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GOV'T. CANNOT SWITCH SOLDIER VOTE AT WILL

GENERAL RETURNING OFFICER EXPLAINS THAT SOLDIER CHOOSES CONSTITUENCY HIMSELF.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 9.—Mr. W. F. O'Connor, General Returning Officer in a statement issued today said: "The impression appears to have been created in home quarters that the Government is empowered, under the War Times Election Act, to allocate certain soldier votes to particular constituencies, as it may deem expedient. This is entirely incorrect."

The Government as a matter of fact is precisely in the same position as the Opposition with regard to votes of soldiers. The Act permits a soldier who is a British subject and has no domicile in Canada to designate the constituency in which his vote is to be counted. It also permits him, if he knows only the name of a place and not the name of the constituency in which it is situated, to indicate the name of the place, and the ballot is duly credited to the proper constituency. But in every case the matter is settled by the soldier himself at the time he votes. Neither the Government nor the Opposition has power to change the vote of a single soldier, or to allocate it to any constituency other than that which the soldier has chosen at the time of voting. The vote is counted and allocated to its proper constituency in the presence of election officers representing both Government and Opposition duly appointed under the provisions of the War-Times-Election-Act."

TROUBLE BREWS FOR TORONTO STREET RAILWAY

SMITHERS MAY OBJECT TO BEING GROUPED WITH MACKENZIE IN APPEAL FOR PROXY.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 9.—Shareholders of the Toronto Railway are being asked in a notice sent from the head office of the company to send their proxies for the Annual Meeting on February 6th next to their directors, Sir Wm. MacKenzie, Senator Frederic Nichols and George Smithers, and much surprise is expected over the fact that the name of Mr. Smithers should be included because of his leadership at the last meeting of the revolutionist shareholders from Montreal, who are still very much revolutionist and who promise that the meeting next month will be a decidedly stormy character. The storm raises chief opposition to the management that not sufficient was done to bring about a renewal of the Company's franchise in 1921. Geo. Smithers, who was elected a Director at the last meeting to represent the interests of the Montreal shareholders, will it is said, will lead the revolutionists and will open a vigorous battle against having his name placed with the names of Sir Wm. MacKenzie and Senator Frederic Nichols on notices calling for proxies.

SMALL INFANTRY ATTACKS AT SEVERAL POINTS—
FRENCH MAKE SUCCESSFUL RAID IN FAMOUS ST. MIHIEL SALIENT—HEAVY SNOW FALLS ON ITALIAN FRONT AND THERE IS NO FIGHTING WORTHY OF MENTION—BRITISH AND FRENCH NEWSPAPERS ENTHUSIASTICALLY ENDORSE WILSON'S STATEMENT OF WAR AIMS—BRITISH HOSPITAL SHIP SUNK WITH CASUALTIES—GERMANY EXTENDS SUBMARINE ZONE TO INCLUDE PACIFIC AND INDIAN TRADE ROUTES.

Bad weather continues to prevail on most of the major battle fronts, but nevertheless the heavy artillery duels are proceeding and at several points infantry attacks of small proportions have been carried out.

The Germans in one of these manoeuvres, which apparently was more of the nature of a raid than an attack by large forces, entered British advanced posts north of the Ypres-Staden railway but later were forced out by a counter-attack.

On the famous St. Mihiel salient south-east of Verdun which has described a sharp wedge in the battle line since the early days of the war, French troops have raided German positions on a mile front, destroyed the positions and returned to their own line with 178 prisoners and some machine guns. The German War Office admits the French success in invading the German positions, but says the French were ejected from them in a counter-attack.

On the Italian front a heavy snow is falling, and aside from intensive artillery duels from the Asiago plateau to the Piave River, and small patrol encounters there has been no fighting worthy of mention.

Both the British and French newspapers enthusiastically endorse President Wilson's statement of war aims. Likewise, it has met with the entire approval of the representatives of Labor in Great Britain. In a manifesto the Laborites say that in the present statement the Labor Party can find no portion upon which the Allied Democracies are likely to disagree and that if it reaches the peoples of the Central Powers it will reinvigorate the popular movement toward peace in those countries, "and give their demands for peace a weight and authority that cannot be denied."

The British hospital ship Rewa, with wounded aboard was sunk by a submarine in the Bristol Channel last Friday night. The wounded were saved but there were three casualties among the crew. The attack was made at eleven o'clock at night, although the ship was carrying all the lights and markings of a ship of mercy. The torpedo passed through the Red Cross painted on the side of the steamer.

Germany has extended her submarine zone to include the waters around the Cape Verde Islands, Madeira and a portion of those of French Senegal, all of the north-west coast of Africa. Through these waters lay important trade routes from the Pacific and Indian Oceans, South Africa and South America to Europe.

According to an Amsterdam despatch, which probably emanated in Berlin, the Brest-Litovsk peace conference again is in session with Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik Foreign Minister and the German and Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister and the Turkish Grand Vizier in attendance. In addition to their endeavor to straighten out differences with the Bolsheviks, the Teutonic allied representatives are declared to be negotiating with the Ukrainians in an endeavor to earn their good will.

BRITISH STATEMENT.

London, Jan. 8.—The official report from Field Marshal Haig's Headquarters tonight says: "During the day our own and the enemy's artillery was active at a number of points south of the Scarpe. The hostile artillery also has shown activity north-east of Ypres."

FRENCH STATEMENT.

Paris, Jan. 8.—The official communication issued by the War Office tonight reads: "There were reciprocal artillery actions on the right bank of the Meuse in the sectors of Hill 344 and Beaumont. A German raid on small posts in the neighborhood of Nomeny was without results."

"Eastern Theatre, Jan. 8.—In the region of Doiran fires of destruction were successfully carried out by the British heavy artillery on several enemy batteries. On the Serbian front and in the valley of the Upper Skumbi enemy reconnaissances were dispersed. Between the lakes a local attack on our trenches was repulsed after a spirited grenade combat."

ITALIAN STATEMENT.

Rome, Jan. 9.—The War Office communication issued today says: "There have been lively bursts of artillery firing astride the Brenta River and a harassing fire across the Piave between the heights of Val Dobbiadene and Montello. A small attack attempted by the enemy in the direction of Monte Melago, on the Asiago plateau, was frustrated by our barrage fire. There have been patrol engagements which resulted in the capture of some prisoners in the Asolone region and a hand grenade engagement on the Saporido."

"On the plain, enemy working parties were dispersed in front of Palazzo and hostile movement effectively shelled around Noventa. Bad weather has continued along the whole front."

PREMIER BUSY IN NEW YORK

CONSULTS BRITISH AND AMERICAN OFFICIALS EN ROUTE TO OTTAWA.

New York, Jan. 9.—Sir Robert Borden, en route from Virginia to Ottawa spent a busy day in New York today in consultation with British and American officials. Sir Robert excused himself for not discussing Canadian politics at length, but said the result of the election of December 17th, had cleared the political atmosphere, and he was confident that Canada would continue to do her full duty in the war, no matter how long its duration. Referring to the war aims speeches of Mr. Lloyd George and President Wilson, Sir Robert said he was in entire accord with the principles enunciated, which left nothing more to be said.

The Canadian Premier hastily left the Hotel Belmont just after dinner to "clear up some odds and ends" of business before departing with Lady Borden for the Canadian capital.

Lady Borden told a Canadian press representative that she and Sir Robert had spent a pleasant hour this afternoon in conversation with Hon. Frank Cochrane, former Minister of Railways in the late Borden Cabinet, who has been undergoing specialist treatment at the Belmont. Lady Borden said Mr. Cochrane was bright and cheerful and apparently much improved in health. He hoped to be able to return to Ottawa this week, but owing to the rigorous weather conditions, it was felt advisable for him to defer his departure for a few days.

Sir Robert and Lady Borden left tonight for Ottawa.

The Weather

Toronto, Jan. 9.—A pronounced area of high pressure has come into the western provinces from the northward, accompanied by very low temperatures, while in eastern Canada the barometer remains low and the temperature quite mild. The weather is much the same throughout Ontario and Quebec.

Temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	34	34
Prince Rupert	22	32
Victoria	34	36
Vancouver	30	36
Edmonton	22	30
Battleford	22	32
Prince Albert	18	34
Winnipeg	18	30
Port Arthur	4	16
Parry Sound	4	14
London	13	24
Toronto	16	22
Ottawa	6	12
Montreal	6	10
Quebec	10	14
St. John	28	28
Halifax	34	34

*Below zero.

Forecasts:

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay, Ottawa Valley, St. Lawrence River, the Gulf and North Shore: Fresh northwest winds; partly fair and cold with snow flurries.
Lake Superior District: Strong north-west winds; fair and colder.
Western Provinces: Fair and extremely cold, with northerly winds.

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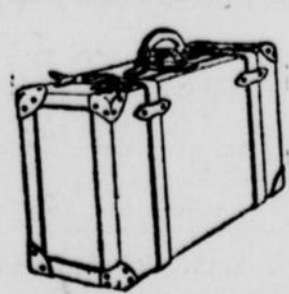
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Our customers say that we are turning out superior collar work. A good collar should be snow-white, ironed smooth, and properly shaped and moulded so as to leave ample tie space. With our up-to-date processes all these qualities are assured, and the cost to the customer is no higher. If you are not satisfied with the way that your collars are laundered, send us a parcel and try our modern methods.

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CORPORATION OF QUEBEC.

City Board of Health.

Tenders for Boiler.

CITY HALL.

Quebec, December 26th, 1917.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that sealed tenders, endorsed "Tenders for Boiler," and addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to Tuesday, the 8th of January, 1918, at 4:00 p.m., for:

One boiler as specified by specifications deposited in our office. Tenders must be made on the printed blank forms, and endorsed in the printed envelopes which will be furnished to the intending contractors on application for the same at the Board of Health, and the Health Committee will not entertain any tender that is not made on the said blank forms and enclosed in the said envelope.

Tenders must be endorsed on the outside of the envelopes with a certificate from the City Treasurer of the necessary deposit as security for the contract.

Each tender shall be subscribed to, by two responsible parties, willing to secure the execution of the contract. Each tenderer shall deposit in the hands of the City Treasurer the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), and said amount to be confiscated by any one refusing to sign the contract.

The Corporation does not bind itself to accept the lowest or even any of the tenders.

The contractors to pay for drawing up the contract, and supply the Medical Health Officer with a certified copy thereof.

DR. C. R. PAQUIN,
Medical Health Officer.

BOARD OF REVISORS.

City Clerk's Office,
CITY HALL.

Quebec, December 27th, 1917.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Revisors, established by the Act of Incorporation of the City of Quebec, and amendments, will meet on Thursday, the 17th Day of January Next, 1918, at Three o'clock in the Afternoon, at the City Hall, in the Chamber wherein are held the Sittings of the City Council, for the purpose of revising the list of municipal voters and of hearing persons who have made claims concerning the insertion of correction, or the striking out of the names in the said lists or their duty constituted attorneys, and will adjourn from day to day until the voters lists are revised and approved of within the delay appointed by law.

No application to have a name added or erased from the said list shall be received at the City Clerk's Office after four of the clock in the afternoon of the Sixteenth Day of January Next, 1918.

The correction of the said lists must be finally completed on the Twentieth Day of January Next, 1918, according to the terms of the law.

The Board of Revisors shall commence with Champlain Ward, and shall continue with St. Jean Baptiste, Montcalm, St. Roch, St. Saver and Jacques Cartier Wards.

By order,
H. J. J. B. CHOUINARD,
City Clerk.

CORPORATION OF QUEBEC.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

Tenders For Electrical Motors for
City Bascule Bridges.

CITY HALL.

