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Fighting Still Going on for the Recapture of the Positions Occupied by the Enemy. Bulgarians Make Violent Attack on French at Demerkapou on the Vardar River, But were Repulsed. Montenegrins Assume the Offensive and Succeed in Driving the Austrians From Positions They Occupied.

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Paris, Dec. 8, 2.30 p.m.—(Special.)—The announcement given out this afternoon by the war office on the progress of hostilities reads as follows:

"In Belgium our machine guns last night prevented the enemy from reconstructing the field works previously destroyed by us in the region of Hetsas.

"To the north of Arras, at a point west of Hill No. 140, our curtain of fire put a definite check to a German attack, the way for which had been prepared by the explosion of a mine. During the day of yesterday our artillery bombarded and destroyed the Sainturin mill in the vicinity of Roye. This position had been organized by the enemy for defence.

"In the Champagne district we have continued to make progress by means of hand grenades in that front trench where the enemy secured a footing yesterday, to the south of Saint Souplet. To the east of Butte de Souain our counter-attacks were successful in mastering the German attack, which yesterday evening had been cut in two by us. The fighting here is still going on for the recapture of the positions occupied by the enemy."

MONTENEGRINS FORCE BACK THE ENEMY

Paris, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Following their recent defeat by the Austrians in north-eastern Montenegro, the Montenegrins assumed the offensive on Monday. The statement of the Montenegrin consul-general follows:

"Our troops counter-attacked the enemy vigorously in the direction of Jabuka-Mataroge on December 6th and succeeded in throwing him back into his positions. Fighting among advanced posts is occurring in all directions."

BULGARIANS DRIVEN BACK BY FRENCH

Paris, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The French War Office in its report this afternoon on hostilities in the Orient (Serbia) recites the driving back of a Bulgarian attack at Demirkapou, on the Vardar River, the afternoon of December 5. The text of the communication follows:

"During the afternoon of December 5 Bulgarian forces delivered a violent attack against our bridgehead at Demirkapou, on the Vardar River. This attack was completely repulsed. The morning of December 6 was quiet along this entire front."

SUCCESSSES REPORTED BY TURKS

Constantinople, via London, Dec. 8.

AUSTRIANS SINK SUBMARINE

Six Steamers and Six Sailing Ships also Sent to Bottom in Lower Adriatic

ALL THE VESSELS WERE LOADED WITH WAR MATERIAL AND WERE BOUND FOR THE ALBANIAN COAST.

Vienna, Dec. 8.—The sinking of a French submarine boat, the Fresnel, and six steamers and six large and several small Montenegrin sailing vessels in the lower Adriatic Sea, off the coast of Albania, is told of in the official communication issued here yesterday. All the vessels were loaded with war material, which they either were trying to land on the Albanian coast or to convey there.

Pive of the steamers and the sailing ships were sent to the bottom by the Austrian cruiser Novara and Austrian torpedo boat destroyers, at San Giovanni di Medua, which lies in the Gulf of Drin, to the north of Durazzo. They were engaged in discharging munitions. One Italian steamer armed with three guns and an Italian motor vessel were sunk while on their way from Brindisi to Durazzo. These were loaded with munitions. While the Austrians were engaged in sinking these vessels at San Giovanni di Medua, twenty guns on shore bombarded them heavily, but the official report says, without success.

Recent reports have been to the effect that Italian forces had landed at Avlona, Albania, to enter the Balkan campaign with the Entente Allies, and yesterday's report of the putting ashore of munitions and of artillery attacks from shore against the Austrian warships seemingly give verity to them.

U. S. SHIP SUNK BY SUBMARINE

Search by Two Steamers Failed to Reveal any Sign of Steamer or Survivors

REPORTED BY CAPTAIN OF A STEAMER NEAR TOBRUK, TRIPOLI.

Rome, Dec. 7, 7.55 p.m. Delayed.—(Special.)—A search by two steamers, one Greek and the other Italian, at the spot near Tobruk, Tripoli, where the American oil steamer Communiapaw was sunk by a submarine, failed to reveal any sign of the tank ship or of survivors. These steamers were sent out as soon as word was received at Tobruk that a ship had been sunk.

The first report of the affair came from the captain of a steamer who said that while he was cruising near Tobruk he witnessed the sinking of an American steamer by a submarine. He thought the name of the steamer was Columbia. Inquiries made later, especially through the British authorities, proved that the ship was the Communiapaw.

NOT THE COMMUNIAPAW.
London, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—A telegram from Alexandria, Egypt, received to-day by Lloyds says that the American steamship Communiapaw, reported sunk off the coast of Tripoli by a submarine, arrived at Alexandria on Monday. It is informed that possibly some confusion has arisen in regard to the identity of the vessel torpedoed.

NAMUR DEFENCES DESTROYED BY AN EXPLOSION

Amsterdam, via London, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Fort Congee, one of the most important features of the old defences of Namur, Belgium, has been completely destroyed by an explosion, which is said to have caused the death of eighty German soldiers.

ALLIED WAR LORDS AGAIN IN SESSION

Paris, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The general war council of the Entente Allies held another meeting this morning at the general headquarters of the French army. The French commander-in-chief, General Joffre, presided.

GUIDE BOARD RESOLUTION

County Councils Will Consider the Matter Tomorrow

RECOMMENDATIONS OF E. T. BOARDS RELATIVE TO SIZE AND STYLE OF BOARDS.

The county councils of the Eastern Townships will meet tomorrow. The guide board matter will come before them again for consideration.

The secretary of the Associated Boards is communicating with the county secretaries to-day by phone the recommendations of the Associated Boards.

The resolution adopted yesterday was as follows:
Proposed by R. C. Wilkins, Seconded by A. E. Fish,
"That we respectfully recommend to the county councils that a sign of standard length be used with three widths:

"8 in. wide for one name,
"12 in. wide for two names,
"18 in. wide for three names.
The length to be 36 inches.

"In cases where there are more than three names that two sign boards or more be used.

"The boards to be 1-inch spruce lumber before dressing; to be dressed on both sides with a weather strip of same thickness, 1 1/2 inch wide, to be rounded on front edge.

"The whole to be painted with at least two coats of white paint.

"Uniform black block letters to be used, not less than 2 1/2 in."

The above report was adopted. The names of a number of firms who would like to tender for the signs have been forwarded to the county councils.

SOCIALIST HELD FOR SEDITION

Quick Reprisal to William Gribble for Making Disloyal Speech

St. John, N.B., December 8.—That it is dangerous for perfidious Socialists, in St. John, at any rate to express derogatory opinions of His Majesty King George, or of the movement to secure men for the Empire armies, was evidenced last night by the arrest by Detective Briggs and Barrett, of Wilfrid Gribble, a Socialist orator, who, for some months past, has held forth to his political brethren in Socialist Hall.

Gribble held a meeting last Sunday night in the course of which he referred to a recruiting placard freely displayed about the St. John streets, reading "Your King and country need you."

"My version of that, he is reported to have said, is 'Your King and country bleed you.' Later in the same discourse he referred to King George V. as 'a puppet.'"

PEACE ADVOCATES LEAVE NEW YORK

Second Contingent of Ford Peace Party is Composed Largely of Students

New York, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Twenty peace advocates, constituting the second contingent of the Ford expedition to The Hague, will sail this afternoon on the Scandinavian Holland liner Frederik VII. for Copenhagen. A list of this party include under-graduates of Yale, Harvard, Iowa State, Vanderbilt, Washington, Minnesota, Orion and Leland Stanford universities, representatives of the governors of Idaho, Arkansas and Alaska and of fraternal beneficial societies.

MISTAKEN FOR DEER AND SHOT DEAD

Quebec, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Shot through the heart, Wilfrid Belanger, of St. Edward Lotbiniere, died instantly. With his nephew, Alcide, he was deer hunting and they became separated. Both mistook the other for game. Alcide's shot rang out first, killing the older man.

BOMBARDMENT OF GORIZIA PUTS STOP TO BUSINESS

London, Dec. 8, 12 p.m.—(Special.)—The Italian bombardment of Gorizia has almost put a stop to the ordinary business activities of the city. An Exchange telegraph despatch from Zurich says the Department of Commerce and Industry, which remained in Gorizia until its buildings were struck by shells, has been transferred to Vienna.

LEFT ITALY OF OWN FREE WILL

Ambassadors to the Holy See Were at Liberty to Remain After Country Entered Into War

WERE ASSURED THAT THEY WOULD NOT BE MOLESTED OR INTERFERED WITH.

Rome, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—"The law of guarantees (regulating the status of the Papacy in Rome) cannot be regarded as having resulted from negotiations between Italy and the Papacy, but Italy nevertheless upholds its loyalty as one of the fundamental laws of the state without expecting any return from the Papacy," said Signor Orlando, Minister of Justice, in his reply in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday to the allocation of Pope Benedict. Sign. Orlando insisted that the ambassadors and ministers to the Holy See who departed when Italy entered the war did so of their own free will after they had been assured that they were at liberty to remain without molestation or interference with their prerogatives.

GUNS FOR 35TH BATTERY

Twelve and Eighteen Pounders are Being Shipped from Montreal to Exhibition Grounds

FOUR DAYS' LEAVE FOR MEN DURING HOLIDAY SEASON—25 RECRUITS STILL WANTED

Major Fletcher, O.C. 35th Battery, ment as judge of the Superior Court with the leave to be granted to the men at the approaching holiday season. Fifty per cent. will have four days' leave at Christmas and fifty per cent. at the New Year.

Recruiting for the extra 50 men required has proceeded very satisfactorily. One half of the number has been obtained and early application is advisable in order to fill the remaining twenty-five vacancies.

Gen. Wilson informed Major Fletcher when he was in Montreal a few days ago that twelve and eighteen pounder guns and harnesses were being shipped to Sherbrooke for the battery.

LITTLE PROMISE OF EARLY PEACE

Former Hungarian Premier Dealt With Question in the Chamber

Amsterdam, Dec. 8, via London.—(Special.)—A long speech delivered by Count Julius Andrássy, former premier of Hungary, at the latest session of the Hungarian Chamber, dealt mainly with the possibility of peace, according to a despatch from Budapest. The count concludes: "The declarations of the French premier and the speeches made in the House of Commons also offer in the present circumstance little promise of an early peace."

MILK AND WATER POLICY

Ex-President Roosevelt so Describes President Wilson's Message to Congress

New York, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—"President Wilson has met a policy of blood and iron with a policy of milk and water," declared Theodore Roosevelt last night in a statement issued from Oyster Bay, in which he devoted some fifteen hundred words to a thorough condemnation of the administration in general and the President's message to Congress in particular.

CHILD DIED FROM EATING PILLS

Quebec, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—After eating half the contents of a box of pills yesterday afternoon, Lucie Caron, two-year-old twin daughter of Joseph Caron, a conductor for the C.P.R., succumbed after suffering great agony.

SESSION OF EASTERN TOWNSHIPS ASSOCIATED BOARDS OF TRADE

Many Questions of Importance Considered and Resolutions Passed Thereon. Immigration Society Doing Good Work, and General Satisfaction Expressed at Results Attained

(Third Article E. T. Associated Boards Meeting at Sherbrooke)

At the quarterly meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade held in the Art Hall yesterday many questions of importance to the Townships were considered and resolutions passed thereon. Progress was reported on several matters which had previously occupied the attention of the Boards. Reports on the business transacted will be published in subsequent issues.

LIST OF DELEGATES

The following is the list of delegates in attendance:

J. D. Samson, Magog; W. E. LeBaron, North Hatley; F. C. Gingras, Marlton; A. B. Gendreau, Megantic; O. C. Morissette, Sherbrooke; H. A. Best, Bedford; E. E. Akhurst, Coaticook; E. A. Mountain, Danville; R. C. Wilkins, Farnham; R. C. Wilkins, Jr., Farnham; W. F. Choquette, Farnham; H. W. S. Downes, Lennoxville; Geo. W. Bonner, Coaticook; F. E. Lovell, Coaticook; C. E. Soles, Sherbrooke; J. E. Bayley, Hatley; J. W. McKee, Sherbrooke; C. G. Thompson, Sherbrooke; John Leonard, Sherbrooke; A. E. Fish, Ayer's Cliff; E. A. St. Dizier, Massawippi; Geo. W. A. Reburn, Massawippi; G. P. Hitecock, Massawippi; P. C. DuLoye, Richmond; A. Rousseau, Coaticook; W. T. Oughtred, Marlton; A. A. Woodman, Coaticook; A. G. Clough, Ayer's Cliff; M. G. Crombie, Richmond; W. A. Hale, Sherbrooke; J. Ewing, Montreal; D. J. Steele, Sherbrooke; C. E. Baldwin, Coaticook; W. L. Shurtleff, Coaticook; H. H. Bourque, Windsor; W. J. Ewing, Richmond; G. J. Alexander, Richmond; E. W. Farwell, Sherbrooke; G. A. Bowen, Magog; Edwin Howe, Hatley Village; J. E. Poutre, Sherbrooke; A. T. Speid, Lennoxville; L. G. T. Lynch, Lennoxville; W. H. Abbott, Lennoxville; C. S. White, Lennoxville; W. J. H. McKindsey, Lennoxville; R. R. Whitcomb, Ayer's Cliff; H. B. Whitcomb, Hatley; J. Mackay, Abbott's Corner; T. J. Parkes, Sherbrooke; D. H. MacLeod, Sherbrooke; W. M. Hillhouse, Sherbrooke.

IMMIGRATION SOCIETY'S WORK.

The report of the Eastern Townships Immigration Society was read by the Secretary, Mr. W. M. Hillhouse, and adopted.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the Officers and Members of the Eastern Townships Immigration Society.

Gentlemen:—As this is the quiet season of the year in the work of the Immigration Society, and with no new developments since our last quarterly meeting at Knowlton, I will not take up your valuable and limited time with an unnecessarily lengthy report. We have, during the present quarterly, been able to practically supply all reasonable applications for farm-help. Since our last meeting we have received one domestic from the Old Country, and have supplied twenty-five farmers with farm help, the majority of whom have been secured in Sherbrooke and as we reported at our last meeting, no man who has been brought into the Eastern Townships by this Society and has made good is today without a situation. We are endeavoring to retain in these Eastern Townships as many of these good men brought in by the Society as possible by keeping in touch with them, investigating any grievances, and when necessary, procuring new situations for them.

Quite a number of our men have loyally responded to the call of King and Country and I am sure every member of the Eastern Townships Immigration Society will unite in wishing them god speed, success and honors on the battlefields of Europe, and a safe return to the Townships after having done their bit in assisting the Empire to rid the world of the inhuman monster "German militarism." We have no doubt but there is sufficient patriotism among the farmers of the Townships to render the best positions on the land none too good for them when they return to become, as we hope, permanent citizens of the Eastern Townships. In the meantime, should the war continue for another year or more, there is bound to be a great and increasing scarcity of farm labor, and we strongly advise farmers who desire help for the coming year to send us their applications as soon as possible, now, in order that the Society may know as far as possible in advance, its needs, and enable it to deal intelligently with the farm help problem, which is likely to become increasingly difficult, as the months roll on, until the end of the war.

Collections of account of advanced fares continue to be most satisfactory, and up to date the Quebec Government will suffer very little loss as a result of its assistance to the Society along these lines.

Our agent, Mr. O. Lambert, has on the advice of the Government, temporarily suspended his operations in the New England States.

When this great war is over there will undoubtedly be a very large influx of immigrants to Canada. Our Government will no doubt make ample preparations for their reception and distribution, and in no way could the Eastern Townships Immigration Society be more profitably assisted by the Government in receiving and caring for a large number of these newcomers, than for the erection for their use, by the Dominion Government, of a suitable building for their reception and temporary home, where they could be lodged for a few days if necessary, and from whence they could be distributed throughout the Townships. This is a want which has been already felt in our work, and as the Eastern Townships Immigration Society is an incorporated branch of the Associated Boards of Trade, composed of over three thousand of the leading and progressive men of the Townships, such a united request coming from this important section of the Dominion should have great weight with the Government and should receive something more than careful consideration at its hands.

A pleasant feature in connection with the work of the Society is the many expressions of appreciation which we are constantly receiving from prominent farmers of the Townships, to whom the Society has been of service, and which are an inspiration to greater things in the future.

