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PRESIDENT WILSON HAS STIFFENED HIS BACKBONE

HE "INSISTS" UPON AN EARLY IMPROVEMENT IN THE TREATMENT OF AMERICAN COMMERCE BY THE BRITISH FLEET—STATES ANGRY.

Washington, Dec. 28.—The United States government today dispatched a long note to Great Britain, insisting upon an early improvement in the treatment of American commerce by the British fleet. It gave warning that much feeling had been aroused in this country, and that public criticism was general over unwarlike interference with the legitimate foreign trade of the United States.

The document, constituting the strongest representations on this subject made by the United States to any of the belligerents since the outbreak of the war, was cabled to Ambassador Page to be formally presented to Sir Edward Grey, the British Foreign Secretary. Its preparation was begun a month ago by Solicitor General Johnson, Counsellor Robert Lansing and Secretary Bryan and finally during the last two weeks had the personal attention of President Wilson himself, who revised its phraseology with minute care.

As the detailed point of view of the United States, in numerous specific cases of detentions and seizures of cargoes, had been set forth in a series of emphatic protests, most of which have gone unheeded, today's communication was couched in general terms covering the entire subject of the relations between the United States and Great Britain as affected by the latter's naval policy, considered highly objectionable by this government.

The note declares at the outset that the representations are made in a friendly spirit, but that the United States considers it best to speak in terms of frankness, lest silence be construed as an acquiescence in a policy on the part of Great Britain which infringed the rights of American citizens under the laws of nations.

Since France has adopted practically the same decrees on contraband as has Great Britain, today's note is virtually a statement intended for all the members of the Triple Entente.

Feeling has been aroused on the subject to such an extent, the communication adds, that the American government feels compelled to ask for definite information as to Great Britain's attitude in order that it may take such measures as will protect American citizens in their rights.

Reference is made in the note to the high principles of equity which have actuated Great Britain in her championship in the past of the freedom of the seas to neutral commerce, and the hope is expressed that even though a belligerent herself, she will realize the seriousness to the neutral of continued interference.

The position of the United States

"DIE WACHT AM RHEIN" IS CLOSE

BASEL, SWITZERLAND, KEEPING STRICT LOOKOUT FOR HOSTILE CRAFT.

London, Dec. 29.—12.20 a.m.—The London Chronicle's correspondent at Basel, Switzerland, telegraphs "Die Wacht am Rhein," is something more than a national sentiment; the watch on the Rhine is very close indeed to this place. From Basel to Coblenz, the right bank of the river, has been put in an extraordinary state of defence. A barge owner who has been down the Rhine from here to Mannheim, told the correspondent that there are earthworks at certain points along the river bank. In some places, this man also states, mines near bridges have been placed, and debris to make a forced crossing difficult.

A mile or two away from the Swiss frontier, at Suringen, the reserve troops even now are working hard on defence preparations. Higher up, Altbreisach is being transformed into a river bank fortress. Preparations have also been made between Neveksurg and the river. Similar measures have been taken between Altbreisach and the port opposite Strassburg.

Strassburg, the correspondent says itself, is all ready. Before the war one of the strongest fortresses in Europe, most Germans seem to think it is untakable.

as expressed in today's note is a consequence of several steps by Great Britain, France and Germany on the subject of contraband. Although the Declaration of London drafted in 1909, embodying the previous understandings of international law, and new rules for the conduct of maritime warfare with respect to neutral commerce had not been ratified when the present war broke out, it was thought for a time all countries would adhere to it. Great Britain by an Order-in-Council, on Aug. 20th last, declared the Declaration of London effective with certain modifications. Germany announced to all neutrals her willingness to adhere to the whole declaration if the other belligerents would. The United States took the position that it could not accept piecemeal adoption by the Allies of the Declaration of London with their own amendments, and declared that it would be guided by the general practices of international law, irrespective of the Declaration of London. The German government in a formal note to the United States and other neutrals then voiced its objections to the British modifications which similarly the United States opposed.

Today's note follows in many important points the argument then advanced by Germany that British practice with respect to neutral commerce was a distinct departure from many accepted principles of international law.

FREIGHT RATES RISE.

London, Dec. 29.—The resumption of the freight markets after the Christmas recess showed another extraordinary rise in rates, especially from Egypt and the river Plate, as well as from North and South America.

The Morning Post thinks the situation is becoming so serious in its effect on the prices of foodstuffs that the governments will be obliged to intervene with the object of preventing a still further rise. The newspaper says such intervention is being freely discussed in shipping circles.

VIOLENT STORM IS HAMPERING THE MILITARY OPERATIONS IN BELGIUM AND FRANCE

Russians Seem To Be Favored With Success Again—United States Government Protests Against The British Fleet—British Officials Warn Public Against Aerial Raids

London, Dec. 28.—The battle lines in the east and west have undergone only infinite small changes in the past day. The French and German reports agree that the Germans have captured a section of trenches near Hollebeke, south of Ypres. The French assert that the Germans gave up trenches on the first line, to the extent of about 800 or 900 yards in the Lens region, further east, while unsuccessful demonstrations have been made from both sides at various points along the extended lines.

The reports of the number of wounded both armies are sending back from the lines in Belgium appear to show that the fighting on Christmas in that country was the fiercest of the past month. Correspondents in the rear say that the Belgians as a result of five days sapping captured nearly three thousand Germans with only small losses to themselves.

According to the Russian reports, the German attempts to capture Warsaw have failed, while the Berlin official statement says there is general confidence that the German and Austro-Hungarian forces are making progress along the great front.

The English newspapers are enthusiastic over the raid by their cruisers and seaplanes on Cuxhaven. They decline to accept without reservation the German statement that ships at Cuxhaven and the gas works were hit by bombs, but that no damage was done, and consider this improbable.

The naval writers dilate and speculate lavishly upon the most remarkable engagement of twentieth century warfare. They conclude that the German ships feared to come forth and give battle to the British cruisers because of the uncertainty as to whether the British battleships were lurking behind them. The fact that the Zeppelins were driven off is taken by some as evidence that the Zeppelins are really untrustworthy craft. Others think it means that the Germans are husbanding all their dirigibles for a grand raid upon England.

It is argued by some of the writers that if Cuxhaven can thus be attacked, why not Heligoland, Wilhelmshaven and even the Kiel canal.

The only damage the British expedition sustained was the loss of several hydroplanes, costing 9,000 pounds (\$45,000), and the only loss of life was Commander Hewlett.

The British people are beginning to lose whatever fear of the Zeppelins they held, perhaps prematurely, but the exploits of the airmen on the continent and the scouting trip of the German flyer over Kent on Christmas show there is a strong possibility that the Taubes may repeat, over London, the visit with bombs which they paid Paris and Warsaw.

The authorities issue a warning tonight of the danger to people in the streets from guns which may be used in London against hostile air craft and advised the people to take refuge in basements if they should hear the sound of explosives or guns.

A heavy windstorm with rain and snow swept over parts of England and adjacent waters tonight.

DENY BRITISH DROPPED BOMBS

GERMANS SAY IT WAS THEIR AIRMEN WHO DID DAMAGE ON GERMAN ISLAND.

London, Dec. 29.—3.16 a.m.—A Copenhagen despatch to the Daily Mail, referring to a report published by the Hamburger Fremdenblatt, that four British airmen dropped bombs on the German island of Langeoog, in the North Sea, Christmas Day, killing several civilians, says that an investigation proves that it was not British airmen who dropped the bombs, but German airmen, who believed that British torpedo boats were lurking off the island in the fog.

CALIFORNIA SENDS RELIEF TO BELGIANS

New York, Dec. 28.—California's relief ship Camino carrying a cargo of food for the Belgians, is now passing through the Panama Canal, it was announced this afternoon at the headquarters of the commission for relief in Belgium. The Camino is the first of the relief fleet, from the Pacific Coast to use the canal. She left San Pedro on Dec. 8 and arrived at Balboa Christmas Day.

MUTUALIZATION OF METROPOLITAN LIFE

New York, Dec. 28.—Mutualization of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, was endorsed by the policy holders at a meeting held here today. Only about 1,600 voted against the plan while 65,000 gave their approval. Most of the voters were by proxy. Mutualization already had been approved by the stockholders and directors. The proposal now goes before the State Superintendent of Insurance and if he gives his approval, control of the company will pass into the hands of the policyholders who will elect a board of directors.

PILOT OF BRITISH SEAPLANE PRISONER

FELL INTO HANDS OF ENEMY IN THE RAID ON CUXHAVEN.

London, Dec. 29.—The Daily Sketch publishes the report that Commander Francis E. Hewlett, who piloted one of the British seaplanes in the raid on Cuxhaven is a prisoner in the hands of the Germans. According to the account in the Sketch, Hewlett's machine was damaged by shell fire and came down in the sea. When Hewlett was last seen a German torpedo boat was approaching him.

BORDEN AT WINNIPEG

Winnipeg, Dec. 28.—Premier Borden and Lady Borden were the guests tonight at a dinner at Government House, given by Sir Douglas and Lady Cameron. In the afternoon there was a reception at the home of Hon. Robert and Mrs. Rogers. Tomorrow Sir Robert will address the Canadian Club and the Women's Canadian Club. An effort is being made to have the Premier open the Canada Art Exhibit before his departure for the east, tomorrow night.

NO BYE-ELECTION IN JACQUES CARTIER

Montreal, Dec. 28.—The Conservative convention, called at Lachine today for the purpose of nominating a candidate to contest the county of Jacques-Cartier, left vacant in the Dominion House by the death of the Hon. F. D. Monk, was adjourned sine die, after a committee had been appointed to wait upon the Federal Ministers in order to learn the wishes of the government in regard to a bye-election.

OFFICIAL

FRENCH STATEMENT.

Paris, Dec. 28.—10.30 p.m.—The following official communication was issued by the War Office tonight: "During the entire day a violent storm has interfered with the operations along the greatest part of the front. It is reported notwithstanding this that we have made some progress in the Argonne region."

BERLIN STATEMENT.

Berlin, Dec. 28.—(By wireless to Saville).—Among the items given out today for publication by the Official Press Bureau were the following:

"Discussions of military happenings around Christmas indicate that he feeling of confidence has gained support here. General Joffre's energetic offensive, as announced in an army order of Dec. 17, it is pointed out, has everywhere been successfully resisted and the defeat of the English at Festubert leaves the Allies in worse shape than where the French offensive started.

"Chief interest continues centered in Poland where the position of the Germans and Austrians is regarded as promising. There is a feeling here that important developments are probable in Poland within a few days. While the outlook in the Brure and Rawka section is satisfactory, it is believed the most promising point is south-east of Tomaszow."

RUSSIAN STATEMENT.

Petrograd, Dec. 28.—The following statement from the General Staff of the Russian command in chief was issued tonight:

"On the 27th there was no important engagement between the lower Vistula and the Pilica rivers. The German attacks were everywhere repulsed. The Germans suffered heavy losses, especially during a vain attack they made to the south-east of Skiermiewice.

"Between the Pilica and the upper Vistula the enemy has now adopted the defensive.

"Our troops stormed the village of Szitniki, which was stubbornly defended by the Austrians. The enemy has definitely evacuated the left bank of the Nida.

"To the south of the upper Vistula on the front of Opatow-Biecz the fighting continues to develop to our advantage. From the 18th to the 26th we captured there 200 officers and 15,000 soldiers and forty mitrailleuses.

"The enemy's retreat in the region of the Dukla Passes and on the road to Lisko is becoming more and more precipitate and disorganized. On the 25th we captured in this region as many as five thousand prisoners.

"The efforts of the enemy to transport his forces from the direction of Czenstochowa toward the Carpathians was a complete failure owing to our manoeuvres."

AMERICAN KILLED ON BORDER LINE

Washington, Dec. 28.—Secretary Bryan received a brief report from the American Vice-Consul at Fort Erie, Canada, saying one American was killed and another wounded while hunting duck in Canadian waters. Mr. Bryan telegraphed the Vice-Consul to make a complete investigation of the facts and to afford every care to the wounded man.

BANK CLERKS NEED NOT KEEP SABBATH

Peterboro, Ont., Dec. 28.—A charge against a bank accountant, brought as a test case for breach of the Lord's Day Act, by working in a bank on Sunday, was today dismissed by Police Magistrate Dunlop on the grounds that bank clerks were not included in the classes of persons specified under the act.

WAR SUMMARY

A violent storm has temporarily put a stop to military operations of an important nature along the greater part of the battle front in Belgium and France. In this territory the positions of the opposing forces remain virtually the same as they have been for weeks past.

In the eastern arena the official reports indicate a similar condition of affairs so far as progress on the part of either side is concerned. Petrograd reports, however, that between the Pilica River and the Upper Vistula the Germans are now on the defensive.

The Russians also report the capture of more than 20,000 prisoners, to which reference was made in previous announcements. A Petrograd despatch by way of London says that all the important passes on the Carpathians are again in Russian hands.

The United States Government has made strong representations to Great Britain, insisting upon an early improvement in the treatment of American commerce by the British fleet.

A long note has been forwarded to the British Foreign Secretary through Ambassador Page, covering the relations between the United States and Great Britain as affected by the British naval policy, which is considered "highly objectionable" by the American Government.

The British Government through the naval and military authorities, apparently fearing a raid over British towns by German airships, has issued a warning to the people to take to cover should the sound of firing be heard.

