

CLOSE BONDS BETWEEN THE SOVIET REGIME AND THE COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL

Translation Of Article Showing Relations Between Great Labor Movement And Revolutionary Idea Is Made Public In Washington—Author Claims Hughes Consciously Committed Forgery

Washington, D.C., Dec. 25.—A translation of the full text of the article signed by Steklov, editor of the Soviet organ Ivestia, which appeared in that publication on November 7, 1922, and acknowledged the close bonds between the Soviet regime and the Communist International, has been made public by the State Department.

Excerpts from the article were quoted recently by the State Department in substantiation of its charge that the Soviets were active in conducting revolutionary propaganda in the United States and that there was no real difference between the Communist International and the Soviet Government.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 25.—The spiritual, moral and material bond between them is based on the complete solidarity of interests.

Mr. Hughes, writes the editor, having extracted a few lines out of the general context of the article, added several lines of his own thus changing the sense.

Comparing extracts from the article of November 1922, with the wording cited by Secretary Hughes, M. Steklov attributed the following to Mr. Hughes' own authorship:

But, however, we may look upon the chronological succession of events and on their historical sequence, the close organic and spiritual bond between the Soviet Republic, product of the October revolution, and the Communist International cannot be doubted.

That is a deep truth. On the Russian side the very close bond between the Soviet Republic and the Communist International is not subject to doubt.

REBELS CLAIM WAR REPORTS INACCURATE

Facts Regarding The Military Events Are Cunningly Suppressed They Say.

STRATEGIC MOVE

Evacuation Of Puebla Was Part Of A Pre-Conceived General Plan

Washington, Dec. 25.—Charges that Obregon's ministry of war has been publishing inaccurate reports of the situation in Mexico were contained in private telegrams received here to-day outlining conditions from the standpoint of the Mexican revolutionary forces.

The evacuation of Puebla was ordered simply as a strategic measure convenient for the development of a preconceived plan adopted at a meeting of generals which recently took place at Esperanza.

Revolutionary forces in Tamaulipas have begun military operations and cut communication between Laredo and Tampico.

Departure of Troops. Mexico, Dec. 25.—Departure of a column of infantry, cavalry, artillery and two airplanes under the command of General Roberto Cruz and Fausto Topete toward Teruacar is reported in Puebla specials received here.

Publication of an Obregon manifesto granting fifteen days amnesty to rebellious troops who renounce the rebel movement and reincorporate with loyal forces is bringing hundreds of dispersed officers and men of the Maycotte-Castro forces back into the Federal ranks.

Official report concerning the Puebla incident, Chief General Eugenio Martinez, given out here, states that 1,556 rebel soldiers and 28 officers were captured and 72 officers and 300 soldiers killed.

Julio Carranza, brother of the ex-President, has been arrested at Nuevo Laredo, with seventy followers, while he was attempting to start a revolt, according to Monterey specials.

VENIZELLOS WILL RETURN AT ONCE TO GREEK CAPITAL

Former Premier Decides To Accept Invitation To "Save Country"

ONLY TEMPORARY

Will Act As Guide And Adviser But Will Not Form Cabinet

Paris, Dec. 25.—Former Premier Venizelos has decided to return to Athens and is leaving Paris for Greece forthwith.

He has said nothing up to date, for example, regarding our absolute control of the States of Yucatan, with his ex-Governor Carrillo Puerto in prison; Campeche, Quintana Roo and Tabasco, excepting in the city of Villa Hermosa, located in the last named State.

He will take ship at Marseilles December 29, according to his present plans, and he begs that there shall be no public reception.

MEETS HIS LONG LOST DAUGHTER

Is Restored To His Old Rank Of A Scion Of Old Nobility

Chicago, Dec. 25.—Henri de la Motte, Scion of the nobility of France and long missing here to what is believed to be a large fortune came into at least part of his own yesterday when he was reunited to his daughter, Mrs. Harriet Scott of Albany, N.Y., and today is spending Christmas with his wife and family at Green Bay, Wis.

The old man, for years a street peddler here saw his daughter for the first time in 27 years yesterday and after a joyful but tearful greeting at the depot was hurried to a large department store where he exchanged an old suit of clothes, two shirts, four pairs of socks and a sweater for a brand new outfit that made him look his true part, that of a French nobleman.

Mrs. Scott, widow of Judge Robert Scott, of Albany, had searched fruitlessly for years for her father and it was just this time last year that she saw a picture of him in the line of Chicago peddlers waiting for their license to cry their wares to the Christmas trade on the street corners.

When told that a large fortune probably awaited him in France he looked up from his bed in the Cathedral shelter mission and said: "Son I would rather have \$3 in cash than that prospective fortune."

It was not long, however, before his well-to-do daughter arrived on the scene and he realized his immediate ambition and those familiar with the case insist that he bide fair to realize the fortune in the not distant future.

BODY EXHUMED AND BURNED IN MURDER COTTAGE

Remains Of Crazy Murderer Removed From Its Rude Grave

CAST IN FLAMES

Unknown Parties Set House On Fire After Placing Body There

Jefferson, Me., Dec. 25.—The body of John Snow was exhumed early today from the solitary grave where it was buried yesterday and placed in the cottage where he killed his wife and two other women on Saturday.

The whole countryside was stirred when it was learned that Snow, after killing the wife and son of Deputy Sheriff Frank C. Jewett at their home in Whitefield, had come to the cottage in this town, a mile from Cooper's Mills, where his wife, her aunt and her grandmother lived and had shot all three before he ended his own life.

Funeral services were held yesterday for the three women killed here and burial was in a cemetery in this town. The authorities refused permission for the burial of Snow's body in the cemetery and it was interred without ceremony in a rude grave on the farm where his wife had lived.

Persons Are Unknown. Damariscotta, Me., Dec. 25.—Lincoln authorities today admitted failure to discover the identity of persons who early Christmas morning took from its unmarked grave the body of John Snow, Polish national, who shot five to death on Saturday and then took his own life, placed it in the Brann cottage at Cooper's Mills where three of Snow's victims, his wife and two other women perished and then set fire to the building.

The Weather. Toronto, Dec. 25.—The weather has been mild with light snow or rain from Ontario eastward while an area of high pressure accompanied by somewhat colder weather has come in over Manitoba and Saskatchewan from the northward.

Table with columns: City, Min., Max. Includes Victoria, Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Regina, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Forecast: Lower Lakes—Westerly to northerly winds; fair with stationary or lower temperatures.

WILIA'S DOING TODAY. Chateau Frontenac—Rotary Club Luncheon.

CHRISTMAS PARTONS. Washington, Dec. 25.—Christmas pardons and commutations for eleven men serving terms in Federal penitentiaries were announced yesterday by President Coolidge.

VIOLENT STORM CAUSES SERIOUS LOSS OF LIFE

Highest Velocity In The Last Thirty-Three Years In Government Records

VESSELS WRECKED

Plate Glass Windows And Sign Boards Were Blown Down In Seattle

Seattle, Wn., Dec. 25.—In a storm which wrecked the tug Tye with the loss of four lives in North Pacific waters, and in which the wind reaching 66 miles an hour, the highest velocity in the 33 years that the Government has kept record here, two vessels were still in distress today.

Besides these marine accidents in the Pacific ocean, and the Strait of Juan de Fuca, the steamer Dawn sank at her dock in Seattle on Lake Washington.

A wireless message from the steamship Author, adrift with machinery trouble off the Washington coast, said that she was well away from shore and making 35 miles an hour.

Six Lives Lost. Six lives were taken and damage roughly estimated at two hundred thousand dollars done by a tempest that accompanied Christmas Day to the North Pacific ocean and the parts of Washington and British Columbia adjacent to Puget Sound and Gray's Harbor.

Canadian Tug Wrecked. The dead were: Gus Guarnstrom and Michael Graznow, electrocuted by a fallen wire, and four members of the crew of the Canadian tug Tye, which was swept upon the rocks at Pedder Bay, near Victoria.

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EXTRAORDINARY VALUES IN COATS OF HUDSON SEAL. Offered in the Holt, Renfrew December Fur Sale. Handsome coats of splendid quality of pelt and workmanship and in clever styles, varying in length from the smart three-quarter coat to the full skirt length models.

A Charming Display OF imported Jewellery—showing a complete assortment of Earrings and Pendants. These exquisite pieces are mounted in Solid Silver—set with Marcassites in combination with Crystal, Onyx, Chryso-prase and other semi-precious stones. Prices range from \$6.00 to \$35.00. They must be seen to be appreciated. G. Seifert & Sons Jewellers 16 Fabrique St.

THERE'S very little time left now for telling prospective purchasers what you have to offer for the Holidays. You should reach them by advertising in The Quebec Chronicle Telephone 6000. RAISULI IS NOT DEAD YET. AT RIDEAU CLUB. SERIOUS FIRE. ENJOY YACHTING TRIP ON CHRISTMAS DAY.

A special showing of afternoon dresses for ladies of middle years. In satin and flat crepe, they are perfect for Bridge or Ma-Jongg. From \$19.75. The House of Exclusion Maison Blanche Ltd. Corner Chauveau Avenue and Fabrique Street Open Evenings

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FURNESS-BERMUDA LINE (Bermuda Gov's Official Contract Steamers) Special Holiday Sailing Leaving N. Y. Saturday, Dec. 29...

SECRETARY DAVIS ISSUES REPORT Makes A Number of Suggestions Re Labor Legislation By U.S. Congress

ALWAYS READY FOR Baker's Breakfast Cocoa Growing children want and frequently need more nourishment...

It seems to me that some machinery... The Secretary pointed out that Labor Department is commended by law...



The Holiday Season is an ideal time in which to open a saving's account for your children. The small sums given them during the holidays furnish the opportunity to open a savings account at the Banque Nationale.

FRIGHT SAILINGS Portland to Glasgow Dec. 28... Portland to London Jan. 11...

LIGNE NEW YORK PLYMOUTH HAVRE-PARIS FRANCAISE "PARIS" Jan. 16, Feb. 6, Mar. 12...

Washington, Dec. 25—Legislation touching the interests of laboring men and women at many points was recommended today by Secretary Davis of the Labor Department in his annual report.

Just as good for older people. It is the cocoa of high quality. Made in Canada By Walter Baker & Co. Limited

Without going into details regarding the operations of the Railroad Labor Board, Secretary Davis declared that "apparently the differences between the management of the railroads and their employees have been increased and complicated rather than diminished" through operation of the machinery provided under Section 300 of the Transportation Act.

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ment, and the public. All of these are mutually dependent, and the success of any given industry depends upon its operation along lines which will issue satisfactory returns to all of them.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS RHEUMATISM, BRUISES, DIABETES, BACKACHE

board for examination, as provided under the present law, the Labor Department be empowered to deport them forthwith.

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Mediterranean and Egypt \$800 up Inclusive 44-45 Days

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NEW BASILICA AT ST. ANNE DE BEAUPRE

"In my report of last year I also called attention to the need for more thorough medical inspection at the various ports. I can not refrain from repeating that recommendation with emphasis.

Boswell's Brewery

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THE VIGOR DAY EXPRESS: Except Sunday 9:00 a.m. Arrives Montreal (Place Viger) 3:15 p.m.

NEW BASILICA AT ST. ANNE DE BEAUPRE (continued text)

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"I recommend the enactment of an alien code, and suggest as the prime features of it the following:

Classified Advs. PERSONAL MARRY - For speedy marriage, absolutely the best, largest in the country, established 13 years...

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THE VIGOR NIGHT EXPRESS: 11:55 p.m. Daily Arrives Montreal Windsor Station, 7:20 a.m. Also stops at Mile End, Place Viger, Montreal West and Westmount Stations.

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"The exclusion, as permanent residents or immigrants, of all non-naturalizable aliens of all races.

FOR SALE Swiss roller (canary), and other young birds. All guaranteed good singers.

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Travel CANADIAN PACIFIC TICKET OFFICES: 30 St. John street. Phone 93

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"I am convinced that an alien code based upon these broad principles and carefully framed would make for better aliens for America and a better America for both aliens and citizens."

COAL If you wish to save money on your coal supply, use Besco Coke, at \$14.75 per ton, or in bags at 25c and 50c per bag.

Watch for this Sign It Pays To Investigate

JOS. COTE Limitée The largest Tobacco Chain Store in Quebec, which you will recognize by the above sign, of two pipes.

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"The annual enrollment of all aliens so long as they remain alien. The deportation promptly of all aliens found within the United States in violation of our laws regardless of the length of time they have been within the United States."

MISCELLANEOUS. WE MAKE A SPECIALTY OF cleaning upholstered furniture. Sets called for and delivered to any part of the city.

HETHRINGTON'S BAKER Every Variety of High-grade Bakery Goods, delivered to all parts of the City, daily.

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TO LET. TO LET—Furnished room, very central, in Upper Town. Apply to 109 St. Ann street. dec22x6

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"The speedy and efficient Americanization of all naturalizable aliens within our gates and the elimination of those who can not be Americanized or naturalized for any reason."

FOR THE HOLIDAYS We give with each case of Soft Drinks, such as DRY GINGER ALE and VICHY LEMONADE a nice Calendar.

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LEGAL NOTICES Canada, Province of Quebec, District of Montmagny, No. 1723. Superior Court. Dams Proulx, Blais, wife common as to property of the said Joseph Racine, of St. Fabien, district of Montmagny, and duly authorized to ester en Justice, plaintiff, vs. Joseph Racine, of St. Fabien, district of Montmagny, defendant. An action of separation to property has been instituted, Dec. 25, 1923, by the said Joseph Racine, plaintiff, vs. Joseph Racine, of St. Fabien, district of Montmagny, defendant. An action of separation to property has been instituted, Dec. 25, 1923, by the said Joseph Racine, plaintiff, vs. Joseph Racine, of St. Fabien, district of Montmagny, defendant. An action of separation to property has been instituted, Dec. 25, 1923, by the said Joseph Racine, plaintiff, vs. Joseph Racine, of St. Fabien, district of Montmagny, defendant. An action of separation to property has been instituted, Dec. 25, 1923, by the said Joseph Racine, plaintiff, vs. Joseph Racine, of St. Fabien, district of Montmagny, defendant.

