforce the lads so bravely fighting in France and Flanders but she also needs willing, stout-hearted volunteers to till the acres at home and thus help to keep the home fires burning and prevent the possibility of famine becoming a dread reality for our overseas allies.

The facts being as they are the movement to enroll boys for work in food production should receive every encouragement. The "Soldiers of the Soil" have a part to play in this struggle the importance of which cannot be over-estimated. In New Brunswick the work of enrolling the army will commence on April 28th and it is absolutely necessary that the undertaking shall be successful.

SALARIES OF PUBLIC MEN.

Noting that the salary of the Premier of Ontario has been raised to a figure equivalent to the sum paid to the Prime Minister of Canada, an exchange suggests that the remuneration of Sir Robert Borden should be substantially increased. It is not at all likely that Sir Robert would develop any degree of enthusiasm for such a proposal. A wealthy man, he does not need the money, and if the idea is to recompense him in accordance with his service to the country—it can't be done. The patriotic statesmanship of such a public man as Sir Robert Borden is above price. It is not to be expressed in terms of dollars and cents.

There might be something in a suggestion however that the sessional indemnity of members of the Dominion Parliament might be increased, although it is doubtful if the Government would support such a movement. At the same time it should be remembered that not all public men are wealthy, and while it may be said that when they accepted nomination they understood the remuneration attached to membership in the House of Commons and should have had a reasonably accurate conception of the expenses it would involve, yet the fact that a man is a member of the Canadian parliament will not serve to reduce the costs of living and at the present figures a six months' residence in Ottawa must be a hardship to many of them.

EDUCATION IN MANITOBA.

Educational workers in the Province of New Brunswick who fancy their lot is cast in difficult places are still free from many of the obstacles under which teachers in the western provinces labor. An indication of these obstacles is furnished by Hon. R. S. Thornton, Minister of Education in the Manitoba government, when speaking before the Legislature, he gave a summary of the methods adopted to improve the school facilities in certain non-English districts of that province. Within a triangular district of about ten miles to each side not far from Winnipeg were many sections where the school buildings were old and greatly lacking in proper accommodation. Other sections had no school buildings. Everywhere there was difficulty in securing teachers, because no suitable boarding places were available. The department grappled with the problem by putting the official trustee in charge. Since 1915 he has been instrumental in building 112 new schools, each accommodating fifty children. The enrolment now includes about 4,200 children, of whom 3,400 were heretofore without school accommodation. Forty-five teachers' residences have been built, each with three airy rooms and a sun porch. Teachers are available for every district with a residence. The teacher comes with her mother or sister and establishes a

Canadian home in the midst of a Russian or Polish settlement. Frequently she starts work with 30 or 35 children of assorted ages, none of whom can speak English. Within three months they have a fair English vocabulary. They soon become intensely interested not only in the school work, with its manual training, its domestic science, and its school garden, but in the practical "settlement" in full operation in the teacher's residence. From Mr. Thornton's summary it can be seen that education problems in Manitoba are really difficult, but his showing seems to indicate that that province is working hard in the direction of efficiency and has already made much commendable progress.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THE FACTS ABOUT THE VANWART CASE

St. John, N. B., April 6, 1918
To The Editor of The Standard,
Sir,—The attached letter is being, this day, sent the Telegraph for publication. Will you kindly publish it in your next issue?
L. McAVITY,
Lieutenant-Colonel,
Commanding 1 Depot Battalion, N. B. R.
St. John, N. B., April 6, 1918.

Editor of the Telegraph,
Sir,—The finding of the coroner's jury in the matter of the death of No. 235587, Pte. James VanWart and your editorial comment of this date cannot pass unchallenged.
VanWart was brought into the guard room of my battalion shortly after eleven a. m. of the 26th March. Two military police were the escort and he was handed over to the sergeant of the guard as being a defaulter under the Military Service Act. No mention was made at the time that the man was sick. His appearance was that of a man who had spent the night in a police cell. He was placed in the detention room and about 11.30 a. m. a prisoner informed the sergeant that VanWart was ill. The sergeant of the guard immediately despatched a runner for the battalion medical officer, but as this officer was on a sanitary inspection of the quarters he was not located until about a half an hour afterwards. In the meantime VanWart walked about and the coroner did not know if he felt able to walk to the medical office. He replied in the affirmative and at 12.30 he was sent to the medical office under escort. He arrived there at 12.30 and was given immediate medical attention by Capt. Smith, my M. O. The ambulance was summoned and arrived within a short time and the man was taken to the hospital at once.

These are the facts.
VanWart told one of the prisoners that he had been badly treated at the police station, having been placed in a cell without blankets.
In my opinion the verdict of the coroner's jury is in variance with facts according to the newspaper account of the evidence, and any adverse criticism against the military authorities is uncalled for and unfair. I may add that the coroner did not at any time ask my medical officer or myself to be present nor were we ever advised when the inquest would be concluded.
The military authorities have nothing whatever to do with defaulters under the Military Service Act until they are handed over by the Dominion Police. From my statement you will note that he was not handed over to me until about 11.30 a. m. of the 26th March. Lieutenant-Colonel Mitchell of the Royal Irish Rifles, formerly a member of the Princess Pats, who was twice wounded, the last time at Cambrai, was a student at McGill when the war broke out. He left on Saturday for his home in Providence, R. I.

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A BIT OF VERSE

SPRING IS HERE.
Are you ready, are you ready, for the gentle joys of Spring?
Do the vernal breezes blowing cheer your soul like everything?
Does it make you gay, gladder, to awake at early dawn?
And to hear the cheerful chirping of the sparrows on the lawn?
Do sweet thoughts of Spring heart with cleaning fill your icy heart with joy?
Do you look on aspen living as pure bliss without alloy?
Do you long to beat some carpets, and to whack some parlor rugs,
And to scatter round some powder, a preventive sure for bugs?
Do you yearn with eager longing for the sharp crack of the bat?
Do you want to win distinction, wearing out the first straw hat?
Do you want to see the sidewalk, once so muddy, hard and firm?
Do you want to watch the robin yanking out the early worm?
If you do, you'll soon be happy, for Winter's icy reign is ended, and the showers of Spring have come!
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—Kansas City Journal.
Hide, Horns and Tallow.
Bootmaker—Well, captain, I'm glad to see you back; and 'ow did you find the last pair of boots I made you?
Captain (an exchange prisoner from Germany)—Oh, the best I ever tasted.
—London Opinion.
Tableware Relationship.
A young American officer dining in a restaurant in France wanted the

