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CLOUDY AND COOLER

THREE CENTS

NEAR RIOT WHEN D. B. RUSSELL WAS SENTENCED

Cheers of Friends and Supporters Were Ringing in His Ears as Sheriff Led Respondent from Court.

ONE ARRESTED FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Court Refuses to Allow a Respite of Sentence Pending Motion of the Defence to Appeal the Case.

RUSSELL SENTENCE TO STRENGTHEN BOND OF FREE THINKERS

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 28.—J. G. O'Donohue, counsel for the Toronto District Trade and Labor Council, commenting on the sentence of R. B. Russell, Winnipeg strike leader, says this action deprives labor of the right to strike. "The whole law as to sedition should be swept away," Mr. O'Donohue says, "and a new one enacted specifying in A, B, and C order what acts are against the law. The sentence imposed will simply unite all those who are disturbed at the present condition of ordinary British liberty in the way of freedom of speech and freedom of the press."

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 28.—Two years in Stony Mountain penitentiary was the sentence passed by Justice Metcalf yesterday upon R. B. Russell, convicted on a charge of seditious conspiracy. Russell was led from the court by Deputy Sheriff John Pyniger, with the cheers of his friends and supporters ringing in his ears. One of those who led in the demonstration for Russell was William Staples, a machinist in the Canadian Pacific Railway, was taken into custody by Captain C. F. Wheeler on the order of the Deputy Sheriff.

It appeared for a moment as though a forcible demonstration was to take place. Mr. Justice Metcalf had left the bench and the court adjourned when, from the crowd a voice rang out "three cheers for Bonnie Russell." The marble pillars resounded with the "hurrahs," which completely drowned the cries of order from the court. Staples, waving his hat, shouted "a tiger," before his conduct in the Russell trial and intimidation of the cheerers and Staples was arrested. The charge of disorderly conduct in a public place was laid and he was taken to the county jail.

Refuses Respite.

After the sentence of the court had been announced, Mr. Cassidy, counsel for the defence, moved that a respite of sentence be allowed, pending the motion of the defence to appeal the case. Mr. Justice Metcalf declined to take the responsibility of dealing with the request. He said that he thought he had shouldered too much responsibility in the Russell trial and intimated that the convicted labor leader should have been tried by a full court of the judges of the Court of King's Bench. It was announced officially after the adjournment that this motion of Mr. Cassidy's—which for technical foundation is based upon the adverse decision of Mr. Justice Metcalf in the motion to quash the indictment by the defence before the commencement of trial—will be heard by a full court of the judges of the Court of King's Bench on Monday morning. The appeal on the reserve case for a new trial for Russell will be heard by the court of appeals just as soon as the defence has prepared their case. This statement was also made by Mr. Justice Metcalf. Mr. Cassidy said that in all probability he would file a writ of habeas corpus.

Arrangements will be made, it was intimated, to keep Russell in the provincial jail in Winnipeg until Monday, when the motion before the court of King's Bench will be heard. Russell's wife, who was present in the court when sentence was passed, took the decision of the court quietly, although she practically broke down outside the court following the adjournment. R. E. Bray informed Russell that while he was serving his sentence the defence committee would see that his wife and family were comfortably provided for.

HOLD-UPS OCCUR IN MONTREAL

Montreal, Dec. 28.—Two hold-ups occurred Saturday and this morning in this city. On Saturday night two armed hold-up men robbed Quang Thun in his laundry of \$40, and Emile Tremblay received a bullet wound in the thigh when, going home at one this morning, he told two armed men that he had no money and on proceeding on his way was fired at a distance of a couple of paces.

LOWER PRICES ON CANNED GOODS FORECASTED

Expected That Wholesalers Will be Able to Sell Such Goods at Lower Prices, According to Mr. O'Connor.

TO INVESTIGATE COMBINES NEXT

Board of Commerce Has Power to Check Combines or Mergers Which Aim to Influence Prices.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 28.—Lower prices for canned goods are looming up on the horizon as a result of a statement made by Chairman W. F. O'Connor at a sitting of the Board of Commerce in this city on Saturday. He stated he would make a declaration from Ottawa that the rebate of two and one-half cents per dozen on canned goods, now retained by the Dominion Canners, Limited, would be illegal. In consequence the wholesalers may be able to sell canned goods at somewhat lower prices. Representatives of the Canadian Wholesale Grocers' Association intimated that they would not benefit by the rebate being paid to the wholesalers, but that the public would ultimately benefit by it. Chairman O'Connor's statement was made to counsel and members of the Wholesale Grocers' Assn. The Dominion Canners Limited did not send a representative to the sitting of the board, but instead notified the grocers' association and Commissioner Murdoch of the Board of Commerce, that any ruling made by the board in the matter would be concurred in by the canners.

Combines or mergers may come under the probe of the Board of Commerce, according to a statement issued by Mr. O'Connor on Saturday. He said the board had power to check mergers or combinations of business which aimed to influence prices, and he intimated that recent changes of interests in packing plants might be investigated.

Announcement was also made that the board would hold an investigation with a view to finding out whether advantage was taken of the tariff by industries to reap undue profits. The Fish company of the city was under the probe for having charged \$15 a ton for coal in one instance, while selling coal to another customer at \$11. F. A. Fish, head of the company, said he had given \$11 coal in charity. Major Duncan, of the Board of Commerce, pointed out that Mr. Fish had formed two companies, the Fish Coal Company and the Harbor Coal Company, the latter having no charter and that the two companies evidently had been formed so as to evade the order that no dealer could have both retail and wholesale profit.

THREE NEW SHIPS TO BE ADDED TO C.P.O.S. FLEET

They Are of 16,000 Tons and Will be in Command for Atlantic Ocean Travel Latter Part of 1920.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—Three new steamships are to be added to the fleet of the Canadian Pacific Ocean Services Limited, and are now under construction in Scotland. They will be called the Montcalm, Manapedia and Montmorency. These ships, which are of 16,000 gross tonnage, will be in command for Atlantic ocean travel in the latter part of 1920 and are being fitted up as oil burners.

MONCTON MASONS FITTINGLY OBSERVE ST. JOHN'S DAY

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 28.—St. John's night was fittingly observed Saturday night by the local Masonic fraternity, at Kelly's Lodge, No. 23, installed the

England Confronted With Most Serious Shipping Situation

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—England is confronted with one of the most critical shipping situations the country has ever known, despite the increase in the number of ships flying the British flag, the Secretary of the Port and Transit Committee of London today informed the Department of Commerce. Labor trouble and the shortage of railway trucks, the report said, are holding up the movement of cargoes, and has created such congestion at the docks that some ships are allowed to lie in the harbors from seven to eight days before discharging their cargoes. Increases in the price of foodstuffs and raw materials result from the heavy demurrage charges. The shortage of railway trucks is estimated at three hundred thousand.

Successor To Grey Not Yet Named

British Ambassador to United States Leaves Washington Tuesday on His Return to England.

HIS APPOINTMENT WAS TEMPORARY

Was Especially Assigned to Washington Post for the Purpose of Dealing With Large Questions.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Viscount Grey British Ambassador, will leave Washington next Tuesday for New York to sail for home the following Saturday on the Aquitania. He will be accompanied by his personal suite, Sir Wm. Tyrrell, Donald Campbell and Madge Stuart. When he came to Washington, October 1, Viscount Grey was under a temporary appointment to the Embassy for the special purpose of attempting to deal with large questions that have arisen, or are impending as the result of the world war. It was thought these might be adjusted on a fair and permanent basis by intimate agreement between the two governments on lines of common policy. Delay in final action on the Treaty by the Senate had made it unprofitable to undertake such negotiations. It was said at the Embassy, even had President Wilson's health permitted, developments in England, also, have brought to the fore many questions Viscount Grey is interested in and in the settlement of which he desires to participate. Later negotiations are not expected to be effected unfavorably by the Viscount's departure, that may be intimated, it was thought, by the light he will be able to afford his government on the situation here.

No successor to the Ambassador has been chosen, but in his absence the business of the Embassy will be conducted by Ronald C. Lindsay, the counsellor.

No Progress Made Toward Relief For Light Keepers

The Lighthouse Keepers and Wireless Operators at Belle Isle Reported to be Without Provisions.

Quebec, Que., Dec. 28.—The latest advice received here from the Lower St. Lawrence through the Marine Department Agency here show that no progress has been made to relieve the lighthouse keepers, and the wireless operators at Belle Isle, who are reported to be short of provisions and are urgently calling for help. It was learned today that the steamer Montcalm, which is expected that less ice will come through the Straits of Belle Isle, and was obliged to put into Sydney for coal. She will make a further attempt to reach them via Cape Race, where it is expected that less ice will be encountered. The Marine officials here state that the lighthouse keepers were placed under the control of the Charlottetown agency last spring, and consequently, Quebec is no longer in official communication with Belle Isle. As far as could be learned here to-night, there are two lighthouse keepers, Michael Thomas and William Wyatt, who reside on the island with their families, and the other inhabitants include a staff of wireless operators. One Marine Department official stated tonight that he thought there had been some exaggeration in the matter. He did not believe the lighthouse keepers were in such dire plight as was at first intimated.

following officers: W. M. S. G. Hopper; S. W. C. S. E. Robertson; J. W. H. D. Adamson; Chaplain, J. E. Masters; Treasurer, R. P. Dickson; Secretary, J. W. H. Roberts; S. D. Ambrose Wheeler; J. D. S. L. Holder; S. S. C. H. Howe; J. S. D. B. Bishop; D. C. G. D. Allen; J. G. Charles McInnis; Tyler, Wm. Hillman. The officers were installed by Deputy Grand Master J. Fred Edgett. A musical program was carried out and refreshments served.