Respectfully submitted, W. M. Hillhouse, Secretary.

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General satisfaction was expressed with the progress of the Society's work, especially in view of existing conditions. It was pointed out that while the Dominion and Provincial organizations were practically at a standstill the E. T. Society had done much in placing a number of unemployed on the land, and the Society could still procure all the domestic help required when the parties requiring such deposited the fares. Moreover the Quebec Government had expressed its appreciation and satisfaction with the work accomplished.

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A Subscription to the Record As a Christmas Present.

Every year many readers of the Record have been accustomed to subscribe to the Record on behalf of distant friends as a Christmas token. The Record is making special arrangements in connection with Christmas subscriptions this year.

A special letter will be sent to the person to whom the paper is to be sent advising them that the publishers have been directed by (giving the name and address of the person ordering the subscription) to forward the paper for a year as a Christmas token.

You cannot give your friends anything that will be more appreciated. The Record is the only paper publishing letters and news of Eastern Townships soldiers at the front or, in fact, the local news of the whole Eastern Townships in these stirring times.

Send them the Record for a year as a Christmas Present.

State when sending in subscription that the Record is to be sent as a Christmas remembrance.

Subscription rate, one year, \$2.00.

ST. FRANCIS DISTRICT HAPPENINGS

Gatherings by Daily Record Communities

LENNOXVILLE.

At the Sunday morning service of the Lennoxville Methodist Church Prof. Landry of Montreal sang the solo "Teach me to Pray" as an offering in his usual inspiring voice. He also assisted in the voluntary by the choir "I will lift up mine eyes" (Heysar) Mr. R. W. S. Nutbrown lead er, Mrs. H. McFadden organist.

The Ladies' Aid of the Lennoxville Methodist Church held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Miss Mary Woodard, Church St., on November 30th. Red Cross work was done until the business meeting hour after which dainty refreshments were served by the Misses Woodard.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Lennoxville Methodist Church will meet with Mrs. Wm. Adams Thursday afternoon 3 o'clock. At the last meeting it was decided to change the time of meeting to the 2nd Thursday instead of the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

ROCK ISLAND AND DERBY LINE.

Mrs. Domino whose death occurred on Friday was on a short visit to her daughter who resides in Sherbrooke. She was taken sick and death soon followed. The news reached here on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Domino are residents of Derby Line.

The sale of Fancy Work under the auspices of the Ladies' Guild of Christ Church which was held at the home of Mrs. J. B. Goodhue, Derby Line on Friday was a great success financially \$85 being the sum made.

Miss J. E. Whitcomb who has been in Boston for a few weeks vacation returned home on Saturday.

Mrs. Bixby has gone to New York for the winter.

Many of the people in town attended the Turkey Dinner in Bebe on Thursday night in aid of the Red Cross Society.

Mrs. C. H. Mansur and daughter returned from Waterloo on Monday.

Mrs. Henry Young from Boston on Saturday; Mr. Frank Cowan of Lacolle, guest in town on Saturday.

BIRCHTON.

Mrs. Charley Goodenough, of Bury, the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. O. Bailey.

Rev. Mr. Shaver officiated at the funeral of the late Wm. Nason at Bury on Monday morning. Interment at Maple Leaf Cemetery.

Mr. Arden Taylor home from Sherbrooke for the week-end.

SAWYERVILLE.

The strongest man in the world will show his feature balance work, also his strength, between pictures, Thursday night. No extra charge. Commencing 8.30 sharp.

BARNSTON.

Very early on Monday morning, November 29, 1915, Mrs. Robert Walker passed away. Mrs. Walker was the daughter of the late John Fos-

tenoy, also from a trip to Montreal. The sum of \$42.50 has been collected for the British Red Cross from New Rockland and vicinity.

Mr. D. E. Owens and Mr. R. G. Boast have been calling on friends here.

EAST CLIFTON.

Mrs. Jas. Lowery and Hazelle, of Sawyerville, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. Hurley.

The Red Cross Society will meet with Mrs. John Bain on Wednesday, December 15th in the afternoon. All are cordially invited.

Arrivals and departures: Miss A. M. Bellam, the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Bellam; Mrs. Ben Dixon, Mrs. William Hayes of Montreal; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Grey, Johnville; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Burns, Johnville; Mr. Matthew Grey of Rawdon, Que., at Mr. John Park-

son's; Mr. David Harrison, of Lennoxville in town recently; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bellam, to their home after visiting relatives and friends in Ives Hill, Mo's River, Milby, Water-

ville and Martinville; Private Ernest Goranage of St. Johns, Que., in town calling on friends; recently, Messrs. Austin Reed and G. Cruthers, of Len-

noxville, guest of the former's relatives in town; Mr. and Mrs. William Blair, Mrs. Ellen Blair and son, Everett, visiting at Mr. A.J. Bell's on Saturday.

Mr. Everett Blair has volunteered for overseas service.

Several from here attended the dance in the I.O.O.F. Hall on Friday evening last in honor of those who have enlisted.

Mr. George Blair, who has been in Sawyerville for the past few months was calling on relatives in town on Sunday last. He has enlisted in one of the overseas corps.

On Thursday last Mrs. Thos. Gray entertained the Ladies' Aid. A pleasant time was spent by all.

Mr. A. A. Bellam while working in the woods cut his hand very badly with an axe, and is now confined to the house.

LIBBYTOWN.

Miss Annie Gillen is suffering with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Beaumont at Magog recently.

Miss Doris Davidson entertained eight of her young girl friends Wednesday evening, it being her 12th birthday.

Mr. Burt Andrews of Coaticook was in town recently; Mr. Geo. Fowler of Compton a few days with his mother.

DIXVILLE.

The sale which was held in Baldwin's Hall on Saturday evening under the auspices of the Church Hall Circle, was well attended and a pleasant social time enjoyed. A short programme was rendered consisting of the following numbers: Duet, Misses Johnson and Buddell; reading, Miss Mildred Grady; song, Miss Jessie Eg-

leston; recitation, Miss Fannie Damond; reading, Miss Veda McIntyre; dialogue, Mrs. Ora McIntyre, and Mr. Frank Humphrey; reading, Mr. H.

NEW ROCKLAND.

The Red Cross workers met at the home of Mrs. M. Wallace on November 25, seventeen members being present. Refreshments were served by the hostess the sum of \$2.50 being collected. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. Wallace on Thursday afternoon, December 9.

Another bundle of work has been finished and is ready to be shipped to the Sherbrooke Red Cross Society.

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Mrs. Jas. Lowery and Hazelle, of Sawyerville, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. Hurley.

The Red Cross Society will meet with Mrs. John Bain on Wednesday, December 15th in the afternoon. All are cordially invited.

Arrivals and departures: Miss A. M. Bellam, the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Bellam; Mrs. Ben Dixon, Mrs. William Hayes of Montreal; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Grey, Johnville; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Burns, Johnville; Mr. Matthew Grey of Rawdon, Que., at Mr. John Park-

son's; Mr. David Harrison, of Lennoxville in town recently; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bellam, to their home after visiting relatives and friends in Ives Hill, Mo's River, Milby, Water-

ville and Martinville; Private Ernest Goranage of St. Johns, Que., in town calling on friends; recently, Messrs. Austin Reed and G. Cruthers, of Len-

noxville, guest of the former's relatives in town; Mr. and Mrs. William Blair, Mrs. Ellen Blair and son, Everett, visiting at Mr. A.J. Bell's on Saturday.

Mr. Everett Blair has volunteered for overseas service.

Several from here attended the dance in the I.O.O.F. Hall on Friday evening last in honor of those who have enlisted.

Mr. George Blair, who has been in Sawyerville for the past few months was calling on relatives in town on Sunday last. He has enlisted in one of the overseas corps.

On Thursday last Mrs. Thos. Gray entertained the Ladies' Aid. A pleasant time was spent by all.

Mr. A. A. Bellam while working in the woods cut his hand very badly with an axe, and is now confined to the house.

LIBBYTOWN.

Miss Annie Gillen is suffering with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Beaumont at Magog recently.

Miss Doris Davidson entertained eight of her young girl friends Wednesday evening, it being her 12th birthday.

Mr. Burt Andrews of Coaticook was in town recently; Mr. Geo. Fowler of Compton a few days with his mother.

DIXVILLE.

The sale which was held in Baldwin's Hall on Saturday evening under the auspices of the Church Hall Circle, was well attended and a pleasant social time enjoyed. A short programme was rendered consisting of the following numbers: Duet, Misses Johnson and Buddell; reading, Miss Mildred Grady; song, Miss Jessie Eg-

leston; recitation, Miss Fannie Damond; reading, Miss Veda McIntyre; dialogue, Mrs. Ora McIntyre, and Mr. Frank Humphrey; reading, Mr. H.

NEW ROCKLAND.

The Red Cross workers met at the home of Mrs. M. Wallace on November 25, seventeen members being present. Refreshments were served by the hostess the sum of \$2.50 being collected. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. Wallace on Thursday afternoon, December 9.

Another bundle of work has been finished and is ready to be shipped to the Sherbrooke Red Cross Society.

Mrs. S. Frazer is home from Fon-

"SALADA" TEA

Satisfactory - Stimulating - Economical

Sealed Packets Only - Refuse Substitutes

Albert Norris, addresses by Rev. Messrs. J. C. Tannar, and Wesley Spencer. Refreshments were served by the ladies. The proceeds of the evening amounted to \$37.00.

Miss Helen Mayhew who has been at Ayer's Cliff, for the past few months in now with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Mayhew; Mrs. Willis Wiggett and Mrs. N. Young and son of Lake, Vt., recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Swales; Mrs. O. Eggleston left on Sunday for Lisbon, N.H., where she will spend several weeks with her parents; Mrs. J. B. Parker was the week-end guest of her daughter, Mrs. E. J. Nelson, at Norton, Vt.

The Ladies Aid of the Baptist Church will hold their annual chicken pie supper on Thursday evening, December 9.

HATLEY.

The funeral service for the late Mr. J. B. Wood, who passed away after a short illness, as previously reported, was held at St. James' Church, on Monday afternoon, at 2.30, and was conducted by the Rev. Rev. J. N. Kerr. The musical portion of the service was rendered by a quartette choir, with Mr. G. H. Ayler-Brooke, as organist. Beautiful flowers lay upon the casket. Those acting in the capacity of bearers were Mayor A. E. Gage, Messrs. O. Glidden, H. F. Pope, and C. S. Sweeney, with W. M. LeBaron as director. Interment was made in the family lot in the adjoining cemetery. The late Mr. Wood, who was predeceased by Mrs. Wood, by nearly three years, is survived by one son and one daughter, Mr. W. B. Wood, of this place, and Mrs. Albert Neil, of Burroughs' Falls, with whom their declining years were spent. The family came to this vicinity from West Sheldford, a number of years ago, residing at first near Kingscroft, afterwards coming to the Bacon farm near this place. About ten years ago they purchased what for many years was known as the Harden home on Massawippi Street where they remained until failing health, and the infirmities of increasing years, compelled them to remove to the home of their daughter, carrying with them the respect and esteem of all who knew them for their many estimable qualities. Both Mr. and Mrs. Wood, formerly Miss Caroline Garlick, were faithful and devoted members of the Church of England. Mrs. Wood's paternal grandfather, Rev. Mr. Garlick being the first clergyman of that communion in Sheldford. The usual semi-monthly meeting of the St. James' Guild will be held with Mrs. and Miss Bowen on Wednesday afternoon, at the close of which a basket tea will be served followed by a social evening.

Mrs. Arthur Brand entertained some half dozen little people recently the joyous occasion being the birthday of her little daughter, Helen. The usual lively games were enjoyed to the full as well as the delicate refreshments that followed.

Mr. J. H. Haines of this place has been duly appointed and authorized to act as administrator for the estate of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCoy, to succeed Mr. E. Howe, who was obliged to tender his resignation on account of a pressure of other business.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Moulton, and family, of Massawippi, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wootton, on Saturday; Mr. Wm. Thwaites at Sherbrooke, on Saturday; Miss Marjory Drew, of Barnston, a few days at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Arthur Brand.

MAGOG.

Mr. J. O. Donigan, secretary-treasurer of the Township of Magog, has opened an office in A. H. Moore's block.

The Patriotic Society had a tag day on Saturday, which was a success. Mrs. Tetraut gave the proceeds of moving pictures on Monday evening to Patriotic Society.

Dr. West received a cablegram on Wednesday, November 24, announcing the death of his mother in Scarborough, Eng. About a year ago the doctor's father died.

Messrs. Olan Waterman, Forrest Humphrey and R. D. Shonyo left for California last week. They will spend the winter there.

Mrs. A. Armstrong home after some time in the States; Mrs. Rogers home from Manchester, N.H., where she visited relatives; Mrs. and Miss Mole have closed "Edgemere," their summer home, and left for New York on Wednesday; Mrs. Parker, of Lennoxville, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Scarth; Mrs. Geo. McLeod, of St. John, N.B., recent guest of her brother, Mr. Ed. Donald, and family; Miss Campbell, of Macdonald College, a guest of Mrs. J. B. Oliver on Thursday. She met the Homemakers Club and other ladies that evening, who had a rare treat in listening to the talk given by her; Mr. A. D. Martin home from the West; He and Mrs. Martin have just returned from East Angles, where they visited their daughter; Mr. F. F. Porter and Miss Florence, from Ayer's Cliff, calling on friends on Saturday; Miss Mabel Roy at home from Macdonald College. She will not return until after the holidays; Mrs. Fothergill home from Montreal.

BISHOP'S CROSSING.

The Willing Workers held a special meeting with Mrs. T. E. Bishop on Saturday afternoon with twelve present, including members and visitors.

Arrivals and departures: Mr. A. Moore of Windsor Mills, the week-end with friends; Mr. H. Scowen of the 35th Battery, the week-end at his home here; Miss Sophia Weyland of Weedon, and Miss Ferne Stacey, guests at Lt.-Col. Gilbert's; Mr. J. R. McFadden, in Sherbrooke, Satur-

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The Canadian Order of Foresters will hold an oyster supper and dance in the Town Hall on Friday evening, December 10th.

RICHMOND.

There was a specially good attendance at the last regular meeting of Pioneer Lodge No. 7, I. O. O. F. After lodge an enjoyable time was spent over the oysters at Janelle's parlor.

Mrs. H. Leonard and daughter Mrs. J. Hoffer and children from Cookshire have returned home after visiting friends in Richmond and Melbourn.

The fancy articles and food sale held in the basement of the Methodist church by the Ladies' Aid Society of New London and the Boast neighborhood last Saturday was very successful.

Responsible person wanted to handle popular priced automobile agencies in Richmond. Write at once. Box 343, Sherbrooke.

COATICOOK.

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SCOTSTOWN.

At the last meeting of the Scotstown Municipal Council, it was decided to call for tenders for the breaking of the roads and streets in this municipality.

Anyone wishing to recruit in the 117th E. B. Battalion may do so by applying to Mr. R. D. Parly, Scotstown.

Mr. Dunn of Bishop's College, Lennoxville conducted the services in the St. Alban's Church on Sunday in the absence of the clergyman, the Rev. P. R. Roy. Mr. Dunn is from Plymouth, England, coming to this country three years ago.

A very successful term is being closed by the teacher, Miss M. Sherman, in the Macnamie School.

Mrs. A. G. Sherman home on Saturday from Manchester, N. H.

Mrs. Archie Black's condition is reported to be about the same.

TRENHOLMVILLE.

The Rev. G. H. Hatcher, B.A., of Montreal preached in the Methodist Church here on Sunday afternoon.

The members of the Methodist Church and Sunday School are to have a Christmas tree and entertainment in the Church on Christmas Eve, Friday. A good programme is being prepared and a good time is expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brock, Richmond, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Brock on Sunday.

VICTORIAVILLE.

Responsible person wanted to handle popular priced automobile agencies in Victoriaville. Write at once. Box 343, Sherbrooke.

VON BERNSTORFF AGAIN DENIES.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Count von Bernstorff yesterday made emphatic denial of reports that German or German official agents had been concerned in recent attempts to set up a counter revolution in Mexico.

Stomach Was Bad.

Could Eat Hardly Anything.