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BY LEE PAPE
Ma had a new dress on wen pop came home today, being a brown dress with more than two or three buttons as buttons, and pop looked at her with his hand first on one side and then on the other like a bird, and ma sed, Well, wat do you think of it?
Do you want my reel honest candied opinion? sed pop.
Sertany, sed ma, I like people to tell me just wat they think wen I ask for their opinion.
That's the proper spirit, and it does you credit and its tracky the way I feel about it, so no doubt it does me credit too, sed pop. I dont ispeck to flatter enybody and I dont thank enybody for flatterin me, I ispeck to tell the truth and I ispeck to hear it.
Well wat do you think of the dress? sed ma.
I'm partly in favor of it, that is, I think it mits be extremely becoming if it was some other color and if the general outline of it was changed, sed pop, I trust you take my candied criticism in the rite spirit.
Absoootly, sed ma, and I hope you will do the same wen I tell you that in my opinion the necktie you have bin wearing for the past 3 or 4 days is without exception the worst combination of colors I ever saw on a human neck.
Wat, this scarf? sed pop.
I hope you take my criticism in the rite spirit, sed ma.
Criticism my eye, its jest plane ignorant, that's wat it is, jest plane ignorant, and I marvel at your lack of taste, sed pop. And he bin a seagar and waked out of the room smooking it with farse puffs, and ma sed, Partly in favor of it indeed, I never herd stuch an absurd criticism in all my life.

watress to bring him a knife. Not knowing the French word to use, he held up a fork and said, "Camrade, camrade." The girl disappeared and presently returned with another fork. "No, no," cried the officer, and holding up the fork again he said, "Fiancee, fiancee." "Ah, oui," laughed the girl and in a moment she had brought him the required article.
The Restive Button.
Indignant Wife—What on earth do you do to your clothes to keep me sewing on buttons this way?
Apologetic Husband—I don't know my dear, I merely touched the button. I can't imagine what does the rest.
—Baltimore American.

TWO LINERS ARRIVE WITH RETURNED MEN

Plenty of Mail from the Boys "Over There"—First Contingent Men Among the Number—Heroes Mostly Western Men.
With 117 passengers aboard, 2,000 bags of mail and a heavy cargo, a transatlantic liner arrived in port on Saturday morning. Shortly after midnight the steamer was compelled to return to port, having been "wounded" by a submarine. She transferred her passengers on this occasion and went on the drydocks for repairs. Her second voyage out was more fortunate and she sailed across without any interruptions. Included in the passengers were a number of officers, who served with the Allied armies in different branches of the service. Some were aviators, others infantrymen, while others did work with the heavy guns.
Two bodies were brought from England to Canada for interment. They were Lieut. Reid of Belleville, and Pte. H. McNeil of Campbellton.
Captain Christopher O'Kelly was one of the noted soldiers on board. He won the Victoria Cross and the Military Cross for distinguishing himself on two different occasions on the western front. His home is in Winnipeg.
Lieut. Col. Jenkins of the A. M. C. also arrived in the city on Saturday. Col. Jenkins was the proud wearer of the D. S. O. His home is in Prince Edward Island.

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Capt. Letcher went overseas with the 4th Battalion, 1st Division, and a half year in France. He is one of four brothers who answered the call of Empire and all enlisted in the first year of the war. Of the four two have paid the supreme sacrifice, one being killed at the Somme and the other at the third battle of Ypres and the third was wounded and invalided home some time ago.

Capt. Letcher has been one of the lucky ones and has escaped so far without a wound although in the last battle he was in had a narrow escape. A shell burst just over his head and a piece of the shrapnel hit his head. He brought the hat home as a souvenir.

After reaching England Capt. Letcher was drafted to the 2nd Canadian Pioneer Battalion and was through Canadian troops experienced. He was through the Hill 70 and Passchendaele shows and said the Canadians did wonderful work at both of these engagements.

Lieut. McDonald went to France in the 3rd Battalion, 1st Division, as a gunner, and by good work was advanced to his present position. He served under Lieutenant, now Major, Ralph Hayes and gives that officer great praise. He said the Canadian 1st Division artillery were looked upon as the crack artillery of the whole army, Imperial or Colonial, and that Lieut. Col. Magee was one of the best over there.

Lieut. McDonald refused to discuss his own part in the fighting but the fact that he won his commission on the field speaks for itself.
These men will leave today for their homes.

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The funeral will be held from her late residence, 174 Sydney street, tomorrow morning, at 8.45 o'clock, to St. John the Baptist Church for High Mass of Requiem.

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Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Spine, of J. Spine & Company, left on Friday for Boston.

THE KNOX CHURCH FIRST ANNIVERSARY

Services During the Week of Anniversary Nature—Presentation of Diplomas at the Sunday School Yesterday.

On April 6th, 1917, St. John's Presbyterian church and St. Stephen's Presbyterian church united, forming what is now the Knox Presbyterian church. During the year the united congregations have worked together most harmoniously and have exceeded the expectations of the most sanguine of the members.

The services of the last week have been of an anniversary nature. On Friday evening the Junior Mission Band under the direction of Mrs. Geo. Cameron and Miss A. Blair held a birthday party and supper in the schoolroom of the church.

The service yesterday morning was well attended, the pastor taking for his text: "Forgetting the things that are behind and reaching forth unto the things that are before," made a plea for a larger work in the church for the coming year. He stated that there was every reason to be encouraged as they had completed a very successful year of steady normal growth.

The Sunday school session was marked by the presentation of diplomas to eleven graduates from the beginners to the primary class and to eight graduates from the primary to the junior class. Life membership certificates in the Junior Mission Band were presented to Miss Gladys Clayton and Miss M. Anderson. The offering taken up was the largest during the year. The Sunday school will continue the celebration next Friday evening with a cantata entitled "Spring's Welcome to Easter."

The special music at the evening service included an anthem, "O How Amiable Are Thy Dwellings," Maunders; a vocal quartette and a solo by Mr. Stenhouse. Rev. J. A. Macdonald delivered an inspiring message, taking his text from Luke, XIX, 18, "Occupy Till I Come." This he said was paraphrased by a soldier at a religious meeting in France as "Carry on Till I Come." This he said was the message needed in these days of uncertainty and change. We are too apt to become discouraged or else merely content with things and thus fail to heed the message of the Kingdom. He spoke of the need of the church to carry on and give comfort to the lonely, the anxious and to many who in the quiet of their own homes are serving the Empire with such devotion. He spoke of the need for the nationalization of our Canadian public sentiment in order to fuse the divergent elements of our population and so develop the highest type of Canadian citizenship.

