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STILL ADVANCING IN CHAMPAGNE REGION

Progress Made to East of Hill 196; Attacks in the Argonne Repulsed

BOMBS DROPPED ON RHEIMS KILL CIVILIANS

Official Statement on Progress of Fighting on the Western Battlefront

Paris, March 23.—The official communication given out this afternoon by the French war office says:
"The enemy bombarded Rheims. A German aviator dropped bombs on the town and claimed three victims among the civilians.
"In the Champagne we made slight progress to the east of Hill 196.
"In the Argonne, near Bagatelle, the enemy twice delivered violent counter-attacks to recapture the ground he lost on Sunday. Both counter-attacks were completely repulsed."

Paris, March 23.—The following official statement was issued last night by the war office:
"On the plateau of Notre Dame de Lorette we hold all the trenches which have been in dispute for the last few days, except one portion, ten metres in extent, which remains in the hands of the Germans.
"At Les Eparges the enemy delivered five counter-attacks with the object of recovering positions won by us, but was completely defeated.
"We have made progress to the north of Hadonviller."

GERMAN INQUIRED ABOUT VANCOUVER

Canadian Officer Tells of Incident in Trenches; Describes Conditions

London, March 23.—A Canadian lieutenant in hospital here furnishes striking proof of how men may be laid aside although absolutely untouched by the enemy's missiles. He was in the trenches when a shell burst in his neighborhood and, though not struck, was incapacitated by concussion of the brain.

"It is entirely impossible," he said, "to give any adequate idea of the conditions at the front. They are, in a double sense, perfectly unearthly. The atmosphere, to begin with, is permeated with a faint odor of chloride of lime, which hangs over everything. When the artillery is not active you have a perfectly peaceful countryside, but you know that right under the surface of the earth for miles and miles there are thousands of men. It is perfectly ghastly at night. Every now and then great blue stars burst in the sky.
"I got lost outside the trenches one night. I had gone forward to reconnoitre, when a German star burst. I fell flat at once and when it was dark again and I was able to get up, I was absolutely unable to remember in which direction our trenches lay. I moved along cautiously for some time; then I heard low singing in English, so I called out and created over the wire a commotion. If a German star had burst when I was crawling over I should have been picked off for certain.
"The trenches look tremendously formidable from the side facing the enemy.
"We had a queer experience once when the trenches were within fifty yards of one another. A German voice called out: 'Hello, Canada! how's Vancouver looking?' It was evidently a German who had rejoined his colors when war broke out.
"The German system of intelligence is perfectly marvellous. When we first relieved the British, some who were coming back told us that the Germans had asked if the Canadians had already arrived or were due next day.
"I was in a hospital in France with several German prisoners. They were well educated and intelligent. All were convinced that London was already in German hands. There is not the least doubt that the general body of Germans think the war is nearly over and has been decided in their favor, and that after Britain and France are disposed of, Russia will collapse in about three weeks."

PREPARING FOR WOUNDED.

Valetta, Island of Malta, March 23.—The governor of Malta has appealed to local residents to take convalescents from the hospitals into their homes, and thus to make room in the hospitals for the wounded who are expected from the Dardanelles.

ALLIES' FLEET LAY IDLE AS GALE BLEW

High Wind Yesterday Prevented Operations Against Dardanelles

TURKS HAVE SENT FIELD GUNS TO STRAITS

Large Squadron of Transports Reported to Have Joined Bombarding Fleet

Paris, March 23.—A gale blew through the Dardanelles straits yesterday and the allies' fleet did not leave its anchorage, says a Havas dispatch from Athens.

It seems certain that Forts Chanak, Kales, Hamidieh and Klid Bahr still are capable of offering a stubborn resistance. A number of Turkish field batteries have been posted along the straits, and German howitzers have been mounted on rails so they can be moved quickly to threatened points. This is supposed to explain the firing from certain forts, such as Kum Kale, which was supposed to have been destroyed.

London, March 23.—The latest authentic information from the Dardanelles sets forth positively that only the secondary defences of the straits have suffered from the bombardment by the allied fleet. The other forts in the narrows are intact.

This report finds confirmation in the present status of the diplomatic situation in the Near East, which indicates that the Balkan states are no nearer intervention in the quarrel than they were when the battleships of the allies first appeared off the Dardanelles. In spite of the optimistic tone of the Greek press, it is not generally believed in London that the Entente powers have made any further advances to the new Greek cabinet, while in Greek circles there is growing an uneasy feeling that Bulgaria may again assert her primacy in Balkan affairs by taking the first step toward active participation in the struggle.

Constantinople, March 23.—Terrific fighting both by land and sea before the Dardanelles forts fall before the allies was made certain to-day when it was learned that 200,000 Turkish troops are concentrated on the Gallipoli Peninsula and on the southern side of the Dardanelles to oppose attacks on the fortress which line the famous straits.

It is asserted here that the war office has completed its preparations to meet land attacks of the allies, which are expected to be made in force under cover of a bombardment by the fleet.

It was officially announced here to-day that all was quiet at the Dardanelles on Monday and that the fleet of the allies was inactive all day.

A great squadron of transports is reported to have joined the bombarding fleet. It is believed they carry landing forces. The Turkish aviator who reported the transports' arrival said they seemed capable of carrying an army of about 60,000 men.

MASSING TROOPS TO CRUSH AUSTRIANS

Reported That Russians Have Assembled 750,000 Men in Carpathians

London, March 23.—Information from an Austrian source to the National Tidende, of Copenhagen, says that the Russians are preparing for a violent offensive in the Carpathians. They have assembled 750,000 men for this purpose and will make an attempt to break decisively the Austrian line. A gigantic battle is expected as Austria is bringing up all possible reinforcements to meet the attack.

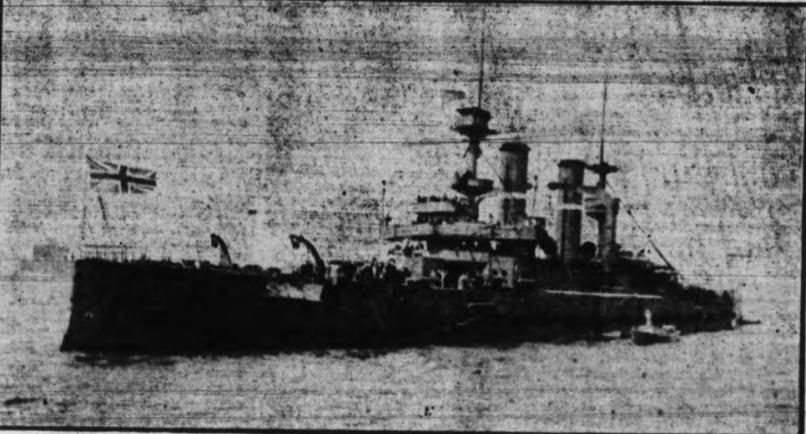
According to the Petrograd correspondent of the Morning Post, the Przemysl garrison opened negotiations for the surrender on Saturday, but nothing came of this. Then during the course of the night, March 20-21, a sortie was attempted. This was the last straw.

Throughout Sunday negotiations for terms proceeded and the surrender was arranged on Monday morning. The garrison consisted of 100,000 men, the correspondent says.

The Daily Mail's Petrograd correspondent says:
"The end came quickly after a fight on Friday for possession of a hill 400 feet high overlooking the fortress of Przemysl. The Austrian troops fought desperately until 2 o'clock in the afternoon. They were then hurled back, leaving 4,000 prisoners in the hands of the Russians, as well as hundreds of dead."

A Petrograd dispatch to the Daily Telegraph says that simultaneously with the capture of Memel, the Germans were expelled from Tauragon and flung back to their frontiers.

At Dardanelles; H. M. S. TRIUMPH



URGED SOLDIERS TO FIGHT VALIANTLY

Austrian Commander at Przemysl Issued Last Order Before Sortie Began

Petrograd, March 23.—Following is the text of an order issued by General Kusanek to the garrison of the fortress of Przemysl on March 18, the day before the last desperate sortie which preceded the fall of the stronghold:
"Soldiers:
"For half a year we children of almost all nationalities of the beloved fatherland have been necessarily opposing the enemy. With the help of God and your bravery we have successfully defended the fortress against the enemy despite attacks, privations and cold.
"You already merit the highest gratitude of your commander-in-chief and country and have won the admiration even of the enemy. In the beloved fatherland—thousands of hearts beat for you and millions wait with bated breath for news from you. Heroes, I announce to you my last summons. The honor of your country demands it. I shall lead you to pierce with your points of steel the iron circle of the enemy.
"On then; march on. We are on the eve of a great battle, for the enemy will be reluctant to abandon a prize he has coveted so long. Know then, defenders of Przemysl, each must have but one thought. That is forward, ever forward. Smash everything that bars your path.
"Soldiers, we have shared our last provisions. The honor of our country and ourselves forbids that after our glorious struggle we should fall an easy prey to the enemy. Be heroic, warriors, and we shall open the way."

STEAMSHIP DACIA BEFORE PRIZE COURT

French Commission Which Held Inquiry Has Made Its Report

Paris, March 23.—A commission which has inquired into the capture by a French cruiser of the American steamer Dacia while on a voyage from the United States to Rotterdam with a cargo of cotton and destined for Germany, has made its report.

PLAN TO INCREASE TRADE OF FRANCE

Presidents of Seventy-Five Chambers of Commerce Outline Course

Paris, March 23.—Presidents of seventy-five French chambers of commerce met here yesterday under the presidency of David Mennet, head of the Paris chamber, to discuss the general commercial situation. All were agreed that the conditions which exist are as good as a state of war will permit.

UNITED STATES' NOTE IS NOT READY YET

Washington, March 23.—President Wilson said to-day that the American government's reply to the declaration by Great Britain and France of an embargo on commercial intercourse between Germany and neutral countries was not yet ready. He declined to give any intimation of its character.

TYPHUS IS RAGING IN SERBIA, SAYS LIPTON

London, March 23.—Sir Thomas Lipton, who has just returned to London from Serbia, relates a story of the appalling conditions in Serbia due to the epidemic of typhus fever.

RETURN TO CANADA AFTER STAY IN ENGLAND

St. John, N. B., March 23.—Among the passengers on the C. P. R. steamship Missanabi, which arrived here last evening from Liverpool, were several Belgians who had volunteered but had been refused on account of age or some physical disability.

FLOUR MAY BE SENT.

Washington, March 23.—Pending further investigation as to whether it violates neutrality, the post office department is permitting the shipment of flour by parcel post to belligerent countries.

EXPECTS DECISIVE VICTORY FOR ALLIES

Sir John French Says He Does Not Think War Will Last Long

Paris, March 23.—"Ammunition, ammunition, nothing but ammunition." That is the essential problem which the war has brought forth, in the opinion of Field Marshal Sir John French, commander of the British forces in the field, according to the Havas Agency's correspondent at British headquarters.

NO FOOD SHORTAGE IN ITALY, SAYS PREMIER

Rome, March 23.—Before the adjournment yesterday of the chamber of deputies until May 2, Premier Salandra declared the government did not intend to rule without a parliament, but a cabinet might centre its attention upon pressing internal and international questions. Contrary to the assertions of Socialist members, the premier said, the country was not suffering from a shortage of food and such exaggerated statements created a wrong impression abroad.

EPIDEMICS FEARED IN AUSTRIAN CAPITAL

Venice, March 23.—Reports received here from Vienna are that, with the approach of warmer weather, the Viennese authorities are greatly alarmed over the prospect of epidemics of cholera, typhus and dysentery. The presence of a quarter of a million Galician refugees in the city, combined with the fact that two-thirds of the doctors have been called to the front and that those remaining are overworked, is said to add to the apprehension.

MANY MEET DEATH.

Madrid, March 23.—Three hundred persons are reported to have met death in a storm which swept the southern coast of Spain.

FOREIGNERS IN ITALY.

Rome, March 23.—Announcement is made that a royal decree soon will be signed, establishing rules governing the sojourn of foreigners in Italy. The regulations are designed to protect the country against the operation of spies.

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GERMANS PREPARE TO ABANDON THE SIEGE OF OSSOWETZ

General Retreat of Enemy's Forces From Region of Bobr River is Expected; Russians Take Offensive Along Whole of Eastern Front; Czar's Soldiers Eager to Press Advantage Gained by Capture of Przemysl; Big Battle is Developing in Galicia

Petrograd, March 23.—Official announcement was made here to-day that the Germans are preparing to lift the siege of Ossowetz. This is believed to forecast a general retreat of the Germans from the region of the Bobr river, where for weeks they have been trying to advance into Poland.

London, March 23.—The fall of Przemysl is characterized here as the throwing down of the last bar of the gateway into Hungary, and an early Russian advance in that direction is expected.

Petrograd, March 23.—"On to Cracow" was the slogan to-day of the victorious Russian army. With Przemysl taken after a siege of 185 days, the czar's troops have started on the westward march to Cracow, the only important city in Galicia now held by the enemy.

A gigantic Russian offensive all along the eastern battlefront was launched to-day.

SUCCESSFUL RAID BY THREE AVIATORS

French Airmen Visited Habsheim; Paris Expected Zeppelins Last Night

Paris, March 23.—A successful raid by three French aviators in retaliation for the Zeppelin attack on Paris was launched yesterday. Bombs were dropped into the town of Habsheim, in Alsace, and two German Taubes and four hangars were destroyed. German recruits near Habsheim were thrown into a panic.

Paris, March 23.—Paris received warning last night of another impending Zeppelin raid, but no hostile aircraft made its appearance.

The weather conditions were most unfavorable for an aerial raid, in strong contrast to the weather which prevailed Sunday morning on the occasion of the last visit of the Zeppelins. It rained steadily and at times a strong south wind blew.

As on Sunday morning, the capital was notified quickly and almost immediately the city was in absolute darkness. Curiosity again seized the residents and all eyes were turned toward the sky. The warning of the authorities of possible danger to those who remained in the streets was ignored. Groups of persons gathered in front of the restaurants and cafes in doorways, in windows and on balconies, while others sought vantage points in the open places and on the roofs. But their curiosity was unrewarded.

Only one Zeppelin was sighted on the French lines. It was first seen at Tracy-le-Val, about 80 miles northeast of Paris, in the department of Oise, then at Cretel, in the Oise, 25 miles north of Paris, and later at Villers Cotterets, about 30 miles east of Cretel, and 45 miles northeast of Paris, in the Aisne. At Villers Cotterets the Zeppelin dropped a bomb.

Petrograd, March 23.—Events which preceded the final desperate sortie of the beleaguered garrison in the Austrian fortress of Przemysl, designed to break through the encircling ring of Russian troops, are described in an official communication issued here last night. The statement says:
"During the last few days before the final sortie the garrison received increased rations. Each soldier was given biscuits to last five days, warm clothing and new boots. Officers were instructed to explain to the troops that if they returned to the fortress an in-luxurious fate awaited them, and consequently they must pierce the Russian front at any cost."

"An easterly direction chosen for the sortie, was the line of least resistance, it led to the district where the Russians had large stores of arms and ammunition. More than 20,000 men were ordered to participate in the sortie, but several units refused to move, despite the urgings of their commanders. Only the 23rd honved division and some parts of the 85th landwehr and Fourth Hussars took an active part. They were promptly and decisively defeated."

"An official Austrian communication states that the garrison returned to Przemysl because it encountered overwhelming Russian forces. In this connection it should be noted that the Russian forces near Przemysl never were large. The great sortie was repulsed principally by territorial troops and reserves. The total number of the captured garrison exceeded Russian expectations."

Petrograd, March 23.—War office advices report that when Przemysl fell, nine Austrian generals were taken, more than 300 officers and 50,000 men.

FAMILY HAS LOST TEN MEMBERS IN WAR

Copenhagen, March 23.—An obituary notice inserted to-day in the Berlingske Tidende by Count von Buelow's family, announces the death of ten members of that family at the front. All of those killed were officers and included Major-General Carl von Buelow.

3,000 SOLDIERS WERE INSPECTED BY DUKE

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GREEK WOMEN PRAY FOR DEAD SAILORS

Cast Flowers Into Aegean Sea; Story of Survivor of Bouvet

Paris, March 22.—Women living along the shores of the Greek islands near the Dardanelles are casting flowers into the waters of the Aegean Sea while they offer prayers for the unknown dead, says a Tenedos dispatch to the Havas Agency, describing the sinking of the French battleship Bouvet.

The correspondent obtained from a survivor of the Bouvet the following story of the sinking of the battleship: "The Bouvet advanced at full speed into the narrows. We bombarded Fort Hamidieh, the batteries of which responded vigorously. The Turkish shells at first were poorly aimed but they soon found the correct range. Shells burst on the Bouvet and on all sides of her, causing serious damage.

"My station was under the bridge of the commander, who had just given orders to change our course when I heard a terrible noise. It was the explosion of the powder magazine.

"Immediately the Bouvet commenced to list heavily and many of her crew were swallowed up by the rush of water. The forts kept up an unceasing fire against our ship although she was sinking. I was saved by a British boat."

Torpedo boats are dragging along the shores of the Dardanelles for the bodies of drowned sailors. Recovered bodies are placed aboard the hospital ships Canada and Soudan as soon as they are found.

The admiral of the allied fleet, who conferred aboard the French flagship Suffren on Friday regarding their future course in attempting to force a passage of the Dardanelles, are believed to have decided, unanimously to resume soon the general attack, says a Tenedos dispatch to the Havas Agency.

TUBERCULOSIS AMONG INDIANS OF CANADA

\$10,000 Voted at Ottawa to Fight Disease; St. Peter's Reserve

Ottawa, March 22.—Warm tributes of praise for the late Colonel Parquhar, the commanding officer of the Princess Patricia's Light Infantry, by Sir Robert Borden and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, marked the opening minutes of the session of the House of Commons yesterday.

The incident over, the house settled down to the consideration of supply. The estimates of the department of trade and commerce were voted in the afternoon. Sir George Foster referred to the manner in which the war had interfered with transatlantic commerce and the mails, and the inability of the government to enter into an Atlantic mail-carrying contract until conditions were more settled.

At the evening sitting the Indian vote was passed. There was a discussion in regard to St. Peter's Indian reserve.

George Bradbury, of Selkirk, said that there had been unnecessary delay in bringing this case to a head. The case, however, was now ready for trial. It was not being proceeded with because there had been negotiations for a settlement. It was proposed that those interested, those who had secured the land, should pay into the Indian department a certain sum to be distributed among the Indians.

"If this settlement is accepted I presume that it will mean the end of the case, although as far as I am concerned, I feel that it should not be," he said.

Mr. Bradbury further declared that this was one of the greatest outrages ever known against the red men. The superintendent of Indian affairs had taken to the meeting where the surrender was voted upon by the Indians \$5,000. He had told them that if they voted for the surrender they would get this money; that if they did not, he would take it home.

Hon. Dr. Roche said that the case was in the hands of the department of justice, and an effort was being made by the parties interested to secure a settlement without pushing the case through the courts. He understood that witnesses had been summoned, and there should be no further delay in reaching a decision.

In connection with a vote of \$10,000 to prevent the spread of tuberculosis among the Indians, Dr. Roche stated that about 50 per cent. of the Indians in Canada suffer from the white plague. The vote will be employed to give the Indians hospital and sanitarium treatment.