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Hitch Occurs In The Baltic Peace Conference

Dorpat, Friday, Dec. 28.—A last moment hitch over the right of the Estonians to fortify part of the Narva front developed after a protracted session in the Baltic Peace Conference, extending far into Christmas morning, when the Conference adjourned, after abandoning the attempt to complete the preliminary armistice, and with the question of Peace still in the balance. The preliminary armistice, once it is entered into, will stipulate the immediate cessation of hostilities and deal with the questions of independence, frontiers and guarantees.

E. S. S. Co'y Listen To Boston

Mayor and Chamber of Commerce Insist That Steamship Company Resume Trips to St. John.

CRITICISED FOR THEIR INDIFFERENCE

Company Announces That Beginning Jan. 3rd Trips Will be Made to This City in Connection With Yarmouth.

Special to The Standard
Boston, Mass., Dec. 28.—Following the bitter criticism thrown upon them by the Mayor, members of the City Council and the Boston Chamber of Commerce for their alleged indifference toward the service for the public, the Eastern Steamship Company issued their announcement last evening, promising a resumption of service between Boston and Yarmouth, N. S., St. John, N. B. The steamers now sailing from Yarmouth will stop at this port every trip, leaving the Central Wharf at 10 o'clock on Tuesday and Friday at ten o'clock. Much feeling has existed between the Boston City Council and Chamber of Commerce, owing to the Steamship Company's evident disregard of the interests of the Province bound passengers. As Mayor Peters put it in an address made before the Chamber of Commerce last Wednesday, "Boston East is a section of Massachusetts that has a great many citizens who were natives of, or have relatives in the Province, especially at St. John and Yarmouth, and this Steamship Company, who are reported to be continually travelling back and forth, must be taken care of. Of late they have been cutting out trips with no notice whatever, passengers arriving at Central Wharf only to find the boat or trip discontinued with only a few hours' notice. Taking everything into consideration something must be done toward receiving better service and co-operation from these people." A committee, appointed by the Mayor, was in conference with the Eastern people all yesterday forenoon.

FARMERS TO HAVE ANOTHER STORE AT BURTT'S CORNER

At a Meeting Held Friday Evening Stock Was Subscribed for the Undertaking—Politics Discussed.

Special to The Standard.
Fredericton, Dec. 28.—The United Farmers of New Brunswick will soon add a store at Burtt's Corner, York county, to their chain of co-operative stores. At a meeting which was held there Friday evening, subscription to stock amounting to \$2,000 were made, and it was decided that as soon as \$500 of stock had been subscribed arrangements would be completed to have the store opened.

Tilley Bird presided over the meeting, the speakers being ex-Warden Alexander Brewer, Councillor J. Inch, officers of the Keswick branch, and A. E. Williams, a member of the directorate of the United Farmers Co-operative Company of New Brunswick, Ltd. The meeting being called to explain to the people of the district the basis on which the store would be operated when opened. Incidentally the speakers discussed the general movement and aspirations of the United Farmers of New Brunswick in the political field. They expounded their party platform, and asserted they would go into provincial politics just as soon as the organization of the various districts of the province has been completed.

Local Navy Is Likely To Be Favored

Admiral Jellicoe's Report on the Naval Policy Best Suited to Canadian Conditions Ready This Week.

CABINET HELD SEVERAL MEETINGS

Unofficially Reported That the Admiral Will Recommend Fleet of 6 Cruisers, 5 Destroyers, 12 Subs and Several Seaplanes.

Special to The Standard
Ottawa, Dec. 28.—The report of Lord Jellicoe on the naval policy best suited to the new conditions in Canada, is expected to be in the hands of the Government tomorrow and the end of the year. During the past month the Admiral has had frequent conferences with a sub-committee of the Cabinet and, as previously indicated, the idea of a local navy is likely to be favored. This was the position taken by Sir Robert Borden at the 1918 conference, when he cited Australia's example of the successful working of such a navy in conjunction with the imperial navy. It is reported here, unofficially, that the Admiral will recommend a Canadian fleet of six cruisers, five destroyers, a dozen submarines, several sea planes and a small fleet of torpedo boats.

Death Toll From Wood Alcohol Is Now Eighty-Four

The Heaviest Toll is in New England Where Wood Alcohol Whiskey Caused 65 Deaths.

New York, Dec. 28.—Eighty-four persons have died during the past forty-eight hours and scores of others are suffering from paralysis and blindness, due to drinking wood alcohol "whiskey," according to reports received from seven cities in the east and Chicago. The toll of poisonous liquor is the highest in New England, where sixty-five deaths are recorded. Two women at Chicopee Falls, Mass., and one at Springfield, Mass., are included in this list. In connection with the New England deaths, and six reported in New York city, revenue officers and members of the department of justice are seeking the Paragon, importer and commission merchant of this city, who they assert, sold twelve barrels of the poisonous liquor. The police charge that the "whiskey" was concocted in Paragon's store in Boscawen street. In Chicopee, Mass., thirty-four men and two women died; in Springfield, three men and one woman; Holyoke, nine men and in Greenfield, Mass., one man. In Hartford, Conn., thirteen persons died of the poison, and in Thomaston, Conn., two men are dead. Chicago reported eight deaths; Newark, N. J., three, and Cleveland, Ohio, two from this cause. In a raid on what is believed to have been a illicit still on Baxter street, eleven bottles marked "whiskey flavor" and "whiskey extract" were found concealed among bags of sawdust. Many more bottles, containing ingredients ordinarily used in the manufacture of Italian and Spanish cordials, also were discovered, according to the police. There were many bottles labelled "brandy extract." The proprietor of the basement in which the alleged still was located was arrested, charged with being a suspicious person.

Berlin, Dec. 27.—Lowlands, near Mannheim, where the Neckar River flows into the Rhine, and for many miles above and below that point, are overflowed by the Rhine flood, the overflow being the worst experienced since the record flood of 1906. Heavy snows which fell in November are melting under warm rains falling over the Black Mountains and have swollen all rivers in southern Germany, many dams near Freiburg, controlling water for a number of cities, have broken and railroad transportation is stopped in many sections.

D'Annunzio Announces He Will Resist Expulsion From Fiume

Fiume, Dec. 27.—(By The Associated Press).—Gabriele D'Annunzio made the announcement today that he would resist any efforts that might be made to expel him from Fiume. He said he had come to the conclusion that the guarantees offered by the government, were insufficient to warrant his leaving. That his troops be let off without punishment for joining his crusade is one of the demands made by D'Annunzio in regard to his departure, and is also the rehabilitation of Fiume and Dalmatian money. The absolute right to reside in Fiume, or any part of Dalmatia, without restriction of passport, authority to decide the time and manner of the departure of his forces from Fiume, and official recognition of the medals he conferred on his legionnaires are among the other demands made by the insurgent leader.

CAPT. COOMBS SINGLES AT A LONDON HOTEL

Entertains Lady Friends at Dinner, Gets Gloriously Intoxicated, Then Sends Bullet Into His Head.

CONNECTED WITH WAR RECORDS OFFICE

Enlisted from Toronto With the 116th Battalion, Was Wounded and Placed in Plaster Cast for Nine Months.

London, Dec. 28.—(By C. A. P.)—Captain Charles Vesta Victoria Coombs, aged forty, employed at Canadian Headquarters here, shot himself in dramatic fashion on Boxing night and died in the hospital at four o'clock next morning. He had been living in Clapham, a London suburb, at the house of a Mrs. Moon, but on Boxing Day, engaged a room at the Grosvenor Hotel, where he entertained Mrs. Moon and her sister to lunch. The ladies left at 6.30 when Coombs, in reply to a question as to what he proposed to do that evening, said "I am going to get absolutely drunk and then pass out." Later, in the presence of Mrs. Moon who had returned to the hotel in consequence of Coombs' answer to an anxious telephone inquiry that he "was passing out," Coombs snatched a revolver from under the pillow and shot himself in the head. Mrs. Moon describes having found him intoxicated and very shabby, and his friends say he suffered greatly from an old wound and the pain had driven him to drink. Coombs was a fine, handsome fellow over six feet tall and was English born, but went to Canada in his early manhood and farmed in Manitoba. He came overseas in 1916 with the 116th Battalion and served in France until after the armistice. He had travelled a good deal and had many friends in Canada and America.

Belonged in Toronto
Toronto, Dec. 28.—News of the death of Captain Charles V. Coombs, came to his wife Saturday afternoon when she received a cable message from London stating that he had died in a hospital that day. The message contained no hint of the manner of his taking off. Captain Coombs enlisted in the war with the 116th Battalion. After having been wounded he was in a plaster cast for nine months. When he was discharged to the War Records Office, he had been ill for several weeks lately.

Coombs was in the advertising staff of the Toronto Globe at the time of his enlistment.

ACCUSES HIS ST. JOHN WIFE OF UNFAITHFULNESS

Owner of One of the Finest Garages in Greater Boston Files Divorce Proceedings Against His Wife Resident of St. John.

Special to The Standard.
East Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 28.—Most prominent among the numerous divorce libels filed at the Middlesex County Court House here, yesterday, is that of Pierre Chelette, of Cambridge, Mass., against his wife, Celina Chelette, of St. John, N. B., who, he alleges, committed adultery with different parties, known and unknown, in St. John prior to their separation in that city in 1908. The couple were married at St. John in August, 1902. Following their first few years of married life Chelette charges that he and his wife repeatedly quarrelled over her alleged improper relations with other men. Once, he maintains, she confessed to him and promised to do better. Following two years of apparent repentance he again learned of her unfaithfulness and left her. Since coming here in 1908 Chelette has established a garage, one of the finest in Greater Boston. His wife is a native and continuous resident of St. John.

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AUTHORITIES IN IRELAND TO AGT WITH IRON HAND

Drastic Remedies Are to be Applied to What Those in Authority Consider a Most Dangerous Disease.

TO ARREST EVERY ACTIVE SINN FEINER

Advocates of Clean-up Policy Believe it Can be Done and Refuse to be Deviated from Their Plans.