When the stomach gets out of order the whole system seems to become affected in one way or another. The breath becomes foul, the tongue furred, the appetite becomes disturbed, nausea and vomiting occur, there is a rising and swelling of food caused by the acidity of the stomach, and the stomach and bowels become distended causing flatulency. Unless these symptoms are met with immediately, dyspepsia or some other serious trouble is liable to follow as a consequence.

That grand old remedy, Burdock Blood Bitters, has been on the market for the past forty years, and we claim, without any fear of contradiction, that there is not another medicine on the market to-day that can compare with it for the cure of all disturbances of the stomach.

Miss Lillian E. Phillips, Plumswego, N.B., writes: "My stomach was so bad I was in pain and misery. I could eat hardly anything. I had been treated by skillful doctors for it, but they did me no good. I was giving up in despair when I happened to hear of Burdock Blood Bitters. You can't think how fast it helped me, for I had only taken two bottles before I was better. I will recommend your medicine very highly to all my friends and sufferers."

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NOTARY, AUDITOR ETC., COURT HOUSE, RICHMOND, QUEBEC, Successor to D. M. Rowat, N.P.

WINDSOR MILLS TOWN COUNCIL

Question of New Bridge Was Deferred Until Financial Conditions Are Improved

REPORT SUBMITTED IN CONNECTION WITH ELECTRIC LIGHT SYSTEM.

Windsor Mills, Dec. 8.—(Special)—The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council was held in the Town Office on Monday evening, Mayor David McCarthy in the chair. The following members were present: Councillors E. Brady, W. Caswell, H. Lamontagne, P. Paquette, Beaupre and Robitaille.

On the meeting being called to order Mr. J. A. Lagasse read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved.

The Mayor said that Mr. Sammet, the electrical engineer, was present and was ready to submit his report, and instead of following the usual routine of business he would ask Mr. Sammet to give the Council his report on the town's electric lighting power. Mr. Sammet read a long technical report which showed that the present plant would cost more to repair than the cost of putting in the necessary machinery, transformers, etc., to receive power from the Canada Paper Co. The town, by doing away with flat rate, all consumers using meters, the town would be able to have a day and night service and power for motors at far less cost than with the present machines, etc., and that instead of losing money every year as in the past they would have not only a better service but a good profit instead of a yearly deficit. The Canada Paper Co. would supply all the power required at an estimated amount of \$1,300, which would leave a good balance in favor of the town, with a far better service than the town now supplying. After Mr. Sammet had fully explained all the technical points, Councillor Beaupre proposed and Councillor Robitaille seconded that the Council should take power from the Canada Paper Co. and that Mr. Sammet should prepare a contract and that he should submit the same to the Council at a special meeting to be held on December 10. This was carried unanimously.

A letter was read from Mrs. Findlay asking for compensation for an accident which happened to her on November 7. When walking on the sidewalk on Main street near Mr. Norman Knapp's residence she put her foot into a hole in the plank and fell, dislocating her shoulder. She has not been able to work since and the doctor says she will not be able to do so for some months.

Councillor Caswell was instructed to see Mrs. Findlay and arrange the matter with her.

THE BRIDGE OVER THE WATTAPEKA.

Acting on instructions from the Council, the Secretary-Treasurer wrote to the Hon. W. G. Mitchell to ask if the Government would give half of the cost of erecting a bridge. A letter was read from Mr. Mitchell asking if the bridge was to be built on another site than that for which the Government engineer prepared plans some time ago. The treasurer answered the letter and explained that it would be at the original site, but as there would be some slight alterations in the plans, Mr. Mitchell replied that when the corporation were ready to go on with the work the Department would send an engineer to report to the Department.

Councillor Paquet proposed that the bridge be built on the site of the old wooden bridge and that the Government plan at the estimated cost of \$4,300 be adopted.

The Mayor asked Mr. Paquet how he proposed to raise the money to pay for the construction of the bridge, and he replied that the town should borrow \$5,000.

The Mayor replied that the town could not borrow anything like that amount of money and said that since he had occupied the chair he had done all he could to prevent the town incurring more debts and for the first time for years the town had been able to pay for its debentures without borrowing from the bank, and he asked that the matter of building the bridge be held over for some time. The Council had the matter of the electric light to settle; the water mains down Main street so that all householders could be supplied with town water, and also macadamizing of the roads. In the present state of the money market and the great stress on the country by the war, the matter of the bridge should be postponed.

Councillor Caswell said that he was in favor of a bridge, but in the present state of the town's finances it would be better to let the matter stand over.

Mr. Paquet said he could withdraw his motion and bring it forward again in the spring.

The Council then formed itself into a Finance Committee and a large number of tradesmen's and other accounts were examined and ordered to be paid.

CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR CANADIANS

SOLDIERS IN TRAINING IN CANADA AND BRITAIN WILL GET TURKEY AND TRIMMINGS.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—Every man in the Overseas Battalion now training in Canada will receive a good Christmas dinner, the same as was done last year. In the great majority of the cases private organizations in the towns and cities where the troops are quartered undertake this duty as a pleasant privilege.

This year there will be 75,000 Christmas dinners to be provided as compared with only 20,000 last year. The Militia Department will see to it that every man is afforded the proper means of enjoying the day in the orthodox manner. Many cases where the people do not make the provision the Minister of Militia will figuratively stand behind with a big platter of roast turkey and other appropriate "trimmings."

The Canadian soldiers in England will be taken care of by the people and the Canadian authorities over there.

FRUIT, THE GREAT PHYSICIAN

Healing Powers of Fruit Proved by "Fruit-a-lives"

The simple juices of apples, oranges, figs and prunes, when transformed into 'Fruit-a-lives' will relieve diseases of the Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Skin.

The truth of this statement has been proved in thousands of cases of Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Torpid Liver, Constipation, Kidney and Bladder Troubles, Skin Diseases, Rheumatism, Neuralgia and Chronic Headaches.

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Cuticura Soap shampoos cleanse and purify the scalp of dandruff while the Cuticura ointment soothes and heals the irritated scalp skin. Dandruff and itching are their destroyers. Get acquainted with these fragrant super-creamy emollients for the skin and scalp.

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IF KIDNEYS AND BLADDER BOTHER

TAKE A GLASS OF SALTS TO FLUSH OUT YOUR KIDNEYS AND NEUTRALIZE IRRITATING ACIDS.

Kidney and Bladder weakness result from uric acid, says a noted authority. The kidneys filter this acid from the blood and pass it on to the bladder, where it often remains to irritate and inflame, causing a burning, scalding sensation, or setting up an irritation at the neck of the bladder, obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night. The sufferer is in constant dread, the water passing sometimes with scalding sensation and is very profuse; again, there is difficulty in voiding it.

Bladder weakness, most folks call it, because they can't control urination. While it is extremely annoying and sometimes very painful, this is really one of the most simple ailments to overcome. Get about four ounces of Jad Salts from your pharmacist and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast, continue this for two or three days. This will neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer is a source of irritation to the bladder and urinary organs which then act normally again.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, harmless, and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is used by thousands of folks who are subject to urinary disorders caused by uric acid irritation. Jad Salts is splendid for kidneys and causes no bad effects whatever.

Here you have a pleasant, effervescent lithia-water drink, which quickly relieves bladder trouble.

AN OLD RECIPE TO DARKEN HAIR

COMMON GARDEN SAGE AND SULPHUR MAKES STRAIGHT, FADED OR GRAY HAIR DARK AND GLOSSY AT ONCE.

Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back the natural color and lustre to the hair when faded, streaked or gray; also ends dandruff, itching scalp and stops falling hair. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is messy and troublesome.

Nowadays, simply ask at any drug store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy." You will get a large bottle for about 50 cents. Everybody uses this old, famous recipe, because no one can possibly tell that you darkened your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears,

BANK OF MONTREAL

Annual General Meeting, Held 6th December, 1915

The 38th Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank of Montreal was held at noon Monday, in the Board Room at the Bank's Headquarters.

Amongst those present were: R. B. Angus, H. V. Meredith, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, D. Forbes Angus, G. L. Ogilvie, E. Fiske, C. Chaput, A. Piddington, W. Hanson, John Paterson, O. J. Fleet, K.C., Wm. H. Evans, Percy R. Gault, W. B. Blackader, C. R. Hoemer, G. Caverhill, S. G. McIlwaine, Hon. Robert Mackay, Geo. G. Foster, Dr. Shepherd, Sir Thos. Shaughnessy, Geo. R. Hooper, C. R. Black, James Rodger, G. O. Wainwright, W. Yule, W. McMaster, Harold Kennedy, E. B. Greenhills, Huntly Drummond, Jas. Skeoch, Ed. Sawtell, Dr. Wm. Gardner, G. O. Hart, W. A. Leney, E. Archibald, F. J. Cockburn, E. P. Winslow, D. J. Barker.

On motion of Mr. R. B. Angus, Mr. H. V. Meredith was requested to take the chair.

Mr. O. J. Fleet, K.C., moved, and Mr. A. Piddington seconded, that the following gentlemen be appointed to act as Scrutineers:—Messrs. George R. Hooper and G. L. Ogilvie, and that Mr. O. R. Sharp be the Secretary of this meeting. This was carried unanimously.

The Chairman then called upon the General Manager, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, to read the annual report of the Directors to the Shareholders at their 38th Annual General Meeting, held Monday, December 6th, 1915.

THE ANNUAL REPORT

The Directors have pleasure in presenting the Report showing the result of the Bank's business for the year ended 30th October, 1915:—
Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 31st October, 1914, \$1,232,689.42
Profits for the year ended 30th October, 1915, after deducting charges of management and making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts, 2,108,631.06

Quarterly Dividend 2½ p.c. paid 1st March, 1915	\$ 400,000.00
Quarterly Dividend 2½ p.c. paid 1st June, 1915	400,000.00
Bonus 1 p.c. paid 1st June, 1915	160,000.00
Quarterly Dividend 2½ p.c. paid 1st Sept., 1915	400,000.00
Quarterly Dividend 2½ p.c. payable 1st Dec., 1915	400,000.00
Bonus 1 p.c. payable 1st Dec., 1915	160,000.00
	\$1,920,000.00
War Tax on Bank Note Circulation to 30th October, 1915	127,347.53
	2,047,347.53
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward	\$1,293,952.95

Since the last Annual Meeting a temporary Branch was opened at Valcartier Camp, P.Q., for the convenience of the troops during their stay in camp.

The following Branches have been closed:—
In Quebec—Valcartier Camp.
In British Columbia—West Summerland, Invermere, Alberni, Lumby.
The Directors have to record, with deep regret, the death of Mr. David Morrice, who had been a member of the Board since 1907.
All the offices of the Bank, including the Head Office, have been inspected during the year.

Bank of Montreal,
6th December, 1915.

THE GENERAL STATEMENT

The General Statement of the position of the Bank on 30th October, 1915, was read as follows:—

LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock	\$16,000,000.00
Reserve	516,000,000.00
Balance of Profits carried forward	1,293,952.95
	\$17,939,952.95
Unclaimed Dividends	72.00
Quarterly Dividend, payable 1st December, 1915	\$400,000.00
Bonus of 1 p.c. payable 1st Dec., 1915	160,000.00
	560,000.00
	17,954,024.95
	\$3,854,024.95
Notes of the Bank in circulation	\$17,276,782.00
Deposits not bearing interest	75,745,729.78
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date of statement	160,277,083.72
Deposits made by and Balances due to other Banks in Canada	9,474,694.61
Balances due to Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada	432,631.89
Bills Payable	1,233,836.56
	264,540,753.56
Acceptances under Letters of Credit	3,675,559.00
Liabilities not included in the foregoing	910,212.47
	\$302,980,554.98
ASSETS.	
Gold and Silver Coin current	15,803,761.46
Government demand notes	24,461,193.00
Deposits in the Central Gold Reserves	1,500,000.00
Deposit with the Minister for the purposes of the Circulation Fund	790,000.00
Deposits made with and Balances due by other Banks in Canada	266.42
Balances due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada	\$26,733,149.87
Call and Short (not exceeding thirty days) Loans in Great Britain and United States	70,957,527.82
	97,750,677.69
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities not exceeding market value	463,281.08
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks, not exceeding market value	13,332,074.07
Canadian Municipal Securities and British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities, other than Canadian	4,475,487.85
Notes of other Banks	1,532,471.00
Cheques on other Banks	9,893,506.02
	\$170,007,568.09
Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less rebate of interest)	99,078,506.38
Loans to the Government of Canada	5,000,000.00
Loans to Cities, Towns, Municipalities and School Districts	11,203,472.08
Current Loans and Discounts elsewhere than in Canada (less rebate of interest)	5,893,975.33
Overdue Debts, estimated loss provided for	594,686.93
	121,770,640.77
Bank Premises at not more than cost (less amounts written off)	4,000,000.00
Real Estate other than Bank Premises	175,959.67
Liabilities of Customers under Letters of Credit (as per Contra)	3,675,559.00
Other Assets not included in the foregoing	3,350,887.45
	\$302,980,554.98

H. V. MEREDITH, President.
FREDERICK WILLIAMS-TAYLOR, General Manager.

To the Shareholders of the Bank of Montreal:—
We have checked the Cash and verified the Securities of the Bank at the Chief Office and at several of the Principal Branches at various times during the year, as well as on 30th October, 1915, and we found them to be in accord with the books of the Bank. We have obtained all information and explanations required, and all transactions that have come under our notice have, in our opinion, been within the powers of the Bank. We have compared the above Balance Sheet with the Books and Accounts at the Chief Office of the Bank, and with the certified Returns received from its Branches, and we certify that in our opinion it exhibits a true and correct view of the state of the Bank's affairs according to the best of our information, the explanations given to us, and as shown by the Books of the Bank.

Montreal, 19th November, 1915.

George Hyde
J. Maxtone Graham } Auditors.
James Hutchison }
Chartered Accountants.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Mr. H. V. Meredith, in moving that the report of the Directors, as read, be adopted, said:—
The unprecedented conditions under which trade and commerce have been conducted during the past year remain unchanged, and are the cause of constant anxiety to those concerned with financial affairs.
It will be gratifying to you to learn that, after making liberal and, it is believed, adequate appropriation for known losses and doubtful debts concerned with conditions in other

countries. In Great Britain, normal conditions no longer prevail. Large numbers of men have been withdrawn from their customary occupation to enter the army, factories have been diverted to the production of war supplies, and a considerable shortage of labor exists. The result is that trade passes from British firms into the hands of neutrals, thus distributing the balance of trade, but it is believed that in the early future this condition will right itself and the obligations abroad of Great Britain will be correspondingly reduced.
The financial situation has, of course, been affected by the disturbance of trade and large domestic borrowings by the Government, but it is gratifying to know that the strain arising from the war has been readily and easily borne.

Business in the United States has greatly improved during the year. War orders account for much of this improvement, while large grain crops, following a period of liquidation, have stimulated trade. Deposits in the banks of that country are enormous, and the United States, for the time being, has become a great creditor nation.

All things considered, the trade of Canada has been well maintained both as to volume and character. For some time before the outbreak of war, a restraining hand was placed on speculative ventures, which, in the era of prosperity, had run to dangerous excess, and we were, as a consequence, fairly well prepared to face the closing of the London money markets to flotations of all kinds. A temporary dislocation in many branches of trade followed. Reorganizations in some cases were, and may yet be, found necessary to adjust capitalization to earning power, the only logical course to be pursued when such conditions have to be dealt with. As the year progressed, the effect of the war on the trade of Canada proved less injurious than was expected. In fact, business conditions distinctly improved.

Natural resources continue to be developed and their product to find a ready and profitable sale, while many branches of manufacture have been employed to capacity in turning out munitions of war, the money value of which runs into scores of millions. The resulting employment of labor has been of almost incalculable advantage.

HARVEST AN ENCOURAGING FEATURE.

The most encouraging feature of the year, however, from a trade and finance standpoint, has been the bountiful harvest of the Northwest, where a greatly increased area under cultivation has given the highest average yield in the history of the country. It is estimated that the grain crop of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta has a market value to the producers of approximately four hundred million dollars, in the use of which we may anticipate not only the liquidation of much indebtedness, but the stimulation of current trade.

These truly remarkable results will, I think, have the effect of attracting the tide of emigration to our shores when the world is again at peace.