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, March 22.—The following casualties, among the members of the Canadian expeditionary force were announced last night:

Princess Patricia's—Died of wounds: Private Wm. Thoburn, March 22. Next of kin, Wm. Thoburn, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Wounded: Lance-Corporal Charles Nevis, gunshot wound in shoulder. Next of kin, Mrs. E. Nevis, Turbridge, Kent, England.

Seriously wounded: Sgt. G. C. Aldridge, gunshot wound in leg. Next of kin, Miss L. Aldridge, Carnoustie, Scotland.

Seriously ill: Private C. Miller, General hospital, Rouen, enteric fever. Next of kin, Chas. Miller, Birmingham, England.

Severely wounded: Corporal J. Cope, gunshot wound in leg. Next of kin, Marion Cope, Glasgow, Scotland.

First Battalion—Wounded: Corporal A. E. Thomas, gunshot wound, March 13. Next of kin, Mrs. C. M. S. Thomas, Amherstburg, Ont.

Fourth Battalion—Wounded: Private Thomas Webb, March 14, gunshot wound in arm. Next of kin, G. C. Webb, London, Eng.

Fifth Battalion—Wounded: Private John McKenzie, March 14, gunshot wound in foot. Next of kin, Mrs. John McKenzie, Assat, Eng.

Wounded: Private A. J. Webb, Boulogne, March 12, knife wound in leg. Next of kin, Wm. Webb, Norfolk, Eng.

Tenth Battalion—Severely wounded: Private C. Wilmore, right arm, March 15. Next of kin, Mrs. Emma Wilmore, Wolverhampton, Eng.

Divisional Engineers—Slightly wounded: Sapper W. H. Milbourne, first Eastern General hospital, Cambridge. Next of kin, R. J. Milbourne, Cardesley, Eng.

London, March 22.—Eight more Canadians reached the Queen's Canadian hospital, Shorncliffe, yesterday, bringing the total number of patients since the institution opened to over 200. Only one, Major Higginbotham, has died.

PROFIT OF \$9,000 ON FIELD DRESSINGS

Ottawa Drug Clerk Tells of Sale of Goods to Militia Department

Ottawa, March 22.—F. Powell, the Ottawa drug clerk in the employ of the Carleton Drug company, of which W. F. Garland, M.P., is president, was on the grill before the public accounts committee yesterday in regard to \$40,000 worth of field dressings sold to the militia department by Bauer and Black, of Chicago, in connection with which sale Powell acted as the Ottawa agent.

Powell told the committee that, including over \$6,000 now in the bank and \$2,000 still owed to him by the government, his profit on the transaction would amount to about \$9,000. His salary as a drug clerk was a little more than \$15 per week.

He admitted that the matter of prices to be charged the militia department for field dressings had been discussed with Mr. Garland, but denied that the member for Carleton had any interest in the \$6,000 of profits at present lying in the Union bank. Of the \$2,000 still owed by the government, A. E. Frigg, M.P., asked specifically if Mr. Garland had any interest in these profits.

"No," replied the witness. "This was simply a side line to enable you to make some money?" queried Mr. Frigg.

"Yes," replied the witness. Examined by W. M. Martin, of Regina, Powell said that he had not got from Bauer and Black, of Chicago, all the supplies he had sold to the militia department. He had got some from local firms in Ottawa and in some cases he had charged the department as high as 50 per cent. profit.

Mr. Gorman asked "if the invoices from Bauer & Black, the manufacturers, correspond with what was charged the department," and Powell stated that they did "in some cases and in others not." He had checked over the invoices alone; no one was with him.

"Who made out the prices charged the government?"

"I did."

"Anyone help you?"

"No."

"And you did this even though you had had no experience in buying and selling goods?"

"Yes."

"To the invoices as received the witness said he added what he considered to be a fair margin.

"I see an item here which cost you \$6 and you charged \$5.30. Was that a fair margin?"

"I charged more at first, and when the department objected I reduced the price."

"To a figure below what you paid?"

"Yes."

"Who assisted you in making out the prices?"

"No one."

"Did you show them to anyone?"

"No."

"After you got the letter from the department complaining about the prices, you spoke to Mr. Garland?"

"Yes."

"And what did he say to you?"

"I do not remember."

"Did he suggest that the prices be reduced?"

"No."

"How much is there coming to you from the government?"

"About \$2,600."

"So that your whole profit is about \$9,000?"

"Yes, about 28 per cent."

"Is that regarded as high in your business?"

"No."

"Did you expect to get remuneration from Mr. Garland?"

"No."

"The committee decided to ask the permission of the house to sit while the house is in session."

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SAYS KAISER NEEDS MUCH GOLD FOR WAR

London, March 22.—The Chronicle says that the cardinal archbishop of Cologne has addressed a pastoral letter to the children of his diocese, reminding them that the war is costing enormous sums and that it is their duty to collect gold for the Kaiser requires much gold for the war.

He tells the children that the custom of buying a complete outfit of clothing for confirmation purposes may be dispensed with this Easter, as the money will be better expended either for the support of poor children or as a voluntary offering for war purposes.

FIRE AT QUEBEC

Quebec, March 22.—Fire started from an unknown cause, entirely gutted three departments of the building of the wholesale grocery firm of J. B. Renaud & Company, causing over \$75,000 damages.

LIEBKNECHT LOSES FREEDOM OF ACTION

London, March 22.—The Exchange Telegraph company has received a dispatch from Copenhagen saying that Dr. Liebknecht, one of the leading Socialist deputies, has been ordered to place himself at the disposal of German military authorities, according to the Politiken of that city. Henceforth he must consider himself under military law. He is not to write articles, nor will he be permitted to attend political meetings, excepting the Reichstag and Landtag.

ANOTHER DEFEAT FOR TURKISH FORCES

Petrograd March 22.—Defeat of Turkish forces in the Altagard valley and the capture of two important posts there by the Russians has been officially announced here.

CROWDS IN LONDON CHEERED THE CZAR

News That Przemysl Had Fallen Caused Large Numbers to Gather in Streets.

London, March 22.—"It is the turning point of the war and was a great victory for Russian arms."

That was the declaration of a high official of the war office in commenting on the capture of Przemysl by Russian troops. Official confirmation of the city's fall was received here yesterday afternoon, all the newspapers issuing extras. Great crowds gathered in the streets, cheering the czar and his soldiers. More interest was manifested here over the fall of Przemysl than at any news since the failure of the German drive on Paris. It was asserted by government officials that Austria, disheartened by the blow, probably would sue for peace now on the best available terms.

Unofficial advices received here stated that 8,000 men and 140 officers, weak from hunger, were found in the surrendered garrison.

STEELE TO COMMAND SECOND CONTINGENT

Winnipeg, March 22.—The report that Major-General S. B. Steele, inspector-general of militia in western Canada, has been given command of the second division, Canadian expeditionary force, has been verified by General Steele in a private wire received from Toronto.

TWELVE DIRIGIBLES

London, March 22.—Britain has just completed the construction of twelve dirigible airships, to be used in attacks on German fortresses and naval bases. It was announced here yesterday.

FEELING IN HOLLAND STIRRED BY ATTACK

London, March 22.—A Reuter dispatch from Amsterdam says that the attack by a German aeroplane on the Dutch steamer Zevenbergen, which arrived at Ymuiden on Sunday, has caused an outbreak of popular feeling in Holland, but has had no effect on the movement of vessels. Fifty-one steamers of various nationalities had arrived at or sailed from Rotterdam from Saturday up to yesterday afternoon, and so far as is known only one was attacked by a German aeroplane—the British steamer Elmund, which has been chartered by the Belgian relief commission. Bombs were dropped, but no damage was done.

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ROOTS TOO BAD TO BE WORN AT WORK

Many Men Prevented Going on Parade, Says Lieut. Walker

Ottawa, March 22.—That he had been ordered by Col. J. P. Macdonald, of Ottawa, to repair those that could be repaired and to burn the remainder, was the statement of Lieut.-Colonel Paget, of Toronto, at the boot inquiry yesterday afternoon. He had been given those instructions upon notifying headquarters at Ottawa that a number of bad boots had been returned to the ordnance stores at Toronto. He carried out his instructions.

This was early in February and later on in the same month an order came to him from Major-General Hughes inquiring if any boots had been burned. If so he was ordered to stop it.

He had burned 235 pairs.

Of the first issue of 14,221 pairs, 996 pairs had been returned apart from those which had been destroyed.

Chairman Middlebrooke asked if there was anything suspicious about the burning of the boots, but Col. Paget thought there was not.

Lieut. Walker, quartermaster of the 24th Victoria Rifles, said he had issued about a thousand pairs and between two and three hundred pairs had come back. They had been worn from two weeks to two months. A good many of the men were unable to go on parade on account of their boots. The shoes were mussy after a parade. The leather was very porous.

Corporal Dinsmore, of Montreal, said he wore a pair of Tetrault boots only five times, when they cracked clear across the sole, and a composition which looked like coal tar fell out in chunks. He had never burned his boots. He had put them on a steam coil, however.

VIENNA ACCOUNT OF FALL OF PRZEMYSL

Official Statement Issued; Opinions Expressed in Berlin Newspapers

Vienna, March 22.—Details of the fall of Przemysl were made public in an official statement, issued by the Austrian war office, the text of which follows:

"When, in the middle of the week, provisions were running short, General von Kusmanek (commander of the garrison) decided on a last attack. On the 19th of March, early in the morning, his troops sortied across the line of forts and withstood to the utmost, in a seven-hours' battle, strong Russian forces.

"Numerical superiority finally forced the Austrians to retreat behind the line of forts. The following night the Russians attacked Przemysl from several sides, but the attacks broke down in the face of the fire of the heroic defenders.

"After the sortie of the 19th, it was found that the provisions could last only three days, and the commander received an order to surrender the fortress after these three days and after all the war material had been destroyed. According to reports from an airman from the fortress, the commander did, in fact, succeed, in destroying the forts, including guns, ammunition and fortifications.

"No less praise is due to the sacrifice, perseverance and last fight of the garrison than to their gravity during the storming of the fortress and the fighting on previous occasions.

"The fall of the fortress, with which the higher command reckoned for a long time, has no influence on the situation in general."

Berlin, March 22.—The Berlin newspapers unite in paying tribute to the defenders of Przemysl, who, it is declared, only hunger could subdue.

"At this time there is no intention of minimizing the loss our brave allies have suffered. Przemysl was strong and a great fortress. It showed its strength in its proud defence. We mourn with our allies its loss and the loss of its commander and garrison who have won laurels, whose glory captivity cannot destroy," says one paper.

The Vossische Zeitung says the fort's fall releases the beleaguering army, but, while it is not known where it will be employed, the Austrians undoubtedly are informed and will take the necessary steps.

"While we thoroughly agree with the view of the Austrian general staff that the fall of Przemysl can have no influence on the general situation," says the Krebs Zeitung, "we nevertheless are honest enough to admit it is a painful blow dealt to our cause on the right wing of our mutual thousand-kilometre front."

GERMANY IS ASKED TO MAKE EXPLANATION

The Hague, March 22.—The Netherlands government, after a meeting of the state council, forwarded a telegram to Berlin yesterday asking for an explanation of the proceedings of German submarines taking forcible possession of the Dutch steamers Batavier V and Zaanstroom.

London, March 22.—A German submarine has seized the Dutch steamer Eemstroom, in the North Sea, according to advices received here.

PRICES ROSE STILL HIGHER IN FEBRUARY

Ottawa, March 22.—An appreciable jump upwards in the wholesale prices in the Dominion for the month of February has been noted, the increase equalling 5.2 in the labor department's index number. The department's index number for February, 1915, is 143, as compared with 135.6 in January, 1915, and 126.1 in February, 1914. The chief factor in the advance was the steep rise in grains and in flour early in the month, continuing the advance of January.

WENT FROM CANADA.

London, March 22.—Lieut. A. Strickland, of the Bedfordshire regiment reported wounded, was at Kingston. Lieut. Douglas Morrison, of the Wiltshire regiment, reported killed in action, was a son of John Morrison, mining engineer, of Newcastle. He was in Canada, reading for the bar, when war broke out. He obtained a commission last November.

FOUR DROWNED.

Constantinople, March 22.—Lieut.-Commander William P. Bricker, of the United States converted yacht Scorpion, and three sailors named Ford, Dowell and Leverings, were drowned on March 20 while attempting to reach the vessel in a rowboat. The Scorpion was anchored in the Bosphorus, off Constantinople, near the Dolmadagheh Palace.

END OF DRESDEN.

London, March 22.—A Valparaiso dispatch to the Evening News, says: "It is established that the engagement in which the German cruiser Dresden was sunk was in Chilean waters."

DROPPED BOMBS.

Berlin, March 22.—An enemy aviator appeared on Sunday above Mulheim, Baden, and dropped three bombs on the city and the artillery barracks. Three soldiers were wounded.

The real way to be deceived is to think oneself cleverer than other people.—La Rochefoucauld

IN CANADA AFTER MONTH AT THE FRONT

Sergt. Samson, of Princess Pats, Had Feet Frozen; Others Return

Halifax, N. S., March 22.—A number of men from the Princess Pats returned home on the steamship Missanabie.

Private Oscar Tichfield, of Red Deer, Alberta, a member of the Princess Pats, was brought ashore on a stretcher. He was taken to the military hospital and will probably be sent home. He is seriously ill.

Another soldier named Herbert Burgess was taken to the Quarantine hospital for observation for suspected spinal meningitis.

With him went three of his comrades who had exposed themselves to contagion.

Sergt. Samson, of Calgary, who says he was at the front for a month with the Princess Pats, was in charge of the returned soldiers. His story is that he went to France with his regiment and fought in the trenches a mile or so to the southeast of Ypres. His feet were frozen and he was sent back to the base hospital and finally to England.

He recovered there but doctors discovered that he was flat footed and refused to allow him to return to the front. He was offered a position as instructor, but as he was a volunteer, he preferred, if he could, not go to the front, to return to his home in Canada.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Winnipeg, March 22.—Mrs. Joseph Hutchison, aged 25, widow of Joseph Hutchison, coal and wood dealer, was murdered in her office at the corner of East Street and Logan avenue by Jack Leaky. Leaky then committed suicide with the razor with which he attacked Mrs. Hutchison. The murder was preceded by a quarrel.

MADE ADVANCE ON THE NORTHERN FRONT

Russians Occupied Laugszargen; Honor for Grand Duke Nicholas

Petrograd, March 22.—The following official statement from general headquarters was issued last night:

"From Memel (East Prussia) to the Vistula and on the left bank of the Upper San, Russian troops which advanced from Tauragien occupied Laugszargen after an engagement, capturing prisoners and engineering stores.

"In the Carpathians stubborn fighting is taking place on the roads toward Barfa, in the valley of the Ondava and Laborc rivers, near Lupkow Pass and on the left bank of the Upper San.

"The Russians have made successful advances. During the last twenty-four hours, we captured 2,500 men, fifty officers and twenty machine guns. In the direction of Munkacs, the Germans in dense formation attacked the Russian positions at Rosokhaz, Oravchich and Kostuwka, but were everywhere repulsed, suffering heavy losses.

"In consequence of the joyful event of the surrender of the fortress of Przemysl, the generalissimo, Grand Duke Nicholas, has been awarded the St. George's Cross of the second degree, and the commander of the army before Przemysl, General Seliwamoff, the St. George's Cross of the third degree."

SHOT BY SENTRY.

Buffalo, March 22.—Word has been received here that Geo. B. Montgomery, of Buffalo, was shot by a British sentry while sailing in the harbor at Hamilton, Bermuda, last Saturday. One of his feet had to be amputated. With him in the boat at the time were his wife and a negro pilot. The report says the boat approached too near prohibited waters surrounding an island where German soldiers are imprisoned.

STEAMSHIP MARACAS BEFORE PRIZE COURT

London, March 22.—In spite of a strong protest from the American government, the steamship Maracas, flying the Stars and Stripes, was sent to the British prize court yesterday, according to a dispatch received here from Hull.

The vessel had been held at Kirkwall for ten days. Her cargo was consigned to Rotterdam and Copenhagen, but a preliminary investigation of the Maracas papers convinced the British admiralty that Germany was her ultimate destination.

The United States' protest maintained that the Maracas was bound for neutral ports and carried no contraband. American Ambassador Page was surprised when told the Maracas had been sent to a prize court.

PAYMENT ORDERED FOR FOOD SHIPMENTS

London, March 22.—The prize court yesterday ordered paid \$600,000 on American shipments of flour and wheat detained on board the Norwegian steamers Alfred Noble, Kim and Bjornstjerne Bjornson, and the Swedish steamer Friedland. So far as is known here, this is the first money to be paid out by the prize court on American foodstuffs seized.

The owners of the cargo of foodstuffs on board the American steamer Wilhelmina, destined for Germany, are becoming discouraged over the delay of the prize court in giving the case a hearing. It now seems unlikely that the case will come up before March 29.

RIFLE RANGES AT VALCARTIER TO BE USED

Ottawa, March 22.—Major-General Sam Hughes, who is back from Western Ontario, speaks with enthusiasm of the recruiting in that part of Canada. He intimated that as soon as the snow has melted at Valcartier, plans will be made to send the soldiers to that camp for shooting practice because of the large rifle ranges provided.

Gen. Hughes has been advised that the shooting of the First Canadian Contingent was so accurate that the Germans could not stand up against it.

"They were knocked flat by the deadly accuracy of the Canadian fire," he asserts.

ALLEGED THAT GAULOIS HAS GONE TO BOTTOM

Constantinople, March 22.—Announcement was made here by the Turkish government authorities that the French battleship Gaulois has sunk off the island of Tenedos, the allies sea rendezvous, as a result of damage she sustained in the allies' attack on the Dardanelles forts last Thursday.

The Gaulois' crew was rescued when she went down, but it is believed here that more than 100 of her sailors perished by the fire of the Turkish forts.

DIVIDEND REDUCED.

Winnipeg, March 22.—Inroads on the company's revenue by the Jitneys, following a prolonged period of depression, have induced the directors of the Winnipeg Electric Railway company to reduce the quarterly dividend, payable April 1 next, to a ten per cent basis, instead of adhering to the basis of twelve per cent per annum, which has been maintained for a number of years.

G. H. GOESCHEN DEAD.

London, March 22.—Charles Hermann Goeschen, director of the Bank of England, died last night. He was born in 1829.

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INVESTIGATION IS STILL IN PROGRESS

Counselor Lansing Was Seen To-day by Bernstorff About Arrest of Consul

Washington, March 22.—Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, conferred to-day with Counselor Lansing, of the state department, on his recent protest against the order of arrest against Wilhelm Mueller, German consul at Seattle, on the charge of conspiracy to get information from an employee of the Seattle Shipbuilding and Drydock company concerning alleged shipments of submarines to Great Britain.

Counselor Lansing said after the conference that the department's investigation had not been concluded. Reports that there was a forcible search of the German consulate at Seattle, Counselor Lansing said, were not borne out by reports received at the department thus far. He was awaiting further details.

The German ambassador would not discuss the matter after the conference. As to negotiations concerning the American ship William P. Frye, sunk by the German cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich, the ambassador said he knew nothing.

Asked about the British blockade of Germany, the ambassador said: "Paper blockades are never as effective as real blockades."