Quebec, December, 26th, 1917.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that sealed tenders, endorsed Tender for Electric Motors for City Bascule Bridges and addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to Wednesday the 16th of January 1918 at 4 p.m. for supplying the city with three electric motors for the City Bascule Bridges, the whole as per specification prepared to that effect by the City Engineer.

Tenders must be made on the printed blank forms, and endorsed in the printed envelopes, which will be furnished to intending contractors, on application for the same at the City Engineer's office, and the Road Committee will not entertain any tender that is not made on the said blank forms and enclosed in the said envelopes.

Tenders must be endorsed on the outside of the envelopes, with a certificate from the City Treasurer of the necessary deposit as security for the contract.

Each tender shall be subscribed to by two responsible parties willing to secure the execution of the contract.

Each tenderer shall deposit in the hands of the City Treasurer an amount equal to 10 p.c. of the total price of his tender to be confiscated by any one refusing to sign the contract.

The Corporation does not bind itself to accept the lowest or even any of the tenders.

The contractor to pay for drawing up the contract, and supply the City Engineer with a certified copy thereof.

W. D. BAILLAIRGE,
City Engineer.

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SICK, SOUR, GASSY STOMACHS
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Do some foods you eat sit back—taste good, but work badly; ferment into stubborn lumps and cause a sick, sour, gassy stomach? Now, Mr. or Mrs. Dyspeptic, get this down: Pape's Diapepsin digests everything leaving nothing to sour and upset you. There never was anything so safely quick, so certainly effective. No difference how badly your stomach is disordered you will get happy relief in five minutes, but wait please, you must be that it strengthens and regulates your stomach without fear.

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You feel different as soon as "Pape's Diapepsin" comes in contact with the stomach—distress just vanishes—your stomach gets sweet, no gases, no belching, no eructations of undigested food, your head clears and you feel fine.

Go now, make the best investment you ever made, by getting a large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin from any drug store. You realize in five minutes how needless it is to suffer from indigestion, dyspepsia or any stomach disorder.

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NO IMPROVEMENT IN
LONDON MEAT SUPPLY

London, Jan. 8.—There was no improvement in the supply of meat at the Smithfield Market this morning. Beef was scarcer than ever but the supply of pork was a relief to the retailers who had been selling but a limited amount of mutton since Monday of last week. Tinned beef was largely bought by butchers who serve the working class district. There was no demand for poultry the public refusing to pay the almost famine price of 14 shillings for chicken. Unless a larger amount of mutton is released it is feared a large number of small butchers will be forced to close.

Butchers outside London have been licensed to buy only half the amount of meat which they sold in October last. A consumer's council has been formed at the Ministry of Food in divisional members of which will study the meat, oil, fat and cereal problems.

WELL KNOWN NEWFOUND-
LANDER IS HONORED IN
FRANCE.

Ottawa, Ont. Jan. 8.—In the list of decorations appearing in today's cable from London in the newly created order of the British Empire is the name of W. A. M. Goode. Mr. Goode is a native of Newfoundland. He is well-known all over Canada. He represented the Associated Press in the Spanish American War and afterwards was its Manager in London England. When the London Standard was taken over by the Chamberlain Party, Mr. Goode was made Managing Editor and took an active interest in all that makes for Empire. For a time he was manager in Canada in the Standard of Empire.

WASHINGTON FAVORS
WOMAN SUFFRAGE

Washington, Jan. 8.—A favorable report was submitted by the House woman Suffrage Committee today on the Baker Federal Suffrage amendment resolution.

It is identical with one already reported without recommendation by the Judiciary Committee. The House votes on suffrage Thursday.

Dandruffy Heads
Become Hairless

If you want plenty of thick, beautiful, glossy, silky hair, do by all means get rid of dandruff, for it will starve your hair and ruin it if you don't.

It doesn't do much good to try to brush or wash it out. The only sure way to get rid of dandruff is to dissolve it, then you destroy it entirely. To do this, get about four ounces of ordinary liquid arvon; apply it at night when retiring; use enough to moisten the scalp and rub it in gently with the finger tips.

By morning, most if not all, of your dandruff will be gone, and three or four more applications will completely dissolve and entirely destroy every single sign and trace of it.

You will find, too, that all itching and digging of the scalp will stop, and your hair will look and feel a hundred times better. You can get liquid arvon at any drug store. It is inexpensive and four ounces is all you will need, no matter how much dandruff you have. This simple remedy never fails.

Personal / Social

Sir Lomer Gouin has returned to town from Montreal.

Mr. John Hay, of Lachute, is registered at the Chateau.

Mrs. Lucien Cannon has returned from Montreal.

Mr. A. A. Lavoie, of Montreal is staying at the Chateau.

Mr. J. J. Tozer, of Montreal, is registered at the Chateau.

Mr. L. Tansey, M.P.P. of Montreal is in the city, a guest at the Chateau.

Mr. Charles Davie has left for Bishop's College to resume his studies.

Mrs. Arthur Perodeau received at the tea-hour on Tuesday, at Spencer Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Joseph and Miss Joseph are guests at the "Selby" Toronto.

Mr. C. A. Langevin has returned to town from a trip to the Maritime Provinces.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Pidgeon, of St. John, Nfld., are in the city, guests at the Chateau.

Dr. J. A. Beaudry, Inspector-General of the Superior Council of Hygiene is in the city.

Miss Raymond Tanguay will receive at the tea-hour in honor of Miss Laurendeau, of Valleyfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred B. Whiteman of this city, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ashton Smith, Montreal.

Miss Vera Thom, who has been spending her holidays with her parents, has returned to College.

Miss Marie Laurendeau, Valleyfield is in the city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. Tanguay, Grande Allee.

Miss Sadie Washburn, of Toronto, is a guest of Capt. and Mrs. B. L. Washburn, Grande Allee Apartments.

Mrs. Edouard Barnard, of Chicoutimi is the guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lamontagne, Levis.

Mr. George Madden, of this city, left yesterday to spend the winter at Palm Beach, in the interest of his health.

Miss Gabrielle Taschereau has issued invitations for a dance which will be held at her residence Friday evening.

Miss Irene Grenier, of Montreal, formerly of Quebec, is visiting her sister Mrs. George Parent, Grande Allee.

Mr. A. H. Simard, of Baie St. Paul, Magistrate for the Saguenay District, has arrived in Quebec with his family and is staying at 18 St. Anne street.

The engagement is announced of Miss Camille Pacaud, youngest daughter of Mrs. Ernest Pacaud, of this city to Lieut. Frank J. Sculley C.A.M.C., of St. John, N.B.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Lee and family, who have been spending the holidays with Mrs. Lee's mother, Mrs. W. J. Carson, 10 St. Augustin Street have left for Shelbourne, Ont.

Through a typographical error in yesterday's issue the announcement was made that Mr. A. J. Teskle had entered the Royal Victoria Hospital to undergo treatment, this should have read Mrs. A. J. Teskle.

A pretty though quiet wedding was solemnized in St. Louis Chapel, of the Basilica, yesterday morning when Miss Florence Paquet, daughter of Mr. Louis Paquet, was married to Mr. Lucien Paquet. The ceremony was performed by Canon Lafamme. The bride was given away by her father, whilst the groom was attended by Hon. Senator Lesperance. During the Mass Miss Marguerite Gauvin sang "Notre Pere." Following the ceremony the newly married couple left on their honeymoon trip which will be spent in New York and other American cities.

Late arrivals at the Chateau:—A. Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. R. Lafleur, B. Smith, Montreal; C. E. Hickey, Boston, Mass.; V. Pidgeon D. T. Kyde, Alex. Thurber, Longueuil; J. F. House, Ottawa; C. R. Henderson, Chicago; J. J. Tozer, Montreal; J. L. Perrin, Wm. Whyte, A. A. Lavoie, W. H. Hedges, G. S. Corcoran, L. Tansey, Montreal; Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Pidgeon, St. John Nfld; W. H. Burrit, Danville; John Hay, Lachute; S. Lapointe, Chicoutimi; La Leger, Lachine; A. F. Harkinson, W. J. Harkinson, New York; J. E. Perrault, Arthabaska.

Late arrivals at the Victoria Hotel: J. McE. Godin, L. O. Roberts, R. A. Chillox, I. Hirai, A. Martin, A. Desjardins, A. Dumouchel, C. F. Scannell, H. Seiden, E. Beauchamps, J. A. Brown, J. P. Durand, H. Methol, L. M. Lafleur, L. L. Bernard, Mrs. and Miss F. Fournier, P. L. Lepout, I. Lafontaine, R. McBain E. Rodier, F. D. Ponthriand, J. A. Archambault, H. Desfosses, J. A. Dufour and wife, B. Bomeisl, S. Prevost, G. Rainville, all of Montreal; A. Courtemanche, Waterloo A. Rouleau Tadousac; Bertha Salsby New York; B. Fontaine, Joliette; V. J. Morisset, Thetford Mines; P. L. Drouin, Drummondville; H. M. Grenier, P. Jones Brooks, Alta; H. A. Levine, Toronto; F. X. Rivard, Grandines; E. Coulombe and wife, Berthier; Geo. Butterfield, Brockville J. E. Robert, Manville; W. Cedilot Laprairie; J. E. Belanger and wife, Montmany; Mrs. G. Green, Megantic; Jos. Caron, Hull; Mrs. Barras and children Chicoutimi.

RECORDER'S COURT.

Only two prisoners appeared in the Recorder's Court yesterday, one of whom was charged with drunkenness and was fined \$5 or eight days in jail. The other, who was an aged man, charged with loitering, was, at his own request, sent to jail for two months.

WHITE SLAVERS
WORK IN MONTREALTWO YOUNG WOMEN VICTIMS
OF "DOPE NEEDLE" BUT
ESCAPE.

Montreal, Que., Jan. 9.—Two fresh cases where a "dope needle" has been used by white slavers in public places upon young women were reported today. In the first instance the victim was travelling home on a Montreal West car, she felt a jab in her shoulder and raised an alarm. A man who had been sitting behind her hurriedly jumped up and ran out of the car.

In the second case a girl fell unconscious from a seat in a local theatre. A man offered to look after her but women in the audience, becoming suspicious, insisted on taking charge of the girl and after medical examination it was found she had been doped.

RAILROAD RATES EFF-
FECTIVE FEB. FIRST.

Ottawa, Jan. 9.—Subject to any modifications which may be caused by tomorrow's hearing, February 1st has been definitely settled by the Railroad Board as the date upon which the new freight and passenger rates will come into effect.

ROVING BRIGANDS
TERRORIZE TURKEY

Geneva, Jan. 9.—A Constantinople report, received here says that within the Ottoman Empire there are roving bands of brigands estimated to number 300,000. They are mostly armed deserters, from the army and are bent on pillage. They even venture near towns and sometimes attack regular troops in order to get arms and food.

BRITISH ATTORNEY-GENERAL
TO SPEAK IN TORONTO.

Toronto, Jan. 9.—Through the joint invitation of the Canadian and Empire Clubs, Sir Frederick E. Smith, Attorney-General for England, who is at present on a mission to the United States, will visit Toronto, Jan. 21st. He may deliver only one important speech which will be in the interests of the Patriotic Fund.

BRITISH MUSEUM
NOT TO BE TOUCHED

London, Jan. 9.—The strong opposition to the utilization of the British and National History Museums for government offices has had its effect. Lord Curzon announced in the Headquarters that the Government had not found it necessary to take these buildings over for that purpose.

LITHUANIA DECLARES
ITS INDEPENDENCE

New York, Jan. 9.—A cablegram saying the independence of Lithuania from Russia was declared by the Lithuanian Landseath on January 4, was received here today by P. S. Villmont, President of the Lithuanian National Council in this city. The message came from Dr. John Szupus of the Lithuanian Relief Committee at Stockholm.

