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BONAR LAW MAKES A STIRRING SPEECH

MUST MAKE GERMANS REALIZE THAT FRIGHTFULNESS DOES NOT PAY—FURTHER DISCUSSION ON GERMANY'S PEACE OFFER.

London, Dec. 21.—There was further discussion of Germany's peace offer in the House of Commons tonight. Sir John A. Simon, on behalf of himself and a group of followers, gave unqualified support to Premier Lloyd-George's speech in the House of Commons, and then Hastings B. L. Smith, Liberal member for Northampton, dressed in his military uniform, sounded a new note—urging that the German proposals be allowed see the light of day. Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and a member of the War Council, promptly rose in behalf of the Government and declared that if the tone of Mr. Smith's speech permeated the country, then all the blood and treasure which had been spent in the war would have been spent in vain.

"My understanding," said Mr. Smith in his address, "is that the reply of the Premier to the German note was to the effect that the door was not yet closed. That is a wise answer, and the best possible answer at this stage. The German proposals should be allowed to see the light of day. If they disclose an aggressive purpose, then the German people will realize that they are not suffering and dying for their mere existence, as they have been told. If it were put to a vote of the men at the front whether—provided we could obtain guarantees that our honorable obligations would be fulfilled—we should then make a serious effort to get the parties together, then I am certain such a proposition would be carried by virtual unanimity.

"I am not prepared to face the prospects of a military decision, which means a war of attrition, unless I am convinced there is no other way out. I believe in the security scheme by which the nations agree together each to guarantee all and all guarantee each. An attempt to hold the Central empires down by a military decision, followed by economic strangulation, would mean carrying forward into peace all hostilities and hatreds of the war. It would divide Europe into two hostile camps and would make war more inevitable and deadly than ever and would fasten conscription and militarism forever on all nations."

Mr. Bonar Law said: "If the spirit of the speech to which we have just listened were to permeate the country, I believe that all the blood and treasure which have been spent in the war have been spent in vain.

"It is all very well to say 'let us get their terms of peace.' Yes, but can you get any terms more binding than the treaty for the protection of the neutrality of Belgium? Can you come to any conclusion on paper or by promises that will give us greater security than we had before this war?"

"Not this nation alone, but the neu-

tral nations, will, I hope, understand the position at which we have now arrived. Germany has made peace proposals. On what basis? On the basis of her victorious armies. Is there a man who, considering the condition under which this war was forced on us and the conditions under which the war has been carried on, honestly believes that the danger and insecurities from which we have suffered can be secured in any way than but by making the Germans realize that frightfulness does not pay, that militarism is not going to rule the world?

"What are we fighting for? Not territory, not greater strength as a nation. We are fighting for two things—for peace now and for security for peace in time to come. Let the House remember that what has happened in this war—outrages in Belgium, outrages by sea and land, massacres in Armenia which Germany could have stopped by a word,—then realize this: The war will have been fought in vain, utterly in vain, unless we can make sure that it shall never again be in the power of any State to do what Germany has done.

"Is peace to come in this war on the basis that the greatest crime in the world's history is to go absolutely unpunished? It is my firm belief that unless all nations in the world can be made to realize that these moral forces must be vindicated there never can be any enduring peace.

"I am not afraid. I am sure our troops will fight to the end. If the people at home, who up to now have made few sacrifices, except the sacrifice of those dear to them, are determined in this matter, and if they believe that the objects for which they are fighting can be secured, there is no sacrifice we are prepared to make."

TORONTO STREET INCREASES WAGES.
Toronto, Dec. 21.—The Toronto Railway Company today announced to its 2,000 odd employees, a nincrease of wages which means 2 1-2 cents an hour more to every class of worker in the company's employ except the car washers, who get 1 1-2 cents an hour more. The increase dates back to Nov. 1, 1916.

FORD CLOSES DOWN FOR SEVEN DAYS
Detroit, Mich., Dec. 21.—Beginning tomorrow the Ford Motor Company will close its plant for seven days in order to relieve the railroad congestion here, that carloads of food and fuel may be handled, it was announced today by Frank L. Klingensmith, vice-president. The suspension will mean a production loss of approximately 2,500 cars a day, and a wage loss of the week of \$1,400,000. Forty two thousand men are made idle by the order.

Struggle For Positions Still Continues—Russians Capture Heights In Carpathians—Artillery Duels Are Spirited On French Front—Germans Bombard French—Snow And Rain Fall In Macedonia—British Report Success In Mesopotamia

In the Dobrudja region of Rumania, where the Russo-Rumanian forces have turned upon the invaders, the Teutonic allies have been driven from heights in the region of Balabanica and Dachkoi, and the Russians and Rumanians are now disputing with them in a violent battle the possession of other positions along this line. In Rumania proper the Teutons are advancing along both sides of the Insu-Racovitzer road, but are meeting with steady resistance from the Russians and Rumanians. Along the Pirlita-Stranilca front the Teutonic allies have pushed back the advance guard of the defenders.

Except for the battles in Rumania, in the Carpathians south-east of the Kimpolung-Jacobeni railway, where the Russians have captured several heights, and at various points on the Russian front where attacks by the Russians have been repulsed by the Germans, little infantry activity is being displayed.

The artillery duels have been spirited at various points along the French front. Berlin reports a raid by Germans on British trenches and the capture of four officers and 28 men. In another raid British troops entered German trenches near Arras, but later were ejected. On the Verdun sector, where the French made a notable advance last week, the Germans have violently bombarded the Louvemont-Vaux front.

Snow and rain are falling in Macedonia, and aside from an engagement in the Cerna river bend region no infantry fighting has taken place. On this sector Berlin reports that the Teutonic allies have held heights east of Paralovo against strong Russian attacks.

In Mesopotamia the British report successful bombardments of Turkish river craft and land positions in the region of Kut-el-Amara.

FAMINE IN AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

New York, Dec. 22.—The Sun this morning publishes the following: Rome, Dec. 21.—Alarming news about the scarcity of food in Austria-Hungary, practically amounting to a famine, has reached the Vatican from diplomatic sources.

This news greatly concerns the Pope, who fears the reign of the new Emperor Charles under such unfavorable auspices will end disastrously. Internal conditions in Austria are said to be very serious. Antagonism between Hungary and Austria is acute. Political complications are threatened and the anti-war agitation is now widespread and cannot be repressed by the authorities.

NEW NOTE TO GREECE.

London, Dec. 21.—The new note of the Entente Allies to Greece, which, according to the understanding here, was presented today includes, says Reuter's Telegram Company, the following principal demands:

"The control of telegraph's, posts and railways; the release of all Venizelist prisoners, the prohibition of meetings of reservists and an inquiry by a mixed commission into the disturbances of December 1-2."

PERSONAL

Mr. A. St. Laurent, of Ottawa, is registered at the Chateau.

Mr. J. Lachance, of Montreal, is a guest at the Chateau.

Mr. A. H. Denis, of Lachine, is staying at the Chateau.

Mr. A. L. Johnson, of Montreal, is a guest at the Chateau.

Hon. George Bryson, of Fort Coulonge, is registered at the Chateau.

Mr. R. S. P. Smyth, of Henny River, P.Q., is a guest at the Chateau.

Mr. Edgar Clement has left for Boston on business. He will be away a couple of days.

Mr. Dave Lazarovitch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lazarovitch, who is attending McGill University, will arrive home today to spend a fortnight with his parents.

Miss Doris Jack, who has been studying at MacDonald College, Montreal, arrived home on Wednesday to spend the holidays with her parents.

Madame A. Galipeault, wife of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, is leaving at the end of the week for Montreal, where she will spend Christmas.

Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. G. A. Winter, of Quebec, are left yesterday to spend Christmas with Mrs. Winter's father, Mr. L. B. McFarlane, of 4462 Western Avenue, Westmount.

The many Quebec friends of Sergt. Major W. G. Kear, R.C.G.A., will be pleased to learn that he has now been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, and is now stationed at Shorncliffe, England as instructor.

At the St. Roch Hotel: O. U. Piche, Pont Rouge; Madame Yvonne Tremblay, La Tuque; A. Denis, St. Norbert; Wm. Thompson, Los Angeles, Cal.; H. Michisson, Winnipeg, Man.; A. E. Tremblay, Moncton, N.B.; J. A. Trudeau, St. Hyacinthe; J. A. Bach, Chicago, Ill.; Ernest Gillmaster, J. A. Sequin, N. St. Francois, Montreal; P. Houle, Grand'Mere; J. N. Lafontaine, E. St. Amand, Grand'Mere.

The jury in the Teiper case, Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 22.—At 12.15 this morning the jury in the trial of John Edward Teiper, charged with the murder of his mother, having failed to agree on a verdict, was locked up for the night.

IRISH PRISONERS TO BE RELEASED

ADVANTAGES OF THIS ACTION NOW FAR OUTWEIGH THE RISK.

London, Dec. 21.—The government has decided to release the Irish prisoners, who were interned after the rebellion in Ireland. Henry E. Duke, Chief Secretary for Ireland, announced in the House of Commons today:

"The time has come when the advantages of releasing these men far outweigh the risk, and I have so advised the government. Steps therefore were taken today to proceed, with the least possible delay, to return the interned prisoners to their homes."

According to the statement of the Secretary for Home Affairs in the House of Commons last October, there were 576 Irishmen interned in connection with the recent rebellion.

MACKENSEN REPLIES TO KAISER BILL.

Berlin, Dec. 21, via London.—Field Marshal von Mackensen, responding to a telegram from Emperor Wilhelm, offering congratulations on the capture of Bucharest, says: "Bucharest was one goal, but not the final one."

RUSSIAN BOAT SUNK.

Copenhagen, via London, Dec. 21.—The small Russian steamer Skiftet has been sunk by striking a mine near Abo, Finland, according to advices received here. Fifty nine persons were killed in the disaster. Only one person aboard the steamer was saved.

JURY LOCKED UP IN TEIPER CASE.

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MORE ACTIVITY ON THE SOMME FRONT

TON OF EXPLOSIVES DROPPED ON POINTS BEHIND ENEMY'S LINES.

London, Dec. 22.—The official communication on the campaign in France given out by the War Office at midnight reads:

"Last night a strong hostile raiding party approached our lines opposite Lens. Only a few of the enemy succeeded in reaching our trenches. They were promptly ejected and the enemy was repulsed. Our casualties were very slight.

"South-west of Armentieres a party of our troops successfully entered the enemy's trenches. We took over fifty prisoners in the course of the raid north of Arras, reported in yesterday's communique.

"Today the artillery activity continued especially marked along our front between the Somme and the Ancre and in neighborhood of Ypres.

"The improvement in the weather yesterday led to considerable aerial activity. In the course of our raids a ton of explosives were dropped on points of military importance behind the enemy's lines. Much fighting occurred in the air. One enemy machine was destroyed and six others were driven down damaged. Four of our machines are missing."

The Weather

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Light snowfalls have occurred today in western Ontario; elsewhere the weather has been fair.

Temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	8	2
Prince Rupert	26	30
Victoria	38	40
Vancouver	34	38
Kamloops	18	24
Regina	30	38
Battleford	22	24
Prince Albert	24	22
Moose Jaw	28	28
Winnipeg	14	28
Port Arthur	20	2
Parry Sound	12	24
London	25	30
Toronto	28	32
Kingston	18	24
Ottawa	12	18
Montreal	10	20
Quebec	2	24
St. John	22	28
Halifax	32	38

* Below zero.

Forecasts:

Lower Lakes, Georgian Bay; Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence:—North-east to north-west winds with light snowfalls.

Lower St. Lawrence:—North-east winds, local snowfalls or furies but partly fair; not much change in temperature.

Gulf and North Shore:—Easterly winds generally fair; not much change in temperature; local snowfalls at night.

Maritime:—Increasing easterly winds with some snow or rain. Superior:—Generally fair, not quite so cold.

BORDEN AT TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Sir Robert Borden will arrive in this city tomorrow by special train at 10 o'clock. A civic luncheon will be held at one o'clock, and he will later view the distribution of presents at Massey Hall to the wives and children of soldiers overseas. The public meeting in Massey Hall will open at 8 o'clock.

FRENCH SENATE ADJOURNS.

Paris, Dec. 21.—The Senate held another long secret session today and adjourned until tomorrow.

In the Chamber of Deputies, Patrick Jean Hennessy introduced a bill today requesting the government to study the formation of an international general staff to serve as the permanent military organization of the Allied governments.

Last Moment Gifts!

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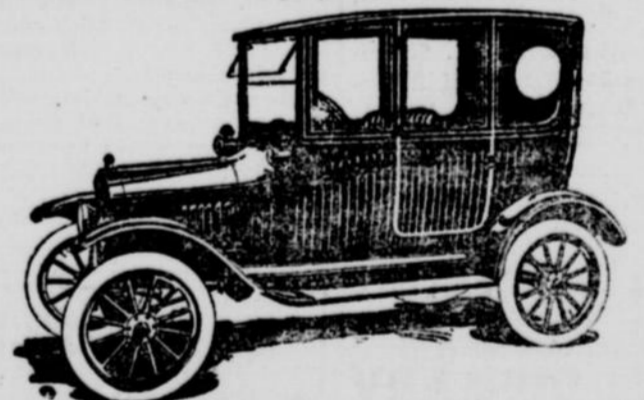
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SCHOOLS CLOSE FOR XMAS HOLIDAYS

CLOSING EXERCISES OF THE GIRLS HIGH AND VICTORIA SCHOOLS ATTENDED BY HON. CYRILLE DELAGE.