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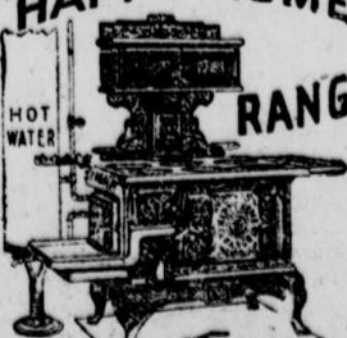
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SACRED CANTATA WILL BE REPEATED

STORY OF CHRISTMAS WILL BE HEARD AGAIN TONIGHT AT CHALMERS' CHURCH.

Large congregations were present at both services in Chalmers' Church on Sunday, also at the after-service in the evening, when the Cantata "The Story of Christmas" by Matthews, was rendered by the choir of upwards of 30 voices. The music of this beautiful Cantata, vocally or instrumentally, is most expressive of Christmaside. Miss Humphreys in the several soprano solos throughout the work was heard to splendid advantage. "O lovely Voices of the Sky," being especially noteworthy. "Sleep Holy Babe," as interpreted by Miss Marguerite Fletcher, was sung most expressively.

Miss Fletcher, after a period of study in Montreal, is spending the vacation at her home here, Mr. Taylor, and Mr. N. E. Fletcher, in the tenor and baritone solos, respectively were in especially good voice, and the recitations were given with good effect.

Owing to numerous requests the Cantata will be repeated tonight, when Mr. Perry and his choir should be greeted by a crowded church.

A collection will be taken up for choir purposes.

At the regular services solos were also effectively rendered by Miss Humphrey, Messrs. McClelland, Armour and Claxton.

The Minister, Rev. S. T. Martin, M.A., preached from appropriate themes at both services and was listened to with close attention by the large congregation.

CHRISTMAS AT VERDUN.

Inmates of Institution Received Many Gifts, Including Some from Quebec.

The many Quebecers who contributed gifts for the inmates of Verdun Hospital for the insane, some 350 of which were collected through the efforts of Miss J. L. Penney, will be pleased to know what enjoyment they caused to the recipients. Dr. Burgess, medical superintendent of the Institution wishes to convey his sincerest thanks to all contributors.

The following extract from the Montreal Daily Mail shows how the inmates spent Christmas:

To rich and poor, high and low, the Christmas spirit means rejoicing, whether it be on a large or a small scale. At the Protestant Hospital for the Insane, on the Lachine road, last

night there was an air of appreciative anticipation evinced by inmates and staff alike at the prospect of the coming Christmas festivities. Although not blessed with the best of this world's gifts, the inmates of the institution are fortunate in having a staff to look after them whose efforts are untiring. In response to a circular sent out to the friends and relatives of the patients by the superintendent of the hospital, a large number of Christmas parcels were received.

Much work was necessary in sorting the different parcels, but this was greatly facilitated by the co-operation of staff and inmates. The contents of the parcels were many and varied, ranging from gloves, underwear, hats, caps, shoes, etc., to books, candies, oranges, nuts, and all delicacies so essential to the material enjoyment of the Christmas season.

Some of the 685 inmates will receive their Christmas presents in the forenoon of Christmas Day the remainder being distributed at the Christmas tree celebration in the evening.

The first class patients will be treated to a substantial breakfast consisting of boiled eggs, bacon, potatoes, fruit, toast, coffee and marmalade. Practically the same will be served to the second and public patients. For dinner King Turkey will reign on every plate and will be substantiated by cranberry sauce, tomato soup, green peas, boiled turnips, followed by plum pudding and brandy sauce, with assorted fruits.

At night there will be a Christmas tree in the Amusement Hall, situated a short distance from the main building. It is a very large and spacious structure, and has been decorated very beautifully for the occasion with bunting, flags and evergreens. Here staff and patients will join in having a couple of hours of real enjoyment. During the evening Santa Claus will drop in and distribute the gifts left over from the morning to the patients and he will also leave something for the staff.

Then the floor will be cleared for dancing. Among the inmates there are several with musical tendency, and it is safe to say there will be no lack of volunteers for the orchestra.

CASE OF SUICIDE

Brookville, Ont., Dec. 28—George A. Tennant, a well-known citizen of Brookville, committed suicide as his home today by cutting his jugular vein with a penknife. He had been in poor health for a long time, and is supposed to have ended his life while temporarily deranged. Mrs. Tennant found her husband locked in the bath room, and after forcing an entrance found him in the act of beating his head with the butt of a revolver. This she wrenched from his grasp, whereupon he seized a penknife lying on a shelf, and before she could restrain him he had cut his throat.

UNUSUAL PIECE OF STRATEGY THIS

FRENCH NON-COM TELLS HOW LINE OF TRENCHES WERE TAKEN.

Paris, Dec. 28—Describing the capture of a line of trenches in the north a non-commissioned officer writes home of an unusual piece of strategy.

"The evening before there had been a heavy fall of snow," he said, "and the bright moonlight showed up every object with extraordinary clearness against the white background. The 126th Infantry which had planned a raid on the enemy's trenches, only 20 yards away, found its project compromised, but a corporal was struck by a brilliant idea; every man pulled off his outer clothes and pulled his shirt on over jacket and vest; thus they crept through the snow up to the edge of the German trenches without being seen, and carried the entire line."

SOREHEAD HITS EDITOR

St. Thomas, Ont., Dec. 28—Resenting criticism of his father which has been appearing in the St. Thomas Journal, Fred Johnson, son of Mayor M. B. Johnson, who is again a candidate for the chief magistracy, struck F. W. Sutherland, editor of the paper in the face with his fist at the municipal nominations this morning. Young Johnson is a University of Toronto student.

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THE KILLING OF AMERICAN HUNTER WAS NOT MEANT

INFORMATION GATHERED BY MILITARY, SHOWS SHOOTING UNINTENTIONAL.

Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 28.—The killing of Walter Smith and the wounding of Charles Dorsch, two American hunters, by Canadian soldiers on the Niagara river near Fort Erie today was unintentional, according to information gathered by the military authorities and forwarded to Ottawa tonight.

The soldiers were aiding a provincial officer to arrest the men for alleged violation of the game laws. Several volleys were fired over their heads to force them to come ashore with their rowboat. A final shot, said to have been fired for the same purpose, struck Smith between the eyes and passing through his head, wounded Dorsch on the arm.

While deep regret over the incident was expressed by the Fort Erie village officials, it was pointed out that the men were not only technically under arrest by the game officer and were attempting to escape, but they had violated a military order which forbade unauthorized persons to approach the international boundary line while armed. This order, it was said, was accompanied by a verbal order to the soldiers on patrol to shoot to kill if persons so armed refused to surrender promptly.

Thomas Delaney, the provincial officer, said the men were shooting at a flock of duck near the head of the river. One of them was in a boat while the other was wading in the shallow water near the shore picking up the ducks as they fell. The season closed in Ontario on December 3rd, and Delaney also suspected that the men had no Ontario license, so he decided to arrest them.

He telephoned to Captain Norman C. Fite, in command of the border patrol, asking for a detail to help him make the arrests. Three men were sent. They took a position on a slight elevation, about 500 feet from the boat. Officer Delaney called out to the men that they were under arrest, and ordered them to shore. The soldiers fired a volley. One of the bullets splashed the water near the boat.

"Don't hit them," cautioned Delaney. "We'll come ashore as soon as we pick up the decoys," shouted one of the hunters.

Smith, who had been wading, climbed into the boat and they rowed up stream toward the decoys. Suddenly the course of the boat was changed, and it headed for the American shore. "They've got away; let them go," Delaney told the soldiers.

"I'll give them another scare," said one of the soldiers. He raised his rifle and fired. Both hunters toppled over in the boat, which drifted then down to the ferry landing, where it was picked up. Smith was dead. Dorsch was brought to a Buffalo hospital. His condition is not serious. J. B. Curtis, acting United States consul at Fort Erie, made a preliminary report to the State Department by wire tonight.

An inquest will be held on Wednesday.

BULLET AND BAYONET WOUNDS ARE RARE

DOCTOR AT THE FRONT SAYS SHRAPNEL CAUSES MOST WOUNDS

London, Ont., Dec. 28.—"This is entirely a shell and shrapnel war—bullet and bayonet wounds are rare," writes Lieut. Dr. J. Cameron Wilson, of this city, who is attached to the Headquarters of the British Red Cross at Boulogne. Dr. Wilson adds that a surprising number of his patients have frozen feet and that the grit and courage of the wounded is wonderful. The writer speaks of a fifteen year old bugler whose both feet were frozen and who was "choked full of shrapnel."

BLOWN 2,000 MILES OFF HER COURSE

SCHOONER LEWISTON ARRIVED AT PORTO RICO AFTER LONG TRIP.

Boston, Dec. 28.—The four masted schooner Lewiston which left this port three weeks ago for Bridgewater, N. S., arrived at Mayaguez, Porto Rico, according to a cablegram received by the schooner agents here. Captain Ginn reported that his vessel had been blown 2,000 miles off her course by westerly gales but was undamaged.

GERMANS DEMAND RECALLING OF BELGIAN CONSULS

CLAIM BELGIUM AS A GERMAN POSSESSION NOW.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Secretary Bryan declined today to make public the text of the German communication to or comment upon it until he had full opportunity to consider it. The understanding in official circles, however, is that the notice is similar to the one sent Argentina and other neutral countries and that while the German government does not insist that consuls in Belgium take out new exequaturs from German officials, it announces that such consuls must exercise their functions only by permission from the military authorities in control of the territory in which the consulate is situated.

The United States has consular representatives only in Brussels, Antwerp, Liege and Ghent, and since the war began they have had little work of ordinary character to do. Their activities have been devoted largely to looking after refugees and aiding in relief work.

The request for the withdrawal of certain consuls is said to be entirely impersonal, and to be based upon the law of military necessity which recognizes the right of a military officer in command of occupied territory to dictate the amount and extent of civil business and the manner in which it shall be conducted in that territory.

The disposition of the department apparently is to recognize the right of the authorities of a captured territory to prescribe at least temporary conditions which consuls shall discharge their duties and it is contended this can be done without in any way committing the United States to a political recognition of the right of the military occupant of a territory to its possession.

Regarding the withdrawal of consuls from certain points, under color of military necessity, it is said that there need be no actual interruption of commerce in consequence because under American consular regulations in the absence of a consul (a not infrequent happening in normal times) two reputable merchants may render an acceptable certificate to an invoice of goods.

The Japanese government already had intimated its objection to the presence of foreign consuls in the territory of Kiso-Chow, recently captured from the Germans. In that case there is no question of who shall issue the exequaturs; the objection lies to the presence of any foreign consuls, no matter what may be their legal status. Several applications have come to the State Department from mercantile interests urging the return of American Consul Peck to Tsing-Tau but in the face of Japanese opposition and in the knowledge of the fact that the order of exclusion runs against consuls of all nations alike.

The State Department has not felt called upon to force an issue by ordering the return of Mr. Peck to his post.

Mr. Havenith, the Belgian minister, called at the State Department today the German notice had been received. Later he issued this statement: "The Belgian minister has been informed that the German government has notified the neutral powers of its intention to cancel the exequaturs accorded by the Belgian government to foreign consular representatives.

"The Belgian government has protested against this step. The issue as well as the cancellation of an exequatur are acts which imply the sovereignty of the state from which they emanate. Now, a power in military occupation of a territory only enjoys a de facto possession which cannot be transformed, in so far as its relations with neutral states are concerned, into a state of sovereignty. Such a change could not become lawful by the consummation of a treaty of peace determining definitely the status of the occupied territory."

THE C.P.R. AND GERMAN INVASION

VICE-PRESIDENT OF RAILWAY CO. REPLIES TO QUERY OF "TIMES"

Montreal, Dec. 28.—The "German scare" reached Vice-President Geo. M. Bosworth, of the C. P. R., in the form of a telegraphic inquiry from the New York Times this afternoon as follows: "We are receiving intimations from widely scattered points in California that there is a movement of Germans in civilian clothing northward, the object being to raid Vancouver and Canadian Pacific Railway communications, to keep Canadians at home. Have you anything to say?"

Mr. Bosworth had something to say. It was this: "We have fine scenery all along the line of the Canadian Pacific, and can reserve a peak 10,000 feet high for the solitary meditations of any German raider who comes across the international bound-

SCALES OF RATES USED IN MAKING LATEST INCREASE

CHAIRMAN OF TRUNK LINE SUBMITS SAME TO INTER-STATE COMMISSION.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Scales of rates to be used in making the general increase of 5 per cent in class rates recently granted the Eastern railroads by the Inter-State Commerce Commission have been submitted to the commission by C. C. McCain, chairman of the Trunk Line Association Committee.

To points intermediate between New York and Chicago, taking 71 per cent and higher of the New York, Chicago class rates, the new tariffs will become effective on Jan. 15th, and to points taking a lower percentage of the rates, they will become effective February 1st.

The first class rate between New York and Chicago will be 78.8 cents a hundred pounds, and the other five classes will be graded proportionately lower.

To Canadian destinations the first class rate from New York will range from 59.9 cents to 78.3 cents a hundred pounds; and it will be the same from Philadelphia and Baltimore. From Albany to Canadian points the first class rate will range from 44.1 cents to 63 cents; and from Syracuse and Rochester from 41.9 to 55.2 cts. The tariffs provide that from New York to all Canadian points, via People's line steamers and rail via Rouses Point, N.Y., not less than standard all-rail rates shall apply.

To points taking higher than 78 per cent of the class rates on traffic moving by way of Long Island Sound, New London, Conn., or Boston, Mass., or Portland, Me., a differential eight cents a hundred pounds lower than the standard all-rail rate is established, with proportionately lower differentials on other classes.