HUGHES FORMING NEW
MINISTRY IN AUSTRALIA

Melbourne, Australia, Jan. 9.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—It is officially announced that Hon. William Hughes is forming a new ministry. The resignation of the Hughes Cabinet was announced only Monday and it was stated that Hon. Frank Tudor had been asked to form a Government. Several days ago the nationalist party, which is in the majority pledged its loyalty to Premier Hughes by a vote of 63 to 2 and it is therefore evident that Mr. Tudor's efforts met with speedy failure, if made.

CHILDREN HATE
PILLS, CALOMEL
AND CASTOR OILIF CROSS, FEVERISH, CONSTI-
PATED, GIVE "CALIFORNIA
SYRUP OF FIGS."

Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "dose" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

With our children it is different. Mothers who cling to the old form of physic simply don't realize what they do. The children's revolt is well-founded. Their tender little "insides" are injured by them.

If your child's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive, but gentle. Millions of mothers keep this harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know children love to take it; that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach, and that a teaspoonful given today, saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. See that it is made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

Now is The Time
To Have Your
Painting Done

At this particular time of the year, we are in a position to execute orders very promptly—owing to us having a large staff of competent workmen, and being between seasons.

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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 Plessisville, St. Ferdinand, Ste. Sophie de Megantic, Valenceennes and Woodside, and at the Office of the Post Office Inspector.

Post Office Inspector's Office,
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On and after Friday, the 1st day of February next, this Bank will pay to its shareholders a dividend of two and a quarter per cent, being at the rate of nine per cent per annum, upon its paid-up capital, for the quarter ending on the 31st of January next.

This dividend will be paid according to the list of shareholders of record on the 15th of January next.

By order of the Board of Directors.
N. LAVOIE,
General Manager.

Quebec, Dec. 18th, 1917.
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FRENCH WEEKLY FROM MANITOBA BLAMES FRANCOEUR

QUEBEC POLITICIANS HAVE NOT THE SOLE INTEREST ... IN CONFEDERATION.

In an editorial entitled "Confederation," Le Manitoba, a French weekly, of St. Boniface, Man., has this to say: "Mr. Francoeur, member for Lotbiniere, has chosen a very poor moment to offer his motion for public discussion. It will be a sword stroke in the water and let us hope that it will not be strong enough to cover our people with a new aspersions of prejudices which can only retard their forward march."

"We have hardly come out of an electoral battle that could be more justly called a war of races; and behold, a member from Quebec, in order to make himself prominent, without thought of the serious consequences that such a step could bring on his people, does not hesitate to throw into the still glowing embers, a new burning brand."

"We do not recall the name of that personage of antiquity who, to make himself original, had his dog's tail cut off, but it seems to us that Mr. Francoeur was absolutely bound to make himself talked about, he might have contented himself with some such means without employing a process which, however benign it may appear, can, in the present circumstances, bring on a general conflagration."

"Our public men are a little too fond of playing at Don Quixote. They make themselves talked about; they distract the attention of the people from serious and important questions, they deceive them, then when the wrong is done, they leave them to support alone the entire consequences, very fortunate if they are not accused of the entire guilt."

"Truly, one might ask, if a certain number of our compatriots are not continually seeking to throw our fellow citizens into the water, to give themselves the honor of proclaiming themselves their saviors. We do not intend today to enter into a debate on the advantages or the disadvantages of Confederation. We do not believe the moment to be propitious for such a discussion and we could not, moreover, undertake it in a newspaper article."

"We desire, however, to draw the attention of our friends in the Province of Quebec, to a point which is important for them as for us, even if they do not think so; we desire to speak of the position and the interests of those French-Canadian centres which are situated outside the Province of Quebec."

"What is said in the English Provinces against the French-Canadians is noted with care in the Province of Quebec; it is even made use of very frequently to advance their petty personal affairs. It must not be forgotten, however, that that which is written and said in the Province of Quebec against the English, is also noted with care in the English Provinces. There also it is made copious use of and unfortunately in preference to those things which are said favorably."

"In all this who are the sufferers? The citizens of the Province of Quebec? No. A thousand times no. Those who bear the burden of it, the whole burden, are the French minorities in the English Provinces."

"Some people appear to forget too often in Quebec that there is not a country in the world where the people enjoy a greater liberty than on the banks of the St. Lawrence; they seem to forget too often that French Canada is not confined to the boundaries of the Province of Quebec, but that our interests extend from the Atlantic to the Pacific."

"French-Canadians are accomplishing here a work and are defending positions which are of a vital interest, not only to themselves but to the whole French-Canadian people. We belong to the French-Canadian family. We furnish our part, our immense part in the construction of the Canadian edifice. We also write a large share of the national history and we contribute largely to the archives of our nationality. Our compatriots of the Province of Quebec are not the only ones to be considered in the Canadian Confederation, we also have interests in the Confederation and the politicians of the Province of Quebec cannot deal with that question and consider it purely from their sole point of view, without causing a serious injustice to their compatriots in the other provinces."

"On the day when the people of the Province of Quebec, to satisfy a point of pride or to remove an injury, shall separate themselves from the Canadian Confederation, they will have repeated the saying of La Fontaine: 'What is the good of these few scraps of snow?' They will have written one of the darkest pages in our history; they will have unwisely abandoned their distant compatriots, they will have degraded themselves in the cloak of emotion which thinks only of itself; they will have divided the French-Canadian family in two, they will have assassinated their brothers, they will perhaps have accomplished their own suicide."

FRENCH COMMENT ON WILSON SPEECH

GENERAL EXPRESSION MADE OF GRATITUDE AND ENTHUSIASTIC APPROVAL.

Paris, Jan. 9.—Only a summary of President Wilson's address to Congress has reached Paris, by way of London, up to noon today.

The Temps, says it is awaiting the arrival of the full text of President Wilson's declarations before commenting on his peace program as a whole. Meanwhile, however, it says of the passage in the President's address dealing with Alsace-Lorraine: "It is the first time the President of the United States has declared a wish in the Alsace-Lorraine question. We had no doubt as to his sentiments, but we are profoundly glad that he has expressed them. We thank him also for placing the problem on its true ground in presenting the restitution of Alsace-Lorraine as a necessary condition for a general peace and not only as a special claim of the French people."

La Liberté says a new page has been added to the so many noble and generous pages from the President's pen, and then analyses the address briefly. The newspaper says it will show that Germany is full of annexation folly and will refuse to subscribe to it, as even the advanced social democrats refuse reparation for the injury which the Frankfurt treaty consecrated. La Liberté contrasts the generosity of President Wilson's attitude toward Russia with "the perfidious manoeuvres of the Central Powers of Brest-Litovsk," and adds: "President Wilson was right in ending with a declaration of America's determination to fight until these objects are attained, as arms alone, not speeches, will convince Germany of the justice of our cause."

"President Wilson's words will make his name popular to the remotest villages of France," La Liberté says in returning to the President's statement on Alsace-Lorraine.

"The enthusiastic welcome they met within the American Congress enhanced their value still further. At the beginning of the New Year, which undoubtedly will be the decisive year, we record with joy this evidence of solidarity which is given to our country and this pledge of victory which is given to the cause of right."

The Journal des Debats remarks that Premier Lloyd George's counter-offensive has found a powerful echo in Washington in the great speech of President Wilson upon the Foreign policy of the United States of America and its war aims. Although only fragments of the message are yet available, says the paper, they have immense importance for France, as they bring the President's declaration that the injustice to France by Prussia in 1871 must be redressed.

TORPEDOED HOSPITAL SHIP SINKS WITHIN HOUR.

Bristol, Eng., Jan. 9.—The hospital ship Rewa was torpedoed without warning an hour before midnight on January 4th, and sank within an hour. According to custom, the vessel was lighted up after dark Friday evening, so that there could be no possibility of submarine's mistaking her identity. The torpedo struck the vessel with a terrific crash and was so effective that there was no chance of saving her. There were five hundred and fifty persons on board, including 300 bed-ridden and a number of soldiers suffering from malaria.

The lights of the hospital ship were put out by the force of the explosion and the wounded and sick had to grope about in the dark for their clothing. Many of them were unsuccessful in their quest and had to leave the ship without clothing. While in the boats and on rafts they had little or no protection from the piercing cold wind. All the patients, the ship's staff and the members of the crew, with the exception of thirty lascars, who were killed by the explosion, were safely rescued from the boats and rafts. They had hardly left the Rewa, which was sinking, when the vessel suddenly plunged forward and disappeared. The rescued men were hours adrift before they were picked up.

PRESIDENT TO CONTROL NIAGARA FALLS POWER

Washington, D.C., Jan. 9.—A bill to empower the President to take possession and control of Niagara Falls power plants and appropriating \$20,000,000 for the purpose was introduced today by Representative Waldo of New York.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS
FOR ALL KIDNEY DISEASES
GRIETZ RHEUMATISM
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FEDERAL ORDERS IN QUEBEC HOUSE

SIR LOMER GOUIN STATED THAT ASSEMBLY WILL DISCUSS THEM.

That the Quebec Government intends to discuss the Federal orders concerning prohibition and restricting the issue of debentures during the present session of the Legislature was admitted in the Legislative Assembly yesterday afternoon by Sir Lomer Gouin.

Mr. Arthur Sauve, Leader of the Opposition, before the House took up the business of the day inquired of the Prime Minister, if he had anything to say regarding the Federal orders in question.

Sir Lomer Gouin replied that both questions would certainly be discussed by the House in the course of the present session.

The bill to amend the charter of the City of Montreal, which is always the heaviest private measure of the session, was presented in the Assembly yesterday by Mr. George Meunier, Montreal Dorion, and read a first time.

The Quebec bill also went through the presentation and first reading stages and will be printed shortly. The amendments to the charter of Quebec were presented by Mr. H. Laferte, Drummond, in the absence of Mr. E. Theriault, L'Islet.

Provisions to permit women to practise law in the Province of Quebec are contained in a bill which was presented by Mr. T. D. Bouchard, St. Hyacinthe, who hopes to have the measure adopted by the House, this session. This is the third time that the Quebec Assembly has been called upon to vote on such a bill. The champion of the women's cause at the sessions of 1915 and 1916 was Mr. Lucien Cannon, of Dorchester, now Federal member for that constituency. Mr. Cannon presented the bill at two successive sessions and in 1916 it was only defeated by a small majority. Mr. Bouchard, who now takes up the defence of the gentler sex, feels that the House will give a majority in favor of the measure this year.

In reply to the Leader of the Opposition, Hon. J. Decarie, Provincial Secretary, said that there are 7,158 factories in this Province.

Final readings were given to the bills to amend the charters of the City of Outremont and the City of Three Rivers.

Apart from the Quebec and Montreal bills the other private measures read a first time are as follows:

Amending the charter of the Town of Quebec-West; amending the charter of the municipality of Charest; amending the charter of Ste. Marie de Can de la Madeleine; concerning the Montreal General Hospital; amending the charter of the Town of Sorel; incorporating "Les Chevaliers de Champlain; amending the charter of the City of Maisonneuve; incorporating the Lyman Real Estate Co.

POOR TRAFFIC FACILITIES TO PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Charlottetown, P.E.I., Jan. 9.—The Board of Trade tonight passed the resolution urging upon the Minister of Railways that the conditions between Sackville and points on the Prince Edward Island Railway be improved. The investigation by the sub-committee recently appointed and efficient and adequate service to handle its valuable food products. Another resolution was passed favoring the appointment by the Federal Government of three for the Maritime Provinces. It was shown that last week 221 carsloads for the Island were tied up. The need of better equipment on the P.E.I. Railway was also strongly urged.

BRITISH SOCIALIST CRITICIZES WILSON

London, Jan. 9.—While considering President Wilson's speech to Congress a very fine pronouncement, Henry M. Hyndman, Leader of the British Socialists, thinks it took a mistaken view of Germany's present position.