In the older Provinces, the harvest has been rather better than the average.

Farming, the backbone of the country, is prosperous.

There is a greater demand for the products of the mines, at higher prices.

From the Atlantic to the Pacific good fisheries are reported, also at enhanced prices.

The lumber business generally throughout Canada, though suffering from inability to obtain tonnage to market the cut, shows some improvement.

The textile and allied industries are at the moment well employed, while the Steel Companies and those engaged in the manufacture of munitions of war are fully occupied.

In the wholesale trade, stocks of merchandise had become depleted, and necessary replenishing and better demand have stimulated business.
The financial position of the Dominion Government has been recently more clearly defined by the Minister of Finance that I refer to it now only to state that the country has been fortunate to have come through a period of general financial upheaval with its needs fully provided for and with the strength and soundness of its credit unimpaired.

FAVORABLE TRADE BALANCE.

The restoration of a favorable balance in our foreign trade is a factor of supreme importance at the present time, as it enables us to conserve our gold supplies and to curtail our borrowings abroad to some extent. As you are aware, the balance of foreign trade against Canada had been quite large for several years past, due principally to the ease with which we were able to borrow in the London market. Now that this avenue is closed, we have been compelled to curtail imports and increase exports in order to meet interest obligations and maintain our credit. How successfully we are meeting the situation a few figures will show: In the seven months ending October 31st, 1913, the value of exports of Canadian products was \$245,550,000, and in the same period of 1914 was \$228,757,000; while this year in the seven months we have exported Canadian products to the value of \$326,430,000, or \$100,000,000 more than last year, and the great surplus has still to go forward.

Comparing the foreign trade of Canada for the seven-months period ending with October, imports have declined from \$390,544,000 in 1913, to \$253,107,000 in 1915, while exports of domestic products, as I have said, have risen from \$245,550,000 to \$326,430,000; an adverse balance of \$145,000,000 being converted into a favorable balance of \$73,323,000, or a betterment of no less than \$218,000,000 within the short space of two years.

War contracts, of course, have contributed substantially to this expansion, the value of manufactures exported having risen from \$39,000,000 in the first seven months of the last fiscal year to \$84,000,000 in the same period of the present year, and, as in the case of cereals, this export trade is on an ascending scale.

DOMINION LOAN IN U. S.

An outstanding feature in Canadian finance has been the issue by the Dominion of its first loan in the United States. The rate of interest at the time, to those unacquainted with conditions, might have been considered onerous, but the important collateral advantages which the loan achieved by giving immediate relief to the Exchange situation, as well as in a direct way to the London money market, greatly counterbalanced the rate of interest paid and amply demonstrated the prudence and wisdom of the transaction.

The same remarks apply to the recent Anglo-French Loan, which may properly be considered as an Exchange transaction. The sum obtained was known to be inadequate to regulate the chaotic situation which had arisen, and consequently failed for the time being in its purpose, but it is hoped that the loan, together with the other measures now being taken for the purpose of giving stability to rates, will prove effective and gradually bring about the results desired.

Success of Canadian Loan.
The signal success of the recent Canadian Loan is very gratifying on every ground, the large public subscriptions evincing the patriotic spirit of the people and their ability to share the burdens entailed by the war, while at the same time measurably relieving the Mother Country. It is well, however, to remember that, in the nature of things, Canada is and must continue to be a borrowing country, with large annual commitments for interest and principal payments which can be met only with gold or commodities.

Largely owing to the strength of its banking position, Canada is at present able to bear this strain without curtailing the supply of credit and capital for business requirements. But obviously there is a limit to the conversion of floating into fixed capital without impairment of banking resources, and it is most desirable that, as far as possible, our borrowings should be effected in outside markets in order to avoid the depletion of bank deposits or a too great redundancy of the circulation of Dominion notes, as in either or both contingencies the whole financial fabric might be seriously menaced.

The Moratoria Acts which have been enacted in so many of the Provinces and which were primarily designed for the protection of mortgages against possible unjust action by mortgagees, have no doubt been of service in isolated cases in preventing hardships to mortgagees. It is doubtful, however, if the advantages gained by these Acts have not been more than counterbalanced by the withholding by timid lenders of investment funds, which are so essential to the building up of a new country, as well as by the delay caused in clearing up an extended speculative real estate situation.

Canada's Position Favorable.
The position of Canada is a highly favored one, with an assured future of growth, development and general prosperity. At present, however, we live in the shadow of the great war, to which all else must be subservient.

What its duration will be, and the position in which its termination will find us, can be matter of the merest conjecture. The vast armies now engaged in the struggle cannot be kept in the field indefinitely. The financial factor is daily assuming increased importance, and in this respect the advantage is unquestionably with Great Britain and her Allies.

After the war, a readjustment of trade conditions is to be expected. The flood of wealth which has attended the export of munitions and war supplies must of necessity be largely curtailed, and a new set of problems will have to be faced. As I have said on former occasions when I have had the pleasure of addressing you, if economy be exercised to meet the increased burden of taxation, of which we must bear our share, and the production of exportable articles increased to the utmost extent, to protect our gold supply and minimize our borrowings, and if we keep strong in working capital, then no matter what difficulties the future may have in store for us, we can look forward to them with a degree of complacency. Our agricultural resources and undeveloped wealth will enable us to bear the strain which may be imposed upon us, and we shall in the end come safely through the period of economic upheaval and world-wide conflict with a larger debt, it is true, but with our ability to meet it unquestioned, and our economic position not seriously impaired.

In the meantime, our duty as Canadians is to watch closely the current of events, to be prepared for emergencies and to take advantage of propitious circumstances as they arise.

I cannot properly close these remarks without some reference to four hundred odd gallant young men of the staff of the Bank who have joined the Colors and gone to the front to fight the Empire's battles. Of these, the names of sixteen have been added to the Roll of Honor, having been killed in action.

Their courage and patriotism, their deeds of valor and their glorious end will be inscribed in the Bank's archives, and to the families and relations we give expression of our profound admiration of their devotion to country and Empire and tender our sincere sympathy in their loss.

THE GENERAL MANAGER'S ADDRESS

Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, the General Manager of the Bank, then made his annual address as follows:—

The balance sheet, which it is my privilege and duty to present to you today, reflects the result of twelve months of business conducted under conditions such as this country and its banks have never before been called upon to face.

In previous years we have experienced the effects of outside panics and crisis, many of them of an injurious and even alarming nature, but as the rule the danger was brief, and the damage quickly repaired.

The year under review shows financial crisis, but what has been more difficult to surmount, a continuous period of anxiety with problems not only varying in character, but differing from any in our former experience.

You will undoubtedly feel gratified that your Bank has come through the unsettled conditions referred to without loss of strength, and is enjoying increased prestige.

As for the future, the daily difficulties will be grappled with as they arise, and we gauge, to the best of our ability, the somewhat obscured trend of coming events.

As the President has reviewed in general the trade and financial conditions in Canada and at the chief financial centres abroad, my duties are confined to a short account of the working of the Bank, an explanation of the more important features of the accounts submitted to you today, with some detailed references to the points arising therefrom, and to local conditions in our Provinces.

As you are well aware, this Bank long ago ceased to be merely a domestic financial institution, and, therefore, it is necessary, in presenting to you the annuals of the business, to touch upon conditions affecting us in London and New York, where we carry such a material portion of our primary and secondary reserves.

LONDON.

During the first six months of our bank year, rapid disbursements by the Imperial Government made monetary conditions in London so extremely easy, that our earning power at that point was seriously diminished. Indeed, for many weeks the large balances we felt impelled by discretion to carry with our London bankers were free of interest.

Subsequently the rate for money rose to a point in keeping with its real value and had we felt free to fully employ our funds there without regard to liquidity, the profit thereon would have been materially augmented. Caution and established policy, however, coupled with the fact that we had large deposits of a special nature, decided us to keep an important portion of our resources readily available.

Since last June the earning power of money has been greater in London than in New York, a condition reflected in fair profits at the former point, even after payment of the now onerous income tax.

In March of this year the Dominion Government floated a \$25,000,000 4½ per cent. five year loan in London at 99½. With that exception, an outstanding feature of Anglo-Canadian finance is that Canada has received no capital supplies from London, as in the years preceding the war. On the other hand, Canadian Treasury Bills, to the extent of about \$10,000,000, afloat in that market at the outbreak of the war, have been reduced to the nominal sum of about \$235,000. The fact that we were thus able to protect our maturities—obligations redounded to the credit of the Dominion.

It is noteworthy that during the ten years prior to the war, your Bank alone was the medium through which some \$600,000,000 of loan moneys were raised in London and transferred to Canada.

UNITED STATES.

In the United States money has been continuously cheap and plentiful. This condition has been highly disadvantageous as regards our profits, but of the utmost importance to Canada, as it has enabled the Dominion, our Provinces, Cities and Railways to finance their requirements to an extent that we could scarcely have hoped for a year ago.

Including the \$45,000,000 Government loan, Canada borrowed in Wall Street during the past twelve months about \$142,000,000, an amount that can with interest be compared with about \$50,000,000 from that source in the previous year, and with \$165,000,000 borrowed in London in the calendar year 1913.

Another interesting fact is that the balance of trade between Canada and the United States during the past year was \$113,000,000 in favour of the latter, to which must be added the year's interest of approximately \$32,000,000 on our previous borrowings in the United States, or a total of \$145,000,000. It will, therefore, be seen that the United States is acting in accordance with our forecast of a year ago in providing us with funds by way of loans with which to purchase goods, wares and merchandise in that country.

The balance of our trade with Great Britain for the same period was \$191,000,000 in our favor, but this sum is automatically reduced to \$41,000,000 by our annual interest indebtedness of \$150,000,000.

It is obvious that New York has made ambitious strides towards becoming a greater international financial centre. In view of this development it is satisfactory that our credit is good in that market, and of vital importance that it should be maintained.

PROFITS.

It seems in place to further comment upon our Banking Profits by stating that in the ninety-eight years during which this Bank has been in existence the interest return on capital has averaged over 8 per cent. per annum. As for the year under review, you will doubtless agree that you have good reason to feel satisfied that your dividend and bonus have been maintained in times that have tested the strength of every important business institution throughout the British Empire.

In this connection it may seem superfluous, but it is certainly advisable, to impress upon those interested that the ability of the Banks of Canada to maintain steady dividends is due to the conservative policy adopted long ago of setting aside in years of plenty a measure of earnings.

In pursuance of this policy, your Bank has, as you know, accumulated in the course of many years a reserve equal to its capital, which naturally means that the dividends large in the eyes of the captious and undisciplined are moderate when calculated upon the combined capital and reserve.

DEPOSITS.

Canadian Bank Deposits aggregate \$1,240,308,190, as compared with \$1,144,193,224 the preceding year, and \$1,146,739,563 in 1913. Your total deposits have increased \$38,800,000 during the past year, and are \$46,450,000 greater than in 1913, the

figures for the three years being:—
1913 \$189,572,838
1914 197,222,674
1915 236,022,812

We have entrusted to our care since the outbreak of the war special deposits running into large figures in connection with special transactions.

CIRCULATION.

Our Notes in Circulation are \$45,280 more than a year ago. The tax on our circulation payable to the Government amounts to \$127,347.

QUICK ASSETS.

Partly from policy, and partly from force of circumstances, the ratio of our quick assets to liabilities has increased to 64 per cent. from 55 per cent. a year ago, and from 49 per cent. two years ago. There have been times when the percentage has seemed needlessly high, but you will, doubtless, agree as to the wisdom of being on the safe side.

Idle reserves are a safeguard, not a feature for regret, and should prove invaluable when the situation clears. In this connection it is well to emphasize the fact that we have not only met the usual legitimate requirements of merchants, manufacturers, farmers and ranchers, but have given special consideration to applications from those temporarily embarrassed by the prevailing conditions.

CURRENT LOANS IN CANADA.

The fact that our current loans in Canada are lower than a year ago reflects the general trade conditions throughout the Dominion. They were on 31st October, 1913 \$117,596,073
31st October, 1914 \$108,845,332
31st October, 1915 \$9,078,506

Our loans to Municipalities have varied as follows:—
31st October, 1913 \$ 5,227,905
31st October, 1914 \$ 9,017,824
31st October, 1915 \$11,203,472

Over 80 per cent. of such advances have been made in anticipation of the collection of taxes, and less than 20 per cent. represent capital expenditure.

COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA.
Commercial failures in Canada during the twelve months ended October 31st, 1915, numbered 2,883, against 2,583 for the previous year, and 1,669 during our bank year 1912-13.

SUMMARY.

In summarizing my remarks, I may say that a year ago I expressed the opinion that Canada was standing the strain without collapse. This summary up of the situation still holds good. The strain is less than could have reasonably been expected, and we are encouraged to calmly face the troubles still ahead of us because of the confidence that comes from having successfully surmounted the ordeals of the past twelve months, ordeals that came upon this country without warning and found us inadequately prepared.

There is now a decided—more hopeful feeling throughout the Dominion, and there is excellent ground for that reassurance in the material advantages that have resulted from a bountiful harvest. When we consider that the Northwest alone has produced several hundreds of millions of dollars' worth of agricultural products in the past year in an area where in the boyhood of the middle-aged not a sod was turned, we feel that this is a form of genuine prosperity to inspire confidence and in which our pride is pardonable.

When we begin to analyze other features of the situation there is less room for satisfaction. The war in which the Empire is engaged to protect its integrity has made it incumbent upon Canada to assist its mother country in every way possible.

We have already provided a large number of troops and more will follow.

In the manufacture of munitions, clothing and other requisites, we are doing our full share. This has brought profitable employment to Canada when sorely needed, and at the same time rendered great service to the common cause. Let us, however, remember that the manufacture of war materials is a grim and transient form of so-called prosperity, that the cost thereof comes out of the national exchequer of Great Britain or of Canada, and from the blood of the flower of our manhood.

Also the United Kingdom has devoted large amounts to Canada for military expenditure, and the time may come when it will be desirable, if not necessary, for the Dominion to finance its own requirements. In any case we must economize in every way possible so that we may bear our full measure of responsibility during the war and be prepared for the taxation that must follow.

Canada's greatest wealth lies at her feet, her economic future is bound up in the development of vast agricultural areas of unsurpassed fertility. The rate at which that development can be accelerated is dependent upon the rate of increase in our farming population. In natural sequence immigration can best be attracted to the Dominion by reducing and keeping down the cost of living. That in my opinion is the key to the whole economic situation.

I have before me a statement regarding the trade and general condition of the Provinces, which, with your permission, I will omit reading as it will appear in the published reports of this meeting.

GENERAL MANAGER'S SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT ON PROVINCIAL CONDITIONS.

ONTARIO.

A year ago conditions in Ontario were the reverse of satisfactory. With business already severely restricted and further dislocated as a result of the war, with many factories closed and others running with reduced pay-rolls and shortened hours, and with collections slow, manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers looked for hard times. The lumber trade was dull, building at a standstill, and lower prices for real estate were deemed inevitable. The problem of the unemployed was an added concern for the approaching winter.

Presently, however, Government orders for the manufacture of war munitions increased rapidly and many woollen mills, tanneries and machine shops were soon working to capacity. With prospects of a large crop and with increasing Government expenditure for war munitions, misgivings began to disappear. The farmers, the least affected, had placed under cultivation a larger acreage than ever before, and, as a result, a splendid crop, perhaps the best in the history of the Province, has been harvested. Prices have been good. Economy is still being practised in keeping with new conditions. Wholesalers and retailers report smaller turnovers, with collections slow.

The lumber trade has been quiet. Stocks are heavy for this time of year, and the local demand light. The American trade has been moderate, but a marked revival is promised. It is expected that the cut this season will be much reduced.

The mines are now active, though the total production is less than last year. The output of silver will doubtless increase in consequence of the rapid rise in price. The value of gold mined has increased by 50 per cent. The nickel and copper mines have been greatly stimulated by the demand created by the war.

Municipal expenditure has been in keeping with the general spirit of economy. No new railway construction of importance has been attempted, nor any large power scheme undertaken.

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a good and should continue to improve as returns from grain yet to be marketed are received.

