

PETROGRAD ANNOUNCES THE REPULSE OF TEUTONIC ALLIES WITH LOSSES SOUTH OF DANUBE

Statement From Same Source Gives British Armed Motor Cars Credit For Great Execution—Berlin Records Fresh Advances In Wallachia—Gives Total Of Prisoners Taken 10,420 — Aerial Raids By French, British And German Aviators

It had been very bad during the winter. Unable to continue the offensive for the present, we have done the next best thing. The taking over of a section of the French line has kept us busy during the past ten days. The operation has been successful, and I will be glad to tell you the exact extent of the line taken over when I am sure the Germans know the point of junction.

"In Rumania the first Rumanian army, which has borne the brunt of the fighting, has been entirely withdrawn and is now re-forming in Moldavia, while its place has been taken by the Russians. In Dobrudja the line has been moved back in alignment with the battle front north of the Danube. In this region both our allies and the enemy are suffering from adverse weather conditions."

The latest official communication from Berlin records fresh advances for the Teutonic allies against the Russians and Rumanians in Wallachia. The invaders are now well beyond Rinnik-Sarat, advancing along toward Pokshani. Three thousand more prisoners and 22 machine guns have been captured by the invaders, bringing the number of men taken in the Rinnik Sarat manoeuvre up to 10,420.

Although the Berlin War Office reports that the Teutonic allies in Dobrudja are keeping up their pressure against the Russians and Rumanians and have forced the Russians from fortified height positions east of Matchin, on the east bank of the Danube opposite Braila, Petrograd announces that the invaders south of the Danube have been repulsed with heavy losses, except at the village of Rakel, which has been occupied by them. British armed motor cars, says Petrograd, did great execution in this fighting.

Considerable fighting has again taken place on the Verdun sector around Le Mort Homme and on the eastern slopes of Hill 304, where the Germans made an attack but were repulsed and where later the French began a bombardment of the German positions. Elsewhere along the French front there have been reciprocal bombardments and attacks by small patrol parties, interspersed with fights in the air and aerial raids by French, British and German aviators. In the encounters in the air each side is reported to have lost machines.

In the Austro-Italian theatre the weather has cleared and the artillery duels have been renewed with vigor, especially on the Carso front. In Macedonia except for British attacks against the Bulgarians north-east of Lake Doiran, which Berlin reports were unsuccessful, comparative quiet still prevails.

South of Brody in Galicia the Germans have brought their howitzers into play against Russian positions, and at various points have damaged their trenches.

Unofficial advices received in London from Saloniki say the Greeks who surrendered to the Bulgarians at Kavala and were interned in Germany have been ordered by King Constantine to proceed to the Macedonian front to fight against the Entente Allies. Simultaneously from Athens comes an unofficial despatch announcing that Greece is addressing another note to the Entente declaring that until there is a change in the Entente blockade Greece may be forced to seek the advice of the nation concerning the course to be followed.

COMMENT ON PEACE NOTE.

Christiania, via London, Dec. 29.—The Tidens Tegn, in commenting on the peace notes of President Wilson and Germany, expresses the opinion that in view of Germany's answer to President Wilson it is useless for the neutrals to set forth their ideas and take steps looking to a peace conference.

"It would have been more proper," says the newspaper, "if the United States had sent its peace note in conjunction with notes from all the neutrals, but after Germany's refusal to adopt the terms of President Wilson and of the Swiss note it cannot be expected that Germany would change her standpoint."

The belief is expressed by the newspaper that a peace note from Scandinavia now would hurt neutral interests rather than promote peace negotiations. The Aften Posten, on the other hand, predicts that the Scandinavian countries in the near future will jointly follow the American and Swiss precedents.

DESTROY CHICALDAR BRIDGE.

London, Dec. 29.—The claim by the British War Office that a squadron of seaplanes on Wednesday destroyed the Chicaldar bridge across the Damihan river is commented on this morning as being an important one. The bridge constituted a vital link in the Turkish railroad communications, and its destruction would cut off not only the Bagdad main line but the Syrian lines from railroad connection with western Asia Minor and the supply centres for the Turkish armies in the Caucasus, Mesopotamia, Palestine and Arabia.

EXPRESS SYMPATHY WITH PRES. WILSON GREEK NOTE TO ENTENTE POWERS

NORWEGIAN LABOR PARTY SEND MESSAGE REGARDING NOTE FOR PEACE.

London, Dec. 29.—The Norwegian Labor party, says a Reuter despatch from Christiania, has sent President Wilson the following messages:

"The Norwegian Social Democracy, numbering a third part of Norwegian electors, expresses sympathy with President Wilson's energetic labor for the conclusion of the war of barbarity and the establishment of a lasting peace."

The Norwegian Peace Union has resolved to send the Norwegian government a declaration urging the government to support every well founded effort to attain a lasting peace based on respect for international rights and the independence of nations.

More people would be happy if that old saying that ignorance is bliss, were true.

POINT OUT THE GROWING POPULAR RESENTMENT AGAINST THEIR BLOCKADE.

Athens, Wednesday, Dec. 27, via London, Dec. 28.—The government is addressing a second note to the Entente Powers pointing out the growing popular resentment against their blockade. The note refers to Greece's previous communication urging mutual considerations with a view to clearing the situation and says that unless some such action is taken shortly Greece may be forced to seek the advice of the nation respecting the course to be followed.

THE EVIL EFFECTS OF PROHIBITION.

Peterboro, Ont., Dec. 28.—Calcutta Brewery, established in Cobourg in 1855, and removed to Peterboro fifty five years ago, and since continually operating successfully, has closed down, owing to the effect of the Temperance Act.

HON. T. C. CASGRAIN
SERIOUSLY ILL.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Hon. T. Chase Casgrain, Postmaster-General, is seriously ill of pneumonia at his residence here, and his condition has been practically unchanged for the past two days. Dr. M. P. Fennell, Jr., of Montreal, has arrived to assist Dr. G. S. MacCarthy, of this city, in attending the Minister.

QUARTER MILLION FIRE IN TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—A spectacular fire tonight destroyed the Street Railway car barns on King street east. The building was of factory construction and had many cars in it, thus ensuring the rapid spread of the flames and a big blaze while it lasted. The loss is said to be in the neighborhood of a quarter of a million dollars, partially covered by insurance. The number of cars destroyed is not yet known but the building and its contents were completely wiped out. The cause of the fire is unknown.

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MAY ADOPT TAXATION POLICY TO COVER INTEREST ON LOANS.

London, Dec. 28.—A despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Amsterdam quotes the following received there from Vienna:

"Addressing the officials of his department on the subject of the influence of the war on political economy and the regulation of economic affairs with Hungary, Alexander Spitzmuller, the new Finance Minister, emphasized the urgent need of economy and the promotion of export trade."

"Perhaps the most important concrete fact," said Herr Spitzmuller, "had been the extraordinary increase in the State debt, which made the restoration of the monetary standard one of the most important problems. A systematic policy of production would be the chief means for placing the country's political and economical position and its monetary standard on a sound basis again. Herr Spitzmuller further emphasized the necessity that the interest on the war loans be completely covered by fresh sources of revenue and said that a taxation policy should provide for a just and systematic distribution of the immense cost of the war."

STEAMER ARRIVALS.
New York December 28.—Rochambeau from Bordeaux.

**WEATHER HINDERS
BRITISH OFFENSIVE
ON SOMME FRONT**

DEEP SHELL HOLES AND HEAVY FOGS FORM THE IMPEDIMENT.

London, Dec. 28.—The continuation of the British offensive along the Somme front is impossible so long as the present weather lasts, Major-General Frederick B. Maurice, Chief Director of Military Operations of the War Office so informed The Associated Press today.

"I told you some time ago," he said, "that our offensive would not cease during the winter, but it must be apparent from the daily reports that no real battle had been offered in that sector since October. In the first place we underestimated the effect of the shelling on the terrain. The country over which the advance will have to be made is thickly sprinkled with shell holes filled with water. Also, never having held the same line in any other winter, we underestimated the effect of the fog in the valley of the Somme."

"There have been frequent frosts, not severe enough to harden the ground, but sufficient to form fogs, making observation, fire practically useless and also preventing the drying of the ground."

"The French arrived at the same decision and transferred their attention to Verdun, with results which you know. We may be able to resume in March, as we found the ground at Neuve Chapelle in fairly good shape in March, 1915, although

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Mr. Henry G. DeGuise, who for the past fifteen years has served the Canadian Northern Quebec Railway efficiently as Travelling Auditor of this division, was the central figure in an interesting presentation which took place at the local offices of the railroad yesterday.

The presentation was made by Mr. W. A. Kingsland, general superintendent of the Quebec division, who expressed his sorrow at Mr. DeGuise's departure after the years of efficient service he had rendered the company.

In acknowledging the presentation, the recipient referred to the good feeling which had always existed between himself, officials and fellow-employees of the road, and stated that he would always remember with pleasure the years he had spent with the C. N. R.

HOLIDAY GREETING.

Premier Borden and Mayor Lavigneur Exchange Good Wishes.

Sir Robert's Message. Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 29th, 1916. Mayor Lavigneur, Quebec, Que.:

Mr. Bennett and I send best thanks for your aid and support of National Service. Please accept our Christmas Greetings and best wishes for the New Year.

(Signed) R. L. BORDEN, THE Mayor's Reply.

City of Quebec, City Hall, Quebec, Dec. 27th, 1916.

The Right Honorable Sir R. L. Borden, Prime Minister of Canada, Ottawa.

Your kind message received. Mayor of Quebec most happy to have given his humble services to help the great cause which yourself and Mr. Bennett have so ably exposed in public meetings.

(Signed) Henri E. Lavigneur, Mayor of Quebec.

CLUB FOR NEWSBOYS.

Promised by "Pete" Murphy at Annual Dinner.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—That the Newsboys' Association of Montreal is soon going to have a club-house of its own was the announcement made by "Pete" Murphy at his twelfth annual dinner to the newsboys and girls, and their friends, at the Prince Arthur Hall, last night.

The Newsboys' Association of Montreal, continued Mr. Murphy, did more for the boys and girls than any other similar institution in America. It gave each of them a suit of clothes each year and sweaters when the cold weather came; it provided for an outing or picnic each summer, and looked after them when ill and if any of them should die in want it paid the funeral expenses, and Mr. Murphy each year at his own expense gave the boys and girls a dinner and concert.

Mr. Murphy urged the boys to give up smoking and to be honest in all their dealings. He pointed to his own case. Fifty-seven years ago he was a barefooted boy on the streets of Montreal without food or clothing. He met with great difficulties and misfortunes, but despite everything he remained honest and today he was independent and able to look any man in the face.

Over 800 were present for the dinner. One room of the hall was taken up with the serving of the dinner and another as a dance and concert hall.

SIR ADAM BECK FIGHTING BATTLE OF HYDRO-RADIALS

ALLEGATION THAT ONTARIO GOVERNMENT IS OPPOSED IS TOPIC OF CONVERSATION.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 28.—Sir Adam Beck is fighting the battle of the Hydro Radials with a dynamic energy and speed almost bewildering to those who endeavor to "keep up". All day he was in the country, tonight he is speeding from meeting to meeting in the city. He has associates Messrs. Sam Carter, M.P.P., Allan Studholme, M.P., J. W. Lyon, T. J. Hannigan and Chief Engineer Gaby. Last night's sensational allegations of Mr. T. J. Stewart, M.P., concerning the position of His Honor the Lieut-Governor and the provincial government, were the principal topic of conversation everywhere.

At Grimsby, J. R. Paterson of Winona, made a bitter attack upon the Hydro Radial project and the men advocating it. He demanded to know what Sir Adam Beck knew about electricity or running railways.

"He's quite right," exclaimed Sir Adam, in appealing to the indignant crowd. "We cannot all be bankers and railway magnates and financial experts. Some must work at modest vocations. I'm a box maker, and an amateur at electricity, an amateur guided by experts. But I'm endeavoring to put all the energy and capacity I have into the public service. I've been called on to give, just as I did for myself in turning out boxes." (Cheers). Later Allan Studholme, the Labor Leader for East Hamilton, emphasized the reply by calling for three cheers for "our good friend the box maker."

Sir Adam said: "Whatever the verdict may be I'm going to Ottawa to fight tooth and nail against turning over any more public franchises to this concern. I'm convinced that the country has had enough of the Canadian Northern. I believe its time the people served a mandate on the corporations that they are done with granting prodigal aid to private railway construction."

Sir Adam declared himself unequivocally for the nationalization of Canada's railways. There was only one way to establish confidence in public ownership. "It must be business, coldblooded business, but business in the interest of the people and not of the corporations."

At the concluding meeting tonight Sir Adam made the announcement that one of the largest railways in the United States had already communicated with him with a view to co-operation in the transfer of traffic. He had also received a communication from a large company who volunteered in event of the project going through to tackle the gigantic enterprise of building a bridge across Niagara Falls. There seemed to be no doubt on the part of these big enterprises as to the amount of business which the projected roads would carry.

Tomorrow Sir Adam goes to Ridgeway, Bridgeburg and Fort Erie, after which Hamilton wants him back.

MOTORISTS USE INCLINES INSTEAD OF GATES

In many parts of the West and Southwest where automobiles are numerous it is becoming common to drive one's car over a fence, instead of stepping to open a gate, drive through and then shut it. The new and quicker method is made possible by the construction of inclines which make it an easy matter to mount to the top of the ladder and then descend on the other side. The inclines are usually composed of two tracks, set the proper distance apart for automobile wheels and supported by posts.—Popular Mechanics Monthly.

KILLED BY FALLING TREE.

Brussels, Ont., Dec. 28.—William Alcock, 18 years old, living with his parents on Concession 14, Grey township, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon when the limb of a tree struck him on the head while he was working in the bush near his home.

CALLS FOR GREATER BRITISH EFFORT

4,000,000 MEN OF MILITARY AGE STILL IN CIVIL LIFE, SAYS LONDON TIMES.

London, Dec. 29.—The Times' military correspondent today calls for greater British effort in the war. He contends that although the French are still strong their reserves are less numerous than could be wished for. Russia, he adds, will bring new armies into the field in 1917, but their usefulness depends on their being provided with heavy guns, aeroplanes and mechanical transports, while Russia's poor railway systems and other causes point to the necessity of not exaggerating what Russia can do. Italy, says the correspondent, cannot easily increase her forces appreciably. After admitting that Great Britain has done a big share in the work at sea and financed and equipped the Entente Allies, the correspondent continued:

"There are a number of changes to be effected before we can say we are winning the war. Germany met us in the autumn with twenty seven new divisions, and thereby secured a strategic reserve which enabled her to conduct the campaign in Rumania without disaster in the west. We must not only counter dispositions of this character in time, but must be beforehand in the future. The reserves of manhood in the British Isles and Dominions are ample for thirty divisions, to expand munition works and to meet all legitimate demands of the navy, the home defence and air services. Nearly 4,000,000 men of military age are still in civil life. The limit for age liability is still four below the German standard, and no answer has yet been made to the German auxiliary service act.