"There is no democracy in Germany at present," said Mr. Hyndman. "Equality instead of mastery is just what the German nation will not accept. I think also the President misunderstands the position of Russia. The majority of the Russian people and a complete majority of the Constituent Assembly are not represented by the Bolsheviks at Brest-Litovsk or by the Leninite section in Russia. The Russian Social revolutionary majority is neither disposed to surrender to Germany nor to have German nor Bolshevik tyranny at home."

WHILE PASSING ON ST. JOSEPH STREET.

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PORTUGUESE MAN OF WAR MUTINIES

OUTBREAK CHECKED BY ARTILLERY FIRE FROM LISBON HARBOR FORT.

Lisbon, Portugal, Jan. 9.—A mutinous outbreak on the Portuguese battleship Casco de Gama was checked by artillery fire from a fort in Lisbon harbor after the warship had fired a few shots at the land battery, according to a Government announcement today. The crew in part was landed and disarmed, surrendering to the Army and the Republican Guard, and Government forces later gained possession of the battleship.

Measures taken to ensure the maintenance of order are declared to have been effective. The statement issued by the Government reads: "The Vasco de Gama having left the Santos docks against the Government's formal orders and having taken a position in the middle Tagus before fort St. George, a battery in the fortification opened fire on the cruiser which replied with a few shots and then hoisted the white flag. Parts of crews of other ships landed some men from the crew, who, after being disarmed, surrendered to the Republican Guard and army on Commerce Square and at the Naval Arsenal."

"The Government took measures to ensure the maintenance of order and the various authorities complied. The latter now considers the prevalence of order completely assured."

"The Vasco de Gama is already in the Government's hands."

C. N. R. INTERESTS CHALLENGE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 9.—The C.N.R. and subsidiary companies, such as the C.N.R. express and the G. N. W. Telegraphs, have challenged the Manitoba Workmen's compensation act, as unconstitutional, and have refused to be bound by its provisions from its inception, have paid no funds into the protective fund of the Compensation Board, and have paid no premiums to the Insurance Companies. When a man is injured they abide by the award of the Compensation Commission, the Commission pays the award itself, and then battles for weeks or months to collect from the C.N.R. Companies. The Government has taken up the challenge, and has retained Isaac Pibido to fight this case.

These points were brought out at yesterday afternoon's sitting of the Falls Royal Commission, which is investigating the operation of the workmen's Compensation Act in Manitoba.

HALIFAX HURT AT TOO ZEALOUS CHARITY

Halifax, N.S., Jan. 9.—Henry B. Endicott and a number of Boston gentlemen who came to Halifax on Sunday, and went over the devastated district noting the temporary buildings being erected for the shelter of the victims, before leaving the city appointed a special committee to manage the expenditure of the funds sent from Boston which amount to nearly a million dollars, and to attend particularly to the furnishing of the houses. The Halifax Herald comes out in an editorial in which it describes this act as an expression of want of confidence in the Halifax Relief Committee if not a direct insult to it. The Herald article reads as follows: "The members of the Special Committee may be and doubtless are the very 'salt of the earth.' But that is not the question. Relief of the Halifax sufferers is to be expended by a select committee, independent of and a rival to the existing general committee, then that committee might be expected to be appointed in consultation with the authorities and the existing general committee and not dictated by one or two men."

MEN'S CLOTHING GOING UP.

Chicago, Jan. 9.—Prediction of a radical advance in the price of men's clothing, charges that wool growers, not satisfied with an advance in the price of wool from 18c before the war to 75c and 80c a pound at present, are hoarding for still higher prices, and plans to memorialize Congress for government control of both wool and cotton prices, were featured at the meeting here today, of the National Association of Retail Clothiers.

Charles E. Wry, of Des Moines, I., secretary, asserted that unless there was government control, the advance in the price of clothing, already apparent to the spring trade, would be "tremendous."

EIGHTEEN MERCHANTMEN VICTIMS OF SUBMARINE

London, Jan. 9.—The British Admiralty reports the sinking in the past week of eighteen merchantmen of 1,600 tons or over by mine or submarine, as well as three merchantmen under that tonnage. Four fishing vessels also were sunk.

GERMANY IS ON VERGE OF CATASTROPHE.

New York, Jan. 9.—A Times despatch from Amsterdam says that Germany is on the verge of a catastrophe worse than Russia's, and declares that Russia is on the verge of utter collapse.

NO INTENTION TO CURB GENEROSITY

WAR CHARITIES ACT ENSURES THAT MONEY RAISED FOR SUFFERERS REACH THEM.

Ottawa, Jan. 9.—Some adverse comment is reaching the government with respect to the War Charities Act, passed at the last session of Parliament, which, for the most part, did not go into effect until December.

The Act was passed for the purpose of regulating and controlling the collection of moneys and material from the public, and the distribution of assistance to soldiers and their dependents. There is no intention, it is emphasized here, to curb the generosity of the Canadian people, but rather to provide that such generosity does not fail of full effect by reason of fraud or lack of business methods. The regulation was inserted in order to ensure that societies undertaking relief work have regular office and constitutions, and that all their accounts are audited by properly qualified persons. Organizations such as the Red Cross or the Patriotic Fund, which are established by act of parliament and have the right to establish branches and control the financial dealings of their branches, need not have the branches registered; nor is necessary that small local and church organizations should be registered. For instance, if a church organization desires to hold a bazaar or entertainment to obtain funds for the Red Cross, a written approval by the local Red Cross branch or the Provincial Branch may authorize the holding of the bazaar or other method of raising money, but the proceeds must be handed to the Red Cross or other association approving of it, and the expenses must be shown in the statement and carried into the accounts of the Red Cross or other associations.

All war charities are required to keep minutes of their meetings, and to make half-yearly returns, which will be scrutinized by officers of the Department of the Secretary of State. This is for the purpose of checking extraordinary expenditures or diversion of funds from the proper channel. The whole object is to make sure that all the money raised for sufferers through the war reaches them with as much economy as possible.

DOES CANADA GET ALL HER WAR TROPHIES?

London, Jan. 8.—The Imperial War Exhibition, of which a private view was given today, included two galleries of excellent Canadian photographs brought right down to Passendale. The Mail and Empire's correspondent hears that some questions will be asked as to whether Canada is getting the benefit of all her war trophies. Major Beckles Willson says that many duplicates are being sent to the Dominion, but it is suggested that the Canadians are entitled to the originals.

MARRY AGAIN.

Montreal, Jan. 9.—Mr. C. H. Cahan, K.C., who was the Unionist candidate against Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux in Maisonneuve, in the last general election, will be married to Miss Juliette Eliza Charlotte Hulin, of Paris, France, in New York City, on Saturday, January 12th. The civil marriage will be performed at the City Hall in the morning, and the religious ceremony will take place at noon in the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. Rev. Dr. James Palmer will officiate at the marriage in the church. Mr. Cahan is a widower.

LATEST GERMAN PEACE BLUFF

GERMAN CHANCELLOR MAKES NEW PRONOUNCEMENT ACCORDING TO PARIS PAPER.

Paris, Jan. 9.—The German Chancellor, von Hertling, has announced the following German Peace terms according to a Zuring despatch printed in Le Matin today quoting the Berlin Zeitung as its authority.

1.—Establishment of an International tribunal for future arbitration between nations and to provide for disarmament.

2.—Return of Germany's colonies.

3.—The Political integrity of Turkey to be respected.

4.—Belgium to be restored on a basis of constitutional autonomy.

5.—The occupied departments of Northern France to be given the right of self-determination of the question of restoration.

INVESTIGATION ASKED ON ROYAL ARCANUM

Boston, Mass., Jan. 9.—An investigation of the affairs of the Supreme Council, Royal Arcanum, a fraternal insurance order, the funds of which he declared had been "wasted and mismanaged," was asked by Counsel for Arthur M. Cummings and Jas. E. Upstone, of New Hampshire, at a hearing today before Federal Judge Hale, on a motion by the Organization for the dismissal of Receiver-ship petition.

Attorney Boardman Hall, represented the petitioners charged that the Supreme Council had lost \$3,000 members during the last year, that the rates charged older members were unduly high, and that there was only \$300,000 available to meet outstanding insurance obligations, of \$277,000,000. Counsel for the Society argued for the dismissal of the proceedings on the ground that the order is solvent and that state laws expressly provide that proceedings in such cases must be brought by the Attorney General. Judge Hale reserved decision. A similar petition brought sometime ago by Arthur L. Hobart of Braintree, was dismissed by the Appellate Court after Federal Judge Aldrich had named Thomas J. Boynton, temporary receiver.

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CANADIAN LABOR SHORTAGE TO BE GIVEN STUDY

MINISTER TO CONSIDER IMPORTANT PROPOSALS IN THIS CONNECTION TODAY.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 9.—An important conference, in which Hon. J. A. Calder, Minister of Immigration and Colonization, and Hon. T. A. Crerar, Minister of Agriculture, will participate, will take place here tomorrow in connection with the problem of labor shortage in Canada. The matter is one which has been engaging the attention of these two departments for some time and it is understood that some concrete proposals will be considered tomorrow. Last year Canada turned to the United States for a supply of labor to meet the necessities, more play of the Canadian West.

Owing to the participation of the United States, on an increasing scale, in war activity, it is doubtful whether there is one in that country as large a supply of labor available as there was the first of the year. The matter is one that would probably have to be taken up with Washington before definite action looking to the securing of the labor supply across the border could be taken here.

Other plans will doubtless be considered at tomorrow's conference, as it is the determination of the Government to make every possible effort to supply the requirements of Canadian industries and farms.

The capital is also the scene this week of a conference of Canadian millers and grain men, who are considering the question of wheat and flour distribution in Canada. This conference is being participated in by representatives of the Board of Grain Supervisors, and the Food Controller.

OLDEST ANGLICAN BISHOP IN EMPIRE DEAD

St. John's, Nfld., Jan. 9.—Mervyn Jones, said to be the oldest Bishop of Episcopal Communion in the British Empire, died today. He was seventy-seven years of age. Bishop Jones retired last September after forty years of service as head of the Diocese of Newfoundland.

COMPLICATED RATE SYSTEM TO BE RE-ADJUSTED

Washington, D.C., Jan. 9.—General readjustment of the country's complicated rate system to fit the new non-competitive situation, will be one of the early outgrowths of Government railroad operations, it was officially indicated today. Many readjustments considered inevitable involve material increases in rates.

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CONFUSION WORSE CONFOUNDED.

His Worship the Mayor appears to feel that his accusations have been somewhat too forcible when seen in cold print and hastens to make explanations which only result in confusion worse confounded.

In the heat of the moment, he may have expressed himself differently from his intentions—though there is little doubt as to what was actually said—but, even in the light of the Mayor's later version, there are still disquieting evidences of irregularity to be disposed of.

Whether he was directly approached to connive at these proceedings or whether the offered increase in indemnity constituted merely a tacit bribe, does not affect the morality of the transaction nor does it clear away the still unretracted accusations of improperly expending civic monies for the benefit of speculators in real estate, which have been directed against a number of unspecified Aldermen.

As we observed yesterday morning, the original charges were unsatisfactorily vague and the amendment only aggravates matters.

If there has been any such condition in the City Council as this incident would seem to indicate, then the public has a right to full details and will insist upon them.

Mr. Lavigneur has enjoyed an enviable measure of public confidence and, if he has spoken rashly, it is a matter of profound regret; things have proceeded too far, however, in justice even to the whole Aldermanic body thus placed under suspicion, for evasion to be permitted.

What has been charged is either so, or not so; in the former case, we repeat our demand for names and instances upon which legal action can be based; in the latter case the best and most honorable course for the Mayor will be to admit frankly that, carried away by the warmth of his reception, he denounced as facts what were only matters of presumption.