BORN.

WESTON—On April 7th, to Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Weston, 215 Ludlow street, West St. John, N. B., a daughter.

MARRIAGES

MARCH-MARCH—On April 4th, Miss Ada E. March and Mr. James M. March in the German Street Baptist Church. Clergyman, Rev. Mr. Poole.

DEATHS.

TRAVERS—On the 7th inst., Boyle Travers, M. D., in the 94th year of his age. Funeral from his late residence, King Square, Tuesday, at three o'clock.

DOHERTY—In this city, on the 7th inst., Alice, widow of Joseph Doherty, (pilot), leaving a husband and one daughter to mourn. Funeral from her late residence, 174 Sydney street, Tuesday morning at 8:45 to St. John's (Stone) church for High Mass of Requiem. Friends invited to attend.

SEELY—At Fresno, California, Robert, beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Seely, leaving a wife, two children and a sister.

WEDDERBURN—At 65 Hazen street, St. John, on April 5, William Wedderburn, aged eighty-six years. Funeral service at Stone church, Tuesday morning, at 11 o'clock, April 9, interment at Hampton.

FOWLER—At Upham, on April 1st, Miss H. Melinda Fowler in the 63rd year of her age, leaving two brothers and one sister to mourn.

WARD—At General Public Hospital, April 7th, Charles Gordon, infant son of Gordon and Annie Ward, aged five months. Funeral from his parents' residence, 192 Queen street, Tuesday, at 2:30 o'clock.

FUNERAL NOTICE

The officers and members of Saint John's Lodge No. 2 F. and A. M., are requested to assemble, without regalia, at St. John's (Stone) church, at 11 a. m. Tuesday, 9th inst., to attend the funeral service of our late brother Past Grand Master

JUDGE WEDDERBURN.

Sister lodges are cordially invited. By order of the Worshipful Master, BEVERLY STEVENSON, Secretary.

FUNERAL NOTICE

Members of St. Andrew's Society are requested to meet at Spencer & White's office, King square, on Tuesday morning, at 10:40 sharp, for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late member

HON. WM. WEDDERBURN.

By order HENRY C. RANKING, Secretary. J. BRUCE McPHERSON, President.

REV. C. E. MANNING SPOKE YESTERDAY

Is Secretary of Missionary Board Home Department—Gave Interesting Addresses in Two Churches.

Rev. C. E. Manning, secretary of the Home Department of the Missionary Board of the Methodist Church in Canada, delivered one of the most stirring missionary addresses ever heard in Centenary Church, last evening. He took his text from Isaiah, XLV, 15, "He speaks of the righteousness with which the apostles received the commission to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature and that in spite of opposition and fierce persecution they continued on heroically with perfect faith in the ultimate accomplishment of the work. To attain this end it is necessary to change the mental attitude of all the world to true Christianity. Christianity's programme is only partly accomplished when men assent to its value. It involves the changing of their habits and practices. He stated that some point to the great war as an evidence that Christianity has failed, where some length and with much emphasis he undertook to show that that rather showed that Christianity had not been preached. He showed that for more than a generation the schools of Germany have distinguished their pupils in glory and had caused the nation to look upon it as a Divine necessity. That, he said, was the cause of the war. He pointed out that the hope of the world is in the Gospel of Christ. If its teaching is not accepted by the nations he believes that greater wars than that now raging will occur in the future. The Methodist Church is this year asking for \$800,000 for home and foreign missions, an increase of \$200,000. He showed why this was necessary and gave some startling facts with regard to conditions among the foreign immigrants in Western Canada. He said that he knew of 32 schools in Saskatchewan where no English was taught; schools where the German language was the one used for communication and instruction. He emphasized the fact that no effort should be made to perpetuate such distinctions. At some length he spoke of the need of a great Canadian race, having the best qualities of all the races represented in the Dominion.

Rev. Mr. Manning preached in the Pockline Methodist Church at the morning service yesterday.

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TAYLOR STATTEN TALKS ON CAMPAIGN

Is National Director and Tells of Progress in the West—Thousands of Boys Being Enrolled.

In conversation with a Standard representative yesterday Taylor Statten, national director of the Soldiers of the Soil Campaign, speaking of the progress of the campaign in the west stated that up to date British Columbia leads the four western provinces with an enrollment of 1,270. Saskatchewan comes second with 870, Manitoba has 975 and Alberta, 784. It is expected that a total of about 6,000 boys will be enrolled in the western provinces. The western farmers calculate that a boy is worth as much as a man as soon as he can handle a team of four horses and they are expecting the boys between fifteen and nineteen years of age to save the harvest this year. In Ontario the campaign is still in progress and it is expected to enroll about 15,000 boys. The farmers of that province were very sceptical last year of boy labor but the results of the experiment have converted them into ardent supporters of the plan.

The matter of wages will be left to the individual boys and the farmers who employ them. The Food Board has approved of uniforms consisting of a khaki shirt and overalls. This may be secured at the retail clothing stores at three dollars a suit. A bronze badge of honor will be presented to every boy who serves three months or more on a farm.

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ST. JOHN LADIES GIVE CONTRIBUTION

Former Attendants: Academy of Sacred Heart—Donate \$383 to Halifax Convent.

Among the buildings seriously damaged by the explosion at Halifax on December 6 last, was the Convent of the Religious of the Sacred Heart, a fact which excited much sympathy among ladies in St. John who had attended the academy of the order where that institution had existed since 1870.

There was general expression of the view that former pupils should give some tangible evidence of their sympathy, and a committee selected for the purpose soon raised the sum of \$383, the contributors including some ladies who attended the first term of the Academy, and some of the last term. Several have their homes outside of St. John, but all who were appealed to most gladly contributed to the fund. The sum mentioned was sent last week to Rev. Mother Conwell, superintendent of the Halifax Convent, and a grateful acknowledgment of the gift was received and read to the St. John contributors who attended a meeting yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Richard O'Brien, Wentworth street.

NEWCASTLE

H. H. Stuart spent Easter with friends in York County.

Miss Katie and Jessie Black spent the week-end in Fredericton.

Miss Lillie Miller of Bathurst spent Easter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Miller.

J. P. Rider is spending a few days in St. John.

Miss Addie Parker of Fredericton spent Easter at her home in Millerton, accompanied by her friend, Miss Robinson, of Fredericton.