"What is needed is vigor in the government; and a single-minded determination to win the war. We have a larger reserve of manhood than Germany, and the annual contingents of youths in France and England together are greater than the annual contingents in Germany. It is no longer possible to think of winning the war by half measures. The new Premier should state to the country the measures necessary for victory and stand or fall by them with the courage we know him to possess."

CANADA GETS BIG MUNITION ORDERS

HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS BEING PLACED WITH CANADIAN MANUFACTURERS.

New York, Dec. 29.—British munition orders amounting to hundreds of millions of dollars are being placed with Canadian manufacturers, according to the New York Times this morning, according to information obtained in banking quarters yesterday. It was learned that within the last few days an order for shells larger than the biggest contract placed in this country last year had been lodged with the Montreal Locomotive Company, Ltd. An estimate on this order was between \$175,000,000 and \$200,000,000.

Steel manufacturers have known for several months that few more orders for completed shells would come to the United States, but it was not a matter of general knowledge that Canada was later to take up a vast part of the work. News that Canada had developed facilities to handle a shell business which may amount to fully \$100,000,000 next year was surprising to many persons of the financial district, who recalled that last year parts of a number of Canadian orders were sublet in this country.

Prominent bankers expressed the opinion that Canada can get all the funds she requires to finance her contracts in the New York market.

STILL HOPEFUL FOR STEAMER VOLTAIRE

New York, Dec. 28.—Representatives of the Lamport and Holt Line, owners of the long overdue steamship Voltaire, said tonight they were still hopeful the vessel or the crew would be heard from.

David Cook, general manager of the company's New York office, said that the steamer had either been lost in a storm or was drifting with damaged machinery away from the Trans-Atlantic lanes.

"Neither the Admiralty nor the home office has heard from the vessel," he said, "but we have hopes that eventually we will hear from Captain Knight. A report that she has fallen prey to a German submarine and is now an armed raider under the German flag is ridiculous."

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From a personal knowledge of the need, and personal contact with the suffering and the heroism of the men in the trenches, I urge the munitions workers, whether in the steel plant, or in the factory, to devote themselves with increased energy and unstinted time to the task of additional output.

Neither the soldier nor the sailor will have his New Year's Day free from duty. I appeal to the men and to the women engaged in munitions production in Canada, to forego Saturday afternoon, the 30th instant, and Monday, New Year's Day, and to continue at their work. The sacrifice is small, but to those who make it will come the satisfaction of having discharged a clear obligation.

Yours truly,

John H. ...
Chairman

DENIES CHARGE IN CONSPIRACY CASE

CHAS. C. CROWLEY SWORE HE DID NOT PLOT TO DESTROY MUNITIONS.

San Francisco, Dec. 29.—Charles C. Crowley, a private detective, charged by Louis J. Smith, the government's chief witness, with complicity in a conspiracy to blow up ships and railroads carrying munitions to the Entente Allies to which Smith confessed on the witness stand, denied Smith's charges today in the government's prosecution of Franz Bopp, German Consul-General here, and six others for alleged violation of American neutrality.

Crowley, who is a defendant, admitted the trips into Canada and along the border which the prosecution introduced in evidence, but said his activities had been confined to investigation of alleged violation by Entente nations of the neutrality of the United States.

Among other important facts uncovered, Crowley said, and duly reported to his employer, Consul-General Bopp, were that a Lieutenant Johnston of the United States Navy has resigned to become a submarine assembling expert for Russia and that parts of American made airplanes, destined for British use, were at one time stored in the New York militia armory at Buffalo.

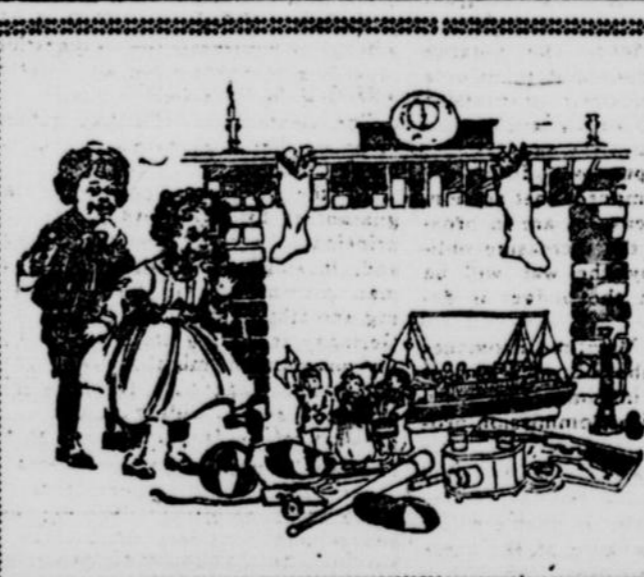
SINGING PIGEON THAT GIGGLES. Is Arabian Laughing Dove of the Ornithologist.

An extremely strange bird is the singing pigeon or Arabian laughing dove, reports an ornithologist. Specimens have been seen but seldom. One of the last records of their appearance being when a Mr. Betty exhibited a pair at a London meeting of the National Peristeric Society.

The singing pigeon must not be confounded with the German laughing pigeon or dove, "Die Lachtaube, which is merely the common cage dove or collared turtle.

Singing pigeons originally were found in Palestine, and they were later bred in India, the native rajahs being enthusiastic pigeon-breeders, expending fortunes on their dovecotes.

The singing pigeon weighs about the same as an African owl, and is similar in build, except that it may be a trifle fuller at the throat. In color these pigeons are usually red, mottled, or chequered, though they are sometimes found of a bluish color.



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8,595 CANADIAN SOLDIERS ARE MEDICALLY UNFIT

AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN FIVE THOUSAND IN PAST YEAR.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—A year ago something less than 3,000 Canadian soldiers had been returned to Canada as medically unfit. Their number has now increased to nearly 8,600. The exact figures, as given out by the Militia Department today are: Tuberculosis, December 31, 1915, 15; December 15, 1916, 377; Insanity, December 31, 1915, 15; December 15, 1916, 168; Wounded, gassed and shell shock, December 31, 1915, 495; December 15, 1916, 1,540; Other diseases and disabilities, December 31, 1915, 2,420; December 15, 1916, 6,410.

Totals: Dec. 31 1915, 2,945; Dec. 15, 1916, 8,595. The Military Hospitals Commission, appointed by the Dominion government six months earlier to care for soldiers returning to Canada had about 500 men on its list at the close of 1915. Convalescent hospitals had been opened at Sydney, N.S., St. John, N.B., Quebec, Kingston, Toronto, Hamilton, London, Winnipeg, Calgary and Esquimalt (B.C.). There are today under treatment at the hospitals and sanatoria over 2,700 men. Two of the smaller hospitals have been closed during the year, the inmates being transferred to roomier premises. Additional convalescent hospitals have been opened in Ottawa, Kingston, Toronto, St. Catharines, London, Port Arthur, Winnipeg, Regina, Edmonton and Sidney, B.C., besides the special hospital for neurasthenic cases at Cobourg, and sanatoria for consumptives at St. Agathe, Que., Kitchener, Ont., and Frank, Alb. Consumptive soldiers are also being treated at a number of sanatoria with which the commission has made special arrangements; and buildings for the exclusive use of such men have been erected as additions to the sanatoria at Kingston, Hamilton and London.

HEBREWS WILL RAISE \$150,000

MONTREAL JEWISH CHARITABLE SOCIETIES WILL OPEN CAMPAIGN

(Montreal, Dec. 28.—G. A. Berlin, organizer of Jewish charitable societies, has made such progress in the work of getting these associations under one management that a formal opening of a campaign to raise \$150,000 by the Montreal Hebrews, for the use of the several charitable institutions will take place this evening at the Montefiore Club. This function will be attended by the organizing committee, the incorporators, the members of the executive, and advisory committee, when final plans are to be made for the active campaign work, the following being the societies which are to benefit by the undertaking: The Baron de Hirsch Institute, the Ladies' Hebrew Aid Society, the Ladies' Hebrew Benevolent Society, the Ladies' Hebrew Sewing Endeavor Society, the Young Ladies Sewing Circle, the Hebrew Fresh Air Fund, the Herz Dispensary and Hospital, the Mount Sinai Sanitarium for Consumptives, the Hebrew Sheltering Home, the Montreal Hebrew Orphan Home, the Beth Israel Infants' Home, and Day Nursery, the Free Loan department of the Friendly League of Jewish Women.

The general campaign will be opened on January 2nd, and continued to the 5th, inclusive, with a general wind-up and community gathering on Sunday afternoon at the Baron de Hirsch Institute, which will be the headquarters of the campaign, in the several teams taking part in the work meeting there every evening to present the report of the day's work. There will be seventeen or eighteen teams composed of a captain and a dozen or more members.

DOMINION HOUSE IS CALLED FOR JANUARY THE 18TH

QUESTION OF EXTENDING LIFE OF PARLIAMENT WILL COME UP.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—January 18th has been fixed as the date of the opening of parliament. Proclamation summoning both Houses to meet on that date was promulgated today over the signature of the Duke of Devonshire. The necessity of arranging definitely for the coming session has been emphasized by the developments of the past week, particularly by the pressing request of the Imperial Government that Sir Robert Borden attend the Imperial War Conference, with the status of membership on the War Council. As Parliament opens on the 18th, the House will have been in session a month before it is necessary for the Prime Minister to leave. By that time the main features of the Government's legislative programme should be before Parliament and the Opposition will have had an opportunity of declaring its attitude in regard to the war programme of the administration. It is possible that conditions may be such that an adjournment of Parliament, covering the period occupied by the sitting of the War Conference, may be desirable in the national interest. This, of course, is a matter resting with the Opposition and cannot be definitely provided for by arrangements made now.

The Government will meet Parliament with their legislative program well advanced. It has been stated already that a proposal for a further extension of the life of Parliament will be made and this matter will in all likelihood come before Parliament very soon after the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne has been disposed of. The estimates to be placed before the House have been prepared and are now under consideration by the Treasury Board. They will provide for a minimum expenditure on public works, in accordance with the policy adopted by the Government at the beginning of the war and adhered to since.

Interest will centre in the reception by the Opposition of the extension proposals and in the war taxation measures to be proposed by Sir Thos. White in his budget. The Finance Minister will be in a position to give the House a most satisfactory statement of the trade of Canada during the fiscal year and of the revenue derived for war purposes from the special taxation imposed last session. What further measures are in prospect for meeting the increasing obligation incurred by the war will be known only when the budget is delivered.

The tour of the Maritime Provinces planned by Sir Robert Borden as part of his itinerary in connection with the National Service Commission propaganda will probably not take place. If the Prime Minister is unable to go east, it will be because of the pressure of public business, which has been keeping him at his desk since his return from the west.

EGG THROWING AT CHURCH CONVENTION

STORMY OUTBREAK AT THE RUTHENIAN PRESBYTERIAN MEETING IN SASKATOON.

Saskatoon, Sask., Dec. 28.—The session of the Ruthenian Presbyterian convention in St. Thomas' Church this morning was even more exciting than the stormy session of yesterday. M. Zary, of Canora, had been addressing the meeting for about five minutes when Mayor Young came in, recognizing the mayor, Chairman Bodruk told M. Zary that he should confine his remarks to an additional three minutes, whereupon Mr. Zary reached into his coat pocket and drew out an egg which he threw at the chairman.

Rev. Mr. Bodruk ducked under the table. Missing the chairman with his first egg, Zary immediately turned and threw another egg at Paul Crath, secretary of the meeting, which struck him on the shoulder. At the same time Croth, thinking that Chairman Bodruk had been tumbled over by a storm, picked up his table and dropped it on the head of Zary, who was standing just in front of the chairman's platform. Zary then made a break for the door, running the gauntlet of blows and kicks from the other delegates. Zary will be arrested on a charge of causing a disturbance.

Strathroy, Ont., Dec. 28.—Nellie Smith, the 5-year-old daughter of James Smith of this town, died at her home here today from burns suffered yesterday when her clothing caught fire while she was standing near the kitchen stove.

WILSON ADOPTS POLICY OF SILENCE REGARDING PEACE

GERMANY WOULD SETTLE TERRITORIAL TERMS BEFORE GUARANTEES FOR FUTURE.

Washington, Dec. 28.—A policy of absolute silence regarding the peace negotiations has been adopted by President Wilson and Secretary of State Lansing. It was stated officially today that all steps henceforth will be regarded as confidential, that no comment will be made on any development and that rumors will not be discussed in any way. The decision to pursue this course was made known after the State Department had received the official texts of the German and Austrian replies to President Wilson's identical notes to the belligerent proposing a discussion of peace terms, and after it was learned that the Teutonic powers would be willing to permit a confidential exchange of tentative terms if it became necessary to do so to bridge the gap threatening to prevent a gathering of peace delegates.

In many quarters the official attitude was construed as indicating that secret exchanges were expected to follow if they did not precede the formal answers of the Entente nations to the notes of President Wilson and the Central powers. Because of the highly confidential nature of any such negotiations it is pointed out, the intermediary would be obliged to refrain from admitting even that they were in progress.

So far as the Entente governments are concerned it is understood that little if any confidential information has reached to shed more light on their attitude than has been given publicly in the speeches of their Premiers and the comment of their press. Consequently, there is no disposition here to doubt that the Allies unanimously will refuse to enter any sort of peace conference until Germany has indicated clearly on what conditions she will stop fighting.

On the Teutonic side, while the reply to President Wilson is regarded by the German Embassy as complying with President Wilson's suggestion in offering a method of procedure, Germany is said to be willing to consider other suggestions regarding methods from any quarter, including her enemies.

The views of the German government, further are represented as being as follows: "If the Entente considers that guarantees for the future are the principal elements to be achieved, and, lacking confidence in the German government, insists upon knowing something of the guarantees that Germany is willing to give, the Berlin government might make some declaration regarding the principles to which she is willing to subscribe, leaving details for settlement at the proposed conference. The German government considers that there is but little to be gained by going into any lengthy discussion of guarantees for the future with the present war in progress. In this connection, Germany, it is asserted, never has intended that the conference suggested should result immediately in the establishment of peace, it is considered that it necessarily would be of a preliminary nature to determine whether it might not be possible to end the war.

According to the German diplomats, the plan Germany is proceeding upon would provide that the delegates should first agree upon territorial and immediately connected terms, and that preliminary tentative treaty then should be settled upon. This completed, the German idea is to have all the neutrals called in to participate in consideration of the questions of guarantees for the future. Diplomats familiar with the viewpoint of Germany and her allies were especially emphatic tonight in saying that Germany necessarily would be able to make much better terms in confidential negotiations than in public. The radical element in German politics, it is said, must be considered. Under any circumstances, however, it was said Germany would not consider making peace if the Entente should insist upon retaining Germany's lost colonies and requiring Germany at the same time to evacuate all enemy territory now occupied.