PRESIDENT WILSON WAS 58 YESTERDAY

KING GEORGE FIRST RULER TO CONGRATULATE U. S. CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Washington, Dec. 28.—President Wilson tonight began receiving messages from rulers of foreign countries congratulating him on his 58th birthday anniversary. The first to arrive was from King George of Great Britain.

Lead by Secretary Bryan, the President's cabinet called at the White House during the evening to extend congratulations. Because of the cancellation of all state dinners and receptions following Mrs. Wilson's death, the gathering of the cabinet was the nearest approach to a social affair held in the White House for many months.

WORKMEN'S ACT NOT FAVORABLE

MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION MUCH DISSATISFIED.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—The assessments and groupings of classes made by the Workmen's Compensation Act do not find favor with the Manufacturers' Association. The compensation committee, in a circular which it has issued to the members of the Association, terms the plan of assessment adopted by the board as "unjust," and one that "takes the money out of the pocket of the employer whether it is needed or not."

The committee would have preferred the Washington system, where assessments are made monthly or quarterly. The committee holds that the Ontario assessments are for a year in advance, and even if there are only a few accidents, the rate is not affected. In the Washington act the assessment keeps pace with the accidents.

Attention is drawn in a circular to the fact that while the employers' legal obligation ends when he has paid his assessment to the compensation fund, it is in the interests of manufacturers and their employees that voluntary fair-aid organizations be formed.

BATTLE IN VOSGES

Basel, Switzerland, Dec. 28, via Paris, 4:55 p.m.—A battle lasting from Dec. 24 until Dec. 26, occurred along the whole front of the French and German armies in the Vosges Mountains. The sound of the cannon firing was plainly heard in Switzerland.

PARIS FORTIFIED IN EVERY MANNER AGAINST SIEGE

Work of "Digging in" Begun in December Has Now Been Completed.

REMARKABLE DEFENCE. City in the Centre of an Entrenched Camp Diameter 60 Miles and Circumference 200 Miles.

Paris, Dec. 28.—The army of excavators who, early in September, began to dig Paris in when a German siege was threatened, have completed their work.

The General Confederation of Workers alone sent 5,000 volunteers who provided their own digging tools and were merely recompensed by a daily ration of food. Thousands of Belgians refugees hunted from their own land have also assisted in the work.

The city now lies in the center of an entrenched camp whose diameter is about sixty miles and whose circumference is nearly 200 miles. This is surrounded by row after row of trenches thoroughly covered in with logs and turf through which loopholes have been left for rifle fire. All of them communicate with each other and contain traverse banks of earth to prevent them being enfiladed by infantry or machine gun fire. Out beyond them are rifle pits and barbed wire entanglements placed in all positions where an attack might originate.

Still other precautions have been taken in front of the advanced line of trenches by digging of deep ditches whose existence is hidden by a light covering of branches and turf, making them invisible to approaching cavalry, infantry or artillery, and forming veritable traps into which an attacking force might fall a prey to the defenders machine guns and rifles.

The approaches to the trenches from the rear consist of subterranean galleries which permit the relief to be made without any exposure of the men.

All along this front posts of observation have been established, each of which is constantly occupied by at least three men; provided with powerful field glasses and in direct telephonic communication with headquarters and with the artillery batteries in the immediate vicinity.

The placements of these batteries are known only to the headquarters staff and to the men who serve the guns, all of which are buried in the earth, only their muzzles protruding. For the benefit of the gunners the ranges of all prominent objects in the front have been measured.

Behind the lines of trenches runs a light railroad line for the purpose of bringing up ammunition, and food and also, if necessary, reinforcements of men to any point which might be menaced. Further provision for the conveyance of reinforcements is at hand in the large numbers of automobiles of all kinds which can make the journey speedily from any one point to another, carrying groups of armed men.

The existing forts also have been strengthened, but now only serve as supporting points and depots for the large bodies of troops resting from their trench duty.

The Weather

Toronto, Dec. 28.—In the Western Provinces snow flurries have been fairly general today, accompanied by cold conditions; elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fair and in Southern Ontario, mild.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 22 below, 16 below; Victoria, 40-60; Vancouver, 38-40; Kamloops, 26-36; Battleford, 10 below, 0; Calgary, 22-30; Medicine Hat, 6-26; Moose Jaw, 2 below, 7; Regina, 10 below, 5; Winnipeg, 12 below, 10; Port Arthur, zero, 12; Parry Sound, 20-30; London, 15-33; Toronto, 21-34; Ottawa, 2-28; Montreal, 6-28; Quebec, 2 below, 16; St. John, 12-24; Halifax, 10-28.

Forecasts: Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay: Cloudy and mild with light falls of snow or rain, chiefly tonight and on Wednesday.

TOO MANY NURSES WITH ROMANTIC IDEAS IN SERVICE

COMPETENT NURSES COMPLAINING AGAINST ENGAGEMENT OF NOTORIETY SEEKERS.

London, Dec. 28.—"Too sick to be nursed today," a placard, said to have been placed over the bedside of a soldier wounded in the South African campaign, is much aided in British hospitals now, according to the National Council of Trained Nurses, which has sent to Lord Kitchener a protest against the employment of incompetent nurses. In acknowledgement of the resolution, the Secretary of War asked the council to submit evidence in support of its charges, and a report on the matter is expected shortly.

The professional trained nurses are complaining that young women of means and social influence, attracted by the sentimental side of nursing at the front, have stormed the hospitals and have in many cases obtained positions notwithstanding that they knew nothing of the work. "If Lord Kitchener had asked for 500,000 nurses to enlist for services instead of for 500,000 men," said a trained nurse, "he would have had the number the next morning."

Such being the case, according to the allegations of the nurses council, the rush of amateurs has pushed aside the competent greatly to the misfortune of the wounded Tommy who has to submit to "fussing" and petting at the hands of pretty untrained girls, which, while sentimentally appealing does not go very far toward ministering to his real needs.

The agitation against the incompetent nurse was raised early in the war, but only just now have the organized nurses, numbering some 6,000, brought the matter officially to the attention of the War Office.

Lord Knutsford in a letter to the Times, rather humorously stated what he considered the chief objection to the "untrained nurses" who have got abroad. They would give less offense, he said, if— They were not photographed so often; And would wear their uniform more modestly; And would talk less in public about their patients; And would be a little more humble and less aggressive.

ONTARIO MAYORS. Municipal Nominations in Ontario Yesterday.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—In the municipal nominations which were held through out Ontario today, the following were elected mayor by acclamation: Midland: H. J. Craig; Chatham: E. Wanless; Walkerton: F. W. Lippert; Mattawa: George L. Lomoth;

U.S. WITHOUT OFFICIAL ADVICE OF FORT ERIE AFFAIR

SHOOTING OF TWO AMERICANS BY CANADIAN PATROL STILL UNEXPLAINED

Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 28.—One American was instantly killed and another wounded by Canadian soldiers patrolling the Canadian border at Fort Erie, Ont., opposite this city, today. The men were hunting duck outside of the State, on the Niagara River, and in Canadian waters. Provincial Police Officer Thomas Delaney, of Fort Erie, ordered the men to stop shooting. They declined and Delaney called upon a corporal and two privates of the 44th Battalion of the Canadian militia for assistance.

The corporal ordered the men to come ashore. Instead they headed their boat for the American shore and were beating a hasty retreat when at the order of Delaney the soldiers fired upon them. One of the men, Walter Smith, was shot through the head. His companion, Charles Dorsch, suffered a serious wound in the shoulder when the hunters toppled over in their boat and the soldiers put out in a boat and towed the hunters' craft to shore.

Both men resided in Buffalo. Capt. Norman Fite, in charge of the border patrol at Fort Erie, declined to discuss the matter further than to say that he had reported the shooting to his commanding officer at Toronto.

Secretary of State Bryan was notified of the shooting by Vice-Consul J. B. Curtis, of Fort Erie. "Whether or not complications will result is a debatable question," said Mr. Curtis. "While two Americans were shot, the information available indicates that they were shooting ducks without a Canadian licence and were in Canadian waters, where they had no right to be under the circumstances. I have informed the State Department of the details and will attend the inquest to look after the interest of the Government. No arrests have been made as a result of the shooting."

The coroner's inquest will be held late today. Washington, Dec. 28.—Officials at the State Department, although without official advice tonight concerning the shooting of two Americans in Canadian Niagara waters, near Fort Erie, pointed out that if it was true that the men were shot while defying Canadian authority, there would be no ground for representations by the American Government. Representative Charles B. Smith, of Buffalo, late today laid newspaper accounts of the shooting before Secretary Bryan.

Harrison: S. M. Henry; Trout Creek: J. H. Pedder; Meaford: F. Kent; Renfrew: W. A. Moore; Brantford: I. H. Spence; Kingstn: R. D. Sutherland; Burlington: Max C. Smith; Thornbury: N. Snetzeinger; Gait: A. E. Buchanan.

PREMIER REVIEWS SIX THOUSAND WESTERN SOLDIERS

SIR R. L. BORDEN MUCH IMPRESSED BY THE SPLENDID PHYSIQUE OF MEN

Winnipeg, Dec. 28.—Six thousand sturdy men of the West of Canada marched past in review before Sir Robert Borden, Premier of Canada, this afternoon, and earned the high praise he bestowed in speaking of them as a magnificent body of men.

The march-past was composed of the second and third contingents from the west, and only such men and officers who have volunteered took their places in the ranks. The 27th and 28th Battalions were completely equipped, and carried their rifles, with fixed bayonets. The 32nd Battalion carried no rifles, but all were in complete uniform. The same applies to the artillery, the Army Service Corps and batteries. The 44th and 45th Battalions, now being recruited for the third contingent, are composed of local men from the 79th, 90th, 100th and 106th, and all were not in uniform.

At the saluting base with the Premier of Canada was General Steele, while among the guests who stood slightly to the rear were Hon. Robert Rogers, Sir Rodmond Roblin and Sir Douglas Cameron, with other prominent citizens.

The march-past was an impressive sight, and it brought home very strongly to Winnipeg what the west is doing for the Empire. The saluting point was the corner of Portage Avenue and Main street, where a great crowd gathered.

"They are a magnificent body of men," said Sir Robert at the conclusion of the parade. "I have just had the pleasure of congratulating General Steele on the magnificent turnout of men. I am deeply impressed with the fine physique, and the excellent progress made by the men in so short a period of training. I am glad to know that the accommodation for them in Winnipeg has been very good, and I am not surprised to hear that the response in military district No. 10 has been that could be desired."

"I am proud of being a Canadian and prouder still of being a Winnipegger," was the comment of Hon. Robert Rogers, while Sir Rodmond Roblin said it was a wonderful sight. "The men of the west presented a fine appearance," he added, "and look entirely capable of taking their places on the firing line."

STEAMER ARRIVALS.

New York, December 28—Dues D'Aosta, Genoa; Finland, Patras; Archangel; Kursk, New York; Havre; Rochambeau, New York; Cadix; Antonio Lopez, New York; Genoa; Europa, New York; America, New York.

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SURGEONS' WORK IN WAR.

Reports from the activities of the warring armies disclose a friendliness between the surgeons of the combatants that is gratifying to read of. These men of science are no doubt imbued with the same degree of patriotism as their countrymen bearing arms and engaging in the conflict, but they do not show it in their work, and instances by hundreds of German and French physicians laboring together are cited. There is no discrimination manifested by either side so far as we are able to learn, the soldier needing help the most being given attention first, regardless of nationality.

German surgeons, prisoners of war in France, work side by side with French surgeons, while French surgeons held as prisoners in Berlin display the same zeal in their hospital occupations as those to the manor born.

SCIENCE AND WAR

In no previous war has science and the constructive arts been called upon to such a degree to aid in the destruction of life and property. Chemists have spent years in research in their efforts to discover some more deadly explosive than exists at present. Skilled artisans have devised the most powerful guns the world has ever known. Air craft that menace life from the clouds, and devices that do their destructive work beneath the water contribute to the paraphernalia of modern warfare. Electricity in a score of ways is made to serve a similar purpose and that equipment of a modern campaign is a demonstration of what science and skill can accomplish in decreasing the earth's population.

There is a compensating thought that something has also been attained along a more beneficent line. Advanced medical science and sanitation has robbed armed camps of many of their horrors. Diseases that formerly claimed thousands of lives are now practically under control and modern surgery, and preventive medicine greatly reduce the death roll. But at its best war is a hideous nightmare.

GREECE AND TURKEY.

As the war proceeds it becomes increasingly plain that the entrance of Turkey into the conflict marked a new phase, political as well as military, so that the announcement that Greece may enter the arena against Turkey comes by no means as a surprise. It is not to be doubted that as an inducement to Turkey to take the field, the Kaiser promised to make a drastic revision of the recent Balkan settlement in favor of Turkey, and at the expense of the other Balkan powers. Undoubtedly this has stirred the keenest apprehension in all the powers immediately interested in the Balkans, as Greece, Bulgaria and Roumania are all interested in keeping the Turks out of Macedonia, while Italy has interests to conserve in Albania and along the shores of the Adriatic.

For months it has been an important question, therefore, whether these powers would also join in the conflict, and the announcement regarding the entry of Greece appears to indicate that this problem has now at last become acute. Balkan politics are too intricate for outsiders to form an opinion as to their scope, so that it is necessary to wait and watch results. It is fairly obvious, however, that the ultimate decision of Italy will have considerable influence with the smaller Balkan powers. But in any case

and at this hour the rumored entry of Greece into the maelstrom makes it evident that the Balkan powers are very anxiously striving to make adjustments and decisions that will have a direct influence on the conflict, and it may be taken for granted that all are preparing to try conclusions with their old enemy, the Turk.