Seattle, March 22.—Dr. Wilhelm Mueller, German consul here, who with his secretary, B. Max Schulz, was technically arrested last week on a charge of conspiracy, addressed a formal letter to Prosecuting Attorney Alfred H. Lundin yesterday, requesting that the complaint against himself and Mr. Schulz be dismissed. In his letter Dr. Mueller protested vigorously against the arrest of himself and Mr. Schulz, asserting that the county prosecutor's action not only violated Germany's treaty rights, but was in violation of the constitution of the United States.

Prosecuting Attorney Lundin said last night that he would pay no attention to Dr. Mueller's request, unless the consul could convince him that he was innocent of the charges.

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IS HE THE BEST? Mr. Bowser is the best Attorney-General in Canada to-day.

As the Attorney-General himself is notoriously reckless in his public utterances, there was something peculiarly appropriate in the extravagance with which he was extolled by the gentleman who presided over the Conservative convention in Vancouver.

Mr. Bowser is the best Attorney-General in Canada to-day. (Cheers.) I say this advisedly. I say it discreetly. One of the most brilliant lawyers in the city, and he is on the other side of politics, told me that there was no Attorney-General in Canada to compare in ability with Mr. Bowser, and he knew them all from east to west.

How are we to know whether Chairman Maitland's after dinner eulogium is deserved? We shall have to consult the record. Since Mr. Bowser assumed the office of Attorney-General a large number of cases in which the province was concerned have gone to the Privy Council.

Every session of the legislature sees the amending of badly drawn laws placed on the statute books in the previous meeting of that body.

The Colonist, dear old thing, wails that it is sadly misunderstood. It goes on from day to day "printing all the news that is fit to print, and yet it is bitterly assailed with 'indiscriminate abuse' because it wisely discriminates between what it is fit and proper the public should know and what, for obvious reasons (chiefly political and personal) ought to be suppressed.

The "best Attorney-General in Canada" was asleep on his job when the land laws were violated wholesale. How did he measure up to the perfection claimed for him when the Dominion Trust bill of 1913, drafted by the firm of which he is the senior partner, was passed by the legislature?

a view to the punishment of those directors who, the auditor appointed by Mr. Bowser reports, were implicated in the operations which led to the collapse of the company?

Had Mr. Maitland said that Mr. Bowser was the only Attorney-General in the empire who continued to engage in practice as the private solicitor for interests doing business with the government of which he is a prominent member, he would have been within the mark.

When Sir Robert Borden was leader of the opposition he promulgated a policy for his party known as the Halifax Platform.

To use the power of filling positions in the public service as a reward for party service and without regard to the character and capacity of the individual selected is a gross breach of a solemn public trust.

Since Sir Robert Borden has been in office there have been approximately 10,000 dismissals, resignations and deaths in the service and 21,000 appointments. The regulations adopted by the Laurier administration, which established a competitive system for the inside service, such as exists in England, under the supervision of an independent commission of which Dr. Adam Shortt is a member, have been callously ignored in spite of the public and private protests of the commissioners.

We have nothing to do with apportioning the blame or glory of civil service administration as between the two parties in parliament. But we have a responsibility as to the members of the organized and indeed of the unorganized service as well. This responsibility prompts us, as a positive duty, to point out that the public service is over-manned to a remarkable degree and on account of this over-manning of inefficient organization, of duplications and other kinds of waste, there is a loss, conservatively estimated, of over \$5,000,000 a year.

Finance Minister White expects to raise \$8,250,000 by increasing the duty on British goods imported into Canada. This amount could be realized by eliminating such waste as that described by "The Citizen," and the civil service actually would benefit in effectiveness. The total increase in revenue from new customs duties and special taxes is estimated by Mr. White at \$30,000,000.

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We gather from the explanation of the Colonist in regard to the Ellison scandal that where the minister made a mistake was not in being guilty of wrong-doing but in permitting himself to be found out. "Certain in-

public mind against unfavorable impressions, one of the latest being the suppression of all the facts connected with the "flurry in cows" until it was known that the Minister of Agriculture would have to resign his portfolio. But of course the facts were brought out by "ingeniously worded questions placed upon the order paper."

The Berlin press unstintingly praises the heroism shown by the defenders of Przemyśl. This reminds us that complimentary references to the Austrians from the Germans are few and far between. In fact, Austria's failure to do to Russia what Germany herself has not been able to do, has become a life-sized Prussian grievance.

When the war began Germany hurried practically her whole military power against France. The ratio of her superiority over the French, British and Belgian armies at that time was six-to-ten in numbers and about twenty to ten in preparedness and equipment. On the east front she left three corps of first-line troops and some landsturm under von Hindenburg who, not being a prince or duke or the friend of a prince or duke, had been put on the retired list as so much deadwood.

The job was too big for Austria and she lost one-third of her first army, the greater part of Galicia, while a large force was isolated in Przemyśl. The importance of sending assistance to their ally never appealed to the German leaders, who, however, took care to send an additional four corps from the west to protect the Junker estates in East Prussia.

Neutral military authorities have frequently expressed surprise that Germany neglected to make herself and her ally secure against Russia before beginning her offensive campaign in the west. By holding, with a moderate force, the Vosges from Luxembourg to Switzerland, she and Austria could have launched the bulk of their armies against the partially mobilized Russian corps, established themselves impenetrably on the Vistula and San, and enabled the soldiers of Francis-Joseph to overrun Serbia at their leisure.

But the professors, grand dukes, lesser dukes, princes and so forth, who have been running the war for Germany, had Paris on the brain. Forty millions of people were to be "crushed" in three weeks. The Germans were to dine in the French capital on August 17. And so preoccupied were they with this programme of frills and fripperies that they made no effort to save Austria from the throttling grasp of the bear.

The day's official report on fighting in the Dardanelles further emphasizes the great military value of aeroplanes. The search out and locate for the allied fleet hidden shore batteries they have had to fly close to the ground and become exceptionally exposed to crippling shots from the enemy.

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ingeniously devised questions" were placed upon the order paper, and the minister was compelled to answer them categorically. If the minister had had the ingenuity to evade the questions that would have been the end of the matter, we suppose. Wonder how many of Mr. Ellison's former colleagues have shown more ingenuity than he in dodging dangerous questions by avoiding "categorical" answers?

BRITISH GAZETTE. Pall Mall Gazette.

The third element (the air) has been deliberately chosen as that from which the devices of the enemy shall be confounded and his pride abated, though his malice be not assuaged. They are our first reply to the threat against our coasts and our trade, and they are a reply of a very effective and coercive kind. The Germans desired possession of the Belgian coast as a base for operations against us. They have got it, for the present, and we will see how they like it.

GERMAN MISCALCULATIONS. New York Sun.

The Dardanelles, even with the services of German engineers, to mine and defend them, were not impregnable; and the naval resources of Britain and France in the Mediterranean turned out to be formidable. It could hardly have been understood at Berlin that sea power would play such a prominent part in the Near East in the event of Turkey's entrance into the war.

NOW OR NEVER. New York Globe.

Is Greece always to be confined within her present borders and never to have a chance to realize the reunion she has so longed for? So all Greece is represented as eager for action—all except a king of Teutonic blood, whose queen is the sister of the German Kaiser, islands and littorals celebrated in Greek myth and history and largely Greek in population are soon to have the Turkish crescent pulled down, and if the blue flag of Greece does not go up over some of them in this year 1915 it is not likely ever to do.

WAR NOT OVER YET. Pall Mall Gazette.

That Austria would be glad to find tolerable terms of peace is probable enough; she is accustomed to defeat, and could be brought to swallow its consequences with less difficulty than her partner. But for Germany submission would be a very tough bullet to chew, and she will suffer much before putting it between her teeth.

VALUE OF AEROPLANES. New York World.

The day's official report on fighting in the Dardanelles further emphasizes the great military value of aeroplanes. The search out and locate for the allied fleet hidden shore batteries they have had to fly close to the ground and become exceptionally exposed to crippling shots from the enemy.

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Estate of the Late Frances Dudley Stetson. All persons having claims against the Estate of the above deceased, who died at Esquimalt, B. C., on or about the 24th day of September, 1914, are hereby required to send particulars thereof, duly verified, to the undersigned, on or before the 28th day of March, 1915, after which date the Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice.

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FIRE ALARM EQUIPMENT

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. Monday, March 29th, 1915, for Fire Alarm Equipment. Specifications may be seen at the office of the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed and marked on the outside of the envelope "Tenders for Fire Alarm Equipment." Each tender must be accompanied by a marked cheque for 10 per cent of the amount of the tender, made payable to the City Treasurer.

MACHINE SHOP EQUIPMENT

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on Monday, March 29, 1915, for the equipment of the Machine Shop at the Garbally Road Yard. Particulars may be seen at the office of the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed, and marked on the outside of the envelope "Tenders for Machine Shop Equipment." Each tender must be accompanied by a marked cheque for 5 per cent of the amount of the tender, made payable to the City Treasurer.

TENDERS FOR WATER METERS.

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. Tuesday, April 6, 1915, for the following water meters: 2-1 in., 2-1/2 in., 3-1/2 in., 4-1/2 in. Specifications may be seen at the office of the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed, and marked on the outside of the envelope "Tenders for Water Meters." Each tender must be accompanied by a marked cheque for 5 per cent of the amount of the tender, made payable to the City Treasurer.

NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Estate of Mrs. Margaret Janet Galloway White, Late of South Saanich, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the above estate are requested to pay the amount of their indebtedness forthwith to the undersigned, and all persons having claims against the said estate are requested to send particulars of their claims, duly verified, to the undersigned on or before the 28th day of March, 1915.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the Matter of the "Winding-up Act" Being Chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, and Amending Acts and In the Matter of the Western Motor & Supply Company, Limited. The Creditors of the above-named Company are required, on or before the 8th day of April, 1915, to send their names and addresses and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any) to W. Curtis Sampson, Langley Street, Victoria, B. C., the Official Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing of the said Official Liquidator, are, by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their said debts or claims at the Chambers of the presiding Judge at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or, in default thereof, they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Wednesday, the 8th day of May, 1915, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon at the said Chambers, is appointed for hearing and adjudication upon the debts and claims. Dated this 12th day of March, 1915. HARVEY COMBE, Deputy District Registrar. To the educated ad reader, QUALITY OF GOODS is of first importance - price concessions secondary.

BRIEF NEWS OF THE CITY

Wm. Stewart, Men's and Ladies' Tailor shop, Campbell building, corner Fort and Douglas streets.
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Free Demonstration Conversational French Lesson, Alexandra club, tonight, 8 o'clock.
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Daffodil Tea—Sale of work, Reformed Episcopal school, (26th) Friday, 3 p. m., plain and fancy articles suitable for Easter. Home-made cooking and candy.
Camouset Chapter—The Camouset Chapter, I.O.D.E., met yesterday afternoon in the Temple building. Mrs. Croft, the regent, in the chair. A committee was appointed to assist the High School Cadet corps with the preparations being made for the ball to be held on Tuesday, April 6, at the High school. Red Cross work was also discussed, and the members decided to meet each week at the Temple building to sew articles which, when completed, will be handed over to the Red Cross society. The requirements of "war-babies" will also be met wherever necessary. A report was read to the meeting of the success of the United Service club, an I.O.D.E. enterprise which is evidently much appreciated by men in the service of both army and navy who use the rooms in large numbers.

Gaslic Society will hold their last dance of the season on Thursday, the 25th, in the A.O.F. hall, at 9 p. m. Gentlemen; ladies kindly bring refreshments. Proceeds of the night in aid of a sick member. All members requested to attend at 8 sharp.
Free Demonstration Conversational French Lesson, Alexandra club, tonight, 8 o'clock.
Phoenix Beer, dozen pints, 75c.
W.C.T.U.—The Central union will hold a parlor meeting on Thursday next, March 25, at 3 o'clock at the home of the president, corner of Haultain street and Belmont avenue.
To Go North.—Within the next few weeks the Indian land commission will go on its northern trip. N. W. White, the chairman, has returned from a visit to his home at Shelburne, N. S. He was met at Vancouver by S. Carmichael.
West A Team.—The following team will represent the West at the Dominion Hill on Wednesday evening, kick-off 5.30 sharp: Davies, Ord, Elliott, Moshor, Davies, Brown, McLeod, Field, Merfield, Pettigrew, Carmichael. Reserve, Richardson.
Delayed English Mail.—The local post office yesterday received the remainder of the delayed English mail, part of which arrived last week. The mail comprised 15 bags of letters and 316 bags of newspapers and 89 bags of parcel post. The mail left England on February 23 and March 3.
Rooms Opened in Ward 1.—Liberal committee rooms for Ward 1 have now been opened at 416 Skinner street, near Russell. Facilities for registration have been provided, and all those in the ward who have not already done so should get on the list at the earliest opportunity.
Brotherhood of St. Paul.—The weekly meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Victoria West, will be held in the annex on Tuesday at 8 p. m. An address will be given by Rev. S. J. Thompson, of the Wesley Methodist church. All men are cordially invited.
Tea sold in bulk by the average retail grocer cannot reach you entirely free from dust and contamination. When sold in the original sealed "Salsada" packets, however, it is delivered exact in weight, uniform in quality and clean, at a fair even price.
How War Tariff Acts.—The Imperial Oil company has secured the contract for the city's supply of asphaltic cement, at \$10.92 per ton, as against that of the Union Oil company of California at \$10.25, plus war tax, \$11.02 per ton. Other tenderers were higher, it was reported to council last evening.
Sunday School Association.—The monthly meeting of the Anglican Sunday School association will be held on Thursday next at the cathedral school room at 8 p. m. W. H. Sayer, superintendent of the St. John's Sunday school is expected to present a paper on "Teacher Training." A full attendance of members is requested.
Mad Interesting Discussion.—The South Saanich Women's Institute held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, a large number of members being present. An interesting discussion on the laying out of school gardens followed the reading of the school committee's report. On the conclusion of business Miss Mackenzie gave a demonstration of bandaging, and much useful information was obtained from her on the treatment of patients in emergencies.
Preaching Last Time.—Rev. Dr. Campbell, pastor of Erskine church, announced last Sunday to his congregation that his sermon next Sunday evening would be the last that he would preach there, as he had decided to give up all his time in the future to the duties of chaplain to the forces at the Willow. Since the formation of the 50th Gordon Highlanders, Dr. Campbell has been their chaplain, and since the outbreak of the war the duties have become sufficiently exacting to require a considerable part of his time. Dr. Campbell has two sons at the front and two sons are with forces stationed in the district at the present time.
Soldiers.—All "Jinties" at 11 Willow cars stop at the Skene Lowe Studio, corner Yates and Douglas. Hear rumors for Sepias.
Lawn Bowling.—A meeting of the executive committee of the Victoria Lawn Bowling club was held on Saturday afternoon at the club rooms to make necessary arrangements for the season's play. It was decided to open the green on April 2 (Good Friday) at 2 p. m., and a goodly gathering is looked for. The club will be glad to welcome all new members at the green on that day. At the close of the meeting a couple of rinks were prepared and two friendly games were played, the greens proving to be in good shape for the pleasant pastime.
Interim Report.—Contrary to expectation the city council did not have all the questions referred to the special committee on construction before it last evening. An interim report, however, was put in from the committee so far as amendments of the electric wiring by-law were concerned, specifying the circumstances under which wiring must be enclosed in metallic conduits for light, heat and power purposes. The new proposals are less stringent than the amendment by-law of 1913. The idea is to facilitate the addition to extensions where existing wiring has been installed a considerable time. Alderman Todd, in moving the adoption of the report, explained that at the next meeting the council will be asked to deal with the restriction of the fire flints.

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Building Permits.—Building permits have been granted to E. Burns and Co., Ltd., for repairs to a building on Store street, and to Mrs. Howard for additions to a dwelling on Denman street.
Lady Douglas Chapter.—The regular meeting of the Lady Douglas Chapter, I.O.D.E., will take place on Wednesday (to-morrow) afternoon at 2.30 at the Temple building.
Hydrants to Be Ordered.—The tender of the Victoria Machinery Depot for the supply of hydrants for the fire department was accepted, being the lowest tenderer, at \$32.30 each, at the city council last evening.
Social Democratic Party.—Local No. 9 of the Social Democratic Party will hold a social and dance this evening at St. John's hall. The concert will commence at 8.15, followed by dancing at 9.30 o'clock.
Church Service.—On Wednesday the usual service will be held at the Reformed Episcopal church at 4.45 p. m. The preacher will be Rev. S. J. Thompson. The Rev. A. de B. Owen will be in charge of the service.
Is Appreciative.—C. C. Pemberton, writing on behalf of the Gonzales Realty company, thanked the city council, in a letter read to council last evening, for assistance in improving Highland Drive.
Addressed Japanese.—At the Japanese mission on Sunday evening, Commander Kobayama, of the Imperial Japanese navy, delivered an interesting and inspiring address on the "Importance of National Defence." There was a large audience.
Pity the Birds.—Unless the city takes steps to improve the accommodation for the birds in the aviary at Beacon Hill park, a lady has threatened to draw the attention of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to the matter. A letter to this effect was read to the council last evening. The chairman of the parks committee will report.
Will Hold Sale.—The Ladies' Guild of Oakland Church of England mission has arranged to hold an apron and handkerchief sale on Wednesday afternoon, April 7, in the mission hall from 3 to 6. All kinds of home-made cooking and candy will be offered for sale and afternoon tea will be served.
On the same evening at 8 o'clock an interesting lecture will be given by the Rev. H. A. Collison on "Life Among the Indians."

Burglars Entered
JAMES BAY HOTEL
Smashed Up Cash Register in Bar, But Found It Empty; Cigarettes Stolen

Burglars entered the James Bay hotel, on Government street, some time between midnight and 7 o'clock this morning, smashed the cash register, which contained no money, and made off with seventeen packages of cigarettes. The robbers entered the hotel through a side window and proceeded to the bar. They carried the register to an adjacent room, and there executed the task of opening the drawers. Their labors were successful, but the till had been emptied when the bar was closed and the robbers secured no cash. The police, who are investigating the case, believe that there were at least two men implicated, as the cash register weighs about 200 pounds, and could not have been shifted from the bar to the adjoining room by one burglar. When their raid for money failed the men carried off the cigarettes. Several counterfeit bills have been passed off on merchants in town recently. Several months ago a bank bill was raised from ten dollars to twenty dollars, and a little later a Canadian Bank of Commerce bill was counterfeited from five dollars to ten dollars. Within the past few days two Chinese merchants have reported to the police that they have had raised bills passed on them, and other merchants have experienced similar trouble. The work of counterfeiting the bills is very cleverly done, and might easily be mistaken by an unsuspecting salesman. The color of the bills, however, remains unchanged, and the police advise all persons when receiving bills to inspect them carefully.