HIGH HONOR FOR MONTREAL MAN

Albany, N.Y., Dec. 28.—Dr. Frank D. Adams, of McGill University, Montreal, was elected president of the Geological Society of America at the organization's annual meeting. Other officers elected are: Vice-President, Dr. W. D. Matthews, American Museum of Natural History, New York; Treasurer, Dr. William B. Clark, Johns Hopkins University; Librarian, Dr. P. Van Horn, Case School of Applied Science and Secretary, Dr. E. O. Hovey, American Museum of Natural History.

Any old bachelor with money can obtain a situation as husband.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY PREFER PEACE TO BANKRUPTCY

WOULD RATHER SUFFER HUMILIATION AT PRESENT THAN INEVITABLE RUIN.

London, Dec. 29.—Recent reports received here from Switzerland have represented the internal conditions in Austria-Hungary as so serious that those governments are prepared to negotiate direct with Great Britain and France, preferring a humiliating peace to what has been termed inevitable bankruptcy and ruin.

The Morning Post's Budapest correspondent writing Dec. 27 records opinions to the foregoing effect as being prevalent in some quarters in Austria-Hungary but in no wise confirms the view that they are favored by the Austrian and Hungarian governments. On the contrary, the correspondent contends that however much a separate peace may be desired it is almost unthinkable, and certainly for the present impossible. He concurs with the Swiss representative as far as saying that the young Emperor is eager to work for peace.

"It is generally recognized," says the correspondent, "that the Emperor, after he has been crowned King of Hungary and taken the oath to the constitution in the Austrian parliament, will try to re-establish peace. There is little doubt that he will use his influence on Germany in as friendly a way as is possible, and if this influence should fail will use other kinds of pressure on Germany which Germany will be unable to endure for long."

PROBATE JUDGE SHOOTS HIMSELF

FRED ST. JOHN BLISS, OF FREDERICTON, TOOK HIS OWN LIFE.

Fredericton, N.B., Dec. 28.—Fred St. John Bliss, Secretary-Treasurer of York county, and judge of probate, who shot himself through the head yesterday afternoon in his office, died at an early hour this morning. Judge Bliss had been in good health and spirits apparently until yesterday when County Auditor George Armstrong entered his office to go over Mr. Bliss' accounts to set them in shape for the approaching session of the municipal council which opens next Tuesday. Judge Bliss left his office suddenly, telling Mr. Armstrong that he would return in a few moments. Walking across the hall of the building to Sheriff Howe's office, he locked the door and shot himself through the temple.

HUN SAVAGERY AGAIN DISPLAYED

DELIBERATE ATTEMPT BY A SUBMARINE TO MURDER SURVIVORS OF WESTMINSTER.

London, Dec. 28.—The Admiralty has given to The Associated Press the following statement concerning the sinking of the British steamer Westminster, which was reported on Dec. 18th: "The degree of savagery the Germans have attained in their submarine policy appears to have reached a climax in the sinking of the Westminster, which was proceeding from Torre Annunziata to Port Said in ballast. On December 14th, when 180 miles from the nearest land, the Westminster was attacked by a German torpedo boat without warning and was struck by two torpedoes in quick succession, which killed four men. The Westminster sank in four minutes.

"This ruthless disregard for the rules of international law was followed by a deliberate attempt to murder the survivors. The officers and crew while effecting their escape were shelled by the submarine at a range of 2,000 yards. The master and engineer were killed outright. Their boat was sunk. The second and third engineers were not picked up; it is presumed they were drowned. The captain of the submarine must have satisfied himself of the effectiveness of his torpedoes, yet he proceeded to carry out in coldblood an act of murder which would not possibly be justified by any urgency of war and can only be regarded in the eyes of the world as a further proof of the degradation of German honor and morale."

GERMANY'S MOVE TO COUNTERACT ALLIED ANSWER

EVASIVE REPLY TO WILSON COURT MOVE IN DIPLOMATIC GAME.

London, December 28.—German's proposal for an immediate meeting of delegates of the belligerent powers to discuss peace is regarded here as the obvious move in the diplomatic game now in progress. It is questioned whether on examination it will be pronounced to be a clever move.

In its superficial aspects the note looks like an acceptance of Wilson's suggestion. That, according to the British view, is the impression Germany sought to make upon American opinion. But carefully considered, it is held here to be not a response to but an evasion of the President's proposals. The circumstances of its publication are also thought to show a Machiavellian effort to influence public opinion in the United States to the point of perplexing and raising difficulties for the President. The haste shown in issuing a wireless summary of the note contrary to the accepted canons of international courtesy before the actual text was received by the Government to whom the note was addressed, is a point upon which the American government, it is said here, is more deeply qualified to express an opinion than any other persons less directly concerned.

To Counteract Effect. Germany's new note is, according to conjecture here, a sort of court move to meet the Entente's reply to the original German note of December 12. There are various indications that the Entente reply was ready and was about to be dispatched, even if it had not already been dispatched to neutral agencies for delivery in Berlin. Anxiety to counteract the effect of that reply, it is said, explains Germany's hurry to identify herself in appearance with the high-minded suggestion made by the President.

The Entente's reply is expected to state in the plainest possible way why the Entente Powers cannot in the present circumstances meet in conference with the Central powers, which offer no guarantees that their proposal for a conference is advanced with any other object than that of obtaining a peace that would ratify the Prussian military domination of Europe and would attain most of the "war aims" set forth in the Chauvinistic German press, and would establish in the history of the world a notorious record for frightfulness. If Germany's objects in seeking peace now are less than that they cannot, it is held by the Entente Powers, be more than a ruse to gain time. Henry Grattan's famous speech in 1815, is recalled here. The great Irish orator, speaking of the Napoleonic proffer of peace, said: "Such offers of peace are nothing more than one of the arts of war, attended most assuredly by charging on you the odium of a long and protracted conflict and with such commonplace and many good words and sayings of the miseries of bloodshed and the savings and good husbandry of peace."

While in some quarters Germany's new note is thought to be further proof of the inopportune nature of President Wilson's move, inasmuch as his action has given Berlin another opportunity of making capital in the eyes of the neutral world which is longing for peace, it is held in most thoughtful circles that, as the Westminster Gazette says: "The President is not to be blamed for this, and we should be very unwise to rush to the conclusion that he expected to receive this answer, and was to that extent playing into the hands of the Germans."

This paper outlines the British view as to the new German move as follows: "The German Government can scarcely be so naive as to suppose that the Allied governments would suspend hostilities and enter into a conference with an enemy who proclaimed himself victor, without knowing even through the usual indirect channels what he was going to propose. The situation in that respect is governed by the German note which preceded Wilson's. It is Germany who proposed negotiations, it is Germany who considers herself to be in a superior position; it is Germany who wants to stop the war. Therefore, it must be for her as the initiator of these proceedings to define in general terms the basis upon which she proposes to negotiate."

"If the case had been reversed, and the initiative had been taken by the Allied nations, that demand would quite properly and legitimately have been made to them, and we are confident that President Wilson and the American people will see that we are on strong ground in making it to the Germans."

"It has been explained to us that the Wilson note was prepared before the German note and independently of it. That we can readily believe, but it does not touch the fact that the German note was presented first and that in taking the first step without waiting for neutral intervention, Germany committed herself to defining her position if she wishes to go further whereas the Allies are free."

RUSSIA CONSIDERS GERMAN REPLY AS IMPERTINENT

COMPLETE EVASION OF QUESTION OF GERMAN'S AIMS IN THE WAR.

Petrograd, Dec. 28, via London, Dec. 29.—After the recent declaration of the Russian Foreign Minister and the pronouncement of the Emperor, which vigorously expressed the reluctance of the nation to consider any peace proposals at the present time, it is believed that, except for the formulation of Russia's official reply to President Wilson's note, the last word has been said here regarding the possibility of peace negotiations.

Russia's negative attitude has been strengthened, if possible, by the German answer to the American note, which the Russian government, considering, "not only irrelevant, but impertinent, to the United States," according to information received by The Associated Press.

Russian official circles call attention to the fact that Germany's response "is not really an answer at all, since it evades the question of Germany's aims in the war and proceeds prematurely to the consideration of peace," which, in the Russian view, Germany knows will be unacceptable to the Allies under the present conditions.

The Foreign Office denies that other neutral governments will follow the lead of the United States and Switzerland and has dissipated the view taken yesterday by part of the press regarding the neutral governments, while in the form of a neutral league intended, according to reports, to bring combined pressure upon the warring countries in an effort to bring the war to a speedy conclusion.

4,000,000 CONTRACT FROM FRENCH RY.

Philadelphia, Dec. 28.—A contract for one hundred heavy freight locomotives from the Paris, Lyon, and Mediterranean Railroad Company, France, was closed today by the Baldwin Locomotive Works of this city. The order, according to the announcement, amounts to \$4,000,000 and is supplementary to the contract for forty locomotives placed by the same railroad several weeks ago.

PREMIER BORDEN WILL ATTEND THE WAR CONFERENCE

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Premier Borden has received the invitation of the British Government to attend the war conference in London. For this reason parliament has been summoned two weeks earlier. There is no official announcement that parliament will adjourn after the Premier leaves for London.

The Weather

Table with 3 columns: Location, Min., Max.
Toronto, Dec. 28.—The weather has been for the most part fair today over the Dominion and in the Western Provinces it continues decidedly cold.
Temperatures:
Prince Rupert 26 17
Victoria 30 15
Vancouver 22 30
Kamloops 4 3
Edmonton 22 4
Battleford 22 4
Prince Albert 20 12
Moose Jaw 19 8
Regina 18 6
Winnipeg 10 4
Port Nelson 26 22
Port Arthur 2 2
Toronto 20 25
Kingston 20 25
Ottawa 14 26
Montreal 12 25
Quebec 14 25
St. John's 28 38
Halifax 24 42

*Below zero.
Forecasts:
Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay: Fresh west to north west winds; fair and much colder.
Ottawa Valley and St. Lawrence River: Fresh to strong west to north-west winds, fair and becoming decidedly cold.
Gulf and North Shore: Strong winds or moderate gales from north-west, fair and becoming decidedly cold.
Maritime Provinces: Strong winds or moderate gales from north-west; fair and becoming much colder.
Lake Superior District: North-western winds, fair and decidedly cold.

SUCCESSFUL RAID BY CANADIANS ON WESTERN FRONT

Attackers Aided By Artillery Barrage And Machine Gun Fire.

FILMS OF OPERATION.

Many Of The Enemy Were Killed And Fifty-Eight Prisoners Were Captured.

London, Dec. 28.—The following communique is issued from the Canadian War Records Office: One of the most successful raids ever carried out on the western front was executed this afternoon by the Canadians. The raid was made in the early afternoon while the low winter sun was still shining. From several points of observation it was possible to witness the whole progress of the operation and successful cinematograph films for historical purposes were even obtained within a short distance of the attack. Preliminary bombardments skillfully destroyed the heavy enemy entanglements and generally weakened the German defences.

Shortly before the hour of the assault the attackers, consisting of picked men, carefully trained for this special occasion, filed into the trenches and took up a position along the tip of an advance crater. The enemy remarked the unusual movement, because a few hours before the advance an active rifle fire broke out and several colored rockets were fired from the German trenches.

Nevertheless, at the appointed moment, our artillery barrage opened with a sudden crash of dense sound. Clouds of smoke were also liberated, isolating the area to be attacked. A covering fire from our machine guns added a deafening rattle to the stupendous medley of noise.

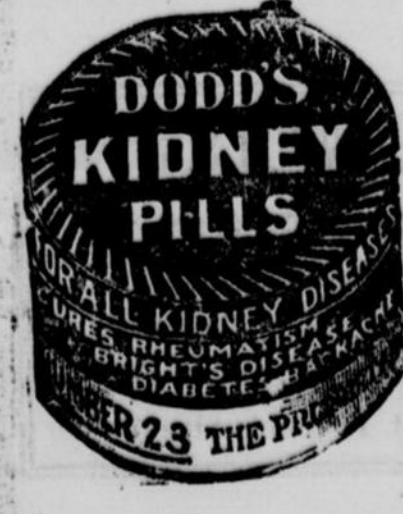
At the given signal the lines of our men advanced, slowly and deliberately and in perfect order. Little resistance was met with in crossing "No Man's Land." The German garrison were seeking safety from our avalanche of shells in their deep dugouts. A number of bombers at one point, however, attempted a resistance. These were quickly disposed of and the survivors sent back as prisoners.

Swiftly our men then went about their allotted tasks, following the communicating trenches back to the German supports, establishing protective blocks, attacking and overcoming the guards and sentries. Special attention was paid to the dugouts from which many Germans came out to surrender. Bombs and machine explosives were then thrown into the dugouts and setting on fire the wooden supports. This was done as thoroughly and methodically as the progress of the attack could be followed by the fire as they broke out one after the other. Machine gun emplacements were also destroyed and the total damage done to the German trenches was very considerable. Many of the enemy were killed and 58 prisoners, including 20 officers were captured and taken back to our lines. Our own casualties were comparatively light and all were promptly evacuated.

Considering the number of men employed in the attack, the extent of the frontage captured, the death toll which the parties penetrated and the fact that we remained in possession of the German trenches for over two hours before withdrawing, this so-called raid really secured the objectives of a very successful local offensive. Some time after all our men had returned under cover of darkness to their own lines the enemy could be heard counter-attacking and howling execrably at his own deserted and badly damaged trenches.

JOFFRE'S INQUIRY. Asks Capt. Lanctot About Recruiting In Quebec.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—"How is recruiting going in the Province of Quebec?" This was the question that General Joffre presented to Captain Gustave Lanctot, recently returned from the front, and one which Capt. Lanctot said he had to answer by explanations regarding the peculiar situation here. Capt. Lanctot, however, replied by asking the famous French General what he thought of the French-Canadians at the front, which brought from "Papa Joffre" a warm eulogy of the men from Quebec Province, both for their nerve in attack and their stubborn courage in defence work. Capt. Lanctot went to France under Major Doughty, to prepare the archives of the Canadian forces at the front, and thus had unusual opportunities of meeting the leading officers on service. On the conclusion of his special work he asked to be sent to active service, and was attached to the 73rd Highlanders, under Lieut.-Col. Davidson, with whom he served at the Somme until he was recalled for special duties at home.



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THE COMING SESSION.