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LOST. LOST—Small leather-covered loose leaf book on Terrace, between 10 and 11 Tuesday morning, Dec. 25. Finder please return to R. F. Livingstone, Chateau Frontenac.

HETHRINGTON'S BAKER (continued text)

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LEGAL NOTICES (continued text)

"Abstracts and Brief Chronicles of the Time"

FOUR KILLED AND TWO WOUNDED

Deputy Sheriff Shot To Death When He Attempted To Make Arrest

Zasard, Ky., Dec. 25.—Four men are dead, another is fatally wounded while a sixth is in a serious condition in a hospital here as a result of three shooting affrays near here Christmas evening and today. The dead are—Wm. Smith, Deputy Sheriff, J. D. Matthews, of Evansville, Ind.; J. R. Hays, negro; Jerry Dunn, Storekeeper, was fatally wounded while Dennis Phillips is in a critical condition. Both are in a hospital here.

Two of the shootings occurred Monday night while Richmond was killed today. Deputy Smith was the first to meet death. He had gone to the home of Phillips at Glomawr, 4 miles from here, having received a report of disturbance there. The latter resisted arrest and a fight in which both men used their pistols ensued. Smith was killed while Phillips, although wounded, escaped into the mountains. Phillips was found today near here and was taken to the hospital in a serious condition.

Officers Drew Their Guns Receiving the report that Deputy Smith had been killed, three other deputies, John Smith, cousin of Wm. Smith, Davidson and Jim Witt started to Glomawr, passing through the little town of Karles, two miles from here when a cracker exploded at their feet. Thinking they had been fired on, the officers drew their guns and opened fire on the store of Jerry Dunn. A bullet passed through the body of Mrs. Dunn and struck Matthews, instantly killing the latter.

After the firing stopped, the body of Hays was found in the store. His first name is not known here. The other killing occurred across the mountain from Hazard. According to reports received here Richmond had gone into the home of Jim Workman against the latter's wishes and Workman discharged the contents of a shotgun into Richmond's body, killing him instantly.

SWISS TRACKS READY FOR GAMES

All Preparations For Olympic Sports In January Are Practically Completed

Chamonix, France, Dec. 25.—The skating rink, ski-jumps, curling rink and bobsleigh chutes for the winter Olympic sports opening January 25th, are now practically finished. The skating rink measures 227 metres in length and 99 metres wide. The track for speed skating possesses all the latest improvements in the way of drainage, water squirting apparatus, electric lights, dressing rooms, etc. It measures 400 metres around and is ten metres wide, excepting at the turns where the width is increased to 25 metres.

In the interior of the track a rink of 70 metres by 30 is reserved for hockey. Figure skating and curling rinks are installed in each corner of the area outside the hockey rink proper. There is accommodation for 10,000 spectators. The ski-jumps are situated on the very slope of Mont Blanc, near the little village of Mont. The taking off track is 79 metres long to the actual jumping off place and the landing track measures 178 metres. The jumper can check the momentum reached in the jump. It is the opinion of experts that all records for ski-jumping will be broken here. A little truck on the narrow gauge railroad used in the building of the jumps, escaping from the workmen at the top of the track, cleared 65 metres before landing.

The bobsleigh track is 1,750 metres long, nearly a mile and a furlong. The downward grade averages 9 metres to the hundred, but in certain spots it reached 14 percent. Some of the turns, numbering 18 in all, are nearly vertical, in two cases reaching an angle of seventy to eighty degrees. The United States, England, Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Spain, Finland, France, Holland, Hungary, Italy, Norway, Roumania, Sweden, Switzerland and Czechoslovakia, have sent in their official entries to the winter games.

WAS FOUND MURDERED IN HER LONELY HOME. St. John, N.B., Dec. 25.—Mrs. Clara Whiteside, 60, was found murdered in her home in Red Head Road, here tonight. Her head was horribly beaten in and she was lying in a pool of blood. She clutched an empty pocket book in her left hand. The woman lived alone and robbery is presumed to be the motive. The police have no clue to the perpetrators of the horrible crime.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY WAS RE-ELECTED Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 25.—Final returns from the constituency where Hon. Albert Prefontaine, Provincial Secretary, was re-elected in Monday's bye-election, gave the Minister a majority of 686 over Maurice Duprey, Independent. Mr. Duprey lost his deposit.

ANXIETY GROWS AS TO SAFETY OF DIRIGIBLE

Present Situation Of Great Uncertain

CREW OF 33

Torpedo Boats Are Kept Under Steam For A Dash To The Rescue

Paris, Dec. 25.—Hope that the French dirigible balloon Dixmude last reported floating out of control over the Tunisian coast will be saved is apparently waning, judging from a communique issued by the Navy Department at seven o'clock tonight. The communique begins:— "News received this afternoon tends to increase the uncertainty of the Dixmude's position and then says that investigation has shown it to be doubtful if the lights reported to have been seen between 6 and 7 o'clock Sunday night could have been from the Dixmude. It is pointed out that the reports did not say the body of the dirigible had been seen. Investigation has also shown that the reports from Biserta and Sfax, on the Tunisian coast, Sunday afternoon, to the effect that the Dixmude was going out to sea apparently in a damaged condition, were incorrect," the statement says. It concludes:— "It results from these facts and the absence of news, which is partly due to the difficulty and slowness of communication that the greatest uncertainty reigns as to the present situation of the Dixmude. A wireless message received from Fort Flatters in the Sahara, Sunday morning, reporting the Dixmude drifting towards the Gulf of Gabes and asking for help seems to have been the last reliable news from the dirigible. (Fort Flatters is about 100 south of the Gulf of Gabes.) The normal crew of the Dixmude numbers 33 including staff, but 52 men of whom 17 were officers started at six o'clock last Tuesday several of them obtaining permission to make the voyage as they were only a few hours short of the fifteen hours flight which is necessary each three months to secure a flight permit.

Toulon, France, Dec. 24.—Every torpedo boat destroyer in the harbor is being kept under steam in readiness for a dash to sea in case word is received of the definite location of the missing dirigible Dixmude. "My plan has been besieged day and night by men, women and children seeking work," one sausage maker reports, "and I may have to erect a barricade around my place to keep out the people who hope to get employment—and food—in a factory of this kind." "Every sausage factory in Hamburg and other German cities have stuck up 'no help wanted' signs but the job-seekers disregarded them and fight to get into any part of the plants which are not guarded.

SHOOTING VICTIM DEAD IN HALIFAX

Mrs. James Duff, Shot On Sunday Died In Hospital Yesterday

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 25.—Mrs. James Duff, aged 44, who was shot twice, is alleged by Cecil Lawrence, aged 22, at her residence at Evansville, near Sturton, on Sunday, died in the Aberdeen Hospital, Glasgow, this afternoon. Mrs. Duff is survived by her husband, and three children. The shooting followed a fight outside the Duff home. Notwithstanding his English name Lawrence is a pole and with his family reside in Cape Breton for several years. He is employed in the mines at Stellarton. He will be charged with murder when brought before the Court in Stellarton.

RECEIVED WORD OF THEIR APPOINTMENT. Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 25.—Right Rev. Mr. J. L. Beckman, Rector of Mount St. Mary's Theological Seminary, North Norwood, Ohio, has been appointed Bishop of Lincoln, Neb., as was announced today in an official but authentic report from Lincoln. Four years ago Monsignor Beckman was honored by Rome when he was made a member of the Papal Household, with the title of Monsignor. This included the right to wear the purple and the Episcopal Rechet. Indianapolis, Dec. 25.—The Rev. Alphonse J. Smith, D.D., Pastor of the St. Joan of Arc Roman Catholic church here, has received notice of his appointment by Pope Pius XI as Bishop of the diocese of Nashville, Tenn. It was announced today.

PASTOR'S WIDOWED WIFE TO WED AGAIN. Toronto, Dec. 25.—It is announced here that Mrs. Emma Katharine Knowles, divorced wife of Revd. Robert E. Knowles, well known author and minister for many years of Knox Presbyterian Church, Galt, Ont., will return to Newberne, N.C., where she was married to Knowles twenty-six years ago, to be married again on January 29 to John Firstbrook, a prominent Baptist and public service man of this city. The divorce in the Knowles case was granted by an Ohio court last March. Mr. Knowles has since married a Buffalo lady.

COMMUNICATED FULL DETAILS

German Gov't. Has Informed The British Gov't. Of All Pourparlers

London, Dec. 25.—The German Government today communicated to the British Government full details of the pourparlers initiated in Paris and Brussels requesting modification of the existing regime in the occupied territory. The German aims include facilitation of traffic and commerce between the occupied and unoccupied territory with the removal of hindrances to railway communication, abolition of export and import licenses and the equalization of tariffs. The communication also urges the necessity of large credits and a stabilization of currency for the occupied area with a view to redeeming the paper money issues by the communer. Further, it asks reinstatement of free Rhineland shipping and the resumption of immunity for members of the Reichstag and Federal parliament, together with freedom of assembly and independence of law courts. It is understood Germany delivered a similar communication to the Italian government. On the subject of the facilitation of railway traffic the communication says what really is needed to relieve the congestion is the recall of all the German railway men, who alone understand the complex railway systems. It argues that a revival of economic life depends on the security of persons and of property, and hence it is necessary to reinstate the authorities and officials and to protect them in the exercise of their duties which include the collection of taxes which are badly needed owing to the increase of unemployment and distress.

POPE REFERS TO SUFFERING IN RUHR. Rome, Dec. 25.—In a speech to the Cardinals who called on him to wish him a Merry Christmas, Pope Pius alluded to his good offices, made with the object of mitigating penalties imposed by the French on Germans who protested against the occupation of the Ruhr and to "relieve the sufferers who open all doors and shorten periods of exile." The Pontiff also alluded to General Degoutte, the French Commander in the occupied regions who, he said, had done everything possible to acquiesce with the requests made to him by Monsignor Testa, the papal representative. He said how sentences of 31 men condemned by French Courts in the Ruhr.

MANY SEEK JOBS IN SAUSAGE FACTORIES. Hamburg, Dec. 25.—About a third of the population of Germany has been seeking jobs in sausage factories during the last few months of particularly high meat prices or so it seems to the sausage manufacturers here. "My plan has been besieged day and night by men, women and children seeking work," one sausage maker reports, "and I may have to erect a barricade around my place to keep out the people who hope to get employment—and food—in a factory of this kind."

THREE KILLED WHEN TRAIL HIT AUTOMOBILE. Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 25.—Three persons were killed and five seriously injured tonight at Deter Creek, when a Nickel Plate engine hit an automobile owned and driven by Frank Newell. The dead are: Mrs. Millison Reeves, 70; Mrs. Sadie Rossmann, 40, and Robt. Newell, 15. The injured are: Frank Newell, his wife and three children.

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CHANCELLOR DICTATED HIS XMAS WISHES

Sends Out Lugubrious Greetings From Broadcasting Radio Station

IMPOVERISHED PEOPLE

Thankful They Can Get A Warm Meal On Christmas Day

Berlin, Dec. 25.—Christmas was a gloomy day in Germany. Chancellor Marx motored over to a broadcasting station late in the afternoon and dictated a lugubrious "Political Christmas Greeting" for the edification of several thousand radio listeners scattered over Germany and nearby states. "We are an impoverished people—so poor that thousands of our fellow citizens are thankful that they are able to get a warm meal these Christmas days through the munificence of foreign charitable institutions," said the Chancellor. He made cordial acknowledgment of Scandinavian, Swiss, United States and other outside relief work and expressed appreciation for the understanding and sympathy for German distress manifested in those quarters. Listeners-in were reminded by the Chancellor that the government's taxation program and retrenchment policies were destined to bring additional individual privation but that these were unavoidable if the nation's disrupted economics were to be saved from complete collapse. Reviews Situation. Reviewing the situation in the Ruhr and the Rhineland, he said the German people and the German government propose to meet their reparations obligations to the full extent of their abilities but this would be impossible if we were to be hindered from having full disposition of our most productive areas. "Bayonets and oppression will never produce economic results," he believed that once the people of the Ruhr and Rhineland were granted their freedom they would promptly show their old-time enthusiasm for their work, despite their present state of under-nourishment and physical privation. "We are a conquered nation," he continued, "but a proud people that demands to live, because it has the right to life, work and happiness. Let us grit our teeth and say that only he is lost who gives up the fight. Let us work, and not despair."

LIBRARIANS TO MEET IN CHICAGO. Chicago, Dec. 25.—The mid-winter meetings of the American Library Association will be held here December 31-January 2. The association's council, league of library commissions, university, college and normal school librarians, Bibliographical Society of America and the executive, educational and library training committees, will participate. President Azariah S. Root of Oberlin college, Oberlin, O., will preside at the bibliographical meetings which will be addressed by a number of middle-western college librarians on subjects relating to books for college students.

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EMPLOYMENT WAS SMALLER

Release Of Approximately 25,000 Persons During Month Of October

Ottawa, Dec. 25.—Employment in all provinces was smaller at the beginning of the month than on Nov. 1, according to official returns from 5,828 employers. These contractions in employment, which involved the release of approximately 25,000 persons, caused the index number to decline from 98.8 on Nov. 1 to 95.7 at the commencement of the present month. Employment during the greater part of the year, however, has shown a favorable tendency; the index number, therefore, is slightly higher than on Dec. 1, 1922, and 1921, when it stood at 95.1 and 87.5 respectively. Among provinces the greatest decrease of over 10,000 persons or 4.8 per cent was recorded during November in Quebec, while in the Prairie Provinces the employers reporting the release of only about 200 workers or two per cent of their pay rolls. Manufacturing and construction showed the largest losses in all districts, although the declines in water transportation in Quebec were very severe owing to the closing of the summer ports. Shipping and stevedoring in the Eastern Provinces, on the other hand, reported considerable improvement in preparation for the winter's work and coal mining in the same district recorded improvement.