The Aldermen should be either honorably cleared or vigorously prosecuted; there is no middle way.

SAVE THE ZOO.

For the past twelve years a splendid collection of rare animals, and birds has been maintained as a Zoo at Montmorency Falls by a well-known local firm, which has not only been a distinct asset to the city in the pleasure which it has afforded to nature-lovers, but also in its educational value for the younger generation.

The announcement, therefore, that the owners, after unsuccessful negotiations with the Provincial Government, and Provincial Exhibition Commission, had decided to break up the collection and dispose of it to outside parties will be received with keen regret.

No fault can be found with the position of either the owner, the Government or the Exhibition authorities as this is emphatically a Municipal question. There are few cities in Canada which can boast of such an attraction—offhand we recall the Riverside Zoo at Toronto—and if Quebec does not think it worth while to maintain it, outside parties cannot be expected to shoulder the expense.

It is understood, again, that the City Council has more urgent claims than this upon its revenues, and would probably be justified in refusing to purchase the Zoo at the present time.

Surely, however, it would be worth while for the Council to consult with the owners as to some feasible means for retaining these birds and animals in Quebec. The collection is valued at \$5,000 and the buildings at approximately \$10,000, or \$15,000 in all. If the owner cannot see his way to make a gift of the plant to the city, on condition that it is properly maintained, at least there should be sufficient men of means and public spirit to buy it in for donation to Quebec on similar terms.

At all events it would be a real calamity to see this civic asset withdrawn, without a finger raised to save it and there is every indication that the only effective action will be that which is quickly taken.

FAIR PLAY ALL ROUND.

Le Soleil has a grievance against the Conservative Press. This is nothing new or surprising but, in the present instance, we are glad to be able to say that it is not without justification.

"The protest of the Premier of Quebec," it says, is attributed to spite, to the narrowness of the views which he shares with his people, and other amenities of the same order. In fact Sir Lomer Gouin is kissed and spit on.

But, for example, when Mr. Norris, the Premier of Manitoba, protests with the greatest energy against the decision at Ottawa which authorizes an increase in rates for the various railways of Canada, this same press devoted to the Unionist Cabinet, registers the protest without a word, receives it as a perfectly legitimate expression which, moreover, it is in fact.

Again, and it is decisive, when Mr. Martin, the Premier of Saskatchewan, fell into step behind Sir Lomer Gouin and protested against the inadmissible encroachments of Sir Thomas White, this same press kept silence.

There can be no doubt that these instances are all on a precisely similar footing; that Sir Lomer is no better and no worse than Mr. Norris or Mr. Martin; and the Chronicle found fault not so much with the Quebec Premier's position as with the method chosen by him to establish it—and this for the unfortunate influence it would exert upon outside estimation of the Province.

Le Soleil, however, knows thoroughly that these tactics, with which we have little personal sympathy, are due not to the dark conspiracy of its imagination, but to the mistaken loyalty of a party press. It knows, moreover, that these tactics under other conditions are its own to the highest degree, so that it can hardly expect unqualified sympathy in its present grievance.

Two blacks, on the other hand, do not make a white and it is our belief that, in the present aroused condition of public conscience, such partisanship must carry its own sure and inevitable punishment—whether it comes from Liberal or Conservative. Loyalty to principle is a fine thing but a hollow mockery if incompatible with a spirit of "fair play all round."

It usually takes our critic two days to come back but great minds no doubt, like great bodies, move slowly.

Things we would like to see—A Liberal Cabinet trying to stand on the tottering platform of its local Press.

There can be no serious objection to a man blowing his own horn if he does it gracefully, but amateur cornetists are a notorious nuisance.

"A King is known by his counsellors. So the Borden Administration"—Better the poor but loyal counsel of the Tory Press than the Judas Kiss of the tuft-hunting Liberal.

It is a dull evening that the Chronicle is not called new names: "The Government's Department of Political Controversy in the City of Quebec"—Well what are editorial columns for; "the apologia Bordenis"—better that, than calumnies vulgaris.

Now it is the Quebec workingmen who have succumbed to the hypnotic influence of modern logic. Those who underestimate the influence that this city exerts in world affairs cannot appreciate how, whether a British Ministry is overthrown or military high commanders are removed, it is always directly due to local pressure.

The Chronicle does not endeavor to "filch" from anyone their "just due" in regard to the revival of ship-building in Canada and no doubt we are "peculiarly uninformed on recent political history"—as taught to Liberal parrots—but we cannot refrain from amusement at such grotesque attempts to pass as a universal arbiter who minds everyone's business and keeps other men's consciences.

PPRESS COMMENT.

THE BANK OF COMMERCE.

(Montreal Gazette)

The statements made at the annual meeting of the Bank of Commerce by Sir Edmund Walker, the president, and Sir John Aird, the general manager, as usual, were of wide interest. The bank has entered on the second half-century of its service to the trade of Canada, with the growth of which its growth has kept pace, and in all the leading business centres of which it has established its branches. Its profits of \$2,637,555, provided for dividends equal to 12 per cent. on the paid-up capital of \$15,000,000, for the heavy special taxes imposed on the banks, for subscriptions of \$72,800 to various patriotic enterprises, and for the addition of a considerable amount to the balance carried forward, which now stands at \$1,322,074. Sir John Aird, in his remarks pointed out that such results were not easily attained. The amalgamations that have reduced the number of chartered banks in Canada have not, it is evident, eliminated or reduced competition. The banks, he said, are called upon to render greater services for smaller remuneration, and the increase in the volume of their business is greater than the growth of their profits.

Sir Edmund Walker in his address dealt with the broader features of the situation as it has been affected by foreign and domestic events. Marshalled as they have been by him they are surprising as showing what a country of eight millions of people can accomplish when need arises; and they are therefore also inspiring of confidence. On all these and many related matters Sir Edmund Walker touched with enlightening effect, drawing on his wide knowledge of public and trade affairs, pointing to the lessons of the situation with clearness and effect, making his address in scope and instructiveness one of the best that he has given to the public of Canada. From beginning to end it is worth study by any who would understand what calls for caution and courage and what makes for strength in Canada, politically as well as commercially.

"LE DROIT."

(Le Manitoba, St. Boniface, Man.)

"In an access of terrible anger Le Droit, of Ottawa, declares itself stupidly against the entry of French-Canadians into the Unionist Cabinet. It confesses in advance to contempt for, and classes as traitors, whoever among our compatriots should dare to accept a ministerial portfolio from the hand of Sir Robert Borden.

"We do not share this opinion and we believe rather that the French-Canadians who would consent to enter into the Cabinet at Ottawa would render a great service to their French-Canadian compatriots. An absolute refusal on our part would be as disastrous for us as it would be fatal for Canada if the Prime Minister forgot to make the invitation. In one case or the other it would be an act of narrow policy unworthy of statesmen in the present circumstances. We do not fear isolation, that word has no terrors for us, but obstinate abstention would lead us to that end."

VERSES

From the Pen of the late William Pike Osborne, Chief Editor of The Chronicle.

THE WATERS OF REST.

"And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God."—Revelations, 22.1.

The men who fell in Flanders, they rode behind a King Who sits astride a fair, white horse in bright caparisoning; His eyes are as a flame of fire and crowns are on his head At the gathering of His armies, the True and Faithful Dead. Stern is that Terrible Rider with vesture dipped in blood, And a sword goes forth before Him like some devouring food.

The men who fell in Flanders they ride white horses too, And, clad in sweet, white raiment, they go His will to do, Who smites the godless nations, Who treadeth out the press Of God Almighty's fierce, red rage in the War of Righteousness. The Blessed Dead of Flanders, they carry gleaming swords, Their arm is strong for the King of Kings and swift for the Lord of Lords.

For those who fell in Flanders the last, loud trumpet rings. They ride once more to battle against all evil things; Right gladly they foregather unto the Great God's feast, And joyfully they gird themselves for the slaying of the Beast. The captains and the mighty men go down before their wrath, And the unclean, loathly legions perish from out their path.

The men who fell in Flanders, their valorous guerdon won, Have borne their sacred witness before a great, white throne, And from it flows a river with waters crystal-clear Beside the heavenly city where is no pain nor fear. Where death and grief are known not, but only Right and Truth; And there they drink the waters of glad, immortal youth.

The men who fell in Flanders, they rest from trouble now, And there they see Him face to face Whose name is on their brow, Yea, there beside the Lord of Hosts their thirsty souls they cool Through many a holy, resplendent hour by many a limpid pool, And take their dreamful joyance there where, robed in angel white, They can no more remember the battle's hate and spite.

O Blessed Dead of Flanders, forget your earthly strife Beneath the wide, green branches of the shadowy Tree of Life; Among the pleasant valleys, beside the wells of peace, And by the healing waters, where dust and turmoil cease, God, Who for man's redemption bequeathed His Son so dear, God, Who loves boys around Him, He drieth every tear.

The glorious dead of Flanders, if we could see them there Where runs that placid river through meadows fresh and fair; Could we behold their glory, the widowed girls forlorn, And desolate, weeping mothers would then no longer mourn For those who, in their radiance, wait father, mother, wife, To lead them to that crystal stream of Everlasting Life.

William Pike Osborne, Quebec. (Republished by request.)

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A settler already occupying homestead patent, if he cannot secure a pre-emption, may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$3.00 per acre. Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate 50 acres and erect a house worth \$300.00.

Holders of entries may count time of employment as farm laborers in Canada during 1917, as residence duties under certain conditions.

When Dominion Lands are advertised or posted for entry, returned soldiers who have served overseas and have been honorably discharged, receive one day priority in applying for entry at local Agent's Office (but not Sub-Agency). Discharge papers must be presented to Agent.

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

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Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend without further notice.

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Acknowledgment

The Social Committee of the Women's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. desires to express its appreciation of the generosity of the friends who for many months past, have so cheerfully and willingly contributed money, cakes and fruit for the Sunday afternoon teas, which have been held in the Y. M. C. A., for the returned wounded soldiers.

ANNIE L. STOBO, Convenor.

Notice of Meeting

TO THE MEMBERS OF:

"Le Club de Curling de Quebec"

NOTICE is hereby given, that a special general meeting of the members of Le Club de Curling de Quebec, is called for the 28th of January next, at 7:00 o'clock p.m., for the following purposes: To sell the land and buildings now owned by the Club, the interests and assets thereof, to the Quebec Curling Club, Limited, on such conditions as may be deemed fit, and to consider all other matters in the general interest of the Club.

H. G. PERRY, Hon. Secy.

Khaki League Club

Quebec

In accordance with a resolution passed at a Founders' meeting of the Khaki League Club, held at the Chateau Frontenac on the 13th day of November, 1917, the Committee beg to notify all those interested in the work that a meeting will be held at the Chateau Frontenac on the 17th day of January, 1918, to elect officers for the coming year, and discuss matters in regard to the carrying on of the work.

The Committee earnestly solicits subscriptions and beg to remind those interested that any one subscribing ten dollars (\$10.00) or more, to the funds of the Club, is eligible to vote at the General Meeting for election of officers, etc.

It is sincerely hoped that all friends of the Club, both ladies and gentlemen, will endeavor to be present at the General Meeting.

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IN AND ABOUT TOWN

GROWING INTEREST IN CIVIC ELECTIONS

ORGANIZATION WORK BEGUN BY PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES - CANDIDATES TO DATE.

A growing interest in the forthcoming civic elections is manifest in the different wards of the City where, in certain instances, the candidates for aldermanic honors have already begun to organize for the big event.

The fact that the number of aldermen will be reduced from twenty-five to twelve at next polling day makes the Council a more exclusive body and the privilege of sitting therein all the more sought after.