SHOOTING AFFRAY NEAR VICE-REGAL LODGE, DUBLIN

Dublin, Dec. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—An officer of the Guard and one member of a band of intruders were killed early this morning at a shooting affray at Phoenix Park, a short distance from the Vice-Regal Lodge. In some quarters the belief was expressed that an attack was in preparation against the Lodge. About eight men are believed to have made up the band of interlopers. Four arrests were made.

Dublin, Dec. 28.—(By the A. P.)—An attack was made on the Vice Regal Lodge in Phoenix Park at three this morning. About eight men are believed to have been in the attacking party. The attackers were resisted by the guard about the lodge and one officer of the guard and one member of the attacking party were killed. Four arrests have been made. The member of the guard and one officer of the attacking party killed was dressed in an old uniform of a private in the British Army. His body is reported to have been riddled with bullets.

The Exchange Telegraph correspondent says that sniping at the Vice Regal Lodge continued only for a few minutes and that the firing took place from the main road at a distance of nearly a quarter of a mile from the lodge. London, Dec. 28.—Several untoward incidents are reported from Ireland by the Sunday Evening Telegram. A daring attempt was made to assassinate a constable at Ballybofey, County Donegal. The assailant fired a pistol from the street at the constable, who was sitting with his family in a room. Nobody was injured, but the bullet struck a bed a few inches from a sleeping infant. A band of men raided a farmer's house at Victoria Bridge and carried off rifles. At Killarney a constable was shot and wounded on Christmas Eve while assisting other constables to quell a rough and tumble fight between soldiers and civilians.

It is reported that 20,000 rounds of ammunition have been stolen from the Dungarvan railway station. The engagement, it is believed, was intended for the military authorities. London, Dec. 28.—In a despatch dealing with the Sinn Fein problem in Ireland the Dublin correspondent of the Evening Standard says it is no secret in Dublin that the authorities are determined to handle the situation with a certain amount of ruthlessness and apply drastic remedies to what they consider a dangerous disease. "The correspondent states it is said in quarters which have been a victim of being well informed that the steps contemplated by the Viceroy, Lord French, and his advisers for restoring normal conditions include the arrest of every known active Sinn Feiner throughout the country. The writer continues: "Considering the strength of the Sinn Fein movement this in itself is a drastic task and one which the authorities are advised will be difficult of performance, but the advocates of a clean-up policy believe it can be effectively done and refuse to be diverted from their plan by any consideration of the political or other effect in Ireland or outside. I am assured," continues the correspondent, "that Lord French, despite his own disconcerting experience, is still an unwavering believer in the good sense and the good will of the majority of his countrymen. He holds that the Irish bill, outlined by the Premier, has all the elements of a permanent settlement for Ireland if the country gets the opportunity of working it."

ODESSA IS BEING EVACUATED BY THE CIVILIANS

London, Saturday, Dec. 27.—Odessa is being evacuated by the civilian population owing to the rapid advance of the Bolsheviks in Southern Russia, according to a Constantinople dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Agency.

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An Evangelistic Campaign Jan. 12

Official Members and Ministers of Local Methodist Churches Decided on Campaign Yesterday — Celebrated Soldier Evangelist Dixon Coming.

The Methodist people of the Queen Square, Centenary, Broad Street, Carmarthen Street and Zion churches determined yesterday at a mass meeting of the official members of these churches with their ministers to commence an evangelistic campaign on the 12th of January in Centenary church. The leader will be the celebrated soldier evangelist Dixon, of Belfast, Ireland.

Children's Choir

A special feature of yesterday's services at St. Mary's Church was the singing of the children's choir. A letter containing good wishes for the New Year written by Rev. Dr. Raymond, formerly rector of the church, was read by Rev. R. Taylor McKim.

Seamens' Institute

At the Seamen's institute last evening the usual service was held with a very large attendance. An address was given by the Rev. Lawrence Tedford of the Tabernacle Church, the choir of the Tabernacle Church gave a much appreciated Anthem and two members of the choir sang solos which were greatly enjoyed. Refreshments were served by the Seamen's Institute Committee.

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Vital Statistics

Ten marriages were reported to the registrar of vital statistics during the week. Five births—four boys and one girl—were also reported. Fourteen deaths were reported to the Board of Health during the week. The causes were: Pneumonia, four; influenza, two; arterio sclerosis, two; carcinoma, septicaemia, heart disease, acute indigestion, sarcoma of lung and bowel trouble, one each.

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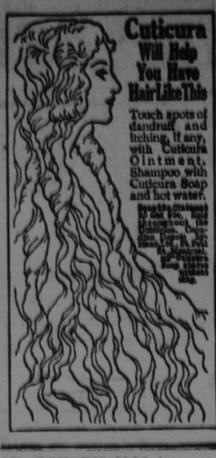
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ST. PETER'S Y.M.A. REUNION HELD

Large Number Present Yesterday Afternoon in Douglas Ave. Rooms — Programme Enjoyed and Presentations Made.

The annual Christmas reunion of the members of St. Peter's Y. M. A. was held yesterday afternoon in their rooms on Douglas avenue. During the course of the festivities a varied programme was carried out which consisted of the following: Musical selections by St. Peter's Y. M. A. orchestra; solos by Moore Brothers quartette; solo, E. Hansen; solo, Frank McFarlane; solo, Walter Bridge; reading, A. McNeely; reading, E. McNeill. A very enjoyable time was spent by all, and Leo Durick, the popular president of the society was in the chair. After the programme was carried through the spiritual director of the society, Rev. Father Hogan, C. S. R., was made the recipient of a travelling companion. The reverend gentleman was taken by surprise, and in a few well chosen remarks thanked the young men for their kind remembrance. Presentations were also made to Eugene McBride, director of St. Peter's orchestra, and each member offers to make many of the church functions a decided success.

Masons Install Officers in Char. County Lodges

Highway Attempt in Handbag Snatching at St. Stephen — Prominent Singer Delights Home Friends.

Special The Standard St. Stephen, N. B., Dec. 28.—Masonic Lodges in this section installed officers last evening as follows: St. Stephen, E. Edwin Carter, W. M.; Randall J. Webber, S. D.; L. B. Mitchell, J. W.; J. Vroom, Chap.; F. Douc, Sec.; Arthur Towers, I. G.; Horace Polley, Tyler. The installing officer was A. H. Hill, Victoria Lodge, Milltown; Julian Andrews, W. M.; Fred W. Boyd, S. W. M. N. Deacon, J. W.; H. M. Balkam, Treas.; W. H. Sinclair, Chap.; A. H. Hill, Sec.; J. H. French, G.; J. Smith, J. D.; O. D. Morrison, S. S.; John Johnson, J. S.; W. T. Watters, D. C.; Rev. A. J. W. Beck, Org.; Colin Watters, I. G.; Frank Roy, Tyler. The installing officer was A. H. Hill, Victoria Lodge, Milltown.

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Saturday And Sunday Arrests

Fourteen Persons Occupied the Cells at Police Headquarters Last Night—Four of the Number Were Arrested Yesterday.

Wandering together and being unable to give a satisfactory account of themselves, was the charge laid against John Agnew and Bruce Sterling, who were arrested by the police on Ludlow street, West Side, early yesterday morning. A similar charge was laid against Leo McLean and Charles Pierre, who were arrested on Sheriff street. John McLean and Charles McLean are charged with being drunk, and with having liquor in their possession other than in their private dwelling. They were arrested on Assault street. Ten drunks were also placed under arrest.

KOLCHAK RETIRES FROM COMMAND

Ill-Health Compels Him to Give Way to General Semenov.

Viadivostok, Wednesday, Dec. 24.—(By The Associated Press)—Admiral Kolchak, commanding the All Russian governmental forces opposing the Bolsheviks in Siberia, has retired from active command because of ill health and has appointed General Semenov to succeed as Commander-in-Chief, according to a message received here today by General Semenov's representative. The message, quoting Admiral Kolchak's order, said: "In order to unite our political organization, I name General Semenov Commander-in-Chief with headquarters in the Irkutsk and Trans-Baikal Russian military districts. All military commanders will be subordinate to him."

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P.E.I. EDITOR IN HUNT FOR FIANCE IN BOSTON CROWD

Finds Her Entering a Store, Rushes With Her to Court House Where They Secure Marriage License.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 28.—Hunting for his fiancée, Miss Gladys Bell, Christmas shopping crowds, and finding her at the entrance of a store was the exciting experience of F. Beverley Owen, editor of a Prince Edward Island newspaper, and a captain in a Gloucestershire regiment, in the British army, during the war. Captain Owen telegraphed Miss Bell that he was coming home for the holidays, and a tip from this five days residence law, was informed he had but an hour to bring his fiancée to the court house for the necessary paper. Captain Owen made a hurried exit and started on a hunt for Miss Bell and succeeded in finding her at the entrance of one of the big stores. Explanations followed and they arrived at the court house with time to spare. The marriage took place shortly after at a Presbyterian church.

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Told Stories of The Far North

Two Most Interesting Sermons Delivered by Rev. H. Girling, a Missionary Among the Esquimaux — Eldon Merritt's Work Praised.

A sermon of great interest was preached at St. John's (St. John) Church yesterday morning by Rev. H. Girling, a missionary of the Far North. Mr. Girling described the tremendous extent of his parish which is the site of Saskatchewan and spoke of the difficulties of travel and the curious customs of the Esquimaux. Their religion is one of terror and they live in dread of evil spirits. He told of the effect of the Gospel on the lives of the people. He paid a high tribute to the heroism and endurance shown by Eldon Merritt of St. John who was one of the companions on the perilous journey undertaken in search of a new tribe of Esquimaux. Music at yesterday morning's service included the singing of "Nazareth" with solos by Miss Parlee and DeWitt Cairns. Mr. Girling preached before a very large congregation at Trinity church last evening telling many interesting stories of his work among the Esquimaux.