GERMANY'S PLANS.

A distinguished citizen from a neutral country in Europe, a banker by profession, whose name has been suppressed for rather obvious reasons, has revealed what he knows to have been the German plan of campaign as outlined by the general staff to the manufacturers and bankers of Germany. In a nutshell it is this: We shall smash France within three weeks, then wheel about and deliver Russia a knockout blow before she has had time to complete her mobilization. Belgium will only offer the resistance of sullenness. England will not "come in" at all. The German government had the "positive assurance" of leading Englishmen to that effect.

In the light of recent events, this frank exposition of the German plans is unusually interesting. There can be no doubt as to the authenticity of at least a part of the German scheme. Certainly the invasion of France was carried on as though the campaign could only end in the complete rout of the French. As for Belgium, the resistance of sullenness seems to have surprised the Germans more than the entry of Great Britain into the world's arena.

Where do the armies stand today? What has Germany to show for her forty years of preparation? Belgium and a large part of France have been devastated, but Germany is already on the defensive and has lost considerable ground. The result can only be utter humiliation of Germany. This at least is recognized by all but the Germans themselves, and even those Germans who are not so blinded by military zeal that they have lost all sense of proportion must begin to see the facts in their true light. It is now a question of how long the campaign of the allies will last before being brought to a successful conclusion. The answer would solve the most troublesome problem of this or any century.

CRITICISM OF CENSORSHIP.

The London Times takes the Asquith government very severely to task for its policy of not giving out to the public descriptions of the deeds of valor performed by individual regiments in the British Army. In support of its argument, the Times quotes from a brigade order issued by Major-General Bullfin, in which the Loyal North Lancashires, the Northampton and the 2nd King's Rifle Corps, are commended for extreme gallantry in a certain action. The Times goes on to say that the people in England have been remarking that the North of England has not been bearing its share at the front, and apparently altogether without reason. The incident referred to occurred towards the end of October, and might never have come to the light of day except that General Bullfin sent a copy to his wife, and she, in turn, transmitted it to a Plymouth newspaper. The Times criticizes the government very strongly for omitting to make public such occurrences, and also prints a letter from Gaston Dru a French journalist, who said that it was his intention to speak to Field-Marshal French about the "too great secrecy" maintained by the military authorities concerning "the work and the brave deeds of the English soldiers." Lord Roberts considered that war correspondents should be allowed to write "in detail of the glorious actions fought by our troops, several days, it goes without saying, after these actions have taken place." He said that in England we want men, many more men, and if we do not let our people at home know in detail of the life of our soldiers at the front, of their brave fights and gallant deeds how shall we awake in the soul of our young men the high sentiment of emulation which will strongly contribute to lead them to the recruiting office?"

This "voice from the grave," however, had no effect on the government when the matter came up in parliament and Sir Stanley Buckmaster who has charge of the censorship held out no hope that conditions would be remedied.

PRESS COMMENT.

The following tribute to the late Lord Roberts was paid by Mr. John Redmond in the House of Commons recently:— Mr. J. Redmond (Waterford, Nat.).—I ask the permission of the House to utter a few simple and sincere words in the support of this motion. (Hear, hear.) I am not going to attempt to give expression to any ap-

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preciation of the great military career of Lord Roberts, or to utter any panegyric on his life. Lord Roberts was an Irishman, and it is fitting that at any rate one Irish voice should be heard in support of this motion. In addition to that, Lord Roberts was closely and intimately connected with the city which I have had the honour to represent for so many years. Lord Roberts was a Waterford man. His family—of good old Irish stock—were associated with the city of Waterford for very many generations, and those whom I have the honour to represent in this House have always felt proud to claim him as a Waterford man. (Hear, hear.) It is pleasant to recollect that quite recently, within the last few years, the Corporation of the city of Waterford, consisting of men of all political views, of all classes and creeds, unanimously paid to him the highest honour which it was in their power to bestow by making him an honorary freeman of the ancient city. (Hear, hear.) I am glad to be able to recall that recently, since the war broke out, I have had some personal relations with Lord Roberts of a pleasant and most friendly character. He was anxious to aid in every way that he could in rousing his country, Ireland, to an adequate sense of the gravity of the crisis which had arisen and I recall the fact that he expressed a few weeks ago his desire, if it were at all possible, to attend the meeting which the Prime Minister addressed in Dublin, and to speak on the same platform with the Prime Minister and myself. (Hear, hear.) As things turned out, he was unable to do so. He was passionately anxious to do everything in his power for the Irish troops, those troops whom he trusted, those troops to whom he was so passionately attached, and those troops who in return so highly honoured him all through his career. (Cheers.) He was passionately anxious to elicit and to gratify their national sentiments, and in this way to encourage them to play a part in this war worthy of their past in the military history of the country. A great soldier is dead; dead with his harness on him; fallen at the front, in my belief, as truly as if he had died from a German bullet in the trenches. (Hear, hear.) I am glad the House has given me as an Irishman the opportunity of saying these few words in honour of a man who, whatever his political opinions—on an occasion such as this I utterly decline to think of his political opinions at all—has certainly added to the long roll of great soldiers whom Ireland has given to the Empire in the past one of the greatest of their name. (Cheers.)

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JONES—December 26th, 1914, at the Jeffery Hale's Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Will Jones, a son; both doing well.

DIED.

DOLLARD—On the 27th inst., at 38 St. Angele street, Patrick Dollard, native of County Kilkenny, Ireland, son of the late Michael Dollard, aged 58 years and 9 months.

Funeral will leave his late residence on Tuesday morning at 9.00 o'clock, for St. Patrick's Church, and thence to St. Patrick's Cemetery.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

Montreal, Toronto and Sudbury, Ont., papers please copy.

PICHER—On the 26th inst., Achille Picher, of the firm of Robitaille and Picher, at the age of 52 years.

Funeral to Notre Dame du Chemin Church, on Tuesday, December 29th, at 9.00 o'clock a.m., leaving the late residence, 89 St. Foye Road, at 8.45 o'clock.

THANKS

We wish to return our most sincere thanks to our friends for their many tokens of sympathy and regret on the occasion of the recent sad bereavement which has befallen us in the death of our wife and mother.

JOHN EGAN, Sr.,
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St. Patrick's Literary Institute

The members are requested to attend the funeral of the late Mr. P. Dollard, who was a member of the Association.

The funeral will leave his late residence 38 St. Angele street, THIS MORNING, at 9 o'clock.

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IN AND ABOUT TOWN

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The fact that the Chronicle's Christmas Fund for the Belgians has been left open until New Year is no occasion for regret when it is considered that yesterday brought in a contribution of \$250.00 from Mr. Neil M. McWharrie and another of \$5.00 from Mr. David Jewell.

**AUSTRIAN AND
GERMAN PRISONERS**

**TAKEN FROM THIS CITY TO
BEAUPORT UNDER MILITARY ESCORT.**

Ten prisoners, eight Austrians and two Germans, were taken yesterday, under military escort, to the drill hall at Beauport, by the electric railway.

**CHRISTMAS BANQUET
OF OVER SEAS CLUB**

**AT THE Y. W. C. A.—MOST
PLEASANT AND PATRIOTIC
FUNCTION.**

At the Young Women's Christian Association, last evening, a large number of members of the Overseas Club sat down to a Christmas banquet provided by the ladies of the Y. W. C. A.

PERSONAL

Mr. Paul Gauvreau is in Montreal.

Mr. J. B. McLaren, of Montreal, is at the St. Louis Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hayden, of Chicago, are at the Chateau.

Mr. G. Johnston is in town from Montreal, staying at the Chateau.

Mr. C. G. Spalding is among the Torontonians registered at the St. Louis Hotel.

Mr. R. E. Helborn arrived in town yesterday from Prescott and is staying at the St. Louis.

Mrs. Jas. McLennan and family, of New York, are here to spend some days at the Chateau.

**XMAS GIFTS FOR
SOLDIERS' CHILDREN**

**PLEASANT EVENT IN DRILL
HALL YESTERDAY. — 650
CHILDREN PRESENT.**

It was a remarkable scene which caught the eyes of a visitor to the Drill Hall yesterday afternoon. Two gigantic Christmas trees loaded with gifts were located at one end of the hall which was crowded with children, little sons or daughters of the men who are either on their way to the firing line or are aiding their country by guarding its shores from an attack which, even though remote is nevertheless, a possibility.

During the course of the afternoon, the band of the R. C. G. A. rendered a choice and appropriate musical program. Many prominent men and women of the city visited the Drill Hall during the pleasing function and were much struck by the apparent successful management and marvellous enjoyment on all sides.

A beautiful doll, the work of Mrs. McCahey, was given away to the child holding ticket No. 13 (Who says 13 is unlucky?) and the winner proved to be Miss Rose, whose father is now in England with the Princess Pat's Light Infantry.

Just how gigantic this undertaking was is not immediately apparent to a casual reader but a visit to the Drill Hall yesterday would have impressed one with a fair idea of what the Committee of the Soldier's Wives' League had accomplished and what energy must have been expended in acquiring a successful issue.

**QUEBEC TEAM OUT
TO WIN WEDNESDAY**

**EXPECT TO TRIM CANADIENS
IN MONTREAL.—IMPROVE-
MENTS AT ARENA.**

Far from discouraging them, the defeat on Saturday last has rather stirred every member of the Quebec team to such a pitch that there is sure to be something doing in all their future games.

Last evening the squad was out for a stiff practice at the Arena and every one of them almost worked their heads off, not alone in an effort to round into shape but also to perfect themselves in team play.

The blue and whites are out to trim the Canadiens in Montreal on Wednesday at all costs, and figure that they will succeed if fast and systematic work on their side and determination count for anything.

Manager Quinn will rest up the team today. They leave by the 1.30 C. P. R. train for Montreal tomorrow. He expects to start out with Ritchie on the line. It is possible that if the Canadiens show too much speed Ritchie will be moved back to the defence, where he played with the Grand Mere team.

Improvements at Arena.
The management of the Arena is studying a means of overcoming numerous little difficulties which have heretofore existed at the Arena. Among them is to follow out the suggestion made in these columns yesterday re a separate entrance for holders of tickets for promenade and box seats.

Lavatories are to be installed in different sections of the Arena for the accommodation of spectators at all hockey games. An enclosure is to be made outside the building for carts so that they will not cause any congestion at the main entrance either going or coming to the building.

The Arena directors are determined to give the public the best possible satisfaction. It is possible that within a few days the box office plan of seats will be placed on sale at the Auditorium Theatre, as it will be more central and convenient there for the residents of the upper portion of the city.

DOMINION TRUST
Charge of "Frame-Up" Regarding
Liquidation Is Made

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 28—Charges that G. H. Cowan, K.C., a solicitor, and Joseph Martin, K.C., M.P., as counsel for the provisional directors of the Dominion Trust Company, had "framed-up" a scheme to "rail-road" some one in as permanent liquidator of the concern, without giving the creditors a fair opportunity of being represented at the meeting, was made at the official creditors' meeting held today at noon to recommend a nomination to the court.

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Latest Sporting News

ELIMINATE ROVER IN QUEBEC LEAGUE

SIX-MAN HOCKEY AT ARENA WEDNESDAY — COO DION WITH ST. PAT'S

The Quebec City Hockey League held a meeting at the Victoria Hotel last evening and decided on playing six-man hockey during this winter instead of seven.

Rules governing the Montreal City League were adopted after some modifications were made, so that everything is now in readiness for the league opening at the Arena on Wednesday next.

Laurentides and Laval will be the opposing teams in the inaugural exhibition at the Arena tomorrow evening. Both teams have been practicing hard and it will be very much of a surprise if the match is not more exciting than most of the Inter-Provincial games during the past few seasons.

Laurentides will have most of their players from last season including Jimmy Walsh, Phil Augers, L. Gingras, W. Derouin, M. St. Pierre and others.

Among the players who will probably figure with the Laval's in this game are: E. Savard, Joe. Labrecque, A. Savard, A. Morency, Racine, E. Morency, Lavoie and others. The students are reported to be in fine condition and ready for a stubborn contest with the Paquet Cup holders.

The officials will be Sam Murphy and Dr. Leclerc. It is understood that referees in every game either at the Quebec Rink or the Arena will be strict on any attempt at rough play. Their work should be made easier with the elimination of the rover on each team.

Coo Dion With St. Pat's

It is reported in sporting circles that Coo Dion, the famous Ottawa amateur star hockey player, who is in training here with the 23rd Battalion, will figure with the St. Patrick's team in all their City League games, until the second contingent sails for England, en route to the front.

CLASS "A" SCORES ON FRONTENAC ALLEYS.

Canadiens took two out of three from Levis and the Q. R. L. H. & P. won the odd string from Frontenac in the local bowling league games last night on Frontenac alleys. Racine, of the Canadiens, was top man of the night with 573, and Harry Gale of the same team was next with 557. The scores:—

Table with 4 columns: Name, Score 1, Score 2, Total. Includes Levis, Lemieux, W., Paquet, Osw., Roy, L., Marchessault, A., Blouin, A., Fortier, Bazin, Richard, Racine, Gale, Q. R. L. H. & P. Co., Dorais, Vallee, M., O'Brien, Kennedy, Paquet, Ls., Frontenac, Chalouh, Vallee, J., Carbray, Blondeau, Gagnon, E.