ART TREASURES NEED BETTER PROTECTION. Paris, Dec. 25.—The recent theft of two rare Gobelin tapestries from the Versailles palace has alarmed government authorities. The curators have not funds enough to police in really efficient fashion the palace and museums where art treasures worth billions of francs are kept, but several short-cuts to safety have been proposed. The first precaution was an order forbidding guards and guides to tell visitors of the great value of the treasures exhibited. "That would be tempting the devil," the curator at Versailles said. The difficulty of guarding the palaces becomes apparent when it is realized that at Fontainebleau there are 2,000 rooms to be patrolled by a few guard-women much preferred to a few men.

TAHITIANS ADOPT JAZZ AND LOSE NATIONALISM. Papeete, Tahiti, Dec. 14.—(By Mail)—A mid the clamor of self-nationalism throughout the world for self-determination, the Tahitians are almost alone in their lack of national consciousness. The influence of white settlers is largely responsible for this apathy. The Tahitians were a distinctive people. But virtually all memory of traditions, all pride of ancestry have gone, along with their primitive art, their ancient ceremonies, the beauty of their choral music and even the purity of their soft language. The young Tahitian seeks to be a white man—with indifferent success. He has lost his genealogy. Today he is amused by third-rate motion pictures, jazz and the pleasures of the rum bottle.

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B.C.'S STAND ON FREIGHT RATES

Premier Oliver To Confer With Federal Minister Of Public Works

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 25.—To find out exactly where British Columbia stands in its long fight for the reduction of western freight rates, Premier Oliver leaves for Vancouver tonight to confer on the mainland tomorrow with Hon. J. H. King, Federal Minister of Public Works. "We have got a great deal from our rate fight already, but I am not satisfied," said the Premier yesterday in announcing that he planned to confer on public matters with Dr. King. "I hope to find out from Dr. King just where we stand in this matter." The Premier also will discuss with Dr. King the removal of customs duties on freight shipped from Eastern Canada to this coast via the Panama Canal. "The Federal government has appointed a customs officer in New York at our request but the situation with regard to freight moving through the Panama Canal is not clear," he said.

SCHOOL CHILDREN HELP STOP MOTOR ACCIDENTS. San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 25.—One thousand public school boys of San Francisco, from 12 to 18 years old, have been organized into a traffic reserve force. Like the regular traffic policemen they are posted on the corners surrounding schools, where they regulate the progress of automobiles and see that their fellow students cross the streets safely. They study the city ordinances and are drilled in signals by traffic officers of the police department. This is an extension of a campaign against accidents started here two months ago by the police department in cooperation with the California State Automobile Association. A committee of citizens was appointed to work with the police in suppressing reckless driving and careless walking, and in supervising the flow of traffic.

THIEVES ROB CHURCH OF ITS COPPER ROOF. Berlin, Dec. 25.—Stealing of metal articles of every description became so prevalent in Berlin that officials were fearful that all the bronze statues in the parks would be taken, consequently they were removed to places of safety. This form of robbery began last New Year's Day, when one of a group of boxers was sawed off. The metal was cut into small pieces and sold to junk dealers. The theft was traced to two men, who, it was learned, were assisted by their wives and children. The scheme proved so profitable that their relatives and friends engaged in the operations. Metal articles have been stolen from churches, cemeteries and railroad trains and in one instance the copper roof of a church was carried away. The owners of new houses are having the copper waste water pipes concealed in the walls of the first floor in order to keep them out of reach of the metal thieves. Twenty suspects are under arrest.

LAND BANK REPORTS ACTIVE BUSINESS. San Juan, P. R., Dec. 25.—Seventeen hundred applicants for loans totalling more than \$5,000,000 have been made to the Porto Rico branch of the Federal Land Bank of Baltimore during its first year of operation, according to Albert D. Boardman, acting manager. Of the applicants received more than half have been approved for the full amount asked for. There have been few rejections. Loans are now being made at the rate of \$300,000 a month. Loans have been made in almost every municipality of the island, and although coffee growers have been the most numerous among the borrowers, farmers producing almost every crop grown in the island have obtained financial help. The first year's experience has convinced the bank, which operates under the Federal Land Bank of Baltimore, that the farmers of Porto Rico are "industrious, ambitious, honorable and deserving of all the benefits the Land Bank has to offer, so that the island's richest assets, its farms and farmers may go on to their fullest development."

MISSING COASTGUARDS ARE SEEN ONCE MORE. Portland, Ore., Dec. 25.—Eight members of the Yaquina Bay coastguard crew tonight appeared off the entrance to the Bay after being missing since they left Waldport, Ore., twenty miles south of here Monday night. Throughout Monday night and today the guardsmen in their powered lifeboat had battled and with their food supply gone and their supply of gasoline almost exhausted Coastguardsmen here feared that the men would suffer severely before they could reach shore.

WAS FOUND MURDERED IN HER LONELY HOME. St. John, N.B., Dec. 25.—Mrs. Clara Whiteside, 60, was found murdered in her home in Red Head Road, here tonight. Her head was horribly beaten in and she was lying in a pool of blood. She clutched an empty pocket book in her left hand. The woman lived alone and robbery is presumed to be the motive. The police have no clue to the perpetrators of the horrible crime.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY WAS RE-ELECTED Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 25.—Final returns from the constituency where Hon. Albert Prefontaine, Provincial Secretary, was re-elected in Monday's bye-election, gave the Minister a majority of 686 over Maurice Duprey, Independent. Mr. Duprey lost his deposit.

INDICTMENTS ARE DISMISSED

Organizer Of Ball Players' Union Charged With Bribery And False Pretences

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 25.—Two indictments returned by the County Grand Jury last spring against Attorney Ramond J. Cannon, organizer of the Baseball Players' Union, charging him with obtaining money by false pretences and bribery, were dismissed in Municipal Court yesterday on request of F. E. McGovern, Special Prosecutor. Cannon was accused in one indictment of bribing former District Attorney Winfred C. Zabel with a case of imported champagne. Cannon was charged in another indictment with obtaining \$400 from each of two men charged with statutory offenses. He was accused of obtaining the money by representations which were said to be false. Attorney Cannon, when asked about the case to-night, said:—"The case against me was backed by the National and American Leagues. Charles A. Coniskey's private attorney acted as special prosecutor. They had the information and evidence on which the indictments were based as far back as September of 1922, but indictments were not sought or secured until February of 1923. The action was brought with the view of jeopardizing and killing any efforts in behalf of the Baseball Players' Union."

PREMIER MASSEY AT CANADIAN CLUB. The next Luncheon of the Canadian Club will be held at the Chateau Frontenac, on Wednesday, the 26th instant, at 1 o'clock p. m. The guest of honor will be Right Honorable W. F. Massey, Premier of New Zealand. The number of seats being limited every member is requested to reserve his tickets and those of his guests by letter or telephone to the office of the secretary, Mr. Win. LaLue, advocate, (tel. 4520), before five o'clock Monday afternoon.

ADVISES INCREASE IN MOTHER'S ALLOWANCE. Toronto, Dec. 25.—(By Canadian Press)—The Toronto Globe says editorially:—"Dr. Forbes Godfrey, Minister of Health in the Ontario Provincial Government, should get a list of widows in Toronto who are trying to feed, clothe and house three, four or more little children on a Mother's Allowance of \$50 a month, or an average for families of five persons of less than \$2.50 per head per week. He will not visit more than two or three such cases without becoming convinced that the present scale of allowances should be increased at once."

SWEDEN PERFECT METHOD TO DRY OUT WHEAT. Stockholm, Dec. 2.—(By Mail)—A new contrivance for counteracting the destructive influence of damp weather on the grain production of Sweden is a grain drying apparatus. It is believed that the use of this machine will not only prove economical to flour mills, but will at the same time have a definite effect on the impurities of wheat from America. Swedish millers have in the past found it necessary to blend American wheat with Swedish in equal ratio, but by drying native wheat with this apparatus only 30 percent of American wheat will be required for the blend. The machine consists principally of four rotating cylinders with tubes for the circulation of the grain, to which warm air is applied.

ONLY SAFEGUARD OF BRITISH EMPIRE. Winnipeg, Dec. 25.—That teaching of Christianity to the children was the only safeguard of the British Empire and British constitutional authority against infidelity, Bolshevism and Radicalism of every description," was the assertion made by Rev. Canon Bertalaney, of St. Luke's Church, when preaching at a Christmas service in the church. Teaching of the ideals of Christ which are "righteousness, peace and goodwill to all among men" to the young people was absolutely necessary in view of the propaganda of infidelity, Bolshevism and Radicalism of all kinds. That propaganda was aimed at the overthrow of British constitutional authority and the British Empire could only be preserved by combining it by the vigorous teaching of Christian principles on which British constitutional government was based.

FRANCE WILL REPAY LOAN TO URUGUAY. Montevideo, Uruguay, Dec. 25.—A convention has been signed under which France undertakes to pay back to Uruguay the 15,000,000 gold pesos borrowed during the war for the purchase of produce, the repayment to be in ten instalments of 1,500,000 gold pesos each, one to fall due every six months.

GOT AWAY WITH LARGE AMOUNT. Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 25.—Handling to the teller of the Canadian Bank of Commerce here an apparently good cheque stamped accepted, a man on Saturday secured currency totalling \$2,323.50. The forgery was not discovered for several hours after the money had been paid over.

WERE SHORT FOR TEN MILLIONS

Cotton Brokers' Clients Wiped Out Customers Accounts By False Quotations

New York, Dec. 25.—Customers of Scott, Norris and Co., bankrupt cotton brokerage house, have \$10,000,000 on November 2, when their accounts were closed out in fictitious transactions. Benjamin Spicker, twenty year old margin clerk, testified at a bankruptcy hearing here. Accounts for approximately 4,000 bales of cotton, he said, were wiped out when the firm set a false quotation of 29.25 cents a pound, 45 points below the market. When Scott, Norris & Co. failed on November 15, he said, the firm was short 56,000 bales of cotton, worth almost \$10,000,000.

NEED OF PROPHECY IN THE CHURCH TO-DAY. Toronto, Dec. 25.—The need of the prophet in the church of today was the theme of an address by Rev. Dr. S. G. Bland to the Methodist Ministerial Association yesterday. He defined the prophet as being distinct from the priest or pastor—the prophet was a man making new disclosures of the will of God, proclaiming something new, calling for a moral advance, setting forth new standards not generally accepted. Dr. Bland made it abundantly plain that he has little use for the puffy-footed parson who says things in such a smooth and slick style that no one can tell just what he means. There is nothing that in the Bible, he says. Dr. Bland warned the ministers of the danger of over emphasis on pastoral work to the minimizing of the prophetic powers. It was a difficult thing to make the two assume their proper proportions.

MANTOBA MOST MARRIAGE PROVINCE. Winnipeg, Dec. 25.—(By Canadian Press)—Mantoba is perhaps the most marriage province in Canada. No other province is quite so addicted to its young men and women entering into the happy state although there be more marriages performed in some of the other provinces. For instance, in Ontario there were some 24,871 marriages in 1921. But even that only gave Ontario a rate of 8.5 marriages per thousand of its population. Manitoba beat that. It had 8.7 marriages per thousand of its population of 610,000. There must be something about Saskatchewan not conducive to giving in marriage. Its marriage rate in 1921 was low. It is interesting, also, to note that more than half of the brides and grooms married in Western Canada were not Canadian born. The only province in Canada in which practically all those married that year were Canadian born was Prince Edward Island. Of those born outside of Canada, Alberta had the largest percentage of grooms and British Columbia the largest percentage of brides.

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HIS MAJESTY'S LOYAL OPPOSITION

Now that the smoke of battle has cleared away from the initial engagement between opposing forces at the Legislature, it is possible to make some sort of exact appreciation of the capabilities of His Majesty's Loyal Opposition, seventy-five per cent of which is composed of new recruits.

As has already been intimated in these columns the debate of last week demonstrated that a number of these newcomers are possessed of more than average debating skill and it is fair to presume that their effectiveness will be still greater when they have become acclimatized to the atmosphere of the House.

From this point of view, then, the Conservative group represents a force not to be taken lightly by any means and we do not believe that the Government is likely to make the mistake of underrating it.

At the same time, it must be said that the Opposition contains elements of weakness as well as strength; foremost among which must be reckoned lack of balance. Of twenty Members, nearly two-thirds are sitting for constituencies situated on the Island of Montreal; a fact that reflected itself in the prominence given to Montreal matters during the course of debate.

Class representation is no more desirable at Quebec than at Ottawa and a Montreal bloc in the place has no more to commend it than a farmers' bloc in the other. If the Conservatives wish to further extend their gains they must be careful to avoid lending color to the suspicion, undoubtedly entertained, that the Island of Montreal voted as it did in the last elections, less through conversion to the Conservative cause or acceptance of the programme of Arthur Sauve, then through grievance against the Government of the day; and that it is quite as likely to swing back to the Liberal column on the next occasion as to continue its support of the Opposition side.

Nor is there any reason why the Conservatives should not speak for the Province as a whole. Though limited in numbers, its membership outside of Montreal is by no means unrepresentative. From the Montreal rural district there are Two Mountains, Laval, Joliette and Beauharnois; from the Eastern Townships District there is Sherbrooke, its capital city; and from the District of Quebec there are Quebec Centre and Temiscouata, the latter essentially a colonization county. Therefore the Opposition ought to be in as good a position to discuss the needs of agriculture and colonization as it undoubtedly is to discuss those of industry and labor; provided always it escapes committing the capital error of making a fetch of Montreal.

Apart from lack of balance there is a tendency at least towards lack of cohesion. One of the Opposition group has already vehemently proclaimed himself a Liberal in the federal field and another has referred to himself as a "former Liberal." What the precise orientation of the remainder may be we do not know, but it is not improbable that some of them are more "agin the government" than in sympathy with Conservative principles.