The closing exercises of the Girls High School took place yesterday. Lieut. Col. Walter J. Ray, chairman of the Protestant Board of School Commissioners of this city presided and on the platform were Hon. Cyrille F. Delage, superintendent of Education, Mr. J. C. Sutherland, of the Department of Education, Rev. A. R. Beverley, Mrs. J. C. McLimont, and Mrs. Frank Ross. Among the visitors were Capt. James Murray, Mr. A. E. Pfeiffer, Rev. Mr. Boudreau, Mr. J. L. Hess, of the Y.M.C.A. and Mrs. Hess, Col. and Mrs. J. Sharples and a large number of other friends and parents.

The exercises consisted of school songs, Christmas carols, light calisthenics, addresses, and the distribution of term prizes. The Swedish drills, Indian club and bar-bell exercises were performed under the direction of Miss Syme, physical instructor of the Y.M.C.A. in such a manner as to call forth special praise by the chairman and applause from the visitors.

Mr. Sutherland congratulated the school upon attaining such a high grade of efficiency in all departments. He expected the announcement to be made soon that this school had obtained first rank among thirty-seven academies with the highest average of marks to its credit for the June examinations. This was highly creditable to both scholars and staff. He expressed the hope, however, that they would never attain the exalted state of President Wilson who seems to think that Germany is fighting in the interests of small and weak nations.

Hon. Mr. Delage, speaking in French, expressed his great pleasure at being present. Other engagements had prevented him accepting previous invitations but he took advantage of this opportunity, and was delighted with the programme. He hoped that while they were receiving their education in their mother tongue, they would improve every opportunity for mastering the beautiful French language which was spoken by many thousands of fellow citizens and by the great army of one of the allies fighting with the British in the great European struggle. A knowledge of both languages was the best means of enabling the representatives of the two principal races in this country understanding and respecting each other. It would do much to further the high ideals and aims of the *Bonne Entente*.

At the request of the chairman, the Hon. Mr. Delage next proceeded to distribute the prizes, calling the

names and complimenting the recipients in the English language.

Mrs. McLimont was invited to present one of the prizes and by special request made a brief address, touching upon what she had observed during a trip to England and the continent, from which she had returned only yesterday. While the European nations were changing their boundary lines they were also undergoing changes in national and personal characteristics. The French women were in the war practically as much as the men. That was the country that was realizing what war meant. The women were devoting money and time with every talent and energy they possessed, to win the war and save their country. "We know there will be no more happiness for us, while we live they say, but we must work for the welfare of our children, those who will come after us. We must protect them and leave them an honorable and worthy inheritance, a peaceful homeland and a glorious history."

They were very determined and there was no sign of anything but patriotism anywhere in France. The foe was ruthless and inhuman in his conduct of the war and barbarous in his treatment of prisoners.

In England, Mrs. McLimont said, women were taking men's places in banks, post offices, factories, stores and practically all other avocations. They were developing power that they never knew they could possess, and performing tasks which they never would have chosen in peace times. "But," said Mrs. McLimont, "I hope they will never lose their characteristics of modesty, high principle and home loving instincts."

In concluding, she urged the girls present to cultivate the highest ideals of conduct and by both examples and precept encourage good living in others.

Miss Ethel Gale, the lady principle, made some announcements and explained the benevolent object of a collection which was taken up by some of the smaller girls.

The Prize List:

The prizes awarded for results of June examination were as follows:

Grade XI.
University School-Leaving and Junior Matriculation.
The Ross medal for highest attainment: Ruth Fellows (average 85 p.c.)
The Lt.-Governor's medal for Mathematics: Ruth Fellows.
The Superintendent's medal for French: Ruth Fellows.
2nd. prize for attainment: Anna Penney.

Superior Class Examinations.
Grade X.
1st. prize promotion: Estelle Amaron (90 p.c.)
2nd. prize promotion: Gwendolen Fellows.
Special prize for history, presented by Mrs. Mrs. J. C. McLimont to pupils of Senior School Gwendolen Fellows.

Superior School Examinations.
Grade IX.
1st. prize promotion: Annie Schleichstein (91 p.c.)
2nd. prize promotion: Harriet Gale.
Grade VIII.
1st. prize promotion: Maude Hillier (70 p.c.)
2nd. prize promotion: Mae Ruthman.

The school has an attendance of 148 pupils in charge of a staff of ten teachers. The classes are divided into eleven grades and instruction includes junior metriculation subjects. The visitors were greatly interested in the blackboard decorations, which consisted of Christmas topical drawings and mottoes of considerable merit and ingenuity.

The exercises concluded with the singing of "O Canada" in French and "God Save the King."

Victoria School.

After the exercises at the Girls' High School were concluded, the Chairman Lt.-Col. Ray, with the Superintendent of Public Instruction the Hon. Cyrille F. Delage, M. J. C. Sutherland and the Secretary Mr. F. C. Wurtele adjourned to Victoria School for a similar function. That is the giving of those prizes that could not be awarded last June until the results of the Examinations were received from the Department. The Assembly hall was filled by 500 or more scholars all in delighted expectation of the holidays.

After the Chairman had introduced the Superintendent a short programme was carried out, as follows: Recitation: "A Christmas Steeking" by Miss Mabel McLaren followed by another by Corinne Penneck and Helen Holt. Then the School sang "La Marseillaise" very nicely.

Mr. Delage then addressed the assemblage in French and English saying it was his first visit to the School and it would be often repeated. He found the building in splendid condition and the scholars doing good work, which gave great credit to the excellent staff of teachers who were well backed up by all the Scholars. In fact the Victoria School ranks second in the Province, according to the results of the June examinations.

Mr. Delage then presented the prizes as follows:

Esther Feizwicz 1st. in General proficiency, 2nd. prize for the year's work, and prize for French.
Annie Lerner: 1st. prize for the year's work, 2nd. prize for General proficiency and second prize for Specimens.
Alice Goldstein: 3rd. prize for General proficiency and 1st. for Specimens.
Max Crestohl: Prize for progress.
Sarah Altner: Prize for progress and Conduct.
Clifford Kerr: Prize for progress.
The four scholarships in the High Schools were won by—Esther Feizwicz, and Annie Lerner who are now attending the Girls' High School. Max Crestohl and Clifford Kerr to the High School of Quebec (Boys) where they are now in attendance.

Mr. Sutherland also addressed the school with some good words of advice.

At request of Mr. Delage the school got a half holiday, and the function then closed with "God Save the King."

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A splendid entertainment was tendered returned invalided soldiers last night by the ladies of the Khaki League Club. The function took the form of a Christmas Tree, Concert and refreshments.

The event was voted the best ever given by these ladies, who have already earned an enviable reputation as entertainers.

Every soldier received a present and all were delighted with their reception. As usual the refreshments were very much enjoyed, and concert was a distinct success.

The ladies of the Khaki Club feel

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WANTED A GOOD TIME.

"Now, Johnny," said the mother of the young hostess at the Christmas party to the little boy guest, "I want you to feel perfectly at home."
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XMAS TREE AT SNOWSHOE CLUB

PRESENTS WERE THERE GALORE—BOYS AT THE FRONT REMEMBERED.

It came off, all right, at least the presents did.

The members responded generously with the result that many boys at the front will be remembered Christmas Day.

Many strange and valuable gifts were exchanged amongst the members, each as graciously received as given; they ranged anywhere from an oyster shell medal to a wallop on the chin. In between these came battle-ships, hard looks, medals, the Berlin city hall, and the Presidents boots. Capt. Cassils, with his usual grace and winsomeness, presided at the tree.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR EXCURSIONS

Via C. P. R.

The Canadian Pacific Railway announce that excursion tickets at lowest one way first class fare for the round trip will be issued on December 23, 24, 25th valid for return until December 28th. Also good going December 30, 31 and January 1st, good to return until January 2nd, 1917.

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LONDON IS STARTLED AT MOVE OF WILSON

UNITED STATES PRESIDENT'S ACTION WAS NOT ANTICIPATED IN VIEW OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS MADE FROM WASHINGTON.

London, Dec. 21.—Absolute and startling surprise was the first feeling in Great Britain aroused by President Wilson's note. The government was surprised and frankly admitted so. The members of parliament were equally surprised, when the news spread through both Houses during the afternoon session. The newspaper offices were surprised and undoubtedly the public will be equally surprised when they read Ambassador Page's statement to the Foreign Office in the morning papers. All information from America, in the past few days, both in despatches from the usually best informed Washington correspondents and in advices to the banking and business firms has said that the President had no intention of taking any steps toward peace or making any move in European affairs. When he transmitted Germany's note to Great Britain without comment, it was assumed that this action represented his general attitude towards the European situation. Most of the newspapers commented upon this course with satisfaction. The tenor of their comments tomorrow will be that Premier Lloyd George's speech and the speeches of the Russian, French and Italian statesmen have affirmed the Allies position and that unless the German government gives notice of the nature of the proposals which it would bring to a conference, the Allies cannot accept the invitation to sit around an European council table for a discussion of its terms. Of Course! Too Proud! Washington, Dec. 21.—President Wilson's note to the belligerents, trying discussion of peace was officially interpreted today as not bearing any threat that the United States might be forced to enter the war, because of the continued invasion of its rights by the warring powers on both sides. This interpretation was made late today by Secretary of State Lansing in a formal statement issued to overcome what were characterized as widespread misconstructions placed on the given out earlier in the day saying that because of the increasingly critical position of the United States as a neutral, it was entitled to know exactly what each belligerent seeks in order that it might regulate its conduct for the future. Wilson Backing Down. Secretary Lansing's final statement, formally prepared and issued after he had been called to the White House for a conference with President Wilson, declared that he had not intended to intimate that the United States was considering any change in its policy of neutrality and that the whole tone and language of the note were sufficient to indicate its purpose without further comment on his part. Mr. Lansing's first statement, made orally and of which no official copy was distributed, led to exaggerations of its language and purpose throughout official Washington. Its most striking phrases on which the widest speculation was based were that the United States was "drawing nearer the verge of war," and that the sending of the note "will indicate the possibility of our being forced into the war," and that neither he nor President Wilson regarded the note "as a peace note." Great Consternation. When word of what the Secretary of State had said spread throughout the capital, it created the greatest consternation in official circles and among the foreign diplomats, many of whom were calling at the State Department to receive their copies of the note despatched to their capitals. It became apparent that the Secretary's statement was not fully approved at the White House, and that there was question as to the wisdom of making any comment that might be regarded as an addition to the note. The White House was concerned lest any word reach the foreign capitals to be construed as indicating that the American note was anything but what it indicated on its face. So, after a

conference between President Wilson and Secretary Lansing, the second statement was formally prepared and distributed at the State Department. At the White House no comment whatever was made on the note itself nor on the two statements by Secretary Lansing. The German Embassy gave no outward evidences of concern over the sudden developments. Entente diplomats, at first at an utter loss how to handle the unexpected situation, became convinced that a clearer understanding of the necessities and purposes of the United States proved that their fear of a move favorable to Germany was not contemplated, and that this country would not try to force peace on Europe. Their view grew that the United States feared that unless the peace proposals go through now, a period of ruthlessness and retaliation may set in on both sides which will inevitably force this country into action. Sickening Humbug. It is indicated, therefore, that the Allied diplomats will advise their governments to view the note in a friendly spirit and go as far as possible toward meeting the wishes of the United States. Non indication was vouchsafed, however, as to whether the replies will be identical or individual in form, or general or specific in nature. Secretary Lansing in calling in the diplomatic representatives of the belligerents is understood to have made it clear to them individually that the United States expected the replies of their governments to be absolutely frank in all details. The idea was gathered that the United States was looking forward to forming itself into a clearing house, at least for views and probably for terms. The general understanding was that the purpose of this explanation was to enable the envoys to communicate to their own governments the underlying purpose of the President's action at this time. Another Backdown. Further, the opinion prevailed that the United States expected to be fully informed of all terms, including those relating to territory. It is felt in various diplomatic quarters that while statements regarding terms, especially those concerning territory, might readily be passed along by the United States, they must not, if the negotiations are to have the slightest chance of success, be conveyed to the public generally. Should definite territorial terms be made public, it is feared a certain section of public opinion in the countries affected would foment additional embarrassments. The President's note was declared today to be a "hit around the whole circle," without intention of favoring or condemning either belligerent group to the prejudice of the other. Nevertheless certain facts are cited as indicating beyond doubt where the chief tension lies at present in the relations of this country as between the two groups. With the Entente apart from a little trouble over Count Tarnowski, it was pointed out there has been no published diplomatic correspondence for months. This country owes replies on both the blacklist and the mail seizures. Trade matters have been very vexing, but have largely been settled out of court without publicity. Toward the Central powers, however, and particularly in the past month, a decided feeling of tension has been evident in the sending of about a dozen inquiries or submarine sinkings, followed by publication of the details, and also on the correspondence on the Belgian deportations. It became evident that it is on the sea it is feared this country may be caught between conflicting belligerent interests. Lloyd George's statements that all British ships will be nationalized, together with the apparently official German decision to treat such ships as liable to sinking on sight, has led to the growing conviction that it will be essential for the safety of Americans, both passengers and sailors, to lay down some flat distinctions as to what are private ships and what are naval auxiliaries. REPLACING R. N. W. M. P. Saskatoon, Sask., Dec. 21.—The first step towards organizing the provincial police department for the purpose of taking the place of the Royal North West Mounted Police, who will be relieved of their present duties so that they may engage in war work, has been taken by the Saskatchewan government in sending to Saskatoon Constable C. M. Smith, of Rosetown, to recruit for the new branch of the service. Though no plans have been announced officially, it is understood it is the intention of the department to police the province with a force of about fifty plain-clothes men.