Affiliated Trades Will Stand With Machinists' Union

The Attitude of Organized Labor Towards Cummins' Bill Will be Made Known at Conference Today.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—The attitude of organized Railway Employees towards the anti-strike provision of the Cummins Railroad Bill will be formally stated in a declaration of principles to be drafted by the heads of all the Brotherhoods at a conference here Monday with President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor. Labor leaders declared today that "nothing drastic was to be expected," but the general view among organized workers was that the affiliated Trades would stand by the Railway Machinists' Union which voted to quit work if Congress enacted the anti-strike provision. Senators and Representatives now in Washington expressed the opinion, however, that the House would not accept the bill as it came from the Senate. The heads of the four big Brotherhoods and the ten affiliated Trades Unions will be here tomorrow for the conference with President Gompers which was called for the specific purpose of considering the pending railroad legislation.

Canadian Hay Going to States Valuable Fodder

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 28.—Internal revenue officers have started an investigation caused by a tip from this city of a charge that whiskey is being smuggled into the United States from Canada in bales of hay. In a shipment of hay recently received here officers report they have found two bottles of liquor concealed in the centre of nearly every bale.

OBITUARY

Basile Luinda Gunning, Special to The Standard, Moncton, N. B., Dec. 28.—Friends were shocked to hear of the death of Basile Luinda Gunning, which occurred Saturday afternoon at the City Hospital, following an operation for appendicitis some weeks ago. Deceased had been a student nurse for the past year and was a High School graduate of the class of 1917. She was a general favorite and beloved by all who knew her. She was nineteen years old, and was the second daughter of Mrs. Gunning and the late J. Seymour Gunning, of Ganalingsville. She is survived by her mother and two sisters.

Henry P. Melancon, Special to The Standard, Moncton, Dec. 28.—Henry P. Melancon, who had been in the employ of the government railway some twenty-five years, formerly a trainman and of late a switchman in the Moncton yard, died at his home here last evening following a stroke of paralysis Friday night. Deceased was 67 years old and was well known, particularly among railway men. He was born at Scotford, Westmorland county. He is survived by his widow, six sons and four daughters. Four of the sons, Camille, Clarence, Ernest and Hillare are employees of the C. N. R. Ernest is travelling passenger agent at Quebec and Clarence is also at Quebec. One of his daughters, Mrs. Ernest Ryan, lives in Paris, and another daughter, Mrs. Edward Cormier, resides in Amherst. Deceased was a member of the Brotherhood of Trainmen.

Mrs. Clifford Torey, Halifax, December 28.—The wife of Clifford L. Torey, accountant for S. M. Limited, died tonight. Her husband left for England a week ago and at that time Mrs. Torey was in her usual health. Pneumonia was the cause of death.

CONDITIONS IN EGYPT IMPROVED, SAYS GEN. ALLENBY

London, Dec. 28.—Field Marshal Allenby, British High Commissioner in Egypt, is quoted by the Cairo correspondent of the Daily Mail as saying in an interview on December 23 that conditions in Egypt generally were improving. The opportunity offered to representative people to lay their views before the Milner commission was being more and more widely accepted. The recent unrest, said Viscount Allenby, was not of such a special character as imagined, but was an example of restiveness under authority manifested in many parts of the world as a consequence of the war. The Commissioner spoke appreciatively of the Sultan, with whom he worked in perfect collaboration, and added that the members of the Government also were excellent and helpful men, while many prominent persons outside of the Government have expressed a desire to co-operate with the British.

NINETEEN ARRESTS.

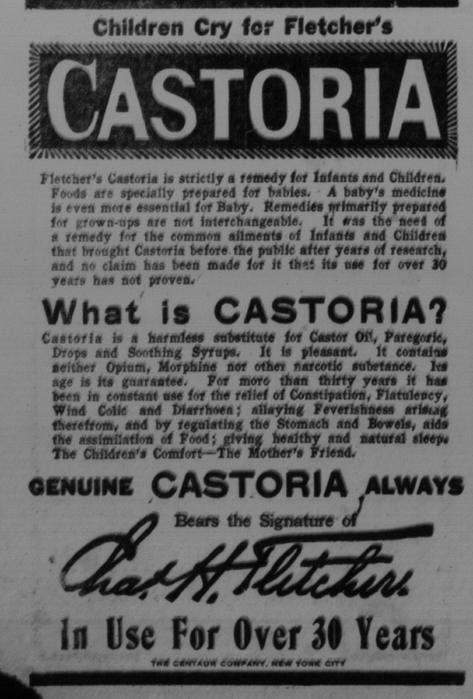
Three negroes, Max Tangel, Timothy Hemmings and Charles Thomas were arrested last night on Pettigill's wharf; they are charged with being drunk and with fighting. Two arrests were made in Carleton, Allen Smith and Roland Parker; are charged with being drunk and with breaking glass the property of A. C. Smith. This makes nineteen arrests for Saturday and Sunday.

BORN.

GRANVILLE—On December 27th, 1919, to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley D. Granville, 48 Adelaide street, a son, JOHNSTON—On December 28th, to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon M. Johnston, a son.

MARRIED.

ORCHARD-DE-LONG—December 24th, at White's Cove, N. B., by Rev. D. Patterson, Cambridge, N. B., James City Orchard to Grace Lavina, eldest daughter of John DeLong, all of White's Cove, N. B. BLACK-GAMBLIN—At Midland, Kings county, December 23, 1919, by Rev. I. E. Vanwart, Lizzie S. Black to Frank Eldon Gamblin.



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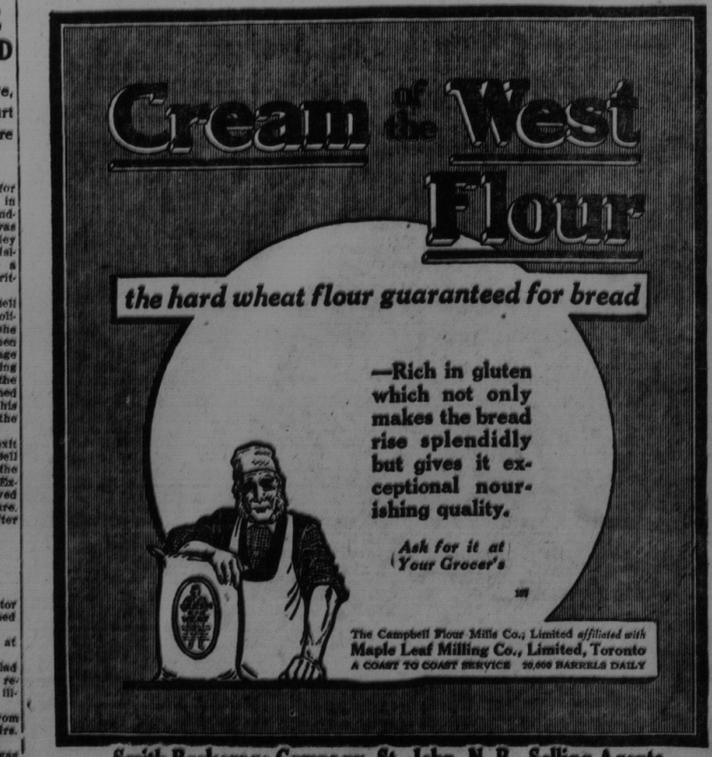
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THE STANDARD'S SPORTING SECTION

British Football Results Saturday

First Division, Second Division, Southern League and Scottish League—Forty-Three Games in All Played.

London, Dec. 28.—(Canada) Associated Press.—British football results Saturday were:

First Division
Bolton Wanderers 2; Blackburn Rovers 1.
Bradford 1; Middleboro 1.
Burnley 1; Preston N.E. 1.
Chelsea 1; Sheffield United 0.
Liverpool 3; Everton 1.
Manchester City 1; Sunderland 0.
Newcastle United 2; Manchester United 1.
Notts County 6; Bradford City 0.
Oldham 0; Aston Villa 3.
Sheffield Wednesday 1; Arsenal 2.
West Bromwich 3; Derby County 0.

Second Division
Birmingham 4; Grimsby T. 0.
Blackpool 0; Bristol City 0.
Clapton 0; Coventry City 2.
Hull City 10; Wolverhampton 3.
Lincoln City 2; Bury 1.
Rotherham 1; Fulham 1.
South Shields 3; Stockport 2.
Stoke 3; Loughborough 0.
Tottenham U. 4; Bransford 0.
West Ham U. 1; Huddersfield 1.

Southern League
Bristol Rovers 3; Gillingham 1.
Brighton 1; Cardiff City 2.
Crystal Palace 1; Millwall 0.
Merthyr T. 2; Exeter City 1.
Northampton 1; Brighton and H. 1.
Norwich 3; Queens Park R. 1.
Plymouth A. 0; Swansea T. 1.
Plymouth S.; Newport 1.
Reading 1; Luton 2.
Southampton 5; Watford 1.
South End U. 0; Swindon 1.

Scottish League
Airdrieonians 2; Aberdeen 0.
Ayr United 0; Rangers 3.
Celtic 2; Third Lanark 1.
Dunfermline 4; Raith Rovers 1.
Dundee 3; Hibernians 1.
Falkirk 3; Dumbarton 2.
Hamilton A. 2; Clyde 2.
Hearts 3; Morton 6.
Patrick Thistle 2; Albion R. 0.
Queens Park 1; Kilmarnock 3.
St. Mirren 2; Motherwell 0.

ST. PATRICK'S BEAT QUEBEC

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 28.—St. Patrick's defeated Quebec by 7 to 4 here on Saturday night when the Irish hockey stars made their first appearance for the season, and the crowd present was estimated at close to seven thousand. Frank Heffernan's team, when the players get into better condition, should be a warm contender for the national hockey league championship. St. Patrick's clearly outplayed the visiting team.

REGINA VICS WON SATURDAY

Regina, Sask., Dec. 28.—Condition told the tale Saturday night when the Regina Vics defeated the Saskatoon sextets 7 to 2.