Theoretically it is not only possible but right for the individual to support one school of political thought in federal matters and another in provincial matters, since the issues involved are entirely distinct in each case. Practically, however, the thing seldom works out well and experience goes to show that the man whose party sympathies are divided in this way cannot be relied upon too much by either Liberals or Conservatives.

In the same way, it is only honest for the citizen who finds himself no longer able to support the policies of a given party to take the field against it. But when he adopts the policies of the opposing party the only logical course would seem to be to adopt that party at the same time, and the man who styles himself a "former Liberal" in preference to a converted Conservative is only too apt to become a reconstructed Liberal later on.

Thus far, in spite of any private variations of opinion, the followers of Arthur Sauve appear to have reached a satisfactory understanding among themselves, but the variations in question make for disintegration none the less; fine though it may be to speak of "liberty of thought"; and unless the Leader of the Opposition is able to weld his group into a solid Conservative body, the danger will be ever present of its resolving itself again into its constituent elements. Already the Liberals have succeeded in alienating from him the support of one Member who was elected last February as his follower, and the Opposition is not so numerous as to be able to afford many such defections. Future developments in this connection will be watched by the public with keen interest for upon them the success or failure of revived Conservatism in this Province will chiefly depend.

THE STAR'S POLITICS.

Each of the leading Canadian newspapers has commented upon the result of the Kent bye-election according to its own particular political bias and the Montreal Star, which undoubtedly regards itself as a leading newspaper, is no exception to the rule; although its political bias must be described as peculiar as well as particular.

group, because both the Liberals and Conservatives will make a dead end at the third party recruits.

"This country needs a thoroughgoing, full-blooded Conservative Government, not a weak outfit like that which brought on the debacle of 1921. Conservatives who are thinking of the country's good are asking if it is fair to the country and fair to the party to present to the electors only a choice between the discredited Meighen entourage and the King collection, both of which have a past alike discreditable. They want a better war cry.

"As at present arranged, the country in any event is doomed only to weary inaction. Its choice of leaders lies between two men with records of inefficiency, for whom no one but heelers and patronage-mongers can have any enthusiasm or can look with confidence to either of them as the country's deliverer.

"If the Conservatives have the discernment to recognize the truth, the courage to face the situation and to make the party worthy of success it can win the next election."

Anyone who reads these lines might be pardoned for supposing that the Montreal Star and those for whom it speaks exercise a considerable influence in the affairs of the nation, which they can swing to one side or the other as they desire. Now it is true that, by a particularly discreditable roruch, the Montreal paper was able to contribute to the defeat of two Conservative candidates in the city of Montreal at the last elections, but a more material fact is that neither it nor its friends could elect a single candidate in this Province to-day to the office of dog-catcher under any Conservative leader or on any Conservative platform that they might name. Even in 1911, Quebec sent less than a dozen straight Conservatives to Ottawa and at no time since the heyday of Sir John A. Macdonald has the Conservative party been able to look to it for effective support. Yet a pundit in Montreal who has played fast and loose with all parties for some thirty years does not hesitate to dictate to the Conservative Party what it must and what it must not do; entirely failing to perceive that he can accomplish nothing thereby—unless it is to make himself ridiculous.

Ottawa, which has always been and still is the backbone of Conservative organization, has renewed its allegiance to the present party leaders and Alberta has done likewise. Nor does there appear to be any disposition to throw them overboard outside of Quebec and, more particularly, of Montreal. Therefore the Star might do well to keep its advice until it is sought.

The platform which the baronial broadsheet is prepared to support consists of two beautifully simple and eminently patriotic planks. 1. "Kill Meighen," 2. "Wreck the national railways." As for a leader, it is in much the same position as the old maid who, praying to be married, heard an owl outside her window call "towhoo, towhoo," and answered, "anybody, oh Lord! Anybody!" For months it has been working underground wires to start a boom for Sir Arthur Currie and, more recently, it has tried to conscript Hon. Howard Ferguson as it tried to conscript Sir James Whitney to oust Borden, prior to 1911. Both these attempts have failed signally, but, undiscouraged, it is looking for a tool whom it can use.

Whether the Star will eventually contrive to find a man foolish enough to straddle its crazy two-plank platform no one can foretell, but it may be said with confidence that, if it persuades the Conservative Party to accept such a man as its leader, the age of miracles is not passed.

Edmond de Valera is reading Einstein and we trust that he will find congenial surroundings in the fifth dimension.

We trust that Santa Claus was good to all our readers and that the Christmas cheer has been enjoyed without ill effects.

The forecast of continued mild weather by the usual Indian Chief is about the most hopeful indication of winter frosts that has yet come to our notice.

The public, irrespective of political sympathies will regret the death of Mr. Moise O'Bready, Conservative Member of the Legislative Assembly for Sherbrooke, who succumbed to a paralytic stroke on Sunday last before he had had an opportunity to take his seat in the House. This is a severe blow to the Opposition and means a bye-election which they will have difficulty in contesting successfully as Mr. O'Bready's majority in a three-cornered fight at the last elections was by no means an overwhelming one.

A Verse Or Two

A BOY AT CHRISTMAS.

If I could have my wish, it would not be for wealth or fame,  
It would not be for some delight that men who live in luxury claim;  
But it would be that I might rise at three or four a.m. to see,  
With eager, happy, boyish eyes, my presents on the Christmas tree.  
Throughout this world there is no joy, I know now I am growing gray,  
So rich as being just a boy, a little boy on Christmas Day.  
I'd like once more to stand and gaze enraptured on a tinsel tree,  
With eyes that know just how to blaze, a heart still tuned to ecstasy;  
I'd like to feel the old delight, the surging thrills within me come;  
To love a thing with all my might, to grasp the pleasure of a drum;  
To know the meaning of a top—a meaning lost to minds blasé;  
To be just once again a boy, a little boy on Christmas Day.

I'd like to see a pair of skates the way they looked to me back then,  
Before I'd turned from boyhood's gates and marched into the world of men;  
I'd like to see a jackknife, too, with those same eager, dancing eyes  
That couldn't fault or blemish view;  
I'd like to feel the same surprise,  
The pleasure, free from all alloy, that has forever passed away.  
When I was just a little boy and had my faith in Christmas Day.

Oh, little, laughing, roguish lad! the king that rules across the sea  
Would give his sceptre if he had such joy as now belongs to thee!  
And beads of gray would give their gold and all the honors they possess  
Once more within their grasp to hold thy present fee of happiness.  
Earth sends no greater, surer joy, as, too soon, thou, as I, shall say,  
Than that of his who is a boy, a little boy on Christmas Day.

—Edgar A. Guest in Judge.

Correspondence.

GOMPERTS' APPEAL FOR ASSISTANCE

Editor, The Quebec Chronicle, Quebec, P.Q.

Sir.—The appeal for assistance, made by Mr. Samuel Gompers, on behalf of the German trade unions, is an indication to what extent, organized labor, fears the propaganda initiated and aggressively carried on, by the disciples and paid agents of the present Russian Government.

One feels, that it was only upon the strongest possible representations, that the veteran head of the American labor movement, took the action he has. No matter how strongly one may disagree with Gompers, in connection with the policies formulated by the organization of which he is the head, no one would dare say that he is opposed to society as at present constituted, and seeks to bring about its overthrow.

He realizes, that those who are furthering the revolutionary movement, whether they take their orders from Moscow or act upon their own initiative in the United States and Canada, are determined, not only to create bitter discontent and dissatisfaction, but likewise undermine the very foundations upon which society rests. Organized labor as represented by the American Federation of Labor, the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress of this country and the Canadian unions and the National Catholic unions, all admit the necessity for the existence of an organized society, that will protect life, liberty and property.

The trade union movement advocates the securing of concessions by orderly means; first, through direct negotiation between employer and employee and secondly, by means of such legislation as can be obtained, either from the political parties or the presence in Parliament or the Legislature of those specially chosen to represent labor.

In connection with litigation between two factions of Ukrainians, the trial judge, Mr. Justice Kelly stated, that he was astounded to learn of the propaganda that was being carried on by the revolutionary element. In view of the large foreign population which Canada has at present, and which in all likelihood will be increased, the influence of the destructive revolutionary groups must be recognized and every effort made to destroy it.

The success of the Bolshevik in Russia, has induced the belief in the minds of those who are opposed to society as at present constituted, that if their propaganda is sufficiently strong, that victory is within easy reach.

What must not be forgotten by those in this country, and the United States, who pooh, pooh the thought of a possible revolution, is, that the leaders in Russia advocate an armed proletariat. They not only advocate, but declare that force is necessary, in order to overthrow the hated bourgeoisie. If once a sufficient number of workers become converts to the revolutionary cause, and are willing to drill and take up arms, their success in upsetting the Government is a matter of discipline, strength and the possession of the required ammunition, and war equipment.

One realizes that with the small permanent force that Canada has that a body of armed workmen, numbering several thousand would be difficult to meet and overcome. It must be borne in mind, that the Soviet does not depend upon persuasion to effect its ends. It believes in and resorts to force, whether it is engaged in uprooting capitalist society, or dealing with counter-revolutionaries. It would be quite easy to give extracts from the writings, from both Lenin, and Trotsky, and every Bolshevik leader, showing that they advocate force and the shedding of blood. What makes the appeal of Gompers all the stronger, is the decision of Secretary Hughes, refusing recognition to the Soviet Government of Russia, and basing such decision upon intercepted documents, from that country, which are regarded as authentic, and prove that the Russian Government counts upon receiving aid in destroying capitalism in the United States from those at present domiciled in that country.

While the number actually engaged in carrying on a campaign in favor of Bolshevism, in the United States and Canada may be small, they are nevertheless very devoted to their cause and think it worth every possible sacrifice. No amount of evidence showing to what lengths the Bolsheviks have gone, and the sufferings endured by the benighted and benighted workers of Russia, will cause them to swerve one hair's breadth from their course. They regard themselves as crusaders who have a mission, and that until it is fulfilled, they must carry out the wishes of those whom they regard as the saviors of society and the redeemers of the proletariat.

In scores of letters to the press, and hundreds of editorials, the need for carrying on a counter-propaganda has been stressed. The Government of the Dominion and its neighbor to the South have evidently not found it necessary either to inaugurate or subsidize a counter-campaign. They believe that it is best left to either individuals, organizations or the press. Where, however, there is not concerted action on the part of these agencies, the effect of a periodical protest or warning in the press, relative to Bolshevik activities, is of no great or lasting value.

THE QUEBEC CHRONICLE WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1923. JAEGER Fine Pure Wool XMAS LADIES' Camels Hair Coats, Sweaters, Cardigans, Bloomers, Tights, Underwear, Stockings. MEN'S Jaeger Sweaters, Jaeger Cardigans, Jaeger Scarfs, Jaeger Sports Hose, Jaeger Spats. Ladies' C. H. Dressing Gowns, Ladies' two tone Dressing Gowns, Children's Camel Hair Coats, Children's Jersey Suits, Children's Gloves, Children's Caps. Ladies' Lace Scarfs, Ladies' Shirt Waists, Ladies' Pyjamas, Ladies' Gauntlets, Ladies' Underwear, Ladies' Caps. John Darlington Reg'd. Opposite Post Office

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LEGAL NOTICES. Canada, Province of Quebec, District of Beauce, In the Superior Court, No. 7675. Dame Elise Lachance, wife, commencing as to property of Napoleon Doyon, son of Thomas Vital, farmer, of the parish of St. Joseph de Beauce, and duly authorized to enter in justice, plaintiff, vs. the said Napoleon Doyon. An action in separation as to property was instituted this day. St. Joseph de Beauce, 19th December, 1923. Louis Morin, lawyer for the plaintiff. dec22x1m. Canada, Province of Quebec, District of Quebec, In the Superior Court, No. 4611. Diogene Boulet, of St. Gregoire de Montmorency, plaintiff, vs. Joseph Onesime Boulet, Louis Carlos and Octave Coulobme, all of St. Cyrille, defendants. The defendants are ordered to appear within the next month. (Signed) Lucien Gosselin, D.P.S.C. True copy. Dorion & Dorion, attorneys for plaintiff. dec24x2. "Send For Dr. O'Grady," by George A. Birmingham. "Feet of Clay," by Margaret Tuttle. "Big Brother," by Rex Beach. "Happy Isles," by Basil King. "Sir John Dering," by Jeffrey Farnol. "The Gaspards of Pine Croft," by Ralph Connor. "Gods of Modern Grub Street," by A. St. John Adcock and E. O. Hoppe. "Something That Matters," by Lord Riddell. Boy's Own and Girl's Own Annuals, Chatterbox, Chums, Young Canada, etc., etc. P. J. EVOY 141 ST. JOHN STREET. RESORTS—ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. Hotel Dennis ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. This American Plan Hotel is never more comfortable than during the Fall and Winter months on account of its exceptional location and arrangement. WALTER J. BURBY

DAYLIGHT SAVING BEFORE ELECTIONS

Various Cities, Possibly Quebec Included, Will Have Some Clock Juggling

This is the height of the baton and shuttlecock season for poor old daylight savings in Eastern Canada. Sporting organizations, mothers' guilds, school boards and other institutions are busy passing the question on to the city councils and city councils are knocking it back to the people at municipal elections.

Perhaps the next Parliament will unexpectedly take a hand in the matter during the coming session. It has been suggested that the Dominion Government may either present an Act making daylight saving general throughout the Dominion or provide an amendment to the Criminal Code making it illegal for municipalities, industrial concerns or individuals to meddle with standard time.

Indications at present are that various cities in Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces will have a reputation during the summer of 1924, of the clock juggling, watch tinkering and general inconvenience caused in recent years by the variance of time in train, town, country and church. However, the people are getting wise to it. The conscientious three-on-the-dot citizen who carries three watches in three separate pockets set at three separate hours, in order to keep his appointments promptly, has not of late years been considered so much of a joke after all.