BRITISH COMMENT ON WILSON NOTE

LIVERPOOL POST DISCUSSES THE QUESTION FROM ALL ANGLES.

Liverpool, Dec. 22.—The Post referring to President Wilson's note suggesting that the belligerents make known their desires concerning peace, says: "President Wilson must not be surprised, if, as far as the Allies are concerned, his intervention produces a state of mind contrary to that at which he aims. The Allies will readily give the President credit for the best of intentions, but they will be justified in wondering whether, from their point of view, the note is not particularly ill-timed and ill-judged. 'The President's assurance that the recent German overtures had no prompting influence on his proposals must be accepted. At the same time it is, to say the least, somewhat maladroit that we should be so appealed to by the United States at a moment when the Allies are at the height of their power and Germany knows her own apparently favorable position can not possibly be maintained. 'On the other hand, there is the possibility that Mr. Wilson's efforts are directed toward eliciting from Germany concrete terms of peace, which she withheld in her extraordinary approach to the Entente. In that case a useful purpose may be served, for we then would be in a position to judge whether war weariness is associated with the consciousness of criminality of which Germany has been found guilty in the judgment of the civilized world, and the extent to which this will induce her to yield to the Allies inexorable demands for guarantees against future barbarism.' Cautious Terms. London, Dec. 22.—The Daily News which is the nearest to pacifist among the London newspapers, says today regarding President Wilson's note: "No one can fail to appreciate the spirit in which the proposal is made or approve the cautious terms in which it is couched. The history of the great struggle in his own country is too recent and too memorable for President Wilson to be unaware of the perils of too hasty intervention. From our side it was the spectre of European intervention that haunted Lincoln, especially in those days when the cause of the North was passing through its darkest phase. Taking Soundings. "Mr. Wilson is far too wise to add that trouble to the enormous burdens of the nations engaged in the struggle for liberty not less vital and far greater. He is taking soundings. If he finds the water still too deep he will withdraw his plumb line and wait until a more favorable opportunity." The newspaper says the Central Powers would accept the note eagerly and despite their arrogant tone the door should not be barred and bolted in their face. If they have terms to offer the Allies should table their own proposals. The Daily News says there is no suffering in America comparable with that in Lancashire during the cotton famine brought about by Lincoln's blockade and says it does not believe the American people will put the disability they are suffering in the scale against victory of human liberty over despotism. The Daily Chronicle says: A German Appendix. "As a Liberal newspaper which has always made a special feature of endeavoring to bring Great Britain and America closer together, and though evil report as well as good has championed the progressive ideals of the United States in this country, we ask our friends across the Atlantic to be as frank as we are to our American state paper in our generation has been calculated to cause so much pain, not merely to Englishmen but to Liberal opinion throughout southern and western Europe. "The note is, in effect, however, different by its intention, an appendix to that lately received from Berlin." Saying that it is not based on the grounds of humanity or injury to the United States, the Daily Chronicle says: Wilson's Record. "We are bound to observe that with only the recent exception in the matter of the Belgian slave raids, in which the enemy flouted his remonstrances, President Wilson never in the face of unparhated openings intervened on the ground of humanity before." The newspaper then recounts a list of alleged German outrages in Belgium and elsewhere on which it says President Wilson remained silent. It adds that he protested against the Lusitania, Anaconda and Sussex "massacres," not because they were inhumane, but because Americans perished by their inhumanity. "With this line—that humanity did not warrant intervention, but American interests did—we have never quarrelled," continues the Daily Chronicle, "but since he omitted to intervene to stop crime, is it consistent he should intervene now to hinder others from punishing the criminals?" The newspaper considers President Wilson's statement that the objects of both belligerents are virtually the same is most painful for Liberal Europeans, and adds:

UPPER HOUSE PUTS THROUGH MANY MEASURES

MUCH WORK BY COUNCIL IN PREPARATION FOR PRO-ROGATION TODAY.

The prorogation of the Quebec Legislature which has now been in session since the 7th of November will take place this afternoon unless something unusual crops up. The Legislative Assembly has practically nothing left except to concur in amendments made to bills by the Upper House. At the sittings of the Legislative Council held yesterday many bills were given final reading. The following Government bills were read a third time after they had been fully explained by Hon. Mr. Perreault, Leader of the Council:— Amending the law relative to Succession Duties (without amendment); amending the Civil Code relative to the privileges of workmen and builders (with amendments); amending the Public Instruction Act (with amendments); concerning the interpretation of the Municipal Code (without amendment); amending the Good Roads Act of 1912 (without amendment); authorizing a contribution of one million dollars to the Canadian Patriotic Fund (without amendment); revising the Quebec Game Laws (with amendments); concerning the merger of the Montreal Catholic School Commissions (without amendment); amending the law concerning the Polytechnic School (without amendment); amending the Quebec Public Health Act (without amendment); concerning the toll rights on the St. Constant-Laprairie Highway (without amendment); amending the law concerning toll roads and bridges (without amendment); authorizing the storage of waters on the St. Anne and Jacques Cartier Rivers (without amendment); concerning the parish of St. Louis of Gonzague of Cap Tourmente (without amendment); amending the Quebec Companies' Act (without amendment); concerning the admission to certain professions of students on active service (with amendment) respecting the organization for municipal, judicial and registration purposes, of certain territories served by the National Transcontinental Railway (without amendment); concerning the revision of electoral lists (without amendment). The amendment made to the Game Law bill was to postpone until November, 1917 the open season for Beaver. In the bill concerning constructing workmen an amendment was added to the effect that the privileges of other persons mentioned in the bill, besides the workmen, will be established by registration by an affidavit of the creditor. If, after six months of registration, no action has been taken, the privilege shall be struck out. As soon as an action is entered the registrar shall be obliged to strike out the privilege on a judgment ordering him to do so or on the production of a certificate from the Prothonotary certifying that the action has been discontinued. Third reading was also given to the following bills:— Concerning architects; Francoeur bill, concerning bailiffs of Commissioner Courts; the Cannon bill concerning the borrowing powers of churches; the Stein bill concerning the municipalization of electricity; the Stein bill amending the Code of Civil Procedure and the Perreault bill concerning Telegraph companies. An amendment was added to the bill concerning the Superior Court obliging judges of the District of Roberval to reside in the Town of Roberval. The following private bills were also read a third time:—Town of Courville; French National Union; Guarantee Title and Contract Company; Town of Granby; George H. Shink; Hebert estate; Fathers of St. Vincent de Paul; level grades at Hochelaga; City of Verdun; Pointe aux Trembles; St. Maurice Lumber Company and City of Maisonneuve. At the request of Hon. J. L. Peron the Maisonneuve bill was amended to the effect that the Bergvein expropriation can only be carried out with the ordinary revenue of the City. A licensed auditor will be appointed to examine the financial standing of Maisonneuve. Bill Withdrawn. At a sitting of the Legislative Council shortly before midnight last night, the third sitting held yesterday, Hon. Jules Allard, Minister of Crown Lands withdrew his bill concerning running waters, one of the most drastic far-reaching and ridiculous bills ever presented to the Assembly. The bill amending the Quebec License Act was introduced and given first reading while final reading was given to the bill concerning moving pictures after a number of amendments had been made to the measure.

SIR JOHN SIMON SECONDS GEORGE

SAYS PREMIER HAS NOT SLAMMED THE DOOR ON PEACE.

London, Dec. 21.—Sir John A. Simon, the former Secretary of State for Home Affairs, rose in the House of Commons today to endorse, in behalf of himself and his followers, Premier Lloyd-George's speech on peace. "It may be desirable, in view of past events," he said, "to make quite plain in a few sentences how universal and widespread is the acceptance in all sections of opinion in all parts of the country of the Premier's declaration in reply to the German message. The Premier told us plainly that in no proper sense of the word was the communication received from Germany a peace proposal at all. "Proposals involve propositions, and it is a misuse of language to talk about a message containing no suggestion of terms as a proposal. If, indeed, the message had contained terms, even unacceptable or impossible terms, it would receive a clear and specific answer. "If in times like these any belligerent comes forward with the profession of a desire for peace and puts forward reasonable terms everything is to be gained from every point of view by testing the sincerity of his declaration. But the only declaration received from Germany was a mere paraphrase of von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech in the Reichstag, without even an outline of the terms it is obvious that the Chancellor was then addressing to the German people. A communication of that sort is not a peace proposal at all. "The Premier has not slammed the door on peace; he has pointed out that any discussion without some previous suggestion of terms must necessarily be a delusion and a sham. I believe that nobody in this country could seriously expect any other reply than that which the Premier has given. "My resignation from the late government was due to differences as to the methods whereby we could procure our maximum strength; there was no difference with regard to the war. "The Premier has spoken the views and the mind of the whole nation.

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BRITISH POLITICIANS HONORED BY KING. London, Dec. 21.—In accordance with custom when there is a change in the government, the King has conferred honors on various persons recommended to him by the retiring Prime Minister. Lord Dunsford, former Lord Chamberlain, Lewis Harcourt, former First Commissioner of Works, and Lord Cowdray are made Viscounts, and Joseph Albert Pease, former Postmaster-General, Arthur Dewar, former Solicitor-General for Scotland, Sir Thomas Roe, M.P., and Sir Edward Partington, director of the Manchester and Liverpool District Bank, are made Barons. A number of minor honors also have been conferred by the King. Mr. Harcourt in a letter to his constituents announcing his resignation from the House of Commons says that in his person the old family peerage will be revived. Mr. Dewar's promotion is said to be due to his agricultural experiments.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS

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STEAMER ARRIVALS. New York: Carpatian, Liverpool. Boston: Pomeranian, Glasgow. Copenhagen: Frederik VIII., New York. Bergen: Bergensfjord, New York.

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VERSCHOYLE-CAMPBELL-MACPHERSON—On Wednesday, the 29th of November, 1916, at St. Michael's Church, Chester Square, London, by the Rev. J. Gough McCormick, vicar, assisted by the Rev. George J. Verschoyle, W. Islay Verschoyle Campbell, the youngest son of the late Dean of Clonmacnoise, to Elizabeth Florence Veda, daughter of the late Captain David H. Macpherson, R.N.W.M.P., and niece of Mr. W. Molson Macpherson, of Quebec, Canada, and granddaughter of the late Sir David Macpherson, Chestnut Park, Toronto.

DIED.
FREMONT—On the 20th instant, Mrs. J. J. T. Fremont, (nee Alix Beaubien), widow of the late Jules Joseph Taschereau Fremont, at the age of 63 years.
 Funeral will leave her late residence, 82 St. Louis street, at 9:00 a.m., on the 22nd, for the Basilica, thence to St. Charles Cemetery.
 Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

FUEL—At Lauzon, P.Q., on the 21st December, 1916, Mr. Edouard Ruel, manufacturer, husband of Desanges Blais, at the age of 61 years.
 Funeral notice later.

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 A dividend of two per cent on the Capital Stock of this Society has been declared for the current quarter, payable at the office for the Society on the 29th of January next.
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F. F. HOUBE,
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IN AND ABOUT TOWN

PROMOTIONS IN THE TWENTY-SECOND

MAJOR DUBUC COMMANDS BATTALION—CHASSE AND VANIER ARE NOW MAJORS.

A letter bearing the date of November 30th, received from the front yesterday morning, announces that Major Dubuc of the 22nd Battalion, who had been on a few weeks' furlough in London, has rejoined his battalion, and is now officer commanding. The letter states that Major Dubuc is to be appointed Lieutenant-Colonel, and will permanently replace Lt.-Col. Tremblay, the O. C. of the 22nd, who is ill. Captains Henri Chasse and Vanier have both been given the rank of majors. The first named is second in command of the battalion, and Major Vanier is the adjutant. Lieuts. Charles Fontaine and Lieut. Russell Fletcher, both of this city, have been promoted to the rank of captain. Captain Fletcher is pay officer of the 22nd Battalion.

XMAS SILKS.
 John Darlington Reg'd. is making a special showing of choice Hand Loom Tie and Scarf Silks.—See advt.

EXCELLENT PROGRAMME FOR WEEK OF PRAYER
 The friends of the Evangelical Alliance will please note the excellent programme for the week of Prayer beginning the first day of January. The programme will shortly appear in these columns. All the friends are specially requested to make an effort to sustain the meetings.