SWIMMING MEET

The entries for the swimming meet at the Y. M. C. A. close today at noon. The events are to start at 7.45 sharp, Tuesday evening.

THE COMMERCIAL LEAGUE

In the Commercial League on Blackie's Saturday night the Maritime Nail Works bowling team defeated Vasse & Company's quintette by taking four points.

ST. PETERS WON FROM REFINERY

Fast Game of Basketball Played in the Y.M.C.A. Saturday Night—Score Was 17 to 11

A fast and exciting game of basketball was played in the Y. M. C. A. Saturday night, between a team from St. Peter's Y. M. A. and a team from the Atlantic Sugar Refinery. The game was keenly contested, and the play in the first half was very close, ending with St. Peter's two points in the lead, the score then being 8-4.

In the second half, both teams went on the floor determined to win, each basket being greeted with applause by the large crowd present. The game ended in favor of St. Peter's Y. M. A., the score being 17 to 11.

The teams lined up as follows:

Atlantic Sugar Refinery
St. Peter's Y. M. A. Sugar Refinery
Forwards:
J. Dever Regan
Walsh Wilson
Centre:
McNulty McGourty
Howard Driscoll
H. Dever Rolfe
Referee, Frank Thorne.
Scorer, H. M. Clary.

Rexton

Rexton, N. B., Dec. 27.—Ernest Forster, of Campbellton, arrived here Wednesday afternoon to spend Christmas with his family.

Martin Conway, who has lately returned from overseas, is visiting his father, James Conway, Sr.

The Misses Stella and Emma Langan arrived home on Wednesday from a short visit to Moncton.

Alfred Beattie is quite ill at his home here.

Thomas Brown, of Maine, is visiting his family in Rexton. Mr. Brown's son, Richard, is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Miss Arvilla McLellan, who has been teaching at Upper Rexton, is spending her vacation in Moncton with her mother, Mrs. Robert McLellan, and her sister, Mrs. A. L. Duff.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Langan and little child and Mr. Frank R. Langan, of Bridgewater, N. S., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Keady Langan.

Roy Lawson, of Mount Whatley, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Palmer. On his return home he was accompanied by Mrs. Lawson, who has been visiting her parents here for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Hudson returned today from a visit to friends in Mundville.

John Ferguson, of Tatamagouche, N. S., is visiting his brother, H. M. Ferguson, J. P.

Harry Ghencross, of the Royal Bank of Canada, Halifax, spent Christmas with his parents at Upper Rexton.

Miss Annie McInerney, of the staff of the Bank of Nova Scotia, St. John, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Frank McInerney.

The many friends of James M. Burns regret to hear of his illness at his home here.

Miss Lynn Wright, of Montreal; Miss Beatrice Wright, of Dorchester, N. B.; and Miss Mary Wright, of Buxton, N. B., are spending their vacation at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wright, at Jardineville.

Miss Clara Palmer, who teaches at Lower Millstream, and her sister, Miss Minnie Palmer, teacher at Centerville.

Christmas Day Rugby Results

Games Played on Boxing Day—Also Saturday's Rugby Matches—Many Games Played in England.

London, Dec. 28.—Christmas Day results were:

Northern Union
Wigan, 78; Leigh, 8.
Hullfax 7; Huddersfield 5.
Oldham 10; Swinton 2.
Hull Kingston 6; Hull 14.
St. Helens Recreation 21; St. Helens 6.

Rochele Hornets 17; Bradford 5.
Batley 9; Huddersfield 6.
Leeds 17; Bramley 6.
Boxing Day results were:

Northern Union
Barrow 3; Rochdale Hornets 0.
Dewsbury 13; Padley 0.
Hull 8; Halifax 10.
Kegley 3; Hull, Kingston Rovers 0.

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THE SCHOOL BOYS' SWIMMING EVENTS

In Y.M.C.A. Pool Saturday Morning Frank Kerr Won Senior All Round Honors—Don Stratton Winner in Junior Events.

A big squad of the schoolboy swimmers turned out Saturday morning for the string of races run off in the "Y" pool. The events were divided into two classes, those for boys over 100 lbs., and those for boys weighing under that weight.

The senior all-round honors went to Frank Kerr, who won most of the events in his class, although closely pushed by Bill Curran.

In the one-length speed, Kerr and Curran tied in the good time of seven seconds. In the fifty yards (four lengths) they fought all the way, Curran almost overtaking Kerr on the last lap. Curran won the next dive, and Kerr the long plunge, the honors being even for the diving.

The junior all-round championship was won by Don Stratton, who was the winner of two firsts and two seconds. Wesley Stewart came second with one first and two seconds. The junior events were all very keenly contested. All the boys showed up well, and the results were very close.

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GREAT BRITAIN FACES PROBLEMS OF COMING YEAR FULL OF WINNING OPTIMISTIC SPIRIT

Premier Most Cheerful Optimist of All and, Despite the Financial and Political Difficulties Ahead, Has Faith That Everything Will Work Out for the Best—Steady Commercial Revival Adds Confidence.

(By the Associated Press.)
London, Dec. 28.—The people of Great Britain look forward to a new year full of financial and political difficulties but with greater optimism than they would have thought possible a few months ago.

A "new world fit for heroes to live in" which was an ideal of the war has not yet been fully attained, but the British people are trying to face the future in an invincible faith in the nation's ability to conquer all troubles.

The most cheerful optimist of all is Premier Lloyd George. Under the leadership of his unflinching faith that everything will work out for the best, the clouds of dependency, pictured by the newspapers as thickest when the Chancellor of the Exchequer declared that the nation was heading for bankruptcy, say Britons have visibly lifted.

A foremost cause for confidence is the steady commercial revival and cessation of labor troubles. These give ground for prediction by optimists that Great Britain will return to normal conditions sooner than other great European countries which engaged in the war.

Manufacturers in many lines have business booked far ahead. The cotton trade, out of the basic British industries, is said to have all the orders it can fill for the next five years.

Shippers say they are in the yet to be a continued that America will be able to take away the former British supremacy in the carrying trade. They base their confidence on the belief that while the Britishers are a seafaring race, the Americans are not.

Apparently they believe that American ships built in the war are destined to be sought eventually by disinterested maritime powers. Their confidence however, is not iron-clad. Lord Inchcape told the shareholders of one Great Britain steamship company that over its ships a government turned Great Britain need not be afraid, but if the American people were to be taxed to build up their mercantile marine, the outlook for the shipping industry in these islands was nothing but rosy.

British bankers and merchants look forward to a great increase of business with South America in 1920. They expect to hold their present customers and to gain much of what Germany lost. They profess to discount the prospect that the United States will acquire control of the South American field.

Many nations are anxious to buy from Great Britain. How some of them can pay is a problem. The decline in exchange rates had a depressing effect on American trade but change with France, Italy and smaller markets is favorable to Great Britain.

Against these reasons for business confidence stand two handicaps in the form of financial and labor conditions. The national debt appears appalling to the British public but optimists argue that it is smaller than was the debt after the Napoleonic wars, measured by the country's wealth and potential producing power.

The question of clearing the decks by some form of a capital levy is still at the front and may be one of the burning political questions of the year. The nationalization of mines and railways is another problem, and with it are linked questions of hours and wages which confront all industries alike and which England shares with America. It has been said that Great Britain is recovering after the Napoleonic wars was possible through underpaid labor but British employers do not expect this to be among the assets of the future. On the contrary, many industrial leaders say British industry is facing a question whether the steady increase in wages may not become a dangerous handicap in competition with other countries.

Labor has other prospective benefits in the promise of Premier Lloyd George's great scheme for building comfortable workmen's homes throughout the country, which is just beginning to materialize and in plans for insurance against unemployment which have not yet developed. The principle of the latter plan is that all men out of work through no fault of their own shall be assured of a respectable living as a right, without any taint of pauperism.

Ireland still is regarded, as one of the government's most difficult and threatening domestic problems. Early forecasts of the new Home Rule bill met nothing but opposition from all Irish factions. The Sinn Fein, with a majority of the Irish votes, threatens to boycott the scheme as it boycotts the British Parliament.

India and Egypt are being weighed in the balance with hopes and fears as intense as those centred upon Ireland. India will see in the new year the beginning of the program of Edwin Samuel Montagu for new measures of self-government. Establishment of a protective over Egypt is now being resisted with much the same bitterness and same methods as the Irish resisted the present ad-

Ottawa Won From Canadiens

Score Was 2 to 0 Saturday Night in Ottawa in the National Hockey League Fixture.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 28.—Ottawa secured a clear lead in the National Hockey League race Saturday night, when they defeated Canadiens at the local Arena by a score of 2 to 0. It was their second straight shut-out and they have not yet been scored against. Their Excellencies the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, with Lady Rachel Cavendish and a party of guests from Government House occupied the Vice-Royal box and followed the play closely.

(London Express.)

Little time has been wasted by the organizers of outrage in Co. Clare. Within a few days of the battle between two shooting parties comes the derailment of a mail train. The Government, at all events, cannot complain of ambiguity on the part of those who wish to overthrow even the semblance of law and order, thus to make Ireland free and happy. It may be well to introduce yet another Home Rule Bill. We shall examine that measure when it is divulged with a genuine anxiety to find in it some hope of the success denied to any one of its predecessors. Meanwhile, and before any scheme of self-government can be launched in Ireland, the first duty of the Government is the vindication of law and order. We await with some impatience such clearly necessary steps as the substitution of another tribunal for the jury system in Ireland. It is well to find the Lord Chief Justice of Ireland, himself a Roman Catholic endorsing our argument that it is the obvious duty of the Irish priesthood to wield their wide influence against the campaign of murder and outrage. But a lead must come from the top—if not from that Dr. Walsh who has subscribed to the Sinn Fein fund, then from the Vatican itself.

BASKETBALL TONIGHT

The Basketball Tournament for all the senior members of the Y. M. C. A. which is scheduled for tonight promises to be very interesting, and a good squad are expected to turn out for the events.