The general business outlook has been transformed by the large crop.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Following the outbreak of war, British Columbia was seriously affected by the stoppage of expenditure on railway construction and extension, and in the outlay upon public works, also by the cessation of inflow of capital to develop the lumber, mining and other resources of the Province. Speculation in real estate had risen to a height where prices were quite beyond reasonable productive values. Business has now been forced by adversity to a sounder basis and shows signs of recovery. There has been a very general tendency toward economy and retrenchment with beneficial result.

During the past year mining of all classes has revived, bringing increased employment and a growth of orders for equipment and supplies. The establishment of a refinery would be a great benefit to the country. In agriculture good crops are reported, and, although prices are disappointing, it is satisfactory that the Province is gradually getting into the position of feeding itself. The fruit crop is excellent and is being marketed under better conditions than formerly and at better prices.

The salmon catch exceeded expectations for an off year, and demand and prices have been satisfactory. The halibut catch has been satisfactory also and marketed under favorable conditions. The lumber trade is in a better position than when under review a year ago, largely in consequence of improved demand from the Prairie Provinces, but still suffers through lack of shipping for the export trade, which trade could be greatly increased with adequate facilities.

The population has temporarily fallen off through enlistment and lack of employment in building trades and railway construction.

With return to more settled conditions, there is bound to be an influx of new people and some resumption of the flow of capital to develop the great natural resources of this Province.

NEWFOUNDLAND

This year's catch of cod, the great staple product of Newfoundland, will be equal to that of last season, while the prices being realized are exceptionally high. In consequence trade, wholesale and retail, is good, and general business conditions throughout the country may be considered satisfactory.

The sealing voyages of last spring were the most unprofitable on record. On account of the very high freight rates offering, it is probable some of the best iron ships will be withdrawn from seal fishing for service elsewhere; therefore the prospects for next spring's sealing are poor.

The pulp and paper industry has been disappointing. Markets for ground wood pulp were poor, freights high, and tonnage scarce. Large quantities will be carried over this winter by the mills. The adverse sterling exchange has largely militated against profits, as exports of this product are mainly to Great Britain. General conditions, however, are largely governed by the cod fisheries, and the excellent returns from them are enabling the Colony to weather the universal storm with a fair measure of comfort and confidence.

MEXICO

The business of our office is practically at a standstill, and our very limited operations are being performed under extraordinarily trying conditions.

It was then moved by the President, seconded by Mr. R. B. Angus, that the Report of the Directors, now read, be adopted and printed for distribution among the Shareholders. This was unanimously carried.

Moved by Mr. C. R. Hosmer, seconded by Mr. H. R. Drummond, that Messrs. George Hyde, C.A.; J. Maxtone Graham, C.A., and James Hutchinson, B.A., be appointed Auditors for the Bank for the ensuing year, and that the remuneration be not more than \$15,000, to be divided equally between them (or to be otherwise divided, as may be thought best); and that the ballot for the Auditors be taken at the same time as the ballot for the Directors is taken. Carried unanimously.

Mr. William Yuille moved, seconded by Mr. James Rodger, that the thanks of the meeting be presented to the President and Directors for their attention to the interests of the Bank.

In making this motion, Mr. Yuille said: "In such crises as we have experienced during the past year the President and Directors must have had a strenuous time, and I feel that they are entitled to the warmest thanks of the Shareholders for the manner in which they have carried on the affairs of the Bank up to the present day. When you see that they have in quick assets \$170,000,000 you can appreciate that the Bank is on a very sound footing. In addition to that, they have been able to pay the usual 10 per cent. dividend and the 2 per cent. bonus, while they have added \$60,000 to the balance of Profit and Loss Account and paid the war tax of \$127,000. In face of all this, I am sure you will agree with me that we have every reason to be satisfied with the manner in which they have conducted our affairs." (Applause).

The vote of thanks was then unanimously carried. The President, Mr. H. V. Meredith, in reply, said: "Gentlemen, on behalf of the Directors and myself, I must thank you for this motion. It is gratifying to us all to know that we have your continued confidence, and we fully appreciate your kindly words. Your Directors give the closest attention to the affairs of the Bank, and fully realize their great responsibilities, especially in such times as these, as you can well understand, and their work has been very onerous during the past year."

Mr. E. B. Greenshields moved, seconded by Mr. William McMaster, that the thanks of this meeting be given

to the General Manager, the Assistant General Manager, the Superintendents, the Inspectors, the Managers and other officers of the Bank for their services during the past year.

In speaking to this motion, Mr. Greenshields said: "I know the General Manager of the Bank has had a very trying time during the past year. I think all agree that he has, with the assistance of the Assistant General Manager, the Superintendents, and the Branch Managers, conducted the affairs of the Bank in a singularly able manner. (Hear, hear)."

"I have attended very many annual meetings of this Bank, and a resolution similar to this has been presented at each one, and passed in what might be called speaking silence. That is because when you say a man has done his duty well it is almost superfluous to say anything more. But this year I think all the Shareholders would like to record their appreciation of the number of gallant young men from the Bank's staff who have volunteered to follow the country's banners to war, and joined in the great fight for liberty against tyranny. (Applause). Many of these have already given their lives for their country, and are now sleeping peacefully beneath the green fields of France, forming eternal links of love between that country and ours."

"But while supplying soldiers for the front, we should also remember that we must support them. Many other members of the Staff have also been most anxious to go to the front, but they have had to remain behind to look after the interests of a great institution such as this, because if such institutions are not sufficiently manned it would be impossible properly to take care of the men at the front."

"That the Staff has protected our interests well is evidenced by the Statement presented today, and I would like to add that those who have stayed behind have not only done their own work as well as ever before, but also that of their companions who had the honor of going to the front."

In seconding the motion, Mr. Wm. McMaster said that one of the great assets the Bank had was its splendid organization. The results achieved had been largely due to the loyalty and efficiency of those occupying minor positions on the staff.

The vote of thanks was then carried with applause.

In acknowledging the vote of thanks the General Manager, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, said:

"On behalf of myself, the Assistant General Manager, the Superintendents, Inspectors, Managers and Staff, I beg to express my very keen appreciation of the complimentary terms in which you have referred to our services during the past year."

"It has been a more trying year for the officials of the bank than they have ever before experienced. They have been overworked, because we have found it impossible to provide experienced men and women in sufficient numbers to take the place of those on military duty. They have been deprived of holidays for the same reason."

"In the circumstances it speaks well for the loyalty and sense of duty of our staff that they have been so

appreciative of the situation and so ready to do their share towards carrying on the business of this great Bank in which we all take such a pride, and thereby helping our country in this hour of trial."

"The percentage of our men with the colors is not surpassed, if equalled, by any other important corporation in Canada. I also take occasion to refer with pride to the splendid spirit and qualities of these men, with and with pride and profound sorrow to our ever lengthening Honor Roll."

The ballot for the appointment of auditors and the election of directors for the ensuing year was then proceeded with, and the scrutineers appointed for the purpose reported that Messrs. George Hyde, C.A., J. Maxtone Graham, C.A., and James Hutchinson, C.A., were duly appointed auditors, and the following gentlemen duly elected directors: D. Forbes Angus, R. B. Angus, A. Baumgarten, H. R. Drummond, C. B. Gordon, E. B. Greenshields, C. R. Hosmer, Sir William Macdonald, Hon. Robt. Mackay, Wm. McMaster, H. V. Meredith, Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, K.C.V.O.

The meeting then terminated.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors Mr. H. V. Meredith was re-elected president.

POLAR RECORD DISCOVERED

THOSE LEFT BY EXPLORER MCCLINTOCK SIXTY YEARS AGO FOUND BY STEFANSSON.

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—News of the discovery by the Canadian explorer, Stefansson, of records left by one of the Franklin search parties on the same date sixty-two years ago, is contained in the detailed report of his explorations received by the Naval Service Department. The records were those left by McClintock, an explorer who headed one of the parties which went in search of Franklin in 1853. Curiously they were found by Stefansson on exactly the same date as they were deposited, June 15th.

By another coincidence McClintock's records left in a cavern near Cape McClintock, tell of the explorer's intention to travel three days westward in search of new land. Stefansson instead travelled three days north and made his discovery of a hitherto unknown land, as has been recorded.

In the cavern were various records, some of which were illegible. Those recorded the fact that McClintock's party were all well, had already examined the southeast coast and were about to proceed west.

Stefansson is now in camp on the north end of Banks Land if he has not already reached Prince Patrick's Island. At the latter place he expects to establish a winter base as far north as possible. In February, he will start an exploring trip over the ice of Beaufort Sea. The explorer is of the opinion that the new land he has discovered does not extend very far west until it is defined by narrow channel. On the other side of this channel he hopes to find more new country to add to Canada's far northern possessions.

HAPPENINGS AT DANVILLE

Question of Levying Tax on Transient Traders Discussed at Council Meeting

TWENTY MEN, SO FAR, HAVE JOINED THE 117TH BATTALION.

Danville, Dec. 8.—(Special)—The Council of the Village of Danville met for the usual meeting in the secretary's office on Monday evening. All the councillors were present with two exceptions. Mayor McCracken presided. Several accounts were presented and directed to be paid. There was some discussion as to levying a special tax on parties coming into town to sell goods for a week or so. No specific action was taken at this meeting, it being laid over for another meeting.

SHIPTON MUNICIPAL COUNCIL. The usual monthly meeting of the Township of Shipton Council was held Monday afternoon. The Mayor presided. The secretary was authorized to bill the making of several winter roads which had not been disposed of. He was also instructed to collect all taxes before the end of the year.

RECRUITING FOR 117TH BATTALION.

Recruiting for the 117th Eastern Townships Regiment is going along satisfactorily. Lt.-Col. Bouteiller reports that so far he has recruited twenty men in this locality. He expects quite a few more within the next few weeks.

BAD ROADS AFFECT BUSINESS.

Business is reported quiet in town. This is due practically to the bad roads in the country. With a few inches of snow the roads would be greatly improved, and in consequence business would increase as well.

REORGANIZATION OF CHOIR.

A movement is on foot for the reorganization of the choir of St. Anne's Church. It is proposed to sing the Gregorian Mass at the services in the future. A special instructor has been engaged for this purpose, and an invitation will be extended to anyone desirous of learning this music to join the choir. It is expected that instruction will commence at an early date.

NOTES.

Mr. Harold Thorpe, son of Capt. and Mrs. Thorpe, who has been stationed at the branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Sutton, has been removed to Toronto.

Rev. P. R. Roy, of Scottsboro, preached in St. Augustine's Church on Sunday morning last. While here he was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. Murray.

It is proposed to get up an entertainment in aid of the Patriotic Fund at an early date, likely the

THE 117th, 1000 strong, are going to represent the Eastern Townships in the fight for Liberty. —Will YOU be there? —Will YOU be there?

29th December. It will be held in the Town Hall and will be given by local talent.

Those in charge of the different booths at the recent sale of useful and fancy articles in the Federated Church, given under the auspices of the Young Ladies' Mission Band and Ladies' Guild, were as follows: Mission Band, Fancy Work—Misses M. Frotherough, A. Stevenson, M. Burbank, H. Pope, R. P. Philbrick and Mrs. Brown.

Asbestos Mission Band, Fancy Work—Misses N. Messenger and Welch, Guild, Fancy Work—Mrs. McCallum, Mrs. Stevenson and Mrs. McCracken, Tea—Misses A. Burnett, R. McCallum, O. Leete, B. Livingstone, G. Fowler, M. Pope and M. Philbrick, Candy—Misses E. Protherough, A. Wilson, F. Towne, G. Straw and V. Scott.

Orangeade Well—Misses D. Sadler, B. Webb, L. Stockwell, E. Boyd and A. Burbank.

A sale of useful and fancy articles was held in the Town Hall on Saturday afternoon. It was organized by the Ladies' Aid and other ladies of the Methodist Church. Many pretty articles were exposed for sale and disposed of at reasonable prices. Tea was served during the afternoon. The proceeds amounted to about \$70. It was well attended, and a very pleasurable afternoon was spent by those present.

CLAIMS TO BE STUDENT OF CHEMISTRY.

New York, Dec. 7.—(Special)—Anton F. Mente, the young Austrian in whose rooms a quantity of explosives and chlorine gas were found yesterday by the police, asserted today that he was merely a student of chemistry and had had no criminal intent in his experiments. Mente challenged the police to find anything irregular in his actions and denied that he had received money from any foreign government. All the chemicals and apparatus, he said, were purchased with his own money. As to a code found in his room, he insisted that he had made it for his own use.

HUNTINGVILLE.

The Rev. Geo. S. Fortier of St. Alban's, Vt., will preach in the Universalist Church, Huntingville, on Sunday at 11 a. m.

\$100,000 FIRE AT WILLIAMSTOWN, MASS.

New Williamstown, Mass., Dec. 7. (Special)—Fire early to-day totally destroyed the Thompson Chemical Laboratory of Williams College at a loss of \$100,000.

TOWNSHIP OF ASCOT COUNCIL

Resolution Passed Agreeing to Contribute Towards Cost of Proposed New Road

NEW HIGHWAY WILL RUN FROM LENNOXVILLE TO NORTON MILLS ON EAST SIDE OF RIVER

The usual monthly session of the Municipal Council of the Township of Ascot was held on Monday when the full Board of Councillors were present. The Mayor, E.A.C. Bourque, presided.

Various matters principally relating to roads were dealt with by the Council.

A resolution was passed agreeing in the event of the Government building the Lennoxville to Norton road, following the route on the east side of the river from Lennoxville to Huntingville, thence via Milby and Compton, that the Municipality of Ascot will contribute toward the cost of the same in the same proportion as was done in the Sherbrooke-Stead Road. The Council also expressed a willingness to co-operate with the other interested municipalities in any way likely to secure the early construction of the said road.

A similar resolution was passed with reference to the building of a branch from the present macadamized road at Blue's Corner to the Hatley town line near Eustis.

VALE PERKINS.

Mr. Stewart George, of Newport, Vt., at his home here the week end; Mr. J. M. Manson in town on Monday; Dr. White, of North Troy, Vt., at Mr. V. Martel's on Monday.

Miss Alice George, who was confined to the house through illness, is better.

Mr. John Hollins is in town recruiting.

MYSTIC

Arrivals and departures: Mr. Clayton Fairfield to Hartford, Conn.; Miss Helen Atkinson to the General Hospital, Montreal, for treatment; Mrs. Geo. Suggett to Cowansville for a few days.

Mrs. E. Guthrie, who has been under the doctor's care is reported better.

Pale, Sallow Cheeks

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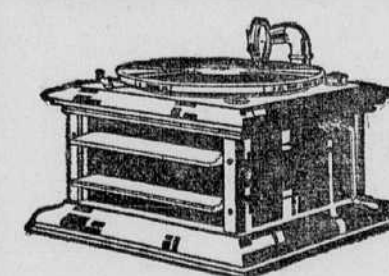
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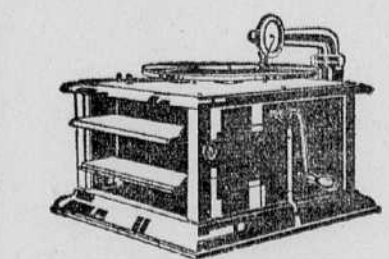
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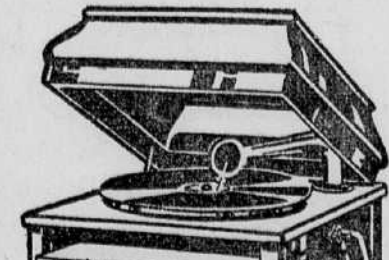
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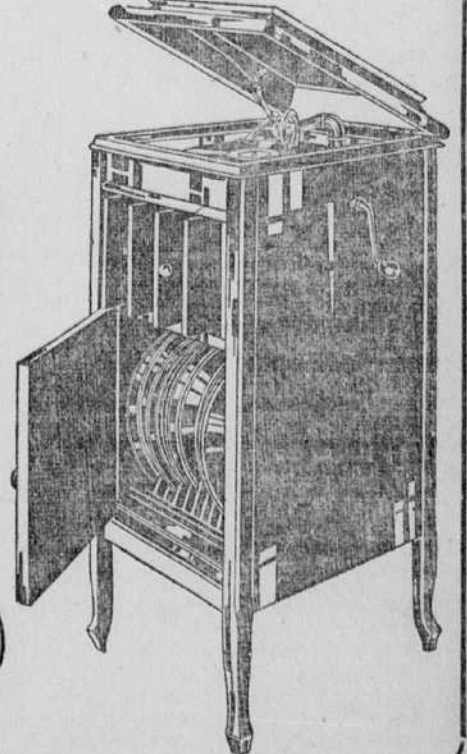
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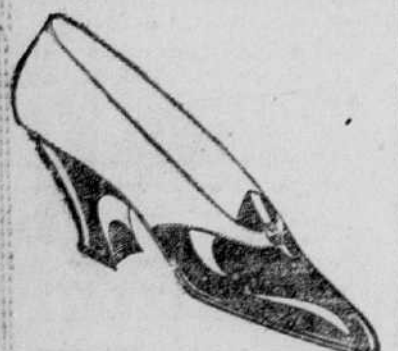
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CITY NEWS

"Metro" Pictures, Casino.