Messrs. J. H. Drammie and J. A. Creaghan spent Tuesday in Moncton. Mrs. Thomas Belmore of Fredericton has returned home after a visit to her father, Mr. Geo. Stables.

Miss J. Nicholson of the Royal Bank spent the holiday in Halifax and Dartmouth.

By all means, girls, prepare a lemon lotion to keep your skin flexible and young looking. You will realize that true loveliness does not mean the powdery-look or waxen colorlessness of some hot-house flower, but is typified by the velvety softness of your skin, your peach-like complexion and rosy-white hands.

At the cost of a smaller jar of ordinary cold cream one can prepare a full quarter pint of the most wonderful lemon skin softener and complexion beautifier, by squeezing the juice of two fresh lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white. Care should be taken to strain the juice through a fine cloth so no pulp gets in, then this lotion will keep fresh for months. Every woman knows that lemon juice is used to bleach and remove such blemishes as freckles, sallowness and tan, and is the ideal skin softener, smoothener and beautifier.

Just try it! Get three ounces of orchard white at any pharmacy, and two lemons from the grocer and make up a quarter pint of this sweetly fragrant lotion and massage it daily into the face, neck, arms and hands. It should naturally help to whiten, soften, freshen and bring out the roses and hidden beauty of any skin. It is simply marvelous to smoothen rough, red hands.

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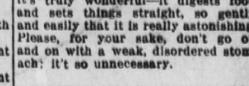
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FOOD SOURING IN STOMACH CAUSES INDIGESTION, GAS

"Pape's Diapepsin" ends all stomach distress in five minutes.

Wonder what upset your stomach—what portion of the food did the damage—do you? Well, don't bother. If your stomach is in a revolt; if sour, gassy and upset, and what you just ate has fermented into stubborn lumps; head dizzy and aches; belch, gases and acids and eructate undigested food; breath foul, tongue coated—just take a little Pape's Diapepsin and in five minutes you wonder what became of the indigestion and distress.

Millions of men and women today know that it is needless to have a bad stomach. A little Diapepsin occasionally keeps this delicate organ regulated and they eat their favorite foods without fear. If your stomach doesn't take care of your liberal limit without rebellion; if your food is a damage instead of a help, remember the quickest, surest, most harmless relief is Pape's Diapepsin which costs only fifty cents for a large case at drug stores. It's truly wonderful—it digests food and sets things straight, so gently and easily that it is really astonishing. Please, for your sake, don't go on and on with a weak, disordered stomach; it's so unnecessary.



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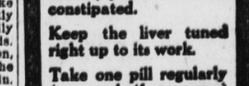
Lovely White Skin!

Strain lemon juice well before mixing and massage face, neck, arms, hands.

Nature's Way Is Best

Nature's laxative is bile. If your liver is sending the bile on its way as it should, you'll never be constipated.

Keep the liver tuned right up to its work. Take one pill regularly (more only if necessary) until your bowels act regularly, freely, naturally.



Colorless faces often show the Carter's Iron Pills will help this condition.

HOW MRS. BOYD AVOIDED AN OPERATION

Canton, Ohio.—"I suffered from a female trouble which caused me much suffering, and two doctors decided that I would have to go through an operation before I could get well."

"My mother, who had been helped by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, advised me to try it before submitting to an operation. It relieved me from my troubles."

"So I can do my house work without any difficulty. I advise any woman who is afflicted with female troubles to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial and it will do as much for them."—Mrs. MARRI BOYD, 1421 5th St., N. E., Canton, Ohio.

Sometimes there are serious conditions where a hospital operation is the only alternative, but on the other hand so many women have been cured by this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, after doctors have said that an operation was necessary—every woman who wants to avoid an operation should give it a fair trial before submitting to such a trying ordeal.

If complications exist, write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for advice. The receipt of many years experience is at your service.

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LIST OF CALLERS AT THE GOVT. OFFICE STRAND, LONDON

Many Prominent New Brunswick Officers Among those to Register During the Past Month. The following is a list of callers at New Brunswick Government Office...



Anniversary

1908 Sale 1918

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of This Week

We shall hold a sort of Anniversary Jubilee Sale in commemoration of our Store's Birthday! It is just 10 years since we opened our Shoe Store in St. John.

TEN PER CENT. ON ALL PURCHASES MADE DURING THE THREE DAYS

We believe that our Friends will appreciate this liberal offer far more than they would a Gift of some trifling Souvenir. Make us a Birthday Call regardless of whether you wish to buy or not, but should you wish to make a purchase of any sort--

You Are Entirely Welcome to Our Anniversary Rebate of Ten Per Cent.

WIEZEL'S CASH STORE

243-247 UNION STREET

WORK OF THE RED CROSS IN THE MONTH OF MARCH

Cheering Reports from the Heads of Departments - War Contingent Association Affairs - Red Cross Executive Addressed by E. H. Scammell on Invalid Soldiers' Commission.

Mr. E. H. Scammell, Secretary of the Invalid Soldiers' Commission, who is at present in St. John in the interests of this organization, spoke on the work of that body at the monthly business meeting of the local Red Cross Society held on Friday afternoon in St. Andrew's church...

From these boxes every four months, why not spend part of the money renewing the banks? Respectfully submitted, ANGELA MAGEE. Miss Lawson was authorized to obtain new boxes and to carry to the committee the permission of the meeting to extend this work within reasonable limits.

New life members--Mrs. A. H. Crowfoot, Mrs. J. A. Kinneer. Report of St. David's Circle for the month of March: 82 pairs socks, 245 towels, 17 hospital shirts, 18 pyjamas suits, 18 bed socks, 20 face cloths, 28 suits pyjamas, Collections--\$8.54, Sale of pins--\$2.50, Stone Church Circle--List of finished work for March: 85 pairs socks, 2 operation stockings, 16 hospital shirts, 3 quilts, 115 stretcher caps, 25 bandage caps, 48 head bandages, \$25.00 in cash.

WOMEN! MOTHERS! DAUGHTERS!

You who tire easily, are pale, have a nervous system, who are subject to melancholy or the "blues", get your blood examined for iron deficiency. F. King, M.D.

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.

Music in the Home

The school authorities for the State of New Hampshire have recorded their approval of a plan for accrediting competent private instruction in music as a part of the regular high school work and counting as such towards graduation.