Table with 4 columns: Name, Score 1, Score 2, Total. Includes Fortier, Bazin, Richard, Racine, Gale, Q. R. L. H. & P. Co., Dorais, Vallee, M., O'Brien, Kennedy, Paquet, Ls., Frontenac, Chalouh, Vallee, J., Carbray, Blondeau, Gagnon, E.

Table with 4 columns: Name, Score 1, Score 2, Total. Includes Dorais, Vallee, M., O'Brien, Kennedy, Paquet, Ls., Frontenac, Chalouh, Vallee, J., Carbray, Blondeau, Gagnon, E.

Table with 4 columns: Name, Score 1, Score 2, Total. Includes Chalouh, Vallee, J., Carbray, Blondeau, Gagnon, E., Frontenac, Dorais, Vallee, M., O'Brien, Kennedy, Paquet, Ls.

CLASS "A" STANDING.

Table with 4 columns: Team, Won, Lost. Includes Canadian, Q. R. L. H. & P. Co., Frontenac, Levis.

OTTAWA COLLEGE WON IN NEW YORK

Defeated Crescent A. C. of Brooklyn By 7 to 3

New York, Dec. 28.—The Ottawa College hockey team defeated the Crescent A. C. team of Brooklyn here tonight, 7 to 3. In the first period the Crescents successfully defended their goal for nine minutes, but fast play then gave the visitors five goals in four minutes' play. Ottawa added two more in the second period.

KEEN CURLING AT VICTORIA CLUB

HOLDERS OF THE BOSWELL SHIELD DEFEAT CHALLENGING RINK

The second match for the Boswell Challenge Shield played at the Victoria Curling Club last evening resulted in the defenders winning out for a second time by 11 to 9, after a most exciting game. The defenders are known as W. S. Champion's rink.

Following are the rinks: Defenders: S. Ahern, C. V. Norris, H. E. Price, F. J. Home; Challengers: T. J. Leonard, E. L. Garneau, H. S. McGreevy, H. S. Thomson. Skip— Score 6-11; Skip— Score 6-9. Champion's Rink 2 up.

ST. MORITZ WILL BE DEAD THIS WINTER

FAMOUS ENGLISH BOB-SLEIGH RUNNERS KILLED IN ACTION

Geneva, Dec. 28.—The famous Cresta bobsleigh run at Saint Moritz will never again see many of its well known "ice jockeys" whose exploits excited interest among the visitors, including the Crown Prince of Germany and the heir to the Austrian throne. The Grand National bobsleigh crews composed in a great part of English officers, have been decimated by war. During the retreat to the Marne and the advance to the Aisne, Captain Bentley, Captain R. S. Dawson, Lieut. E. Quick were killed and Captain J. Webb-Bowman was seriously wounded. All four of them steered bobsleighs to victory in the Grand National, several winters heating the Crown Prince with his German crew. Among the wounded officers are Captain Stutz, the well known Alpinist and skier, Captain Abercromby, a daring Cresta run rider and young Lord Carberry, who revolutionized bobsleighing at St. Moritz, by introducing the prone position of the crew.

St. Moritz will be "dead" this winter and perhaps for many winters without the elite of its English sportsmen. The Crown Prince of Germany, a particular friend of all the English officers mentioned, and on frequent occasions during his winter visits to St. Moritz in the last five years, they were his guests at dinners and luncheons.

BOSTON'S NEW BASEBALL GROUND

Boston, Dec. 28.—The new grounds of the Boston National League Baseball Club in Alston will be the largest in the country in size and seating capacity, and will cost more than any baseball plant yet constructed. President James E. Gaffney said after a discussion of the plans by the board of directors today.

Forty thousand, two hundred and eighty two seats will be provided, he said. Of these, 16,931 will be in a one-story grand stand so constructed that a second deck may be added later; 8,015 will be built in bleachers back of first and third bases, admission to which will be fifty cents; and 5,336 will be provided to the right of centerfield for the 25 cent patrons. Centerfield limits will be four hundred feet from the home plate and 460 feet from the grand stand.

There will be virtually no "sun field" The grounds will be laid out to face the north-east so that the sun glare will not be strong in any of the outfield positions.

The playing field is to be sunk fifteen feet below street level after the fashion of the Yale "bowl"

GUNBOAT PICKS ANOTHER LEMON

New York, Dec. 28.—Gunboat Smith of California, so far outclassed Chick Carsey, of Philadelphia, that the referee stopped the contest in the third round here tonight. The weights were: Smith, 185; Carsey, 183. Willie Beecher, a local lightweight, knocked out Tim O'Neill, of Holyoke Mass., in the first round after a minute and a half of fighting, with a right hand blow over the heart.

MCLEAN ADMITS HE TOOK MONEY

FAMOUS SKATER ACKNOWLEDGES HIS PROFESSIONALISM

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Robert McLean, international ice skating champion, holder of all amateur records from 220 yards up to two miles, tonight announced that he no longer was an amateur. McLean admitted that he received \$75 a week and other perquisites for exhibition skating on an artificial pond in a downtown cafe.

McLean's announcement preceded by one day a meeting of the Western Skating Association which has investigated his standing as an amateur. The skater recently was pronounced a professional by the International Skating Union which asked the association to suspend McLean.

The officers of the association held that McLean's professionalism had not been proved and declined to suspend him pending an investigation. A report of the investigation will be made tomorrow.

INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE BOWLING MATCH

Wm. Marsh & Co. bowlers won two of three strings from the B. Houde team in an Industrial League match last night on St. Roch's Alleys. Larochelle, with 489, was the high man of the match. Scores:—

Table with 4 columns: Name, Score 1, Score 2, Total. Includes Wm. Marsh & Co., Larochelle, Drolet, Morency, Dery, Mercier, B. Houde, E.E. Goulet, J. Thibault, E. Brault, R. Fortier, N. Bussieres.

BOXING AT MONTREAL

Montreal, Dec. 28.—Outpointing his opponent in the first four rounds and breaking even in four of the remaining rounds of a scheduled ten round bout before the members of the Montreal Sporting Club, Harry Condon, of New York, earned the decision tonight over his fellow citizen, Johnny Lustig. Condon fought throughout in a more aggressive manner and at times had Lustig on the ropes to save himself. Both boys went at top speed from start to finish. Condon started in from the sounding of the gong for the first round to win and so smothered his opponent in points that Lustig would have had to knock him out to earn a decision over him, although he made a gallant effort in the closing rounds.

SITUATION IN MEXICO UNSETTLED

Washington, Dec. 28.—Despatches from the Brazilian minister in Mexico City dated there early today and received here tonight described the political situation as full of uncertainties. He referred to the lack of harmony between the several chiefs, some of whom were advocating radical and extreme measures of government, but indicated that nothing alarming had developed and that good order was being preserved.

From its own agents also the State Department was advised that friction existed between the Zapata and Gutierrez-Villa factions, based chiefly on the desire of the former to execute many of the officers who once served with the Federal army. At present a decree issued by General Gutierrez suspending all executions for whatever cause pending a fair trial is in effect. The Gutierrez-Villa element holds the officers should be given a trial and be represented by council, but the Zapatistas are understood to be in favor of summary extermination of those who served the Huerta or Carbajal regimes.

WOMAN SOLDIER TWICE SHOT.

Esther Manuel, a Jewess, and mother of two children, decided to find her husband, who was in the Prussian army fighting France. Under the name of Louis Grafamus she joined the Second Koenigsburg uh-lans. Twice wounded, she rose to the rank of a sergeant-major and was rewarded by the German field marshal with the iron cross.

It was only discovered that the brave sergeant-major was of the female sex when she found her husband under the walls of Paris, just killed by French bullets.

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20% DISCOUNT ON TOYS AND FANCY ARTICLES

Besides all opportunities in Toys and Fancy Articles, the 20 per cent discount on regular price marked will remain good until December 31st.

SUGGESTIONS FOR BOYS

Drums, Soldiers' Suits, Mechanical Trains, Steam Toys and Attachments, Sleighs, Toboggans, Animals, Games, Etc., Etc., at moderate prices.

FANCY LINENS AND CUSHION TOPS

Fancy Huck Linen Toilet Towels, with fancy hemstitched borders; sizes 42x23 each pair in a fancy box suitable for gifts. Per pair 95c & \$1.25

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Embroidered Lawn Shams and Bureau Covers; sizes 36x18, 45x20, 54x20, 32x32, lovely designs. Your choice any of them at 50c

BATTENBERG TABLE COVERS

Round and Square Battenberg Table Covers, 45x45. Specially priced and boxed for gifts \$1.25

CUSHION TOPS

Patriotic Cushion Tops; various designs and colors. Specially priced at 25c Brocade Tapestry Cushion Tops, assorted designs. Priced at 48c

TEMPERANCE CAFE'S EXEMPT FROM DUES

PARIS PROPRIETORS WILL BE EXEMPT IF NO LIQUOR SOLD.

Paris, Dec. 28.—11.15 p.m.—Proprietors of cafes who give an undertaking to sell no spirituous liquors will be exempt from the license dues after January 1st.

The Chamber of Deputies today voted to exempt all cafes, despite the opposition of the government and the budget committee of the Chamber, who consider that the measure constituted a bounty to liquor sellers, whose excessive numbers the government is striving to decrease, and a direct encouragement to drunkenness. The exemption, in addition, it is pointed out, will represent a loss to the treasury of 37,000,000 francs (\$7,400,000).

The Senate took the government's view and refused to ratify the measure. Finally a compromise was reached by the two Houses, whereby only the sellers of beer, wine, cider and non-alcoholic beverages come under the exemption clause.

RESTORING A RAZOR.

"Oh, George, before you get your razor I must tell you that I—I borrowed it yesterday." "What, again?" "Yes, yes. I had to do some ripping. But it's just as good as ever. You'll never notice the difference. I sharpened it on the stovepipe."

JUST AS A COMPLIMENT.

Count Baldissare Castiglione wrote of manners in sixteenth century Italy: "Discourse of love is used by every gentleman. . . . not only when impelled by ardor, but also merely to do honor to the lady with whom he speaks. The pretense of loving her is, at any rate, a testimony to her worthiness to be loved. She, on her part, will for a time seem to fall under and anon will take it all as a merry jest."



Quebec Curling Club

Medal Shot Competition for "Anderson Cup" will be played on Tuesday, 29th December, in squads, at 2:15 4.15 and 8.00 p.m. S. J. GROGAN, Hon. Secretary.

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We are offering this week 40 Raccoon Coats, worth \$70.00 to \$90.00, for \$45.00 22 Coats of Persian Lamb cuttings, worth \$50.00 to \$60.00, for \$25.00 And 50 PER CENT. on all our Toys, without exception.

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ALLOWANCES TO CAPTURED OFFICERS

Petrograd, Dec. 28.—The Russian government has decided to make cash allowances to captured officers with the following rates: Generals, \$750 a year; staff officers, \$450; all other officers \$300.

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MINERS AND SHIPPERS OF THE CELEBRATED "DOMINION" STEAM AND GAS COALS Screened, Run-of-Mine and Slack For Particulars, apply to SALES AGENT, 112 ST. JAMES ST., MONTREAL

ARENA

N. H. A. Championship Match. TORONTO vs. QUEBEC, Saturday, January 2nd, 1915. Seats now on Sale. Prices: 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00

Quebec City Hockey League Series. LAURENTIDES vs. LAVAL, WED., DEC. 30th, 1914. Admission25 Cents Children15 Cents Tonight: Band and Skating.

Tickets may be procured for East side at Dion & Jolicoeur's, St. Joseph street; Merchants' Club, Crown street, and at Arena Box Office. West side, at Grondin's Tobacco Store, Buade street, and at Arena Box Office.

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TO GUARD AGAINST ALUM IN BAKING POWDER SEE THAT ALL INGREDIENTS ARE PLAINLY PRINTED ON THE LABEL, AND THAT ALUM OR SULPHATE OF ALUMINA OR SODIC ALUMINIO SULPHATE IS NOT ONE OF THEM. THE WORDS "NO ALUM" WITHOUT THE INGREDIENTS IS NOT SUFFICIENT. MAGIC BAKING POWDER COSTS NO MORE THAN THE ORDINARY KINDS. FOR ECONOMY, BUY THE ONE POUND TINS.

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MASONS CELEBRATE ST. JOHN'S DAY

JOINT INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS — BANQUET CONCLUDES PROCEEDINGS.

Yesterday, the festival of St. John the Evangelist, was a busy day in Masonic circles in this city and the various lodges spent a good deal of time in the installation of officers and the ceremonial connected with the Craft.

Owing to the war the celebration was observed with unusual solemnity, there being little of the social gaiety which usually characterizes the event. Even the banquet which concluded the proceedings was quite on the serious side.

An idea of what the Masons of the Province of Quebec are doing in the way of showing their patriotism was given by R. Wor. Bro. E. A. Evans, Deputy Grand Master, during the evening while replying to the toast of the Grand Lodge. He pointed out that they were furnishing two motor ambulances and would have a subscription of at least \$25,000 to hand over.

A feature of the evening was the singing of Mr. Alan McLelland, who has a beautiful tenor voice, and will be heard at Chalmers Church this evening.

R. W. Bro. E. J. Evans, D.D.G.M., had an arduous day, as he conducted the installation ceremonies.

The officers of the various lodges are as follows:—

Albion Lodge, No. 2.
Wor. Bro. G. R. Willis, W.M.; Wor. Bro. J. W. Sutherland, I.P.M.; Bro. C. H. Knowles, S.W.; Bro. F. W. Phillips, J.W.; R. W. Bro. R. Smith, Chaplain; Wor. Bro. A. T. Cooper, Treasurer; Bro. B. Dranfield, Sec'y.; Bro. J. V. Hatch, S.D.; Bro. P. McK. Sampson, J.D.; Bro. J. F. Smith, I.G.; Bro. R. Burston, Organist; Bro. J. R. Carrington, D. of C.; Bro. R. N. MacAulay, Bro. E. Fritze, Stewards; Bro. H. McQueen, Tyler.