KENOGAMI NEWS.
 A special exhibition was given at Kenogami on Monday and Tuesday evenings at the Picture Hall, under the able management of Mr. F. C. Courceller, the subject being The Battle of the Somme. Vivid representations of the memorable combat passed before the audience each night illustrative of what is doing among the brave boys at the front.

Y. M. C. A. ENTERTAINMENT RETURNED SOLDIERS.
 A splendid tea was tendered to returned soldiers last evening, by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y.M.C.A. Mr. G. B. Ramsay presided and acted as toast master.
 After the tea, a concert took place in which several well-known local artists took part, including Mrs. J. B. Churchill, Miss Clara Wiggs, also some of the returned heroes.
 The Rev. T. P. Perry and Mr. J. L. Hess delivered interesting addresses, which were much appreciated.
 A vote of thanks was passed to the ladies by the soldiers, for their kindness. The proceedings closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

A DIRECT NEW ROAD FROM QUEBEC TO LAKE BEAUPOUR
 It will be pleasing news to our citizens who have been in the habit of visiting Lake Beauport to learn that the old sandy road leading to the Lake and Bigouatte Hotel will be Macadamized early in spring. Thanks to the efforts made by Mr. Aurele Leduc, M.P.P., for Quebec County, and the representations made by Messrs. Monaghan, Dombrowski, Cote and others. Engineers from the Roads Department have examined the old road and have submitted a favorable report to the Government—plenty of stone and gravel being found in the vicinity. The completion of this important highway will add much convenience and safety to the Quebec public. It will, we learn, be a Government undertaking and not a municipal.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.
 Quebec Khaki League Club Returns Thanks.
 Quebec, December 21, 1916.
 The Managing Committee of the Khaki League Club begs to acknowledge, with sincere thanks, receipt of the undermentioned subscriptions:—
 Mr. and Mrs. C. M. de Finnis \$10.00
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LOCAL OFFICER BACK FROM FRONT

LIEUT. BOULANGER SAW SERVICE WITH PRINCESS PAT'S AND SECOND BATT.

After an absence of two years and a half, Lieut. Donald L. Boulanger, of St. Charles, Bellechasse, has returned home from the front, where he has seen service with the famous Princess Patricia and 22nd Regiments. Lieut. Boulanger left Quebec with the First Contingent in September, 1914, and after some months at Salisbury Plain, on his own request he was drafted into a company which went to France early in February, 1915, to reinforce the Princess Pat's.
 During twenty-two months of life in the trenches this Quebec boy was through the different battles of Ypres and also the battle of Courcellette, in which the 22nd French-Canadian Battalion won fame. Among the souvenirs he brought home with him is a German bayonet twenty-seven inches in length.

Speaking after his arrival in the city of the recent fighting along the Somme front, Lieut. Boulanger says it surpasses in intensity all the engagements in the Ypres sector.
 Before leaving to visit his parents in Bellechasse, Lieut. Boulanger, who was a member of the 9th Regiment of this city, visited the former commandant of this battalion, Col. Chabot, and many other of his numerous friends in Quebec, who welcomed the returning officer.
 Lieut. Donald Boulanger is a brother to Lieut. Richard Boulanger, of the 178th Battalion, formerly attached to the 22nd Battalion.

AMATEUR NIGHT AT AUDITORIUM.
 Two Shows in One at Popular Theatre This Evening for Same Admission.

One of the most varied, interesting and picturesque bills in which amateurs figure will be presented at the Auditorium this evening after the regular vaudeville show, under the auspices of the St. Patrick's hockey club. Both shows will be given for the one price of admission and no one should miss the fun. Amongst the amateurs signed up are: "Samson King of the Bone Players," The Accordeon champion of Quebec, a real phenom. Quebec's Caruso, whose shrill clear notes will find their echo from the walls of the city, a pianist who will make Paderewski look like a before-using advertisement for a hair tonic, two juvenile wonders who would be on the professional stage only for their tender age, dancers who will have the hall keeping time with them, violinists, etc.
 The first show will commence as usual at 7.30 and the professionals will entertain the house. At 9.00, the star attractions of the evening will then make their appearance, prizes being given for the best, the audience to judge. If you have ever attended an amateur night, we don't have to tell you to come—you will. If you have never enjoyed one of these rare treats, then for your own enjoyment's sake don't miss it. Its great.

MR. LIONEL BEAUPRE HONORABLY ACQUITTED
 The above case of Mr. Lionel Beupre came up for trial Saturday last before Mr. Justice Langelier and resulted in Mr. Beupre's acquittal. In rendering his decision Judge Langelier said that he was anxious to impress upon the public that if the present proceedings had extended over a period of three months it was in no way due to any outside influence but solely on account of the fact that a preliminary enquiry had been held and that the trial day was somewhat delayed by the Judge's illness. No comparison, he said, can be drawn between this trial and two recent cases for similar offences, since in one the accused pleaded guilty on his appearance before the magistrate and in the other option was made for an immediate trial which resulted in a conviction. The present trial was public, the curious having free access to the Court room, and both the prosecution and the defence were given full opportunity to present their respective cases.
 The learned Judge used very strong language in commenting on the evidence of the two young boys heard on behalf of the prosecution. He made it clear that he was satisfied that the story told by the boys had only existed in their imaginations and that there was but one conclusion to draw from this evidence, that it was false and made for the avowed purpose of misleading the Court.
 No conviction could ever be had on such evidence and that the Court had no hesitation in declaring the accused not guilty of the offence of which he stood charged.
 The learned Judge also expressed the hope that his judgment would restore the good name and reputation of the accused.

Mr. Lachance, K.C., appeared for the Crown. The accused was defended by Mr. Maurice Dupre, with Mr. Arthur Fitzpatrick as Counsel.

MR. J. BARRINGTON HONORED BY KING

MERITORIOUS MEDAL CONFERRED YESTERDAY UPON FORMER SERGEANT-MAJOR OF R. C. G. A.
 An interesting event took place yesterday afternoon at the Citadel, when Mr. J. Barrington, a former member of the R. C. G. A. and until lately the respected storekeeper of the Dominion Arsenal, was the recipient of the meritorious medal—an honor only conferred upon soldiers with long and distinguished service,—which was presented to him at a parade of the R. C. G. A. Almost the entire Battery was on parade as well as the R. C. G. A. Band under the command of Lieut. Chas. O'Neill, which played several selections appropriate to the occasion.

On Mr. Barrington appearing on the parade ground with the Commandant the band played the "British Grenadiers." Lt.-Col. Almon made the presentation and explained to the parade why it was that Mr. Barrington was honored by His Majesty the King in this manner. The gallant Colonel said in the course of his remarks that Mr. Barrington had given almost fifty years of his life to the service of his King and country, and was highly respected by his old comrades in the Canadian as well as in the Imperial service. He felt it an honor, indeed, to be the one selected to make this presentation, and although the majority of those on parade were too young to remember Mr. Barrington, there were still some amongst them who retained kindly and honored recollections of this distinguished soldier. He referred to his many years spent amongst the men in the Citadel and also to his employment in the Dominion Arsenal. Col. Almon also explained that this medal was distinct from the Long Service and Good Conduct Medals which Mr. Barrington already possessed, in so much as it was only conferred upon a limited number of non-commissioned officers, and every man who was recommended for it had to remain upon a waiting list until one who had been previously honored with the distinction had passed away, and then the next on the list received the distinction. Colonel Almon then pinned the medal on Mr. Barrington's breast, following which, he called for three cheers for Mr. Barrington—a command that was heartily responded to.

Attending the parade were many officers, non-commissioned officers from different corps of the garrison, also several civilian friends of Mr. Barrington. Amongst those present were Lieut.-Col. Almon, R.C.A., Lt.-Col. Lafferty, Major Mattice, Chief Inspector of Arms and Ammunition, Capt. W. G. Fellows, R.C.G.A., Capt. Cooper, C.O.C., Lieut. and Adjutant Luke Power, R.C.G.A., Lt. Beck, Lt. Hogg, Lt. Landry, Lt. Monsterrat, Lieut. Charles O'Neill, Captain Furler and Lieut. Hughes, Mr. Stanly Adams, a former member of the R.C. G.A., Sergt.-Major Cairns, Sergt. W. Creegan and Sergt. A. Baugh, R.C.G. A.

The medal is silver and of a beautiful design. On one side it has a crown, underneath the words "For Meritorious Service" surrounded with laurel leaves. On the reverse side it has the King's head. The ribbon is of crimson edged with white.
 At the close of the ceremony the members of the Sergeants' Mess of the R.C.G.A. held a reception in honor of Mr. Barrington, which several officers attended.
 At the request of Sergt.-Major Cairns, Capt. Cooper, a former member of the Mess, proposed the health of Mr. Barrington, and in the course of a neat speech stated that every corps represented in Quebec were proud of the honor conferred by His Majesty that day upon Mr. Barrington. It was a unique distinction with which their old comrade had been decorated. He also mentioned that Mr. Barrington's father-in-law had been recommended for the medal but, whilst his name was on the waiting list, he had unfortunately passed away before the honor could be conferred upon him. Indeed it was such a rare distinction that it was only now conferred upon Mr. Barrington, although he was recommended twenty-two years ago for it.
 Capt. Cooper then proposed the health of Mr. Barrington. The toast was honored enthusiastically by the company accompanied with musical honors.
 Capt. W. G. Fellows, also formerly a member of the Mess, was called upon to speak, and in complying paid a glowing tribute to his old comrade. He recalled many old happy memories of their association together in "B" Battery, and expressed his delight at the honor which had been conferred upon Mr. Barrington, and believed that it was richly deserved.
 Mr. Barrington, who was visibly affected by the good wishes of the members of the Mess, made a suitable reply and in doing so recalled many reminiscences of his service with the R.C.G.A. He thanked his old comrades and the members of the Sergeants' Mess for their kindness to him.
 Sergt.-Major Cairns then announced that Mr. Barrington had been elected a life member of the Mess, a statement which was received with applause.
 Mr. C. A. Lavoie, a former member of the Battery and of the Mess, sent his apology at being unavoidably absent, and at the same time extended his congratulations to Mr. Barrington, his old comrade, on the honor which had been conferred upon him.
 Mr. Barrington's service was as

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follows: Enlisted in Royal Regiment of Artillery, London, England, 8th April, 1867; promoted Arm. Sergt., 1st June, 1868; embarked for Canada on 4th June, 1868; embarked for Ireland with the 4th Brigade, R.A., 19th June, 1869 (on withdrawal of British troops from Canada on Confederation); embarked at Queenstown, Ireland, for India, September, 1869; served with Royal Horse Artillery in Madras, Presidency and Punjab; returned to England, 6th April, 1872; embarked at Portsmouth for India on 7th January, 1874, and served with the Royal Horse Artillery in Bengal Presidency; returned to England, 8th January, 1877; embarked for Canada, 10th December, 1878, on loan to the Dominion Government as Ordnance Armourer Sergeant; was promoted by Major-General Middleton to Hon. rank of Regimental Armourer Sergt.-Major while serving in Canada. (Service with R.C.A. 1833-365 years.
 Pensioned after a total service in the Royal Regiment of Artillery of 28,296-365 years on the 29th January, 1896. Character on discharge "Exemplary."
 On date of discharge was transferred to Pay List of Stores Department of Civilian Armourer, but to do duty with Royal Canadian Artillery until 1st August, 1899.
 On 1st August, was appointed and transferred by Major-General Hutton, as Assistant Foreman of the new artillery workshop at the then Cartridge Factory, and was subsequently appointed Dominion Arsenal Storekeeper, which position he held to the entire satisfaction of all officers he has served under.
 Mr. Barrington has also been prominent in Masonic circles, having held several Grand Lodge offices, his last

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ARRIVAL OF JACK MARKS COMPLETES QUEBEC SQUAD PRACTICE AGAIN TONIGHT

Veteran Wing Player Arrives in Town From Toronto and Reports in Fine Condition—Quebec Team Will Practice This Evening—Wanderers Will Be Here for the Opening Game on the 27th.

With the arrival of Jack Marks from Toronto, the Quebec Club looks to be practically complete, though deals for other players are still pending, and Manager Quinn may have one or two new faces on the line-up before the season starts next Wednesday.

Marks has been working out with the Torontos and 228th. boys and he states both Queen City outfits will be right in the thick of the fight from the outset of the race.

Eddie Oatman and Goldie Producers are going strong and Jack states that his former teammates will be amongst the big heroes of the N.H.A. race this season.

While no official figures have yet been compiled concerning the date of Jack's first hockey match, yet it must have been sometime after the war of 1912. Marks, however, is an exceptional player and is always in condition. He takes great care of himself and for this reason can keep up with the youngest players in the league when it comes to a test of speed or endurance.

The Wanderers will practice again this evening when the full squad is expected to turn out.