FINE PAINTINGS FOR OTTAWA

The Committee in England, with Lord Beaverbrook at its head, which has raised a large sum of money for the purpose of procuring records of Canada's share in the war, for the founding of a national historical gallery at Ottawa, have in addition to this work lately secured two portraits connected with the past history of Canada which may be said to be quite priceless. The portrait by Sir Thomas Lawrence of Sir Alexander Mackenzie the great fur trader, who in the closing years of the eighteenth

century went by land and by canoe from Montreal to the Pacific, was secured at a cost of \$21,500. This opportunity arose through the willingness of the family to part with the precious portrait. A few days ago there was also secured at an important sale at Christie's for 5,000 guineas Romney's portrait of Joseph Brant, painted in the reign of George III when Brant was being honored in London. This picture has been traced and kept in sight on behalf of the Canadian Government for some time but with little hope of our ever being fortunate enough to obtain it.

A SLIGHT BLAZE

An alarm from box 312 about 5.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon gave the fire department a run for a slight blaze in the upper flat of a house at 144 Rockland Road, occupied by A. W. Worden. Apart from burning a small hole in the roof, very little damage was done.

LOCAL SOLDIERS OF THE SOIL COMMITTEE MEET

Received Instructions from Taylor Statten, National Superintendent, on Saturday—Enrolling of the Boys Starts this Week.

A meeting of the local "Soldiers of the Soil" committee took place on Saturday afternoon to meet and receive instructions from Taylor Statten, the National Superintendent of this movement, which has been organized by the "Canada Food Board." Mr. Statten is just completing a trip across the continent visiting the different local government departments interested in this work, and the voluntary committees who are to place before the boys of our country, between the ages of 15 and 19 the necessity of their coming to the assistance of our farmers so that a sufficiently large crop may be planted and harvested to help overcome the world's shortage of food stuffs.

Mr. Statten spent Thursday and Friday in Fredericton and went into details with the Departments of Education and Agriculture. It had been planned to start enrolling the boys this week but it has been found advisable to postpone this until after the 28th. The Department of Agriculture does not consider this will cause any delay with the farm work, as most of the boys will not be needed till after the middle of May.

The local committee is composed of well known business men, and the patriotic call that they are going to make to our boys to work for our country's weal on the farms, to our merchants to grant working boys leave of absence for the summer, and to our farmers to increase their productive acreage by employing the assistance of the boys, should receive hearty commendation, co-operation and support. The local committeemen are as follows:—A. R. Crookshank, chairman; R. E. Armstrong, Thos. P. Drummond, T. H. Estabrooks, Dr. Jas. H. Frink, Dr. Jas. Manning and Thos. Nagle.

Newcastle, April 4.—Mrs. Walter Crooby and Miss Margaret Crooby of Chatham spent this week-end in Newcastle.

Mr. James L. Sugrue, president of the N. B. Federation of Labor, and Mrs. Sugrue, of St. John, spent Friday in town.

Miss May Murphy of Shives Athol spent Easter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Murphy.

Reginald McMurdo of Moncton spent the holidays with his cousin, Jack Sproule.

George Thomas of the Royal Bank staff returned to town this week after a short visit to his home in Campbellton.

Misses Margaret Callahan, Cleora McLaughlin and Alice Campbell of the Normal School and Annie Cassidy of the Fredericton Business College spent their holidays at their homes here.

Miss Florence Jardim spent Easter with friends in Jacquet River.

Miss Helen Stevens of Campbellton is visiting relatives here.

Master Walter Stuart spent the holidays at Fredericton Junction.

Mr. Joseph Luffy of Fredericton spent the week-end in town.

Bert McCormack of Moncton spent Easter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John McCormack.

Mr. Myron Nicholson of New Glasgow, N. S., spent Easter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Osborne Nicholson.

New York, April 6.—The market is expected to develop cross currents as a result of a disposition noted in speculative channels to give bullish attention chiefly to specialties during realising in other parts of the list as a precaution against possibilities over the end of the week.

Regular activity on a moderate scale is indicated, but in the absence of bad news recoveries are anticipated next week so that purchases on reactions will probably prove profitable if safeguarded.

THE SARDINE CONFERENCE

Meeting Held in Bangor on Friday Last of Sardine Interests in Maine—Matters of Importance Discussed.

A conference of the sardine interests of Maine was held at Bangor on Friday last. The United States food administration was represented by Dr. Loomis, of Washington, and Dr. Merrill, of Orono, Me.; the Canadian food board by R. E. Armstrong, of St. John. Matters relating to the sardine industry were discussed by both fishermen and packers. After a protracted discussion it was agreed to recommend the adoption of the hoghead as the standard unit of measurement, ten tubs to the hoghead as prevails in Canadian waters, and seventeen and one-half bushels to the hoghead. The bushel measure has been in use in western Maine, but hitherto only fifteen bushels have been required to a hoghead. It was resolved to recommend that contracting for the catch of wels should be prohibited. An attempt was made to agree upon a fixed price for the sea-

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

son, but the views of packers and fishermen were so divergent that no decision was reached. The fishermen wanted \$85 per hhd., while the average packers expressed themselves willing to pay was \$20.18 per hhd. The matter was finally left to a committee of five packers and five fishermen, with two representatives from Canada. The conference agreed to stand by any figure that the committee might agree to recommend. It is the intention to call the committee together when the views of the Canadian Food Board have been obtained.

THE RIVER RISING

The St. John River is rising steadily and crossing on the ice near Fredericton stopped several days ago. There is no sign yet of the ice breaking up, although the river, in several feet above the winter level. It is expected the ice will run out between the 20th and 25th inst.

EXHIBITORS IN TOWN

Quite a number of New Brunswick exhibitors have been in St. John lately looking at films and planning their summer programmes. Among those who have visited the city are the following:

N. J. Worth, of Perth, N. B.
Mr. O'Neil, of the Broadway theatre, St. George, N. B.
Harry Rich, of the Royal Theatre, Chatham, N. B.
Mrs. Davidson, of the Dreamland Theatre, Moncton, N. B.
Miss Walker, of Digby, was also a visitor in the city this week. It is understood that W. Walker, of Digby, has taken over the Bijou Dream Theatre in Digby and will run it himself. His daughter, Miss Walker, was in St. John interviewing exchange managers.

SUSSEX

Mrs. Clarke of Moncton is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Howard Pearn, Church Avenue.
Miss Hazel White has returned to Sackville to resume her studies at Mt. Allison Ladies' College, after spending the vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Harley White.
Miss Beale Robinson was home

from Fredericton to spend the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Colpitts spent the Easter holidays with relatives at Forest Glen.
Dr. James W. Robertson of the Canadian Food Board, was in Sussex on Friday and gave an address in the Agricultural Hall on the "Need of Increased Production."