The opening of the next session of Parliament has just been fixed for the 18th of January. It is not likely that the session will be a long one. It certainly will not if the representatives of the people know what is expected of them and act accordingly. The one and practically the only great question of national importance which can properly engage public attention today is that of bringing to a victorious and speedy conclusion the great war in which the Empire and its Allies are now engaged, and in so terminating it that there cannot possibly be any repetition of such horrors for generations to come. To this end and to securing for Belgium and France the restitution and the reparation to which they are entitled, and to which the Allies are pledged, our every effort and that of everyone of our representatives in parliament must be devoted, to the exclusion of all mere petty and parol affairs. This is no time for any exhibition of party politics, and we shall be much disappointed if this does not prove to be an accepted fact by men of every shade of political opinion in Canada, just as it is today by statesmen of every political creed both in the Motherland and in France. This agreement to put country and empire before party is more necessary than ever for the coming session, because unless it is to be a very short one indeed, the Prime Minister will have to leave for London to attend the Imperial War Council before it is over. This Council has to be held not later than the end of February, and it is of course extremely important that the Dominion should be represented at it. As it is with a full knowledge of all these facts that Sir Robert Borden has advised His Excellency the Governor-General to summon Parliament for the third week of January, it is quite apparent that the leader of the Government has full confidence in the loyalty of the House and in its determination to expedite the public business that it will be quite possible for him to answer and to obey the summons of his Sovereign and his Imperial advisers, even though the Parliament of the Dominion be still in session.

CANADA AND THE NAVY.

Canada has no reason to blush for the part which she has taken and for the share which her sons are taking in the war. The number of Canadians who have sealed their patriotism with their blood, the still larger number who have given limbs or become more or less crippled for life in proof of their love of liberty and country, and the magnificent records for gallantry and military skill made by thousands of others will ever remain a source of pride to future generations of Canadians. Other dominions beyond the seas also have reason to be proud of the heroism of their sons in this gigantic struggle, but in no respect have Canadians to take a second place so far as the gallantry shown on European battle grounds is concerned. So far as sea power is concerned, however, there is another side to the picture, as shown by the newspaper Canada, published in London. The special representative of that paper in writing of a visit to the Grand Fleet, in company with other newspaper men, says "There was one battleship in harbor, the Canada, a fine vessel built for the Argentine Republic but taken over and rechristened by the Admiralty. Unlike the two battle cruisers Australia and New Zealand, which were given by those dominions, the Canada was paid for by British taxpayers. The crews of both these ships are largely from their respective dominions, and there is the keenest rivalry between them for smartness and efficiency. Canada has certainly been outdone by her sister dominions on the sea, but it will not happen again." Nor would it ever have happened if the men who are now in charge of the country's affairs had been there ten years sooner. There is some satisfaction in feeling however that it never can happen again. Canadians have learned by experience the value of sea power and what they owe to the Royal Navy.

DIPLOMATIC MANOEUVRE

Germany has successfully accomplished a clever piece of diplomatic manoeuvring, whereby she has the United States, through the ineptitude of President Wilson, apparently lined up against the entente allies. President Wilson has no option now, having received Germany's cordial assent, but to go ahead and endeavor to arrange a peace conference, which he must be well aware no one wants but himself and Germany. However the proposal for a conference has been engineered, it is the United States that will be found in the embarrassing position of not being able to carry out her own proposals. To make trouble between the United States and the entente allies is obviously Germany's plan.

Had Germany not been in dire need she would have made no proposals for peace. Austria is in still worse condition. The Balkan campaign this fall, with all its apparent success, has been disastrous to German resources. It is on this account that the question of peace is receiving such pressing attention. Had Germany been actually winning there would have been no clamor for peace. Having exhausted her strength in her exertions up to the present she now desires the referee to give a decision on points in a contest which was to be fought to a finish. Will the referee act squarely?

"Peace is an abomination if it comes to leave Germany in one single least circumstance a gainer by her crimes." If the burglar or thief is to be pardoned because he pleads that he got away successfully with the goods or because he is willing to forego the possession of some of his booty in order to get away with the rest, then all arbitration and peace measures would be reduced to farce. It is an elementary principle in law that a sutor must come into court with clean hands. Germany with hands dyed in Belgian gore and dripping with the blood of Serbia, comes into court pleading innocence and the necessity for her retention of the avails of her crime.

We trust President Wilson will find a self-respecting way out of his dilemma.

PRESS COMMENT.

As we surmised, the Imperial Conference summoned by the new British Government is not to be an ordinary Conference, such as was held in 1911 and would have been held in 1913 but for the outbreak of the war. It is far more important. It is to be a "War Conference of the Empire." The Colonial Secretary says in a cable dispatch to our Governor-General: "His Majesty's Government therefore invite your Prime Minister to attend a series of special and continuous meetings of the War Cabinet, in order to consider urgent questions affecting the prosecution of the war, the possible conditions on which, in agreement with our allies, we could assent to its termination, and the problems that will then immediately arise."

For the first time Canada is to be regarded, not merely as an auxiliary but as one of the proprietors of the Empire. The resources of the Empire, so to speak, are to be pooled,

The Bread Problem is not a problem in the home where Shredded Wheat is known. The whole wheat grain is the real staff of life, and you have it in Shredded Wheat Biscuit prepared in a digestible form. It contains more real body-building material than meat or eggs, is more easily digested, and costs much less. The food for the up-and-coming man who does things with hand or brain—for the kiddies that need a well-balanced food for study or play—for the housewife who must save herself from kitchen drudgery. Delicious for breakfast or any meal, with milk or cream.

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and Canada is to have that weight in war decisions to which she has been and will be entitled by her contribution. Still more: without the consent of the Dominions peace will not be made, and when it is made the Dominions will have something to say regarding the terms. Australia, for instance, will not be deprived of German New Guinea, if she wants it, nor will the Union of South Africa be deprived of German Southwest Africa, overrun by Botha. If there is to be a division of the spoils the outlying portions of the Empire are to be consulted regarding it.

This may bring with it the beginning of a system of Imperial Federation. It is characteristic of the Anglo Saxon race not to be hampered by mere theory or regard for symmetry in constitutional development. Circumstances determine everything. But eventually, out of circumstances, there must be evolved such co-ordination and co-operation as will make of the British Empire one highly organized whole, safeguarding and illuminating the world.—Hamilton Spectator.

ALTERING GERMAN PLANS.

The fall of the capital of German East Africa, the only colony in which German forces are still fighting, marks a further stage in the conquest of one of the largest areas of Africa under the control of a European nation. The significance of the surrender is not confined solely to the military sphere, but is important from the political and economic aspects. With regard to the first, it may be pointed out that the town is the terminus of, and the seaport for, the great central railway which crosses the colony from east to west. Practically the whole of this railway is now in British hands and has been for some time of little use to the German troops. Der-es-Salaam was useless to the German forces as a port of supply or of escape owing to the presence of British naval forces off the coast, yet it was a symbol of authority and prestige in that region, and its surrender is considered to be important in view of its possible effects on the morale of the native troops under the German command. These are gradually being penned in against the south-eastern borders of the colony, fighting a stubborn but losing battle all the time.

From the point of view of German colonial aspirations the surrender of Der-es-Salaam is a notable event. A great deal had been expected as a result of the development of the port. It was intended as the eastern terminus of an ocean-to-ocean route across the centre of Africa. This route was to extend from Der-es-Salaam to Kigoma on Lake Tanganyika. From that port a service of steamers plied to Lukuga on the Belgian side, from which a series of railways were being built to connect up with the Congo river. Rich agricultural and cattle raising districts were to be exploited by the project when the advent of hostilities put a stop to the plan. German financiers hoped to have interests, not only in these projects, but also in a scheme for extending the terminus of the Algerian railway system through the Sahara to the south-west, then eastward to the Cape Cairo line, with a branch line to the shore of Victoria Nyanza to join the Uganda line. A different complexion is put upon these schemes by the military operations carried out in co-operation by the British, Belgians, and Portuguese.

NOT THERE

"So your boy is entering college this fall. You're sending him to your own alma mater, I suppose?" "Not on your life! There are too many traditions clustered about my name in the old place. I wouldn't care to have my boy try to imitate some of the stunts I did when I was a student."—New York World.

Societe de Prets et Placements de Quebec

DIVIDEND No. 99

A dividend of two per cent on the Capital Stock of this Society has been declared for the current quarter, payable at the office of the Society, on the 2nd of January next. The transfer books will be closed from the 27th to the 30th instant, inclusively. By order of the Board. F. F. HOUE, Secretary-Treasurer. Dec. 21st, 1916.

Extraordinary Things

- A \$350.00 PIANO, FOR..... ONE DOLLAR
A \$100.00 COLUMBIA PHONOGRAPH, FOR..... ONE DOLLAR
AN \$85.00 SINGER SEWING MACHINE, FOR..... ONE DOLLAR

ALTHOUGH IT MAY SEEM STRANGE, IT IS NEVERTHELESS WHAT WILL HAPPEN

On the Night of January 5th

WHEN THE DRAWING FOR OUR TOMBOLA WILL TAKE PLACE. IT IS AS MUCH IN YOUR INTERESTS AS ANYONE ELSE TO NOT MISS THE OPPORTUNITY WHICH IS OFFERED YOU TODAY. IT IS THE TIME FOR PURCHASES OF ALL KINDS. COME AND SPEND "ONE DOLLAR" AT OUR COUNTERS. YOU WILL INCREASE YOUR CHANCES EACH TIME. OUR ASSORTMENT LEAVES NOTHING TO BE DESIRED.

CHEAP TOYS OR RICH GIFTS

- TOYS, OF ALL KINDS, FANCY ARTICLES, NEW MATERIALS for DRESSES
USEFUL and ARTISTIC GIFTS. OR BLOUSES.
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A copy of the said agreement can be seen at the offices of The Royal Bank of Canada at Montreal, P.Q., and The Quebec Bank, at Quebec, P.Q. The said agreement has been approved by a resolution of the Shareholders of The Quebec Bank carried by the votes of shareholders present in person or represented by proxy, representing more than two-thirds of the amount of the subscribed capital stock of the said Bank at a Special General Meeting of the Shareholders of the said Bank duly called and held for the purpose. The said agreement has also been approved by resolution of the Directors of The Royal Bank of Canada. Dated 28th November, 1916.

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BERRY—At Moulin des Meres, Lorette, on the 26th instant, Melville B. Berry, aged 73 years and 8 months.

Funeral will leave his late residence on Friday, the 29th instant, at 9 a.m., for Loretteville Church, and Cemetery.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

HOOKES—On December 27th, 1916, Albert Edward Hookes, lumber merchant.

Funeral will leave his late residence, 85 St. Dominique street, on Tuesday, at 2 p.m., for the English Cathedral, thence to Mount Hermon Cemetery.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend.

UDITORIUM

THIS WEEK GEORGIA COMEDY FOUR.

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(Organised by the Alliance since 1846) Programme, 1917.

Sunday, Dec. 31st to Saturday, January 6th, 1917.

Sunday's Theme: "Christ, the Head of the Church," Eph. 1:22-23.

Monday, Jan. 1.—Baptist Church; topic: "The Opponent of the Necessary Prayer," speakers, Revs. T. P. Perry and E. J. Stobo.

Tuesday, Jan. 2.—Trinity Church Hall; Rev. A. R. Beverley, M.A.; topic: "Spiritual Unity, or Unity in Diversity," speaker, Rev. S. T. Martin, M.A.

Wednesday, Jan. 3.—St. Andrew's Church; the Rev. A. T. Love, D.D.; topic: "Nations and Their Rulers," speaker, Rev. T. P. Perry.

Thursday, Jan. 4.—At Chalmers' Church; Rev. S. T. Martin, M.A.; topic: "World-wide Missions"; speaker, Rev. A. R. Beverley, M.A.

Friday, Jan. 5.—Methodist Church. Rev. T. P. Perry; topic: "Christian Education, the Family, the School and the College"; speakers, Revs. A. T. Love, D.D., and Mr. J. L. Hess, Y.M.C.A. Secretary.

Saturday, Jan. 6.—French Presbyterian Church; Rev. I. P. Bruneau; topic: "Missions at the Home Base and Among the Jews"; speakers, the Revs. C. E. Amaron, M.A., D.D., and A. Delport, (Baptist Mission).

Collection at the close of each Service in aid of the funds of the Alliance.

Hour of service: 8:00 p.m. sharp.

Forty-fourth annual meeting, Jan. 1st. Preserve this programme as a reminder of the Services.

Bible Society Annual Meeting, Jan. 10th. Speaker, Rev. Dr. W. W. Craig, St. Martin's Church, Montreal.

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CANADA Province of Quebec. District of Quebec.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT. No. 2463.

THE CHINIC HARDWARE COMPANY, a body politic and corporate, having its principal place of business in the City of Quebec,

vs. THEODERIC COTE and ELDERIC COTE, both of the City of Quebec, and doing business in partnership as contracting carpenters under the firm name of "COTE & FRERE," and "COTE & COTE,"

Defendants.

The Defendant Theoderic Cote is ordered to appear within a month from the last publication of the present order.

(Signed) Amd. ROBITAILLE, True copy.

(Signed): FITZPATRICK, DUPRE & GAGNON, Attys. for Plaintiff. D.29x2

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People Drop Down in German Streets—Collapse Near.

London, December 28.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily Telegraph wires: "I have had private information indirectly from Germany, which is decidedly encouraging. A friend of mine, head of an important Paris business firm, has a partner who is a Swiss. The latter has just visited Germany and returned to Paris. He is a level-headed business man and says positively Germany can scarcely hold out more than six months longer. The shortage of food is more serious than it has ever been. He said it was literally true that the entire population long since had been unable to eat its fill. He himself saw many persons in various German towns actually fall down in the street exhausted by hunger, and in one case at least a man dropped dead from starvation in the road before his eyes. Such sights apparently are not now uncommon in Germany."

IN AND ABOUT TOWN

SACRED CONCERT VERY PLEASING

LARGE GATHERING AT METHO DIST CHURCH ENJOYED MUSICAL PROGRAMME.

The Sacred Concert in the Methodist Church last evening attracted an exceptionally large gathering representing the various denominations in the city. The musical evening was one of the most delightful of its kind heard at this church for a long time and reflects great credit on Mr. C. H. Thorn, the director, also on the different soloists and the chorus.

While the entire programme was rendered in such a manner as to evoke none but the most favorable comment from those present the rendition of the Cantata "The Story of Bethlehem" was especially beautiful. Mrs. F. C. Thorn did admirably at the organ.

A munificent amount was realized in the collection which is to be devoted to the Organ Fund.

The programme follows: Part I.

Prelude: Minuet..... Moskowski Invocation (Choral) "The Power"..... Hymn 108: "All Hail the Power"..... Solo: "Long Ago a Midnight Strain"..... Seymour-Hawthorne Miss Ivt Rogers.