The Wanderers will be here on Wednesday evening next to open the N.H.A. season in Quebec and despite rumors that the Red Bands would be tail-enders and misfits, Sammy Lichtenhein is out with a statement that he has a fine team ready to take the ice. Bert Lindsay and Billy Hague are available for the position of goaltender while the Cleghorn brothers, two of the cleverest players in the league will be on the defence in front of Lindsay. There is no doubt that with such a defence Wanderers will be very strong. Should Ari Ross decide to come into the Wanderer fold again, Odie would be shifted out on the line with Billy Bell and Harry Hyland and presto change. Wanderers would be heralded as the winning combination of the league on paper. Greg George one of the cleverest of the Ottawa amateur players is with Wanderers while the Wanderer management have made offers to two stars of the Montreal city league. Anybody who thinks Quebec will simply have to step on to the ice Wednesday next in order to win the game will have another think coming.

LAWN TENNIS SPARS PLAY GAME ON AN ICE COURT.

New York, Dec. 20.—Several stars of the tennis court practised the ancient game of kings on the ice yesterday at the One Hundred and Eighty-first Street Ice Skating Palace.

Fred B. Alexander, Dean Mathews, Francis T. Hunter, T. R. Bell and Watson M. Washburn practised on a court painted in black on the glassy surface, which permitted the players to skate over the lines without being impeded. The ordinary net was raised three inches to offset the added height that the skates gave the players. No score was kept, the players indulging in volleying, which was prolonged and unusually keen. There will be an exhibition game on the same court at 8 o'clock tonight.

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OUT TO BEAT SONS OF IRELAND

PAUL PARENT'S LAVAL OUT-
FIT IS SURE OF DOWNING
THE CHAMPS, SATURDAY.

Paul Parent's Persistent, Progressive, Pretensions, Promising, Perspiring Players of the Laval Hockey club have a big longing. That longing is to defeat the Sons of Ireland. Quebec's sensational amateurs who thrilled the local public last winter with their playing and who captured the highest honors in Eastern Canadian hockey by bringing the Ross Cup to Quebec. To beat a team like this is some distinction—and when it comes to being distinguished for anything, Paul Parent is right there—even when it is winning a turkey on a punch board.

Laval hopes to beat the Sons of Ireland when they meet tomorrow night at the Arena, and their hopes are not merely wishes—they have a line-up which is a formidable one from goal-keeper out. Leveque may play in the nets, with Simard and Gendron possibly on the defence and Antonio Savard, Jimmy Roy and Rene Gauthier on the line. Besides these stars Laval has Capt. "Coo" Dion, who may line up with the regulars if he feels fit enough, Henri Dutil and other clever players.

Manager Emmett McDonald, of the Sons of Ireland, will have his famous team in line and is not worrying very much about the result, though he realizes that Laval will probably be one of the hardest opponents encountered this season. Fuller, Malone, McDonald, Lorrain, Carey, McNaughton, LaRoche, Kenney, Wiggs, I. LaRoche, Kane and other young players form the Sons of Ireland squad, and it is a very strong one, every way you take it.

A record crowd should turn out Saturday night at the Arena, as the game will probably be one of the fastest and best played of the year.

IN COMMERCIAL HOCKEY CIRCLES

LEAGUE WILL OPEN WITH
DOUBLEHEADER AT THE
ARENA THIS EVENING.

The Commercial Hockey League will open its season this evening at the Arena when a double-header will be staged, the first game beginning at eight o'clock between Samson and Filion and The D. & A. Co. teams and the second game will start at nine o'clock. The Ross Rifle and Quebec Railway teams clash. The Quebec Railway team won the championship last season and are out for another title.

Samson and Filion's team will have some new faces this year and the loves of Peace promise to make it interesting for the D. & A. team which is supposed to have some classy players on its line-up.

The Ross Rifle club should be a formidable aggregation and the Railwaymen will have a hard tussle.

The officials for tonight's games are—
Referee—Charlie Nolan.
Assistant—A. Demers.
Timer—D. Kerr.
Penalty recorder and scorer—L. O. Poullet.

The games will start sharp on time and there will be excitement all the way through.

LEWIS AND GRIFFITH FIGHT 10-ROUND DRAW.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 2.—In ten rapid-fire rounds tonight Ted Lewis, of England, and Johnny Griffith, of Akron, Ohio, welterweights, fought to a draw despite the fact that Lewis in the sixth round Griffith and had him weak and groggy in the seventh. Griffith was the aggressor in the early rounds and gained a lead on points up to the sixth. After the sixth and seventh which went to Lewis by a wide margin, Griffith showed great recuperative powers and battled the Englishman to a standstill, the points he gained in the final rounds earning him a draw.

Joe Montminy announces that he will enter the ring as a boxer once more instead of referee. Joe has been training hard lately and is ready to take all comers.

MUMMERY'S TEAM BEAT LALONDE'S

CANADIENS GAVE EXHIBITION AT THREE RIVERS FOR COLLEGE BENEFIT.

Three Rivers, Que., Dec. 20.—The World's Champion Canadian team not only had a real first-class workout this evening, but also, furnished the local hockey fans with plenty of excitement. Manager George Kennedy brought his Canadiens to play their annual match for the benefit of the local College and two teams were selected and set in action against each other. The players went at it in earnest and furnished a real interesting contest, the "Grays" defeating the "Reds" by a count of 7 goals to 5. "Newsy" Lalonde captured the "Reds," while Harry Mummery was in charge of the "Grays."

In the first period the "Reds" had scored twice to their opponents' one scored twice to their opponents' one tally. However, the "Grays" came back strong in the second session and notched three goals, while the best Lalonde's team could do was to add one goal to their total. The "Grays" continued to have a little the best of the play in the final stanza and increased their lead by one point.

"Newsy" Lalonde scored two goals, and Poulin, Laviolette and Corbeau one each for the "Reds," while Harold Mummery, Berlanquette and Couture each tallied a pair of goals for the "Grays." Malone getting the other one. The team lined up as follows:

"Reds" (5)	Goal.	"Grays" (7)
Verina	Point.	Paquin
McNamara	Point.	Leduc
Corbeau	Centre.	Mummery
Lalonde	Right Wing.	Couture
Laviolette	Left Wing.	Malone
Poulin	Centre.	Berlanquette

GRENDA BREAKS HIS COLLARBONE

FOUR OF RIDERS IN 6-DAY
GRIND RETIRE FROM EX-
HAUSTION.

New York, Dec. 21.—Four of the riders in the 24th annual six-day bicycle race fell from their wheels from sheer exhaustion, after a series of exciting sprints lasting several hours tonight. Grenda, whose team had been leading on points, broke his collarbone and retired from the contest. The others—Madden, McNameara and Thomas—would be able to reappear, it was said.

Twelve teams completed the ninety-sixth hour at midnight. The leaders had covered 1,783 miles and eight laps, with two teams two laps behind. The record for that hour was 1,994 miles and a laps made by Cameron and Kaiser in 1914.

RING GOSSIP

George Rivet is fighting in Montreal, but George is billed as a middle weight now. It's about time someone discovered that Rivet is too heavy for welterweights and lightweights which he has been meeting all the time.

Willie Andrews the game little New York bantamweight, who is a "cop" at the Ross Rifle factory is taking a trip home for Xmas. He will be back in Quebec shortly as he boxes Kid Burns before the Victoria A. C.

Manager George Belanger of the Victoria A. C. announces that he has signed up "Gus" Lavigne, Quebec's lightweight champion, to meet Frechette of Montreal here on the 28th.

MOORE BEATS DE ORO.

New York, Dec. 21.—George Moore, of this city, clinched his title as world's three cushion carom billiard champion tonight by defeating Alfredo De Oro, of Cuba, by a total score of 150 to 128 in a three block match. In the final block Moore scored his last 70 points, while De Oro was making 73.

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Sporting Notes

The Commercial league will get going tonight at the Arena, a double-header being on the card.

Samson and Filion will meet the D. & A. team in the first match while the champion Quebec Ry. outfit will line up against the Ross Rifle team in the second match.

The next City Hockey Association attraction will be a hummer, Sons of Ireland and Laval looking up at the Arena, Saturday night.

The Laval team is going strong in practice and it is likely that they will have Leveque the clever Chicoutimi goal-tender in the nets when they meet Emmet McDonald's Ross Cupholders.

Manager Letourneau announces a practice for the Montagnais team at the Arena tonight between 6.15 and 7.15.

Jack Marks has come back to Quebec again after his preliminary workouts with the Toronto teams. Jack is in fine shape.

Walter Mummery is going like a streak in practice this season. He has developed more speed and is handling his stick much better.

Those "amateur" bill-posters must have been short of tacks last night.

The veteran bowler, Mr. Wm. Learmonth is going very strong this winter and can still teach the younger element something about the game. He rolled 217 in his first string against Victorias last evening and hit 229 in the second. The pins, however, refused to fall for him in the last string and though he did not miss a single spare, "gates" spoiled a good six-hundred score by four pins.

Alex Wright also lost a chance for a six century by falling to a 165 game in the last string, holes being the feature of this game.

The Victorias took three strings from Montcalm, all by close margins.

Isidore was off his game last night.

Nick Bawlf, who played for Wanderers last year, and who is in England now with his battalion, has written to President Lichtenhein wishing him and the Wanderers success this season.

In New York just now lawn tennis on ice is becoming very popular. In view of the increased interest in tennis during the summer months, it is not surprising that the Yanks will attempt to make the game even more exciting and exciting by having courts laid out on ice during the winter obliging the players to be rather expert skaters to become proficient at "Ice-Tennis." Some local tennis devotees would welcome the chance to try their hands and feet at this game. There is no doubt that the game would be very fascinating and invigorating—Who will be the first to attempt it in Quebec?

Tommy Smith besides holding out is remaining on the side watching the practices at Ottawa, which is very encouraging to managers who may be considering the advisability of giving him more money for his services. Smith evidently does not seem to care whether he plays or not as he surely does not expect to jump out on the ice for the first time this winter in a scheduled game.

A large crowd of skaters enjoyed the band and fine ice at the two rinks last night, both the Arena and Grande Allee Rink being well patronized.

There will be band and skating at the Grande Allee Rink this evening.

There has been a little trouble already in the Montreal Munitions league over certain players regarding their amateur standing. Cecil Hart, however, states: "Nothing doing until the Association takes hold of affairs on January first."

Another Quebec footballer has been promoted in the army since leaving for overseas. Many friends of Sgt. Major W. G. Kear, R.C.A. will be glad to hear that he has been awarded a commission in the Canadian Division now in England.

"Pat" Lepire's famous amateurs will be on at the Auditorium tonight. The St. Patrick's Vice-President has some great attractions booked.

Popular Pastime No. 645.—Wondering how you're going to make Sunday look like Christmas eve.—(Can't be done.)

VESSEL HITS MINE.

Berlin, Dec. 21, via Sayville.—The Frankfurter Zeitung has received a report from Lugano, Switzerland, saying that a vessel, the name of which is unknown, on Dec. 13, hit a mine in the Adriatic and sunk with its entire crew, according to the Overseas News Agency.

SPORT REPLACED MILITARY TRAINING

BRITISH CRITIC STATES THAT
SPORT ALONE HELPED TO
RAISE SPLENDID ARMY.

Tom Watson writing in the Toronto Telegram states:—

A burning question in Britain just now is as to whether the love of sport had anything to do with Britain's unpreparedness for war, and one well-known critic writes:—"Our young men did well to devote their attention to sport, pointing out that sport alone has enabled us to raise such a splendid army. To which he makes the inconsequent reply that 'Other countries have had considerable military training.' Of course they have, and we have had to meet them untrained, only because of the banal indifference of the intellectuals, not of the sportsmen. Indeed sportsmen raised their voices the loudest in demand for protection against the menace of German preparation.

Football in Paris.

"The considerable military training to which other nations submitted did not imply a diminution of sport. No nation has been more earnest in its efforts to improve its standard of performance in sport than Germany, which did not allow the extraordinary preparations for the war of the future to interfere with the expenditure of a vast amount of energy, and of sums which would have made the Government of this country aghast had they been requested to grant them, in preparation for the Olympic Games of Berlin. And then there is France. Somebody has said that 'the French, who have no games to speak of, have proved themselves as fine soldiers as ever existed. They have not had football, tennis, and cricket to develop the qualities which have called forth the admiration of the world,' and so on. Where has he been hibernating for the last fifteen years? No football in France! Why, football has grown to be the leading sport over the water; its followers are legion. Even in these times, when all but a few professional teams and a few military sides are playing in London, it is no uncommon happening for over a hundred matches to take place in Paris on a Sunday.

Sport Saved Us.

"If our people had, whilst the horizon was gradually becoming threatening, done nothing at all beyond the carrying on of the ordinary business of life, things would have gone badly. Fortunately we were saturated with the spirit of sport, and this formed the basis on which the fabric of war was speedily and securely built up. It was sport that saved us, and though we worshipped it to excess we can now better estimate its legitimate limits, which are the end itself, and that end is the end itself, an end that is the preservation and extension of our race by intellectual as well as by physical readiness."

OUR THRIFTY CITIZENS.

Recent Bond Subscription Gives Cause for Optimism.