The players are asked to be on hand by 7.45, when the teams will be chosen. All visiting players of the various colleges in town for the holidays are invited to take part.

Irkutsk, Dec. 25.—(Russian Telegraphic Agency)—The uprising in Turkestan against the Bolshevik continues, according to a wireless despatch sent out by the Soviet Government at Moscow. The anti-Bolshevik forces have occupied the cities of Kichkan and Shokrov, in Fergana province, and are advancing on Laspkent.

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A QUICK TURN OVER

Property on Charlotte street recently purchased by W. B. Tennant, was sold to F. G. Spencer, as mentioned before this property runs the Unique Theatre to Trinity St. with a large lot of land in the rear.

NINETEEN ARRESTS.

On December 27th, 1919, nineteen arrests were made in Carleton Place, Ontario. The arrests were made in Carleton Place, Ontario.

BORN.

On December 27th, 1919, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley D. Smith, 45 Adelaide street, a son, Stanley D. Smith, Jr.

MARRIED.

On December 24th, 1919, at Carleton Place, Ontario, by Rev. D. J. Johnson, Cambridge, N. B., James A. Orchard to Grace Lavina, eldest daughter of John Lavina, 45 Adelaide street, a son, Stanley D. Smith, Jr.

DECEASED.

On December 23rd, 1919, at Carleton Place, Ontario, by Rev. D. J. Johnson, Cambridge, N. B., James A. Orchard to Grace Lavina, eldest daughter of John Lavina, 45 Adelaide street, a son, Stanley D. Smith, Jr.

How it seems

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THE TELEPHONE QUESTION.

The Public Utilities Commission has authority to call expert witnesses in any case that comes before it, and in view of the broad questions raised by the application of the New Brunswick Telephone Company for increased rates and a new system of levying them, the Commission will doubtless see that they have the best advice obtainable. Experts on civic affairs and public franchises have no great reputation in St. John at the present time. Experts predicted a multitude of brilliant accomplishments by Commission Form of Government which are still in process of incubation. Experts brought here by the Board of Trade promised to effect a revolution in the industrial and commercial position of the city, but the revolution is still in the offing. Experts tangled up the New Brunswick Power and Street Railway question till all the parties concerned came to the conclusion that about the only thing to do was to ask the Supreme Court to try to untangle it.

However, the telephone question is not in the same category as street railway or power questions. Public operation and private operation of classes of railways have produced two classes of experts, having divergent viewpoints. Generally speaking all large telephone systems on this continent have been built up and operated by private companies subject to a rather strong system of public control. When telephone development was in its infancy some people made money; but for years telephone companies have been remarkable for conservative financing, and a pronounced disposition to give good service.

The New Brunswick Telephone Company has been, by general admission, a model public service corporation. It has conscientiously endeavored to live up to a high standard of public service. Its St. John system has been operated with an efficiency probably unequalled by any city in the country, and its long distance service will bear comparison with any of its kind.

On general principles the company's application for increased revenues is understandable, for the costs of all sorts of services and commodities have increased, and its record has hitherto been so exemplary that no one jumps at the conclusion that it is now trying to gouge the public. But its application at best merely represents an estimate of what it may think fair and reasonable, and the Public Utilities Commission should doubtless have the best expert advice obtainable before making a decision. There is no particular reason why the Provincial Government should employ experts to appear, as it were, on behalf of the public. It is not a question of employing one expert to give evidence on public operation of telephones and another to give evidence on private operation of telephones. In any case the value of the evidence of a public operation expert from England would be problematical, for the telephone service in England is in many ways very inferior to the telephone system in New Brunswick. It would seem to be the best policy for the Public Utilities Commissioners themselves to select an expert or experts to investigate the situation and report to them. The company doubtless would be satisfied with an impartial procedure, and the Public Utilities Commissioners are certainly competent to select an expert, if they are competent to render a verdict on the evidence presented to them. But the value of expert testimony can be easily over-rated; at the best it can be only disinterested advice consisting of a rough approximation of the issues involved, subject to variations of circumstances which cannot be foreseen. The company cannot tell whether its estimate of the cost of needed improvements will prove correct, nor can an expert, for the cost of labor or material may be affected by quite unexpected circumstances. And when the company introduces a new system of charges, all the experts in the world cannot foretell how it will work out except in a general way. Nor could the subscribers themselves foretell how many calls they will make under the new system. As the company proposes a new departure the decision should be subject to periodical review in the interests of the company as well as of telephone users.

NEW COMPACT PROPOSED.

In view of the failure of the United States to ratify the Peace Treaty of the Anglo-American-French agreement to oppose another unprovoked German onslaught, the French press are advocating a military compact between England, France, Italy and Belgium. King Albert and his advisors have naturally lost faith in the value of guaranteed neutrality, and would be very willing to enter into an alliance with England and France. Some time ago Signors Nititi and Titoni were advocating a permanent military compact with France and England, but the recent elections in Italy have made it

difficult for them to carry out their views. If they now asked Italy to undertake military obligations on the Rhine, the chauvinist spirit of the army would probably demand important concessions on the Adriatic. And even if the Adriatic troubles are adjusted, as they seem likely to be, by further concessions to the Italian point of view, there would still be difficulties in the way of bringing Italy into a permanent military alliance with the Western Powers. The Socialist group which came back with increased strength at the recent elections is always denouncing what they call Entente capitalism; there are various questions of Mediterranean policy on which Italy has divergent views from both France and England; and the attitude of the Catholic Popular Party, upon which Nititi's Government practically depends for its existence, is uncertain. Idealistic and pacifist in temper this party is a strong supporter of the League of Nations, and rather frowns upon military compacts as contrary to the spirit of the League and the new humanitarianism. If America remains out of the League, a military compact between France, England and Italy may be arranged eventually, but at present there appear to be grave obstacles in the way. If America comes in, such a compact may not be considered advisable.

GERMANY'S PLIGHT.

Alarm appears to be felt in England over Germany's economic position, which threatens to become as bad as Austria's with the danger of falling into Bolshevism. The Berlin correspondent of the London Economist gives a gloomy picture of conditions there. Great industrial works are closing down for lack of coal, throwing thousands out of work. And Germany is being doubly drained of her wealth by importing goods at world market prices, while she is paid for her exports at her own price level. Manufacturers are frightened, and as a rule the profit is reaped not by foreign consumers, but by foreign importers, middlemen and retailers. "The Allies have need to consider the problem of setting Germany upon her feet," says the correspondent; "if she is not saved from economic disaster she may drag the rest of Europe into the abyss of bankruptcy."

A GOVERNMENT JOB.

While the Government guaranteed the grain growers a price of \$2.15 for wheat, the statement issued by Sir George Foster shows that the Canadian Wheat Board has been able to obtain an average price on the wheat so far sold of approximately \$2.28. As the farmers are to receive the difference, less the cost of marketing, this looks somewhat like a New Year's present. In view of the recent clamor of the grain growers there seems to be irony in the fact that while the Grain Board has sold 3,395,300 bushels in Great Britain at an average price of \$2.31, on the 4,688,987 bushels sold in the United States the price was only \$2.00. On these American sales the Government loses money, for it will have to pay the farmers the minimum of \$2.15.

So far the Wheat Board has sold 48,379,315 bushels to foreign countries, yielding a return of \$10,483,265. Average prices on the quantities sold were: United States, \$2.00; Great Britain, \$2.31; France, \$2.25; Italy, \$2.20; Greece, \$2.24. Probably the grain growers will not be satisfied with these prices; but on the whole it looks as if the Government had done much better for them than if they had been obliged to market their crop through middlemen, who might have attempted to exploit the necessities of the Mother Country and her Allies.

The advance of the Bolsheviks through Siberia is reported to be making progress eastward, and gaining recruits; able-bodied men in occupied territories are given the choice of bearing arms or starving. The Reds are reported to be menacing India through Turkestan. Shipping Reds to Russia will hardly stop the Bolshevik movement.

Sir Horace Plunkett said the other day that no plan of government for Ireland evolved by Englishmen would ever be effective. Even the plan proposed by the great Welshman is not acceptable, and Sir Horace himself was chairman of the convention of Irishmen that tried to find a settlement and failed. De Valera appears to think he will be able to find the solution in the United States.

Attorney-General Palmer has offered a New Year's gift to the American people. He looks for a substantial fall in food prices on January 1.

WHAT THEY SAY

Should Be Grateful. Borden is grateful to his colleagues

but all Canada should be grateful to Borden.

Dr. McPhail's Joke. (Hamilton Spectator.)

Professor McPhail, of McGill, Montreal, professes to believe that Sir Lomer Gouin, Premier of Quebec, is the future hope of Canada. Aw, gwan, now prof! Quit yer kiddin'!

A Bolshevik Victory. (Buffalo Express.)

A Russian bank balance of 25,000 roubles was auctioned in New York on Thursday and brought the owner \$350. This is about 1.4 cents a rouble. Before the war the exchange on Petrograd was worth at parity slightly more than 51 cents a rouble. Another victory for the Bolshevik!

The Time of Accounting. (Montreal Journal of Commerce.)

A time has come when the war spirit no longer overwhelms other things. The day of accounting has begun. Here, as elsewhere, there has arisen a spirit of unrest, of discontent, a disposition to expect from all governments much more than they can do.

Buy at Home. (Calgary Herald.)

Never has there been a time when a campaign for the purchase of "Made-in-Canada" merchandise was more opportune than now. The people have a fine object lesson before them in the foreign exchange situation in New York.

What About War Here? (Hamilton Herald.)

Now that Judge Cohan has candidly admitted to a committee of the U. S. Congress that he would have the United States go to war with Ireland in order to "free Ireland," the average American citizen should be able to realize what Irish agitation in the States really means.

Poor Old King Coal. (Philadelphia Record.)