THE GEM

Afternoons 2.30—Evenings 7.15, 8.45
NETTIE de COURSEY TRIO
Woman and two men, unique comedy offering.
LeDOUX AND LeDOUX
Comedy knockabout, acrobatic turn.
MARIE CAMELIA
Pleasing song numbers.
McEVROY AND BROOKS
Man and woman, brand new comedy.
BILLY WEST
Two-reel fun picture "The Hero."

OPERA HOUSE

YAUDEVILLE

TODAY

Afternoon 2.30.
Evening 7.30 and 9.

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3 Genuine Sioux Indians, a Rare Musical Novelty

HINKLE AND MAE
Comedy Song and lots of Laughs.

LEIGH AND LAGRACE
—Scenic Novelty and Polite Juggling.

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Instrumental Novelty

THE CHAPPELLES
2 Bright Spots of Harmony.

Serial Drama, "THE MYSTERY SHIP."

THE STAR

MON. and TUE.

Money! Money! Money!
HIS SOLE AMBITION

A fast action story of capital and labor. A manufacturer thinks only of making money. But how about THE LABORING MAN?

EDWIN ARDEN in "THE IRON HEART"
A Picture You Won't Soon Forget

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Only One More Week

COMING The Greatest War Picture Ever Filmed
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Because of Its Grand Educational Value.

UNIQUE LYRIC

A VIRILE DETECTIVE DRAMA
WHO WAS THE OTHER MAN?
Francis Ford and a cast of Universal Favorites
5 BIG ACTS
Sensation of interest.

THE PATHE NEWS
Good as usual.

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SOLDIERS ARRIVE SAFE.

Word has been received that the draft of the 9th Siege Battery has arrived safely in England.

LIBERTY LOAN.

Capt. F. H. Elliott will leave today for Manchester, N. H., where he will inaugurate a whirlwind campaign for the Liberty Loan issue.

WAS OBSERVED YESTERDAY.

The feast of the Annunciation of the blessed Virgin Mary, transferred from Holy Week, was observed yesterday at the Mission Church of St. John the Baptist.

SOLD AT AUCTION.

The Graham property at 37 St. David's street was sold Saturday morning at Chubb's Corner by Auctioneer F. L. Potts to Mrs. M. E. Bushman for \$975.

FERTILIZER CARGOS.

The shortage of fertilizer is being relieved somewhat by large shipments to this city from Windsor, N. S. A company there is shipping out large quantities of fish fertilizer and other varieties.

DIOCESAN SYNOD.

There will be a general synod today and tomorrow morning of Anglican clergymen and delegates who will attend the annual session of the diocesan synod which convenes at Fredericton in the morning.

WILL HOLD ENQUIRY.

Commissioner McLellan intends holding a searching enquiry, open to the public, into the Police end of the sad death of James Yanwart, the young fellow who was arrested under the Military Service Act and died shortly after.

SUGAR QUOTATIONS.

Within recent days the Atlantic Sugar Refinery has advanced prices 50 cents. A 40 cent advance has been made by the Acadia and St. Lawrence refiners, but to date no change is announced in Redpath prices.

WILL SELL WRECK.

The Norwegian iron bark Ashmore, which struck on the Muir Ledges, will be sold at auction on Wednesday next at 10 a. m. Captain J. H. Crossley and A. J. Brown, who surveyed the wreck, and who returned to the city Friday night, declared the craft a total loss. The Ashmore was valued at \$300,000.

THE POLICE COURT.

In the police court Saturday five seamen who were found guilty of refusing duty were remanded for consideration. John Benjamin charged with deserting from a ship was given his freedom on request of the Captain. One drunk was fined \$5 and remanded on the charge of having liquor in his possession.

AN ORIGINAL HOME.

Private Edmund McCarthy, of the original 26th Battalion, son of Mr. and Mrs. Denis McCarthy, 198 Sydney street, arrived on a hospital ship recently from England. He spent fifteen months in the trenches, was through various battles, was wounded at Courcellette and was afterwards in various English hospitals, suffering from shell shock and shrapnel wounds.

FIRE AT ROTHEWAY.

A serious fire occurred at Rotheway on Friday evening when the house occupied by Thomas Rathburn on College Hill was burned to the ground. The fire, which caught from a defective fuse, broke out about ten o'clock at night and there was no means of extinguishing it. Mr. Rathburn and his family lost most of their household effects. The house, which is a part of the property of Rotheway College, was insured.

HAD PHOTOS TAKEN.

The men of the first contingent who have returned and are now in the city met yesterday afternoon and had a group photograph taken. After this had been taken the members of the party who left here under Capt. Sturdee had a special group picture taken. There was fifty-two in the first group and twelve in the second. The proofs of these will be handed to E. J. Puddy on Tuesday, and he will take orders for them.

A PITIFUL OCCURRENCE.

Rev. R. A. Armstrong on last evening in the course of his sermon told of an incident which occurred recently. A soldier with two medals on his breast and bleeding at the lungs came to the door of Trinity rectory to ask for assistance. The preacher said that he did not think such things should be and asked his hearers to realize that men such as that and many others seen in the streets had born pain and suffering for those at home.

HEROES WERE ENTERTAINED.

About fifty sailors and soldiers were entertained in the German Street Institute last evening after the regular service in the German Street Baptist Church. Among the number were fifteen Newfoundland heroes who arrived from overseas yesterday, after doing their bit. There was the usual singing and refreshments were served by the ladies of the church. Soldiers and sailors were also entertained at the St. David's church last evening. There was a programme of music and refreshments were served.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Ten marriages and twenty-nine births—seventeen girls and twelve boys—were reported to the registrar during the past week. Twenty-seven deaths are reported at the local board of health office for last week. Six were due to tuberculosis, four to broncho-pneumonia, three to measles, three to pneumonia, two to myocarditis, and one each to uraemia, apoplexy, convulsions, endocarditis, premature birth, pneumonia, gangrene feet, rupture of bladder and cardiac distention.

PROFITTEERS ARE REEKING WITH THE BLOOD OF SLAIN

Rev. G. A. Kuhring in Sermon Last Evening Gives Startling Statements—Tens of Thousands of Eggs Held in Cold Storage while Sick and Needy have Strength Under- mined.