MANLY CLEOPATRA.
Bothwell Browne Has Impersonated Women on Stage for Twelve Years.
Impersonator and dancer, Bothwell Browne, who is appearing this week at Fantasia theatre in a delightful feature entitled "The Serpent of the Nile," has for twelve years presented women's parts on the stage. A man well over average height it gives the more occasion for wonderment that he is able so gracefully to assume the movement and appearance of a slight and supple woman, but this he has arrived at only by a careful study of line, posture and motion. Seen off the stage Mr. Browne is not in the least like the Cleopatra before the footlights. Broad-shouldered, tall, and manly-featured, he in no wise resembles the queen of Egypt who dances her own death dance with the serpent coiled about her heart. The illusion he maintains he is able to achieve simply by draping lines found in pose and movement chiefly, partly through the slight assistance offered in the soft eastern draperies which are worn, and the regal head-dress. Interpretive dancing he enjoys better than anything else, but laments somewhat that necessity demands that in vaudeville he must remove his wig and endorse the programme by letting his audience hear the man's voice. An artist in all that pertains to critical observation of line and contour, Bothwell Browne regrets the change which has taken place in woman's dress in the past two years, the billowy outlines demanded by modern fashion being a regrettable evolution from the graceful Hogarthian lines of the period of sheath robes and soft clinging gowns. Cleopatra is not his only achievement, although it requires little imagination to understand how the tailor-made lady impersonation needs but half the genius to make for realism.

MISSED THE TRENCH
Brother of Capt. Ward Relates Experience of Thrilling Character in France.
Captain H. B. Ward, of the County Court registry office, has received a letter from England in which is related an uncommon experience of his brother, a captain in the Irish Fusiliers now serving in France. He says that having received orders to relieve a certain regiment he set off with guides and got to the wrong trench and found nobody who could direct him and his men to the right one; so with one of his privates he went back and found the commanding officer of the regiment he should have relieved. The latter said he had two men with him who would show him the proper destination. The account continues:
So the four of us started to collect my men from the wrong one. It was dark and raining in torrents. In the darkness we missed the trench we were aiming for—must have missed it by inches and walked on until we came to one. All four of us were standing on a parapet and looking down into the trench. I said quite low but distinctly, "Who are you?" and was greeted by "Who you?" also

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Rehearsal of "Samson."—The weekly rehearsal of "Samson," Handel's oratorio, will be held to-night in the First Presbyterian church schoolroom, corner of Fisgard and Quadra streets, at 8 o'clock promptly. Members of the chorus are requested to be in attendance and bring their copies, as every one is needed.
Is Leaving Shortly.—Rev. J. Philip, who is shortly leaving the associate pastorate of the Metropolitan church, will give his farewell sermon to the congregation of the church next Sunday morning. The service will be of a special character, a choir of young ladies from the Sunday school leading the singing, rendering some special selections. The galleries will be occupied by officers, teachers, and scholars of the school. Mr. Philip leaves for Toronto in a few days, staying for a short time at Baynes Lake, Chicago, Windsor, London and Hamilton on the

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H. C. Raymond, of Seattle, is a guest of the Dominion hotel.
H. G. Savage, of Duncan, is a guest of the Dominion hotel.
James Mawhinney, of Paisley, Ont., is at the Dominion hotel.
W. N. Sonne is staying at the Empress hotel from Wharfedale.
D. McNair is registered at the King Edward hotel from Vancouver.
Alec. McPherson, of Vancouver, is registered at the King Edward hotel.
John N. Stewart is registered at the Empress hotel from Georgetown, Col.
Vancouver arrivals at the Empress hotel yesterday included John Lawson.
William A. Stewart is registered at the Empress hotel from San Francisco.
J. W. Kirkham, of Toronto, is staying at the Empress hotel, arriving yesterday.
R. H. Pitts and W. P. Whitley are guests at the Empress hotel from Seattle.

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AT THE THEATRES

CRYSTAL THEATRE.

Marguerite Clark, who was responsible for such record attendances at the Variety last week, will be seen in one of her best productions, "Wildflower," at the Crystal theatre on Wednesday and Thursday. This theatre is now booking reissues of the best Famous Player films, together with a change of programme three times a week. That the patrons are well pleased with the programme presented is proven by the increased attendances from day to day.

DOMINION THEATRE.

The insistence of the public for more photo-plays with English settings has prompted Manager Robertson, of the Dominion theatre, to secure a number of films with the real English atmosphere. The first of these was presented last evening and introduced the well-known emotional actress, Miss Florence Turner, in an elaborate drama entitled "For Her People." The play proved of more than ordinary interest, as it deals with industrial problems of modern England. Miss Pearl White, whose clever acting in the great Pathé serial, "The Perils of Pauline," is making her a great favorite, and also providing a big thrill in episode six by making a daring escape from a balloon by descending the anchor rope. Col. Hegbar is also on the bill, and his latest experiences as a ghost-breaker are decidedly funny. For the week-end show the Liebler production of "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" has been secured. An entire circus was hired to make the picture, and it goes without saying it will be well worth seeing.

VARIETY THEATRE.

The fascinating southern romance, "Cameo Kirby," is the feature at the Variety for the first half of the week with Dunstan Farnum in the title role and a company of noted dramatic artists. The story is one of slavery days in the south, and follows the career of Cameo Kirby (so-called because of his fondness for cameos), through his many adventures. The scenes, which were taken in the south, are among the best ever screened. On Thursday, Friday and Saturday the play which created such a sensation throughout the country, "The Morals of Marcus," by William J. Locke, will be presented with the well-known actress, Marie Doro, in the leading role. Mrs. Mary Humphrey King, the vocal soloist, who has been specially engaged for this week, is proving a great drawing card, being well received at every performance. On account of the superior attractions now booked the management have increased the admission at the evening performance to 15¢.

LIFE OF QUEEN VICTORIA.

Hundreds should be attracted to the Royal Victoria theatre to see the wonderful motion-picture series of the life of her late majesty, Queen Victoria, which are being shown on Thursday, Friday and Saturday (matinee and evening performance each day) this week. The pictures are of unique interest, representing as they do incidents from the life of one of the greatest characters of all history, whose memory is still green in the hearts of most of the subjects of the British empire. The pictures were prepared with the greatest attention to detail and accuracy.

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Everyone familiar with the history of Queen Victoria knows of her love for her people, her enthusiasm for the army, her sympathy with suffering, her love of honor, truth and integrity. In selecting the models for the various periods in which her majesty is represented, these things were taken into account, and the personality is infused with the traditional traits familiar to all who knew or had seen the good queen. Her majesty's diary supplied many of the little incidents which are shown; either personal happenings were supplied by the royal family. The spectacle required a wonderful company of performers, over 10,000 people and 300 horses being utilized in the preparation of the pictures. No one should fail to see the films while they are being presented here.

"SERPENT" AT PANTAGES

Exceptionally Good Feature Introduced at Well-Known Vaudeville House This Week.

There is plenty of novelty and one of the surprises of the season in the bill offered at Pantages theatre this week. The surprise is introduced in quite the best dancing feature that has yet appeared at the well-known vaudeville house. "The Serpent of the Nile" being one of the few successful representations of the modern school of interpretive dancing that has been shown up to the present on the circuit. The particular incident depicted is the closing episode in the eventful history of Cleopatra, the beautiful queen of Egypt. The traditional manner of her dramatic death was observed in general, although not in detail, the asp by whose bite she was popularly reputed to have found her release from life being replaced by a long black serpent. Her death, too, contrary to historical record, took place in the presence of her attendants. Bothwell Browne, despite the meagre possibilities for disguise, not only inspired, but maintained the illusion of feminine beauty and grace, and the dances before and after the news of Antony's death were wonderfully contrasted, the first voluptuous, lazy, inconsequent vanities of movement; the last, the serpent dance, tense with the tragedy of despair. A real live serpent, number of graceful dancing girls, a beautiful Ethiopian slave, and a stage setting which further emphasized the illusion of Egypt, comprise the outstanding attractions of a turn which is of peculiar merit and artistic interest. A very attractive little lady with a charming voice and accent is Miss Grace La Dell, who appears in a clever shooting novelty. The "A Company" stood for more than a first glance at the bill might imply, as several of the spectators in the audience participated in the number. Whether with rifle or revolver there seemed nothing that this remarkable shot could not find with a bullet within the range, at least, of the narrow limits of the stage. Confidence was evidently inspired, as a soldier fearlessly volunteered to hold her target for her on one occasion, his faith being justified. Jimmy Green has several rivals in the barytard, but none of them could possibly prove as entertaining. His mimicries seem limitless, and having exhausted the more familiar animals, fall mercilessly on the coster and the Scot. A very breezy little comedy sketch is that entitled "The Claim Agent," played quite delightfully by Kecey Conroy and Roso Manton. The piece is full of laughable lines, and is cleverly written and played. The comedy instrumentalists, Archie Nicholson and company, should make more of the later feature of their turn, as on two or three occasions they proved beyond any question their ability to deliver pleasing harmonies in a manner which appealed instantly to their audience.

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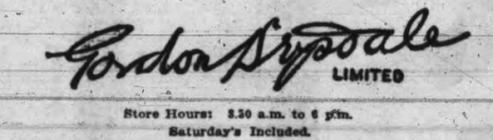
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I and the hero of this story, writes a correspondent of the Manchester Guardian, were chance companions on a railway journey, and in the course of conversation it transpired that he was a "business system expert." He looked the part, for he had a hypnotic eye (one presumes such "folk-do" daily eye-drill before a mirror). As we prepared to descend at the terminus he informed me that he carried system into all his life—"For instance, I always place my left-hand glove in my right pocket, and vice-versa. I draw out the glove ready to be drawn on the left hand, and . . . With a warm eulogy of this combination of cuteness and system I saved him the necessity of saying "vice-versa." On the platform we immediately encountered his wife, to whom I was introduced as a pleasant travelling companion. The lady mechanically acknowledged my salute, and turning to her husband, reproachfully remarked, "I see, Charles, you are wearing your left-hand glove on your right hand again." He looked quite sheepish when I unparadoxically murmured "and vice-versa."

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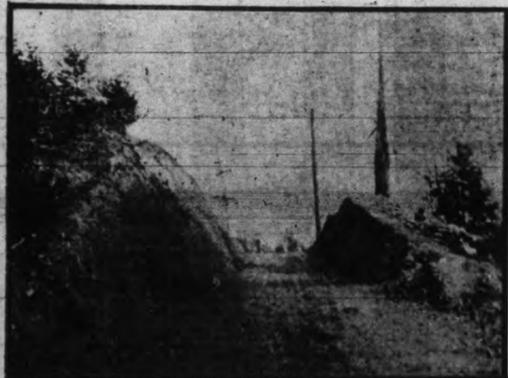
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ON SAANICH MOUNTAIN ROAD



The above photographs show the construction of the road up the Saanich mountain, now being built by the provincial government. Upper is the first earth cut on the road near the point where it leaves the West Saanich road; lower is a typical rock cut. The road is almost half done, except for the metal surfacing, and the preliminary work is open for a considerable section further up. About 100 men are engaged.

chise. The registrar will tell anyone that was as true of me as of any person in court.
Mr. Price, however, cannot take his licking like a little man should do. He whines when nearly twelve months have passed over his aging head. Let him whine. For myself, I crave no greater compliment than to be black-guarded by Mr. Price. And there are others.

WALTER W. BAER
Victoria, March 22.
P.S.—Sent to Colonist but refused, as usual.

CABINET JOBS.

Editor Times:—Me and Dick are old pals, so when I heard that Dick had a fuse with some of them blamed pollytuhama, I walks over, and sez: Dick, sez I, fire 'em. Who? he sez, looking wise. No names, I sez, but the fellers who swigs and the fellers who buys culls for oows, and the fellers whose thick with trust companies that busts, at no goot to you.

"Who wood be left?" he asks me. That were a poney, Dick, I sez, I'll stand by you and so will Bla— and To—, and Mat— and Pri— and lots of other boys. I'll take enny job that's going. Things ain't so bizzy with me but I can't stretch a point for ye, I sez.

You'll want ambuddy to look after the cash, and I'm fine on that. I'll hold on to anything in that line; or education, I sez, I want that bad meself.

The land bliness, he sez, is the wust. Bruster keeps as a worrying over a few acres that some noble patrots got, and can't pay for. If Ross wood only wish me a tearful good-bye, Richard, I'd love him like a prodigal son of a gun. Do you think, Benny, he sez (me name is Benjamin John Simple—) you could hold down a job like that? You bet, I sez, I never seed a job at ten thousand with pickings that I weren't good at. It wood be heep better that stoking at \$2.50 and meals on mud-dredgers and more respectful.

I was just goin' to say "so long," when I thought of Bill and Dan. What will you do with them chaps, I sez. Oh, he sez, and Dick pretty nearly wept on me many brest, only I hadn't changed me fogs. Then fellers have nearly ruined me. I cut out me cigars, me auto; I'm down to two meals a day and shaving twice a week, and them fellers are rolling in munny. The wust of it is that they won't cauf

up enny. Not for elections? I sez. Not a blamed time. Unless I gives us some more and Bowwower won't stand fur it. Fire 'em, I sez. Whose he, ennyway? Ben, he sez, he's a bit too strong, and he knows a thing or two that might be awkward. I'll find a job for you, he sez, lofty-like, but I'll hev to keep Bowwower.

So I guess Bill and Dan is a coming on again for another little trife of a millyun or two, and if there's a tidy rake-off, I'm in on that, you bet, and if you keep quiet, Editor, I'll fix you too. Keep the pot a-bling, is my motto. Yours truly,

B. J. SIMPLE.

ITALIANS AND CITY WORK.

To the Editor:—Owing to a hard search for honest means of living, I fall to read the Times of the 16th March, and now suggested by gentlemen how wrongly the Italian men are used in the partition of work give by the relief bureau; I could not refrain to write in regard of that report of the aldermen council that appeared in the Times on such a date, and now I am trying with so as to discriminate the Italian laborers from the views of these too little scrupulous aldermen of our city.

Referring to that report, suggest me that the alderman McNeill brought in knowledge to the council that three Italian were sent to work; also the alderman McCandless said his attentions had been similarly called to the matter; and alderman Fullerton wanted to know whether the Italian were being employed in city work or on general casual labor in the city. I if it formed, true it was regrettable.

Now in the name of humanity, I appeal to the whole civilized people if that wonder of the Alderman Fullerton was not a selfish, barbaric subject to put at a task in such a cruel time? Can he that great Alderman Fullerton suggest which best way should be for an Italian-man to gain his sympathies if even with a Victoria citizen paper that Italian is not able to protect himself from so insane injurie? Those three Italian men were compelled to leave the very same day the employment given to them by the relief bureau, just because the Alderman Fullerton said it was regrettable. What these men have to do for gain an honest living, if they are persecuted and driven away from the work by the very same men that are disposing of

ALMOST FAINTED IN THE STREET

In Daily Fear of Death—Until "Fruit-a-tives" Brought Relief

Chatham, Ont., April 2, 1913.

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the tax money paid by these outcast? Have them to starve, or driven by the famished barbarism of Fullerton way commit a crime?

I do not believe that the majority of Victoria citizen are with the same sentiment of these few rascals that are trying starvation on the Italian people, while in these hours of struggle and sacrifices for existence England find the whole sympathies of Italian people, and a great proof is given by the hundreds of Italians that left Canada for the front, and the imminent participation of Italy at the war by the ally side is another of many friendly manifestation.

Do not think, Mr. Fullerton, "and rest," that this report shall pass unobserved, as I will send it to the Italian presses, where it shall be printed and where it shall be show for the honor of proof in which manner are treated the Italian in this corner of the British empire.

Do not also feel too proud of your exploit and remember that for our respect we are always ready not only to Mr. Fullerton, but whoever dare to in-

sult the Italian right, to teach to the offender in a gentleman way the respect that is due to other people.
JOHN MARMO,
March 22.
No. 1 Pine St.

DISCUSSION ON LAND

South Saanich Farmers Held Interesting Meeting; Address by Dr. Cumming.

The South Saanich farmers held their regular institute meeting last week at the Temperance hall. The matter of unemployment was considered on a letter being read from the Central Employment and Relief Bureau, and it was felt that sufficient unemployed were to be found already in the district to fill all requirements. Opinions were voiced by the president and Edwin John that the city market should be opened at least three days a week in the near future to accommodate the business offering as farmers got more prepared to meet demands. The question of obtaining pure-bred stock from the Dominion government was considered, but no action was taken. Dr. Cumming, Sidney, gave an interesting address on the history and industrial development of New Zealand, which was followed by a warm discussion on land settlement and business problems in British Columbia. The ladies of the Women's Institute, with their customary generosity, were on hand with refreshments after the meeting adjourned.

"She doesn't like her new gown, it's pretty and all that, but she still thinks it needs something to improve its shape." "Well, why doesn't she let some other girl wear it?"

It is related that upon one occasion Senator Thurman's friends visited his house to apprise him that a new political honor had been conferred upon him. He was pleased, but after they had been seated a few moments the conversation lagged, and the old Roman seemed to be ill at ease. His wife tried her best to entertain the campaigners, and the Senator excused himself. He presently appeared with his boots and topcoat on. "Gentlemen," said he, "we will now go out and get something to smoke. My wife is the boss here, and we never have anything to drink in the house." Mrs. Thurman looked pleased as she closed the door after them. "As I was say-

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ing," added the Senator, "she runs the house, but, thank Heaven she doesn't run the town!"



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A SAMPLE DEAL.

To the Editor,—About fifteen years ago some millions of acres of land in Southeast Kootenay were given away as bonuses for railway building. The land was selected in blocks from 10 to 50 miles wide, extending along the principal valleys and including miles of the high mountain ranges on either side. These lands were to be free from taxation for 10 years. The lands became the property of the C. P. R., which placed them on the market at from \$1 to \$5 per acre, with easy terms at 6 per cent interest. The price and terms being extremely favorable and the lands being the most accessible in the province, the greater portion was quickly sold.

It is a fact that the C. P. R. has the most perfect land selling organization in existence, and two years before the remaining lands became taxable this machine was put in motion. All the valley lands, including the mountain sides and every stick of timber on the tributary streams, were turned into cash. Special crews were sent over each block till nothing but the \$900,000 acres of bald rocky peaks

were left. The skeleton was completely prepared for the boneyard.

No such business concern as the C. P. R. would think for a moment of paying \$120,000 a year in taxes for something of no value. They had taken the meat from the nut and were prepared to return the shell. But here is where our government land policy comes in. They didn't want a present of this \$2,000,000 acre skeleton, neither did they want the C. P. R. to pay \$120,000 a year to keep it. They would buy it for the people, with the people's money. They would pay \$1,000,000 for it, and they did.

Have you ever heard the paid press mention this deal or boast about it? Rather not.

Then you might ask why in the world did they buy this eggshell? When you remember that nothing ever passed through the government hands, from a cow to a school site, but paid a commission or rake off, you have your answer. There can be no other explanation, for no matter how you look at this deal, the province either lost \$120,000 a year in taxes or \$1,000,000 cash. The boys put the deal through, and they want to forget it.

UP COUNTRY.

March 20.

OBJECTIONS TO VOTERS.

To the Editor,—The last two Sunday mornings have seen letters in the Colonist signed W. H. Price, calling upon residents eligible to vote to see to it that their names are on the voters' list. Sage and wise advice. But in connection with this advice has been tendered the interesting information that a great many names were stricken from the voters' list because of objections made by one W. W. Baer, who, according to Mr. Price's letters, must be a very bad man.

A few facts about the objections taken to names on the list by Mr. Baer may be quite as interesting from the viewpoint of other people than Mr. Price. I will state a few.

The total number of names objected to by Mr. Baer was 1,260; not "some fourteen hundred," as stated by Mr. Price. Of the 1,260 objections taken 695 were sustained by the court of revision and the names stricken from the list. More than half of the objections appear to have been valid. Some record when one has to go up against the machine methods which put many of these names on the list.