It will conform to standard time next summer as usual, it is expected. None of the Provinces are proposing to interfere with "God's time" by the sun. Montreal, Toronto and other cities, however, are in the throes of municipal agitation about the matter. Montreal, for instance, will on January 1 vote on the question: "Are you in favor of continuing Daylight Saving Time during the ensuing three years?" In a vote taken on a similar question last January, deciding it for one year, thousands of Montrealers gave their thumbs up. This year there will be an additional woman vote. The wives of owners and tenants on the municipal voters' list will for the first time be eligible to vote.

The outlook in regard to Daylight Saving for Montreal and districts of the coming year is that in all likelihood a referendum on the matter will be held at the same time as the Municipal Elections in April. The matter will then be put up to the people generally and the question finally decided. It was thought at one time that the City of Montreal had not the right to call a referendum on this matter but the city's legal advisors now report that such a referendum would not be ultra vires of the city council. Opponents of Daylight Saving, among them Mayor Martin, have argued that the present system is popular with industrialists it is distinctly bad for school children. The Mayor's idea is that the mothers of these children ought to have the opportunity to express their opinion in a referendum.

Should Daylight Saving for Montreal be rejected on the referendum vote, it is not unlikely that a similar condition will arise as prevailed last year (1923) when advanced time was turned down by the City Council, but was put into force by a majority of the big corporations and industrial organizations of the city and district. The result was that Daylight Saving was the rule in most offices and shops of Montreal. This gave rise to much uncertainty and confusion.

Quebec city electors will also probably be called upon to decide whether or not they wish to adopt Daylight Saving at the municipal elections on February the 18th, 1924.

POWER TO SEE THAT MUNICIPALITIES BEHAVE. The Department of Municipal Affairs in those Provinces which have adopted it, has proved of great benefit, as was to be expected.

That is the Province of Quebec is to be even stricter in the future if powers, which are to be asked, are granted by the Legislature. On an advisory visit to a municipality which owes over \$80,000 on promissory notes, Mr. Morin, the Deputy Minister, stated that power will be asked to have inspectors supervise municipalities, and see that their finances were properly carried on. He pointed out that the borrowing by the Council, without the authority of the electors, and the consent of the Department, was illegal and led to ruin and bankruptcy; and that, in the future, every Councillor who consented to this would be held personally responsible, and liable to a fine of \$500.

While the Department of Municipal Affairs in Quebec is empowered, very wisely to supervise the handling of Municipal School Sinking Funds, these powers should be extended to include the handling of interest.

We are informed of one municipality that is holding the matter of interest, and this may affect the credit of others. If the Department had the proper power, this would be avoided.

And no well managed municipality would object to this, for the credit of all is concerned in the failure of one.

ARRANGEMENT OF BUILDING CODE

Suggestions Which Might Apply Here Are Made By An Expert

The absolute necessity of a practical Building Code for every municipality is acknowledged by all, and yet it is a question that has not had the attention it deserves in many places. The address is a practical one, by a practical man.

To avoid the complaint that Building Codes are too elaborate, it is advisable to arrange the code in such a way as to be intelligible, not complicated, or too long. The strictly mechanical requirements should be kept in a special code, such as elevators, electric wiring, plumbing, boiler and heating requirements, for all these do not need to trouble the architect.

Next, certain structures should not be included in a general code, such as roller coasters, grain elevators, coal pockets, etc. Where not provided for in general legislation, light, ventilation and sanitation features must, of course, be included.

An introductory chapter is necessary, dealing with methods of administration, procedure, enforcement and penalty, and this should be drawn by a lawyer. The second chapter should contain definitions of words which are used in unusual fashion. The third chapter is a guide fire limits, based upon genuine reasons, and not politics, or real estate owners.

Then come the purely building matters, such as qualitative arrangements of materials as to height, etc., and as to materials, as to construction; then as to erections or destroying buildings. There are many opinions, but we will divide buildings into those used only in the day-time, which may be subdivided into moderate and high fire risks; factories and stores; public buildings; theatres. Then dwellings, subdivided into multiple or single family ones. Then hospitals, jails, etc.

An important feature is that of exits, which should be carefully studied. Another is stairs, which should be made wide enough to carry two to four lines of traffic. "I hope we are all agreed that the time has come to discontinue encouraging fire escapes. . . . I believe in future years we may actually prohibit them." Stair and elevator enclosures need careful supervision.

Fire walls and fire limitations are very important; to be followed by sprinklers, stand-pipes, etc. The alteration of existing buildings requires regulating and supervision. As to engineering, a chapter is needed on excavations and foundations, and another on steel, concrete and timber.

Further rules are needed as to encroachments, procedure in building and specifications of materials, etc. QUEBEC'S OLD GATES. Mayor Samson is endeavoring to have steps taken to restore the old gates which were taken down to meet the needs of increased traffic, says the Municipal Review.

This is a wise move, for the tremendous value of the Ancient Capital, from the point of view of the tourist and traveller is the quaint, old-world buildings. And the restoration of St. Louis and other gates, which were demolished in a mistaken zeal for improvements, would add to the delightful attractions of Quebec.

When that surviving old gate of London, Temple Bar, was restricted traffic too much, it was eventually taken down and re-built. This should have been done in Quebec. But now the only thing possible, is to re-build, and Mayor Samson and his supporters have the right idea.

CHRISTMAS DAY CELEBRATED IN EXCELLENT WAY

Midnight Mass And Snow Ushered In Festive Season In Ancient Capital

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Retail distribution in the Far West and Northwest has been considerably helped by Christmas shopping, and business in most lines shows improvement. Wholesalers at nearly all the large distributing centers, however, continue to complain of the conservatism on the part of buyers. While orders for future delivery are being placed cautiously, and very little in anticipation of requirements, this policy has resulted in unusually depleted stocks on the shelves of retailers. This should tend to bring about more active buying in the not distant future. Collections still drag.

Vancouver reports that, while mild weather has retarded demand for seasonal merchandise, Christmas shopping is in full swing and retail trade is fully up to the average in volume. Wholesale business is rather quiet, as is usual towards the end of the year, but collections are fairly prompt and prospects are generally regarded favorable.

LESS TRAFFIC IS WELCOMED Doctors At Quarantine State See With Satisfaction Decline In Immigration

New York, Dec. 25.—The filling of the immigrant quotas of most of the foreign nations and the usual winter decline in tourist traffic are appreciated more perhaps at the quarantine station maintained by the United States public health service on Staten Island than anywhere else. During the summer and autumn months, such a large number of tourists and tourists' doctors and others are crowded to the station had little spare time.

Often there were a dozen or more ships anchored off Staten Island at one time awaiting permission to proceed to their berths. Consequently the doctors who inquire into the health of every incoming passenger, as well as the crews, of passenger and freight vessels were kept on the jump from sunrise to sunset. Notwithstanding the falling off in traffic with the coming of cold weather, it is not unusual in the course of a day for 15 or more vessels to drop anchor off Staten Island.

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Expected That Losses Due To Mild Weather Will Soon Be Made Up

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U.S. WARSHIPS PLAN MANOEUVRES Mimic Naval War Will Be Staged By Uncle Sam's Fleets in January

Los Angeles, Dec. 23.—Manoeuvres of such magnitude as to constitute a mimic war, rather than a sham battle, will test existing conceptions of defense affecting the Panama Canal when the United States fleet begins its operations for 1924 at midnight on Jan. 3, according to naval officers here.

Prominent among the new phases of combat expected to enter into this "war" for possession of the Canal will be the influence of dirigible aircraft on surface maneuvers at sea. The Shenandoah, the navy's new giant dirigible, will remain aloft throughout the maneuvers, supported strongly by squadrons of combat craft by day, and ascending above the clouds at night.

Eighteen first-line battleships, 72 destroyers, 300 planes of all types, 50 submarines and hundreds of fleet auxiliary craft will combine to make the Canal defense maneuvers the most extensive yet undertaken by the American navy. One feature of the "hostilities" will be landing expedition, to utilize all available marines, who will launch an artillery and infantry attack against the Pacific side of the Canal, which will be defended by a scouting fleet under Vice-Admiral McCully.

LEVIS COUNTY RY. ENSURES WORKERS

Policies Guarantee \$10 Per Week In Case Of Illness And \$1,000 At Death

Mr. Eugene Carrier, a well known resident of Levis was yesterday elected warden of the Notre Dame Church of that city.

Special Collection Collections for the benefit of the Levis Patronage were taken up during both the midnight and ten o'clock masses held in Notre Dame Church yesterday.

Insures Employees Death and sickness insurance policies have been taken out by the Levis County Railway Co. for the benefit of all their employees. These policies consist of a guarantee of \$1,000 in the event of death, and in case of sickness an employee of the company will receive the sum of \$10 per week for a maximum period of fifty weeks.

LEAGUE WOULD PROVIDE FOR ORGANIZED RELIEF Geneva, Dec. 25.—One outcome of the recent Japanese cartoonists is found in the efforts being made by the League of Nations to secure information from all governments concerning the creation of an international organization for the speedy relief of populations stricken by calamities. A proposal to found such an association was made at the last assembly by Senator Cirio, president of the Italian Red Cross.

The underlying idea of the project is inter-governmental cooperation on insurance principles. Governments would undertake to contribute to a fund to be utilized internationally through the various Red Cross societies, to afford organized and adequate relief immediately upon the occurrence of any great disaster within the territory of one of the participating states. The plan is to place the organization under the supervision of the council of the League of Nations, which would act chiefly in an advisory capacity.

LADIES OF THE ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR London, Ont., Dec. 25.—(Canadian Press)—London will soon have the first women's secret society temple on the North American continent. The ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star, which is a companion order for Masonry, have already collected \$10,000 with a view to erecting a \$100,000 building in this city, and are at present preparing to start the final section of their financial campaign.

TO HEAR OFFICERS The Civil Service Commission will receive all officers of the Parliament Buildings who wish to be heard before them at 2.30 p. m. to-morrow (Thursday, Dec. 27) in the Public Bills room, stated Hon. Mr. Caron last evening.

LOOKING FORWARD TO MORE PROSPEROUS YEAR Moscow, Dec. 25.—Both the Russian people and the Russian Government hope to enter the year 1924 with less strain on their purses than during the closing year. High costs of operation in both government and private industries left many deficits at the end of this year. Despite high prices, the Government is trying to introduce economy in all departments and by curbing credit to merchants and even to its own treasury, to force down prices all around.

Russia, for all practical purposes, went on a gold basis late in 1922. All prices in the Moscow and other metropolitan stores are now marked in gold rubles. The year 1924 may see the total disappearance of the unguaranteed paper money. While this strenuous campaign to secure a stable currency was proceeding, the sudden transformation to a gold rate did away with bargains in Russia. The result was that in December prices for commodities other than foodstuffs were from four to five times the pre-war level.

The government shows some signs of making further economic concessions to private capital, during the coming year in order to secure cheaper production. It is hoped to give impetus to a initiative by lifting the limit on salaries of state employees. Some of the best of these men were leaving the government service and going into private business because the limit with the State was \$60 or \$70 a month.

LA GUGNIOLEE ON XMAS EVE

Provisions Collected In Excess Of Last Year's Quota—Not So With Money

All Christmas Eve, morning, afternoon and evening, the representatives of the Commercial Travelers who turned out for La Guigniole, plied their trade throughout the city, mainly en masse or officiating. As in former years the official report of the amount collected and the distribution of the same, will not be available for some days yet.

The amount of provisions collected in most parishes largely exceeds that taken up last year, both as to quality and quantity, but the monetary total is not yet up to that collected in 1922. It may, however, gradually creep up until it reaches the figure set last year, and to that end subscriptions may still be sent to P. O. Box 205.

The parishes of St. Sauveur, St. Roch and St. Maie, according to figures obtainable, are in excess of last year's total, but those of Notre-Dame and St. Jean Baptiste are lower than they were last year. St. Jean Baptiste by nearly a hundred dollars, and Notre Dame between \$150.00 and \$200.00.

It is still time, however, for those whose offices were closed owing to the week-end or for other reasons to send in their contributions by mail, while roomers in hotels, who received cards soliciting subscriptions may do the same, as also may those who were not at home when the collectors called.

The provisions collected have already been distributed by the many branches of the St. Vincent de Paul Society to the large number of families under their charge, who have consequently been supplied with a goodly lot of provisions, enough to keep them from misery for several weeks.

La Guigniole makes a last appeal to those who did not yet contribute, especially the parishes of St. Jean Baptiste and Notre Dame, and the Travelers would regret having to hand in smaller amounts from these parishes than that collected last year.

The amount collected in Notre Dame parish is divided between the Notre Dame parish church, St. Patrick's and the Protestant institutions.

WOMEN MIGHT HELP CANADA

Institutes Could See To It That Canadian Apples Are Placed Before Royalty

New York, Dec. 25.—(By Canadian Press)—Two generations ago Charles Francis Adams, the Minister to England, gave a barrel of Newtown Pippins from his native Massachusetts to Queen Victoria, the flavor of which was pleased that discriminating lady that every year thereafter she ordered a supply of such fruit from the same orchards. And now her similarly discriminating great-granddaughter, Princess Mary, having sampled the output of New Jersey orchards a year ago, is having a crate of Winesaps shipped to England to figure in the dessert of her Christmas dinner.

Under the caption, "Our Supreme Apples," the New York Tribune gives us this interesting information. Ought not the Women's Institutes of Canada see to it that next year the merits of the juicy Canadian apple are placed before Princess Mary. Surely the Prince of Wales might have given her a brotherly hint on the subject: "Our Supreme Apple!" This is terrible!

But in another column of the same paper we are given faint consolation. The expert shopper for the "Column" writes: "We want to talk meats and fowl and fish and got held up at the cheese stand the first thing. Did you ever see a Canadian cheddar, at 40 cents a pound? Pale, soft and with a surprising tang, but not strong—perfect for sandwiches, salads or for a rarebit."