Solo: "Noel"..... Guenod Mr. H. C. Thorn.

Solo: Selected..... Mrs. W. E. Paxman.

Chorus: "Hallelujah" from Handel's Messiah..... Mr. A. C. Thorn.

Solo: "But Who May Abide," from Handel's Messiah..... Lemarre Hymn.....

Part II. Cantata: "The Story of Bethlehem,"..... John E. West Soloists:

Soprano..... Mrs. W. J. B. Fraser Tenor..... Mr. A. J. Carpenter

Baritone..... Mr. T. Ward "God Save the King."

Postlude: "Hosanna"..... Wachs Organist: Mrs. Fred. C. Thorn, Director: Mr. Chas. H. Thorn.

Big Annual New Year's Day Reception at the Y. M. C. A.

Monday afternoon from 2 to 6 o'clock. Splendid programme and refreshments.

BEFORE THE COURTS.

Cocaine Fiend From Toronto Sent Up For Twelve Months.

A man giving his name as Jimmy McLellan, of Toronto, came before the Recorder's Court yesterday morning charged with vagrancy. He was condemned to a fine of \$10 and costs or fifteen days' jail.

On a charge of having cocaine in his possession he was brought before the Court of Sessions where he pleaded guilty. He was sent up for twelve months.

Another prisoner accused of having threatened a constable with an axe while under the influence of liquor, was given the option of a fine of \$10 or thirty days imprisonment and on the second charge he was sentenced to a month's imprisonment without option of a fine and in addition to this the preference of paying a fine of \$30 or going to gaol for one month.

SKI-ERS, 'SHUN'

Skiing has become one of Quebec's most popular winter sports. It is exhilarating, invigorating and health-giving. Every up-to-date young man and young woman to be abreast of the times must be a skier these days.

The snow, weather conditions and the skis are here (the latter by the cart load). Messrs. Fleming and Chambers, of the Quebec Skate Manufacturing Co., St. John street, have an assortment of these famous "snowskates" which just delight the eye and make one hunger for an afternoon or evening's enjoyment in open air gliding over the snowy hills and valleys of Quebec. Prices are beyond competition. You will surely be pleased. See the new patent harness which takes less than thirty seconds to detach. If you intend skiing, call and see this assortment—if you don't intend—call anyway, and you'll change your mind.

Hockey sticks, reduced prices, skating boots and all accessories may be had at the Quebec Skate Manufacturing Co., St. John street.

DAN O'CONNELL IS ENTERTAINED

Peterboro, Ont., Dec. 28.—Dan O'Connell was tonight honored by a complimentary citizens banquet on his leaving for Toronto to practice law there. About a hundred leading citizens were present, representing every shade of political and religious opinion. Judge Huycke acted as chairman, and Mayor Duffus as vice-chairman. Mr. O'Connell was a prominent official in patriotic fund and recruiting movements and a prominent Liberal.

CHURCH SOCIETY HOLDS MEETING

FIRST READING WAS GIVEN TO THE REVISED BY-LAWS YESTERDAY.

A meeting of Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec was held in the Church House yesterday.

His Lordship, Bishop Williams, occupied the chair and first reading was given to the revised by-laws which will come up for ratification at the regular meeting of the Society in February.

FORESTERS ELECT OFFICERS FOR YEAR

ALL OF LAST YEARS' BOARD RETURNED AT ANNUAL MEETING.

The Court Stadacona, No. 224 Independent Order of Foresters, at the annual meeting held last night re-elected the officers for the year 1917 as follows:

Court Physician—Dr. James Stevenson.

Court Deputy—A. McCallum.

Chief Ranger—R. R. Marchant.

Vice-Chief Ranger—W. M. Andrews.

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"DIVORCE AND THE DAUGHTER."

Florence LaBadie Featured in Powerful Pathe Gold Rooster Film at the Empire.

The Empire will present for the first time today, Florence LaBadie, the dainty little French-Canadian actress in one of Pathe's Gold Rooster successes "Divorce and the Daughter," a film which will appeal to all classes and sexes, dealing with a question which is a burning one the world over.

Miss LaBadie has ample scope in this photoplay to display her well-known talents and she renders a difficult role in a manner which at once wins the sympathy and favor of the spectators. The story is a powerful one, well filmed; the action is brisk, the plot clearly defined and the audience will certainly remain until the end is screened. This picture will be shown only two days in Quebec—today and tomorrow.

SOLDIERS' XMAS TREE

General Turner Chapter I.O.D.E. Held Entertainment in Kirk Hall.

The ladies of the General Turner Chapter I.O.D.E. gave a Christmas Tree to the returned wounded soldiers in the Kirk Hall last night.

One hundred and sixteen were present. Mr. John Welch acted as chairman and Mr. John Cassils in costume was the most efficient Santa Claus. In addition to the Christmas Tree and supper the following musical numbers and recitations were given:

Miss Devere..... Song Miss Glass..... Recitation. Mrs. Wiggs..... Song Miss Homerston..... Song. The Messrs. Homerston and Boon Piano and Banjo.

Private Brush..... Song Private Gibsons..... Song. Private Blackborough..... Recitation. Private Ekhort..... Song. Private Hicks..... Song. Private Walsh..... Song. Private Wheaton..... Song.

Sergeant-Major McLeod thanked the ladies in a neat speech and the evening broke up with three ringing cheers for General Turner and the boys in the trenches.

\$10,000 DIAMOND HID IN HIS STOMACH.

Washington, Dec. 28.—With a diamond worth ten thousand dollars, somewhere in the interior of his body, a diamond he has tried in vain to recover for almost two years, James Williams is in a police cell in Chicago, awaiting officers who will take him back to prison in Texas.

Williams, hungry and penniless, surrendered yesterday. In 1915, he threw a brick through a jewelry store window in Dallas, Tex., seized the diamond and fled. When the police closed in on him he swallowed the diamond. Physicians were unable to find the diamond, and Williams was sent to prison. He escaped last June, and with the knowledge that the diamond would mean "easy street" he wouldn't work. Then, down and out, he surrendered to the police.

PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Fonda, of New York, are guests at the Chateau.

Mrs. R. Poulin, and Mrs. E. Pitt, are in town from Montreal, staying at the Chateau.

Mrs. Hugh McDonnell returned to Toronto yesterday, accompanied by her sister, Miss Clara Neville.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bell, arrived from Springfield, Mass., yesterday, and are guests at the Chateau.

Mrs. Dobell, of St. Louis Road, gave a dance last night in honor of Miss N. Brown, of Dublin, Ireland.

Mr. Alfred Belle, son of Mr. I. G. Belle, of this city, has arrived from Alberta, and is the guest of his father.

Capt. C. Dion, who is stationed in Quebec, is spending the holidays in Ottawa with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dion.

Major and Mrs. D. A. Laurie, of Fredericton, N.B., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Denaston Breakey, at Breakeyville.

Miss Margaret Martin, daughter of Mr. John Martin, has left for southern Florida, where she will spend the winter months.

Mrs. J. E. Turcot, of this city, and her three sons, are spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in Montreal.

Among the recent Quebec guests at Montreal hotels were Messrs. N. Lavoie, G. D. D. Luzon, M. Madden and J. B. Morrisette.

Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Brennan and two children, of Montreal, are in town for the holidays, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crotty, Scott street.

Miss Ruby Green, who has been spending the past month with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Tanner Green, is leaving for New York next week to continue her vocal studies.

The engagement is announced of Miss Jobidon, daughter of Mr. F. Jobidon, surveyor of this city, to Mr. H. Berube, son of Mr. E. P. Berube, also of this city.

The engagement is announced of Mr. Emile Garneau, assistant night watchman of the Chateau Frontenac, to Miss M. L. Rodrigue. The marriage to take place on January 8th, next.

Mr. and Mrs. Doris Panneton, of Sherbrooke, who have been spending Christmas in Quebec, with Mr. John Champon, are going to Montreal for New Year's, to be the guests of Mr. Justice and Mrs. Panneton.

The engagement is announced of Miss L. Tanguay, daughter of Mr. Ad. Tanguay, General Manager of the Quebec and Levis Ferry Ltd., to Mr. Robert Pettigrew, eldest son of Ald. Marcelin Pettigrew, of this city.

Arrivals at St. Roch's Hotel: James Roy, of Chicoutimi; N. E. Bouchard, of Chicoutimi; N. E. McBain and wife of Valcartier; Frank Walter, of La Tuque; R. Hogan, of Montreal; L. Chamberland, of Chicoutimi; C. H. Paquet, of Chicoutimi; J. A. Lefebvre, of Chicoutimi; H. A. Wood, Montreal; C. B. Faime, of Montreal; F. W. Beau, of Sherbrooke; J. Massicotte, of St. Tite; H. McGarry, of Montreal; R. Gosselin, of Montreal.

Late arrivals at the Chateau: H. Garipey, D. Janak, R. Bernard, M. A. Gauthier, E. A. Whitley, Mrs. R. Poulin, Mrs. C. Pitt, N. H. Rodgers, Montreal; Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Syms, Chicago; L. V. Parent, Richmond; W. G. MacDougall, Lennoxville; R. E. Husk, Huntington; Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Fonda, New York; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bell, Springfield, Mass.; J. B. MacLoughlin, Ottawa; James Ruddick, Beaupre; A. E. Kellogg, of New York.

THE FRENCH WOMAN AND HER ROLE

INTERESTING LECTURE BY M. JULES BOIS AT THE "INSTITUT CANADIEN."

"The French Woman during peace and during War," was the subject of a most interesting lecture delivered last night by M. Jules Bois at the Quebec City Hall under the auspices of the "Institut Canadien."

A large audience was present and the utterances of the able lecturer were followed with deep attention.

Following is a synopsis of his lecture:

French civilization is integral, it is not only intellectual, but also sentimental; not only masculine, but feminine. It addresses the heart as much as the mind and comes from both. That is why it is human, and shines in its strength of sympathy for other races and nations.

French civilization is bi-lateral. It is the result of the understanding between the French man and the French woman, loving and working together. As for the feminist propaganda it has not been boisterous with us. The woman has above all been preoccupied in persuading and convincing the man by her example. Intellectuals or politicians are almost unanimously disposed to grant to the French woman her political rights; but it is she who is not in a hurry; she but asks for her new rights one at a time that she may be better prepared to exercise them.

The heart and the mind of the French woman form pure treasures of modesty, scrupulousness, of discipline, discretion, not only in the family

and schools, but also in the chapels of our churches near the sepulchre and today in the van of the train of wounded near ambulance beds.

It is to defend this treasure—the wife, the daughter or the mother—as well as to protect the sacred soil of ancestors, that today the Frenchman fights.

The French woman has also her part in the creation of the humanitarian philosophy, which is that of France, a philosophy of which we find most complete expression in the prose of Michelet and in the poems of Victor Hugo.

It has been said with truth that the French woman held back their tears, when their husbands, their brothers, their sons, departed for the front. They thus gave them more courage.

The French woman is still the valiant sentinel of the rear. Truly the French woman watches; she is the sentinel who, from afar, foretells, the sentinel whose cry announces danger, calls to arms, supports the attack.

The war of trenches has altogether changed the order of battle. The sentry of today is no longer so much the little watch stationed in wind, rain, cold, darkness, gun in hand; often at the rear, frequently not far behind the firing line, it is the wife, the sweetheart, the sister, the mother, the daughter, the bride.

In the home left empty by the men they labor for the fighters; in the hospital, they nurse the wounded, sometimes risking their lives and as it has often happened, giving them, they pray for the dead and for the living; by their perpetual sacrifice, their militant virtue, they collaborate in the victory which God and our arms will grant us.

Sportsman (wishing for fresh fields to conquer)—I should like to try my hand at big game.

Fair Ignoramus—Yes, I suppose you find it very hard to hit these little birds.—Tit-Bits.

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BIG GAME AT GRANDE ALLEE RINK

LAVIGNE WON FROM FRECHETTE

SONS OF IRELAND AND MONTAGNAIS MEET TONIGHT AT GRANDE ALLEE RINK

Game Will Decide Leadership in Local City League for Time Being—Both Teams Have Strong Line-ups—Record Crowd is Expected—Seats May Be Reserved.

The Quebec hockey public will be treated to one of the Quebec City League's best games of the season in the Grande Allee Rink when the Montagnais team meets the champion Sons of Ireland outfit.

This game has been the talk of the city for some days past and the old Quebec rink will be jammed this evening by followers of the amateur game.

It will be the Sons of Ireland's first league match without the services of their former star, George Carey, but Manager Emmet McDonald has a couple of dark-horses in view and expects that Carey's absence will not change the result of the game.

The Montagnais strong point is their defence. Demers in goal is very solid while Lachance and Walter Derouin are experienced players and generally play a very tight game.

The forward line of the Montagnais is a good one, individually but they did not on previous occasions display the snappy combination work of the champions.

Ernest Savard is a flashy player, wicked shot and a very dangerous wing man. Joe Roy is a cool, steady center-player and Bouchard is one of the finds of the season.

These three work together, the Sons will have a hard time to beat them as they are a trio of fast, husky boys.

George McNaughton and Hammy LaRoche are going stronger than ever for the Sons and with a new man in Carey's place, will work just as effectively. Both these players are stars and their work will probably be more apparent now that their teammate is gone.

The game will start at 8:15 in the Grande Allee Rink tonight and those desiring to reserve seats may do so, the price of the ones which will be set aside, either on the North Balcony or the West Gallery, will be fifty cents.

This reservation of seats is in order to accommodate the big demand. Anybody can get one of the best seats in the house for a quarter if he comes early.

Charlie Nolan and Dr. Hamel will officiate at the game and these two officials will see that everything is run according to Hoyle.

The probable line-ups— Sons of Ireland, Montagnais.

Fuller, Goal. Demers, Point. McDonald, Derouin, Cover Point. Malone, Lachance, Centre. McNaughton, Joe Roy, Left Wing. LaRoche, E. Savard, Right Wing. Kenay, Bouchard.

MADE IT NOTICEABLE. Jack, who was a sailor, had one day been painting some railings, and had put in it, "What Paynter."

A friend of his coming along, and knowing that Jack was by no means a good scholar, thought to take the rise out of him, and said: "You don't spell it that way, Jack."

But Jack answered him thus: "Well, shure, don't I know it; only, you see, if I spelled it right nobody would notice it.—Tit-Bits.

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LAVIGNE WAS WINNER AGAIN

GUS GAINED SHADE OVER FRECHETTE IN FINE MILL—PARENT LEFT RING.

While there could have been a larger crowd at last night's bouts before the Victoria Club, those attending saw some excitement.

Gus Lavigne continued on his winning streak by outpointing and outboxing Frechette of Montreal in the main bout of the evening which was a brutal affair all the way through.