St. John's Lodge, No. 3.
Wor. Bro. F. W. Martin, W.M.; Bro. F. Marsh, S.W.; Bro. G. Abel, J.W.; Wor. Bro. W. C. Teakle, Chaplain; R. W. Bro. E. H. Walling, Treas.; Bro. W. Wilkinson, Sec'y.; Bro. P. Dale, S.D.; Bro. G. Lee, J.D.; Bro. D. Marsh, I.G.; Bro. A. Wyse, D.C.; Bro. Wheeler, Bro. Goodwin, Stewards; R. Burston, Organist; H. McQueen, Tyler.

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 6.
Wor. Bro. W. J. Campeau, W.M.; Wor. Bro. F. W. H. Porter, I.P.M.; Bro. V. E. Walters, S.W.; Bro. James Stevenson, J.W.; M. N. Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, Chaplain; R. W. Bro. E. A. Seiert, Treas.; R. W. Bro. Geo. Brodie, Sec'y.; Bro. J. B. Churchill, S.D.; Bro. Chas. O'Neill, J.D.; Bro. H. B. Poliwka, D. of C.; Bro. F. W. Russell, I.G.; Bro. A. D. Scott, Bro. Alex. C. Morrisson, Stewards; H. McQueen, Tyler.

Tuscan Lodge, No. 28.
Wor. Bro. J. H. Hamilton, I.P.M.; Bro. Geo. O'Neill, W.M.; Bro. A. O. Anderson, S.W.; Bro. E. E. Findlay, J.W.; Bro. David Craig, Sec'y.; Bro. John Brown, Treas.; Wor. Bro. C. M. Barclay, Chaplain; Bro. R. G. Addison, S.D.; Bro. Ben. Downes, J.D.; Bro. S. G. Ferguson, I.G.; Bro. E. T. Mitchell, Tyler.

Stadacona Chapter, No. 2, R. A. M.
Ex-Comp. W. G. Fellows, Z.; Ex-Comp. F. W. Porter, H.; Ex-Comp. Geo. Willis, D.; Rt. Ex-Comp. Chas. Knowles, Treas.; Rt. Ex-Comp. Geo. Brodie, Scribe E.; Comp. Geo. Abel, Scribe N.; Comp. W. T. Cooper, Prin. Soj.; Comp. A. E. Staton, Sen. Soj.; Comp. R. N. Macauley, Jun. Soj.; Comp. F. W. Russell, M. 1st B.; Comp. B. A. Shetter, M. 2nd B.; Comp. Chas. O'Neill, M. 3rd B.; Comp. B. Dranfield, M. 4th B.; Comp. H. McQueen, Janitor.

The banquet was presided over by R. W. Bro. R. A. Wallace, and the toast list and programme was as follows:—

The King and the Craft
"Kingly in Kingly Craft, the Craft of Kings." (Old Ballad)
Chairman's Opening Address.

R. W. Bro. R. A. Wallace.
Solo—Wor. Bro. Judge G. Willrich.
The M. W. The Grand Master and the Grand Lodge of Quebec

"Most potent, grave and reverend signiors" (Othello)
Quartette—Bro. S. G. Claxton, Bro. A. J. Carpenter, Mr. C. G. Armour, Mr. A. R. Taylor.

The Newly Elected Officers.
"He that hath learned to obey will know how to command." (Solon)
Violin Solo—Bro. H. Spencer.

Our Visiting Brethren.
They come to us under the tongue of good report.
"Be not forgetful to entertain strangers; for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."
Solo—Bro. A. J. Carpenter.

Our Absent Brothers.
"Although out of sight, we recognize them with our glasses."
Solo—Bro. Geo. Staton.

Junior Warden's Toast.
"Happy to meet, sorry to part, happy to meet again."
Said the monkey to the bear "Tis as easy to grin as to growl."
Quartette—Bro. S. G. Claxton, Bro. A. J. Carpenter, Mr. C. G. Armour, Mr. A. R. Taylor.

GOD SAVE THE KING
"A thousand times, Good Night."
(Much ado about nothing)

The following were the members of the committee of arrangement:—
Bro. H. B. Poliwka, Chairman;

SOCIALISTS IN GERMANY ARE AGAINST KAISER

DENUNCIATION OF PRUSSIAN MILITARISM FEATURES THEIR APPEAL

London, Dec. 29.—The Morning Post has received from Herr Karl Bernstein, who writes from Rotterdam, the following translation of a New Year's appeal to be issued to the Socialists in Europe and America by the committee of the German Humanity League:

"Dear Comrades: On the eve of a New Year, which opens up on scenes of fear and ruthless crime unparalleled even in the massacre rolls of our nation's infamous accomplices at Constantinople, we appeal to our brethren on the continent of Europe and in the United States of America not to hide themselves behind the screen of neutrality.

"We are face to face with the enemies of mankind. The German nation, driven into this wicked war by the Kaiser and his military entourage, cajoled by the perjurer states in the Reichstag and by the false records circulated in every state in order to deceive our compatriots, has recklessly hurled itself blindfolded against forces which, sustained by indisputable moral considerations, show no signs of weakening in their determination to expel from Belgium the troops which have covered her habitations with blood and irreparably injured an innocent nation our rulers had sworn to protect.

"We ask you to remember that the territory of no German state has been menaced by the Allies, who are lawfully and honorably defending the plain rights of the cruelly outraged Belgians.

"Fellow workers, can you longer remain idle and silent spectators of these stupendous crimes? Are you forever to be dumb in view of the awful scenes of carnage in Flanders, in Brabant, in Alsace and in Lorraine? Do you not see amid the maiming and slaughter of innocent, unarmed old men, women, children and infants at breast that the Kaiser has covered our nation with imperishable infamy, and that the toll of war means the sacrifice of the precious lives of toilers and wage earners in a devilish campaign, barbarous in its method upon sea as upon land? Already in five months our homes, our trade, our enterprises, have been ruined for at least fifty years, and if this war continues, the loss of life and economic devastation will scourge the Fatherland for a century.

"We know from authentic intelligence which reaches us that the restless indignation and deceived democracy now undergoing privations and nursing its grief cannot be restrained by force from making an active protest, and we most earnestly appeal to every comrade who cares for maintenance of international obligations, to strive his utmost to crush and sweep away forever the domination of Prussian militarism within Germany, which by its conspiracy against humanity has disgraced and humiliated our nation in the eyes of the civilized world."

Useful New Invention

Enables Anyone to Play Piano or Organ Without Lessons.

A Detroit musician has invented a wonderful new system which enables any person or little child to learn to play the piano or organ in one evening. Even though you know absolutely nothing about music or have never touched a piano or organ, you can now learn to play in an hour or two. People who do not know one note from another are able to play their favorite music with this method without any assistance whatever from anyone.

This new system which is called the Numeral Method, is sold in Canada by the Numeral Method Music Co. of Canada, and as they are desirous of at once making it known in every locality, they are making the following special free trial and half-price offer to our readers.

You are not asked to send any money until you have tried and are satisfied with the new method. The Numeral Company is willing to send it to you on one week's free trial, and you will not have to pay them one cent unless you desire to keep it. There are no express charges to be paid, as everything will be sent by mail. Simply write a letter or post card to the Numeral Music Co. of Canada, 199A Curry Hall, Windsor, Ontario, saying "Please send me the Numeral Method on seven days' free trial." If you are satisfied after trying it, the Method and fifty different pieces of sheet music will cost you only \$5, although the regular price of these is \$10. You should not delay writing, as the Numeral Company will not continue this special half-price offer indefinitely. Later on, the Method and fifty pieces of music will be sold at the regular price.

Wor. Bro. J. H. Hamilton, Bros. G. O'Neill, A. O. Anderson, W. J. Campeau, J. B. Churchill, Geo. R. Willis, P. McK. Sampson, J. V. Hatch, R. Marchant, Peter Dahl, Chas. Wheeler.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT TO INSPECT TROOPS

INSPECTION WILL TAKE PLACE AT DRILL HALL THIS MORNING.

It is expected that His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, will inspect the Quebec troops this morning.

The inspection is due to take place at the Drill Hall at 10.00 o'clock this morning.

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THAT WINTER VACATION THE TIME: Any Wednesday commencing Jan. 6, from New York, at 10 a.m.

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THE WAY: The SS Bermudian, newest and fastest vessel on this route.

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Sailings January 15th, 26th; February 5th, 19th, 2:00 p.m. For tickets and information, apply: Canada Steamship Lines Ltd., Montreal, Can., or any Ticket Agent.

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MAIL CONTRACT.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Postmaster-General, will be received at Ottawa until noon, on Friday, the 29th January, 1915, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed contract for four years, six times per week, over a rural mail delivery route to be known as "St. Nicholas Station, No. 2," to begin from the Postmaster-General's pleasure.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of tender may be obtained at the post offices of St. Nicholas Station, Bernadette and St. Nicholas Sud, and at the office of the Post Office Inspector.

S. TANNER GREEN, Post Office Inspector, Quebec, Dec. 14, 1914. Dec. 8x1aw, tux3w

MAIL CONTRACT.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Postmaster-General will be received at Ottawa until noon, on Friday, the 22nd January, 1915, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed contract for four years 6 times per week over a Rural Mail Delivery Route to be known as "St. Valere De Bulstrode No. 1," to begin from the Postmaster-General's pleasure.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Office of St. Valere De Bulstrode and Walker's Cutting and at the office of the Post-Office Inspector.

S. TANNER GREEN, Post-Office Inspector, Quebec, 7th Dec., 1914. Dec. 8x1aw, tux3w

LOSS OF LIFE AND DAMAGE IN STORM

GREAT GALE SWEEPS OVER GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

London, Dec. 28.—3.10 a.m.—A great gale and snowstorm swept over the larger part of Great Britain and Ireland last night. There was considerable loss of life and much damage done. The telegraphic services on the continent were disorganized and communication with France was almost severed.

One man was killed and several persons were injured by the collapse of a house wall at Clapham. Elsewhere in London plate glass windows were blown out and property was damaged in other ways. Two feet of snow fell in many parts of the country, causing serious flooding of the rivers.

Dublin was visited by the heaviest snowfall in many years. Several disasters, the result of striking mines in the North Sea, are reported. Among those sunk were the steamer Linaria, whose crew was rescued, and a Glasgow steamer. The Linaria, which was of 1881 tons register, belonged to the Stag Line, of North Shields. She was built in 1911.

DAMAGE BY BRITISH RAID ON CUXHAVEN

BELIEVED THAT A PARSEVAL SHED AND AIRSHIP WERE DESTROYED.

London, Dec. 29.—The Times declares that there is excellent reason, despite German denials, for believing that a Parseval shed and airship were destroyed in the British raid on Cuxhaven. It adds that serious damage also was inflicted on the Zeppelin sheds.

TORONTO HOME GUARD GETS FANCY NAME

Toronto, Dec. 28.—"The King's Own Regiment of Guards, Toronto." That is what they will be called. The name of the military successors to the Toronto Home Guard has been finally decided upon by the Minister of Militia, and word to that effect was received today by Col. Stewart, head of the regiment.

YOUNG GIRL RUNS AWAY FROM HER HOME.

Eva Benoit, aged 14 years, who ran away on Saturday last from the home of Mrs. Art. Coderet, in Sillery, where she was employed, was located last evening at 379 St. John street, where she had been engaged as a servant.

Considerable anxiety was felt at the home of Mrs. Coderet at the mysterious disappearance of the girl, and a search was immediately started, with the result that the girl was found last evening, and she will be sent back to her employer.

MAJOR DE KAM IS HOME AGAIN.

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 28.—Major De Kam, attached to the staff of the First Canadian Brigade as intelligence officer, returned to the city from Salisbury Plain last night, with information that the intelligence department, on account of the particular way in which the war had developed, had been done away with.

Major De Kam has his application in for a new appointment with the next contingent.

CARGO OF COTTON SAILS FOR GERMANY

Galveston, Tex., Dec. 25.—The first cargo of cotton to Germany from the port of Galveston since the European war began, departed today for Bremen on the American steamship Pathfinder. The cargo of 6,530 bales, valued by the shippers at \$453,000, and the freight rate, the largest ever paid, being \$3 per 100 pounds.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Dalhousie, N.B., Dec. 25.—In an early morning fire which destroyed three buildings, an aged woman, Miss Ann McDonald, was burned to death, and another woman, Mrs. Joseph Winchester, died from shock.

Mrs. Winchester was returning from Midnight Mass to her home, where she had left a sick husband and three young children, and fear for their safety caused heart failure.

NEW YEAR GIFTS

DRESSING GOWNS.....10 p.c. to 25 p.c. off
LADIES' SILK KNITTED EVENING WRAPS.
EATEST COLORED VESTS, DRESS VESTS,
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SYNOPSIS OF REGULATIONS. GOVERNING Timber on Dominion Lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, the Northwest Territories, the Railway Belt in the Province of British Columbia, and the tract of Three and a Half Millions Acres, Located by the Government in the Dominion in the Peace River District in the Province of British Columbia.

LICENSES. A license to cut timber on a tract not exceeding twenty-five square miles in extent may be acquired only at public auction. A rental of \$5.00 per square mile, per annum is charged on all timber lands, excepting those situated west of Yale in the Province of British Columbia, in which the rental is at the rate of 3 cents per acre. In addition to rental, dues are charged on the timber cut at the rates set out in section 20 of the regulations.