Certain revelations connected with the recent bond subscription of \$200,000,000 in Canada where only \$100,000,000 was asked, revelations no less pleasant than surprising, have done more toward enlightening Canadians with regard to the resources of their country than all the statistics compiled and published since the Dominion was formed. This over-subscription not only meant that Canada was able to take up \$300,000,000 of war bonds within a twelvemonth, for it had already subscribed for one issue of \$100,000,000, but that it was able to do it practically without the assistance of financial institutions. The banks had underwritten half of the second loan, or \$50,000,000 of the issue, but when the books were closed it was found that the entire issue would not be sufficient to supply the individual, private, or small subscribers. It was seen at once that the thing to do was to let the public have the bonds; the banks could take care of themselves; they would have, in fact, just so much more ready money to put into business and industrial enterprises.

Another significant thing about the subscription was that the thrifty and saving class was reinforced by industrial and commercial corporations, that business men, in other words, had a surplus for patriotic purposes and investment. It is quite an unusual thing in Canada for those engaged in industrial and commercial pursuits to put money into bonds. Concerns of this character are often borrowers rather than lenders. They turn money over quickly, and investments in interest or dividend-paying securities are not in their line.

Canadian prosperity, it is true, has been brought about partly by war orders, but these constitute only a fraction of the nation's new industries. They have been most helpful in showing the country what it can do toward supplying its own needs. The war orders have tested the country's supply of raw material and the skill of its mechanics. When the war orders shall have stopped, Canada will be prepared to go on with the production of manufactured articles of a scale that it could not have attained in

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ARMY IS STRONG FOR TRADITION

HAIR ON THE UPPER LIP GRADUALLY DISAPPEARING FROM THE BRITISH ARMY.

The British army is strong for tradition. There is a regiment, for instance, that was once attacked simultaneously front and rear. It fought back to back, and ever since has worn its facings and its numerals fore and aft. Now, when you see that regiment you don't know whether it is coming or going.

Then there is the tradition about the salute. One of the first things a British private soldier is told is that it is not the man he salutes, but the uniform.

But the Great Tradition is the moustache. It has come down from time immemorial. It started in the days before safety razors. It has been handed down from father to son. It has been groomed and petted and pampered and twirled, and it has been the source of great pride. About the time of Bonnie Prince Charlie it became official. The army regulations recognized it. Ever since then every officer has had to wear a decoration on his upper lip. It has become a sort of frank in the service, much like the "On His Majesty's Service" printed in the top left-hand corner of the War Office envelopes.

But the moustache is no more. At least its official standing has gone. It is only semi-official now. Paragraph 1696 of the King's Regulations, just amended, makes it optional with an officer whether he shall shave his upper lip.

The Compulsory Moustache has been a source of great contention in the present war. Tommies have shuddered at the thought of promotion because of it. The Red Hats, as the staff officers are called, debated it at mess when the French ordered their soldiers to be clean shaved because some one of the French High Command had figured out that the French army was carrying, all told, about five tons on its back, or rather its face, because of hirsute adornment.

Now, the wording of unamended paragraph 1696 deserves mention. It is particularly adroit. It does not say that officers in His Majesty's service must grow moustaches. That would be difficult for some of the young subalterns. It reads that officers in His Majesty's service must not shave their upper lips. In that, there's all the difference in the world, as Robinson, who was only seventeen, but a Somebody, received a commission when the General Staff was writing "want ad" for officers. His colonel was a stickler for the regulations, and at least once a week Robinson would blush for shame when his commanding officer would bellow: "I say, Robinson, when are you going to grow that moustache?" There are many Robinsons in the new army.

In the old army moustaches ran into styles quite their own. There was the drooping walrus effect, for example, which gave a particularly silly-saw appearance. It was affected by those of the seniors who had a failing for monocles. The moustache matched the monocle and vice versa. Then there was the moustache that was drawn out into a long, thin, straight line at each end. The length of the ends depended upon the amount of moustache pomade the officer could afford. In the Guards the length was great because the officers of the Guards were rich. In the Engineers the ends were comparatively short because brains were considered more than money at Woolwich.

Because pomade is not included in the emergency ration served out when an officer goes on active service, the twirled ends disappeared in the trenches. Gradually the moustache took on a Charlie Chaplin architecture. The Red Hats looked at it and at once ordered all the pomade in the world, only to find out that the pomade was made in France and that the foreman of the factory and all the hands were at the front. Of course, there was nothing else to do but abolish the moustache after that, or at least to make it optional, which would amount to the same thing. It was too much to inspect regiment after regiment of Charlie Chaplins, especially as the men began imitating their officers.

In the army clubs now there is some talk as to whether the navy also will come under the safety-razor regulation. In the navy one must be either clean shaved or "fully furnished," as the paragraph reads. As a result most naval officers elect to wield the razor, let their hairs fall where they may—The Post.

JAMES CONRAD DOING HIS BIT.

His intimate friends used to declare that it was almost impossible to persuade Joseph Conrad, who is regarded by many critics as the greatest living English author, out of his seclusion. But the London correspondent of The Manchester Guardian hears that he also is, and has been for some time, "doing his bit." He has an official appointment of some responsibility, which he is discharging with such zest that it is said he has been making flights in aeroplanes. That the sea writer, who preferred to remain in the days of the clippers, and who when he referred occasionally to steamers he could never think of them as he did of the old hookers of "Youth," should now be flying in war planes is one of the miracles of this new era. Mr. St. John Ervine, the well known author and playwright, the correspondent adds, is now a trooper in the Household Battalion of the 3d Life Guards.

PRESS COMMENT.

(Albert Thomas, Minister of Munitions, in L'Humanite, Paris, Socialist Daily.)

The noble, religious thought animating the English statesman is the defence of the prerogatives that raise man above the beasts of the forest—justice, liberty, and moral law. And it is in this thought that the whole English people is at one with him. A few days in the dugouts of Verdun when Lloyd George, in a speech that drew tears from the most robust, celebrated the heroes fallen at Verdun, it was because they had saved right and civilization that he turned his grateful thoughts with emotion towards them. . . . It is a comfort in reading Mr. Lloyd-George to feel that in spite of the difference of temperament and tradition, the same keenness for justice, and for a peace founded on the respect of right, animates the workmen of Sheffield and the Socialists of Paris, the Tommies and the Poilus. Let us not cease to keep constantly in our hearts this high and noble ideal.

The announcement that Major-General Turner, V.C., has come back from the Front to take command of Canadian military affairs in England shows that a new chapter has been begun in the history of the Canadian Expeditionary Force. This appointment, which has been made by the Canadian Government on the advice of Sir George Perley, has been received with general satisfaction by all interested in the prestige and welfare of the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

General Turner has been in command of a Canadian Division at the Front for the past eighteen months. We have referred to the ability and fine personal character of this officer on several occasions. The representative of Canada, each time he visited the Front, wrote in the highest terms of the confidence and affection felt by officers and men in his division for their commander. This quiet, modest, kindly man, who possesses a firm grasp of detail, appears able to think of everything necessary as each occasion arises, and in his temperament and characteristics resembles the Roberts type of soldier. Such a man is needed now in England, where there are assembled, in various degrees of training, so many Canadians and so large a military organization. He leaves a division to control and direct an Army, upon whose proper direction and training will depend whether the drafts which go to reinforce the battalions at the Front maintain the high prestige as a fighting force which Canadians now enjoy. We have no doubt that General Turner will so direct the large force under his control as to maintain fully the reputation of the Canadian Expeditionary Force and prove the wisdom of Sir George Perley's selection.—London "Canada."

National service means more at the present moment than ever before in the history of the English speaking world. It means the cry of the nation to her sons to come to her defence in the hour of darkest need, and if need be lay down life itself in defence of our country and our liberties. Hundreds of thousands of our countrymen have already responded to the call, and thousands have made the supreme sacrifice for all that they hold dear. Many tens of thousands of brave Canadians must still take their places in the trenches if the terrific struggle is to be brought to a victorious conclusion.

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Evening from 7 p.m. Door to door.

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Statement of the result of the business of the Bank for the year ending 30th November, 1916

Balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account brought forward from last year . . .	\$ 461,892 25
Net Profits for the year ending 30th November, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts	2,439,415 17
	\$ 2,901,307 42

This has been appropriated as follows:

Dividends Nos. 116, 117, 118 and 119 at ten per cent. per annum	\$ 1,500,000 00
Bonus of one per cent. payable 1st June	150,000 00
do do 1st December	150,000 00
War tax on bank-note circulation to 30th November	147,288 33
Transferred to Pension Fund (annual contribution)	80,000 00
Subscriptions:	
Canadian Patriotic Fund	\$50,000 00
British Red Cross Fund	5,000 00
British Sailors' Relief Fund	5,000 00
Sundry subscriptions, including Northern Ontario Fire Relief Fund and War Hospitals, etc.	11,700 00
	71,700 00
Balance carried forward	802,319 09
	\$ 2,901,307 42

GENERAL STATEMENT

30th NOVEMBER, 1916

LIABILITIES

TO THE PUBLIC	
Notes of the Bank in circulation	\$ 19,259,347 68
Deposits not bearing interest	\$ 62,434,072 27
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date	167,412,079 86
	229,896,152 15
Balances due to other Banks in Canada	141,317 42
Balances due to Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada	5,021,882 49
Bills Payable	2,189,836 08
Acceptances under Letters of Credit	2,092,640 13
	\$ 258,598,176 55

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

Dividends Unpaid	2,084 12
Dividend No. 119 and bonus, payable 1st December	525,000 00
Capital Paid up	\$ 15,000,000 00
Reserve Account	13,500,000 00
Balance of Profits as per Profit and Loss Account	802,319 09
	29,302,319 09
	\$ 288,427,579 76

ASSETS

Gold and Silver Coin Current	\$ 20,975,529 83
Dominion Notes	19,315,476 00
Deposit with the Central Gold Reserves	6,000,000 00
	\$ 46,291,005 83
Notes of other Banks	\$ 1,630,360 00
Cheques on other Banks	9,668,098 71
Balances due by other Banks in Canada	1,389 86
Balances due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada	7,201,798 13
	18,501,646 70
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities, not exceeding market value	2,781,960 86
British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities and Canadian Municipal Securities	17,282,911 96
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks, not exceeding market value	7,810,461 73
Call and Short Loans (not exceeding 30 days) in Canada on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	14,725,133 07
Call and Short Loans (not exceeding 30 days) elsewhere than in Canada	21,141,335 85
Deposit with the Minister of Finance for the purposes of the Circulation Fund	806,964 42
	\$ 129,341,420 42
Other Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less rebate of interest)	133,738,131 21
Other Current Loans and Discounts elsewhere than in Canada (less rebate of interest)	16,504,118 23
Liabilities of Customers under Letters of Credit, as per contra	2,092,640 13
Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for)	230,738 30
Real Estate other than Bank Premises (including the unsold balance of former premises of the Eastern Townships Bank)	\$ 1,264,458 34
Less mortgage assumed	100,000 00
	1,164,458 34
Mortgages on Real Estate sold by the Bank	389,411 53
Bank Premises at cost, less amounts written off	5,139,457 26
Less mortgage assumed on property purchased	300,000 00
	4,839,457 26
Other Assets not included in the foregoing	126,904 34
	\$ 288,427,579 76

B. E. WALKER
PRESIDENT

JOHN AIRD
GENERAL MANAGER

Report of the Auditors to the Shareholders of The Canadian Bank of Commerce

In accordance with the provisions of sub-sections 19 and 20 of Section 56 of the Bank Act, 1914, we report as follows:
We have audited the above Balance Sheet and compared it with the books and vouchers at Head Office and with the certified returns from the branches. We have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required, and are of the opinion that the transactions of the Bank which have come under our notice have been within the powers of the Bank.
We have checked the cash and verified the securities representing the investments of the Bank at its chief office and principal branches at a date other than that, and in addition to the verification at 30th November, 1916, and found that they were in agreement with the entries in the books of the Bank relating thereto.
In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the affairs of the Bank according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us, and as shown by the books of the Bank.

T. HARRY WEBB, C. A.
of Webb, Read, Hagan, Callingham & Co. } AUDITORS
JAMES MARWICK, C. A.
of Marwick, Mitchell, Peat & Co.

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Evening from 6.30 p.m. Door to door.
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ONE OF THE MIRACLES OF PRESENT DAY BRITAIN.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, in the London Chronicle, writes:—

One of the miracles of present-day Britain is a place which we will call Moorside. Perhaps it is the most remarkable place in the world. Only a little more than a year ago, say September, 1915, it was a lonely peat bog fringing the sea, with a hinterland of desolate plain, over which the gulls swooped and screamed. Then the great hand of the Minister of Munitions was stretched out to this lonely and inhospitable waste, for it chanced to lie with good rail and water connections and not too remote from centres of coal and of iron. No money and no energy was spared, and half a dozen master husters took charge of the whole great scheme.

It is a story which is more characteristic of Western America than of our sober British methods. The work went forward by day and by night. The place grew and grew, and still is growing. Already it measures nine good miles one way with an average of one and a half the other. In the daytime there are at least 25,000 busy inhabitants. The greater part are the builders who still extend the township. The smaller are the munition workers who will occupy it all when it is finished. But even now in its partially finished state its products are essential to the war, and its output has entirely changed all the supply of the present and the expectations of the future. It is not yet fully manned—or should I say girdled?—but when it is, not less than 12,000 munition workers will be running the miles of factories which overlie the peat bog of last summer.