Old King Coal was a merry old soul—but now look at him! His bow is dry, and his daddlers three—operator, miner and public—are still fiddling and fiddling and accomplishing nothing.

A BIT OF VERSE

FAR FROM THE MADDING CROWD

It seems to me I'd like to go
Where bells don't ring nor whistles blow,
Nor clocks don't strike, nor gongs don't sound,
But where there's stillness all around!

Not real stillness—just the trees' Low whisper or the croon of bees;
The drowsy tinkling of a rill,
Or twilight song of whippoorwill.

'Twould be a joy could I behold
The dappled fields of green and gold,
Or in the cool, sweet clover lie
And watch the cloud-ships drifting by.

I'd like to find some quaint old boat
And fold its oars and with it float
Along the limpid, lazy stream
Where water-lilies drowse and dream.

Sometimes it seems to me I must
Just quit the city's din and dust,
For fields of green and skies of blue;
And, say! how does it seem to you?

—Nixon Waterman, in Boston Transcript.

A BIT OF FUN

No Rye. Sport note: Wild oats will hereafter be sown without the customary admixture of rye.

A Pathetic Figure. Nothing is more pathetic than the salaried man, whom experience has repeatedly shown that an increase of salary does him no good, but who still clings to his outgrown hope.

The Common Cry. Most everywhere we hear this yelp: "We're so much in trouble With the help."

An Alternative. "Say 'Merry Christmas' with a handkerchief!" "Or, if you can't do that, say 'Berry Christmas!' And blow your wife to a Happy New Year."

Would Like the Secret. Mrs. Gadabout—"That Mrs. Hard-head next door doesn't seem to have many friends. Hostess (wearily)—"N-no. I wonder how she manages it?"—Boston Transcript.

Brute! The Bride: "My only worry is about mother. She's bound to miss me terribly." Friend: "Ah, well, she can't complain. After all, she's had you longer than most mothers keep their daughters."

A Knitter in the Sun. The Sire—"What's Ethel raving about? She acts crazy." The Mother—"She was knitting."

Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE

THE PARK AVE. NEWS.

Sports. A artists contest took place outside of Benny Potters house last Saturday afternoon, all the fellows drawing each others pictures on the street with wite chalk to see if anybody could guess who they was sippid to be, Persey Weaver drawing a fierce looking face and saying it was supposed to be Reddy Merly, wich Reddy Merly got mad and sed he would either half to ipologise or die, wich Persey Weaver neerly had to do both.

Sisley. Mr. Charles (Pais) Simkins can play 3 short peeces on the piano now, being hard to tell wich is the best on account of them all sounding so much alike.

Pome by Skinny Martin.

Wats in A Color?

A wite egg and a brown egg laid side by side,
Both perfect without a crack,
And 2 little chickens wawked out of them,
And both little chickens was black.

Intresting Facts About Intrinsing People. Sam Cross can tern around 65 times without getting dizzy, but it makes his mother and father nerviss to watch him, so he dont get much chance to practice.

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Lost and Found. Neither while drying her hair and she's just found out that she's knitted the best part of her tresses into a sock.

Good Exercise. "Does she exercise her voice very much?" "Why she makes running comments on everything."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

What's the Matter With California? "My wife has a great scheme to save coal."

"What is it?" "Spense the winter in Florida."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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MONTREAL SALES

Montreal, Dec. 27, 1919. (McDougall and Cowan) Steamships Common—125 @ 78%; Steamships Pfd—10 @ 84%; 10 @ 84.

Victory Loan 1923—21,000 @ 102%; 75,000 @ 98%; Victory Loan 1927—1,000 @ 103%; Victory Loan 1927—8,500 @ 101; 300 @ 100%.

Victory Loan 1933—5,000 @ 102%; 4,000 @ 98%; Victory Loan 1933—5,000 @ 102%; 9,000 @ 102%.

Dom Textile—140 @ 122; 25 @ 123; Can Cement—25 @ 73%; Steel Can Com—324 @ 83; 360 @ 87%; 100 @ 87%.

Dom Iron Pfd—5 @ 92; Dom Iron Com—75 @ 75; 125 @ 74%; 250 @ 74%; Shawinigan—117 @ 117; General Elec—10 @ 105.

1841 War Loan—6,000 @ 96%; 1837 War Loan—3,500 @ 99%; Can Car Pfd—295 @ 107; Can Car Com—340 @ 68; 605 @ 70; 75 @ 69%.

Bell Tele—41 @ 112; Montreal Power—245 @ 90; Ontario Steel—5 @ 67%; 100 @ 67%; 200 @ 67%.

Laar Pulp—200 @ 275; 25 @ 272; 200 @ 272; 25 @ 274%; Smelting—25 @ 28%; British Ry—10 @ 23%.

Quebec Ry—10 @ 23%; Abasco Com—4 @ 85; 20 @ 85%; Atlantic Sugar Co—120 @ 71%; 180 @ 71%.

Lyall—10 @ 85; 75 @ 85; Breweries—25 @ 81%; 25 @ 179%; 65 @ 180; 25 @ 181; 30 @ 180%.

Spanish River Com—150 @ 89; 25 @ 89%; 25 @ 89%; 250 @ 89; 175 @ 89%; 50 @ 90; 20 @ 89%; 50 @ 89%; 25 @ 89%; 30 @ 89%.

Dom Canners—25 @ 88%; 150 @ 88%; Spas River Pfd—875 @ 128; 75 @ 128%; 100 @ 128%.

Brompton—450 @ 88%; 275 @ 87; 75 @ 186%; 200 @ 85%; 50 @ 86%; Ames Holden Pfd—65 @ 109%; 25 @ 109%.

Glass Com—90 @ 62; N. A. P.—100 @ 4%; 100 @ 4%; Tram Power—2 @ 114; 1 @ 21; 25 @ 21%.

Montreal, Dec. 27, 1919. Ask. Ames Com—150; Ames Pfd—100; Abilbil—288; Brazilian L. H. and P.—50%; Brompton—85%; Canada Car—70; Canada Car Pfd—107; Canada Cement Pfd—69; Can Cotton—109; Detroit United—1107; Dean Bridge—105%; Dom Canners—68; Dom Tex Com—122%; Dom Iron Pfd—74; Dom Iron Com—74; Laurentide Paper Co—273; MacDonald Com—44%; Mt L. H. and P.—89%; N. Scotia Steel Co—64; Ogilvie—273; Penman's Limited—110; Quebec Railway—284; Rioron—180%; Shaw W and P Co.—117%; Spanish River Pfd—128%; Spanish Ry—87%; Toronto Ralls—42; Wayagamack—86%.

CHICAGO PRICES

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Corn—No. 3 mixed, not quoted; No. 3 mixed, \$1.37 1-2 to \$1.37 3-4; No. 3 yellow, \$1.41. Oats—No. 2 white, 84 to 85 1-4; No. 3 white, 82 3-4 to 84. Rye—No. 2, \$1.77 1-2 to \$1.78 1-2. Barley—\$1.40 to \$1.54. Timothy—\$8.50 to \$11.50. Clover—Nominal. Lard—\$23.30 to \$23.40; pork, nominal; ribs, \$18 to \$19.

MARKET REPORTS

STOCKS, BONDS AND PRODUCE

TORONTO GRAIN QUOTATIONS

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 28.—The grain quotations on the Toronto Board of Trade, Saturday, were as follows: Manitoba wheat, No. 1 northern, \$2.30; No. 2, \$2.27; No. 3, \$2.23; in store Fort William. Manitoba oats, No. 2, c. w., 93; No. 3 c. w., 89 3-4; No. 1 feed, 88 3-4; No. 2 feed, 84 3-4; extra No. 1 feed, 90; Fort William, in store. American corn, not quoted. Canadian corn, feed, nominal. Manitoba barley, in store Fort William, No. 3, c. w., \$1.71; No. 4, c. w., \$1.65; rejected, \$1.33; feed, \$1.93 5-8. Ontario wheat, No. 1, \$2.00 to \$2.01; No. 2, \$1.87 to \$2.03 f. o. b. shipping points, according to freights; No. 3, \$1.93 to \$1.99; No. 1 spring, \$2.02 to \$2.08; No. 2, \$1.99 to \$2.05; No. 3, \$1.95 to \$2.01. Ontario oats, No. 3, 95 cents to 98 cents. Rye, maling, \$1.60 to \$1.65. Puckwheat, \$1.32 to \$1.35. Rye, No. 2, nominal; No. 3, \$1.60 to \$1.65. Peas, No. 2, \$2.75, according to freights outside. Ontario flour, Government standard, Montreal, \$9.20 to \$9.45; in lute bags, \$9.15. Manitoba flour, Government standard, \$11, Toronto. Millfeed, carlots, delivered Montreal: Shorts, \$50; middlings, not quoted; bran, \$45; good feed flour, per bag, \$2.15 to \$2.30. Hay, baled, truck Toronto, No. 1, \$27; No. 2, mixed, \$21 to \$23 per ton. Straw, car lots, \$14.50 to \$15.50.

N. Y. QUOTATIONS

Open, High, Low, Close. Am Beet Sug 93 1/2. Am Car Fdry 141 1/2. Am Loco 103 1/2. Am Sugar 138 1/2. Am Smelting 68. Am Std Fdry 45 1/2. Am Woolen 121 1/2. Anaconda 60 1/2. Am Tele 95 1/2. A. H. and L. P. 121 1/2. Am Can 64 1/2. Atchafson 83 1/2. Balt and O. 33 1/2. 113 and Loco 97 1/2. Beth Steel 96 1/2. B. R. T. 11 1/2. Butte and S. 35 1/2. Central Loco 97 1/2. C. F. I. 42 1/2. Chesa and O 56 1/2. Chlco 37 1/2. Mex Pet 22 1/2. Crucible St 218 1/2. Erie Com 18. Gen'l Elec 20 1/2. G. North Pfd 79 1/2. Goodrich Rub 80 1/2. Gen Motors 33 1/2. Gen'l Elec 20 1/2. Mer Mar Pfd 109 1/2. Indus Alco 110 1/2. Deep Copper 57 1/2. Midvale Stl 50 1/2. Kon Copper 23 1/2. Lehigh Val 42 1/2. N. Y. NH and H 25 1/2. U. S. Rubber 128 1/2. Nor and West 97 1/2. North Pa 80 1/2. National Ld 81 1/2. Pennsylvania 40 1/2. Pr Stl Car 102 1/2. Reading Com 78 1/2. Republic Stl 119 1/2. Royal Dutch 92 1/2. St. Paul 37 1/2. South Pacific 104 1/2. South Ry 23 1/2. Strudabaker 104 1/2. Union Pacific 123 1/2. U. S. Steel Co 107 1/2. U. S. Rubber 128 1/2. Utah Copper 74 1/2. Westinghouse 54 1/2. U. S. Steel Pfd 113 1/2.