TIMBER PERMITS AND DUES. Permits may be granted in the Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, in respect of portable saw mills, to cut over a definitely described tract of land not exceeding one square mile in extent, on payment of dues at the rate of 50c. per thousand feet, \$1.00, and of a fee at the rate of \$16.00 per acre, for each permit.

TIMBER FOR HOMESTEADERS. Any occupant of a homestead quarter-section having no timber of his own suitable for the purpose may, provided he has not previously been granted free allowance of timber, obtain a free permit to cut the quantity of burning and fencing timber set out in Section 20 of the Regulations.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS. THE sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the District. Entry by proxy may be made at any Dominion Lands Agency (but not Sub-Agency), on certain conditions.

Duties—Six months residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. A habitable house is required except where residence is performed in the vicinity.

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Application to Legislature

NOTICE is given that petition will be made to the Legislature of Quebec at its next session, by the Montreal Construction Company, that it pass an Act giving to the said Company more ample powers and in particular that of exploiting telephone lines and system in the City of Quebec and elsewhere, and also to sanction certain understandings between the said Company and other companies and public corporations.

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NOTICE The Annual General Meeting of The Kingston Gold & Copper Mining Company, Limited, will be held at The Quebec Bank Building, St. Peter street, Quebec, on Thursday, 7th January, 1915, at 3.00 p.m. for the reception of the reports, election of officers and other business. ROBERT STANLEY, Secretary-Treasurer. Quebec, 29th Dec. 1914.

AUCTION SALE

In the matter of: THIVIERGE & BELLEAU, Joiners, Ste. Foye. Insolvents; NOTICE is hereby given that on Wednesday, 30th December, 1914, at 11.00 O'Clock, A.M., will be sold at our office, 101 St. Peter street, Quebec, the assets of this Estate as follows:

- A—Stock in trade and shop fixtures \$ 91.30
B—Machinery 1,078.50
C—Book debts, according to list 250.00
D—Rolling stock: Horse, vehicles and harness 175.00
E—The rights of the insolvents on a building of 24 x 26 feet, used as a joiner shop, situated at Ste. Foye, county of Quebec, and built upon land belonging to Mr. Charles Moreau.

The sale will be made for each item separately. The inventory and list of book debts may be seen at our office. The shop will be opened on Tuesday, December 29th, 1914, for inspection of stock, machinery, etc. BEDARD & BELANGER, Curators. L. J. A. DEMERS & CIE, Auctioneers. Office: 101 St. Peter St. Quebec, Dec. 24, 1914. De. 28x3

ATLANTIC CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED, By-Law No. 1.

By-law Changing the Head Office of the Company.

WHEREAS the head office and principal place of business of the Atlantic Construction Company, Limited, is presently in the City of Quebec, in the Province of Quebec; and Whereas it has been deemed expedient to change the head office of the company to the City of St. John, in the Province of New Brunswick.— It is therefore enacted: That the head office and principal place of business of the Atlantic Construction Company, Limited, is hereby changed from the City of Quebec to the City of St. John, New Brunswick, and that henceforth the head office and principal place of business of the company shall be at the City of St. John, in the Province of New Brunswick.

(Signed) GEO. B. JONES, Vice-President. A. R. GILLHAM, Secretary.

Quebec Fire Assurance Company

NOTICE is hereby given that by virtue of a resolution of the Board of Directors passed on the 14th day of December, 1914, and duly authorized by the Charter and By-laws of the Company, an instalment of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) per share of the subscribed Capital Stock of the "QUEBEC FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY" is now called for, payable to the Treasurer of the Company at its Head Office, No. 81 St. Peter st., in the City of Quebec, in three equal instalments of Five Dollars (\$5.00) each due on the 20th day of January, the 20th day of February and the 20th day of March, 1915, respectively.

G. H. HENDERSON, Secretary. De. 15.22.29, Ja 5

CANADA. Province of Quebec. District of Quebec.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT. No. 5362.

JEAN BAPTISTE CADRIN, of St. Anselme, Merchant, Plaintiff;

vs. FERDINAND FRADET, formerly of Honfleur, in the county of Bellechasse, and actually of Radville, in the Province of Saskatchewan, Defendant.

The Defendant is ordered to appear within one month of the last publication of the present order. Quebec, Dec. 21, 1914. (Signed) J. L. BLANCHET, True copy. D.C.C.C. BERNIER, BERNIER & De BILLY Attys. for Plaintiff. De. 29x2

LONDON EVIDENTLY EXPECTS RAIDS London, Dec. 28.—The London Official Bureau this evening made the following announcement: "The naval and military authorities call the attention of persons using the streets to the danger from fragments of shell and from bullets from the guns used against hostile air craft attempting to raid London."

W. W. CORY, C.M.G., Deputy Minister of the Interior. N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.—64388.

PLAMONDON AND LEDUC CONDEMNED

BY COURT OF KING'S BENCH.—ORTENBERG'S ACTION SUS-TAINED IN LIBEL SUIT.

The Court of King's Bench (Appeal Side) met here yesterday morning, the judges present being their Lordships Justices Archambault, Tremblay, Carroll, Lavergne and Cross. Judgment was rendered in the case of Ortenberg vs. Plamondon and Leduc, reversing the decision of Mr. Justice Malouin, given in the Superior Court, last spring. Mr. Justice Malouin dismissed Ortenberg's action for libel against the defendants on the ground that the complainant could not lay a complaint on behalf of the Jewish race. Ortenberg claimed that a speech made by Plamondon here, and afterwards published in La Libre Parole by Rene Leduc was libellous to the Jewish race.

In rendering judgment yesterday the Court explained that the Jewish population of the city of Quebec was only some 75 families, and that Ortenberg had shown that his business had suffered a decrease in revenue amounting to some \$5,000. Moreover the complainant's place of business had been attacked by boys and young men, who stoned the building, doing considerable damage. As Ortenberg had lost business and suffered the attack mentioned as the result of the speech made by Plamondon and published by Leduc, he had a right to demand redress in the courts.

Plamondon was therefore fined \$50 and ordered to pay the costs of all courts, while Leduc was fined \$25 and also ordered to pay all costs.

Court of Appeals. The Court of Appeals rendered the following judgments yesterday morning: The Court was presided over by Sir Horace Archambault with Honorable Justices Tremblay, Lavergne, Cross and Roy ad hoc.

Warren et al and Corp. Village de la Malbaie—Appeal rejected with costs. Comeau vs. Massicotte—Appeal maintained; judgment of the Court of Review reversed and the Superior Court judgment re-established, with costs.

Levesque and vir vs. La Banque Provinciale—Appeal rejected with costs.

Pineau vs. Cie Neigette—Appeal rejected with costs.

Brulotte vs. Brulotte—Appeal maintained with costs.

Mercure vs. Hinch—Appeal rejected with costs.

Martineau vs. Stewart et al—Appeal rejected with costs.

Laroche et al vs. Laroche—Appeal maintained, costs against the mass.

Factories Insurance Co. vs. Lafort—Appeal maintained with costs.

In Superior Court. Judgments by Hon. Judge McCorkill.

Motion to put on the contributaries' list certain names, in the case of Valentine, petitioner, Dumontier, insolvent, and Lafavre Gagnon, liquidators, the Court doth adjudge and condemn to pay and satisfy to the liquidators of the insolvent estate, the sums opposite the respective names mentioned in said above motion, the whole with costs.

The Eastern Canada Steel & Iron Works Co., Ltd., vs. Pneumatic Conveyor Co. and al. and Quebec Harbor Commissioners, mis en cause—Action maintained and defendants are jointly and severally condemned to pay to plaintiff the balance of the sum sued for to wit, \$4,038.09, from the service of the action, and on the balance, \$4,038.09, from the 13th August last, and costs of the action as taken, and doth order and adjudge that the mis en cause shall not dispossess themselves of such sums of money remaining due to the defendants as shall suffice to pay and satisfy to plaintiff said sum of \$4,038.09 and interested and costs, as herein adjudged.

Insolvent Cases. In the matter of Fortin, petitioner, and Lauron, insolvent, Hon. Justice McCorkill appointed Messrs. Bedard and Belanger, accountants, curators, and Joseph A. Royer and P. E. Emile Belanger, notary, all of Quebec, inspectors to the insolvent estate.

In the matter of La Cie. L'Economique, in liquidation, and Mahony, petitioner, the same learned judge named Messrs. Bedard and Belanger, accountants, curators, and Eugene G. Gaudet, T. H. Mahony and J. Adelard Ferland, all of Quebec, inspectors of the estate.

Writs Issued. Writs of summonses issued from the Prothonotary's office:— P. T. Legare, Ltee. vs. L. E. Godbout, Metapedia, \$144.95, promissory note. P. T. Legare, Ltee. vs. Philadelphia St. Gelais, nil Gobeil, Achille Emmond and Eleazar Brassard, Laterriere, \$107.00, contracts.

P. T. Legare, Ltee. vs. Edouard Labbe and Joseph Labbe, Drummondville, \$146.95, promissory notes. Adolphe Dolber vs. Eugene Thibault, St. Marc, \$151.00, to annul a contract.

HIGH WATER AT QUEBEC. (Star-darj Tim, 75th Meridian.)

Table with columns: Day, Dec. A.M., P.M., Jan. A.M., P.M. Rows: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Includes Moon Phases: Full Moon, Friday, 1st January, 1915, at 7:21 a.m.



CITY OF QUEBEC

City Hall Quebec, 15 December, 1914.

PUBLIC NOTICE

AMENDMENTS TO THE LAW CONSTITUTING THE CITY OF QUEBEC INTO A CORPORATION

Considering that the City of Quebec has represented by its petition that it is necessary to amend the law constituting it into a corporation, and that it is expedient to grant its request, in consequence thereof, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows, to wit: 1.—The City of Quebec is hereby authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding eight hundred thousand dollars to pay the cost of rebuilding the Dufferin Terrace, the widening of streets and other permanent works in the streets and public places in the City; one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars to provide for rebuilding of Bickell's Bridge and to complete construction of Dorchester Bridge; \$50,000 to complete the construction of the Civic Hospital; one hundred and five thousand dollars, to fulfil the conditions of the annexation of Montcalmville, and twenty thousand dollars for subscription to the Canadian Patriotic Fund, and one hundred thousand dollars to be devoted to the widening of Cote d'Abraham Hill. To effect the said loan, the City is authorized to issue obligations or certificates of registered stock when it shall be deemed necessary for the above-mentioned objects. Said obligations or certificates of registered stock to be for an amount which the City shall deem sufficient and shall be payable within a space of time not exceeding fifty years from the date of their issue, with an interest not exceeding four and a half per cent per annum, not including the expenses of the loan or of the amortization.

3.—Article twenty of the Statute 29 Victoria, paragraph 6, chapter 57, is replaced by the following: 20. The Council may, to prevent any infraction to its by-laws or to some of its by-laws, impose fixed or variable fines, and also imprisonment in default of payment, and it is left to the Court to determine the amount of the fine and the length of time of the imprisonment; the fine not to exceed in any case one hundred dollars, shall be sued for and recovered in the manner and form prescribed by the law, which regulates the Recorder's Court of this City, and the imprisonment shall not be for a period of more than three calendar months, unless the law fixes another amount and another period.

4.—The Statute 29 Victoria, chapter 57, article 29, is amended by adding the following paragraph after paragraph 14: "14 A" To impose a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars or six months of jail without option of fine at the discretion of the Recorder, in the case of the condemnation of a person found guilty of having attempted to give or having given a false fire alarm.

5.—Article 21 of the Statute 1 Geo. V, chapter 47, is amended by adding therein the following paragraph: "These bridges and their approaches form part of the streets and the roads of the City for all purposes whatsoever, and are subject to its laws and by-laws."

6.—The Statute 29 Victoria, chapter 57, article 38, paragraph 5, as amended by 51 and 52 Victoria, chapter 78 article 1, is further amended by adding therein the following paragraph: Upon permission granted by the Police and By-Law Committee, every taxpayer may, in his own name, sue before the Recorder's Court.

7.—Article 44 of the Statute 7 Edward the Seventh, chapter 62 is replaced by the following: "44" If the proprietor of a lot bound to build a sidewalk in one of the streets of the City offers to the City to build the said sidewalk in stone or asphalt, blocks, or asphalt or cement, upon a concrete foundation of at least four inches in thickness, in such cases, if the City Engineer has authorized and accepted such construction, the City shall reimburse to the said owner, (one-fourth) of the cost of or the value of these works. (Said reimbursement to be done only once, and such payment shall not be made unless based upon an affidavit of the proprietor.)

8.—Article 8 to 13 inclusive of the Statute George V, chapter 47, article 8, are repealed.

9.—Section 18 of the Statute 2 Geo. V, chapter 55, is replaced by the following: "18" When the City builds a permanent paving in a street or portion of a street, she may in the same time build a uniform sidewalk in material considered to be permanent and recover reimbursement of (three-fourths) of the cost of the sidewalk or grounds along which the said sidewalk has been built. The sum to be recovered for that purpose is a privileged claim similar to assessments and taxes due to the City, and may be recovered from the debtor before the Recorder's Court of the City.