The Raw Material End.

And it is not jerry-built—that is the wonder of it. In the centre of the Colony is a considerable nucleus of solid brick houses, which should be good for a century or more. Here are the main offices, the telephone stations, the club for the staff (club sprinters would describe the inmates better than club loungers in these strenuous parts), the hospital, the cinema theatre, a row of shops, and a cluster of residential houses. Radiating out from this centre are long lines of wooden erections to hold the workers, cottages for married couples, bungalows for groups of girls, and hostels, which hold as many as 70 in each. This central settlement is where the people live—north and south of it where they work.

The one end may be called the raw material end, for all raw material needed is manufactured upon the spot. Here is a huge nitric acid plant. There further to the right is an even larger sulphuric acid installation. Some one—he must have been a chemist, and probably a German—has said that the civilisation of a nation can be measured by the amount of sulphuric acid which they use. Greece or Rome would come badly out of such a test, and I fear that for civilisation prosperity, which may be its exact opposite, is to be read. But this place, the town on the peat bog, has as a fact about doubled the British output of this basic substance.

Hard by are the wide buildings where the raw cotton is stored, where the crude glycerine is refined, and where finally the perfect gun-cotton is completed. Thence by little trams it is conveyed over yonder to that rising ground, which is called Nitro-glycerine Hill. You probably don't know it—certainly I did not—but glycerine cannot be pumped, and so to move it along the good old primitive force of gravity is summoned. Hence the Nitro-glycerine Hill. There the nitro-glycerine on the one side and the gun-cotton on the other are kneaded together into a sort of devil's porridge, which is the next stage of manufacture. This, by the way, is where the danger comes in. The least generation of heat may cause an explosion. These smiling khaki-clad girls who are swirling the stuff round in their hands would be blown to atoms in an instant if certain very small changes occurred. The changes will not occur, and the girls will still smile and stir their devil's porridge, but it is a narrow margin here between life and death. It is only constant order and care which keep the frontier intact.

Look at these great leaden basins and pipes in which the stuff is handled. How is the leaden basin joined to the leaden pipe? Here is one of those queer little romances with which the history of industry abounds. Solder is impossible. The acids would dissolve it. Lead must be welded to lead. It is a rare and difficult trade one that is handed down from father to son and held close in a narrow circle. A lead-burner is a man of power, a man to be approached with offerings and prayers when a job is to be done. His rarity and his exclusiveness were one of the difficulties which had to be met. He had to be induced to part with his mystery and teach it

to others. But he proved to be a patriot like his fellows. Anyhow the thing was done, as these great leaden tanks with their welded pipes will show. The lead must be as smooth as silk too upon the inner side. You are dealing with touchy, ill-tempered stuff. The least friction and you will know it—you or your executors.

Helping to Beat Krupp.

When I saw these enormous works and the evidences of lavish expenditure, I ventured to ask those in authority how the State was to get its money back when, in the dim and distant future, the new world would become ruined and disorganised by the war coming to an end. Was that old, patient peat bog, waiting so silently below, to finally engulf the millions of the taxpayers? The reply was reassuring. All that I had seen up to that point was a good asset and of permanent value. It was all concerned with stuff which the arts of peace could readily absorb.

But now we went to the further end, where this devil's porridge which we have traced is finally seasoned into the fit food for our hungry guns. How hungry those guns are our minds can hardly conceive. We can never beat Hindenburg until we have beaten Krupp, and that is what these laughing khaki girls of Moorside and elsewhere are going to do. Has off to the women of Britain! Even all the exertions of the militants shall not in future prevent me from being an advocate for their vote, for those who have helped to save the State should be allowed to help to guide it.

To the further end it we go then, passing great power-houses and central controls upon the way (please don't forget, as you read, the year-old peat bog quivering underneath), and there we saw pressing and loading and stuff like brown sugar being squeezed into brown macaroni and finally dried into black liquorice sticks, which are cut up and blended, so as to get a standard strength. Here supervision is needed for a quaint cause. Girls have been known, out of love for Tommy, to put an extra pinch in the brew, with the result, of course, of entirely upsetting its ballistic qualities. We take it for granted that a gunner shooting at three miles can speedily range on a mere slit in the ground. I saw with my own eyes a house at 6,000 yards lifted off the face of the earth at the fourth round. When you see the girls altering the stuff, with the finest care, to get the absolute standard, you begin to understand what lies behind it.

So much for the actual manufacture. I have said nothing of a military guard of over 1,000 men, factory police, workmanlike women police, central bakeries, with 400 dozen loaves at a baking, central laundries, going out at every meal, cashiers, who pay away £800 an hour in wages. And all this with the primeval ooze lying in stagnant pools around, the remnants of the wilderness of September twelve months. Have I made out a case for my assertion that Moorside is one of the wonder spots of earth, as showing what man's brain and man's energy can effect? It is but one out of nearly 40 which are working on similar tasks, but it is the newest, the largest, and the most remarkable.

And who did all this? The soldier gets his mention, why not these picked generals of industry behind the line? Those in authority we know, to them be all credit. But what about the men on the spot, the men who dug into the peat bog, who sank the foundations, who raised the town, who ran the works, who organised the plant which is one item alone, that of ether, produces more in a month than all pre-war Britain in a year. Alas, that their names may not be mentioned! They come from all parts of the British Empire, but especially from overseas. The magic builder who guides the army of 15,000 workers is Mr. P., an Englishman. Beside him are a little band of enthusiasts upon explosives, drawn from all ends of the Empire. At one meeting at Nitro-glycerine Hill it chanced that every man present was a South African. There is "Q," an American by nationality, a South African in experience, a man with a drive like a steam piston. There is "G," also of South Africa; there is "B," of India; there is "L," of Australia; and there is Major C. on the military and Mr. H. on the financial side. These are some of the miracle-workers of Moorside.

There are two hampering difficulties which will no doubt be overcome, like all else, but which have held matters back. They are drink and labour. As to the latter, the Labour unions have acted in a way which calls for the acknowledgement and gratitude of the nation. What they had won during a long and weary fight they renounced for the sake of their country. It is among the great sacrifices of the war, and full faith should be kept with them afterwards.

The Perennial Question.

But the faulty national teaching of all these years cannot be eradicated in individuals. There is still a lurking feeling that patriotism is an affair of politics and a tendency to think of one's own case and advantage rather than the country's need. There are splendid fellows among them, but on the whole the girls are more patriotic than the men. That was the conclusion of one who knew. Perhaps it is that a man's patriotism is a more silent emotion. Let us hope so.

And, lastly, there is the perennial question of the drink. There also the girls have an enormous advantage. There is not much drinking among the munition workers here. Their conditions are regular and comfortable. The drinking is rather among the great mass of outside workers, who are less under discipline, and who live under less comfortable conditions, so that their is some excuse for their turning to the light and warmth and temporary, exhilaration of the public-house. It is true that the Board of Control stops the sale

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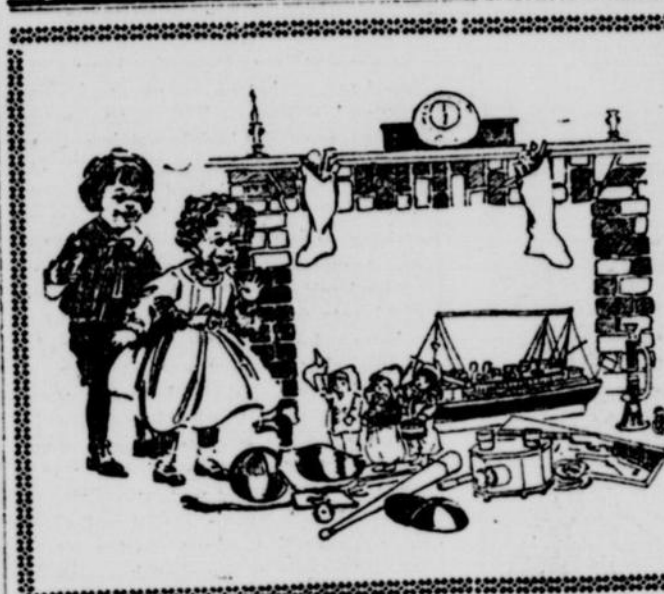
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SOME SIDELIGHTS FROM GERMANY

(London Chronicle.)

An amusing controversy is proceeding in the German Press between two puissant controversialists, and eminent authorities on food values, Professor Cohnheim, of Hamburg, and Professor Kersting, of Aix-la-Chapelle. In Cohnheim's opinion, originally contributed to the Hamburg "Freundenblatt," we are all in error in supposing that under-nutrition has serious and permanent effects on the body. Whether Cohnheim would have maintained this view in the abundant pre-war days is doubtful; at any rate it is a convenient theory for a Hamburg physiologist groaning under the pressure of the British blockade.

It is his conviction now that an underfed body recovers in a remarkably short space of time. All you have got to do is to supply the famishing body with albumen. Bodies deprived for months of animal and vegetable albumen can recover their normal condition by a day or two's free use of albumen. His final conclusion is that a temporary limitation of the albumen in foods is not injurious, with the possible exception of babies and women nursing babies. Dr. Kersting accepts Cohnheim's conclusion so far, and admits that they must act as a powerful tranquilliser on the German people. Many persons, he says, had grown to fear that the scarcity of food might have an injurious effect on the people, that under-nutrition continued from week to week and from month to month might result in impairing efficiency and even in impairing temper. Cohnheim, the Tranquilliser says that no alarm need be felt, as a day or two's addition to albumen will put one all right again.

A certain Amount of Shortage.

Dr. Kersting says that when the German people now receive the scientifically grounded assurances from Cohnheim that even in the case of actual want there is no danger of lasting injury, a load will be lifted from them, they will be rid of the "despairing terror" of starvation. "We feel ourselves also intellectually strengthened by this assurance, strengthened for hopeful holding out, even though this holding out may be rich in renunciation." And again, "Cohnheim's researches give us the certainty that the malicious starvation plan of the English will suffer shipwreck, even though we suffer from a certain amount of shortage in the matter of meat and potatoes.

But where Kersting and Cohnheim do not agree is with regard to the latter's theory of mastication. In the opinion of Hamburg's learned physiologist the sensation of repletion after a hearty meal may be prolonged. His plan is to stave off the gnawing of hunger by some means which will enable the "patient" to prolong the belief that he is not in need of food. Nine men out of ten, especially at this time, will not think of eating if they do not feel hungry. Cohnheim's problem therefore is: How is this feeling of satisfaction to be prolonged? If it can be done enormous stores of food will be saved.

"Bolt Your Food."

He has thought it all out, and after a careful series of experiments he arrives at the conclusion that the feeling of repletion after a meal can be considerably prolonged if the eater avoids thorough chewing—in other words, he bolts his food, instead of masticating it. Kersting will have no bolting. His personal and professional experiences are all against the practice (already far too common in Germany). He gravely explains the pathological side of Cohnheim's eminence should advocate a practice which is universally indulged in would cause more evils, and these more serious, than the evils its adoption, might obviate.

What Is Hunger?

Cohnheim's contributions to the debate are really instructive. He discusses the interpretation to be given to the word Hunger. Hunger, he says, is "a result of an empty stomach." Kersting's objects. This is not exact enough. It is quite true, says the Aix-la-Chapelle authority, that when a healthy man has not had anything to eat for a very long time, and in consequence has an empty stomach, he suffers hunger as a rule. "But real hunger," says Aix-la-Chapelle, "is a strong feeling of desire for food, accompanied by faintness, and by a diminution of one's natural freshness and powers."

And then Kersting proceeds: "In the ante-war years hunger was a feeling unknown to most Germans, and now, when we are unable to indulge our appetites for food, many of us confuse the sensations we so often feel because of the limitations imposed on us, with hunger." But it is not really hunger, he tells his listening disciples. "When one is on a journey or in the theatre, and is unable to have one's meal at the usual time, it is not hunger one feels, but a sort of dislocation of habit or custom." And so with the German people under the stress of the blockade—it is not really hunger which is worrying them, but a dislocation of custom.

Kersting argues and Cohnheim rejoins. Kersting advocates slow and steady and complete mastication—"chew it to a pulp"—if you are to extract all the good out of your meat (1/2 lb. a week) and avoid the inconveniences of indigestion and other disorders. Cohnheim says, bolt it and you will feel its presence longer. Each has his school.

Kersting concludes one of his articles thus:—"We do not need to desist from these useful discussions from false shame or from fear of our

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DIRECTOR OF MILITARY HOSPITAL COMMISSION.

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—S. A. Armstrong, Assistant Provincial Secretary for Ontario, has been appointed director of the Military Hospitals Commission, a post created today by order-in-council. The Ontario government has agreed to Mr. Armstrong's acceptance of the new post for the duration of the war. His splendid work in connection with the Ontario Reformatory at Guelph and the Insane Hospital at Whitby make him eminently fitted for his duties. He will be charged with the organization and supervision of the various branches of the commission's undertakings.



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Lucien Couture, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Stenographer, Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within one month from the last publication of this notice. Quebec, December 22nd, 1916.

TH. DUBE Clerk of the Recorder's Court, of the City of Quebec.