That there may be no misunderstanding about these sustained objections, let me say that Mr. Harvey Combe, registrar of voters, who presided also at the court of revision, was throughout the sittings the personification of courtesy to me and the personification of forbearance with Mr. Price. Not only that, but in every instance the supposedly eligible elector's name was retained on the list in every case when there was any doubt as to his disqualification. In fact Mr. Price himself, sitting in the court of revision, consented to almost every name being taken off that was deleted.

In an astonishing number of instances names were retained on the list on the evidence of Mr. Price or of one of his "genial agents" that "this man was seen riding along the street on a wagon one day not more than two months ago," or "this man was seen shingling the roof of a house in Fairfield not more than five months ago," or "this man was known to have applied for work at an office on Port street within the last six months," or "this man is in the city and lives at..." which street number did not exist, and so on down the line.

Certainly no one had a better right to object to the ruling of the court in any of these cases than I, and I did not take any objection to the ruling of the court.

In fact we were all anxious that no wrong should be done to anyone or any eligible voter deprived of his fran-

Close to the Finish

Only four short days and this Great Bargain Carnival will be over. We still have a large number of bargains left but they are going fast so don't wait any longer. Come at once.

Don't Forget the Number

<p>The Last Week</p> <p>Remember, folks, this is the last week of this awful price slaughter. An opportunity such as this may never come to you again, so grasp it while it is here, and replenish your wardrobe with the highest quality of wearing apparel on the market at savings beyond your fondest dreams.</p>	<p>HURRY</p>	<p>HURRY</p>	<p>Not Selling Out</p> <p>Just raising some quick money to meet our obligations, and are suffering severe losses in order to accomplish our purpose. Everything you buy here has our iron-clad guarantee to give satisfaction; if it doesn't, you always know where to find us. Buy where you have a come-back.</p>
<p>Look! Look! Look!</p> <p>\$1.50 Caps</p> <p>Another special lot of Men's Caps. Values up to \$1.50. Now</p> <p>45c</p>	<p>Extra Special \$30 Overcoats</p> <p>Only a few of these Coats. We want to close them out. Regular value to \$30.00. To-morrow, your choice only</p> <p>\$10</p>		<p>Read! Read! Read!</p> <p>\$6.50 Rugs</p> <p>All-Wool Steamer Rugs or Auto Robes. Choice</p> <p>\$2.95</p>
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SPORTING NEWS

BUTLER'S CONTRACT ARRIVES SAFELY PLAYERS REPORT HERE NEXT WEEK

Victoria Closes Purchase for Star Infielder; Seattle Will Have Entire New Infield

Wills Butler, who topped the short-stops of the Northwestern league last year with Spokane, has sent in his signed contract to the local club. The Victoria management have been dickering for nearly two months for Butler's services and feel that they have landed the best short fielder in the Northwest. Butler is a natural born ball player, one who can field with the best of them, while his hitting was a failure of the upward rush of the Spokane aggregation last year. The Victoria club has purchased Butler outright from Spokane, and he will be the highest priced infielder in the circuit. Transportation was sent out to the Victoria players to-day, and the local squad will report on Thursday of next week.

A dozen of them will receive more than \$4,000. Even the Yankees will take down \$60,000 before the end of the coming season. The Dodger's payroll will amount to \$90,000. The Phillies and Athletics will draw \$60,000 each. The Red Sox have tied up President Lannin to the extent of \$100,000, while the champion Braves are not far below these figures. In Chicago the White Sox will try to earn \$80,000, and the Cubs, \$70,000. The Pirates will collect \$65,000; the Cincinnati Reds, \$60,000; the Browns, \$70,000; the Cardinals, \$55,000; the Detroit, \$70,000; the Washington, \$70,000, and the Cleveland, \$50,000.

There is just a chance that Seattle will sport a brand-new outfield, this season. Pres. Dugdale shattered his outer garden when he traded Swain to Minneapolis for Hunt, and now the latter refuses to report. Marty Killaly has not even sent the club word as to his intentions for the coming summer, while Eddie Fries slumped badly last summer and will not be brought back by the Giants. Dugdale realizes the value of new faces on his club, and in Kaiser Kippert and Wade he thinks he has a trio of flashy outfielders who ought to shine in the Northwest. Kaiser was picked up in the South Michigan league, while Wade is just breaking out of the bushes.

Pittsburg writers declare that Hans Wagner will be seen at first base with the Pirates this year. Clarke has found Gerber a most promising short-stop. The veteran Wagner, who has experience at first, is by far the best candidate for the place.

The salary list of the New York Giants this year will exceed \$100,000. There is not a regular on the team who will draw less than \$3,000, while half

JACK YOUSON HAS RESIGNED OFFICE

New V.F.A. Secretary to Be Appointed; Cup Games To- morrow Evening.

Secretary Jack Youson, of the Victoria Football association, has placed his resignation in the hands of the V. F. A. and the latter body will consider the voluntary retirement of this official at to-morrow night's meeting. It is likely that representative Teifer, of the Fairfield Football club, will be chosen to succeed the retiring secretary. Mr. Teifer having acted in the capacity of secretary pro tem on several occasions.

A. A. U. WILL NOT ACCEPT EXCUSES

Amateur Athletes Must Make Themselves Acquainted With Rules

With the reorganization of amateur baseball clubs and lacrosse clubs for the coming season, President George Nicholson of the A. A. U. issues a general warning to officials handling these teams, to see that all players are made familiar with the rules defining the status of an amateur. Recently the local board issued large printed cards setting forth the definition of an amateur, which all affiliated clubs have been supplied with and requested to post in their club rooms.

Pinch Hitter of N.H.A. Champions

It isn't often that a hockey player wishes to quit the sport at the very height of his athletic career, but when Jack Darragh joined the ranks of the benedicts last summer, he decided to hang up his hockey stick for good and all. Darragh has just completed a wonderful season in the N. H. A. he has a marvellous faculty for getting a goal when it is most needed, and for that reason had earned the title of "Pinch-Hitter." Darragh has probably grabbed off more deciding goals in overtime matches and close games than any other player in the east.



JACK DARRAGH

The Ottawa youth is a product of the Ottawa Church league, for several years being the mainstay of the Stewart Presbyterian church team at the capital. He is not a flashy player by no means, but he is simply a tireless workman, one who can stand a world of punishment and still have enough left in him to go through alone right off the bat in his pro. debut.

A stocky, well-built boy, Darragh possesses an iron frame and has a tremendous stride, somewhat on the lines of Lester Patrick. He can stick handle with the best of them, and his shooting is a treat. He never touches a drop of the fiery liquid, and attributes to his total abstinence his ability to assimilate the bumps and knocks that come to every hockey player.

Darragh has been playing pro hockey only four years, yet the Ottawa management had a difficult time in getting him to sign up at the commencement of last season. He has played professional lacrosse in the east, but centres almost his entire athletic activities on hockey. He was a member of the Eastern All-Stars that

VANCOUVER SHOULD WIN SERIES OTTAWAS BEATEN IN FIRST GAME

East Champions Show Decided Superiority Over Eastern Title-Holders; Record Crowd Views Contest

(By a Staff Reporter.)
Vancouver, March 23.—Unless the Ottawa Hockey club can show greatly improved form to-morrow night when it opposes Vancouver at six-man key, they will be beaten in three straight games for the world's title. At Terminal City last night the N. H. champions never had a chance with coast winners, Vancouver winning 2 to 2 before seven thousand wildly hussastic fans, the game being one of the fastest and cleanest ever witnessed on the coast. The superiority of the coast title holders was apparent at all stages of the game, and the recovery seven should win three in row. The easterners were outskated out-generalled, and appeared to the rugged stamina of the Vancouver septette. The much-vaunted combination of the easterners was completely shrouded by the close skating back of the Terminals, and not the Ottawa defence played ideal hockey, the score would have been much larger.

SWIMMING GALA WAS A SUCCESS

Ladies' Club Provided Attractive Programme at Y.M.C. A. Tank Last Night

Fancy swimming exhibitions, close races and a relay event that had the spectators on their toes, comprised the features at last night's swimming gala in the Y. M. C. A. tank, under the auspices of the Victoria Ladies' Amateur Swimming club. A packed house witnessed the lengthy programme, and the events were carried out in a manner that reflects very creditably upon the committee which had the arrangements in hand. The swimming exhibitions were a decided surprise to the spectators, and that Victoria boasts of a number of exceptionally fine swimmers was demonstrated by last night's gala. There wasn't a delay throughout the entire programme, the evening's entertainment being a very successful one.

There were a number of special features, including a "baby carriage" act that brought forth encores, while Mrs. Hibberson gave a splendid swimming act, dressed as a mermaid. The latter, with Miss Griffin also gave a "rescue" exhibition that was very funny, the victim's efforts to keep afloat being one of the features of the evening's fun. A fancy parade capped the night's programme, the following ladies taking part: Mrs. Hibberson, Mrs. Turner, Miss Armstrong, Miss Moore, Miss Lewthwaite, Miss Lowe, Miss Griffin, Mrs. Hutchinson, and Miss Hennessey.

Miss Violet Hardie, the president of the club, presented the awards of the Royal Life-Saving society, as follows: Award of merit, Mrs. Hibberson; instructor's certificate, Mrs. Van Donge; bronze medallions and proficiency certificates, Mrs. Turner and Miss Newton. The prizes were awarded for the various events to the winners by Mrs. H. Catterall. Musical selections were rendered by Mrs. Paget-Ford and Miss Redfern on mandolin and guitar.

Complete Results.
Fancy swimming—Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Hibberson, Miss Patrick, Miss Dumbleton, Miss Griffin.
Club handicap—First heat, Miss Armstrong; second heat, Mrs. Turner. Latter won final.
Blindfold race—Mrs. Turner, won; Miss Moore, second.
Life-saving exhibitions—Miss Vivian and Miss Hennessey, Mrs. Hibberson and Miss Dumbleton, Miss Armstrong and Miss Lowe, Mrs. Turner and Mrs. Hutchinson, Miss Griffin and Mrs. Hibberson.
Novices' diving—1, Miss Gray; 2, Mrs. McAllister; 3, Miss Clayton.
Novices' race—1, Miss Gray; 2, Mrs. McAllister.
Relay race won by team composed of Miss Armstrong, Miss Lewthwaite, Mrs. Hutchinson, and Mrs. Turner.
Snail race—1, Miss Hennessey; 2, Miss Moore.
Obstacle race—1, Mrs. Turner; 2, Miss Lewthwaite; 3, Miss Moore.

REMARKED ON THE SIDE

Ottawas Will Never Beat Vancouver on Series.
Aside from the fact that playing seven-man hockey gives Vancouver quite edge in the world's series, the form showed by the coast champions last night makes it an even bet that the Terminals capture the world's championship in three straight games. Vancouver had a big margin over the easterners last night, and had it not been for the phenomenal goal tending of Benedict, coast title-holders would have rolled up a much larger score. They had much speed and aggressiveness, while the efforts of the Ottawa seven at setting were very feeble. Coach Smith states that the heavy atmosphere extremely warm weather of the coast hampered his men, but this would account for the fact that Ottawas were outclassed man for man in five of the seven positions at seven-man hockey.

Lacrosse Should Take Well Here.
That Victoria will have professional lacrosse this summer is now an abate certainty. Conrad Jones visited the capital yesterday and cinched the 12 for the coming season. With a smattering of New Westminsterers and a majority of home brews, there is no reason in the world why oria should not welcome Canada's national sport. The plans for the placement of a team in Victoria will naturally call for the elimination of New Westster, as a three-team league would scarcely pay. First of all, there are not eight players on the coast for three high class teams, and then there is a cut schedule to figure out, with three teams in action.

Catcher Will Have to be Utility Player.
Unless the Northwestern league teams are willing to get along with four hurs, the clubs will have to develop a second string catcher who can also ip as a utility player, should the occasion demand it. With fourteen playe-the teams will have to hold right down to the narrowest of margins. Two hers, four infielders, and three outfielders, are essential, leaving only five hers, of whom one must be able to play the outfield. In pitchers Smith Hanson Victoria has a couple of twirlers who are also capable outfielders, a Homer Haworth, the second string catcher, is a useful infielder. This us that the Leafs are exceptionally well protected in the matter of substitutes.

Mann Cup Back to Trustees.
The Mann cup will be returned to the trustees, and the Canadian Lacrosse elation will accept a new trophy, which was offered last fall, to represent amateur championship of Canada. This is the result of a resolution ed at the annual meeting of the Canadian Lacrosse association in Ottawa December, the effect of which was that, in the event of failure to reach a factory arrangement with the trustees for the future conduct of games control of the cup, it should be disregarded entirely and a new trophy ided, which would be entirely under the control of the association.

Must Have Lost His Rabbit's Foot.
A Montreal paper remarks:—"Shag Shaughnessy's rabbit's foot is again ing to form."
To his numerous baseball and football titles, Shag added a hockey crown n Ottawa beat Wanderers for the title. Shag's record for the past four s is really a remarkable one, as the following will show:—

- 1912—Fort Wayne, Central Baseball League pennant.
- 1912—McGill, I. C. R. F. U. rugby championship.
- 1913—Ottawa, Canadian Baseball League pennant.
- 1913—McGill, I. C. R. F. U. championship.
- 1914—Ottawa, Canadian Baseball League pennant.
- 1915—Ottawa N. H. A. hockey championship.

SPORTING GOSSIP

Vancouver should take three straight games.
Skinner Poulin says that the Victoria septette could beat Ottawa.
Bob Brown has not yet signed up Catcher Harry Check.
Johnson will be a big favorite over Willard for the Havana bout.
Cyclone Taylor showed all his old-time speed last night.
The eastern champions claimed the Vancouver ice was too heavy for them.
A great bunch of Victoria fans went over for the opening contest.
That crowd was the largest that ever filed into the Terminal Arena.
Wills Butler has written that he is tickled to sign with Victoria.
Local fans will also feel kitchish if the former Spokane infielder delivers as he did last year.
Vancouver may have to use Tony Brotem as a first string backstop.
Ottawa players state that they can win at six-man hockey.
They will have to show better goal-getting ability to do so.
Most of the players will take in the Panama-Pacific exposition.
Lester Patrick was jubilant over the Vancouver win last night.
Wests meet the Civic Service to-morrow night at Central park.
These mid-week soccer games will keep the fans talking all through the week.
Thistles meet the West "A" eleven at Beacon Hill.
Seattle ball players will report for practice next Thursday.
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PROMINENT SPORTING EVENTS CANCELLED

International sports will be absolutely dead the year, according to indications. So far the following important events have been called off:

- The Henley regatta.
- The Davis tennis competition.
- The British national golf championship.
- All important racing fixtures in Europe.
- The international yacht race.

About the only international events to be expected even remotely will be between the United States and Canada, except in a few cases of isolated individuals.

The most likely features of the last named variety seem to be a battle for the world's lightweight title, with Freddie Welsh of Great Britain risking his laurels.

HALF-MILE CHAMP. MAY BE SUSPENDED

New York, March 23.—Homer Baker, international half-mile champion, is in danger of being suspended by the New York Athletic club for competing in the recent indoor games of the Meadowbrook A. A. in Philadelphia. About six weeks ago Baker strained one of his legs and announcement was made by the club authorities that he would not compete again until he started to get in shape for the national championships in San Francisco in August.

Without securing the required sanction of the club-captain, Baker entered the Meadowbrook meet, whereupon he was notified to call upon Mr. MeAleenan to explain matters. Baker has not done so as yet. Unless an understanding is reached Baker probably will be informed that he cannot wear the mercury foot for a couple of months.

VICTORIA WEST SELECTION.

Victoria West seniors will take the field as follows for their game with Civic Service to-morrow evening at Central Park at 5.30 o'clock: Goal, Robertson; backs, Whyte and Prevost; halves, Skell, Mossley and Bolton; forwards, Sherritt, Tom Peden, Hines, King and Youson.

The true manner of preparing for the last moment is to spend all the others well, and ever to expect that "it one" Penson.

Look at NEXT MONTH

Saanich Council Finds Situation Changed; To Cut Down Familiar Hill

It is the intention of the Saanich council to stop the relief work in the district with the beginning of next month. The reason for this course is that other works have opened up which relieve the acute situation, and the council thinks that this emergency step is no longer necessary.

The other work done out of the ward appropriations, and which has been paid at the rate of \$2.25 a day, will continue on the same lines. The opening of work on Saanich mountain and on the Indian reserve in the city, where the rotation system of gangs prevails, has somewhat relieved the situation at the present time.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, March 23-5 a. m.—The barometer remains abnormally high over this province, and has decidedly mild weather is general throughout the Pacific slope, while along the coast from Alaska to California light to moderate winds are general. Local showers are reported in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

REPORTS

Victoria—Barometer, 30.1; temperature, maximum yesterday, 62; minimum, 45; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, fair. Vancouver—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, maximum yesterday, 55; minimum, 41; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, clear.

TEMPERATURES

Table with columns for location (Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, etc.) and temperature ranges (Max. Min.).

THE MARCH OF THE BAND

A sergeant of a Territorial regiment writes: "Many thanks for the parcel. The mouth-organs arrived when we were resting and were blatted in a large viney, a glass-house quite 100 yards long. We distributed them to players, and as we were confined to billets waiting to repel the kaiser's birthday attack should we be required, we formed an impromptu concert. We had all sort of instruments in the band, the big drum was an empty packing-case and the drumstick an uncracking tool handle with a piece of sucking tied round the end; empty biscuit tins were slide drums; tin whistles, squeakers, and combs and paper came in as well. Candles and electric lamps gave the illumination, and it was really very funny to see this band of about 35 marching round the building, headed by the self-appointed drum-major and conductor in a gaiter, twirling a big stick which I use in feeling my way to and from the trenches. After marching round once or twice we formed up in a ring in the middle and had vocal and instrumental turns till our feet began to get cold, when we would have another march round. Of course, it was all very silly, but we all enjoyed the fun."

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TIMES SHIPPING CHART

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Escom	Hill	2,570	Canadian Northern	Sydney, C.B.	Mar. 23
Awa Maru	Hori	2,549	G. Northern	Hongkong	Mar. 23
Buenaventura	Pihsimoon	2,550	W. Green	New York	Mar. 23
Machona	Kobayashi	4,250	G. Northern	Hongkong	April 3
Rhinoceros	Dodwell & Co.	4,277	Dodwell & Co.	Liverpool	April 5
Niagara	Rolls	1,582	C. P. R.	Honolulu	April 5
Mexico Maru	Northern	2,435	Walfour Guthrie	Liverpool	April 15
Spectator	Cullum	1,630	Dodwell & Co.	Hongkong	April 15
Chicago Maru	Hori	2,549	G. Northern	Hongkong	April 17
Ahi Maru	Noma	4,000	G. Northern	Hongkong	April 22
Canada Maru	Surega	2,549	G. Northern	Hongkong	May 1
Calhoun	Jones	4,277	Dodwell & Co.	Liverpool	May 3
Makura	Phillips	4,250	C. P. R.	Sydney	May 5

DISCUSSES POSITION OF SHIPPING COMPANY
Report That Receiver Might Take Over Affairs of International Mercantile Marine

A. E. Disney, of Seattle, North Pacific coast passenger agent for the White Star and American steamship lines, spent yesterday in Victoria overlooking the local territory.