10.—Section 6 of the Statute 2 Geo. V, chapter 55, is replaced by the following: The City is authorized to make, from time to time, one or more special loans for sums not exceeding two million five hundred thousand dollars to form a fund, (fonds de roulement) to provide for current expenses in anticipation of the ordinary revenue or of the proceeds of the sale of debentures which the City shall have been authorized by the

Legislature to issue to pay the cost of permanent works or other objects. The proceeds of said loans must be applied solely and exclusively for the purposes above mentioned and said loans shall be reimbursed out of the ordinary revenue or out of the other sums at the disposal of the City, as the case may be. Said loans provided in said article must be made by means of Treasury bills signed by the Mayor and the City Treasurer.

11.—The granting of any license for the sale of milk and cream within the City limits, shall be left in the hands of the Board of Health of the City. The officers of the said Board of Health are hereby empowered to make even outside the City limits the inspection of milk destined to be sold in the City.

12.—Article 8 of the Statute 1, Edward VII, chapter 42, is replaced by the following: It is forbidden to all to use canoes, boats or other embarkations to navigate on the St. Charles River above the dam of the waterworks of the said City, which lies in the parish of St. Ambroise de la Jeune Lorette; and all persons infringing the said disposition shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars and in default of payment of the said fine and costs thereon to an imprisonment for a space of time not exceeding three months.

13.—It is forbidden to construct on the borders of the River St. Charles, above the intake water of the City Waterworks or on the borders of Lake St. Charles, any building unless it be at such a distance that the waters running therefrom shall not fall into the waters of the said river or of the said Lake St. Charles. It is also forbidden to establish winter roads on the ice of Lake St. Charles or on the River St. Charles above the intake of the water of the City Waterworks.

14.—Section D of article 27 of chap. 57 of the Statute 29 Victoria, is replaced by the following: (D) to the reserve funds of not less than (two and a half) per cent to meet unforeseen expenditure.

15.—Paragraph 7 of article 2, chap. 46 of the Statute 43 Victoria, is replaced by the following: No person having received any money, promissory note or promise of reward for her vote, shall be allowed to vote at the election of the Mayor or of an Alderman.

16.—Limoultou Ward may by a by-law of the Council, be divided into two wards, but each of the two wards shall be represented only by one alderman in the Council.

17.—Article 5 of the Statute 1 Geo. V, chapter 47, is replaced by the following: "5" The City is authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding (one million) of dollars to exercise the powers granted in virtue of the Statute 1 Edward VII, chap. 62, sections 35 and 36.

18.—All proprietors of land on an inclined plane upon which there may or may not be buildings, and in front of which the City is compelled to accumulate shot earth for the construction of a street shall be bound to contribute to one half the cost of the retaining wall necessary to retain the said shot earth.

19.—To obtain ratification of certain payments to cover expenditure occasioned by the present war.

20.—To grant a right of vote to civic officers and employees.

21.—To annex to the City of Quebec, a certain portion of a cadastral number of the parish of St. Foye to rectify the City limits in that direction, and for other purposes.

(Signed) NAP. DROUIN, Mayor of Quebec H. J. B. CHOUINARD, City Clerk.

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HOUSE FOR SALE—One of the most comfortable residences in the city of Quebec, absolutely new and modern. 10 rooms, situated on St. Louis road, corner Moncton avenue west, facing the Battlefield Park. For permit to visit and other information, apply to H. D. Barry, cigar manufacturer, Quebec. Dec. 23x1m.

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CITY OF QUEBEC CITY CLERK'S OFFICE City Hall Quebec, 16th December, 1914

TENDERS FOR FIRE HOSE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that sealed tenders endorsed "Tender for Fire Hose" and addressed to the undersigned will be received from this day to TUESDAY, the fifth day of January next, (1915) at four o'clock p.m., for the supply of two thousand feet, (2,000 ft.) more or less, of cotton fire hose, lined with rubber, in lengths of fifty feet with couplings of more than ordinary strength attached delivered in Quebec without extra cost.

The hose shall be tested by the Chief of the Fire Brigade, and shall be guaranteed for twelve months. Marked samples of each size of hose to accompany the tenders, as if as to the interior diameter of the hose, a specification will be supplied on application to the Chief of the Fire Brigade.

The city does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any of the tenders, and the contractor shall pay the cost of drawing up the contract and of a notarial copy for official use. (Signed,) AUG. MALOUIN, Sec. Fire Committee.

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CANADIAN SERVICE Sailings from Halifax to Liverpool. FRANCONIA (18,100 tons) Jan. 11th, 1 A.M.

COMMERCIAL NEWS NEW YORK MARKET. (Canadian Press.) New York, Dec. 28—The stock market today recovered much of the ground lost in last week's declining movement.

THE NEW-YORK STOCK EXCHANGE Having resumed trading in all the listed stocks, we are pleased to announce that we can now execute orders for New York Stocks, FOR CASH OR ON MARGIN.

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Heaviness of North Western was associated with the road's statement for November, which showed a net loss slightly in excess of \$600,000, while the Southern Railroad suffered to a similar extent for the same period.

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CLOSING MARKET LETTER. By private wire to Breen & Gourdeau, Stock Brokers, 63 St. Peter Street and 6 Sault-au-Matelot. Telephone 185.

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BANK OF ENGLAND. London, Dec. 28—The Bank of England today received £2,000,000 in bar gold.

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THE TORONTO PRODUCE MARKET. Toronto — Quotations are as follows: Wheat, Ontario, No. 2 winter, \$1.10 to \$1.12 outside; Manitoba, No. 1, \$1.10, \$1.11; No. 2, north, \$1.28; No. 3, north, \$1.24.

OILS, ETC. Savannah, Dec. 28 -- Turpentine, firm, 41 1/2; sales, 68; receipts, 332; shipments, 265; stocks, 35,326.

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London, Dec. 28.—Criticism of the government's war preparations which was rampant during early stages of the war has largely ceased, indicating that the general public has either settled down to the belief that everything is being done about as well as possible, or has tired of writing letters to the press.

The War Office has now enlisted the services of business men with experience in carrying out big enterprises to take part in the work of supplying the army, and the labor unions have volunteered to watch the execution of government contracts, not only to see that proper equipment and rations are supplied to the soldiers, but to prevent sweating.

Arnold White, a prominent writer and former colonial official, has been making a thorough inspection of the training camps for the purpose of detecting any scandals and mismanagement. Having been a bitter enemy of the Liberal Government his point of view was not prejudiced in its favor. He writes:

"Having visited 36 camps in various parts of the country I am thoroughly cheered. In the majority of cases business men are handling the difficult problems of war. Dwellers inland have no conception of the thoroughness, efficiency and silence with which the War Office and the Admiralty have co-operated for the business of preventing a German raid or invasion.

"The alarm that is still felt in some parts of these islands is wholly unjustified, because, firstly, the business efficiency of the fleet under Jellicoe has increased since war began; and, secondly, because the practical measures adopted by our military engineers, if generally known, would enable the timid to sleep quietly in their beds. If I were out to pick holes in our administration it would not be in the general management of the war."

NOVELTY IN EVERY ACT AT THE AUDITORIUM

And Interesting War Cartoons are Shown With The Pictures

The novelty of all the acts, the fine pictures presented and some cartoons of the war make the Auditorium program this week the best in many weeks. As they come on the bill:

Welcome & Welcome, as equilibrist, perform some feats that have never been tried on the stage before they went into vaudeville. The lady walks head down, hung to a ladder only by the tips of her toes and seems to do it very easily and all the new stunts presented by her partner make the act one of the best yet seen in that line.

The Spanish dancers, the Two Senoritas, have some very classic dances, that are not only presentable everywhere, but deserve to be recommended. Their costumes are rich, bright and everything in the act makes it attractive.

The comedy supplied by the Hay Duo, trick bicycle riders, is something worth while seeing and the attraction of the act is that all the feats performed are new and well termed novelties. The Hay Duo scored a big hit at the first performance yesterday which shows that the act must be out of the ordinary for this particular audience is not very liberal with its applause.

Maybelle Fisher & Co., have a good many artistic numbers of singing and music, all performed with great cleverness. The lady has a beautiful soprano voice, of which she makes the best of use and she dresses so well that all the ladies in the audience admire nearly as much her costumes as her voice. The pianist and the violinist had a good success also.

The last act which was featured by the management, is in the right position. It is absolutely novel and hard to describe. One thing that can be said is that the Gere Muller Troupe is probably the only act in vaudeville having so good a command of the hoops with which they can do almost anything.

A couple of dozen of slides representing cartoons of the leading newspapers on war subjects proved a great hit; there will be more shown during the week.

The pictures are very interesting.

RUSSIAN VENGEANCE.
The Russian revolutionaries have absolutely no mercy on those who betray them. It is well known that in the year 1903 a traitor caught at Odessa was bricked up alive in a cellar and left to perish.

Regnier, a French spy in the pay of the Russian police, for a long time eluded the vengeance of the revolutionaries. But they caught him at last and that just at the moment when he fancied himself safe. His body was found in his cabin on a ship which reached Antwerp. He had been suffocated by fumes of sulphured hydrogen. How this was done was never discovered.

A BIG FISH.

A record kingfish was caught recently off Cape Brett, New Zealand, by an Auckland, and landed after a fight which was estimated to have lasted over an hour and a half, and which went a long way towards exhausting the strength of the fortunate angler. The fish measured 5 feet 2 inches in length and 36 inches in girth, and scaled 97 pounds. The capture was made single-handed from a launch.



RIDICULOUS STORIES

From the nature of certain inquiries being received at the C. P. R. Department of Natural Resources Headquarters, Calgary, it is evident that some very misleading and absurd reports as to conditions in Canada are being circulated in the United States. For instance, one gentleman writes that he and three or four others were thinking of coming to Alberta but that he understands men are being drafted out of Canada to go to the war, and as he and his friends don't want to go to war, they are undecided what to do. Another man writes that he was told that a law had been passed in Canada, exempting people from the United States from the right to immigrate into Canada. There are six men in his party and they are at a loss to know what to do under the circumstances. It should be noted by all concerned in the settlement of Western Canada, and the fact should be given the fullest possible publicity that there is absolutely no truth in either of these reports or any other similar reports, which are obviously circulated for the purpose of discouraging immigration to Canada. There has not been a man drafted from Canada or from any other part of the Empire for service in the European war, and there is no prospect of any such action. A call was made for Canadian volunteers and more than three times as many men offered themselves as could be accepted. The Government's problem has not been the getting of men, but the accepting of the great numbers offering themselves. It is evident that with conditions such as these, the drafting of men for war service is not dreamed of, but, for the sake of argument, even if it were, American citizens coming to Canada could, of course, not be drafted until they became British subjects, and they are under no obligation to become British subjects at any time unless they so desire. The statement that laws have been passed in Canada to prevent Americans immigrating to this country, is even more absurd, as must be appreciated by all who are familiar with conditions and know how greatly the practical farmer of the United States is wanted in Western Canada, where great fertile areas are awaiting farmers to cultivate them. It may be set down with the fullest assurance that Canada is more anxious to assist than prevent the immigration of desirable settlers from the United States. The instances quoted above indicate that there is no assertion too unreasonable or absurd to find circulation in certain quarters if its effect will only be to discourage American farmers from coming to Canada.

GASTON RUDOLF IS HERE TODAY

Mr. Gaston Rudolf, the celebrated basso from the Opera Comique of Paris, arrived here last night with Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Dansereau, two of the Montreal artists who will contribute to the great concert that will be given tonight at the Columbus Hall. He is in excellent shape and spirit.

No music lover should miss this opportunity of hearing Mr. Rudolf, a basso, who recalls Plancon. The program that he has chosen for today is exceedingly attractive. It includes: "Pas d'Armes du roi Jean," by Saint-Saens; "Poeme de Mai," by Dubois; grand aria of "Messaline," by Lara; a scene of "Mignon," by Thomas; "Hymne du Semeur," by Bussac, and a new war song recently written for the French-Canadian volunteers going to the front, by Mr. A. Cinq-Mars music, by Mr. Jos. Vezina. It will be the first public rendition of this song.

The other artists for tonight are Mr. Alphonse Dansereau, violinist; Mr. Hector Dansereau, pianist, and Mrs. Alphonse Dansereau, mezzo-soprano.

An Armed Crab.

"This crab," said the keeper of the aquarium, "goes armed in his native state. In his claws, which are too weak to fight with, he always carries sea anemones.

"The crab is of the genus Melia. He lives among beds of coral in tropical seas. The anemones he carries—one in each claw, like a nose-gay—are stinging, poisonous ones.

"They are his defense against enemies, and when I see a soldier carrying a gun I think to myself that there is a little pink crab in the sea that is quite as wise as any soldier."

THE WIDOW'S NAME.

In addressing a letter to a widow—for instance, "Mrs. John Jones"—you can write it Mrs. John Jones or Mrs. Hilda Jones, whichever you prefer. Either is proper, there being no hard and fast rules about the matter. If Mrs. Jones prefers being addressed as Mrs. Hilda Jones, then let it be that. There is no law in the case one way or the other.

In many of the London hospitals there are wounded soldiers who can only speak Flemish. This means that they spend weary hours in enforced silence, and it is suggested, to Belgian refugees that they could render splendid service if they went to the hospitals on visiting days and conversed with those who, like themselves, are exiles.

By Appointment

Farriers to His Majesty King George V.

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Now that Christmas is past and gone, we recall with some degree of sorrow that some friend whom we particularly wished to remember,—in the worry and bustle of Christmas time has been forgotten.

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The habit of putting Christmas Toys and other articles on the Christmas tree does not affect the custom of giving at the New Year.

In every Canadian family the New Year is essentially the period for presents. We have prepared our assortment by taking this last point of view into consideration and this week will be the most favorable for all purchasers to secure their desire.

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