Some still persist in affirming that Mayor Lavigne will have opposition in the mayoralty contest, but such opposition has not yet materialized.

There will be some lively canvassing in the different wards for the aldermanic elections and the alderman who is elected in a contested seat will know that he has been through a campaign.

As far as indicated up to date the candidates in the different wards are as follows:

Champlain—Seat No. 1. Ald. Jos. Collier; Seat No. 2. Ald. A. Lantier.

St-Jean Baptiste—Seat No. 1. Ald. Bedard and Ald. E. Theriault; Seat No. 2. Ald. Gauthier and L. E. Roussel.

Montcalm (Now Belvedere) Seat No. 1. Ald. Jos. Mercier; Seat No. 2. Ald. C. J. Lockwell and J. A. Lesage.

St. Roch's—Seat No. 1. Ald. Bouchard and Ald. Globe; Seat No. 2. Ald. Martin.

Jacques-Cartier—(Now Limoilou) Seat No. 1. Emile Bouchard and G. Bureau; Seat No. 2. J. J. Seguin.

St. Saviour—Seat No. 1. Ald. Fiset, St. Saviour (labor) and A. Maranda; Seat No. 2. Ald. Bertrand (labor) Pierre Beaulieu (labor) and G. Lajeunesse.

FARMERS APPEAL.

Said To Want Agricultural Building at Exhibition Grounds.

It is announced by the Quebec Provincial Exhibition organizers that they are informed that the 500 surviving Laureates of Agricultural Merit have just signed a request asking for the early construction of an agricultural building on the grounds of the Exhibition.

It is stated that this request will be presented to the local Government authorities in the near future, with a great number of similar requests bearing the names of members of such agricultural clubs as the Agricultural Merit.

DEATH OF CONSTABLE DUBUC

The members of the local police force mourn today the loss of one of their valued members in the person of Constable Joseph Dubuc, who has passed away at his residence 79 Latourville street, at the age of 53 years after an illness extending over a period of three months.

The late constable had been a member of the force for the past sixteen years and had been always a faithful civic employee. To his sorrowing family with sympathy will be extended.

RHEUMATISM CURED

In the days of our fathers and grandfathers rheumatism was thought to be the unavoidable penalty of middle life and old age. Almost every elderly person had rheumatism, as well as many young people. Medical science did not understand the trouble—did not know that it was rooted in the blood. It was thought that rheumatism was the mere effect of exposure to cold and damp, and it was treated with liniments and hot applications, which sometimes gave temporary relief, but did not cure the trouble. In those days there were thousands of rheumatic cripples. Now medical science understands that rheumatism is a disease of the blood, and that with good, rich, red blood, any man or woman of any age can defy rheumatism. It can be cured by killing the poison in the blood which causes it. There are many elderly people who have never felt a twinge of rheumatism, and many who have conquered it by simply keeping their blood rich and pure. The blood-making blood enriching qualities of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is becoming every year more widely known, and it is the more general use of these pills that has robbed rheumatism of its terrors. At the first sign of poor blood, which is shown by loss of appetite, palpitations, dull skin and dim eyes, protect yourself against the further ravages of disease by taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They have cured thousands of people—if you give them a fair trial they will not disappoint you.

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QUEBEC STATISTICS FOR MUNICIPALITIES

POPULATION OF THIS CITY PLACED AT 110,000—GENERAL INFORMATION.

The Municipal Statistics for 1916, tabulated by the Provincial Secretary, contain several striking features.

The number of municipalities in the Province has been increased by fifteen within the year, there being now 1256 as against 1241. Instead of increasing, however, the population has decreased by 15,383 since the last report, although the same thing is noticeable in the other provinces, as for instance Ontario, where it is less by over 18,000 souls.

The value of the mills and factories erected show a considerable increase from 1915 when they were valued at \$974,784, the later valuation reaching the figure of \$9,327,180. The value of taxable property also shows a gratifying increase, having risen more than ten million dollars in the space of the year. It is pointed out, however, that this is not yet what it should be as the municipal valuation does not do justice to the Province. If, for instance, we look for the average value of farms under cultivation, whether improved or not—including houses, barns, etc.—we get sixteen dollars for taxable property alone and \$16.47 if we add the non-taxable property and that which is exempt by statute. These figures do not represent even one-third of the real value, proof of which statement can be found in the February 1917 issue of the monthly statistics published by the Census and Statistics Bureau of Ottawa. According to disinterested information supplied by the Bureau of Correspondence the average value of farms in the Province of Quebec in 1916 was \$32 an acre. Unfortunately, however, the latter figure will not be taken for ascertaining the valuation of any municipality in the Province and for establishing its credit. During 1913 the following municipalities disappeared owing to their having been annexed to others, namely: Cartierville and Sault-au-Recollet, annexed to Montreal; Notre Dame de la Victoire, annexed to Levis. Others have changed their names. They are: Levis Town, Granby Village, and St. John Town, now incorporated as cities; Dorion Village, Ste. Therese of Blainville Village and Courville Village, now incorporated as towns. Several municipalities were also erected during the year although their names do not appear in the tables published in the municipal statistics. They are the following parishes and villages: St. Hilaire de Dorset, County of Frontenac; St. Joseph d'Yamaska, County of St. Hyacinthe; Cap a l'Aigle, County of Charlevoix; N. D. de la Merce de Rock Island, County of Stanstead; Ste. Claire d'Assise, County of Soulanges; St. Raphael, County of Nicolet; St. Thomas de Caxton, County of St. Maurice; St. Rami de Metis, County of Matane; Lake Magog, County of Sher-

LIT. & HIST. SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

REPORTS SUBMITTED WERE SATISFACTORY - OFFICERS ELECTED FOR 1918.

The Literary and Historical Society of Quebec held its annual meeting yesterday in the Library of the Society at Morrin College. Dr. G. W. Parmelee presided, and amongst the members present were Messrs. A. Robertson, K.C., Dr. T. D. Chambers, Rev. Father P. M. O'Leary, Rev. Dr. A. T. Love, Major F. Lampron, F. Glass, L. C. Carrier, Dr. Geo. Ahern, W. H. Clint, J. M. Johnson, and Rev. Dr. Farquharson.

The president, Dr. G. W. Parmelee, presented the annual report on behalf of the Council, covering the chief activities of the Society during the past year. The 29th volume of the Transactions of the Society dealing with the years 1911-1917 had been published by the Council and distributed to the members since the last annual meeting.

The Douglas Lecture Course provided three lectures during the year by Professors Caldwell, Bancroft and Leacock, of McGill, which attracted large audiences. The lectures still to be given this winter to complete the course are the following: "Promise and Performance in the 19th and 20th Centuries," by Prof. W. Caldwell, D.Sc.; "Biology and Social Reform," by Prof. Carrie Derrick, M.A.; "Mountains," by Prof. J. A. Bancroft, M.A., Ph.D.; "Education and the War," by Prof. J. MacNaughton, M.A., LL.D.

This course of lectures, permanently provided for by the esteemed Hon. President, Dr. James Douglas, had become a feature of the Society's work, and will serve to keep the members in touch with current thought and progress in literature, history, and science.

The Council had been able through Col. Neilson, to arrange with Mr. Porter, chief engineer in charge of the construction of the Quebec bridge to give an illustrated lecture upon that engineering feat, in addition to the lectures just mentioned.

During the year the Society had suffered the loss of five of its members by death. These were P. B. Casgrain, Esq., K.C., an ex-president of the Society; Col. J. F. Turnbull, vice-president at the time of his death; the Hon. Richard Turner, M.L.C.; Major Okill Learnmouth, who gave up his life in honorable and distinguished service at the front, and Captain J. E. Murray, a victim of the recent Halifax disaster. In their several careers these men so loved that the Society was honored by their connection with it.

Nine members had resigned during the year, principally because of removal from the city, and eleven new members had been elected.

After the President's report had been adopted, Mr. J. M. Johnson read the Treasurer's statement, which was considered very satisfactory, special mention being made of the fact that a sum of \$741 had been expended in the purchase of books, magazines and periodicals.

The Librarian's report was submitted by Mr. E. T. D. Chambers, hon. librarian. This report stated that the circulation of books throughout the year was very encouraging, notwithstanding that there were so many calls upon the time of members and their families. There was a decrease in the circulation of 487 books, as compared with the previous year, the total circulation for 1916 being 8,706, and that for 1917 being 8,219. While there was a decrease in the circulation of fiction, that of books relating to war matters had increased. During the year 586 bound volumes were added to the library, of which 204 were donations and the balance, 382, purchased. The report recommended that the assistant librarian be authorized to strictly enforce the rules of the Society in regard to the number of new books which any one person may take out, this recommendation, together with the report, was adopted.

The election of officers for 1918 then took place and resulted as follows:

Hon. President: Dr. Jas. Douglas. Vice-Presidents: Dr. G. W. Parmelee, J. T. Ross, A. H. Cook, K.C.; Col. W. Wood, D.C.L., F.R.S.C.; Major F. Lampron. Treasurer: J. M. Johnson. Recording Secretary: A. Robertson, K.C. Corresponding Secretary: Lieut. Col. Crawford Lindsay. Council Secretary: W. H. Clint. Hon. Librarian: E. T. D. Chambers. Curator of Museum: D. D. O'Meara. Curator of Apparatus: Frank Glass. Additional Members of Council: Rev. Canon F. Geo. Scott, LL.D., C.M.G.; Rev. Father P. M. O'Leary, J. C. Sutherland and Dr. G. Ahern.

The following are the statistics given relative to the City of Quebec: Area, 4,857 acres; population, 110,000; public roads, 90 miles; macadamized roads, 60 miles; sidewalks, 164 miles; dwelling houses erected during the year, 214; total value, \$923,219; factories erected during the year, 15; total value, \$93,910.

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Funeral will leave her late residence, No. 18 Commercial street, Levis, on Friday morning, 11th inst., at 9:00 o'clock, for Bienville church.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend without further notice.

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NOTICE is hereby given, that a special general meeting of the members of Le Club de Curling de Quebec, is called for the 28th of January next, at 7:00 o'clock p.m., for the following purposes: To sell the land and buildings now owned by the Club, the interests and assets thereof, to the Quebec Curling Club, Limited, on such conditions as may be deemed fit, and to consider all other matters in the general interest of the Club.

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Quebec

In accordance with a resolution passed at a Founders' meeting of the Khaki League Club, held at the Chateau Frontenac on the 13th day of November, 1917, the Committee beg to notify all those interested in the work that a meeting will be held at the Chateau Frontenac on the 17th day of January, 1918, to elect officers for the coming year, and discuss matters in regard to the carrying on of the work.

The Committee earnestly solicits subscriptions and beg to remind those interested that any one subscribing ten dollars (\$10.00) or more, to the funds of the Club, is eligible to vote at the General Meeting for election of officers, etc.

It is sincerely hoped that all friends of the Club, both ladies and gentlemen, will endeavor to be present at the General Meeting.

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GROWING INTEREST IN CIVIC ELECTIONS

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A growing interest in the forthcoming civic elections is manifest in the different wards of the City where, in certain instances, the candidates for aldermanic honors have already begun to organize for the big event.

The fact that the number of aldermen will be reduced from twenty-five to twelve at next polling day makes the Council a more exclusive body and the privilege of sitting therein all the more sought after.

Some still persist in affirming that Mayor Lavigne will have opposition in the mayoralty contest, but such opposition has not yet materialized.

There will be some lively canvassing in the different wards for the aldermanic elections and the alderman who is elected in a contested seat will know that he has been through a campaign.

As far as indicated up to date the candidates in the different wards are as follows:

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Montcalm (Now Belvedere) Seat No. 1. Ald. Jos. Mercier; Seat No. 2. Ald. C. J. Lockwell and J. A. Lesage.