Mr. Disney expressed the belief that the third class passenger rates on the Atlantic, over which a rate war was well high precipitated when the Cunard line quoted a reduction to \$50, would very shortly be restored to their former level. At present relations between the various companies operating in the passenger traffic on the Atlantic were rather strained, but the companies would no doubt get together and settle matters satisfactorily.

Mr. Disney declared that the one and only cause of the trouble was the fact that the American line, flying a neutral flag and therefore being considered safer from German submarine attacks, was getting the bulk of the travel, to the decided detriment of Canadian and European companies.

Discussing the report that a receiver might be applied for in the courts to take charge of the affairs of the International Mercantile Marine company, which operates the White Star, Red Star, Atlantic Transport and other trans-Atlantic steamship lines, Mr. Disney stated that this could not be done at all until April 1. The International Mercantile Marine company was not in funds on October 1 last, the date upon which the interest became due on its four per cent bonds, but took advantage of the provision of the mortgage which allowed six months' grace on payment of the coupons before the company could be declared in default. This time would not be up until April 1. Even if a receiver were asked for Mr. Disney said it would not mean bankruptcy, for, despite the war, the International Mercantile Marine had been doing a good business. The bond issue upon which the payment of interest had been deferred last October was for \$52,000,000.

Arrivals in New York.

A wire received by Claude A. Solly, of the Universal ticket office, this morning, states that the following trans-Atlantic steamers arrived at New York this morning: Nieu Amsterdam, Holland-American line, from Rotterdam; St. Paul, American line, from Liverpool; Lapland, White Star line, from Liverpool; La Touraine, French line, from Havre; Tuscania, Cunard line, from Liverpool; The Helgoland, of the Scandinavian American line, from Christiania, is due at New York to-morrow.

SHIPPING MEN AT FRONT
Union Steamship Company Has Over One Hundred Men Serving Country on Land and Sea.

J. C. Irons, the company's manager on this coast, calls attention to the fact that over one hundred men from the Union Steamship company of New Zealand are now serving in the army or navy. These men have volunteered from every branch of the company's service from skipper to deckhand, and quite a number of them are officers. Some are serving with the first Canadian contingent, others with the Australian fleet, and others, at the beginning of the war, too impatient to wait for the formation of the overseas contingents, proceeded to England and volunteered for service there.

Some of these men are now in the firing line, others are in Egypt, and others are serving with the Australian and New Zealand squadrons. "And you may say," said Mr. Irons, "that the Union Steamship company is continuing to pay half pay to all these men, and will, as soon as they have finished service, find a place in their employ for all who return."

WILL BE READY FOR DUTY IN APRIL.

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AUXILIARY BOATS TO RELIEVE SITUATION
Osaka Shosen Kaisha and Nippon Yusen Kaisha Dispatching More Ships

Speaking of shipping in Japanese ports, Capt. Saito, of the Osaka-Shosen Kaisha liner Seattle Maru, which was in port here yesterday, said it was remarkable how tonnage had fallen off owing to the rise in freight on European routes. The extent of the shortage thus brought about may be seen from the fact that whereas some 50 ships cleared Japanese ports during the four months ending January 31, 1914, only 35 entered and cleared the ports for the same period of the present year. Of course this decrease is partially due to the effect of the war, but the disparity between freight charges at Japanese and Chinese ports has considerable to do with it.

The situation is a peculiar one, and works both to the advantage and disadvantage of the shipping companies concerned. In Japan the shipping companies are bound, under the provisions of the mail contracts with the government, to limit the rate of freightage to a certain level, and the shippers therefore do not have to pay the exorbitant charges imposed in Chinese and other ports. But though the Japanese shipping companies are content with the low rates under the mail contracts, the foreign shipping, which is not protected by the government and therefore is not bound to continue the services, has ceased to call. What foreign ships do touch at Japanese ports will not take much cargo, having already taken in enough at Chinese ports, where the rise quoted in freight rates is being met.

Dispatch Auxiliary Boats.

Under these circumstances the dispatch of auxiliary boats to Europe by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha is proving a godsend to Japanese shippers. The Luzon Maru was dispatched some time ago and others are following her. The Nippon Yusen Kaisha also is helping to relieve the stress of conditions by increasing her service to European ports as rapidly as possible, and to improve the chance thus afforded tranship owners have become unusually active.

STRIKERS NOW ASK INCREASE IN WAGES
New Problem Confronting Employers of Longshoremen; Meetings Held To-day

Seattle, Wash., March 22.—New demands, including increases in wages, are being considered by the International Longshoremen's association, which, it is believed by shipping men, will prevent an early settlement of the strike of waterfront workers.

At meetings to be held to-day the question of demanding 50 cents an hour for longshoremen, regular time, and 75 cents an hour for overtime, will be considered. The wages now received are 45 cents an hour regular time, and 55 cents an hour overtime. These rates apply to general freight.

The longshoremen are considering a rate of 50 cents an hour for handling lumber, regular time, and 75 cents an hour for overtime work.

Hope had been entertained that with the arrival of T. V. O'Connor, president of the International Longshoremen's association, from New Orleans this morning a settlement of the trouble would result. All negotiations between the waterfront employers' union and the strikers were broken off in the middle of last week and both sides in the controversy have been awaiting Mr. O'Connor's arrival. Now a new problem has arisen, an increase in wages, which it is said the employers will never grant.

The only demand made by the strikers up to the present time has been that all men employed on the waterfront be listed by the union. They have insisted that this be done at the longshoremen's hall instead of allowing employers to select the men who are to work on the different piers.

Non-union men yesterday were working on the coastwise, Alaska and foreign vessels in the harbor, and no delay was experienced.

Full gangs were employed on the steamers Admiral Schley, which reached pier 1 from San Francisco yesterday morning; on the Admiral Dewey, loading at pier 2; on the Gray's Harbor, loading at pier 3; on the new steamer Alaska, Governor, from California, discharging at pier 4, and the British steamer Glenlyte, loading at pier 5; on Vladivostok, Siberia, ports in Europe and the Orient.

It is estimated that the payroll for the non-union men on the waterfront is now \$700 a day, which ordinarily would go to union men.

TRAVEL INCREASING ON NORTHERN ROUTES

In the opinion of C. E. Jenney, general passenger agent at Vancouver for the Grand Trunk Pacific railway and steamship system, there will be a large volume of travel from northern ports of British Columbia and Alaska this summer en route to San Francisco, the Panama-Pacific fair, of course, being the special attraction. The bulk of this travel will pass through Victoria.

Mr. Jenney was in Victoria to-day, and was discussing passenger traffic in general. Reports he had received, he said, indicated that at least a third of the many tourists who would book the trip to California by way of Prince Rupert, he declared that the fame of the scenery along the Grand Trunk Pacific's line had spread to such an extent as to assure the company a generous portion of the business.

He reported a considerable influx of settlers to the northern interior country, and particularly to the valleys of the Nechako, Bulkley and Francois Lake districts. While passenger lists on the boats going north were still small in comparison with some other years owing to the extraordinary conditions existing at present, he pointed out that bookings on the Prince George had increased steadily with every trip during the past few weeks.

Auckland, N. Z., March 22.—The British steamer Niagara, from Sydney, N. S. W., for San Francisco, has been docked to make repairs to her propeller before proceeding on her voyage.

SHIPPING NOTES

The freighter Thor passed out at 12 o'clock last night on her way to Astoria. She came from San Francisco called at Nanaimo to take on bunker coal.

The New England Fish company's steamer New England, which has been laid up at Vancouver during the winter, sailed on Saturday for the northern banks on a halibut venture. The Manhattan recently left Vancouver after a lay-up. It is fitted as an oil burner, so the company will soon have the two big halibut steamers operating.

Among the arrivals posted for this week are three Japanese steamers and one American steamer. The Japanese vessels are the Seattle Maru and Tokio Maru, of the O. S. K. line, which will bring freight from the Orient, and the Asama Maru which is bringing sulphur from Japan. The Seattle Dollar is now at Genoa Bay, Vancouver Island, and is to go to Vancouver to complete a lumber cargo for Toronto.

BOYS BATTLE WITH LARGE DEVIL-FISH
Excitement for Idlers at Wharves; Octopus Victim to Youngsters' Prowess

Two venturesome little lads and a playful devil-fish provided no little excitement for idlers at the outer wharves yesterday afternoon. With a sturdy fishing pole the octopus and the boys battled for almost an hour for mastery, honors finally resting with the latter, the slimy monster of the deep being towed ashore amid general jubilation.

George Robertson and Andrew Douglas were fishing for cod from a small boat beneath one of the wharves when the octopus hove stealthily into the watery arena, and dispensing altogether with the formality of introduction, issued challenge to combat. Tangling itself up with the line which the boys had been watching for a considerable time, hoping against hope that some poor fish would take a chance, the octopus rapidly absorbed hook, line and sinker, and then commenced tugging away at a rate suggestive of designs on the boat and its occupants. Although completely taken by surprise and unaware of the nature of the calibre of their opponent, the boys were ready for the fray. More than that they were keenly eager to try conclusions, and welcomed the coming of whatever it might be at the other end of the line as having been especially arranged for their diversion.

One of them thought it might be a sea-serpent, but the other scouted the idea; he didn't take any stock in such animals, and besides sea-serpents didn't stay under water. They did not argue the question, however, but set to work to solve it in a more practical way. Pulling lustily on the rod they managed to tear loose the octopus from its moorings on the bottom and bring it to the surface. Then ensued a battle royal. Undaunted by the sight of the squirming tentacles stretching greedily towards the side of the boat, the boys beat about the water with an oar, hitting the monster whenever he could, while the other pulled with all his might for the shore. The devil-fish was landed without much trouble and dispatched in short order.

At least it was rendered incapable of any harm by the clubbing to which it was subjected. The boys insist that "you couldn't kill a devil-fish."

The catch is now on exhibit at Pat Burns' Government street store.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Port Townsend, March 22.—Passed in: Str. Mariposa, for Seattle, at 3:40 p.m.; schr. Okanagan, for Port Ludlow, in tow of tug Tatoosh, at 11 a.m.; str. Titan, for Seattle, and str. Astyanax, for Tacoma, at 7:20 a.m.; str. Seattle Maru, for Seattle, at 5:20 p.m.

Tacoma, March 22.—Arrived: Str. Admiral Schley, from Seattle; str. Astyanax, from Liverpool, via Vancouver, B. C.

Aberdeen, March 22.—(Special)—Arrived: Str. Norwood and Helene, from Hoquiam; str. San Jacinto, from San Francisco. Sailed: Etkin, John Palmer, for Quebec; schr. Philippine, for Newcastle, N. S. W.

Portland, March 22.—Arrived: Str. Johan Poulsen, Montana, Hornet and Solano, from San Francisco. Sailed: Str. Beaver, from San Francisco.

San Francisco, March 22.—Arrived: Str. J. A. Moffett, from Port Wells; str. Daisy Mitchell, from Hueneue; str. Davenport, from Tacoma; Jap str. Shinyo Maru, from Hongkong; str. Shna-Yak, from Eagle Harbor. Sailed: Str. Shoshone, for Gray's Harbor; Helina, March 22.—Sailed: Str. Redondo, for Port Moller, Bering Sea, at 6 p.m.

Astoria, March 22.—(Special)—Arrived: Str. Santa Clara, from New York, via San Francisco. Sailed: Nor. schr. Norfarer, for the United Kingdom.

Tatoosh Island, March 22.—8 a.m.—Partly cloudy; wind northeast, 16 miles an hour. Passed in: A steam schooner, at 7:30 p.m.; str. Admiral Schley, at 9 o'clock last night; a four-masted bark schooner, during the night. Passed out: Str. Kish, at 4:40 last night. Outside at 8 a.m., bound in: A three-masted barkentine, 10 a.m. Passed in: Str. Governor, at 9:20 a.m.; str. Rainier, at 10 a.m. Passed out: Schr. Forester, toying, at 9 a.m. 11:30 a.m.—Partly cloudy; wind south, eight miles an hour. Outside bound in: A three-masted barkentine, at 1:15 p.m. Passed in: Etkin, Mary Winkelman, sailing, at 3:50 p.m. 5 p.m.—Hazy; wind southwest, eight miles an hour.

Tatoosh Island, March 22.—7 p.m.—Passed in: Str. Lyman Stewart, at 6:30 p.m.

New York, March 22.—Arrived: Str. Klev, from Seattle.

Liverpool, March 21.—Arrived: Str. Calchas, from Seattle.

New York, March 21.—Arrived: Str. Challenger, from Comox, B.C.

Norfolk, March 20.—Arrived: Str. Clarissa Radcliffe, from Seattle.

Cristobal, March 21.—Arrived and proceeded: str. Edgar H. Vance, from Philadelphia for Seattle, via way ports.

Balboa, March 21.—Arrived: Str. Santa Cruz, from Seattle and Muklito for New York, str. Myra, from Seattle for Liverpool.

Sydney, N. S. W., March 22.—Arrived: Str. Marana, from San Francisco.

Newport News, March 22.—Arrived: Str. Lucerne, from Tacoma, and sailed for London.

Seattle, March 22.—Arrived: Str. Titan, Liverpool, via Yokohama, 10:10 a.m.; str. Seattle Maru, Hongkong, via way ports, 8:30 p.m.; str. Governor, San Diego, via San Francisco and Victoria, 7 p.m.; str. Mariposa, from Southwestern, via Southeastern Alaska, 7 p.m.; str. Wilmington, San Francisco, via Eureka and Everett,

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Tatoosh—Clear; S., 15 miles; bar, 30.12; temp., 49; sea smooth.

Pachena—Clear; S. E., bar, 29.98; temp., 48; sea moderate.

Estevan—Clear; calm; bar, 29.98; temp., 39; light swell.

Triangle—Clear; N., bar, 30.25; temp., 43; sea moderate.

Ikeada—Clear; W., gale; bar, 30.29; temp., 47; sea rough.

Prince Rupert—Clear; calm; bar, 30.11; temp., 51; sea smooth.

Dead Tree Point—Clear; N. W., bar, 30.24; temp., 40; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Cloudy; calm; bar, 30.05; temp., 34; sea smooth.

Noon.

Point Grey—Clear, calm; bar, 29.97; temp., 50.

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Pachena—Clear, S. E.; bar, 29.73; temp., 55; sea smooth.

Estevan—Cloudy, calm; bar, 29.84; temp., 48; sea moderate.

Triangle—Clear, N.; bar, 30.18; temp., 45; sea smooth.

Ikeada—Clear, N., strong; bar, 30.12; temp., 46; sea rough.

Prince Rupert—Clear, calm; bar, 30.19; temp., 57; sea smooth.

Dead Tree Point—Clear, N. W.; bar, 30.15; temp., 45; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Cloudy, calm; bar, 30.00; temp., 50; sea smooth.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS IN ATLANTIC PORTS

Word has been received by Claude A. Solly, of the Universal Ticket office, that the White Star liner S. S. Asiatic from Liverpool arrived at New York at 2:30 p. m. on March 15.

The American liner S. S. New York arrived at Liverpool on March 14.

The American liner Philadelphia arrived at New York on March 16.

The American liner St. Paul sailed from Liverpool at 10 p.m. on March 12 with 177 cabin passengers and 305 third class. She was due to reach New York on March 20.

GOVERNOR BRINGS LARGE LIST OF PASSENGERS

An unusually large list of passengers was brought north yesterday on the Pacific Coast Steamship company's liner Governor, Capt. Thomas, from San Francisco. All told the passenger list numbered 319, with 246 in the first class cabin. Fifty-five disembarked here. The Governor also put off 79 tons of cargo here, this being worked by the union longshoremen on the understanding that the vessel would not touch at Vancouver this voyage.

The largest vessel thus far to navigate the Panama Canal is the American-built Panama Pacific liner Kroonland, which passed through the Culceta Cut a short time ago. en route around South America preparatory to entering in May the regular passenger trade between New York and San Francisco via the canal. In this new service the Kroonland will be joined by her sister vessel Finland, each of them between 556 feet long, 48 feet broad and 23,000 tons displacement, by far the largest steamers in the coast-to-coast trade.

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NOTICE OF DANGERS IN COLON HARBOR ISSUED

An important notice has been issued by the United States government with respect to certain dangers of navigation in Colon harbor, Panama canal.

The notice is as follows:
Colon Harbor—East breakwater construction—End of trestle together with lights carried away by storm. Caution. 1. The seaward end of the trestle which was used in the construction of the east breakwater was carried away by heavy seas on Feb. 9, 1915, and the two white lights, in a vertical line, which marked its seaward (western) end, were lost with it. 2. Until the trestle can be reconstructed, these lights will be discontinued, being flashing white light, which was moved off the seaward end of the trestle and which was moved from time to time as the trestle was extended, will remain in its present position, namely, in the prolongation of the axis of the east breakwater to seaward, and about 3,200 feet to the eastward of the seaward end of the west breakwater. 3. Vessels are warned that the wreckage of the trestle, and parts of the uncompleted breakwater, most of which are submerged, are a danger to navigation, and they should not attempt to pass inshore to the eastward of the sea buoy, but keep between it and the end of the west breakwater.

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Alert Bay—Cloudy; calm; bar, 30.05; temp., 34; sea smooth.

Noon.

Point Grey—Clear, calm; bar, 29.97; temp., 50.

Cape Lazo—Clear, N. W.; bar, 30.00; temp., 55; sea smooth.

Tatoosh—Clear, S. 10 miles; bar, 30.10; temp., 51; sea smooth.

Pachena—Clear, S. E.; bar, 29.73; temp., 55; sea smooth.

Estevan—Cloudy, calm; bar, 29.84; temp., 48; sea moderate.

Triangle—Clear, N.; bar, 30.18; temp., 45; sea smooth.

Ikeada—Clear, N., strong; bar, 30.12; temp., 46; sea rough.

Prince Rupert—Clear, calm; bar, 30.19; temp., 57; sea smooth.

Dead Tree Point—Clear, N. W.; bar, 30.15; temp., 45; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Cloudy, calm; bar, 30.00; temp., 50; sea smooth.

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Regular sailings to Northern B. C. ports and logging camps.
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GOVERNOR BRINGS LARGE LIST OF PASSENGERS

An unusually large list of passengers was brought north yesterday on the Pacific Coast Steamship company's liner Governor, Capt. Thomas, from San Francisco. All told the passenger list numbered 319, with 246 in the first class cabin. Fifty-five disembarked here. The Governor also put off 79 tons of cargo here, this being worked by the union longshoremen on the understanding that the vessel would not touch at Vancouver this voyage.

The largest vessel thus far to navigate the Panama Canal is the American-built Panama Pacific liner Kroonland, which passed through the Culceta Cut a short time ago. en route around South America preparatory to entering in May the regular passenger trade between New York and San Francisco via the canal. In this new service the Kroonland will be joined by her sister vessel Finland, each of them between 556 feet long, 48 feet broad and 23,000 tons displacement, by far the largest steamers in the coast-to-coast trade.

Rockland Avenue Home

EXCEPTIONAL VALUE

I am offering a home for sale at a great bargain. The dwelling contains eight large and airy rooms, with usual offices and conveniences; large basement cemented; hot-air furnace, stone foundation, etc. There are three and one-half lots, having a frontage on Rockland Avenue and Mears Street. The grounds are well kept and have a few oak trees.

Owner Refused \$25,000

MY PRICE **\$16,000**
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GOOD GENERAL SERVANT. Apply 1029 Moss street.