Frechette fought a great battle but was not aggressive enough, the Quebec boy doing most of the leading and forcing the fighting all the way from the first round. The sixth was Frechette's best round. In this frame the Montagnais hammered Gus pretty hard but the Quebecer covered up well and in the next round came back very strongly using a right uppercut and right cross to good effect, staggering Frechette two or three times.

The eighth round was a dandy one and Lavigne earned the points in this stanza by a decisive margin ending the round with a smashing right uppercut to Frechette's jaw which shook him considerably. The ninth was also Lavigne's round though Frechette looked to be fresh. Gus followed his man and had a nice left hook which was bothering the Montreal boy.

The tenth was a rattler both boys peppering away for a kazo and tip crowd frantic with excitement. Lavigne had just a shade the better of the round and Frechette was evidently tired when the gong rang for the last time.

It was a fine scrap and the crowd was immensely pleased with the work of the two boxers who did not stall at any time.

Parent's Mistake. George Parent and Kid Gagnon were scheduled to go a ten round boxing exhibition but evidently Parent figured it was a wrestling match and did a lot of "Cazooks" stuff which Gagnon enjoyed as well. During the second round the "rassling" became so vigorous that down came ropes, poles, "rasslers" and everything onto the press table.

Manager Belanger decided that enough was besides and made a little speech to the boys telling them that they were being paid for boxing not wrestling. George Parent was evidently surprised at this for he told George to "keep his old fight" and walked out of the ring in disgust. Gagnon, therefore was the technical winner and he would probably have been anyway—at boxing.

Beaulieu-Girard. Young Beaulieu and Girard went six fast rounds to a draw in the preliminary attraction of the evening, both boys displaying some good boxing. The rounds were evenly divided each boy taking two and two being even. It was a good bout, cleanly fought and the principals were cheered heartily by their supporters.

Leon Belanger refereed the bouts in a very efficient manner and had no difficulty in keeping things in order.

WILDE MAY COME. New York, Dec. 27.—"Jimmy" Wilde, the ninety-eight pound marvel of Great Britain, who recently knocked out "Young Zulu Kid" in the twelfth round of their scheduled twenty round battle in London, may come to this country if the arrangements of certain British boxing promoters are carried out. English boxing men have been in communication with "Tex" Rickard concerning Wilde, and Rickard is anxious to have the British flyweight champion come here.

SNOWSHOE CLUB DIVIDED TURKEY. Poor old Turkey was wiped off the map at the Quebec Snowshoe Club last evening, a large turnout of members taking part in the dismemberment of the choice selection of "birds" served up.

If the "entente powers" require any hints as to the disposal of Turkey, the question would be easily settled if they submitted it to the Snowshoe Club boys—who would make it disappear from the scene of action in hurry-up fashion.

Next Tuesday evening the Snowshoe Club will give a concert for returned invalided soldiers and Thursday next, the first tramp of the season will be held.

It is an easy thing to convince yourself you are better than your neighbor, but to convince other people is the trick.

LES D'ARCY'S RING RECORD

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ROSS RIFLE LEAGUE. The Office defeated the Assembling Room team in a Ross Rifle League match on Olympia Alleys, the "pen-shovers" taking all three strings from the "congregators" who failed to "assemble" enough pins to win out. Blais with 480 was top man of the match.

The scores:— Office: McCann146 124 151-431. Kelly160 161 124-445. Poulin153 124 152-429. Elais146 176 164-480. Dryden118 148 174-440. 723 727 765 2215.

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TWENTY-ONE VICTIMS IN QUAKER OATS FIRE. Peterboro, Ont., Dec. 28.—The death of William Walsh, 457 Roger street, at St. Joseph's Hospital, brings the total of known dead from the Quaker Oats fire to twenty-one.

Sporting Notes

The Sons of Ireland and Montagnais game at the Grande Allee Rink will be the special sport attraction to night. This game will be the city league tit-bit of the season.

Manager Emmet McDonald has loads of confidence in his team and though Carey will be missed, the Sons expect to win their way to the title again this winter.

Manager Letourneau of the Montagnais is well pleased with the practices of his team and expects them to play great hockey tonight.

The Quebec team will leave for Toronto today, meeting the Victorious Blueshirts on their own ice Saturday night. If the Bulldogs can slip it over Livvy's bunch they will have a great chance of making it three straight when they meet Canadiens here Wednesday night.

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IMPURE HEROIN SOLD TO ADDICTS, MAGISTRATE SAYS

JUDGE DECLARES PHYSICIANS AND DRUGGIST ARE MAKING FORTUNES.

New York, Dec 28.—Two physicians and a druggist in Newark are accumulating fortunes quickly because of the high cost of heroin in this city, according to Chief Magistrate McAdoo, who addressed a large gathering in the Free Synagogue, in West Sixty-eighth street, the other night upon the drug evil.

"Because of the strict laws in this city drug addicts must pay \$8 for an eighth of an ounce of heroin," said Magistrate McAdoo. "But over in Newark there are two physicians, well known to the drug users of New York, who have sheaves of printed prescription blanks which they sell at \$1 each. The drug addicts take these prescriptions to a certain druggist, who sells an eighth of an ounce of what he calls heroin for \$2.50. One third of it, however, is sugar of milk, so the druggist is cheating the poor drug addict and violating a law, too.

"The drug evil cannot be controlled until the Federal Harrison law is so amended that every ounce of habit forming drugs must be accounted for and an embargo is placed upon its exportation. Most of the drugs now used in this country are made here, exported, apparently legitimately, to Canada and Mexico, and then smuggled back. Before it gets back the criminals had added a third or a half sugar of milk, so the drug addict is twice swindled—once in the quality of the drug and again in the extortionate price he must pay to the criminals who sell it."

The drug evil is increasing constantly, according to Justice Collins, of the Court of Special Sessions, who told the Joint Legislative Committee, sitting at the City Hall, that stricter laws are required.

An amendment to the Federal law is necessary, he said, which will check the manufacture of habit forming drugs in this country, their exportation into Canada and then their smuggling across the border here. Manufacturers who must account for their sales in this country have been shipping to Canada five times the quantity of drug legitimately required there and detectives have found that most of those drugs have been smuggled back into the United States.

The State law should be amended, Justice Collins said, so that such drugs should be permitted only for the cure of addicts and not in the treatment of known pathological diseases, and he said it was "largely due to the inactivity of the medical societies that a way has not been found to treat addicts without having them committed by a magistrate's court."

He also suggested prescription blanks serially numbered, upon which the Board of Health could keep tab of the physician, the druggist and the addict.

Owen Bohan, Assistant District Attorney, agreed with Justice Collins, and added that no physician should be permitted to use drugs upon a patient after three weeks of treatment without the sanction of the Board of Health.

VON SPEE'S OWN STORY. Historical Document Translated Into English.

The following description by Admiral von Spee, the German commander of the Battle of Coronel, fought off the Chilean coast on November 1, 1914, when the British cruisers Good Hope and Monmouth were sunk with all their men and the British commander, Rear-Admiral Sir C. Cradock, was killed, is published in The London Daily Mail. This document is of extreme interest, as von Spee perished a few weeks after his victory in the Battle of the Falkland Islands. It is a letter from him, which was sent to Europe in a neutral ship before he met with disaster and which is now published in English for the first time. It has appeared in Admiral Kirchoff's recent book "Der Seekrieg, 1914-15."

At 8.40 p.m. I was on a N.W. course and heard artillery fire ahead at a very great distance (estimated at 10 to 11 miles). I made towards it to help if necessary. It came from the Nurnberg, which had failed to get into touch with us and had accidentally fallen in with the Monmouth in the night. The latter listed heavily to the starboard side. Nurnberg went close in (ging ditch heran) and finished her off with gunfire. Monmouth turned over and went down.

Unfortunately the heavy seas rendered rescue work impossible, added to which the Nurnberg thought she had seen Good Hope in the vicinity—an assumption which was doubtless incorrect.

Probably in the moonlight at a great distance she mistook one of our cruisers for the Good Hope. I do not know what became of the latter. Lieutenant G., who had opportunity to observe, believed that she too, had a heavy list, and when I recall the incidents I am inclined to think he is right, although during the battle I believed it to have been an appearance caused by the movements of the ship in a heavy sea. It is quite possible that she sank; in any case, she was completely disabled. The Glasgow

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and Gnienseau to get all their boilers to work, and in fifteen minutes I was running at twenty knots against a heavy sea and got parallel to the enemy, but had to await the other ships. The enemy was so obliging as not to disturb me in this undertaking. The distance between us was about 18,000 yards.

When my ships—except the Nurnberg, which was nowhere in sight—had come up at ten minutes past six, I began to diminish the distance, and when we were about 10,000 yards off I ordered the firing to commence. The battle had begun, and with a few changes of course, I led the line quite calmly.

I had manoeuvred so that the sun in the west could not disturb me. The moon in the west was not yet full, but promised a bright night. There were squalls of rain in various directions.

My ships fired rapidly and with success against the big ships. Scharnhorst engaged Good Hope (Admiral Cradock's flagship); Gnienseau fired on the Monmouth, Leipzig against Glasgow, and the Dresden against Otranto. The last-named ship left the line after a time and I believe escaped.

Fires broke out in the Good Hope and Monmouth. There was a tremendous explosion in the former which looked like a splendid fireworks display against the dark sky. The glowing white flames mingled with bright green stars, shot up to a great height. I felt sure that the ship would sink; but no, she was still afloat, and the fight went on uninterruptedly.

Meanwhile it had become dark. I had diminished the distance between us to 5,000 yards, then I turned so far that it gradually increased. The enemy's ships could only be made out by the fires, but the cannonade was kept up against them and only ceased when the gunners could no longer aim. The enemy fire had ceased, and I ordered the small cruisers to take up the pursuit. But as it seemed that he had succeeded in extinguishing the fires on board, and steaming round the enemy's line, in order to get it into a favorable light, brought no further result. The artillery battle had lasted 32 minutes.

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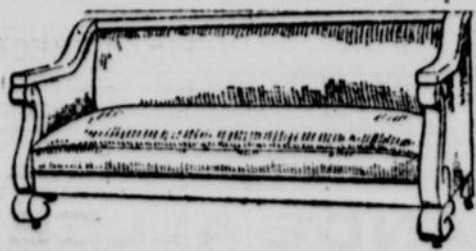
You can hardly imagine the joy, which prevails among us. At least we have been able to add to the glory of our arms.

TOMMY NOT IDLE IN THE TRENCHES Making of Jewelry a Passion With Amateur Soldier Craftsmen.

The monotony of life in the French as in the British trenches is varied by a number of small industries, turning to account bits of stone or wood or enemy cartridge cases and spent bullets in ingenious trifles for use or for mementos.

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GENERAL VON FALK HAS ISSUED REMARKABLE ADDRESS TO YOUNG PEOPLE.

The London Chronicle in its Side-lights from Germany publishes the following:—

General von Falk, commanding the headquarters of the 9th Army Corps at Hamburg, has issued a remarkable address to the youth of both sexes within his military district. He reminds that at the front on all sides the tremendous struggle proceeds without intermission. It is a struggle for Germany's freedom and greatness.

"Your fathers and brothers are engaged in hot battle, and pour out their blood for you German boys and girls, youths and maidens. They protect you from the threatening violence of the storming enemy. They assure you a happy future. How are you to show your gratitude? Not by words alone. It is an iron time. It is a time which demands of you the joy of sacrifice and unselfish deeds, and this not only for the heroic warriors in the field, but at home, in the school, in the workshop.

"Let this be clear to you, and do your war service. Be pious towards your God. Be obedient and reverent to the authorities, to father and mother, to teachers and employers. Listen to the voice of your conscience, and deal in sharpest discipline with yourself. Avoid all low amusements, bad books, filthy living. Spend your time profitably. Your body and soul belong to your Fatherland. Steel your bodies in order to add to our powers of defence.

"Remember what our Hindenburg said, that all ordinances are of little use if there is not an understanding, voluntary co-operation of all classes and all ages in town and country. Therefore, my young people, give us your help! Follow your beloved Kaiser! Follow the precepts of our Hindenburg! It is a matter of life or death with us. The existence of our people and our Empire is at stake. Do your duty!"

This is one of a number of somewhat similar appeals issued lately by commanding generals.

Shortage of Labor.

Upon the subject of the shortage of labor in the agricultural districts, the "Deutsche Tageszeitung" publishes an article in which it is pointed out that it is all very well to demand an increase of agricultural production as long as sufficient labor is forthcoming, but that under present conditions the Government is unjustified in exacting an increased production, as the means for this production are lacking. The agrarian newspaper proceeds:—

"In certain agricultural districts, notably in Upper Bavaria and Wurttemberg, one-fifth, sometimes one-fourth, or even in some cases nearly one-third, of the population has been called up for military service. Sometimes prisoners of war have been dispatched to the rural district to do agricultural work, but, on the whole, those who had to leave were hardly ever adequately replaced. How, then, when even in peace time labor in the country was always short, and complaints on this subject were always being raised, can one expect the agricultural districts, with their sorely depleted population, to produce more than before? One has no right to make demands upon the agricultural production before knowing whether it is possible to improve or increase it. If better results are to be obtained, new measures must be taken in the country."

It will be remembered that Marshal von Hindenburg in his letter to the Chancellor dwelt on the need for an increased agricultural output.

Reindeer Sausages and Asphalt.

A recent issue of the "Lokal Anzeiger" publishes a number of cases of food adulteration dealt with by the Courts.

The first case is that of a man named Thiele, sentenced to three months' imprisonment and a fine of £75. He had sold sausages to a customer as ordinary Burnswick goods, and received the highest price. The customer on cutting the sausage "experienced ill effects." She took the sausage back, and was insulted by Thiele. The police took up the matter, and their analysis revealed terrible things. Thiele in his defence declared that these "gamey" sausages were preferred by a number of his customers to any other sort, that they were from Sweden and manufactured from reindeer flesh, which was noted for its superior qualities. But the Court was inexorable.

A person named Birchwald got three months and a fine of £60 for watering his milk. When he bought it it contained 30 per cent. water. He skimmed it, added another 25 per cent. water, and sold it as "full" milk at the highest price. His daily sales amounted to several thousand quarts.

A person named Kochanek had engaged in a new class of business which is said to be rather lucrative—the secret supplying of provisions to those who are dissatisfied with card rations. These shrewd traders know where food may be had by paying for it, and drive a profitable trade with well-to-do people willing to take the risk of discovery. In one day Kochanek had orders for £17 worth of food, which he was to obtain and deliver surreptitiously. He made an appointment with one of his customers at a dark and lonely place, delivered a parcel which he alleged to be bacon, and received in payment 10s. The customer opened the parcel at home and found it to contain pieces of asphalt carefully wrapped up in paper.