Rev. G. A. Kuhring, in his sermon at St. John's (Stone) Church Sunday evening pointed out the food crisis and evils of profiteering. The text was taken from Ecclesiastes III, verses 1 and 8, and Mr. Kuhring said in part:

There are psychological moments in the life of an Empire. One was when we decided to go in and defend the weaker nations and defeat the hellish plan to enslave the world. We made no mistake in this. From my soul I pity the man or woman who, in the face of overwhelming evidence to hand, can have any doubt of this. Who is so uninterested that they have not read the record of crime, lust and treachery we are opposing and who cannot thank God that we are willing to pay the full price for deliverance? In spite of the sufferings and losses we can thank God that our rulers saw the time had come for war.

We are face to face with another such crisis. Only the lazy, indignant, selfish man can fail to see it. A time when we must put the issue before us as the one great thing to complete. How many of you are interested enough to study the maps in the daily papers, to measure distances, to ponder, to see the desolation and to contemplate the exhaustion of the whole human family?

I beg of you to get out of your comfortable churches and homes and into the enjoyment of good meals long enough to sympathize with the conditions under which our men are serving.

Two things stand in the way of victory—our indifference and our sins. Many are earnestly trying to do right, but they are not doing so because of the starving people of Europe, and in contrast with this food is being held up for higher prices until it has been destroyed. Tens of thousands of eggs have been in cold storage in our city while the poor, the sick, and the needy have their strength undermined. Profiteers—reeking with the blood of the slain, the orphan and the widow.

A laboring man told me the other day that passing the rear of the cold storage he saw a sleigh and it was covered with a tarpaulin. Out of curiosity he lifted the cover and saw many carcasses of beef. On enquiry he was told the load was only one of many which was on its way to the fertilizer plant.

In the west thousands of pounds of chickens were buried from cold storage. These revelations are but a small part of the iniquity. We were horrified when we read that the Germans turned the bodies of their dead into glycerine for war purposes. Here in Canada we have the blood and fat of children, by withholding nourishment, turned not into patriotic purposes but into private gain. And we, if we remain indifferent and take no immediate steps to put a stop to this are partakers of their sin.

I beseech you from this hour by word and deed to make such a condition of murder and robbery impossible else by our indifference we bring upon us the wrath of a just and holy God. The time of a great crisis is upon us not alone from the overwhelming strength, devotion and desperation of the enemy but above all as to our attitude towards and determination to abolish both public and private sin from our midst.

Mr. Kuhring ended with an appeal to pray for and remember daily the soldiers who were fighting for us.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The junior boys had their regular weekly entertainment at the Y. M. C. A. on Saturday evening. A recitation was given by Frank Delany, a solo by Jimmie Merritt, and a piano selection by Jack Bond. Mr. Taylor Statten addressed the boys. The boys' meeting yesterday morning was attended by about ninety. Mr. Statten spoke earnestly of the necessity of catching a vision of their future place in the world, of setting up an ideal and bending all their energies to the attaining of that ideal. He made an appeal to them to discard all that was degrading and unclean and to follow the example of their Master in the development of the four-fold life. Last evening the regular mentors' meeting was held with A. M. Gregg in the chair. Mr. Statten addressed this meeting on "St. John's Place in the C. S. E. T. Programme." He explained the co-operative movement throughout Canada, and in closing said that the opportunity rested with each mentor to build boys for Canada. Further plans were discussed for the annual Bible study banquet.

PIPERS RECOMMENDED.

In a letter received in the city Saturday was enclosed a copy of letter written by Lt. Col. Guthrie to the C. O. C. of the 20th Reserve Battalion in which mention was made of two St. John boys who went across with the 28th Pipe Band. These men were Pipe Major Alexander Stewart and Sergeant Charles Cromwell, and Col. Guthrie referred to them in most flattering terms, particularly Sgt. Cromwell, who he said in addition to being a good piper had materially assisted the battalion in raising money for the mess by giving exhibitions of juggling, in which he as St. John auditions will remember, is an adept. He commended these men to the C. O. C. of the reserve and assured him that they were worthy of any favors he could show them.

NEWFOUNDLAND SOLDIERS REACH HERE YESTERDAY

Sergt. W. Sutton, D.C.M., Among the Party—Fought Fifteen Germans Single Handed—Bombed Party and Took Prisoners of those Left Alive.

Among the arrivals from overseas yesterday were fifteen Newfoundland soldiers who have done their bit in the great war and are being invalided home and will continue on their journey today. It is likely that the mayor and the citizens' reception committee will meet the returned heroes this morning. The party consists of the following: Sergeant W. Sutton, D. C. M.; Privates Moss, Crocker, Cairnes, McNeill, Lefrane, Hann and Coles of the infantry, also Sellars, Pearcey, Hill, Merchant, Squires, Abbott and Fitzpatrick of the forestry. During their stay in the city yesterday they enjoyed themselves taking in the sights and last evening were entertained in the German street Institute after regular service at the church.

Sergeant Sutton was rather modest in telling the circumstances for which he was honored by the King, however, it was learned that he received the decoration for extreme bravery while in action. He was alone when he came into battle with fifteen Germans, he threw a bomb among the lot of them and what was left of the lot alive he took prisoners single handed. It was a brave act and was quickly recognized by the commanding officer, who recommended him for the medal which he prizes very much.

DEPOT BATTALION MEN ARE LIBERATED

Have Been in Quarantine for Few Weeks—Announced that they were to be Allowed Out from Barracks was Greeted with Cheers.

After a few weeks of quarantine the members of the 1st Depot Battalion were liberated yesterday afternoon. The announcement was greeted with lusty cheers. During the time the men were confined within the grounds of the barracks area, they conducted themselves with splendid discipline. There were no complaints from them as they themselves realized that it was in the interest of the unit as well as the individual members. The order bringing all the men under quarantine was given to the officer commanding the unit, owing to the prevalence of measles and mumps within the city limits. It was contended that some of the men were visiting sections of the city where these diseases were prevalent. They are now free to resume their regular hours away from barracks.

JAMES B. CRANE DONS THE KHAKI

Well Known St. John Resi- dent Now a Soldier of Uncle Sam—Now Training at Camp Devens.

James B. Crane, a well known resident of St. John, formerly of Westport, is now a soldier in the ranks of Uncle Samuel's trusty warriors. Mr. Crane is an American citizen and a member of a wealthy Massachusetts family. Several years ago he became quiet in the province, automobile industry in this province, residing on Wellington Row, this city. When the United States government sent out a draft call for men of the proper age to serve in the army, Mr. Crane was included in those who were drawn. He claimed exemption when he filled out his questionnaire on the ground that he was a married man. His claim was not accepted, but he was not immediately called upon to don the khaki.