CHATEAU ARRIVALS Among the guests who registered at the Chateau yesterday were C. M. Howard, Montreal; Geo. H. Vaquette, Ottawa; Mr. and Mrs. Sol Kaufman, New York; E. Thompson, A. L. Lewis, New Zealand.

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New Stocks of Practical Goods for Gifts. For Children. For Men. For Women. Centre Pieces. Runners. Oval Centers. At Clearing Prices. Toys.

DEED. PEENEY—At Cap Rouge, on the 24th of December, Michael Peenev, at the age of 73 years and 6 months. Funeral service will take place on Wednesday, the 26th instant, at Cap Rouge Church at 3 a.m., thence to Cap Rouge Cemetery.

EMPIRE To-day Milton Sills and Marguerite de la Motte in "WHAT A WOMAN LEARNED" Drama and Thrills! Regular Prices dec24x2

CLASSIC To-day POLA NEGRI in MAD LOVE Matinees: 15c — Evenings: 25c dec24x2

AUDITORIUM Week Commencing Monday, December 24th. A real entertainment for Xmas week. Huntley Gordon and Norman Shearer (two Montreal people) in "PLEASURE MAD". Huntley Gordon, who plays one of the leading roles in this production, was graduated in his home town of Montreal. Norma Shearer, also leading lady in "Pleasure Mad", has won a prize as the most beautiful girl in Montreal. She was popular in Canadian society, "Pleasure Mad" is one of the most promising pictures of the year. Broke all records all over the States and Canada. Also Big Programme of Vaudeville. Dec. 26x3

Victoria TO-DAY LAST SHOWING "The Gold Diggers" Based on the play by Avery Hopwood with Hope Hampton and a notable cast, including Windham Standing and Louise Fazenda. To-Morrow, Fri. and Sat. LEATRICE JO IN "THE SILENT PARTNER" SUNDAY "THE COMMON LAW"

Canadian Theatre Spectacular Reopening SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30TH FOR ONE WEEK "Richard the Lion-Hearted" Theatre All Renewed For The Beginning of the Year PRICES: REASONABLE

CITY OF QUEBEC CITY HALL BY-LAW No. 31a. To Change the Name of "Jacques Cartier" Ward to That of "Limolou". Drawn up in the French Language. At a meeting of the City Council of the City of Quebec, held in the City Hall, Quebec, on the twenty-first day of December, 1923, the following By-law was read for the first time: It is ordained and enacted and the said Council hereby ordains and enacts as follows, to wit: 1. Article 4 of By-law No. 31, passed the 23rd February, 1917, is amended by replacing the last two words of said article by the word "Limolou". 2. The present By-law is declared forming part of By-law No. 31. PUBLIC NOTICE Is hereby given that the said By-law shall be read a second time for adoption on Friday, the 18th day of January (1924). By order, H. J. J. B. CHOUINARD, City Clerk, dec24x2

NR TO-NIGHT Tomorrow Alright NR A vegetable NR aperient, adds NR moisture, acts NR on the digestive NR and eliminative NR systems, improves NR appetite, relieves NR Sick NR headache, and NR flatulence, corrects NR Constipation. Used for over 30 years. Chips off the Old Block NR NR JUNIORS—Little NR One-third the regular dose. Made of same ingredients, but a nifty NR coated. For children NR and adults.

HOCKEY SEASON WILL BE USHERED IN TO-NIGHT

LOUGHRAN WAS BEATEN BY GREB

Middleweight Champion Was Awarded Decision In Ten Round Bout

Pittsburgh, Dec. 25—Harry Greb of Pittsburgh, middleweight champion of the world, was awarded the decision over Tommy Loughran of Philadelphia at the end of their ten-round match here this afternoon.

TAYLOR AWARDED THE DECISION

Siki Forced Fighting In First Five Rounds Then Faded Away

Philadelphia, Dec. 25—Jack Taylor, Omaha, Neb., neg. heavyweight, was given the decision over Battisti Siki, the Senegalese pugilist in a ten-round bout.

SONS OF IRELAND HELD WORKOUT

Turgeon, Lonergan, Dinan, Morissette, Pedneault, Larocche And Gaudreault Out

The Sons of Ireland Club of the Eastern Canada Hockey League held a workout at the Arena Monday evening, seven players taking the ice.

REMARKABLE PROGRESS MADE IN 20 YEARS

Canada's Commerce And Industry Have Grown Without Any Real Interruption

EXPANSION GENERAL Exports Increased Sixfold—Many Of Dominion Resources Were Developed

BRITISH CONSOLS The price appeals The cigarette satisfies Package of 20 for 25¢

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THREE-CORNERED RACING CONTEST

Zev Likely To Meet Papyrus And Epinarid On English Race Course

New York, Dec. 25—International thoroughbred racing in 1924 may be ushered in on English turf with a three-cornered contest bringing together crack representatives of England, France and the United States.

SPORTING NOTES

The New York State Boxing Commission has formulated some new rules which it hopes will benefit the sport of boxing.

EXPANSION GENERAL

The figures which broke the remarkable stride made by the Dominion in the last twenty years make most interesting reading and illustrate vividly the position which Canada is taking rapidly among the nations of the world.

STUDENTS WORK TO EARN MONEY Many Different Jobs Are Turned To By University Men And Women

WATER POWER DEVELOPED Dating from 1900, when the total installed horse power, was some 150,000 water power development in Canada has been very rapid.

ELECTRICAL SUPPLY TRADE IS BETTER Trade in electrical supplies has been unusually good throughout the current year.

WHEAT ACREAGE LARGER The area sown to wheat rose from less than 5,000 acres in 1901 to more than 22,000,000 acres in 1922.

GERMAN BOBS HOUSE IN WHICH HE LIVED Berlin, Dec. 25—Mister Compote was an extremely popular chap about labor bureaus and factories in Berlin.

POLAND WILL SEEK LARGER U. S. IMMIGRATION Warsaw, Dec. 3—(By Mail)—Thanks to the interest taken by President Wojciechowski in American Poles, the organizers of the circles in various parts of the country for the protection of returning American Poles have been able to set up a central office in Warsaw.

CALGARY BEAT CRESCENTS Calgary, Dec. 25—Neway Lalonde and his Saskatoon Crescents played the part of Santa Claus here this afternoon and made Calgary's Christmas holiday a merry one.

TOMMY GIBBONS FIGHTS FULTON NEXT MONTH St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 25—Tommy Gibbons today agreed to meet Fred Fulton in a ten-round bout in St. Paul in February.

SERIOUSLY INJURED Montreal, Dec. 25—When he was thrown from the buggy in which he was driving and fell beneath a street car this afternoon, Wm. D. Davidson, 51, of this city, suffered severe injuries and was removed to a hospital.

CITY OF QUEBEC CITY HALL BY-LAW 24-P To Amend the By-Law Concerning the Construction of Buildings.

CITY OF QUEBEC CITY HALL BY-LAW No. 59a. Pollicemen's Pension Fund.

CITY OF QUEBEC CITY HALL BY-LAW No. 59. The Accountant of the Police Department shall keep the books of said Commission, and shall be the Secretary and shall, every year, prepare a report which shall be submitted to the said Commission.

CITY OF QUEBEC CITY HALL BY-LAW No. 59. The present By-law is declared forming part of By-law No. 59.

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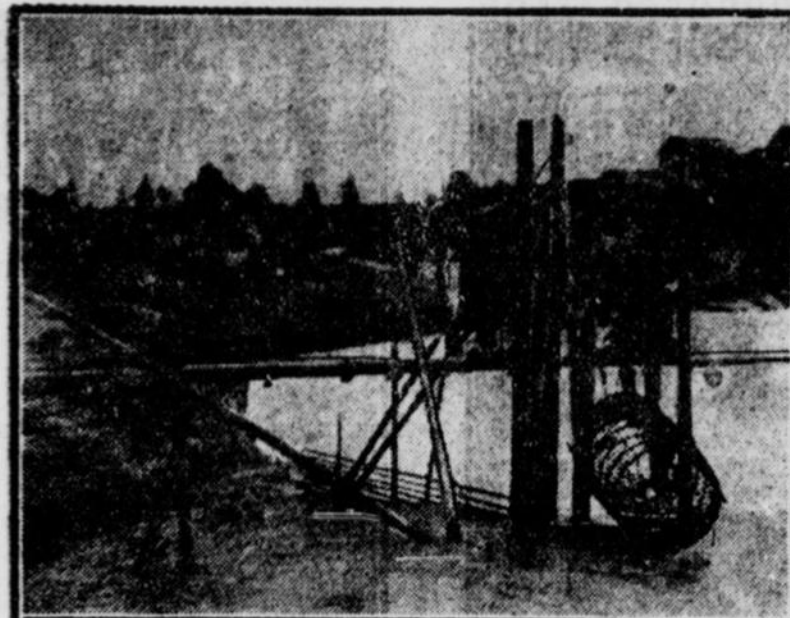
# Bewhiskered Royalty; Cupid Breaks Up Show; Milady Has Pipe!



Natives of Kieta, Solomon Islands, pick up easy money when the naval boys are given shore liberty. These petty officers are buying bows and arrows to exhibit to their bored relatives at home



Admiral Koundouriotis is reported as being regent of Greece following the flight of King George and Queen Elizabeth. The Greek King was advised to quit his throne by the republican cabinet



The Indians have a way of their own for catching salmon in British Columbia waters. Here is shown a trap being dropped for a haul, and a previous victim



Here is the most beautiful "girl" in a Harvard fraternity. Marc Peter, Jr., son of the Swiss ambassador to the United States is "all dressed up" for a college playlet



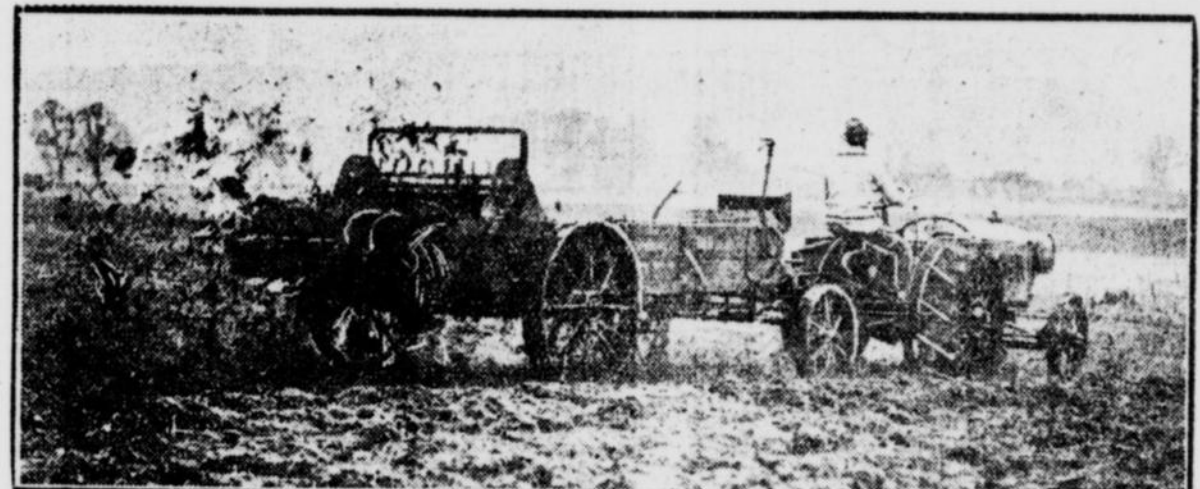
Here are two prize-winning Great Danes, almost as big as their young owner. They were exhibited at a dog show at Croydon, England, recently



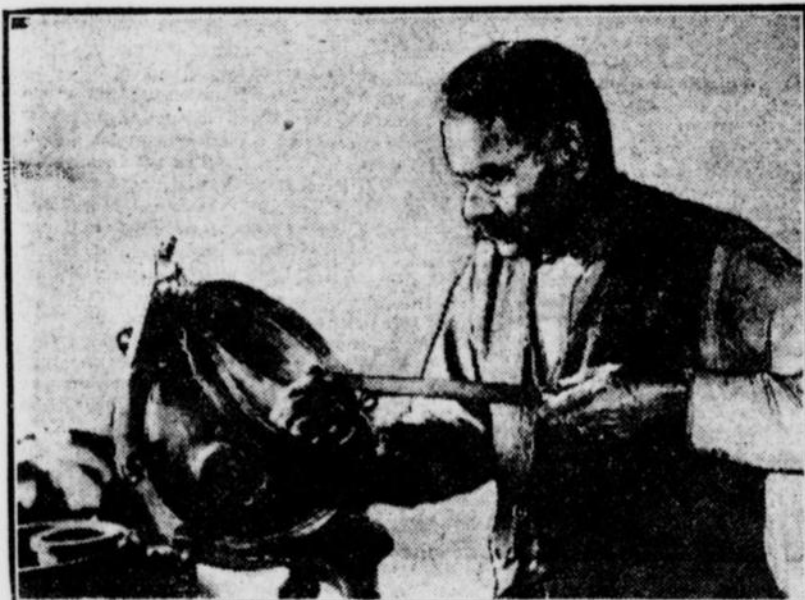
This young lady is proud of her record catch of fish that fell to her mighty rod during a fishing trip off Miami. The landing of two of the much-prized sailfish provided her with plenty of entertainment



For years Andre Chaelot has scoured Great Britain for the most perfect types of British beauty to replace the gaps in his "London Revue," made each season by the many marriages. Photograph shows Miss Elvira Henderson, one of the prettiest of the fair invaders



Old Country farmers are taking every opportunity to put labor-saving devices on the land. Here is shown a large tractor hauling a fertilizer spreader on a farm at Purley, Berks



John Plovak is said to be the greatest diving helmet maker in the world. For forty years he has worked in a little shop on the banks of the Anclote river in Florida, supplying sponge fishermen with headgear



A pipe or Oriental hookah, with a tobacco that is mild and delicately scented, is said to be becoming popular with milady! It has been introduced by a London tobacco blender