Dance C.O.F. Hall, McKechnie Bldg.
Dec. 9, 3 p.m. Orch. Adm. 50c.

Major R. H. Fletcher spent the
week-end in Montreal.

Genuine bargains in Xmas. gifts,
Wesley Hall, tomorrow p.m.

Wonderful Xmas novelties, direct
from New York.—Edith May's.

Miss M. Haggerty has returned
from Montreal, where she spent the
week-end with friends.

Buy your plum pudding, brawn and
sausage at St. Paul's Sale, Sat. 4.30.

'Phone 2502 for Dressed Dolls left
over from St. Andrew's sale.

Give your wife or mother a Christmas
gift of a parlor suite from Edwards.
Prices, \$20 to \$100.

"Four Feathers," Metro-Casino.

Visit the Children's Shop. All
goods at cost. Must be sold before
Dec. 15th.

Meeting of the Daughters of the
King to-morrow night, St. Peter's
Church Hall.

Visit the Christmas Commodity
Sale and Brown Betty Tea Room,
Wesley Hall tomorrow afternoon.

Mr. Frank Seymour, of London,
Eng., was among the visitors to the
city yesterday.

Attractive blouses for Christmas
gifts, specially priced \$3.98, at Edith
May's.

Mrs. Olive Parker, child and maid,
who spent a few days recently at the
Magog House, have left for Waterloo
to join Mr. Parker.

For Christmas gifts that are dainty,
pretty and reasonable, Rosemary
Gift Shop.

Miss L. Irvine of Waterloo, was
visiting friends in Sherbrooke yesterday.

Miss Hubbard, 23 Queen street,
will hold a sale of Christmas Novelties
on Tuesday, Dec. 14th and following
days.

To-day is the Festival of the Immaculate
Conception, observed by the
Roman Catholic Church, and a bank
and legal holiday.

Any person having coats and blankets
for loan or rent might communicate
with Captain Irving at 32 King
street. Phone 907.

Miss Torrance, of Kingsbury, and
Miss Crombie, of Richmond, were
guests at the Magog House yesterday.

For brother or father an easy chair
from Edwards' makes an excellent
gift. Prices from \$6.50 to \$55.

Mrs. H. A. C. Scarth and children,
from Magog, have been the guests
recently of the Rev. G. H. Parker
and Mrs. Parker at "Newstead Cottage,"
Lennoxville.

Rev. G. H. Parker has returned
from Quebec, where he was the guest
for a few days of the Lord Bishop of
Quebec and Mrs. Williams at "Bishop-
sthorpe."

The Baptist Ladies' Aid will hold a
sale of food, candy, fancy aprons,
etc., in the church on Thursday after-
noon, 5th inst., at 3 o'clock. Tea will
be served during the afternoon.

Military Concert by 35th Battery
and 2nd Field Ambulance Corps with
address by Pte. W. B. Scott (returned
from the front). His Majesty's
Theatre, Friday, Dec. 10th. Admis-
sion, downstairs 25c., balcony, 10c.

The Boys' Auxiliary will close for
the Christmas holidays on Thurs-
day. Will those who have toys or
clothing for the bales kindly send them
for that meeting?

Mrs. Harry H. Moe will receive on
Thursday afternoon from 4 to 6 at her
residence, 8 Magog Street, and
after the New Year will be at home
every second Tuesday.

The Rev. O. G. Lewis, M.A., will
deliver a missionary lecture, illus-
trated by lantern views, on the work
on the Canadian Labrador, at eight
o'clock in St. Peter's Church Hall,
tonight.

Rev. Canon Hepburn, who is in
town from Stanstead attending the
St. Francis District Deacons' meet-
ings, is the guest of Mr. H. D. Law-
rence, K.C., and Mrs. Lawrence,
Bellevue avenue.

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Mrs. George Codere left town last
week and sailed Saturday for Eng-
land to join Lieut. Codere, who went
overseas with his regiment some

weeks ago. Mrs. Codere accompanied
Mrs. Dansereau, wife of the O. C. of
the regiment.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Akhurst, of
Coaticook, were in town yesterday.

The Rev. E. R. Roy, of Cookshire,
is in town attending the St. Francis
meetings.

Rev. Harold E. Dunn and Mrs.
Dunn, of Kingsley, are at the Magog
House during the meeting of the Dis-
trict Association.

Mrs. J. N. Dubrule, of St. Hyacinthe,
who has been the guest of
Mrs. J. Aime Darche, King street,
for a week, has returned home, ac-
companied by Mr. Dubrule, who joined
her Saturday.

Ven. Archdeacon Patterson-Smyth,
who preached at St. Peter's Church
last evening, returned to Montreal
to-day. During his stay he was the
guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Mac-
kinnon, Prospect street.

The funeral of the late Rev. Father
Louis Olenier Fortier, Redemptorist,
took place yesterday at the Mon-
astery, Beckett road. The solemn
requiem mass was celebrated by Mgr.
Paul LaRoque, bishop of Sherbrooke,
with assistant priest, deacon and
sub-deacon of honor and of office, and
a large gathering of the clergy. The
interment was made in the lot of
the Redemptorist fathers. The death
of the Rev. Father Fortier occurred
suddenly at St. Paul de Chester,
whither he had gone to assist in
preaching a retreat, from heart
failure. Deceased was born at Beau-
port, Que., in 1864, and was educated
at Quebec. After finishing his
studies he entered the Redemptorist
Order at Saint Trond, Belgium, the
following year took the vows and
was ordained at Beauport by Mgr.
Zelin in 1889. His first mission was
at the world-famous Mons, and later
he went to the Danish Antilles, re-
turning to Canada in 1900. He re-
mained from the active work of a mis-
sionary several years ago, and has
remained quietly at the Monastery
in this city. A man of much elo-
quence, fervent piety, and both in-
tellectual and spiritual gifts, his
comparatively early death is deeply
regretted by the reverend superior
and the community.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Midweek devotional service on Wed-
nesday at 8. Bible reading by the
Pastor.

Thursday afternoon at 3 the La-
dies' Aid will have a sale of food and
of fancy articles. Tea will be served
from 3 to 6.

Thursday evening the Young Peo-
ple's Union will meet at 8. Mrs.
Forest will speak on the topic, "Gol-
den fruit from the tree of prayer."

VETERAN MAIL CARRIER RE- TIRES.

Mr. Joseph Malenfant, who has
carried the mail between Stoke Cen-
tre and Sherbrooke for twenty-four
years, made his last trip yesterday,
the village of Stoke Centre being
served for the future from Ascot Cor-
ner R.F.D. Always cheery, always
on time, always reliable, Mr. Malen-
fant has traversed the road between
the city and the little village, in sum-
mer and winter, rain and shine, bad
weather and good, and has performed
his duty, which must often have been
a trying one, to the satisfaction of
the Department and also of his nu-
merous clients. All who know him
wish him enjoyment of his well-earned
rest.

SHERBROOKE FIRE BRIGADE MADE GOOD SHOWING.

Mr. James Leslie of the Canadian
Fire Underwriters Association, Mon-
treal, was in town yesterday and
inspected the water works and called
out the fire brigade. Mr. Leslie in
speaking to the Record expressed
himself as being very well satisfied
with the showing of the fire brigade.
Mr. Leslie turned in an alarm from
box No. 74 at the corner of Belvi-
dere and King Streets, without pre-
vious notification to the department.
The time made was as follows: Call
sent in at 10.15; chemical engine
from No. 1 arrived at 10.16; hose
waggon from No. 1 at 10.17; hose
waggon from No. 2 at 10.17;
truck from No. 1 at 10.17. The fire-
men laid 250 feet of hose and the
water was turned on at 10.18, being
three minutes after the alarm was
turned in. The two steamers were
also tested yesterday, and the in-
spector found them to be fully up
to the requirements.

CHRISTMAS SALE AT LENNOX- VILLE.

The Ladies of St. George's Guild,
Lennoxville, held their Christmas
Sale on Thursday last.
The Parish Hall was divided by
screens into rooms. These were in
charge of members of the Guild, three
in each, and were by them appropri-
ately furnished and decorated. A
drawing room, dining room, bed
room, nursery, kitchen and pantry,
were then ready for the fancy work,
and useful articles, suitable for these
rooms.

The ladies in charge of the after-
noon tea and supper had an exceed-
ingly busy time, and were well re-
paid by the result of their labors.

The event of the evening was a hat
trimming contest, in which upwards
of twenty men took part. Much mer-
iment was afforded by their close
attention and hard work, which was
necessary to get the hats done in the
allotted time (fifteen minutes). Three
prizes were given for these creations,
which were worthy of some of our
best milliners. This brought to a
close a most successful evening, so-
cially and financially.

CONFIRMATION AT ST. PETER'S.

Monday at St. Peter's Church
the rite of confirmation, or "laying
on of hands," was administered, the
Right Rev. Dr. Williams, Lord Bishop
of Quebec, officiating. The choir,
clergy and the bishop entered to the
Christian hymn, "Soldiers of
Christ, Arise," and the bishop took
his seat in the chancel. The candi-
dates, fifteen in number, were pre-
sented by the rector, the Rev. H. R.
Bigg, and were addressed by his lord-
ship. After an interval of silent
prayer the Veni Creator was sung,
the congregation kneeling, and the
solemn questions were put to the
candidates and answered. The con-
firmation hymn, "O Jesus, I have
promised," followed the special pray-
ers, and the benediction was pro-
nounced by the bishop. The recen-

THOUSANDS OF BABIES DIE BEFORE ONE YEAR

It is estimated that thousands of
babies die in this country before the
age of one year, and it is stated that
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fully strive to increase their strength
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Emulsion which improves the blood,
suppresses nervousness, aids the quality
of milk, and feeds the very life cells.

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ing. No drugs. Every druggist has
it. Always insist on Scott's—the white
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sional hymn was, "Stand Up, Stand
Up for Jesus."

Besides the Lord Bishop, the clergy
present were the Rev. H. R. Bigg,
rector; the Rev. Philip Callis, the
Rev. W. H. Moorhead, and Mr. A. B.
Whitehead presided at the organ.

LATE DAVID RANKIN.

The funeral of the late David Ran-
kin, of Lennoxville, whose death oc-
curred on Friday last, took place on
Monday afternoon, the service being
held at the home of his daughter,
Mrs. E. E. Lane, with whom he had
lived for many years. A large num-
ber of friends and neighbors assem-
bled to pay a last tribute of respect,
and the cortege which followed the
mortal remains to their last resting
place, was a large one.

The simple but impressive service
was conducted by the Rev. J. Hicks,
pastor of the Methodist Church, as-
sisted by the Rev. Mr. Adams, and
after prayer, and the reading of an
appropriate portion of Scripture, the
Rev. Mr. Hicks spoke with feeling of
the life and character of deceased; of
his consistent membership with the
Methodist Church, and the faith and
hope which sustained him to the end.
The Methodist choir rendered very
sweetly the hymns, "Abide with Me,"
and "Sun of My Soul." The inter-
ment took place at Malvern cem-
etery. The bearers were Messrs. C.
Martin, Jas. Johnston, Thomas and
William Dundin. The chief mourners
were the daughters and sons-in-law of
deceased, Mr. and Mrs. George Nichol-
son, of Gould; Mr. and Mrs. For-
est Lord, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lane,
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dundin, and a
grandson, Mr. Harold Adams, Spring-
field, Mass.

The late Mr. Rankin, who had at-
tained his 72nd year, was born in
Huntingdon, Que., but had lived in
Lennoxville for the past eight years.
He was highly respected in the com-
munity, and his death is deeply re-
gretted, his family having the sym-
pathy of all who know them in their
bereavement.

In addition to the daughters men-
tioned above, the eldest daughter of
deceased lives in Springfield, Mass.,
and was not able to be present at
the funeral, and he is also survived
by three grandchildren.

The floral tributes from the family
and from friends in Lennoxville and
other places were numerous and
beautiful.

NORTH HATLEY.

The annual December sale and chick-
en pie supper given by the members
of the Ladies' Aid, will be held at
the Vestry of the Universalist Church
Thursday afternoon at 2.30. Sup-
per served from 6 p. m.

GIFTS FOR Children



See our big window
display of gifts for child-
ren. We have dainty
white tables and two
chairs for \$2.50, or red
sets at \$1.15.

White dressers at \$3.00
and kitchen cupboards at
\$4.00.

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mother's, at \$4.50; Cradles at
\$5c and Doll Go-Carts at \$1.00
to \$5.00.

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Yard at \$7.98; Rocking Horses
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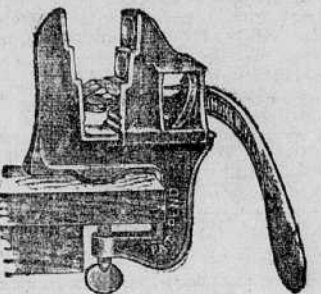
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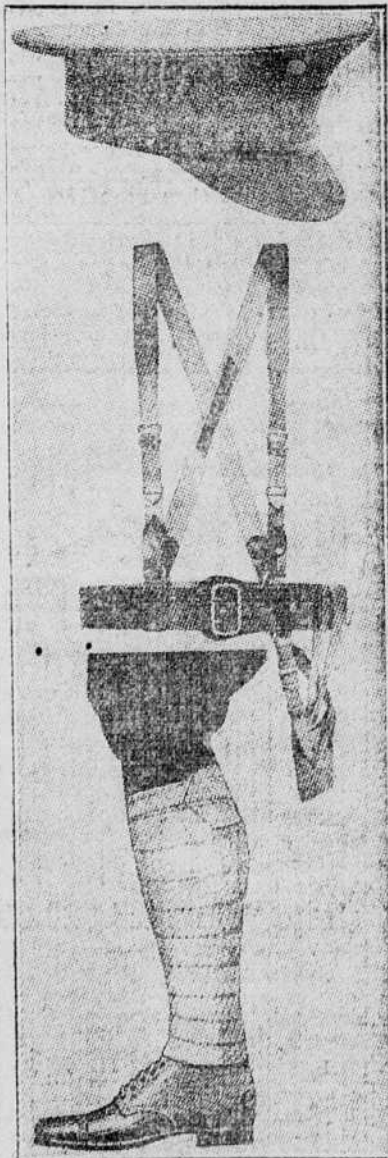
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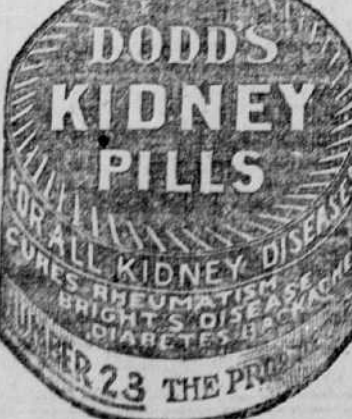
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Deaths Reported

MRS. J. C. FISCHER, COATICOOK.
Coaticook, Dec. 8. (Special)—Mrs.
J. C. Fischer who has been seriously
ill for some time died on Tuesday.
The funeral will take place on Thurs-
day at the Methodist Church at 2.30.

ANOTHER FRENCH BATTALION.
Ottawa, Dec. 8.—Still another bat-
talion of French-Canadians is being
organized for overseas service. It is
not in Quebec Province this time,
however, but in New Brunswick. General
Sam Hughes announced that a
regiment of Acadians was being re-
cruited down there. The command-
ing officer is not yet appointed.