In the meantime he entered an appeal against the decision of the military service authorities, but the district service board of Western Massachusetts set it aside. There was nothing else to do except join the colors, for Great Britain and Canada made a treaty to exchange eligible who were citizens of the other country. Mr. Crane was born in Westfield, Mass., the son of the late James Arthur Crane, a wealthy paper manufacturer. He is a cousin of Hon. Winthrop Murray Crane, of Dalton, United States senator and formerly governor of Massachusetts. The senator is a millionaire paper manufacturer. The Crane mills at Dalton make the paper used by the United States government for printing currency. The young man is now training at Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass.

CATHOLIC NOTES.

Today the Catholic church observes the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Special services will be held at the Cathedral this evening at 7.30.

Commencing on Sunday next the masses which have been celebrated at 10.15 and 11.15 o'clock, will be changed to 10.30 and 11.30 respectively. Next Sunday the members of the Holy Name Society will receive in a body at the Cathedral. Saturday evening will be reserved for hearing the confessions of the men.

Before all masses collections will be taken up on Sunday next for the Monastery of the Good Shepherd.

NOTIFIED C. P. R.

Commissioner Fisher has notified the C. P. R. that the company must, on May 1st next, remove their tracks from German street, West Side. The commissioner said the company had suggested a conference in the matter and that the city would be willing to hear the C. P. R. submit a proposition in regard to the situation.

DR. BOYLE TRAVERS OLDEST PHYSICIAN DIED YESTERDAY

Was in 94th Year of His Age and Oldest Physician in New Brunswick—Located on Sydney Street for Sev- enty Years.

Dr. Boyle Travers, the oldest physician in the Province of New Brunswick, passed away at his home, Sydney street, yesterday morning at half-past nine at the advanced age of ninety-four years.

Dr. Travers was born on the family estate, Ballymacowen, County Cork, Ireland, on September 24, 1824. He was educated at Trinity College, Dublin, and took his degree in 1847. The following year he came to Canada and located in St. John. He opened his office on Sydney street on the spot on which he died, and for seventy years, with the exception of about six months after the fire of 1877, he has been located there.

For sixty-five years he was in active practice and was one of the best known and leading practitioners in the city and province. He enjoyed the confidence of the people he served so faithfully and when he retired from active work left a vacancy hard to fill. In the cholera epidemic of 1864 Dr. Travers did yeoman service in caring for the sick and dying during the time that awful visitation continued. Dr. Travers took a keen interest in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the city of his adoption and, while never seeking political honors, could always be depended on to do his share of the work in any cause that had for its object the betterment of conditions either politically or socially.

Dr. Travers was a member of the Senate of the University of New Brunswick and for many years a member of the St. John School Board. He was the first president of St. Patrick's Society. In 1864 he married Catherine Sweeney, sister of the late Bishop Sweeney, who predeceased him by fourteen years.

He is survived by five children, two sons and three daughters and seven grandchildren. The sons are Dr. J. Boyle Travers of the Provincial Hospital staff, and Dr. H. P. Travers, German street. The daughters are Mrs. Dr. J. P. McInerney of the city and Misses Mary G. and Francis M. at home. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock at the Cathedral and interment will be made in the family lot in the old Catholic cemetery.

PATRIOTIC GIRLS GET LETTER FROM MAJOR HOOPER

Two Little Girls and Friends Send Funds to Wounded Soldiers—Was Proceeds of a Bazaar.

Some time ago two patriotic little girls, Miss Margaret Hamilton and Miss Genevieve Jenner with a number of their young friends held a successful bazaar from which they realized a tidy sum which they forwarded to Major E. B. Hooper for his Wounded Soldiers' Fund. Miss Hamilton has just received the following letter from Major Hooper gratefully acknowledging receipt of the money: Granville Canadian Special Hospital, Buxton, Derbyshire, March 17th, 1918.

My Dear Little Margaret, I suppose that you don't remember me very well. I want to write this to thank you with all my heart for the splendid gift of money, you and Genevieve Jenner with your young friends who your bazaar and sent to me for my Wounded Soldiers' Fund. The wounded men love to hear about those who send money to me for them but it was not so much the loving work of little girls like you. Will you give little Miss Jenner my love and grateful thanks for what she has done with you and others for my dear wounded lads? These lads are such grand fellows—they have fought so nobly, endured so much, and suffered so grievously, your whole heart goes out to them. That is why I am so very grateful to you, My Dear, and to your young friends who helped you. Again thanking you most sincerely, I am, Your affectionate, grateful friend, E. BERTRAM HOOPER, (Major), Chaplain.

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JUVENILE CITY CORNET BAND

Forty-five Boys are Enrolled and are Making Splendid Progress—Will Procure In- struments at Later Date.

The recently formed musical organization known as the Juvenile City Cornet Band is making steady progress under the directorship of band master Frank Waddinton. The organization has been holding weekly practice and the number of members so far enrolled number about forty-five and all are between the ages of twelve and fourteen years. It is the intention to purchase instruments for

the boys, and to this end a grand concert will be held in the Y. M. C. I. at an early date, when the boys will be assisted by local talent. Several friends of the City Cornet Band have offered donations to the organization. It is the purpose of those associated with the new organization to keep it separate from the senior band, and when the boys reach the age limit, they will transfer from the junior to the older organization.

D. J. Gallagher and James Connolly, two of the veteran members of the City Cornet Band are deeply interested in the idea, and have always taken an active part in the progress of the organization which will on Nov. 15 celebrate its 44th anniversary. The gross receipts of the concert will go to the instrument fund.

ARMOURY SOLDIERS.

The Philathea class of the German

Street Baptist Church entertained the convalescent soldiers at the armoury Saturday evening. Three reels of motion pictures were shown. The evening was enjoyably spent in music games, etc., after which refreshments were served.

IN CRITICAL CONDITION.

Saturday morning Daniel Murphy, the 15 year old son of Daniel Murphy of the Customs staff, was seriously injured by being caught in the door of a C. P. R. box car at Sand Cove. It is supposed he was standing at the car door when a shunt was made, the bump of the cars coming together caused the heavy door to close sufficiently to strike him a severe blow on the head. He is being treated at the St. John Infirmary and a report received at an early hour this morning was to the effect that the boy was still in a critical condition.