Oxford University defeated Cambridge in the annual relay races at Oxford recently. Photograph shows the first change in the half-mile relay race



Mrs. John F. Francisco, acclaimed the world's champion woman horseshoe pitcher, is seen training in Florida, where she is practising for the mid-winter meet to defend her title



Gaze upon the king and queen of poultrydom. This bewhiskered couple were the sole representatives of their species at a poultry show in Omaha recently. White Houdans are said to be very rare



Anton Lang, the Christ of the Oberammergau "Passion Play," is shown beside one of his works in tile stone, depicting a story from Bible history



This striking creation by a Cambridge undergraduate is trimmed with five hundred pounds worth of sable. It is one of the most expensive dresses produced in England



Here is a crude but practical implement used by the natives of the islands of New Guinea for hewing their canoes from trees



An appeal for government help through more schools in leading the Indians of America "back to the rightful heritage of greatness and nobility" was presented to President Coolidge by Miss Pink Muskrat, an Indian girl student at Mount Holyoke College

# Oliver Grows Beard; New Wolf Hunting Armor; Highway Bathtub



An unusual view is shown of Mexico City, Mexico, which is now the objective of both insurgent armies. With the capital in their power, the rebels feel that more than half of the victory is assured for them



Attractive and unique adornments feature some of the latest millinery models. This black and white satin turban shows an "extravagant" tassel on the side as a trimming



The Count and Countess Byron Kuhn de Prok have returned to New York from their honeymoon in North Africa, where the count, an explorer and archeologist, searched for the ruins of ancient Carthage. He believes they will be discovered by spring



The plowman homeward wends his way to hear about the elections. Mrs. Wintringham, M.P., for Louth, one of the three women candidates returned at the last election, explains political issues to one of her constituents



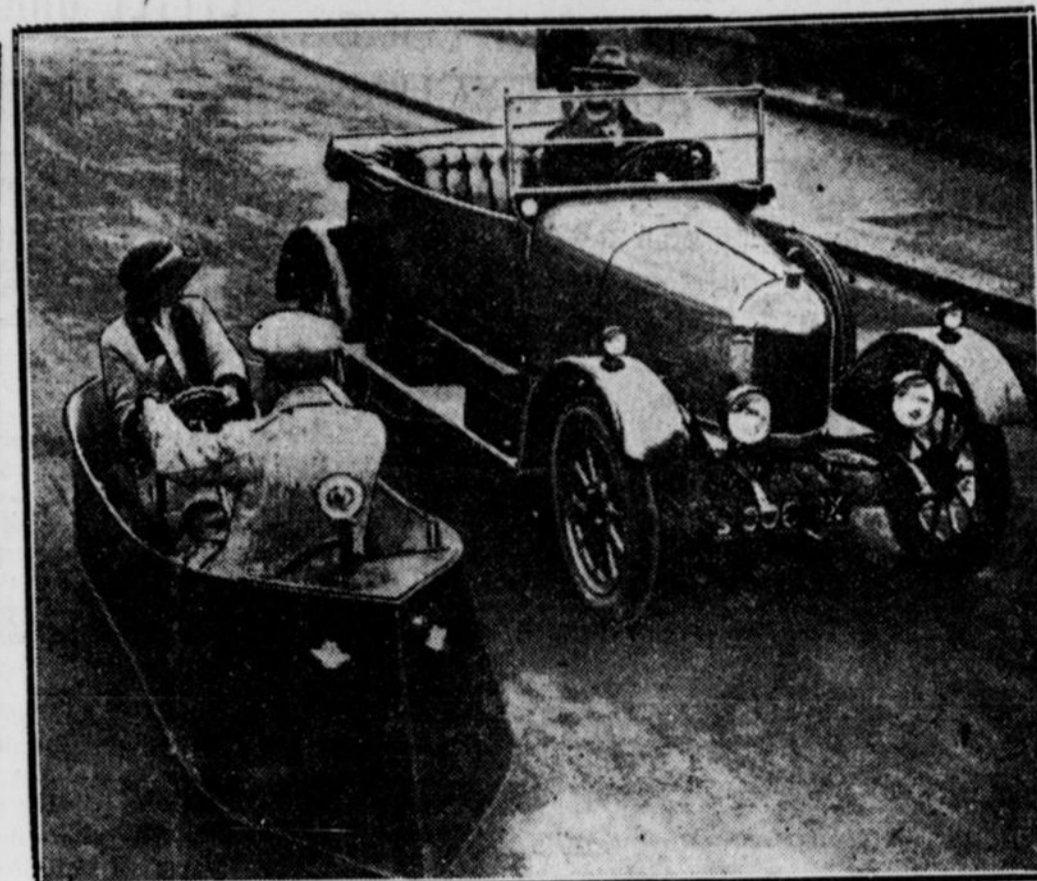
Elinor Glyn, popular novelist, left New York recently for her English home, where she intends spending several weeks' holidays



Miss Hazel Cunningham, long distance swimmer of San Francisco, will attempt to swim from the ocean beach and back through the golden gate, a distance of ten miles, through very rough waters



Stanley Clarkson, of St. Paul, is wearing an anti-wolf equipment, comprising a cowhide suit, covered with spikes an inch long; a helmet and wire mask. He plans to slay wolves in Northern Ontario for government bounties by letting them nibble at his armor, while he clouts them on the head



This bathtub-like vehicle, seen on a London street, is propelled by the pulling of two levers much as one pulls oars of a rowboat. The rider sitting in the back steers the craft



With a touch of the chilly winds of winter approaching, deer at Richmond Park, London, collect in small groups before nightfall to seek shelter



Once a popular bathing beauty of the screen, Marie Prevost has soared to dramatic fame in the leading role of a new production, a satirical comedy-drama with New York society as its setting



Mrs. Mary Brown, known throughout Oxford county, Ontario, as "Grandma Brown," has a remarkably clear memory at the age of over a hundred. She was born in 1823 on the Grand River, near Brantford



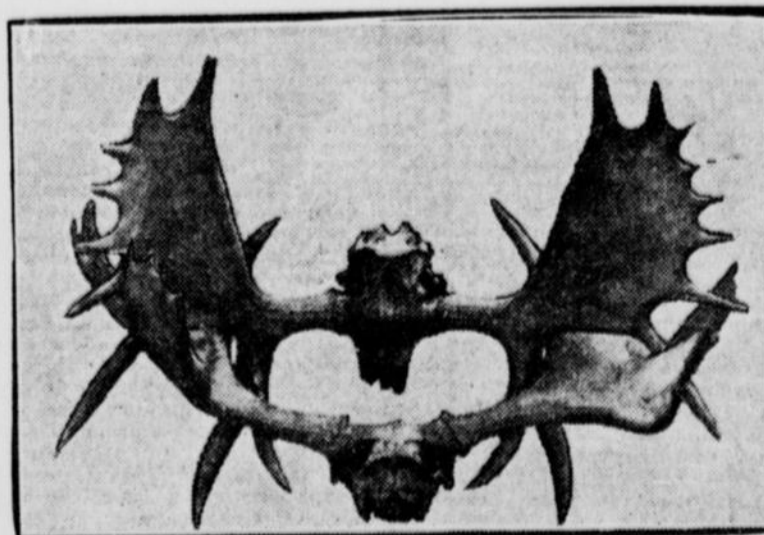
Pile in, boys — Eddie doesn't mind. Here is Collins, star second baseman of the Chicago White Sox, back in his home town of Lansdowne, Pa., giving his own and some of his neighbors' children a ride



Oliver Baldwin, who took the platform for the labor candidates of parliament, grew a beard to make his appearance more striking and perhaps to give himself an air of maturity



With the arriving of steamers in Jamaican waters, a large crowd of natives throng about the side of the vessel, knowing that they will reap a harvest from the tourists, who wish to see them dive for coins



The horns of two bull moose skeletons found north of North Bay were interlocked so tightly that the efforts of four men failed to break them apart. It rarely happens that the victor fails to extricate himself after killing his victim



Here is a new and striking pose of Pope Pius XI, taken recently at the Vatican



During his campaign speeches Lloyd George traveled in a whirlwind manner from one end of the country to the other. He is shown speaking from his train during his Lancashire trip



MONTREAL AND NEW YORK MARKETS WERE SLOW

PRE-HOLIDAY MARKET WAS MARKED BY STRONG TONE ON NEW YORK EXCHANGE

Stock Prices Were Pretty Strong Despite Pre-Holiday General Slow Business On Wall St.—Some Issues Reached New High Levels On Monday—Exchange Was Relatively Dull As Many Brokers Were Absent

New York, Dec. 24—Stock prices displayed a strong tone in today's relatively quiet pre-holiday market, which was featured by a series of bullish demonstrations in special issues.

Predictions of a further advance in crude oil prices in January by oil executives was responsible for a further wave of buying in Standard Oil and independent issues.

Strength of National Lead was attributed in many quarters to speculative expectation of an extra cash or stock dividend.

Trading in the foreign exchange market was quiet with only nominal changes in rates.

Traders in listed bonds on the New York Stock Exchange today were relatively dull, many brokers being absent for the Christmas holidays.

Fractional recessions in the local market were recorded in Denver and Rio Grande issues and some of the steel company issues.

Some of the steel company issues and public utility bonds found moderate support at slight advances.

Practically all of the American Liberty bonds moved forward slightly.

(By BARRY & McMANAMY.)

Table with columns: Stocks, Open, High, Low, Close. Lists various stocks like Amn Loco, Atchafalaya, Baldwin Loco, etc.

Officials to Stop Tearing Up of London Streets. London, Dec. 25—British officials are worked up over the frequent tearing up of the streets of London.

Definitive Bonds for the Dominion of Canada, Refunding 5 Per Cent, 1928 and 1943, are expected by 15th January, 1924.

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LITTLE CHANGE IN BUSINESS

Last Week Was Without Any Very Important Alterations In General Trade

Except for those lines in which there is holiday activity, business is without important alteration. The recent turn to lower temperature, though not generally sustained, gave impetus to retail distribution.

Trade in that branch has lacked uniformity, being relatively larger in some places than in others, but better results than were looked for have appeared in agricultural sections.

The South and Southwest have made encouraging reports, the high price of cotton being a factor there, and demand has held steadier than was expected in some parts of the West.

An estimated gain of about 12 per cent in the value of the year's crops implies an increased buying power in farming communities, while labor is still well employed at most manufacturing centers.

Value of Crops Greater. There were points of more than ordinary interest in the final official report on this year's crops.

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Primary Textile Markets Inactive. The customary seasonal phase of stimulated retail demand and reduced operations in primary channels are present now in the textile trades.

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MODERATELY ACTIVE AND NARROW RANGE OF ISSUES ON MONTREAL EXCHANGE

Atlantic Sugar Common Was Most Prominent On Holiday Market—Quebec Power Was Strong Feature, Closing At New High Of 68 With A Net Gain Of 3 Points—Greatest Loss Was Suffered By Laurentide

Montreal, Dec. 24—Today's session of the Montreal Stock Exchange was moderately active and trading was carried on over a narrow range of issues.

Atlantic Sugar Common, with a turnover of 778 shares was the most prominent stock as regards activity and finished the day with an advance of 1 1/2 points to 19.

Quebec Power was the strong feature of the session, closing at the new high of 68 for a net gain of 3 points.

Another firm spot was St. Maurice Paper registering an advance of 2 points to 104. The greatest loss of the morning was suffered by Laurentide.

Other prices changes included B. E. Steel second preferred up 1-8 Can. Car up half and the preferred up half to the new high of 85; Canadian Cottons up 1-8; Detroit up half; Breweries up quarter; Steamships preferred 3/8.

(By McDougall & Cowans.)

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Government Bonds. VICTORY BONDS—(Free from Income Tax): 1937 5 1/2 p.c. due 1st Dec. 107.75 107.75 107.75 107.75

WAR BONDS: 1925 5 p.c. due 1st Dec. 100.25 100.25 100.25 100.25

VICTORY BONDS—(Subject to Income Tax): 1943 5 1/2 p.c. due 1st Nov. 98.80 98.80 98.80 98.80

Canadian National Rys. Additional Train Service. On account of Christmas and New Year's heavy travel the Canadian National Rys have made arrangements for trains 51 and 52.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA. In sunny California this winter hundreds of Canadians will again revel in the beauty of the orange groves, the pepper trees and palms.

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UNION BANK OF CANADA 59th ANNUAL STATEMENT 30th NOVEMBER, 1923

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT. Balance at credit of account, 30th November, 1922 \$483,175.85 Transferred to Contingent Reserve Account, 19th June, 1923... 331,910.69

Net profits for the year, after deducting expenses of management, interest due depositors, reserving for interest and exchange, and making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts, have amounted to 1,032,432.15

LIABILITIES. Capital Stock \$ 8,000,000.00 Ret Account \$ 1,750,000.00 Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward... 317,074.73

ASSETS. Gold and Silver Coin \$ 1,108,196.90 Dominion Government Notes \$ 8,977,191.00

Deposits with the Minister of Finance for the purposes of the Circulation Fund \$ 356,000.00 Deposit in the Central Gold Reserves \$ 2,800,000.00

Notes of other Banks \$ 743,215.00 United States and other Foreign Currencies \$ 42,761.27

Cheques on other Banks \$ 4,192,561.55 Balances due by other Banks in Canada \$ 97,514.22

Balances due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada \$ 1,818,572.22 Dominion and Provincial Government Securities not exceeding market value \$ 16,194,856.42

Canadian Municipal Securities, and British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian not exceeding market value \$ 7,035,660.77

Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks not exceeding market value \$ 3,565,471.06

Call and Short (not exceeding 30 days) Loans in Canada, on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks and other Securities of a sufficient marketable value to cover \$ 1,096,025.25

Call and Short (not exceeding 30 days) Loans elsewhere than in Canada, on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks and other Securities of a sufficient marketable value to cover \$ 462,181.51

Demand Loans in Canada secured by grain \$ 9,407,471.93

Loans to Governments and Municipalities \$ 57,877,890.11 Other Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less rebate of interest) after making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts \$ 53,488,349.19

Real Estate other than Bank Premises \$ 2,484,834.72 Mortgages on Real Estate sold by the Bank \$ 407,529.60

Non-Current Loans, estimated loss provided for \$ 701,266.64 Bank Premises, at not more than cost, less amounts (if any) written off \$ 2,377,507.39

Liabilities of Customers under Letters of Credit, as per contra \$ 1,329,993.94 Shares and bonds of and loans to controlled companies \$ 2,149,744.00

Other Assets not included in the foregoing \$ 9,777.23

PAPER CURRENCY IS CRITICIZED

German Publicists Are Cursing Chinese Inventors Of System Of Paper Money. Leipzig, Dec. 25—Chinese financiers are cursed by German publicists for having devised paper money and made it possible for the modern world to be flooded by the valueless output of overworked money-presses.