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ROOM AND BOARD WANTED FOR members of 117th Regiment. Apply Capt. Irving, 32 King St.

GOOD HOME WANTED FOR BRIGHT baby girl 8 months old. References required. Box 15, Mansonville, Que.

WANTED TO PURCHASE—A second-hand cash register. Apply Box 93, Compton, Que.

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WANTED TO RENT—PIANO FOR winter months. Box 14, Record.

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MACHINISTS—LATHE MEN, PLANE men and toolmakers wanted. Canadian Ingersoll-Rand Co., Ltd., Sherbrooke.

CARPENTERS WANTED AT ONCE—Apply Anglin, Ltd., Canadian Ram Co., Sherbrooke.

SMART YOUNG MAN WANTED WHO has had some machine shop experience to learn to fix hosiery machines. Paton Manufacturing Co.

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CAROLE SLEIGH, NEWLY PAINTED last year, good condition, for sale cheap. Apply Box 300, Record.

SNOW ROLLERS, ANY WEIGHT OR style, for sale. Write for description and prices to W. L. Fish & Son, Johnville, Que.

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Xmas Shoppers

As there are only about two weeks for shopping before Christmas, we would advise you to start right now and select your Christmas Gifts.

You will find in our store gifts for old and young, and at prices that are the lowest possible for the class of goods we handle.

Our stock is very complete in every detail, and it is to your advantage to pay us a visit before buying from out-of-town catalogues.

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CITY NEWS

Miss Alice Hebert, of Sherbrooke, left last evening for Lawrence, Mass., to spend the winter.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS.

Registrations in the Sherbrooke Division Registry Office during the week ending December 4th.

Elzear Blais to Ovide Delorme lot 130 Centre Ward. Price \$4,500.00.

Ovide Delorme to Mgr. H. O. Chalkoux lot 130 Centre Ward. Price \$1,000.00.

Henry Bartlett to Bush & Bartlett lot 811, part 810 East Ward. Price \$3,000.00.

Bush & Bartlett to Henry Bartlett lot 808 East Ward. Price \$570.00.

Louis Jones to Ludwig Cantin lot 68a East Ward. Price \$3,000.00.

Adelard Beaudet to Louis Deschamps lot 1099 Orford. Price \$175.00.

A. E. Foot to Henry Draper part lot 17a range 7, lot 17a parts lots 18a and 18a range 8 Compton. Price \$1,500.00.

John O'Donnell to William Beaudin lots 1c and 2b range 5, lot 2a range 6 Compton. Price \$7,500.00.

Stephen Parsons to C. A. Parsons lots 16b, 16f, and 16n range 8 Compton. Price \$1,400.00.

Telephone Belanger and G. E. Berin, Liquidators, to G. D. MacKinnon lots 144-287, 288 and 289 South Ward. Price \$10,000.00.

G. D. MacKinnon to MacKinnon, Holmes & Co. Ltd., lots 144-287, 288 and 289 South Ward. Price \$10,000.00.

Telephone Bernier to Saul Audette lots 9-103 and 104 East Ward. Price \$400.00.

William Humphrey to J. A. Prescott W. 1 lot 6 range 9 Ascot. Price \$180.00.

WEST SHEFFORD.

Mr. Lee Knott, who has been very ill for the past two months with blood poisoning, is slowly recovering. His many friends have missed him in both church and social circles.

DAILY NEWS FROM TOWNSHIPS

MONEY FOR ROAD WORK AT MA-ROOG.

Magog, Dec. 8.—(Special)—Mr. Donigan, secretary-treasurer, has received bonds to the amount of \$6,000 from the Quebec Government to aid in paying for the roads that were improved during the summer of 1914.

BIRCHTON MEN ENLIST IN E. T. BATTALION.

Birchton, Dec. 8.—(Special)—The following young men have gone to Sherbrooke for service in the 11th Battalion: K. W. McCrea, William Whitshire, Adelard Mercure, Morrill Coates.

ANOTHER SUTTON BOY ENLISTS.

Sutton, Dec. 8.—(Special)—Mr. E. L. Eland, son of Mrs. Eland of this village, has joined the Cameron Highlanders of Winnipeg, and is now in training for overseas service. Gradually the boys of Sutton are coming forward to do their bit, and the call is urgent, surely. Let others follow suit.

BRAIN FOOD FOR MEN IN TRENCES.

Ottawa, December 8.—The Canadian soldier in the trenches is not to be deprived of his favorite brain food. He will be served fish. General Sir Sam Hughes announces that arrangements have been made to provide the fighting men of the Dominion with Canadian fish, which, because of the effect of the war on the North Sea fishing fleet, can be landed in England at lower prices than the English article. Fish will probably form an article of the soldiers' diet twice a week. Its distribution will be made in England under the supervision of Major Hugh A. Green, of Saskatoon.

\$10.80 Mrs. Yorston, Sawyerville for materials.

\$25.00 from Warden per Mrs. James McLaughlin.

\$11.50 from Ulverton for Anaesthetics per Mrs. G. F. Johnstone.

\$15.00 Proceeds of tea and sale S. S. Club per Miss Grace Channell.

\$5.00 Municipal Chapter I. O. D. E. per Miss Wilson.

MEETING AT ST. PETER'S

St. Francis Association Holds Annual Session in Sherbrooke

BISHOP OF QUEBEC AND OTHER PROMINENT CLERGYMEN PRESENT.

Yesterday, at St. Peter's Church Hall, immediately after the ceremony of the Dedication of the Gibbs' Home for Boys, the opening meeting of the anniversary of the St. Francis District Association of the Church Society of Quebec took place. Rev. Canon Hepburn, Senior Rural Dean, taking the chair.

Those present were the Lord Bishop of Quebec, Rev. Principal Parrock, Rev. Canon Allnatt, Bishop's College, Lennoxville; Rev. Rural Dean Lewis, Bury; Rev. G. H. Parker, Lennoxville; Rev. R. W. E. Wright, St. George's Church, Lennoxville; Rev. J. F. B. Belford, Richmond; Rev. H. C. Dunn, Kingston; Rev. B. Watson, Melbourne; Rev. T. C. Wilson, Waterville; Rev. P. J. Lefebvre, Johnville; Rev. P. Roy, Scottstown; Rev. G. H. A. Murray, Danville; Rev. P. Callis, East Sherbrooke; Rev. Cecil Stevens, Coaticook; Rev. Geo. Pye, Windsor Mills; Rev. J. S. Brewer, Compton; Rev. F. G. Vial, Bishop's College, Lennoxville; Rev. Mr. Bradshaw, Megantic; Rev. Mr. Wheeler, Drummondville; Rev. W. H. Moorhead, Rev. H. R. Bigg, etc.

The meeting opened with prayer, after which the usual business was taken up and disposed of in order. Bishop Williams, in an address, following an appreciative introduction by the chairman, said that the heartiness and sincerity of his reception in the various parishes had greatly touched and pleased him. He had felt that the work of a bishop in a great diocese like that of Quebec would be full of difficulty, but the outlook was most encouraging, and he was sure that both clergy and laity would work together for the glory and honor of God and the good of the Church.

The reports of the clergy were presented in a summarized form by the Rural Deans, also the reports of Church Education in the District.

The following officers were elected: Secretary, Rev. B. Watson, replacing the late Rural Dean Stevens; Treasurer, Mr. E. Hargrave (re-elected); Auditors, Mr. J. A. Cochrane, Lennoxville; Mr. Wm. Speir, Sherbrooke.

A resolution of deep sympathy and condolence was unanimously passed to the Rev. Mr. Adeock, of Portneuf, and his family, in the death of his son, Mr. Willis Adeock, who died nobly on the field of battle, fighting for his country.

A resolution of congratulation was also passed to the Rev. James Hepburn, of Stanstead, Rural Dean, on his appointment as Canon of the Cathedral of Quebec, an honor which from his long service and devoted ministry was well merited.

Rev. Canon Allnatt was requested by the chairman to draw up a suitable memorial resolution in connection with the death of the late lamented Rev. Albert Stevens. Other business was transacted and the benediction pronounced by the Bishop.

The anniversary service at eight o'clock in St. Peter's Church, was well attended. The speaker, Venerable Archdeacon Patterson-Smyth, dealt eloquently and with much sympathy upon the subject of life after death, especially with reference to the men who are suddenly killed upon the field of battle, and his words were full of hope and comfort to the bereaved.

This morning at eight o'clock there was a celebration of the Holy Communion, the Lord Bishop being celebrant, assisted by the Rev. Canon Hepburn. Morning Prayer was said at ten o'clock, followed by a session of the Deacons Board in the Church Hall.

STREET FIGHT AT THETFORD

Row Occurred Over Retaking Possession of Horse Sold Under Lien Note

ONE DEFENDANT FINED \$2 AND COSTS, AND THREE OTHER CASES WITHDRAWN.

Thetford Mines, Dec. 8.—(Special)—A number of cases were down for hearing before Judge Mulvena yesterday, arising out of taking forcible possession of a horse which had been sold under what is called a lien note, by which the seller retained ownership of the horse until full payment of the note.

The owner of the note, one Nadeau, with a number of his brothers, took possession of the horse on the street when driven by members of the Racine family, and proceeded to unharness it. This brought about a street fight in short order, in which a number of persons took part, and wound up with the intervention of the police.

The hearing of the first case arising out of the trouble took up the whole day until after six o'clock, and the Court held the defendant guilty of common assault, and fined him \$2 and costs, or fifteen days in jail. Complainants then withdrew the other three charges based on somewhat similar grounds, each party paying their own costs.

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METRO STARS TO-DAY! Howard Estabrook, supported by Irene Wardell, in the stirring British Military Story.

"FOUR FEATHERS"

The book of the same name, by Captain Massey, has founded this interesting story on the symbol of cowardice, as shown by the White Feather. Metros are in a class by themselves. The name "Four Feathers." The place? Casino Theatre. The time? Wednesday and Thursday. The price? As usual, 10c.

PRINCESS

Orchestra of 8 Musicians! Pearl White in episode 5 of "The Romance of Elaine"; "Pathe News," all Canadian news; Harry Vokors in "Beauty in Distress," a Mutual Casino Comedy; Winifred Greenwood and Ed. Cosen in "Alice of Hudson Bay," a thrilling heart story of the Northwest, in two reels.

SISTER BEATRICE A BRITISH SUBJECT

WILL REFUTE GOSSIP CIRCULATED AGAINST HER WHILE IN CANADA.

Boston, December 8.—Mrs. Caroline Gardner Bartlett, of Boston who is known to the wounded soldiers in France and Belgium as "Sister Beatrice" through the extensive relief work which she has been conducting there, has left Boston for Cleveland to obtain from Myron T. Herrick credentials which will enable her to refute stories circulated in Canada to the effect that she is a German spy.

As soon as she has seen Mr. Herrick, who is familiar with what she has been doing in France, and obtains from him letters identifying her and setting forth some of the facts in regard to her work, Mrs. Bartlett will go to Washington for a conference with the French ambassador, M. Jousserand and expects to obtain from him further credentials. Then she intends to go to Montreal and in person answer the charges of her enemies.

Neither she nor her friends can account for the circulation of the German spy story, but Mrs. Bartlett asserts that it has not the slightest foundation. There are said to be some reasons for believing that it is the work of Germans or people who sympathize with them.

IS A BRITISH SUBJECT.

Cleveland, December 8.—Mrs. Caroline Gardner Bartlett who sought the aid of Myron T. Herrick, former ambassador to France, in her efforts to disprove alleged German spy charges, was advised by the letter to-day to appeal to Cecil Spring-Rice, British Ambassador at Washington. She is a British subject by reason of her marriage to a Canadian.

Mrs. Bartlett was before marriage Miss Caroline Gott, of La Grange, Ohio a family well-known in Lorain County. She was formerly in charge of a hospital in France where she is known as "Sister Beatrice."

Difficulties she had over certain French officials are said by her to have resulted in gossip against her in Canada which hampered her work of securing hospital supplies.

Mr. Herrick said he had never met or heard of Mrs. Bartlett, but listened to her story and examined her papers. Her British citizenship prevented him from acting further, he informed her.

"There was nothing I could do," said Mr. Herrick. "Mrs. Bartlett came well recommended, but I thought the British Ambassador the proper one for her to see."

KINGSEY FALLS.

Arrivals and departures: Mr. B. C. Hastings home after visiting friends in Melbourne and Windsor Mills; Mr. Nelson Magoon from Danville after a few days with friends; Miss H. Burbank, of Danville, guest of Miss H. Duncan recently.

Mr. Hugh Noble is convalescing after his serious illness.

The scholars of the Methodist Sunday School are practicing for a Christmas tree and entertainment on Christmas Eve in the Town Hall. Mrs. J. W. Smith is training the children.

RANDBORO

Arrivals and departures: Mrs. F. J. Parker and Mrs. Lydia Wyman to Coaticook, recently; Mr. H. Coates to Canterbury; Mr. and Mrs. L. Barter to Bury recently; Mr. R. McLaren, to East Angus; Mr. C. E. Speck home after a month's visiting relatives and friends in Champlain, N. Y.; Mr. Burton Willard of East Angus, visiting his mother, Mrs. Willard; Mr. and Mrs. A. Williams, of Bulwer, visiting Mr. N. Rand, recently.

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TWINEBERG CLOTHIER & FURRIER OUTFITTER FOR MEN & WOMEN 147 WELLINGTON ST.

BANK STAFF IN NEW QUARTERS

Manager-in-Chief's Department of
the Canadian Bank of Commerce
Operations

CHANGE WAS MADE NECESSARY OWING TO INCREASING BUSINESS.

The manager-in-chief's department, having supervision over the Eastern Townships division of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, moved on Monday of this week from its offices on the ground floor of the Dufferin avenue branch of that institution to the spacious apartments on the second and third floors of the building, formerly occupied as a residence by the manager-in-chief, Mr. James Mackinnon. The work of this department has increased to such an extent during the last few years that a change was absolutely necessary. The volume of business at the branches under the care of this department continues to grow steadily larger, with a corresponding increase in the staff, and larger quarters were imperative.

The new offices are reached from the handsome doorway facing the river, the entrance to the apartments while used as a residence. Up the staircase and down the wide hallway the rooms open on each side, the front room to the right being occupied by the manager-in-chief, Mr. Mackinnon. The windows afford a fine view of the two rivers, St. Francis and Magog, and look down Dufferin avenue. The deep terra cotta of the rug harmonizes with the general coloring of the walls and fireplace. On the same side of the building, flooded with morning sunshine, is the office of the inspector, Mr. William Spier. In the room the carpet is blue and the walls pale grey. Across the hall Mr. W. P. Rapley, assistant inspector, has the front room, which is finished in different shades of brown, and immediately behind it is the office of Mr. Neil Dinning. Back of this again is a large office, known as the discount room, where the files in daily use are kept, and several of the clerks have their desks.

On the next floor Mr. James Hetherington, of the inspection department, has his special office, the opposite front room being occupied by Mr. G. A. Mitchell, the auditor of the bank and his assistant. A very large room is given up to the stenographers, and another room to the cabinets for letters and documents not in immediate use.

The great height of the ceilings, the large windows and general impression of space and air, makes the apartments most desirable for the purpose for which they are used. The lighting is carefully considered, in most of the offices being of an indirect character. All the woodwork is finished in white, with the exception, of course, of the polished hardwood stairs and floors.

The change was made necessary not only by the growth of the bank and branches generally, increasing the work of the department supervising the Eastern Townships, but by the rapid growth of the Sherbrooke main branch, where more room was urgently required. The extra floor space now secured will be made use of at once, and work is to begin this week on the alterations which will not only benefit the office staff, but will facilitate the transaction of the customers' business.

JAPAN WILL TAKE ACTION.
Tokio, Dec. 8.—It is understood that Japan in view of the disturbed conditions in Shanghai, will adopt measures for the protection of Japanese residents and interests there. Several Japanese warships are already on the spot and the cruiser Tsuru, which has left Yokohama, is believed to be bound for Shanghai.

SHERBROOKE POULTRY SHOW

Annual Event Next Month Expected to Take Place in New Market Building

MEETING IN CONNECTION WITH HOLDING OF PROVINCIAL POULTRY SHOW TO BE HELD AT SAME TIME.