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IF YOU HAVE WORK for a few hours, days or weeks, won't you send your name to the Central Employment and Relief Bureau and let us send you the man or woman to do that work?

MONEY TO LOAN

MONEY TO LOAN—\$1,000 up to \$2,000. Dalry & Lawson, 615 Fort St.

UNFURNISHED ROOMS

UNFURNISHED ROOM—58 Toronto, cor. Government, evenings.

WANTED—AUTOMOBILES

WANTED—Two light 5-passenger cars; must be cheap for cash. Apply Davie's Garage, 517 Vancouver.

WANTED—LOANS

IF YOU HAVE available in 2 months \$2,000, good security will be given and interest opportunity to make \$2,000. Interview, address Box 149, Times.

WANTED TO RENT—HOUSES

WANTED—Four roomed house, near car; moderate rent. Apply 11 Boyd street, Phone 4151.

WANTED—Purchased house for summer months, 3 bedrooms, quarters for servants, garage, stable, etc. 11 V. W. Finch & Co., 2401.

WANTED—Houses to rent; strict attention given. The Griffith Company, Hibben-Bone Building.

FOR SALE—LOTS

FOR SALE—Esquimalt road, large store and 2 lots, war price, \$5,000; terms, \$1,500 cash, balance arranged. Apply 366 Fort Street.

BIG EXTRA SPECIAL SNAP—Choice local home, 50x120, Townley street, Oak Bay, good soil, sewer, water, light; for day or two only, \$450 cash. Box 794, Times.

FOR SALE—Shawigan Lake waterfront lot, 50x150, near Strathcona Hotel, \$30 J. T. Redding, Phone 1281.

FOR SALE—HOUSES

HOUSE SNAP—5 roomed summer cottage at Cordova Bay, price only \$1,250, terms easy. Dalry & Lawson, 615 Fort St.

SACRIFICE PRICE—Modern seven roomed house, Vancouver street, close to Beacon Hill park. Phone 2761.

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FIVE-ROOM, MODERN HOUSE for sale; snap price. Apply 2330 Lee Ave. at 11th.

FOR SALE—ACREAGE

BIG SACRIFICE—Half-acre, excellent soil, five roomed house, four poultry houses, townie avenue, 11-mile circle; owner leaving for Old Country must sell; price \$1,250, terms, small cash payment; balance to suit purchaser. Swinerton & Musgrave, 540 Fort Street.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

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HONEST PRINTING—You get a good job at Dagon Printing Co., 1014 Broad street (Pemberton Block).

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WANTED—\$100 for 30 days, \$15 interest. Box 187, Times.

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms, every convenience, fine house and fine garden. Phone 2944. Mrs. Simpson, 611 Superior.

NEW TEXTILE—One agent wanted in each Canadian town for the sale of a new textile to drapers, tailors, dress-makers, manufacturers of rugs, quilts, blankets, mantles, caps, underwear of all kinds, etc. Must be energetic and have a good connection. The agency will be of great and increasing value, as the new textile, for which there is an enormous sale in Paris and in London, is particularly suitable for the Canadian climate. No salary or expenses, but liberal commission allowed. Write stating qualifications, to "New Textile" care of J. W. Vickers & Co., Limited, 5 Nicholas Lane, London, England.

LOST—Small purse, contains money and receipts. Reward if returned to this office.

FOR SALE—2-passenger Hummobile, good condition, price \$300. Box 186, Times.

SPEND YOUR SUMMER ON THE BEACH—5 roomed house, partly furnished, on Fowl Bay waterfront, an ideal spot. Apply 1785 Beach road, Fowl Bay. Rent \$15.

WANTED—A few medium size, but good watercolors, in gilt frames. 517a Vancouver, Post Office Box 9.

"POST CARD DAY" SET FOR APRIL 7

Development Association Expects Novel Form of Advertising to Be Successful

April 7 will be "Post Card Day," according to an announcement made this morning by Herbert Cuthbert, commissioner of the Victoria and Island Development Association. Attempts were made to have it held before the

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

LOST—In Uplands, on Sunday, small black book, partly written in Japanese and English. Finder please return to Tokio, corner Blanchard and Yates. Reward.

FOR SALE—Belgian hares, 1165 Chapman street.

FOUND—Lady's black glove, in Cook street, Monday evening. Phone 2948.

WHITE WYANDOTTE EGGS for hatching. First pen, \$2; second, \$1.50; third, \$1 per setting. W. N. Mitchell, 722 View street. Phone 768.

FURNISHED APARTMENTS to let. 3 large rooms, fully furnished, \$15 per month. Ground floor; two rooms, furnished for housekeeping, \$8 per month. Apply 722 View street. Phone 768.

WANTED—Jersey cow, milking; state lowest cash price and where can be seen. Box 778, Times.

WANTED—500 men to buy or 5 cent smoking and chewing tobacco, 20 varieties, free matches and papers. Order by mail, \$1.00. John and Sons, 215 1/2 below Government street.

FOR SALE—Black nylon and satin evening gown, worn once, size 36. Phone 2842.

CHICKEN HOUSE (sectional) for sale, removable perch and dropping hole, with scratching pen, well made, stained, \$5. 578 John street.

FOR SALE—1 Underwood typewriter, reg. \$125, now \$60; 1 L. C. Smith typewriter, reg. \$125, now \$65; 1 electric range and water heater, reg. \$120, now \$70; 1 gas range, 2 months old, with roaster, oven, 4 burners and pilot light, reg. \$50, now \$35; 2 new Burroughs adding machines below cost. Apply 623 Troncau Alley.

FOR SALE—Ford five-passenger, in good condition, suitable for itinerant run, all good tires. Apply Box 186, Times.

WANTED—Folding bed, in first-class condition; also Encyclopaedia Britannica, 10 volumes, \$10.00. The Council of

CANADIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY.

Victoria City and District Branch.

A Public Meeting will be held on Thursday evening, the 18th inst., at 8 o'clock, in the Ballroom of the Empress Hotel, to complete the organization in the appointment of the officers and a committee of management.

An urgent appeal is made for a large attendance, not only from the city, but from Equimait, Oak Bay, Sidney, Sooke and other districts surrounding the city.

Mr. Charles Williams, of 176 Rockland Avenue, will receive subscriptions for membership at any time and will be at the Empress Hotel half an hour before the meeting to accept subscriptions from any person desirous of

Life members, \$25; ordinary members, \$5 per annum; associate members, \$1 per annum. The first two are entitled to vote.

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Sale of Electric Light Plant.

The above Corporation is offering for sale the following machinery:

One 25 h. p. Oil Engine.

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One Switchboard, consisting of two state panels each 5 ft. 6 in. x 2 ft. x 14 in., carrying the following instruments: Three A. C. Ammeters, one Field Rheostat for Fan, one Field Rheostat for Exciter, one D. C. Ammeter, one Field Switch for Exciter, one Oil Switch, two Voltage Transformers, one Volt Meter, two Current Transformers.

The above was purchased direct from the makers (Canadian Fairbanks Morse Co.) and has had a little more than two years' use. It has given continuous satisfactory service and is being sold only because the Corporation having installed their permanent plant has no further use for it.

The Council are prepared to consider bids for the plant as a whole or for Engine and Electrical Equipment separately. The purchaser to take delivery of the plant as it stands on foundations. Possession will be given on completion of arrangements. The Council do not intend to bid themselves to accept the highest or any bid. Sealed bids, endorsed on the outside of envelope "Bid for Machinery," accompanied by certified cheque for 10 per cent. of amount of the bid, to be in my hands not later than 4 p. m. Saturday, April 17, 1915. The certified cheque to be forfeited if the person whose tender is accepted fails to complete the contract.

JAMES GREIG, City of Duncan.

NATURAL HISTORIANS IN ANNUAL SESSION

Officers Elected for Ensuing Year; Interesting Reports

It was pure coincidence that the 1915 annual meeting of the Natural History Society should take place just exactly twenty-five years, to the very day, after the organization meeting of the association. The election of officers constituted part of the business of the meeting held last night at the King's Daughters rest room, resulting as follows:

President, F. Kermodie; 1st vice-president, Dr. W. E. Home; 2nd vice-president, A. R. Sherwood; honorary secretary, J. Anderson; honorary treasurer, W. Leithay; general committee: Rev. Robt. Connell, A. S. Barton, Miss Leonora Pearce, Colonel McIlreath, and C. C. Pemberton; trustees, Dr. C. F. Newcombe, A. W. McCurdy, and Dr. Hasell; and auditors, H. D. Kilby and Keith Wilson. The honorary secretary accepted re-election only under protest, maintaining that some of the younger members ought to be willing to assume the office. Votes of thanks were accorded all the retiring officers.

Annual reports were read by the president, the honorary secretary, the honorary treasurer, and the trustees. The treasurer's report showed a balance in hand of \$28.57, with a good many outstanding fees still to come in. The treasurer reported large expenditures during the past year which were not likely to occur again during the present year.

The presidential report of A. S. Barton reviewed the work of the society for the year just closed, during which a botanical section formed, and a committee to inquire into the matter of medicinal plants in B. C. formed. C. C. Pemberton's work on root growth was mentioned, together with the formation of a junior branch of the society, and regret was expressed at the loss of an old and valued member, W. J. Sutton, during the past twelve months.

The report of the trustees was a statement of the condition of the library, lately removed from the Carnegie building to the society's room, and found to be in very good condition.

The secretary's report pointed out that there had been 14 regular meetings and 4 field meetings; that 29 new members had been elected during the year against 32 the previous year; 19 resignations, 4 struck off the roll owing to having removed from the city, and two deaths, leaving approximately 230 active and 12 honorary members.

At the conclusion of the annual meeting all the reports having been adopted as read, the regular meeting was held. Several specimens were exhibited, including a marine worm sent in by F. W. Hodgson. This is to be preserved at the museum.

Mr. Barton reported that a pair of robins had been seen at Beacon Hill. The matter of wild flowers was again discussed, several of the members deprecating the wanton destruction of the natural beauties of field and by-croft, and the destruction of the wild flowers was stated as appalling, and it was pointed out that some of the greatest offenders were grown men and women, many people who went to the country for half a day carrying off every flower in sight. It was conceivably at this rate, that within a few years there would be no wild flowers within reasonable distance of Victoria.

In fact at such places as Beacon Hill park, within the memory of many yet born, wild flowers in the spring-time, hardly a wild lily was to be found.

Owing to the fact that the date of the next regular meeting falls on Easter Monday it was decided to postpone this for a week, so that the next session of the society will be on Monday, April 12.

Among the exhibits shown last evening was an arbutus brought in by C. C. Pemberton, which showed last summer's blossoms and berries, together with the new flowers.

POLAR BEAR OFF TO-DAY

Intrepid Captain of Rescue Party Hopes to Reach Bankland Next Summer

Seattle, March 22.—The little power schooner Polar Bear, noted for her battles with Arctic ice in previous years, sailed for the Polar Sea to-day under command of her owner, Captain Louis Lane. Lane hopes to reach the Mackenzie delta and perhaps Banksland next summer. Perhaps he goes to keep a sharp lookout for Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the explorer, and his two companions, who have not been heard from since April 7 of last year. They were then on the ice, 150 miles north of Martin Point, traveling north in the hope of finding new land. They expected to turn east to Banksland, but the Mackenzie opened early and the river's mighty flood swept away the ice all about Banksland. The Polar Bear will capture polar bears alive for zoological gardens, hunt walrus and walrus, trade with Eskimos and take pictures.

Friend.—"That was a liberal donation you gave that beggar back there." Post.—"Yes; he used to be an editor, and it gives me a thrill to have him accept something!"

SAANICH LIBERALS ORGANIZING STEADILY

Officers Elected for Ensuing Year; Interesting Reports

For the purpose of electing delegates to attend the convention which will select a candidate to contest the election in the Saanich constituency, Liberals in the Saanichton division will meet to-morrow night at 8 o'clock in the Temperance hall, East Saanich road. On the following night the Liberals in the Gordon Head division will assemble in the Gordon Head hall for a similar purpose.

At to-morrow night's meeting F. A. Pauline and F. J. Stackpole, K.C., will be the chief speakers.

The Liberals are organizing the Saanichton riding with much thoroughness. So far the Oak Bay and Royal Oak divisions have appointed their delegates to the convention. After the meetings to-morrow night and on Thursday, Burnside will be the only division left to organize.

Inaugurating his campaign on Vancouver Island against the administration of the McBride government, C. M. Woodworth, of Vancouver, addressed a large meeting at Courtenay last night.

The meeting was called by the Liberal association, and it was interesting to note the number of Conservatives who attended. The speaker was loudly applauded throughout his address by Conservatives as well as Liberals, and no one could mistake the wonderful change which has come over that district.

Mr. Woodworth pointed out in his very able speech, that the present grave state of financial trouble in the province was principally due to the reckless and misdirected expenditure of the McBride-Bowser group. He admitted that he was just as good a Conservative now as before, but he wanted men in power who would administer the affairs of the country for the good of the people, and not for large concerns.

Alex. Urquhart, president of the Courtenay Liberal Association, presided at last night's meeting.

Mr. Woodworth is addressing a meeting this evening at Cumberland, and before returning to the mainland he will speak at several other meetings. He is one of the Vancouver Conservatives who is out in open revolt against the present government. At a meeting of the Kerrisdale Conservative Association the other night he most vigorously denounced the McBride rule.

The Independent Conservatives in Vancouver are providing the old-time backers of the machine with no little worry. They have already organized and plan to put at least two candidates in the field. The appearance of some of Vancouver's most prominent business men as independent candidates will greatly lower the chances of the Conservative "Solid Six" in the election. Sir Charles Tupper, Charles Buscombe and John Ronald, all well-known residents of the Terminal City, are the leaders of the Independent, and James Findlay and Fred Buscombe, both formerly occupants of the mayor's chair, and C. M. Woodworth, are mentioned as being possible nominees by the new organization.

R. S. Sargent, an old-time merchant of Hazelton, has been chosen by the Conservative party to oppose Alex. Manson, the Liberal candidate, in the Omicameca riding.

The Conservative party is once more planning its faith on Alex. Lucas to win the Yale seat. The present member for the constituency, was nominated at a convention held at Lytton last night.

Canbrook Conservatives have again chosen Thomas D. Caven, the sitting member, to be their standard-bearer. Dr. J. H. King will carry the Liberal colors, and a warm fight will be waged in that constituency.

The Equimait Conservatives will convene on Friday in the Rex theatre, Equimait road, to nominate a candidate to contest that seat.

SUPREMACY

Our famous WELLINGTON COAL has firmly established its superiority on the local market. SHEER MERIT—That's the secret of its great success. Per \$7.00 Ton

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MAUD MORRIS ESCAPES FROM PROVINCIAL JAIL

Diamond Thief Captured Here Uses Jitney in Getting Free

Maud Morris, the diamond thief who was caught at her work in Victoria a few weeks ago and was sentenced by Magistrate Jay to a year's imprisonment, has escaped from the provincial jail at New Westminster by climbing the wall of the exercising yard, dropping 20 feet to earth, and getting away in a jitney. The escape was one of the most daring and sensational ever recorded in the history of provincial crimes. At 4 o'clock Saturday she was, together with a number of women prisoners, exercising in the big yard. Warden Turnbull is convinced that the woman was aided to climb the wall by some of the other prisoners, as it meant a straight climb of sixteen feet. The deed must have been accomplished with considerable dispatch. For a time the warden's back was only turned momentarily. Three minutes after the woman leaped from the top of the wall, the prison officials were giving chase and only by the presence of the waiting car was her escape made possible. For a time the authorities thought the presence of a car was more than a mere coincidence, but investigations have proven this suspicion unjustified. Since the escape the provincial police of both cities have been working on the matter and have traced the car to a certain point in Vancouver where the woman was seen telephoning for a messenger with whom she was in close conversation for some twenty minutes. Neither the chauffeur nor the car driver has yet been located, although the police have the license number and the owner's name. The woman was attired in the regulation prison costume and had no shoes on her feet. Three women and two men were in the car as the time she entered it.

NIPPON LINER CLEARS FOR ORIENTAL PORTS

Sado Maru Homeward Bound; Colonel Lamb and Wife on Board

On her outbound voyage to the Orient the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Sado Maru, Capt. Asakawa, will clear this afternoon. She was due over from Seattle at 2:30 and was reported to be running strictly on schedule. The Maru will take on 59 passengers here.

Among the stowage passengers booked on the Sado Maru are 25 sturdy Japanese, who are going back home to fight for their country in the great European war. There are besides 15 Europeans for the steerage, and one second-class and six first-class travelers.

Col. H. C. Lamb and his wife, of this city, will leave on the liner en route to Colombo, Straits Settlements, where they will make their future home. Reginald Bullock is another local man who has booked passage, and Miss Olson, H. V. Brown and T. H. Solly, the other first-class travelers are from eastern points.

The Sado Maru has no cargo to pick up here other than personal effects, and so will not be delayed.

Following the extraordinary activity of Sunday and Monday, there was a dull lull on the waterfront to-day. The Sado Maru being the only deep sea liner in port. The next Nippon Yusen Kaisha boat to come will be the Awa Maru, which is due from Hongkong on March 29. The Osaka Shosen Kaisha will not have another boat in from Oriental ports until April 19, when the Mexico Maru is due.

SPRING FLOWER SHOW

Entries Promise to Be Numerous at Daffodil Exhibition Saturday

Exhibits are coming in daily for the daffodil and spring flower show to be held on Saturday, March 27, in the Empress hotel ballroom, under the auspices of the King's Daughters. There promise to be a very keen competition in all classes and several ladies have intimated their intention of entering the contest for decorated tables.

The committees are: Arrangements—Mrs. H. A. S. Morley, Miss Smith, Mrs. H. H. Hardie; entries—Mrs. L. S. Hasell and Mrs. R. B. McMicking; decorated tables—Mrs. W. H. Bone, Miss Morley. All entries should be in the hands of the entries committee by 10 o'clock on Saturday morning. The following is the prize list:

- Class 1—One dozen yellow trumpet daffodils.
- Class 2—One dozen double daffodils.
- Class 3—One dozen short trumpet daffodils.
- Class 4—One dozen bi-color long trumpet daffodils.
- Class 5—Collection, six varieties; six blossoms each.
- Class 6—Collection, twelve varieties; six blossoms each.
- Class 7—Bowl of star daffodils.
- Class 8—Collection, polyanthus narcissus, campanulas.
- Class 9—Bowl of daffodils, mixed varieties.
- Class 10—Six hyacinths, shown singly.
- Class 11—Three varieties tulip, single; six blossoms each.
- Class 12—Three varieties tulip, double; six blossoms each.
- Class 13—Collection of auriculas.
- Class 14—Collection of polyanthus.
- Class 15—Collection of pansies.
- Class 16—Collection of wallflowers.
- Class 17—Collection of primroses.
- Class 18—Bouquet of spring flowers.
- Class 19—Basket spring flowers.
- Class 20—Trade exhibit of spring bulbs.
- Class 21—Best twelve specimens of wild lilies.
- Class 22—Special competition for schools, with special prizes, 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Collection of wild flowers, only twelve of each to be shown, native orchids excepted.
- Class 23—Collection of pot plants.
- Class 24—Specimen plant.
- Class 25—Floral design for table decoration.