DESTROY INSANITARY MEAT.

Washington, Dec. 24—Federal inspection laws have been in operation for 17 years. During this time more than 3,500,000 whole carcasses and more than 12,000,000 parts of carcasses have been condemned and made unfit for food purposes through the vigilance of Federal meat inspectors.

URGES PEDESTRIANS TO WALK ON LEFT HAND SIDE OF ROAD.

Harrisburg, Dec. 24—In an effort to reduce the number of accidents to pedestrians on the public highways of this State, the Pennsylvania Motor Federation is urging publicity for the recommendation of the American Automobile Association that persons on the highway, especially at night, face the traffic by walking on the left side of the road.

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RESIGNING FROM VICTORIAN ORDER

Mrs. Hanington Is Leaving Order, Resignation Taking Effect On Last Of Year

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 25—(Canadian Press)—After leading Canada's pioneer public health organization through the years that were the most critical in its history, Mrs. J. Charlotte Hanington, fourth chief superintendent of the Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada is leaving the order, her resignation taking effect the last of the year. Mrs. Hanington came to the order in 1917. She is a native of St. John, N.B.; after her marriage to Major Henry Hanington she lived in British Columbia, being identified with voluntary district nursing among sick children. The Order has done invaluable work under her guidance. "It is the finest maternity service in the continent", Mrs. Hanington says, "and the only one giving service day and night". Although she has every reason for satisfaction in the greatness of the work accomplished under her direction, Mrs. Hanington is far from contented with conditions today. She feels that too many well-trained nurses are leaving the order. An order diploma with a good record on file opens the door to almost any position. She believes that today the order's path should lie in providing district nursing service wherever it is not available.

One on Beaverbrook The British Weekly quotes a very good story which Lord Beaverbrook is said to tell against himself. His mother, Mrs. Aiken, was in Scotland some little time ago. A gentleman, on being introduced to her, said: "Mrs. Aiken, I have the honor of knowing your very distinguished son." "Indeed?" replied Mrs. Aiken, cordially "I am very glad. Which son?"

Royalty in Horn Rims H. R. H. the Duke of York is to rent a pew at the Church of St. John the Baptist, Kingston Vale, the nearest church to the White Lodge, Richmond park. Queen Mary used to occupy this same pew before her marriage, and also her mother, the late Duchess of Teck. The Duke has settled down as "the equine" with a wire netting to be the best obtainable—and various other hobbies, he is in for a comfortable, though not extravagant time.

The Yorks Queen Mary's hobbies are simple ones. She is now spending many enjoyable hours with her crochet, making little presents that will be much prized. Her Majesty is also a skillful knitter—in fact she is adept at all the more homely arts.

The Queen's Hobbies It is stated that the Queen-Mother is to spend most of her time in her Norfolk home, and London in consequence, will be seeing less of her. Queen Alexandra is extraordinarily agile for her age, and takes just as much interest in everyday affairs as ever, particularly those that concern the people generally.

Great Japanese Woman Mrs. Suzuki, a daughter of Japan, who is probably the foremost business woman of the entire world, has an income in excess of \$50,000 a day yet she is content to live as modestly as when, a score of years ago, she helped to do her own housework in the intervals of managing the small sugar refinery which she had inherited from her husband. Today this



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MADE IN CANADA. CONTAINS NO ALUM. HOME-MAKING HELPS. "Everything About the House Helps to Make the Home" (By Wanda Barton) Economy to be Exercised in Carving at Table

Though fashion has decreed that carving shall not be done at the ultra-fashionable dinner table, it still takes place at the table in old-fashioned homes and in homes where food economy plays an important part. To understand the art of carving and to practice it correctly is a great help in serving, but a still greater help in economy.

The carver should carve all that is likely to be needed for the first helping at one time, then serve continuously, plate after plate, until all are supplied. This is a better method than to serve while the carving is being done as the distribution is in this way is more even. Where the round roast of beef is being carved the fork should be put into the least-done side and held there firmly with the left hand while the knife held in the right hand slices directly across the grain in slices about a quarter-inch in thickness. With a small fork at hand for the purpose, each slice should be lifted to a hot plate and passed, one slice to each person.

In carving sirloin or porterhouse steak with the sharp knife, cut along the sides of the bone first, then starting from the top of the tee-bone, slice it across in stripes about an inch and a half in width. The portion just inside the tee-bone, where the tenderloin is located, may be divided into small pieces so as to give a small piece with each carving.

In carving turkey or roast capon, place the bird on the platter with the drumsticks at the left of the carver. Insert the carving fork into the side of the leg, sever the joint and lay it aside. Then pierce the second joint, cut down each side of the joint and bend it over with the fork to the platter. Sever the joint and lift it out. Next, pierce the heavy part of the wing and sever the heavy part of the wing and sever the joint at the shoulder. The side of the bird is now ready for the carving of the breast meat and the dark meat. After slicing the needed amount of meat, the apron net may have a spoonful of the stuffing added before it is passed. For the ordinary family, one side of the turkey is all that will be required at one meal. If the sinews were drawn from the turkey leg before cooking, it may be sliced instead of being served whole. The French breast makes carving easier.

net of her enterprises covers the whole civilized world, from Melbourne to the Yukon and from Calcutta to New York. Her ships, factories and mines she counts in thousands, and she holds in her tiny hands the threads of one of the vastest and most complex businesses on earth.

WAS WOMAN'S DAY IN TORONTO CHURCH Toronto, Ont., Dec. 25—(Canadian Press)—Women did the preaching, the praying, the singing and the ushering in Wesley Methodist Church on a recent Sunday when the service was conducted by the Women's association of that church. Dr. Margaret Patterson, Toronto's woman magistrate, preached on the topic of "Women's Influence," and strongly counselled the girls of today to beware of the follies and flippancies of the age. Incidentally, Dr. Patterson admonished the maidens of today to avoid paint and powder. "Your bodies are the temples of the Holy Spirit to dwell in," she reminded them. "You would not think of coming up to the altar of this church, and putting a lot of paint and powder on it. Friendship closes its eyes rather than see the moon eclipsed, while a nice denial that it is ever at the full.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. R. L. Sewell is in town from Grand'Mere, for a few days. Mr. Antoine Aubry of Grand-Mere is spending the holidays in Quebec. Miss Allison Fliset is spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. John Sharples, the Esplanade. Mr. Reginald Ray is spending the holidays with his parents, Colonel and Mrs. Walter Ray, Anne street.

The Rt. Hon. Mr. Massey, Premier of New Zealand, arrived in town yesterday and is a guest at the Chateau. H.H.H. Prince George, the King's fourth son, celebrated on December 21st, the twenty-first anniversary of his birth.

Mr. Moore McNaughton is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Wm. McNaughton, Saunders street, for the Christmas season. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Brown and baby son, are spending the Christmas season in Portland, Me., with Mr. Brown's parents. Sir Eugene Fliset arrived in town from Rimouski on Friday and joined Lady Fliset and his daughters at the Chateau Frontenac.

Mr. Jack Scott is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Colonel and Mrs. J. A. Scott, at the Chateau Frontenac. Mr. A. McLewick of Montreal, has arrived in town to spend the holidays, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Duggan, 63 Price street.

Miss Dorothy Cook is here from St. Anne de Bellevue, for the Christmas season, visiting her mother, Mrs. William Cook, College Court. Mrs. Jules Gauthier of Jonquiere and Miss Marguerite Chouinard, arrived in Quebec Monday to spend Christmas with their father, Mr. Ernest Chouinard, St. Famille St.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Veinla, Miss Jeanne Boisvert and Miss Marthe Belleau of this city, who have been in Paris for some months, will spend the holiday season, at Nice. Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Thompson, Miss Thompson and Mr. R. Carman, of Montreal, are the guests for Christmas, of Major and Mrs. W. Leo MacWilliam at Charlesbourg.

Mrs. Andrew Ralfof of this city spent Christmas in Montreal, as the guest of the Misses Shaw, Oldfield Avenue. Mrs. Ralfof is leaving shortly for Toronto, where she will reside in the future. Mrs. Henri Bray will entertain at the lunch hour today at the Chateau Frontenac, in honour of Mrs. T. J. Donohue and of Miss Ida Donohue, on the occasion of their approaching departure for Europe.

THE HOME KITCHEN

By JEANNETTE YOUNG NORTON The Authority on Home Cooking The Steamer and Its Many Uses In our grandmothers' time hardly a day passed in which the steamer did not occupy its space on the kitchen stove, for old-fashioned cooks were greatly in favor of steamed foods. Foreign cooks also make use of the steamer much more frequently than cooks in modern American kitchens do. Many desserts and a few of the hearty foods call for steaming. It is a well-known fact that certain of the vegetables are at their best when cooked by this method. In cooking by steam the kettle underneath should be kept filled to the same height during the process by adding hot water in small quantities so as not to disturb the boiling. The water boils out rapidly and the additions must not be forgotten or the dish will be spoiled, especially if it contains baking powder or is a yeast product. English Steamed Potatoes Pare as many white potatoes as are to be needed and let them stand a half hour in cold water to draw out the starch. Drain and lay the potatoes in a steamer and steam for thirty minutes, or until tender when pierced with a broom splinter. Place the potatoes in a hot dish and pour over them a little melted butter, with a little chopped parsley, pepper, and salt. The potatoes will be found delicate and meaty in texture and very delicious in flavor. Fish Padding Free two pounds of fresh codfish from skin and bones, then cut into small pieces and run it through the meat chopper, or chop it in a bowl. Season the fish with pepper, salt, juice of an onion, a quarter cupful of washed capers, and a quarter cupful of blanched and chopped almonds. Beat the whites of four eggs very stiff and fold in with a cupful of heavy cream. Mix the cod with the pour into a greased mould, cover with a buttered paper and steam for forty minutes. Serve with a good drawn butter after unrolling on a hot dish. Steamed Stuffed Cabbage Put through the meat chopper a pound of any sort of cold meat with an onion and a stemmed and seeded pepper. Season the meat with pepper, salt, a little curry powder, and a little soft butter and a teaspoonful of Worcestershire sauce, and enough sweet cream to moisten the mass. Boil a firm small cabbage for twenty minutes, then lift it and drain it. Cut out the heart and enough leaf to fill in the meat mixture. Close the top with a leaf of the cabbage and place in a steamer to steam for an hour and a quarter. Serve on a hot dish with melted butter for a sauce. Fruit Puffs Mix one pint of flour with two teaspoonfuls of baking powder and a half teaspoonful of salt. Make into a soft batter with a little rich milk and add a teaspoonful of grease as many cups as are needed and put a spoonful of the batter into each of a dozen spoonful of fresh fruit or strawberry jam, then another spoonful of the batter. Place the cups in the steamer and steam for twenty minutes. Unmould on small dishes and serve with any good pudding sauce liked.

WOMEN'S MEETINGS TO-DAY

Notices of Women's meetings may be sent to the Chronicle, care of the Social Editor. Quebec Garrison Badminton Club, Drill Hall, Grande Allee, 3.00 p. m. Chinese Sponge Cake Mix ten fresh eggs in a mixing bowl, beating them well, add a pound of sugar and beat thirty minutes in one direction. Add a teaspoonful of lemon juice and three quarters of a pound of flour beaten smooth. Pour into a lightly greased pan lightly dusted with flour, and steam for three-quarters of an hour. Dust with powdered sugar and scatter sunflower seed over the top. If the seeds are not procurable, the sugar will do alone. Steamed Apples Quarter and core as many apples as needed, placing them in a buttered dish and dusting them with a little sugar and a tiny bit of salt. Dot with butter, sprinkle with a quarter cupful of water and steam until the apples are done. Fry a few slices of bacon, lay them over the apples and put the mixture under the broiler for a few minutes to lightly brown. Serve as a vegetable with roast pork.

RADIO PROGRAMME

Schenectady, N. Y., WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 790 Kilocycles (330 Meters) WGY—General Electric Company. Eastern Standard Time 11:55 a.m.—Time signals. 12:30 p.m.—Stock market report. 12:40 p.m.—Produce market report. 12:45 p.m.—Weather report. 6:00 p.m.—Produce and stock market quotations; news bulletins. 6:30 p.m.—"Adventure Story" (courtesy of The Youth's Companion). SILENT NIGHT. Fine Sets—The best value on the market. Pieces in stock for any circuit. Dry cells and storage batteries in all types. Distributor of famous Northern Electric Loud Speaker. Ask for our Catalogues Free demonstrations are given nightly at our Branch, 101 St. John St.

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Chronicle Files 100 Years Ago Provincial Population The rapid increase in population of this Province is chiefly owing to early marriages, and to regular habits and comfortable conditions of its inhabitants. There is now living at L'Islet, a woman whose age does not exceed 88 years, whose granddaughter is a grandmother. Another Big Hotel At a meeting of the R. & O. Navigation Company, held in Montreal, on the 21st instant, it was decided to put three boats on the Saguenay line next season, which will give a daily service, including Sunday, from Quebec. It is also contemplated to build a large hotel at Murray Bay, which is a most urgent necessity for that place for the large volume of traffic there.

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