POOLERS FORCED THE BEARS TO COVER

With the Exception of Rails Stock Market Registered Many Secessions to the Day's Gains.

New York, Dec. 28.—With the exception of rails, which were irregular or heavy on the opposition of organized labor to pending legislation yesterday's short but active stock market registered many accessions to the day's gains. Pools and other professional interests forced heavy covering by bears in several of the more speculative issues, notably steels and equipments. Motors and their subsidiaries, particularly the rubber groups, also were strong and copper rose on another advance in the price of lead.

American Woolens was most conspicuous of the specialties at an extreme advance of 3-3/4 points; Chemical, Leather and affiliated issues making moderate gains. Shipments were less prominent, but maintained a steady to firm tone with tobacco. Sales amounted to 750,000 shares.

The lively trading in securities extended to bonds with slight improvement in Liberty bonds. Total sales, per value, aggregated \$18,550,000. Old United States bonds were unchanged on call during the week.

An increase of about \$25,000,000 in actual reserves, which cancelled last week's deficit was the only noteworthy feature of the bank statement aside from a decrease of \$64,300,000 in net demand deposits.

Weekly review of the commercial agencies referred to the enormous holiday trade and the great industrial activity which accompanies the advent of the New Year. The unusual conditions in the steel and textile markets are expected to continue indefinitely.

CLEARING HOUSE FOR TOURISTS IN LOS ANGELES

Chamber of Commerce Has Undertaken to Aid Winter Visitors by Finding satisfactory Quarters for Them.

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 27.—The Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce is planning open houses 24 hours a day if the occasion requires. The organization has undertaken to aid winter visitors in finding satisfactory quarters and is placing more than 200 applicants daily. If the rush continues, the department will be kept open day and night.

Co-operating with the Southern California Hotel Men's Association the Chamber will act as a clearing house for tourists nightly. Every hotel and apartment house in the city will report in at 8 o'clock each evening as to how many guests can be accommodated. Those applying to any hotel that is filled will be referred to the Chamber for quick service. A request has been made of every resident of the city to list all spare rooms that may be utilized in an emergency, resulting in thousands of rooms in private homes being offered for the use of visitors, if needed.

SATURDAY MARKET SHOWED ACTIVITY

(Published by McDougall & Cowan.) New York, Dec. 27.—For a Saturday the market was unusually active and although in most instances closing prices were lower than the best of the day there was a very firm undertone to it, and sentiment at the close was decidedly bullish. The reaction was largely caused by profit-taking by speculators who did not like the risk going over Sunday. There was also some short selling in anticipation of a bad bank statement. This anticipation proved to be badly founded, as the deficit which was recorded last week was wiped out and an actual increase in surplus being recorded. The buying of the Rails disappointed those who anticipated large transactions as soon as the date of their return to owners was decided on, but there is a natural disinclination to take on any considerable lines of railroads until it is known on what terms the roads will be returned. No doubt the Senate is favorably disposed toward the roads, but the House is extremely doubtful. Reports of trade conditions all over the country continue to be all that could be wished for. Commission houses report increased business, or ders being on the buying side. Sales, 741,650.

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

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LUMBERMEN TO MEET IN QUEBEC

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(Quebec Telegraph.) Quebec will be signally honored during the first week in February, when the twelfth annual meeting of the Canadian Lumbermen's Association will be held in this city. The dates of the gathering are Wednesday and Thursday, February 4th and 5th, and it is expected that the attendance will be the largest and most representative in the history of this widely-known national organization.

At a recent meeting of the executive, arrangements were perfected for the success of the gathering, at which many important matters relating to the present status of the industry and its future outlook and expansion will be considered. The headquarters of the Association will be at the Chateau Frontenac and the visitors, many of whom represent the largest wholesale and manufacturing enterprises in the Dominion, will be extended a hearty welcome.

The last annual convention of the Canadian Lumbermen's Association, was held in St. John, N. B., and was a distinct success, the reception accorded the delegates being of the most cordial character, and the pleasant associations of the assembly still linger in the minds of all those who were fortunate enough to attend.

The U. F. O. Patronage. The United Farmers' Government is reported to be having difficulty in dropping party patronage. Just where the trouble rests has not been disclosed. The U. F. O. is committed to the abolition of the evil, but it seems that this platform was framed with respect to what is good for the country rather than what may be possible in holding a party together. Several United Farmers are stepping out of office to make way for ministerial appointments. Are they to go unrecognized in the public service to which these men have won the confidence of the electors, and who thus sacrifice themselves, may be appointed? Manifestly, if they do receive recognition on this order the no-patronage plank in the party platform is scrapped.

The Government at Ottawa went a long way in the abolition of patronage when they placed the outside and inside civil service upon a non-partisan basis and established instead the system of promotion by merit and priority. If the Government at Toronto follows in the footsteps of the federal administration in this matter they will perhaps be going as far as present conditions will permit. Premier Drury has set a good precedent in this country, where Miss Walker, for some years assistant to the county registrar, has now succeeded to the office of the deceased registrar. Miss Walker's appointment is a recognition not only of the right of promotion in the civil service, but of the right of worker to share in lucrative Government offices. No question could be entertained of Miss Walker's capacity to fill the position of registrar quite as well as might any one of experience. The work of the office fell upon her hitherto, but if the old system of party patronage had been still in force she would have continued to do her work while a notice would have been appointed to draw the fees.

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that is changed. Now, according to the testimony of such men as Sir Andrew Macphail and Mr. Lloyd Harris, Quebec occupies the highest rank of civilization on this continent; it is the pivot of Canada. Similar affirmations from the lips of persons, whose names alone warrant their sincerity, are calculated to console us for the gross attacks which were continually directed towards us by Orange lodges of Ontario and elsewhere from 1914 to 1918. The compensation is more than sufficient."

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New York .. Royal George .. Feb. 19
To Plymouth, Cherbourg, Southampton
New York .. Mauretania .. Dec. 30
New York .. Imperator .. Jan. 24
New York .. Mauretania .. Feb. 15
New York .. Imperator .. Feb. 21
To Plymouth, Havre, London
New York .. Saxonia .. Dec. 31
New York .. Saxonia .. Feb. 7
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New York .. Pannonia .. Jan. 20

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tion threatens fifteen million people
in Poland, Austria and adjacent
countries of middle Europe, and ad-
vocates sending United States wheat
to them on credit. But Washington
seems to be spellbound when credits
for bankrupt peoples are concerned.

A Logical Position.
For Canada to spend any money
whatsoever for naval purposes would
be "a national folly and a national
crime"—so thinks the Farmers' Sun,
the organ of the U.P.O. And it
thinks the British navy should be
scrapped also. These opinions come
naturally from a journal which fa-
vors the political absorption of Can-
ada by the United States.

LATE SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

List of Steamships in Port and Where
They Are Located.
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Compende—Long Wharf.
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Polgais Castle—Anchored in har-
bor.
Baron Perry—Anchored in harbor.
Canadian Sower—Anchored in har-
bor.
War Beryl—No. 1 berth.
Tunislan—No. 3 berth.
Manchester Importer—No. 4 berth.
Tofuka Maru—No. 5 berth.
Fots—No. 5 berth.
Scandinavian—No. 6 berth.
Canadian—No. 7 berth.
Millpool—No. 16 berth.
Wascana—No. 16 berth.

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December 29, 1919.
Arrived Saturday.
S S Monmouth, 2569, London.
S S Polgais Castle, 2968, Liver-
pool.
S S Canadian Sower, 1201, St. John's,
Newfoundland.
S S Tunislan, Hodder, 10,650, Ant-
werp via Southampton.

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Dec. 20 "Manchester Mariner" Jan. 7
Dec. 30 "Manchester Division" Jan. 18
Jan. 10 "Man. Corporation" Jan. 30
Jan. 20 "Manchester Brigade" Feb. 8
From: To: From: To:
London London West St. John
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Dec. 12 "Cornish Point" Dec. 27
To: From:
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NEW BRUNSWICK BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.
In the matter of the application of the New Brunswick Telephone Company, Limited, for an increase of rates, and for a re-classification of exchanges, and for the approval of certain rules and regulations.
NOTICE is hereby given that the petition and application of the New Brunswick Telephone Company, Limited, filed this day with the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities of the Province of New Brunswick, praying that this Board may declare that the said Company requires an additional annual revenue of \$264,000, or such sum as in the opinion of the Board may be necessary, and that this Board may order that the schedule of tolls and charges annexed to the said petition be adopted in lieu of those at present in force, and also proposing a re-classification of exchanges and certain rules and regulations to be approved by the Board, will be heard on Wednesday, the 21st day of January next, at the hour of 2:30 of the clock in the afternoon, at the Government rooms, Prince William street, in the City of Saint John, when and where all parties interested may attend and be heard.
The petition of the said Company is on file in the office of the Clerk of the Board, in the City of Fredericton, where the same may be inspected.
Dated this 17th day of December, A. D. 1919.
By the Board,
(Sgd.) FRED P. ROBINSON,
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