A regular meeting of the Sherbrooke Poultry Association was held last night in the E.T.A.A. offices, with the President, Mr. W. H. Griffith, in the chair, and a good attendance of members.

In all probability the Annual Show which takes place on January 26th, 27th and 28th will be held in the new Market Building on King street. Invitations are being sent out to all the poultry associations and interests in the province, and also to a number of experts to attend a meeting at 2 o'clock p.m. on Thursday, the second day of the show, to devise plans and means for the holding of a Provincial Poultry Show.

Mr. Henry Miles, of the National Farms, Point Fortune, has applied for membership to the Sherbrooke Association and has intimated his desire to exhibit 75 or 100 birds. The outlook for the Sherbrooke Show is brighter than ever before and there is every possibility of a record entry, as the poultry industry is rapidly coming to the front.

Price lists with full particulars will be sent out this week.

DUE TO MILITARY AND NAVAL ACTIVITIES

REASON GIVEN FOR RECALL OF GERMAN ATTACHES AT WASHINGTON.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Secretary Lansing has replied to Germany that the American Government's request for the withdrawal of Captain Boy-Ed and Captain von Papen, the naval and military attaches, respectively, of the German embassy here, was entirely because of their military and naval activities. Secretary Lansing's reply to the German Government's inquiry, which indicated the Berlin Foreign Office intended to contest the withdrawal of the attaches under certain conditions, was delivered in a long communication, which the German embassy immediately forwarded to Berlin. At the embassy all comment on it was refused.

President Wilson has fully approved Secretary Lansing's decision, and it was said authoritatively that it will be adhered to no matter what Germany does.

VEGETABLE PRICES HIGH IN GERMANY

Berlin, via London, Dec. 8.—(Special)—The Government to-day published the maximum wholesale prices for a number of vegetables. These vegetables and the prices per 50 kilograms (112 pounds) follow:

White cabbage, 250 pfennigs (a pfennig equals 1-4 cent); red cabbage, 450 pfennigs; beets and carrots 500 pfennigs; onions, 600 pfennigs. The price of sauerkraut is fixed at 1,200 pfennigs for 50 kilograms. These prices are for point shipment and include the package.

JURY AGAIN DISAGREED

Fate of Ceminero Regarding Cap-
elton Murder Not Yet
Decided

SECOND TRIAL RESULTED IN DIVISION OF OPINION OF ELEVEN TO ONE.

Ceminero's second trial ended yesterday afternoon in another disagreement of the jury in the Court of King's Bench.

The jury returned to Court at 4 p.m., after being absent 55 minutes. On the advice of Mr. Justice Hutchinson they retired again for fifteen minutes, but were still unable to come to an agreement and were afterwards discharged. The jury was divided by eleven to one.

The Court stands adjourned until Tuesday next, the 14th inst. Much curiosity exists as to the next step to be taken in the case.

DEFENCE WITHIN AND WITHOUT

Feature of President Wilson's
Third Annual Message to
United States Congress

SHARPLY DENOUNCES FOREIGN- BORN-EFFORTS TO VIOLATE NEUTRALITY HE RE- GARDS AS SERIOUS.

Washington, Dec. 8.—President Wilson's message to the Congress, yesterday, was devoted, as was expected almost wholly to the question of defence against the foe within as well as without. Perhaps the most sensational part of his address is that making a scathing arraignment of the naturalized and native-born Americans who, sympathizing with the belligerents abroad, have plotted and conspired to violate their own country's neutrality. This the President calls the gravest threat against the national peace and safety and he blushes to admit that these persons, born under other flags, but "welcomed under our generous naturalization laws," to the full freedom and opportunity of America, then have poured the poison of disloyalty into the very arteries of the national life; have brought deep disgrace upon the United States, and have made it necessary that prompt processes of law should be taken by which the country may be purged of their corrupt distempers. Almost every recommendation embodied in the message has to do with plans for strengthening the national defences. The programme included the army and navy plans already made public by Secretaries Garrison and Daniels; legislation for Government owned merchant ships; a rural credit law; the Philippine and Porto Rico bills which fail of final passage at the last session; conservation legislation; a law giving Federal aid to industrial and vocational education; and the creation of a commission to inquire into the transportation problem. In proposing to increase the defences of the country the President says that the nation should not maintain a standing army except for uses which are necessary in times of peace as in times of war, but that the country does believe in a body of free citizens ready and sufficient to take care of themselves and of the Government.

Lieut. McCutcheon then spoke of the 117th E. T. Battalion and said that Lt.-Col. Gilbert was not only a gentleman, but also a very capable officer. The Battalion was not a Sherbrooke Battalion, but was what its name implied, an Eastern Townships Battalion. Therefore, Sawyer-ville must with every other town-ship support their own Battalion. The training was good for the money and he invited the young men to share, what he termed, the finest life in the world.

Lieut. Wyatt then addressed the audience and said: "Those who are not with us must be against us." He said the sacrifices already made by Canada's men must not be allowed to be in vain. He asked the young men to take a paper and pencil and should not go to war. It would surprise them how few of the reasons would be. He concluded his speech with the exhortation to his hearers to be men.

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CANADIANS MUST DO PART

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PLEA MADE TO THE YOUNG MEN TO JOIN THE EASTERN TOWNSHIPS BATTAL- LION.

Sawyer-ville, Dec. 8.—(Special)—A recruiting meeting was held here, last evening, under the auspices of the Montreal Citizens' Recruiting Association, to encourage recruits to join their own Battalion, the 117th Eastern Townships. The chair was occupied by the Rev. Mr. Ford, the speakers being Mr. J. Milton State, of the Association, Lieut. McCutcheon, Lieut. Wyatt, of the 117th, and Piper Hall, of the 73rd Royal Highlanders.

The first speaker was Mr. State, who reminded the audience that the time had arrived for Canadians to shoulder their fair share of the burdens of war. They must realize their responsibilities as part of the Empire, and if Canada did so she would have a full half a million men under arms. Canada has done nobly so far, but it was not enough. The call has gone forth by Royal Appeal for three millions of more men. Canada has accepted the responsibility to raise 100,000 and it was up to the young men to respond to the appeal. Canada must also line up with the other self-governing Dominions and uphold her good name by producing the men her government called for. Mr. State enumerated the pay and allowances of the Canadian soldier, and said it was probably the highest wage ever paid to a soldier of any army in the world. He hoped the men would be called upon to see the worst horrors of war and spoke of the probability of their being used as an Army of Occupation, when the enemy should be driven across his own borders. He also remarked that it required a certain amount of "bravery" for a young man to remain out of khaki.

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IDEA WAS TO MAKE UNITED STA- TES KEEP ALL MUNITIONS FOR OWN USE.

New York, December 8.—The United States Government is in possession of evidence tending to show that Germany, through its secret agent, Franz von Rintelen, spent a huge sum of money in an effort to embroil the United States and Mexico, so as to divert the flow of munition manufactures from the Allies, the idea being that in such an event the United States would need all the munitions manufactured in America for the use of its own armed forces.

Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador has officially denied several times that there was any truth in the story that an effort was made by Germany to start a revolution that would make imperative the armed intervention of the United States. Despite the denials, information has come to the Government that the bringing about of this clash was one of the purposes that brought von Rintelen, reputed friend of the Kaiser, and of Prince Henry of Prussia, to this country last spring.

The failure of von Rintelen is ascribed in part to the fact that he was unable to get together in this country a staff of secret service experts as would have been possible in almost any country in Europe. Instead, he had to depend upon men who were amateurs in secret service activities, and these men "let the cat out of the bag."

The money that von Rintelen had at his command is declared to have been practically unlimited, the figure has been placed as high as \$20,000,000 for the Mexican venture alone. Great sums were expended by the German agent. The Government has traced much of the money and knows how it was expended. There was one item of \$500,000 deposited with the Trans-Atlantic Trust Company, the disposition of practically every cent of which is known to the federal authorities. Practically all of this half-million was used in the effort to bring about trouble in Mexico.

ANNUAL MEETING OF BANK OF MONTREAL OCCASION FOR OPTIMISTIC UTTERANCES.

An exceptional interest attaches this year to the annual meeting of the Bank of Montreal, owing to the insight which it affords into the financial consequences to the country generally of a year of war, and into the views and feelings of its able chief officers regarding the future. Even in ordinary times this annual meeting is a matter of profound interest to every Canadian business man, owing to the magnitude of the interests involved—the assets of the Bank being now in excess of three hundred millions of dollars—and owing to the authoritative character of the pronouncements of the President and of the General Manager on the general business situation.

Both the President, Mr. H. V. Meredith, and the General Manager, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, spoke in a tone of implicit confidence as to what the future had in store for Canada. Mr. Meredith particularly pointed out that if economy is exercised our production of exportable wealth increased and our gold supply and working capital conserved, we can look forward with complacency to the readjustments to be expected and the new set of problems to be faced when the war is over. The history is given in the full report published elsewhere in this paper of the successful manner in which the country was able to face the closing of the London money markets, a success which he attributes largely to the restraint which had been placed upon speculative ventures for some time before the war. The effect of the war upon Canadian trade proved less injurious than was expected, and this year's bountiful harvest may not only be expected to stimulate current trade but to attract renewed emigration to Canada.

The Annual Statement, for the year ending October 30, was notable as revealing a very great increase in the scope of the Bank's business. Deposits alone showed an increase for the year of \$38,800,138.52 an especial mark of public confidence and total assets increased by the magnificent sum of forty-three and a half millions. Owing to the reduced volume of commercial business in the country the demand for commercial accommodation was somewhat less, and in spite of generous recognition of the legitimate needs of ordinary clients and special consideration for those temporarily embarrassed by the prevailing conditions, the total of current loans in Canada fell off from \$108,845,322.36 to \$99,075,506.38. This combined with the increase in deposits (part of which is of a special nature), had the effect of increasing the cash and liquid assets to the record figure of \$170,007,568.09, a ratio of 64.27 per cent. of public liabilities, compared with 55.4 per cent. a year ago; thus placing the Bank of Montreal easily in the front rank of the strongest banking institutions in the world.

With so very large a sum kept in liquid form, and with many special burdens arising out of the war situation (including a war tax of \$127,000), the shareholders of the bank had every reason for the hearty congratulations extended to the President, General Manager, and other officials of the Bank, for their wisdom and foresight, skill and judgment under the most trying conditions that have resulted in a showing that enabled the Bank after paying the usual dividends and bonus to carry forward a handsome balance. Canadians generally will feel pardonable pride in this premier of our national financial institutions.

STILL THEY JOIN THE COLOURS

Montreal Association Sends Che-
que to Help in Recruiting for
E. T. Battalion

TEN THOUSAND REQUIRED TO RECRUIT A REGIMENT UP TO STRENGTH.

A cheque for five hundred dollars was received at the headquarters of the 117th Regiment this morning as a subscription from the Montreal Citizens' Recruiting Association towards defraying the recruiting expenses of the 117th Regiment. This association is doing excellent work along recruiting lines. At the present time three men, with an automobile, are at work in the Townships enlisting men for the 117th, and have all their expenses paid by the Montreal Recruiting Association. It is estimated that it costs about ten thousand dollars to recruit a regiment, and as the Government does not provide money for this purpose, the expenses must be paid from a regimental fund subscribed to by the public or by the officers. As the 117th is an Eastern Townships regiment, there is every reason to believe that the citizens will subscribe generously to this fund, especially those who are unable to go themselves.

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Foster Smith, Danville.
Albert Currie, East Angus.
Ernest Jones, East Angus.
Albert Morphy, Pte. St. Charles.
John A. Gale, Lennoxville.
Arthur Lowe, Lennoxville.
W. J. Bryant, Montreal.
W. A. Killick, Farnham.
Walter Edgell, Lennoxville.
Robert Grubb, Lennoxville.
D. L. LeBaron, North Hatley.
H. G. Hibbard, North Hatley.

RALLY AT RICHMOND TO-NIGHT.

To-night's recruiting rally at Richmond promises to be a big event. Lt.-Col. Gilbert, Major Ewing, Mr. T. J. Parkes, Dr. John Hayes and Mr. Milton State, of the Montreal Citizens' Recruiting Association, will be the speakers.

FRENCH MAKE PROGRESS

(Continued from Page 1.) Corna-Krivolak front.

IMPORTANT BATTLES ARE ENDING.

London, Dec. 8.—Important battles are impending in Mesopotamia, where the German field marshal, Baron Von Der Goltz, has taken command of the Turkish forces, and is about to attack the British forces at Kut-el-Amara; in Southeastern Serbia, where the Bulgarians have already attacked the Anglo-French positions and have been repulsed; on Gallipoli, where according to Turkish accounts the Allies have taken the offensive, and in Belgium and France, where reports from Holland state the Germans have concentrated strong reinforcements and an immense amount of artillery, with the object of striking a blow at the Allied line in Flanders and Artois.

Except in Serbia, the battles have not developed beyond the preliminary stages so far as is known, the artillery alone of the different armies being active. Along the Vardar-Cerna-Karais front, in Serbia, the Bulgarians have already commenced their attack against the Anglo-French, and it is reported that the German army of General Von Gallwitz has been reorganized and reinforced, and is marching south to take part in the operations.

It is evidently the intention of the Germans to strike hard before the Allies, who continue to land troops at Salonika, have completed their preparations. It is reported that the Germans have 40,000 men available. There is no indication of the Bulgarian or Anglo-French strength, but one report says that five Allied divisions (nearly 100,000 men) have been landed thus far. The battle, therefore, will be one of the greatest importance.

According to the French, all the Bulgarian attacks have been repulsed, but the German claims that the French were compelled to give up their positions at the junction of the Vardar and Cerna rivers to avoid being enveloped.

SITUATION OF ALLIES COMPLICATED

The situation for the Allies is complicated by the attitude of the Greek Government. The negotiations at Athens have not yet reached a satisfactory conclusion, and although the Greek King has reaffirmed his neutrality and repeated his assurances that Greek troops will never attack the Allies, the situation still causes great anxiety.

OFFENSIVE AGAINST MONTENEGRINS

The Austrians continue their offensive against the Montenegrins and Serbians, and are following the Serbs into Albania, where the retreat is rendered extremely difficult, owing to the cold weather and the bad roads. There are said to be one hundred thousand Serbian troops and twenty thousand refugees in Albania, and it is reported that the Serbians are taking with them forty thousand Austrian prisoners who were captured during previous campaigns.

The position of the Serbians is rendered even more serious by the success of the Austrian cruiser Novara and destroyers in sinking steamers which had arrived at San Giovanni di Medua with supplies of war material for them.

In view of the probability of Germany asking Great Britain for safe conduct for her attaches, whose recall from the United States has been asked, considerable interest is taken in the action of the German submarine in removing from a Greek steamer the British attaché, Colonel Napier, who was on his way to London from Sofia.

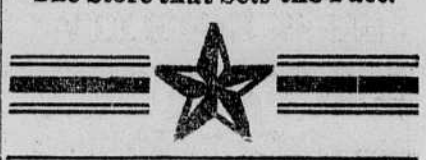
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OPPOSED TO CHURCH UNION

Result So Far Reported to Presby-
tery of Quebec is Adverse to
Giving Up Present Standing

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WILL BE ESTABLISHED AT EAST ANGUS IN NEAR FUTURE.

The Presbytery of Quebec met yesterday afternoon in St. Andrew's Church. The Rev. Mr. McLean, of Danville, moderator, was in the chair.

A deputation of men was present from East Angus and presented a petition asking that a Presbyterian Church be opened in East Angus.

The Presbytery, after hearing what the prospects were for a congregation, granted the petition. A Presbyterian minister will be settled in East Angus in the near future.

A report of the recent vote on church union was given by Rev. J. R. MacLeod, clerk. The total vote so far returned throughout the Presbytery is against union. Some congregations have still to report the result of the vote.

The Rev. W. McMillan and Rev. J. Tanner gave a report on home missions within the bounds of the Presbytery.

A call from Valleyfield, P.E.I., was placed in the hands of Rev. J. M. McLeod, of Grandmère. Mr. McLeod will be released from his congregation at the end of the present year. The Presbytery adjourned to meet in Richmond in March.

Suffered No End of Pain FROM BACKACHES.

If a pain attacks you in the back you should stop and think what it is and what causes it.

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