Small minds are too much hurt by small things; great ones take everything into account, and are not hurt—La Rochefoucauld.

Saanich Liberals

Saanichton Division are invited to attend a meeting at the Temperance Hall, East Saanich Road, Wednesday March 24th, at 8 p. m.

Gordon Head Division are invited to attend a meeting at Gordon Head Hall Thursday, March 25th, at 8 p. m. Business: To elect delegates.

LETTER FROM FRONT

Victoria Boy Writes That He Has Been Chosen as a Sniper; Meeting Between Belgian and Scot.

The following is part of a letter written by William A. Matheson, one of St. Paul's Presbyterian church "roll of honor" boys who is now at the front. The letter was addressed and written to Rev. Dr. MacLean, the pastor of St. Paul's:

"It is now eleven days since we left the old country. We ran into a bad storm and had to face it for eight or nine hours without moving much. With a heavy wash the horse house (one section of it) was smashed, and the horses littered about, but we only lost two, although several were bruised a bit. Lots of the men were sea sick, but braced up when they landed in France.

"We met a Belgian soldier who could speak English, and a comical Scot who is with us asked him 'How many gasometers is it the Belgies?' The Belgies answered so many 'Bombers' and says Scotch solemnly: 'Mon, tis but a wee tramp!'

"The crowd that came out of the trenches to-day are looking fine, and say it was not very bad there. We reckon that we will be in the trenches to-morrow. A small number of snipers were chosen out of our company, and I am one of them. It is a brick barn our platoon is billeted in. Thanks to the German looters the cows were killed some time ago. We have more room and lots of straw, so our sleep is sweet and sound. We have just finished a fine meal, as some of us were sleeping in a village, and a Flemish storekeeper sold us chocolates, dates, oranges, etc., which helped out our rations, also fresh butter. Yesterday we had a church service, and as usual on Sundays the big gun were firing very heavily, and to-day you can hardly hear a big gun. We have warm fur coats for outpost duty."

Dick and Jimmy were spending a few days with their grandmother, who spoils them as grandmothers will. One night they were saying their prayers, and little Jimmy vociferated his petition to the Heavenly Throne in a voice that could be heard a mile. He was telling the Divine Providence what he wanted for Christmas, and his enthusiasm in the cause got on his brother's nerves. "What are you praying for Christmas presents so loud for?" interrupted Dick. "Th' Lord ain't deaf." "No," whispered Jimmy, "but Grandma is."

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LOCAL NEWS

Rubber Stamps for Marking Eggs—Sweeney-McConnell, Limited, 1019-12 Langley street.

Free Demonstration Conversational French Lesson, Alexandra club, to-night, 8 o'clock.

Another Warm Day.—Yesterday again registered well up in temperature, at the warmest hour the thermometer showing 62 degrees. To-day at noon 66 degrees were registered.

Municipal Chapter I. O. D. E.—The business meeting of the Municipal Chapter, I. O. D. E., will be held on Thursday next at 10:30 a. m. in the Temple building.

Public Dance at Connaught Hall to-night, Gentlemen 50c. Ladies free.

Red Cross Meeting.—The Victoria City and District branch of the Canadian Red Cross society will hold a public meeting on Thursday next in the Empress hotel ballroom, at 8 o'clock. The purpose is to complete the organization of the branch by the appointment of officers, and of a committee of management. An urgent appeal is made for a large attendance.

Inquiries For Brother.—Mrs. A. E. Hutton, of West Somerville, Mass., has written to the police asking for news of her brother, Burpee Nichols, more familiarly known among his friends as

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UNIFORM STRENGTH NOTED IN LOCAL LIST WALL STREET CENTRE OF BULLISH SENTIMENT

Gains General To-day With B. C. Copper Hardened in Price Stocks Show No Uncertain Strength as Advances Are Recorded

Stocks of the local list showed uniform strength, and where gains did not take place steadiness prevailed, not one instance of weakness being noted. Fractional betterment in Athabasca was recorded, this being the third session that this issue has advanced.

B. C. Copper showed a well-maintained position with bids higher and offers raised five cents, there being only minor quantities for sale at present prices. Copper metal continued to improve, which was ascribed to the requirements of the belligerents for the manufacture of ammunition.

Dominating influences in the financial world are being expressed in rising security values.

Table with columns: Bid, Ask, High, Low, Bid. Lists various commodities like Blackbird Syndicate, B. C. Refining Co., etc.

REACTION OCCURS ON WHEAT MARKET

Winnipeg, March 23.—The wheat market opened 1c. to 1c. lower; oats 1c. lower, and flax 1c. and 2c. lower for May and July.

Following opening there were further declines to the extent of 1c. on May and 1c. on July in the first hour of business, when a reaction occurred. The low points of the morning were 148c for May, 148c for July, and 137c for October. Before noon the high points were 152c for May, 151c for July, and 134c for October.

Table with columns: Wheat, Oats, Flax. Shows market prices for various months.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Table with columns: Open, High, Low, Close. Shows cotton market data for Jan, Feb, Mar, etc.

NEW YORK SUGAR

New York, March 23.—Raw sugar firm; centrifugal, 44.80; molasses sugar, 41.12; refined firm.

METAL MARKETS

New York, March 23.—Lead steady, 44.00; tin nominal, 57.00; copper firm, 115.00; zinc nominal, 41.00; iron steady and unchanged.

RECOVERING BODIES AT BRITANNIA MINE; FIFTY-SIX WERE KILLED

Another Slide May Occur; All Men and Boys at Scene Are Hard at Work With Picks and Shovels; No Warning Preceded the Disaster

Britannia Beach, B. C., March 23.—Working with feverish energy, in mortal terror of another avalanche such as swept away the little cluster of homes around the mine buildings at the Britannia mine, every man and boy to handle a shovel is laboring today in an effort to recover the bodies of those who were carried to their death by the awful slide of rock, mud and snow at 12.03 o'clock yesterday morning. There is no hope of recovering alive any of those reported yesterday as missing with the exception of P. LePage, who is now numbered with the injured.

Words fail to depict the terrible scene at the desolated mining camp, where big wooden buildings filled with heavy machinery were knocked down as structures of cards by the onrush of the avalanche which uprooted trees and carried them along in its path like straws over the place where a moment before stood the comfortable homes of the miners and the cozy bunkhouses filled with contented workmen.

When companions found him he was almost demented and was digging frantically in the place where he thought his home had been located. Another case, somewhat similar, is that of Shift Boss T. McCulla. He was in the candle house just inside the mouth of the mine, checking off the outgoing shift, when the slide occurred. He was almost buried, but although bruised and bleeding he managed to extricate himself, and rushed off to find his wife and daughter.

A. S. Clompson and his three children were instantly killed in their home, but Mrs. Clompson was carried some distance away, and is now in the hospital suffering from severe injuries, in addition to a broken limb. C. E. Copeland and his young wife, who recently arrived from Seattle, died together. Copeland was the mining engineer here, and only a short time ago refused a professorship in an eastern university.

George Heap, wife in on the way from England with the intention of joining him. He was killed. Some of the escapes from death were miraculous. One man was picked up and was rolled into a snowball, only his head and one hand remaining out. When rescued one arm and a leg were frozen.

The greatest number of fatalities occurred in the big bunkhouse where it is estimated forty lost their lives. A number of those killed were Austrians, and their relatives are not known.

Cotto Danton, one of the missing, was the school teacher at the little school at the mine mouth. He was not long out from England. The schoolhouse was swept away.

Altogether, there are eight houses left. These include two bunkhouses and the residence of Mr. Wylie, the mine foreman which was almost struck.

All through the darkness of last night guards were stationed in the snow to watch for the possibility of another snowslide, but none occurred, and to-day the work of recovering the bodies was continued.

Senior Constable S. North of the provincial police, with Officers C. Moss and S. Saunders, arrived in the city police boat from Vancouver last night to help in work of rescue, and to make a report on the occurrence to the coroner.

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, March 23.—The following casualties among the members of the Canadian Expeditionary Force were announced to-day:

Princess Patricia's—Dangerously wounded; No. 257, Private Gray; admitted to No. 13 General Hospital, Boulogne with gunshot wound in chest. Next of kin, Mrs. Gray, 610 Twenty-Seventh ave., Calgary.

Seriously wounded; No. 1675, Corporal James Leahy; admitted to No. 4 Northern Hospital, Lincoln, with gunshot wound in shoulder. Next of kin, David Leahy, 9 Pine St., Boston, Mass.

Wounded; No. 1787, Private H. E. Ladour; admitted to No. 1 Eastern hospital, Cambridge with gun-shot wound in abdomen. Next of kin, Mrs. B. P. Ladour, 22 First street, W. Calgary.

Dangerously ill; No. 1597, Private Richard George Johnson; admitted to No. 14 Stationary Hospital, Boulogne, with enteric fever. Next of kin, H. Johnson, Garson Quarry, Man.

Fifth Battalion—Wounded; March 14, No. 13715, Private J. Blinbridge; admitted to No. 2 Canadian Stationary Hospital, Next of kin, Mrs. C. Blinbridge, Yorkton, Sask.

Thirteenth Battalion—Died of wounds; March 7, No. 24253, Private J. Fowler. Next of kin, James Fowler, 418 Rosamont St., Montreal.

Tenth Battalion—Seriously wounded; March 15, No. 26812, Private A. W. Robinson.

PRZEMYSL PRISONERS

TOTALLED 120,000

Russian War Office Issued Official Statement To-day

Petrograd, March 23.—The Russian war office announced to-day that 117,000 men were captured at Przemyśl. The statement follows:

"According to figures given by General Kusmanek, late commander at Przemyśl, the number of prisoners who surrendered to the Russians was nine generals and ninety-three officers of the general staff, 2,500 officers and officials, and 117,000 men. "The number of guns and other war material captured is being calculated to-day."

MAN FACES THREE CHARGES OF MURDER

Alleged That He Married Three Women in Turn and Killed Each

London, March 23.—Charged with the murder of three women, George Joseph Smith, in the Bow street court to-day heard Public Prosecutor Bodkin charge him with making away with three of his wives. Each woman, it was charged, had been murdered shortly after Smith had married her. Each woman was found dead in her bath. The case has come to be known as the "brides in baths" case.

Smith described himself as a man of independent means. According to evidence in the possession of Scotland Yard he made use of various fictitious names in his matrimonial ventures. The women he married were found dead a few days after the ceremony. Verdicts of accidental death were at first returned, but later certain of the bodies were exhumed and charges of murder preferred. The names of the three women and the dates of the alleged murders were given by the public prosecutor as follows:

Beatrice Mundy, July, 1912; Alice Burnham, December, 1913, and Margaret Lofty, December, 1914.

According to the evidence at a preliminary hearing Smith was married under the name of John Lloyd to Margaret Elizabeth Lofty at a registry office at Bath in December, 1914. The couple came to London the same day and the next morning the bride was found in her bath. The husband called a doctor who reported the matter. An inquest was held. The jury brought in a verdict of accidental death.

In February information reached the police that Lloyd was not the husband's name. He was arrested and identified, the police say, as George Joseph Smith, who in November, 1913, had married at Portsmouth, Miss Alice Burnham, who a month later also had been found dead in her bath. In this case, too, a coroner's jury brought in a verdict of accidental death.

The police also have had the body of another woman exhumed. This woman also died in her bath, shortly after her marriage at Harn Bay, was married to a man who gave the name of Henry Williams and who is believed by the police to be George Joseph Smith.

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Paris, March 23.—Standing at salute and shouting "Vive La France," the officers and crew of the French battleship Bouvet, sunk in the Dardanelles on March 18, went down with their ship, according to the Tenedos correspondent of the Athens Press, who thus describes the action in which the Bouvet and the Gaulois were engaged:

"The captain of the Bouvet had been ordered to cross a dangerous mine zone and force a passage to Chanak Kalossi and thus make the allies masters of the straits as far as Nagara. At 1.30 p.m. the Bouvet was five miles from Chanak and was firing at Fort Dardanelles. She had crossed two mine zones. The Gaulois followed, firing all her guns. The commander of the Bouvet, by a skilful manoeuvre, avoided two mines which were exploded by a destroyer, but a third struck the battleship in the region of the magazines and she sank by the head.

"Seven survivors of the Bouvet climbed into a boat and spent the night in a bay on the European side of the straits. They were taken off the next day by a British destroyer.

"When the captain of the Gaulois saw that the Bouvet was sinking, he ordered full steam ahead without an instant's hesitation, but his ship had been struck seven times and he was obliged to put back, anchoring off Mavrais Island."

A dispatch from Mytilene says a diversion of the allied fleet is still keeping watch on the Gulf of Smyrna. A Greek ship picked up a floating mine near Imbros Island and another was found by fishermen near Lemnos as possible.

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Stone Dust and Sand

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on Monday, March 23, 1915, for approximately 225 tons of stone dust and 1,400 cubic yards of sand, required for asphalt.

The Victoria and Island Development Association

The first annual meeting of this Association will be held in the Board of Trade rooms, on Thursday, March 25, at 3 p.m., to receive reports of the Executive.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the Estate of William Templeman, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the late the Honorable William Templeman, of the City of Victoria, British Columbia, who died on or about the 15th day of November, 1914, at Victoria, made his will, bearing date the 15th day of June, 1914, and the said will contained the following bequest: "To Robert Dunn, Ben C. Nicholas and Hugh B. McKay, all employees, two thousand (2,000) dollars each. To each other regular employee of the Times Printing and Publishing Co., who has been one year or over in service, including printers, pressmen, stereotypers, photo-engravers, telegraphers, reporters, janitors, elevator men and newspaper carriers and office men and women, a sum equivalent in each case to four weeks' salary."

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WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CRITICISM? PUNCTURE FRIVOLOUS LABOR COMPLAINTS

Alderman Todd Doubts if Civic Retrenchment Association Executive Was Consulted. "I think perhaps it would be well to ascertain by whose authority the letter was written," observed Alderman Todd last evening, when a letter was read from the Civic Retrenchment Association protesting against any additional expenditure, and particularly against the extra grant of \$1,500 for publicity at the Panama Pacific exposition.

"Some men protest because they get work, and some complain because they do not," said Alderman Porter last evening, when further allusion was made in council to the employment of civic workmen, and their method of engagement by the Central Employment bureau.

"I have spoken to a number of members of the association, and they profess ignorance of it. I think it looks as if some individuals have taken advantage of the name of that association so that they can take a shot at a certain individual, and I do not think it is right. On the other hand, if the letter is a bona fide one, then I think the council should feel gratified and flattered that in arranging the large expenditures of the year, they can only find the small item of \$1,500 to get anything definite out of us."

THE LETTER WAS FILED. The writer (S. Tomlinson, secretary of the association) will be informed that the only important change that has been made is in the allowance for street work, in re-arranging the expenditure by-law.

SERIOUS PART TO COME

Major Geo. Ager Writes Interesting Letter From "Somewhere in France." Writing from "Somewhere in France" to his wife in this city, Major George Ager emphasizes the opinion that by far the most serious part of the war is yet to come. "In an entertaining letter he says: 'Sir John French inspected us yesterday, and said that if we are as good as we look, there are going to be sad days coming for the Germans.' At the time of writing the major had not gone into the trenches, but was billeted in a village from which the Germans had been driven by the British early in the war. 'Up to now,' he concludes, 'it has been a case of "war made easy."

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RAISE IMPORTANT PRINCIPLE OF SAFETY Menace of Storage of Volatile Oils on Waterfront Property; A Resolution

The recent prosecution for the storage of gasoline on a float in the inner harbor (not the portion under water for which a permit was issued, but for other liquid stored in quarters in the boathouse) raises an important issue. While the city council declined to intervene last evening and supported the action of the fire chief, the position is a difficult one with the large amount of gasoline used for motor boats. The subject has been one of growing importance on the Pacific coast, and at the meeting of the Pacific Fire Chiefs' association held here last fall, the subject came up for discussion. As a result the convention appointed a committee to draw up a resolution, which was eventually adopted by the convention, deprecating the storage of volatile and fuel oils on or near waterfront property. The resolution said: "Whereas the standard requirements for the storage of fuel oil in large quantities demand that it be on land in permanent and substantial tanks usually of steel, and 200 feet from any large body of water, that these tanks be surrounded by a fire proof and substantial wall or embankment, without openings and enclosing an area capable of holding from one and one-third to one and one-half the entire contents of all tanks within the enclosure. "And whereas oil companies not wishing to go to the expense of installing the above safety requirements are trying to induce our coast towns and cities to amend their ordinances so as to allow fuel oil in quantities of 10,000 or 12,000 barrels to be stored in tanks or barges or other floating vessels, permanently in our harbors, and sometimes near combustible buildings or docks. "Therefore be it resolved by the Pacific Coast Association of Fire Chiefs, in convention assembled, that we strongly favor the old requirements for the storage of large quantities of fuel oil, and would limit such storage to tanks on land, properly protected against any possible flow towards water; that we consider the permanent storage of fuel oil upon water as a menace to waterfront property and shipbuilding, in case of a large fire nearby, the breaking adrift of the barge, or vessel, or any accident which might release the oil upon the water of the harbor; that we call upon our

TWO YOUTHS ARE SENT UP FOR TRIAL Jackson Arraigned in Provincial Police Court on Three Charges and Green on Two

Charles Jackson, known as "Dynamitus" Jackson, and Herbert Green, were 53rd committed for trial at a preliminary hearing in the provincial police court yesterday afternoon on charges of housebreaking in the vicinity of Victoria. The accused are alleged to have entered the house of a number of Hindus on Moore & Petrick's ranch in the Malahat district, and the section-house of two Chinese in the same district. Jackson appeared alone on a third charge of having broken into the shack of Der Yuk, a Chinaman, living in Saanich. Mahanda, Dallo and Deva, three Hindus, gave evidence that their house had been broken into and they identified a number of articles which the provincial police had discovered in the shack in which Jackson and Green were living. The Hindus left their house at 7 o'clock on the morning of March 13, and when they returned at noon found that some one had rifled their belongings. An entrance had been effected through the tearing away of a number of planks near the door, which had been securely locked. The Hindus lost one trunk, one suit-case, several suits of clothes, razors, one revolver, a quantity of canned goods, a bank-book and a number of other articles. King Man and E. Poy, two Chinese sectionmen, said that their shack had been broken into the same day, and many small articles had been taken. In the Saanich case direct evidence against Jackson was furnished by the police through the finding of a pair of running shoes, which had a peculiar design on the soles. The shoes were found in the accused's shack, and the foot-prints around Der Yuk's shack in Saanich, and on top of a barrel on which the thief had stepped to enter through a window were said to coincide with the soles. The Chinaman identified some of the articles displayed in court as belonging to him. The two were arrested in a shack on Finlayson.

Help For the Unemployed

The Central Employment and Relief Committee earnestly appeals for help for over 1,400 unemployed in its register. The majority of these are married men with families. What is asked: 1. Gifts of money to be used only in providing work of a remunerative character. 2. Work, odd jobs and permanent positions. All kinds of labor can be had at once. Employers, ranchers and contractors are invited to use the Bureau, which is free. 3. Citizens to join the employment club. Members undertake to supply so much work or its equivalent in cash weekly; an hour's work or 25 cents; four hours' work or \$1.00, and so on. Call up Dr. Millar, the Bureau Superintendent, Phone 1637. Cheques to be sent to Alderman Porter at the City Hall.