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DEATH OF CONSTABLE DUBUC

The members of the local police force mourn today the loss of one of their valued members in the person of Constable Joseph Dubuc, who has passed away at his residence 79 Latourville street, at the age of 53 years after an illness extending over a period of three months.

The late constable had been a member of the force for the past sixteen years and had been always a faithful civic employee. To his sorrowing family with sympathy will be extended.

RHEUMATISM CURED

In the days of our fathers and grandfathers rheumatism was thought to be the unavoidable penalty of middle life and old age. Almost every elderly person had rheumatism, as well as many young people. Medical science did not understand the trouble—did not know that it was rooted in the blood. It was thought that rheumatism was the mere effect of exposure to cold and damp, and it was treated with liniments and hot applications, which sometimes gave temporary relief, but did not cure the trouble. In those days there were thousands of rheumatic cripples. Now medical science understands that rheumatism is a disease of the blood, and that with good, rich, red blood, any man or woman of any age can defy rheumatism. It can be cured by killing the poison in the blood which causes it. There are many elderly people who have never felt a twinge of rheumatism, and many who have conquered it by simply keeping their blood rich and pure. The blood-making blood enriching qualities of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is becoming every year more widely known, and it is the more general use of these pills that has robbed rheumatism of its terrors. At the first sign of poor blood, which is shown by loss of appetite, palpitations, dull skin and dim eyes, protect yourself against the further ravages of disease by taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They have cured thousands of people—if you give them a fair trial they will not disappoint you.

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The number of municipalities in the Province has been increased by fifteen within the year, there being now 1256 as against 1241. Instead of increasing, however, the population has decreased by 15,383 since the last report, although the same thing is noticeable in the other provinces, as for instance Ontario,

CANADIENS LOST

TO TORONTO 6-4

FORTIN PLAYED FOR WINNERS AND SHOWED SPLENDID FORM—McLAUGHLIN COULD NOT GET HERE FOR THE GAME—EMMETS HAD BETTER OF FIRST TWO PERIODS, BUT SULLIVAN'S GREAT GOALKEEPING SAVED THEM IN THE LAST—GAME WAS CLEAN AND WELL REFERRED BY DAVE POWER AND JIMMY WALSH.

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Final, Emmets, 3; Montagnais, 1.

CHANGED CONDITIONS WILL
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TITION STARTING NEXT
WEEK.

London, Jan. 8.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—The French marine Minister has issued a statement showing that the terrors of all merchantmen owing to submarine warfare have steadily declined since June. The situation in December, 1917, was better than in December, 1916.

Frank McLaughlin and Dan Delaney smiled large smiles last night. And they had every right to do so. Emmets won a clean-cut victory, and they'll win many more if they play the same brand of hockey.

The standing of the City League:				
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Montagnais	2	2	28	13
Emmets.	2	3	9	26
Crescents	0	3	5	19

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SOCIALISTS' VIEW OF M. CLEMENCEAU

ALBERT THOMAS SETS FORTH PARTY'S CASE IN FRENCH CHAMBER

Paris, France.—The development of the Socialist attack upon M. Clemenceau, which seems to be decided upon, despite the doubts that have been expressed in some quarters, is being watched with close interest. M. Albert Thomas, having considered the forces at his disposal, is leading off with the attack after a general sort of barrage set up by M. Marcel Sembat and M. Pierre Renaudel. He now begins to make some definite points. In the general enthusiasm of the moment when the Premier delivered his address to the Chamber, the remarks of M. Thomas, who spoke for the Socialists and the Premier's answer to them, were too much overlooked.

M. Thomas said that he got up to explain the uneasiness felt in his party upon the advent of a Clemenceau cabinet. The Premier immediately interrupted him, declaring that he had offered the Socialists collaboration in the Ministry, but that the ban pronounced against him defeated the idea. M. Thomas, responding, said that in divers ways the Socialists had hitherto collaborated in the Government. He had been aware of M. Clemenceau's criticisms and also his moments of good will. Thereupon he asked himself what was the underlying truth, and whether he (M. Thomas) had done his best. When he had heard M. Clemenceau's appeals to the good will of the country, he said to himself that it was possible he might be a great leader of the Government; then he was seized by memories of the past, he recalled that old political Jacobite and Socialist constellation which had listened on the days of victory and which he confessed had influenced him. But the Socialist party had examined the possibilities of a collaboration with M. Clemenceau and by a common agreement had said "No!" Why?

Then said M. Thomas: "You have spoken of mistakes committed, some of which we know and some of which we do not. You have said, 'It is not done in other cases, and the point has been put forward to our group. It is been put forward to our group. It is true, but the moment of 1914, the moment of the sudden spring of the national union is no more; the action of the parties is resumed, and it is in this atmosphere that we are obliged to continue the work of national defense. Let us overlook the errors of yesterday, the sad remembrances that endure in the heart of the working class. But today, is there not still some antagonism of ideas and tendencies between the Socialists and M. Clemenceau? It is necessary to speak exactly. In the matter of the league of nations you said, 'There is a commission that labors at the Quai d'Orsay, with the skepticism with which one generally re-

ceives the nomination of commissions."

M. Clemenceau here interrupted the Socialist spokesman to assure him upon his word that in the phrase used by him there was no sarcastic intention as that implied him. "Then," said M. Thomas, "Chamber has been very much misled (The Extreme Left loudly applauded this remark.) 'For us,' Mr. Thomas went on amid increasing cheers from his own people, 'the league of nations is not the ideal of tomorrow; it is the living reality of today, for which we intend to work. You said, 'A league of nations established by the signature of Germany, such a signature? Do you forget what such men of eminence as Mr. Asquith and President Wilson have said on the subject of possible agreements? It is not on signatures it is on the union of forces that the organizations of right and justice, for which you, like ourselves, yearn must be established. Something else divides us. You mentioned, just now, Stockholm and international gatherings. Assuredly when we talk with our enemies our thought cannot be detached from those who are in the trenches, but such a thought must not hinder our liberty of action. M. Forquet has already said, and we repeat it, either the accusation of M. Leon Daudet against M. Malvy is a well-founded accusation or else M. Malvy has not committed the crime of treason. In the presence of such a dilemma as this, what measures are you going to take?' (M. Clemenceau at once interjected that 'there were laws for M. Malvy as for everybody else.') I trust then," said M. Thomas, amid another outburst of cheering from the benches on the Left, "that the Government will lose no time in putting them into action. Now, I should like to bring to notice a phrase in your declaration which has disturbed me. You have spoken of mischief on the battlefield."

Here M. Clemenceau sharply interrupted. "Not at all; you have misunderstood me," M. Pierre Renaudel, however, leaped to the support of his chief, exclaiming, "Here are the exact words of the Ministerial declaration. 'Trop d'attentats have already had their effect on our battle front in the numbers of French slain!' To this M. Clemenceau responded, 'Oh well, yes; that meant that certain communications made to the enemy had had their repercussion on the field of battle.'"

M. Thomas continued: "I make a note of your answer. In listening to your declaration I felt that I was reading over again certain articles of yours that I read every morning, and in which, mingled with the good aim pursued, there are certain phrases which, if one does not bring them to the test of facts, may propagate fear or suspicion. Again, is it not the duty of the Government in administering justice promptly to re-establish entire confidence in public opinion?" The Socialist leader went on to say that his party were more resolute than ever to give themselves up entirely to the work of national defense. "Whatever," he said, "may be the criticism we address to you, whatever the opposition certain of your acts may meet with in our quarter, we shall continue to the utmost, my friends and I, in our effort after national defense. We are conscious of the gravity of the hour and the obligation that is upon us all. It is with this desire of making actual the national union that we shall act daily perhaps against you. You are afraid of not answering fully to the confidence that the public places in you? Our endeavor will be to enlighten opinion. We did not wish to collaborate with you, because there were behind you men who do not possess our confidence. But we wish to assist you in the work that I indicate in restoring confidence to the masses, in defending the superb cause of France, in declaring the triumph of law and right, and in regard to this last, even beyond the government themselves."

That was the Socialist case, stated officially by themselves in the Chamber and afterwards reported by themselves but not through great space pressure—set forth in full elsewhere and not sent out abroad. It is important that it should be considered and a glance upon it may serve to moderate some opinions already formed. It will be perceived that M. Thomas makes definitely three points the first being that, along with various eminent statesmen of the Allies, the Socialists believe in the league of nations, as M. Clemenceau seems not entirely to do, and bind themselves firmly to it as chief plank in their platform, secondly that they are against the Premier on Stockholm, and thirdly that, apart from their personal views of M. Clemenceau, there are men in his cabinet with whom they will have nothing to do.

Now, the case and the objects of both sides, the new Government and the Socialists, having been stated by themselves, they or the Socialists anyhow settle down to their business of opposition. In the moments immediately after the Ministerial declaration there was a fairly general belief that the wind had been taken out of the Socialist sails, that they were destined to a very passive part with the sentiment of the country flowing strongly away from them, and that the exclamations of M. Sembat and others that their time would come and very soon, were interesting but not convincing. These opinions are being to some extent revised. M. Thomas after some meditations, devotes his thought to the preparation of a statement which he entitles "Our Task" and which he now publishes. "At the outset," says he, "M. Clemenceau stands by traditions in line with the government precedents, as to the objects of the war. We might have feared some such equivocal declarations, embracing once more the 'possibilities,' 'Vaince-

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reducing and weakening the courage of the soldiers of a democracy by telling them the ideal of justice that they will realize by their sacrifices, by proclaiming the conditions of a just peace that it is necessary to impose upon the enemy, by indicating that this war must end in an entirely new international regime guaranteed by fixed rules and agreements. On the contrary, in the case of a country like ours which for centuries has devoted all its national spirit to the defense of 'divine' causes, or in the accomplishments of what is right—the same traditions under a diversity of formula—that, I say, is on the contrary to exalt and maintain heroism through all the sufferings of three years of war. M. Forquet was wrong in putting the preparations for peace as in opposition to the vigorous conduct of the war. It is to conduct the war more vigorously, to multiply the prospects of victory, and against the suspicious enterprise of Bolshevism, the persistent and dark intrigues of the enemy in his efforts to play upon our public opinion, that we aspire to oppose the clear and vigorous offensive of the democracies which have no other program than that of substituting, according to the splendid formula of our friend Milhaud, the force of right for the right of force. 'Ahl! if our diplomacy knew how to gather together and animate in every country the aspirations of liberty that threaten the Central Empire! If they

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Shipping News

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THROUGH THE ICE.

The tug "Favorite" under charter
to the United States Navy and for
several weeks past tied up at Shed 19
in the outer Basin is scheduled to
leave this port at daybreak this
morning. The vessel will be honored
by the presence on board, of Captain
Bartlett, the world famous Arctic ex-
plorer who will act as sailing master
and ice pilot on the outward trip.

The "Favorite" has undergone a
thorough inward overhauling includ-
ing a new condenser and is in splen-
did condition to meet ice conditions
below and under the direction of
Capt. Bartlett, it is safe to say, no
difficulty will be experienced.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The six American tugs from the
Great Lakes and Detroit, four of
which have been in the Louise Basin
for the past few weeks, and the two
others at Sorel will not attempt to
return until the opening of naviga-
tion in the spring but will remain in
their present positions.

The C.G.S. Montcalm was report-
ed late yesterday at St. Irene where
it is expected she spend the night.

Three of the four American steam
barges which have had such a dan-
gerous passage through the ice in the
lower St. Lawrence, passed Fame
Point last night and probably will not
be heard of again until they reach
their destination. The fourth, the
"Keynor" last night was reported at
Mont Louis after taking on provi-
sions between Cap Magdalene and
Martin River.

FREIGHTS AND CHARTERS.