CANADA.) In the Record-Province of Quebec, er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec. No. 2911, of 1916. The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

E. Allen, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Conductor, Defendant.

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CANADA.) In the Record-Province of Quebec, er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec. No. 2930, of 1916. The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

J. E. Grenier, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Defendant.

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Armand Dupuis, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Defendant.

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CANADA.) In the Record-Province of Quebec, er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec. No. 2969, of 1916. The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

Theo. Laroche, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Defendant.

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CANADA.) In the Record-Province of Quebec, er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec. No. 2994, of 1916. The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

W. D. McLean, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Defendant.

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CANADA.) In the Record-Province of Quebec, er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec. No. 2843, of 1916. The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

Thomas Reil, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Defendant.

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CANADA.) In the Record-Province of Quebec, er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec. No. 3330, of 1916. The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

A. A. Paradis, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Defendant.

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CANADA.) In the Record-Province of Quebec, er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec. No. 2678, of 1916. The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

Emile Richard, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Defendant.

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CANADA.) In the Record-Province of Quebec, er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec. No. 2681, of 1916. The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

Louis A. Rheaume, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within one month from the last publication of this notice. Quebec, December 22nd, 1916.

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CANADA.) In the Record-Province of Quebec, er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec. No. 2700, of 1916. The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

Adjutor Sylvain, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Joiner, Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within one month from the last publication of this notice. Quebec, December 22nd, 1916.

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CANADA.) In the Record-Province of Quebec, er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec. No. 3205, of 1916. The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

Rev. J. D. Bernier, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within one month from the last publication of this notice. Quebec, December 22nd, 1916.

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Phileas Bouchard, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Carter, Defendant.

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CANADA.) In the Record-Province of Quebec, er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec. No. 3308, of 1916. The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

Joseph Langevin, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Bricklayer, Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within one month from the last publication of this notice. Quebec, December 22nd, 1916.

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CANADA.) In the Record-Province of Quebec, er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec. No. 2186, of 1915. The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

Richard Arbeck, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Defendant.

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CANADA.) In the Record-Province of Quebec, er's Court, of the District of Quebec.) City of Quebec. No. 3329, of 1916. The City of Quebec, Plaintiff;

J. E. O'Malley, heretofore of our City of Quebec, in the District of Quebec, Defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within one month from the last publication of this notice. Quebec, December 22nd, 1916.

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Shipping News

VESSELS ARMED FOR SELF-DEFENSE

GOVT. CANNOT ADMIT ANY DISTINCTION BETWEEN ARMED AND UNARMED SHIPS.

London, Dec. 21—"The government cannot admit distinction between the rights of unarmed merchant ships and those armed for defensive purposes," said Sir Edward Carson, First Lord of the Admiralty, replying to a question today in the House of Commons, Continuing Sir Edward said: "Merchant captains enjoy an inalienable right to defend their vessels against attack, visit or search by any means in their power, but they must not seek out the enemy to attack him, that function being reserved to ships of war. So far as I am aware all the neutral powers take the same view."

NEWFOUNDLAND HAS A BIG INCREASE.

St. Johns, Nfld. Dec. 21—Increases of more than four million dollars in imports and nearly six millions in exports are shown in a statement of the foreign business of the colony of Newfoundland for the fiscal year ended on June 30 last, made public today. Total imports were \$16,427,336, exports \$18,969,493 as against \$12,350,786 and \$13,136,880 respectively for the previous year.

AMERICAN STEAMER DAMAGED BY MINE.

Nantes, France, Dec. 21—The American steamship Kansas has been damaged by striking a mine. An effort is being made to remove part of her cargo and take her to dock.

TRADE FIGURES HIGH.

Ottawa, December 21—Large increases in Canadian trade are indicated for the month of November and the eight months of the fiscal year. November trade was \$156,066,351, as against \$154,225,481 in the corresponding month last year. For the eight months to date trade was \$1,499,255,942, against \$663,670,349. November imports increased \$27,000,000 to \$72,690,790. In the eight months imports increased by nearly \$250,000,000 to \$557,235,197. Domestic exports for November totaled \$109,558,950, an increase of \$17,000,000. For the eight months these exports increased by over \$560,000,000 to \$731,595,639.

STEAMERS SUNK.

Paris, Dec. 21—The sinking of an Italian steamship in a collision with the French armored cruiser Ernest Renan is reported in a despatch from Marseilles. The steamship, which was taking Italian soldiers home on leave, was cut in two. Several persons, most of them passengers, were drowned. The number of survivors is given as 120.

OCEAN SAILINGS.

Table with columns: Dec. From To, 24-Grampian, 25-Aescania, 27-Norland, 27-Pretorian, 28-Athena, 30-Philadelphia, 30-Metagama, 30-Andania, 31-January, 4-Ausonia, 4-Lapland, 4-Kroonland, 6-St. Louis, 6-Corsican, 6-New Amsterdam, 7-Espagne, 7-Southland, 10-Scotian, 13-Missanabie, 13-St. Paul, 13-Laonia, 13-Feltria, 13-Chicago, 18-Baltic, 20-Scandinavian, 20-Calfornia, 20-Pannonia, 20-Ryndam, 20-Orduna, 21-Canada, 27-Grampian, 27-Norland, 27-Metagama, 27-Aescania.

are small vessels of less than 1,000 tons, two being British and one French. The British steamer Bayhall of 2,334 tons net, has not had her movements reported in the marine records since Sept. 22 when she arrived at Marseilles from Cardiff.

FREIGHTS AND CHARTERS

New York, Dec. 21—Chartering was exceedingly quiet in all trades, but the general conditions of the market were without changes of importance, freights offering steadily, with tonnage scarce and sparingly tendered at the rates bid. Cotton to Liverpool, per 100 lbs. \$2. Charters: Norwegian steamer, 623 tons, ties, Jacksonville to Colon, private terms, December; Norwegian bark, 15,000 bbls. refined petroleum, Philadelphia to the United Kingdom private terms, prompt; Portuguese ship, 1,593 tons, timber Gulf to Spain private terms, December-January; schooner 471 tons, coal, Newport News to Guadalupe, private terms, prompt.

HIGH WATER AT QUEBEC.

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LICENSE BILL GOES THROUGH IN THE ASSEMBLY

Sauve Amendment For Referendum On Prohibition Was Defeated.

SEVEN ARE IN FAVOR.

Three Liberal Members Voted With Opposition Against Government.

The amendments of the Quebec License Act passed third reading in the House yesterday afternoon. Up to the last minutes the measure proved to be a bone of contention, for on the motion for third reading Arthur Sauve, leader of the Opposition, introduced an amendment asking for a referendum on total prohibition.

The amendment was defeated by a vote of 61 to 7, and the bill went through with flying colors. But three Liberal members, Mr. Roy (Levis), Mr. Bercevitch (St. Louis, Montreal), and Mr. Dorris (Napierville) voted against the Government. On the other hand, one Conservative Mr. Tansey (St. Anne's, Montreal) voted against the Sauve motion.

The vote on the Sauve amendment was as follows:

For the amendment: Messrs. Bercevitch, D'Auteuil, Dorris, Gault, Roy, Sauve, Turcotte.—7.

Against the amendment: Messrs. Ashby, Beaudry, Bouchard, Bouchard, Bullock, Cannon (Quebec Centre), Cannon (Dorchester), Caron (Magdalen Islands), Caron (Matane), Cedillot, David, Decarie, Delisle, Desautels, Dupuis, Farand, Finnie, Fortier, Francoeur, Gosselin, Gregoire, Guin, Laferte, Lafontaine, Lapierre, Leclerc, Lemieux, Letourneau (Hochelaga), Letourneau (Quebec), Levesque, Madden, Masson, Mayrand, Mercier, Mitchell Ouellette, Parrot, Pelouin, Perrault, Petit, Phaneuf, Philips, Pilon, Reed, Robert (Rouville), Kobert, (St. John's), Sequin, Simard, Tanguay, Tansey, Taschereau, Tessier (Three Rivers), Tessier (Rimouski), Theriault, Therrien, Tourville, Trahan, and Vilas.—61.

The members who were not present were: Benoit, Bissonnet, Gendron, Hay, Hebert, Paquet, Robert (Beauharnois), Smart, Stein and Turcotte.—11.

At the opening of the afternoon sitting the usual motions for the return of fees on bills that had been rejected were passed, and the Assembly also voted his sessional indemnity to Colonel Smart, member for Westmount who is at the front.

Mr. Sauve moved when the Bill amending the License law was up for third reading that the following words be added to the bill: "that owing to the numerous petitions asking for prohibition and the numerous petitions opposing it, it would be good to know the opinion of the people of the province and to learn by means of a referendum if they wish prohibition or not."

Sir Lomer Gouin, in discussing the motion made by the member for Two Mountains, remarked that he wanted to be well understood that he did not wish to do anything to prevent a referendum when it was necessary. He did not consider however, that the leader of the Opposition was in order in introducing his motion as he did not ask to amend the bill before the House nor to suspend the third reading of that bill as proposed. The bill, said the Premier was an amendment or a number of amendments to the general license law and a number of the clauses did not refer to prohibition at all.

Mr. Sauve replied he had consulted some very eminent legal talent, even some of the most prominent ex-speakers of the House and they had all told him that his motion was perfectly in order. The leader did not believe the Government through the Premier should make an attempt to prevent any of the members of the House from expressing their free opinion on the value of the motion he had submitted. He made an appeal to all the free minded deputies to support him.

Hon. Mr. Taschereau, coming to the rescue of the Government and its leader, remarked, after reading several articles of the rules of procedure of the House, that Mr. Sauve had not asked in his motion that the bill be changed nor had he made any request that it be not read a third time.

The Speaker then, instead of giving a final decision, advised Mr. Sauve to change the wording of his motion by making it read: "Before the bill is read a third time in this House, the following words be added: 'that owing to the numerous petitions for and against prohibition, it would be good to know the opinion of the people of the province and to learn by means of a referendum if the people wished prohibition or not.'"

Mr. Sauve accepted the suggestion and changed his motion accordingly.

"The bill, continued, Mr. Sauve, contains some very important clauses and I know personally that several members have voiced on many occasions their opposition to the bill as presented. The Liquor question is agitating the public mind not only here in this province, in this country and on this continent but all over the world at the present time. It is

most important that we know the opinion of the people and when they have expressed their wishes we will be free to act."

"The new law as it exists at present is simply choking the license holders (it) by little to get the very last drop of revenue out of them before they succumb. If the law is adopted the price of liquor will be raised and the poor man driven by his passion for strong drink will simply pay more money, without any corresponding benefit in favor of temperance."

"I am convinced that neither the Premier nor any of the members of this House will refuse to vote in favor of my motion," said Mr. Sauve. "It is rumored that the Prime Minister made certain promises to both prohibitionists and anti prohibitionists. He told the first he would have prohibition legislation introduced during the present session and he promised the license holders he would see that their rights were well protected. The time has come to take energetic measures. Let us abandon for once all party prejudices and act as real and true men at the close of the present session."

Sir Lomer Gouin emphatically denied he had ever made any arrangement or agreement with either the prohibitionists or the parties interested in the liquor trade. He had simply asked the prohibitionists if they were satisfied with what the Government had done so far in favor of temperance and they had told him they were well satisfied he had advised them to continue and have confidence in the Government for what was to be done in the future. He had not made any public declaration he had told a delegation that had visited him before the elections that he did not think that the time had come for total prohibition. He had never made any other public declaration. What the Government was doing, said the Premier, was in the best interest of the whole province. The Government had worked in favor of temperance for the last ten years, because the Government was in favor of temperance.

Sir Lomer Gouin here read an article which had appeared in the weekly religious review "La Semaine Religieuse" in which it was said that two members of the Provincial Cabinet, and two of the most important, were greatly interested in large breweries and large liquor establishments. He had tried to get the names of the ministers referred to, but the management of the review had refused to give them as they had been given them in strict confidence. "Speaking in my own name and in the name of my colleagues, I can emphatically state, said the Prime Minister, that neither myself nor any of the ministers have any interests in any large breweries or large distilleries."

The speaker then asked the House if it was ready to take the vote on the motion of Mr. Sauve, and Mr. Roy, member for Levis, rose to express his attitude on the question of submitting the whole matter to the people by means of a referendum.

Mr. Roy spoke in favor of the referendum, Dr. Parrot, of Temiscouata, pointed to what Frasierville had done in voting for Prohibition and preferred to let each municipality work out the problem for themselves.

Mr. Cyprien Dorris, of Napierville, who had already stated that he would prefer prohibition to the bill which the Government had brought in, started to speak of certain influence being brought to bear on the members and was called to order by the Speaker. He apologized and addressing the chair he said, "My dear Speaker!" This brought roars of laughter from both sides of the House, but a minute later the member for Napierville was again called to order because he insinuated that the members were not sincere in supporting the bill. He continued and said that he had been a member of the House for 21 years. He had supported Hon. Messrs. Marchand and Parent, because they had consulted the deputies before submitting important measures. He did not mean that he would abandon the Liberal party, but he was free to think as he wished.

The vote was taken with the result already mentioned.

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The motion was carried unanimously.

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