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116 WOODEN SHIPS ARE BEING BUILT

REPORTS ON MERCHANT VESSELS UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN U. S.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 28—Wooden merchant vessels of 500 gross tons or more, building or under contract to be built in the private shipyards of the United States on November 1, numbered 116 with a total gross tonnage of 156,615, according to reports just received by the Bureau of Navigation, Department of Commerce.

Letters requesting information were sent by the bureau on November 23 to 145 shipbuilders. While most of these have replied, the report is not yet complete from the Puget Sound and Columbia River district, which leads both in the number of vessels and amount of tonnage.

The number of wooden vessels building and aggregate tonnage in the different districts was reported as follows:—New England, fifteen vessels, tonnage 17,043; Middle Atlantic coast, twenty-eight vessels, tonnage 23,542; South Atlantic and Gulf coast, thirty-four vessels, tonnage 40,620; Puget Sound and Columbia River, thirty-six vessels, tonnage 63,150; California coast, seven vessels, tonnage 12,200.

Among the larger builders are the Francis Cobb Company, of Rockland Me., which is building three schooners and a lighter; the American Car and Foundry Company, of Wilmington, Del., nine car floats and barges; the Coastwise Shipbuilding Company, of Baltimore, ten schooners; Clooney Construction Company, of Westlake, La., eight schooners and a car ferry; Siddell Shipbuilding Company, of Shidell, La., seven schooners; McEachern Ship Company, of Astoria, Ore., eight schooners; St. Helens Shipbuilding Company, of St. Helens, Wash., five schooners.

Seven schooners in the Pacific coast yards are being built for Norwegians.

FREIGHTS AND CHARTERS.

New York, Dec. 28—The tonnage market was dull, due to the difficulty encountered in securing vessels for January loading. Freight offered steadily, with rates strongly supported. Cotton to Liverpool, per 100 lbs. \$2.25; January shipment.

NEW AMERICAN VESSELS

Official numbers and signal letters were awarded 19 vessels of 15,047 gross tons by the United States Bureau of Navigation during the week ended December 9, according to a statement issued December 13, by the Department of Commerce. The list included the steam screw vessel H. C. Folger, 1,185 gross tons of Philadelphia, built this year at San Francisco, and the steam screw vessel Vigo, 2,078 gross tons, of New York, built in 1875 at Le Havre, France. The latter vessel was transferred from French registry and was formerly known as Contre Admiral Caubert.

The list also included the 2,367 gross ton, oil screw vessel, Fordonian of New York, built in 1912 at Glasgow, Scotland. She was formerly of British registry. To date a total of 193 foreign built vessels of 638,085 gross tons have been admitted to American registry under the registry act of August 18, 1914. Of these nine vessels of 16,014 gross tons have been admitted since last June 30.

NEW LIGHTERAGE REGULATIONS.

The New York Harbor Line Board has made public a set of new regulations for the lighterage of explosives in New York harbor. The regulations provide for four anchorages in the port of New York, one on the shoal ground to the eastward of Bilker's Island in the East River, another on the New Jersey flats to the south of Black Tom, one in Gravesend Bay, and the other in Raritan Bay, south of Old Orchard Shoals.

The regulations prohibit smoking on or near the vessels being loaded in the four anchorages, and limit the number of boats which may take loads in Gravesend Bay to three. None of the lighters using any of the anchorages are permitted to have on board more than twenty tons of high explosives at any one time. Lighters in the Communipaw and Riker's Island anchorages are not allowed to lie closer than 500 feet to each other. Vessels loading in the Gravesend Bay anchorage are not permitted to be within 100 yards of each other, or to lie within 1,500 yards of the shore.

Vessels carrying explosives are not allowed to have on board inflammable liquids or solids, or goods liable to spontaneous combustion, unless these are stored in separate compartments. No artificial lights except electric flashlights and the regular electric lighting system of

the ship are permitted to be on board.

The crews must not carry matches, firearms or cartridges. High explosives transferred in bulk must be handled by land or regulation chute and mattress, or where there are different elevations which make this impossible, by mechanical hoists with special cranes or baskets. Explosives handled in this manner must be deposited only on mattresses. Members of the crews handling these explosives must not wear boots or shoes with iron nails in them, or strengthened by iron nails, unless such boots or shoes are covered by leather or felt.

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Table with columns: Day, Dec. AM, P.M. Rows: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday.

BANK CLEARINGS.

Toronto, Dec. 28—Bank clearings this week (five days) \$54,508,860; last week \$61,822,827; year ago \$37,490,512; two years ago \$28,691,229.

London, Ont., Dec. 28—Bank clearings for the week ended today were \$1,866,167, as compared with \$1,703,869 for the corresponding week of 1915.

Ottawa, Dec. 28—Bank clearings for week ended Dec. 28, \$3,160,459 as compared with \$4,477,294 for the corresponding week in 1915.

Montreal, Dec. 28—Bank clearings for the week ended today were \$73,085,107 compared with \$90,337,611 last week and \$58,048,779 in the corresponding week in 1915.

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 28—Bank clearings for the week ended today were \$2,528,712, for the corresponding week last year \$2,118,434.

St. John, N.B., Dec. 28—Bank clearings for the week ended today were \$1,736,274; corresponding week last year \$1,269,771.

TO HOLD THE BOYS.

Task Is Being Taken Up Systematically In Dominion.

To enlist 500,000 Canadian boys between the ages of 13 and 19 years in class groups which will provide for symmetrical development on intellectual, religious, and social lines, and to enroll leaders or mentors for those groups, is the object of a national movement now going on in the Dominion.

The Canadian National Advisory Committee for co-operation in boys' work, which was organized in July 10, 1914, has charge of the work. That committee has acted along two lines. In the first place, it has organized a conference of leadership for each of the nine provinces of Canada. Five of those gatherings have already taken place, and the other four will be held at Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary and Vancouver, before December 10. In the second place, it appointed a commission to draft a plan for carrying on the work among boys and for securing and training effective leaders. This commission's report was presented recently.

It reached the decision that to supplement the work of the Sunday schools and secular schools, no new organization was required. The churches, Young Men's Christian Association, and Sunday School Association, it held, provided all the necessary machinery. It felt that as men had been found willing to serve their king and country and take training to fit them for that service, so men would be found to undertake the task of winning and holding the rising generation of Canadian boys for those ideas of liberty and morality for which Canadian soldiers were now fighting. The commission proposed that in each church congregation a superintendent of boys' work be appointed and gather around him a committee of at least four other men, one capable of directing the development of the physical standard among the boys, another to develop the intellectual standard, and the fourth the service and missionary or social standard.

In their work these superintendents of boys' work and their colleagues would have to assist them the "Canadian Standard Efficiency Tests," prepared by the national council of the Young Men's Christian Association in 1912 as a course of training for older boys, adopted by the Canadian National Advisory Committee for Co-operation in Boys' Work.

These efficiency tests provide for the "charting" of the boys, for their progressive instruction in subjects under the four headings—of rewards for advancements and for the development of the boy into a leader or mentor of a group of his fellows. They take into account the "manly" spirit, as it has been called, among boys, and the instinct for hero-worship, and, moreover, throw upon the members of the class organization the responsibility for its management and for the conduct of its meeting under the supervision of the leader.

The commission also proposes an organization for each locality or community in which the various churches, the Sunday School Association, and the Young Men's Christian Association should be represented. This co-operative committee would organize the community's summer athletics, promote summer camp conferences of leaders and older boys, and provide training classes for leaders,



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Legal Intelligence

Court of Review Judgments Will Be Rendered on Friday, Etc.

The Court of Review will deliver the following judgments, Friday next, the 29th instant:

Goulet vs. The Merchants and Employers Guarantee & Accident Company. Mongrain vs. Cote. Tremblay vs. Cote. Tremblay vs. Cote. Lamontagne vs. Cote. Dufour vs. Rancour et al.

Judgments will also be pronounced in mostly all the cases heard during the last term of the Court.

Assignment.

A demand of assignment to Joseph Dussault, trader, of Thetford Mines, and of St. Henedine, doing business at St. Henedine, was made by McCall, Shehyn and Soa, Limited, wholesale merchants, of Quebec. The claim of the petitioners amounts to \$33,911; the insolvent has consented to assign for the benefit of his creditors, and Mrs. J. P. E. Gagnon, of Quebec, accountant, has been appointed provisional guardian to the estate. The following is the insolvent's official statement:

Assets realized by the sale effected in November last by Mr. J. P. E. Gagnon... \$10,681.87 An immovable situated at Thetford Mines... 250.00 An immovable located in the parish of Ste. Henedine, with buildings, valued at... 1,500.00 Total... \$12,431.87

Liabilities: \$13,900.41 The principal creditors are: McCall, Shehyn and Soa, of Quebec... \$2,799.65

Garneau, Limited, Quebec... 1,760.04 J. H. Begin, Regd. Quebec... 1,511.16 Quebec Preserving Company, of Quebec... 819.57

Whitehead & Turner, Quebec... 709.20 Renaud & Cie, Quebec... 556.40 E. T. Coulombe & Cie, of Quebec... 376.13

Dr. J. C. Dussault, Quebec... 290.50 Joseph E. Lemieux, Reg'd. of Quebec... 183.77 Wm. McLinnon & Son, of Quebec... 107.75

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W. D. Stroud & Sons, of Montreal... 190.96

Judgments.

Judgments by Hon. Justice McCorkill: Wilson & Co., Limited vs. Buisson. Considering the plaintiff has proven the material allegations of the declaration, considering that since the institution of the action, defendant paid, on account of the sum sued for, the sum of \$63.50, leaving a balance still due of \$92.00; doth condemn defendant to pay and satisfy to plaintiff said sum of \$92.00, with interest and costs of the action as taken.

Guy vs. Rinfret and ux. Whereas plaintiff sues defendant, who are husband and wife, contractually separate as to property, on a note signed by them, jointly and severally, for the sum of \$700.00, interest and costs; whereas the defendants appeared separately, female defendant alone contested the action. She asks that it be dismissed with respect to her for the reason that, to plaintiff's knowledge, the note was signed in acknowledgment of a debt of her husband; that she never derived any benefit from it whatever; that plaintiff was her husband's creditor; and not hers; that she signed the note for, and on behalf of the request of her husband, who was at the retail grocery in business, and she concludes for the dismissal of the action; the plaintiff's action is dismissed with costs.

Provincial and national organizations, the commission also recommended. It proposed that a campaign for enlisting and registering workers and prospective workers be inaugurated, that leaders in boys' work be sought among the students in high schools and colleges, and that a plan for federation of boys' Sunday school classes and clubs be outlined.

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FINANCIAL COMMERCIAL
Closing Letters By the Can. Press
Closing Letters By Local Brokers

(Canadian Press)
New York, Dec. 28.—With international affairs, the German peace proposals and the Mexican situation, again looming on the financial horizon, the stock market today experienced another depression in prices. Speculative favorites, particularly those which suffered most in the recent severe reversals, were again singled out by the short interest, provoking fresh liquidation.
Extreme recessions ran from 3 to 10 points in these groups, with here and there some feeble rallies at the close. A few actual gains were scored in shares more or less exempt from the most part yielded only moderately.

The marked difference between today's operations and those of recent sessions was the smaller volume of offerings, total sales aggregating barely one million shares, against the two million to three million shares turnover in the turbulent days of last week.
Prices were heavy at the start, but made their greatest declines after the publication on Wall street news tickers of what purported to be a second note from Germany, which was regarded as bearing adversely on the peace situation. Although this communication proved to be a delayed forecast of the Berlin note of the early week, the market failed to recover except in the case of isolated specialties. The sharp declines that followed were concurrent with heavy selling of Mexicans, causing renewed apprehension in that quarter.

War and semi-war stocks were again the center of the general movement, which soon took in shares of all descriptions. United States Steel was in free supply at a gross loss of 3-3-8 points, with practically no recovery, and allied stocks broke 3 to 5 points, with 14 for Gulf States Steel, 3 to 5 for Petroleum's, Copper's and Sugar's, and about as much for other specialties whose course has always been guided by the munitions and equipments.
There were some confusion cross currents, notably in shipping shares, Atlantic, Gulf and West Indies showing an extreme loss of over 8 points, while Mercantile Marine's were actually strong.
Weakness extended to the bond list, with a new low record for Anglo-French 5's at 92 1-2 and a five point break in Chile Copper 7's. Industrial bonds also made concessions in keeping with stocks. Total sales, par value, \$4,035,000.

NEW YORK MARKET

Table with columns for stock symbols and prices. Includes items like Am Beet Sug, Am Can Co, Am Car Fdy, etc.

MONTREAL EXCHANGE

Table with columns for stock symbols and prices. Includes items like Brazilian, Steamships, Civic, etc.

(By Breen & Gourdeau)
Chicago, December, 28.—Wheat—Pressure of realizing sales was the feature in wheat early today. The buying of futures by cash interests particularly those with export connections steadied the market on every setback. Foreigners seem less disturbed over the possibility of transporting supplies than are the speculative bears.
Corn—Corn acted steady, although the range was lower than that of yesterday. The relative price of live stock and other grains warrants high price for Corn.
Oats—The volume of trade was limited in futures, locals and spreaders between Corn and Oats doing the bulk of the business.

New York—Irregularity again today characterized the movement of prices in the stock market. Operations, too, were still very professional and about evenly balanced, bear activity developed. The selling from that source was practically a resumption of yesterday's movement, being at first centered upon the motor issues, but extended later to other parts of the list. United States Steel was subjected to considerable pressure and under the persistency of the attacks the stock at one time recorded a loss of nearly three points on the day. The final price of the day, however, was better, the same being true of values generally. The general situation is virtually unchanged and prices during the remaining of the year are expected to keep within trading limits with the tendency toward improvement.
Sales, stocks, 987,700; Bonds, \$4,020,000.

New York and Montreal stock exchanges will be closed from Friday afternoon until Tuesday morning.

(Bruneau & Dupuis)

New York, Dec. 28.—The market got a jolt this morning from an unfounded report that Germany had despatched another peace proposal. Although denied, the unsettlement caused by the report has had an effect on the market all day.
This shows quite clearly the tender situation created by the developments of the past ten days.
Another adverse factor today has been the report that Carranza was withdrawing his representative and that the negotiations of the past three or four months had come to nothing. This does not necessarily mean that there is an actual break with Mexico at hand, but "Watchful waiting" has long been beyond the understanding of the average man and recent developments have not had a favorable look.
There is little in sight of constructive betterment and the consequence is that the market is likely to drag along with now and then a shiver from one that looks especially unfavorable. Total Sales, stocks 987,000; Bonds \$4,004,000.