New York, Jan. 9.—The tonnage
market was extremely dull in all de-
partments, due to unsettled condi-
tions and a shortage of vessels of all
kinds. Rates remained firm, with
freights offering steadily in the var-
ious trades.

Charters: Steamer, 533 tons, co-
operation, Philadelphia to Martinique,
private terms, prompt.

STANDARD RATES OF

WAGES OF SEAMEN

Those Now Fixed Are Inclusive of
all Bonuses and Additions.

London, Eng., Jan. 9.—The National
Maritime Board have, after due de-
liberation, recommended the follow-
ing standard rates to the Shipping
Controller and they have now been
confirmed by him.

For seamen and firemen on month-
ly articles:

Deck Department.

Per month £ s. d.

Carpenter 14 0 0

Boatswain 13 0 0

Boatswain's mate 12 0 0

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Quartermaster 12 0 0

Able seaman 11 10 0

Engine Room Department.

Donkeyman 13 0 0

Storekeeper 13 0 0

Leading firemen 12 10 0

(When carried)

Greasers 12 10 0

Firemen 10 0 0

The rates of pay of sailors and fire-
men on weekly articles, finding their
own food, will be £3 17s. 6d. per
week, but rates of pay for other rat-
ings on weekly articles, and also for
ordinary seamen and trimmers on
monthly articles have still to be fixed.

The rates named are inclusive of
all bonuses and additions, and do not
apply to vessels under 200 tons gross,
or to vessels sailing under the share
system. These and other exception-
al cases, including railway-owned
vessels, will be separately consid-
ered.

The new standard rates apply to all
men who have signed articles since
Oct. 6 from the date of signing, and
the board is considering the care of
men who signed articles previous to
that date.

Wages in the catering department
have also been considered by the
proper panel of the board, and a pro-
visional determination made for pas-
senger liners. Deliberations as to
cargo vessels are continuing, and it
is hoped to publish the results short-
ly.

In the meantime the officers and
men of any department not included
in the determinations now announced
are reminded that they are fully pro-
tected as to the new rates about to
be fixed, by virtue of the retrospec-
tive clause in their articles, so that
they suffer nothing by signing on at
their existing rates of pay.

Those forming the National Mar-
itime Board are: Chairman, Sir Leo
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man, Mr. C. Hipwood, C.B.; rep-
resenting the owners, Mr. F. C. Allen,
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Coastwise Masters, Mates and
Engineers, Mr. J. E. Foley; British
Shipmasters and Officers Protection
Society, Captain Allison Wood; Im-
perial Merchant Service Guild, Cap-
tain W. Baker, Mr. T. W. Moore,
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Union of Ships Stewards, Cooks,
Butchers and Bakers, Mr. J. Cotter,
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Financial and Commercial

Closing Letters By the Can. Press

(By Canadian Press)
New York, Jan. 9.—Leaders rose 1
to 2 points and various specialties as
much as 3 to 10 points in the first
half of today's restricted stock mar-
ket, but part of this again was relin-
quished in the irregular course of the
later operations. Trading owed
much of its initiative to professional
interests, public inquiry dwindling,
probably because of the conflicting
views entertained regarding the im-
mediate effect of the President's
message to Congress yesterday.
Financiers in close contact with
London and Paris explained the be-
lief that the next move must come
from the Central Powers but the
tenor of the day's European advices
and the inert foreign exchange mar-
kets conveyed no intimations from
that quarter.
Brokers representing the bull ac-
count were inclined toward the Steel
shares, oils and affiliated issues, so
far they favored any special division
of the list, but the movement in
those stocks probably doubtless re-
sulted mainly from the existence of a
vulnerable short interest.
The trend of United States Steel
which absorbed more than its quota
of the day's moderate total was typi-
cal of the general movement that
stock forcing about 1-2 its 2 point
gain at 94 7-8.
The final hour was enlivened by 1
to 3 point gains in fertilizers and
some of the utilities, notably Ameri-
can Telephone, Shippings also rally-
ing.
Sales amounted to 465,000 shares.
Bonds were irregular, Junior rails
evincing heaviness. Liberty 3 1/2's
sold at 98.78 to 98.61 first four at
97.96 to 97.76 and second 4's at
96.60 to 96.40.
Total bond sales (par value) \$3-
885,000.
United States registered fours old
issues gained 1-4 percent on call.

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Am Can Co.	38	..	38 1/2
Am Car Fdy.	69 1/2	..	69 1/2
Am Woolen	45 1/2	..	46
Am Loco	56 1/2	..	56 1/2
Am S & R	79	..	78 1/2
Am Sug Ref	100	..	100
Am T & T	103 1/2	..	103 1/2
Ana Mining	61 1/2	..	61 1/2
A T & S Fe.	85 1/2	..	85 1/2
Bl'wn Loco	59 1/2	..	59 1/2
Balt & Ohio	52 1/2	..	52 1/2
B R T	43 1/2	..	43 1/2
C. P. R.	139 1/2	..	139 1/2
Cent Leather	65 1/2	..	65 1/2
Ches & Ohio	53 1/2	..	53 1/2
C M & St P.	45 1/2	..	45 1/2
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Erie	16 1/2	..	16 1/2
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Gen Motors	115 1/2	..	115 1/2
Gt Nor p'd	89 1/2	..	90 1/2
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Maxwell	25 1/2	..	25 1/2
Mex Petrol'm	82	..	82 1/2
Miami Cop	31 1/2	..	31 1/2
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Norfolk & West	104 1/2	..	104 1/2
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Ry St Spring	47	..	47 1/2
Ray Con Cop	23 1/2	..	23 1/2
Reading	74 1/2	..	74 1/2
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South Pac	83 1/2	..	83 1/2
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Studebaker	51 1/2	..	51 1/2
Union Pac	114 1/2	..	114 1/2
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Am Sug Ref	100	..	100
Am T & T	103 1/2	..	103 1/2
Ana Mining	61 1/2	..	61 1/2
A T & S Fe.	85 1/2	..	85 1/2
Bl'wn Loco	59 1/2	..	59 1/2
Balt & Ohio	52 1/2	..	52 1/2
B R T	43 1/2	..	43 1/2
C. P. R.	139 1/2	..	139 1/2
Cent Leather	65 1/2	..	65 1/2
Ches & Ohio	53 1/2	..	53 1/2
C M & St P.	45 1/2	..	45 1/2
Butte	20 1/2	..	20
Beth Steel	79	..	78 1/2
Chile Cop	16 1/2	..	16 1/2
Corn P'dets	31 1/2	..	31 1/2
Crucible Stl	54	..	54 1/2
Disillers	34 1/2	..	34 1/2
Erie	16 1/2	..	16 1/2
Gen Electric	132 1/2	..	132 1/2
Gen Motors	115 1/2	..	115 1/2
Gt Nor p'd	89 1/2	..	90 1/2
C N Ore cfs	27	..	26 1/2
Ins Cop	46	..	46 1/2
In Con Corp	8 1/2	..	8 1/2
In M Marine	23 1/2	..	23 1/2
do p'd	85 1/2	..	85 1/2
Kan City Sou	17	..	17
Kenn Cop Co	31 1/2	..	31 1/2
Lou & Nash	114 1/2	..	114 1/2
Maxwell	25 1/2	..	25 1/2
Mex Petrol'm	82	..	82 1/2
Miami Cop	31 1/2	..	31 1/2
Missouri Poc	23 1/2	..	23 1/2
Nat'l Lead	44 1/2	..	44 1/2
Nevada Cons	18 1/2	..	18 1/2
N Y Central	70 1/2	..	70 1/2
NY NH & H	30	..	30
Norfolk & West	104 1/2	..	104 1/2
North Pac	85	..	85 1/2
Penna	46	..	46 1/2
O Cities Gas	38 1/2	..	38 1/2
Ry St Spring	47	..	47 1/2
Ray Con Cop	23 1/2	..	23 1/2
Reading	74 1/2	..	74 1/2
Rep I & S	77 1/2	..	77 1/2
South Pac	83 1/2	..	83 1/2
South Ry	23 1/2	..	23 1/2
Studebaker	51 1/2	..	51 1/2
Union Pac	114 1/2	..	114 1/2
US I Alcohol	118 1/2	..	118 1/2
U S Rubber	93 1/2	..	93 1/2
U S Steel	94	..	94 1/2
do p'd	109 1/2	..	109 1/2
Utah Cop	80 1/2	..	80 1/2
Willis O'Rand	17 1/2	..	17 1/2
Westinghouse	40 1/2	..	40 1/2

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Allis-Chalmers	19 1/2	..	19
Am Beet Sug	74 1/2	..	75
Am Can Co.	38	..	38 1/2
Am Car Fdy.	69 1/2	..	69 1/2
Am Woolen	45 1/2	..	46
Am Loco	56 1/2	..	56 1/2
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ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO TODAY

From Chronicle Files of 1818

The City of Quebec was alarmed one hundred years ago today by the sounding of the "tossin," the cause being a fire which had broken out in a blockhouse in Cape Diamond which was occupied by Cyprians. Luckily the building was isolated from the rest, otherwise it was presumed many houses would have been destroyed along with it.

The following blood-curdling announcement of a sleight-of-hand performance appeared a century ago: "Tonight at the Dolphin Inn, St. Stanislas street, Mr. D— will give a performance of Feats of Activity. He will run a sword through his body, a bodkin through his tongue, a knife through his wrist, and make the blood drip from his finger tips; he will also bore a gimlet through his upper lip, and load a pistol with a ball cartridge and leave anyone of the audience fire at his breast and guarantee to catch the ball in his hand; he will fry a number of eggs in a man's hat and not spoil the hat; eat a quantity of tow and cast ribbons of fire from his mouth. These and many other

wonderful feats will be performed without the slightest detection."

The marriage was announced one hundred years ago, of Mr. Wm. Edward Holmes, member of the Royal College of Surgeons, London, to Anne, relict of the late Capt. Paul, Royal Artillery. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. Mountain.

The weather in Quebec one hundred years ago was variable. After several days of rain, there was a change to freezing followed by a severe snow-storm.

Robbers at this time a century ago, gained an entrance to the City Tavern on St. Paul street and made off with the sum of 60 pounds.

A resident of the city in a letter to the Editor complained of the actions of certain public office holders. This opened up a controversy in the press which lasted for some time and each succeeding letter was headed by the Editor, no doubt, as "Groan No. 2," "Groan No. 3," "Groan No. 4," etc.

AT THE THEATRES

A SURPRISE IN VAUDEVILLE THIS WEEK AT AUDITORIUM

One of the acts offered this week at the Auditorium Theatre is well worth mentioning, for the novel surprise it affords after a series of attractive dances and musical numbers. A man and a lady dancers please by their glides and steps; the singing also is good, especially the lady's, who, in the end turns out to be a virile gentleman with as fine a male voice as he proves to be a lady singer at the opening of the act. This number, all by itself, is a real attraction and the Auditorium has a series of such agreeable acts this week, including an operatic singer, novelty performers, dancing, and a musical act that is a treat.

Motion pictures close the bill which is offered every day in a matinee at 2 p.m. for 15 cents and twice in the evening, at 7.30 and 9, for 15c and 25 cents.

NORMA TALMADGE AT THE EMPIRE TODAY

"The Secret of the Storm Country" featuring Norma Talmadge will be the attraction at the Empire Theatre today. There will also be a screaming Arbuckle Comedy entitled "The Waiter's Bale."

"THE JUDGMENT HOUSE."



On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next, don't miss "The Judgment House," by Sir Gilbert Parker produced by J. Stuart Blackton. This is a great feature and owing to the cost the prices will be increased at the evening's shows, though, it may be seen in the afternoon's for 10c. Conway Tearle who played opposite Clara Kimball Young is featured, while Violet Heming is the "girl" in the story.

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