(By McDougall & Cowan)

Montreal, Dec. 28.—It was announced from Washington that the President had received another reply from Germany in regard to peace proposals. This caused a weaker tendency in the New York market which was reflected in our. This was helped by public participation being greatly reduced on account of the three days holidays starting on Saturday. In our market the steel securities were affected the most, Steel of Canada selling down to 62 1-4 and closing up two points at 64 1-4. Dominion Iron was not so bad opening at 65 and closing at the same price, Scotia sold off to 112 and was 114 bid at the close. Strength was shown in some of the inactive securities, Bell Telephone selling at 147, MacDonald up to 13, had Detroit firm at 128 3-4 and 127, holding well its recent advance. Some of the paper stocks showed strength Riordon being bid up to 120, with no stock coming out after the sale at 116. Spanish River was better at 17 1-4. Civic Power steady at 81.
In the unlisted department Brompton after selling at 54 closed at 55 bid. Tram Power sold at 40 1-4. It looks as if erratic movements in the market would continue until something definite is known in regard to the foreign situation.

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75 1/4.
Car: 25 at 36.
Cement: 125 at 62 1/2.
General Electric: 25 at 110 1/2.
Locomotive: 10 at 54.
Dominion Bridge: 10 at 163 1/2.
Dominion Steel: 100 at 64 1/2, 130 at 64 1/2, 315 at 65.
Price: 75 at 120.
Scotia: 25 at 112, 5 at 114 1/2.
Spanish River: 65 at 17 1/4, 100 at 17, 25 at 17 1/2.
Steel of Canada: 75 at 64, 20 at 63 1/2, 50 at 64, 25 at 64 1/2, 25 at 64 1/2, 10 at 64 1/2, 25 at 64 1/2, 185 at 64 1/2, 60 at 64 1/2, 5 at 64.
Wayagamack: 25 at 96 1/2, 25 at 96.
Cement pfd: 15 at 94.
Dominion Iron pfd: 15 at 94.
Spanish River pfd: 15 at 94.
Spanish River pfd: 155 at 59, 10 at 60.
Riordon Paper pfd: 5 at 93.
Commerce Bank: 5 at 185 1/2, 1 at 185.
Royal Bank: 1 at 212.
Dominion War Loan of 1921: \$400 at 98 1/2, \$100 at 98 1/2, \$200 at 98 1/2.
Brompton: 210 at 54, 55 at 55 1/2, 75 at 55 1/2, 25 at 55, 25 at 55 1/2.
Howard Smith: 2 at 80.
Tramway-Power: 25 at 40 1/2.

GRAIN MARKET

Table with columns for Wheat, Corn, Oats and prices. Includes items like December, May, July, etc.

THE TORONTO PRODUCE MARKET

Table with columns for Wheat-Ontario, Wheat-Manitoba, Oats, etc. and prices.

COTTON MARKETS

New York, Dec. 28.—Cotton futures closed steady. Closing bids: January, 17.01c; March, 17.31c; May, 17.39c; July, 17.61c; October, 16.12c. Spot closed quiet. Middling uplands, 17.40c. Sales, 900 bales.
Liverpool—Cotton, spot quiet, small business. Prices higher. American middling, fair, 11.36c; good middling, 10.76c; middling, 10.64c; low middling, 10.48c; good ordinary, 10.12c; ordinary, 9.82c. The sales of the day were 5,000 bales, of which 200 were for speculation and export, and included 4,000 American. Receipts were 33,000 bales, including 22,300 American. Futures closed steady.

OILS

London, Dec. 28.—Calcutta linseed Dec-Jan. 104s.
Linseed oil, 51s. 3d.
Sperm oil, £46 10s.
Petroleum American refined, 1s. 1-2d; spirits, 1s. 2-12d.
Turpentine, spirits, 54s.
Rosin, American strained, 25s. 4d; type "G" 26s.
Savannah, Dec. 28.—Turpentine firm, 51; sales, 386; receipts, 386; shipments none; stocks 23,364.
Rosin, firm; sales, 1,442; receipts, 1,750; shipments, none; stocks, 97,233.

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CANADA) In the Record-Province of Quebec.) er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec
No. 2680, of 1916.
The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

vs.
Vincent Paul Bechar, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec. Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within one month from the last publication of this notice.
Quebec, December 28th, 1916.
TH. DUBE
Clerk of the Recorder's Court, of the City of Quebec.

CANADA) In the Record-Province of Quebec.) er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec
No. 3002, of 1916.
The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

vs.
Joseph Labranche, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within one month from the last publication of this notice.
Quebec, December 28th, 1916.
TH. DUBE
Clerk of the Recorder's Court, of the City of Quebec.

CANADA) In the Record-Province of Quebec.) er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec
No. 1118, of 1916.
The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

vs.
Pierre Marois, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Carter. Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within one month from the last publication of this notice.
Quebec, December 28th, 1916.
TH. DUBE
Clerk of the Recorder's Court, of the City of Quebec.

CANADA) In the Record-Province of Quebec.) er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec
No. 3034, of 1916.
The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

vs.
Frank McPeak, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Machinist. Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within one month from the last publication of this notice.
Quebec, December 28th, 1916.
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Clerk of the Recorder's Court, of the City of Quebec.

CANADA) In the Record-Province of Quebec.) er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec
No. 3267, of 1916.
The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

vs.
Louis Desharnais, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Laborer. Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within one month from the last publication of this notice.
Quebec, December 28th, 1916.
TH. DUBE
Clerk of the Recorder's Court, of the City of Quebec.

CANADA) In the Record-Province of Quebec.) er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec
No. 3791, of 1916.
The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

vs.
John Henry Harding, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within one month from the last publication of this notice.
Quebec, December 28th, 1916.
TH. DUBE
Clerk of the Recorder's Court, of the City of Quebec.

CANADA) In the Record-Province of Quebec.) er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec
No. 3275, of 1916.
The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

vs.
E. Roberge, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Clerk. Defendant.

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No. 2898, of 1916.
The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

vs.
Stanislas Syvain, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Painter. Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within one month from the last publication of this notice.
Quebec, December 28th, 1916.
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NON-COM. OF QUEBEC RIFLES STABBED TO DEATH BY A PRIVATE.

The murder of Corporal William Palmer, of the 171st Battalion (Quebec Rifles), in a hut of the camp where they are quartered in England, is related in the following extract from a London exchange:

Popular with officers and men of his battalion, Corporal William Palmer, No. 39, of the Quebec Rifles, Canadian Infantry, met his death in a hut in camp in tragic circumstances. It is alleged that he was attacked and fatally wounded with a regimental clasp knife. Private Alexei Letenock, who was in the same regiment, is at present in custody charged with murder. Accused was present at the Coroner's inquest. The dead soldier was a native of Ireland, and before going to Canada some years ago was a well-known light-weight boxer.

Pte. Kirill Kochniuk said he was pained by cries of help from deceased. He saw accused standing with a knife in his hand. Letenock said: "I killed this man. I will kill myself, and then there will be no bother for me."

Pte. Marin Ivanoff said deceased had told accused to keep quiet, as he wanted to go to sleep. He heard Letenock say to the other soldiers: "I am going to stab that man,"—meaning the Corporal.

Deceased called for help, and asked for a doctor and on lights being turned on accused was seen with a jack-knife in his hand.

Pte. Drofi Kasutich said that Letenock remarked: "I have killed the Corporal—kill me, me, as I cannot kill myself."

Sergeant Ewen Macdonald, Acting Provost-Sergeant, said he was in charge of the armed guard, which was summoned. Accused was standing at the door with an open jack-knife in his hand. Witness said, "Drop that knife," but he refused to do so. Witness threatened to order the guard to use their bayonets, and Letenock then threw down the knife, and held up his hands. Accused was put into the guardroom, and witness then went into the hut, where Palmer was lying on his bed in a pool of blood.

Dr. A. J. Newman said there were eight distinct wounds on the body, including three large wounds in the back which penetrated the lungs. The fifth, sixth and seventh ribs had been cut through. The cause of death was hemorrhage and shock.

Lieut. Ernest Archibald MacFall said he saw accused in the detention room. He said: "I killed him. The Corporal had threatened me with arrest at different times, and I wanted to go to the front and not be put in jail."

The jury returned a verdict of wilful murder against Letenock, who was committed for trial on the coroner's warrant.

HER RED CROSS SEAL.

"Please give me a Red Cross seal," she said. A dear little girl with curly head, As she hurriedly laid her penny down And smiled away the impatient frown Of the clerk who thought "sick folks should pay Their own expenses anyway." She drew an envelope, soiled and torn, From the depths of her pocket, ragged and worn, And carefully placing the seal thereon, With a bright little smile was quickly gone.

Out in the Christmas throng she flew; Nobody noticed, nobody knew The lone little creature thin and cold With the pinched little face under hair of gold. But she darted across the crowded street Tenderly back through the open door That she just had passed the child there bore; And still in the hand was tightly pressed The letter in childish scrawl addressed: "To Mamma in Heaven." With gentle touch They loosened the fingers' lifeless touch. Not the red seal alone marked the paper red That this message bore to the loving dead;

"Dear Mamma: 'I'm lonely since you are gone. It is hard, so hard to be left alone! I ought just the same as you used to do, And that makes me think, Oh! so often of you. They tell me that I may be made to live By Red Cross seals, so I'm going to give The penny you gave me before you died. To buy one to send you this Christmas tide." —Martha J. Oppie in Erie Times.

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BRITISH STATEMENT.

London, Dec. 29.—The official communication from British headquarters issued last night reads:

"After a heavy bombardment three parties of the enemy attempted early this morning to raid our trenches north-west of Gommecourt. Two of the parties were driven back by our fire before reaching our trenches; the third reached the trenches but was immediately ejected.

"During the night the enemy fired a great number of gas shells at places behind our front line in the neighborhood of Arras and west and north-west of Lens.

"There was considerable artillery activity today on both sides in the Somme area and the Ypres sector.

"A number of fights in the air took place yesterday. Three hostile machines were destroyed. Three others were driven down in a damaged condition."

London, Dec. 28.—A British official communication issued this evening says:

"On Tuesday a squadron of naval airplanes bombarded enemy camps at Galata, on the Gallipoli peninsula, with successful results.

"Wednesday a squadron of seaplanes attacked and destroyed the Chicaldar bridge, eighteen miles east of Adana (Asia Minor)."

FRENCH STATEMENT.

Paris, Dec. 28.—The official statement from the War Office tonight on the campaign reads:

"On the left bank of the Meuse during the day the enemy artillery, energetically counter-shelled by us, violently bombarded our positions on the front of Le Mort Homme and Hill 304.

"In Lorraine we carried out a surprise attack on a trench north of Badonviller, taking two machine guns. The cannonade was intermittent on the rest of the front."

Belgian communication: "Reciprocal bombardments took place this afternoon in the regions of Dixmude and Het Sas."

ITALIAN STATEMENT.

Rome, via London, Dec. 28.—The War Office communication issued today says:

"The weather conditions have improved and the artillery on both sides has been more active, particularly on the Carso sector. During the night in the area south of Monte Faitix our troops occupied by surprise a hollow of about 1,000 metres in front of the Austrian lines."

GERMAN STATEMENT.

Berlin, Dec. 28, via Sayville.—Tonight's communication from the War Office says:

"Western front: Only on the left bank of the Meuse (Verdun sector) has there been increased activity in the fighting.

"Eastern front: There has been no important event.

"The ninth army has gained in the pursuit of the Russians (in Wallachia).

"There is nothing new from the Macedonian front."

AUDITOR-GENERAL BACK.

Says Great Deal of Canadian Material Was Scrapped.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Auditor-General John Fraser is back from England after an absence of a couple of months, during which time he was engaged in an investigation of the financial organization in connection with the Canadian troops in England. Mr. Fraser has also taken part in the reorganization recently inaugurated.

Interviewed this morning, Mr. Fraser was not inclined to be overly communicative in connection with much detail of Canadian organization.

"It is a big machine, a big business," he said. "We had to get experience, and gaining experience is always costly. It costs us a good deal but I think—in fact, I am sure—that under the new organization there will be a great improvement.

"If there is not then somebody will have failed in his duty. Of course, I do not wish to take the position of criticizing the past."

"What about stories of the 'scrapping' of Canadian equipment?" Mr. Fraser was asked.

A great deal was scrapped," he replied, "but it was not my business to look into that side of the question. The British Government naturally desires that all equipment for the armies on the field shall be standardized. Take the Canadian train wagon, for instance. It is an excellent wagon, but it won't turn in the French roads."

London, Dec. 28.—Lloyds reports the British steamer Bargany, 873 tons gross, sunk. Some of the crew have landed.

At the Theatres

VICTORIA THEATRE.

Today and Tomorrow.



DUPHIN FARNUM IN "A SON OF ERIN"
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The thrilling and amusing play of a young Irishman's resolute struggle against the political corruption of a big American city.

Manager Jos. Tanguay, of the Victoria Theatre, has invited the officers and members of the Sons of Ireland, Emmets and St. Patrick's Clubs to witness the great Irish film "A Son of Erin," which will be shown today and tomorrow.

"CRIMSON STAIN MYSTERY" AT THE OLYMPIA TODAY

Other Good Features on Programme

The fourteenth episode of the "Crimson Stain Mystery" will be offered at the Olympia Theatre today and tomorrow, with the Pathé Weekly and a beautiful three-reel drama.

There are only two more episodes of this great serial after this week.

CHUMS.

If I should die tonight here still would be
One favor left—one pleasure left to me,
And that to come from out my narrow cell
In spirit form and see and wish you well—
To stand beside and hear you jest and quip,
And feel again your wholesome fellowship—
To see your smiles and know your heart's rejoice,
And hear your songs and raise my silent voice.

If you should die tonight, what would there be
Of fellowship and happiness for me?—
Except, perhaps, to sit alone and stare
Across the board and see your vacant chair,
And, in the smoke, to see your kindly face,
Or hear your cheer resounding through the space
Of Memory, and, while my fancies stir,
To dream alone of happy times that were!

If some must go and some must stay behind—
If Fate must cleave the friendly ties that bind—
How better far that Death should beckon on,
Than Life should last with love and friendship gone!

—John D. Wells.

CHEERING SOMEONE ON.

Don't you mind about the triumphs,
Don't you worry after fame;
Don't you grieve about succeeding,
Let the future guard your name.
All the best in life's the simplest,
Love will last when wealth is gone;
Just be glad that you are living,
And keep cheering someone on.

Let your neighbors have the blossoms,
Let your comrades wear the crown;
Never mind the little set-backs
Nor the blows that knock you down.
You'll be there when they're forgotten
You'll be glad with youth and dawn,
If you just forget your troubles
And keep cheering someone on.

There's a lot of sorrow round you,
Lots of loneliness and tears;
Lots of heartaches and of worry
Through the shadows of the years.
And the world needs more than triumphs;
More than all the swords we've drawn,
It is hungering for the fellow
Who keeps cheering others on.

Let the wind around you whistle,
And the storms around you play;
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