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## PRIESTS ABUSED BY GERMANS AND SHOT

British Bureau Gives Detailed  
Allegations of Maltreatment  
in Belgium

## BRUTAL ACTS TOLD BY THOSE WHO SUFFERED

Twenty-Six Were Killed With-  
out Cause in Diocese  
of Malines

London, Jan. 8.—At the request of the Belgian legation in London, the British press bureau to-day issued detailed allegations of the maltreatment of the Catholic clergy in Belgium and the destruction of their institutions by German troops. This statement says that churches and religious houses were destroyed or profaned in almost every village, and in many towns where the German troops passed. In most cases the edifices were utilized as stables and prisons, and when not placed in safe hiding, the sacred vessels were stolen.

The statement makes the declaration that members of the clergy have been exposed to special indignities at the hands of German soldiers. In the dioceses of Liege, Namur, Malines and Ghent many priests and others connected with the churches were either shot or hanged.

Many other priests were carried off to Germany where they appear to have been subjected to abominable usage.

The following specific instances are given in the statement of the press bureau:

August 27.—An American and a Spanish priest among a group of seventy civilians, were dragged about from place to place all day and night, insulted and threatened with military execution. They were taken to the church at Campenhout and shut up for the night.

August 27.—The priest of Duchien, an invalid 87 years old, suffering from disease, was accused by the Germans of having fired on them. He was arrested, hoisted on a cannon, tossed into a ditch, tortured and shot.

A witness deposes that he saw Priest Geroldi brought into Aerchot August 24 with three wounded men. The Germans said he was a British spy and took him to the town hall. The following day they beat him with rifle butts and then on the Demer bridge they shot him and cast his body into the river.

A priest makes the following deposition:

"August 15 German soldiers swarmed into the village of Schaffen and began to burn and pillage on the pretence that shots had been fired on them. One hundred and seventy houses were burned and twenty-seven civilians were murdered.

"The Germans maltreated me in every way. They erected a gallows on which they said they purposed to hang me. They thrust me into a house which was on fire but dragged me out again. They sent me off, and at a distance of 200 yards they began shooting at me. I fell and pretended to be dead and so escaped."

The statement says the commission of inquiry collected evidence that, in the diocese of Malines alone twenty-six priests were killed. The priest of Spontin was first hung up by the foot and then by the hands and pierced with bayonets. In the diocese of Tournai a bishop seventy-four years old was seized as a hostage and struck by a soldier. Three ecclesiastics were shot in the diocese.

The statement concludes with the words: "Nothing can demonstrate more clearly the tendencies of the Germans in dealing with members of the clerical body than the words of a proclamation posted by the German authorities at Grievens, September 6, which says: "When hostages are taken; the priests, burgomasters and members of the community administration are to be put at the head of the list."

## DOLLARS AT BERNE ARE AT FIVE CENTS PREMIUM

Berne, Switzerland, Jan. 8.—The American dollar is now worth five francs, 25 centimes (\$1.05) at Berne. This represents a remarkable rise since the opening of the war, when cheques on America yielded only three francs, fifty centimes (70 cents). The rise in exchange is due to heavy buying of grain in the United States for Switzerland.

## CARSON URGES DOWN MEN TO FIGHT FOR COUNTRY

London, Jan. 8.—Inspecting the new County Down battalion Sir Edward Carson told the men that they would be fighting in the same cause as when they were Ulster volunteers, the cause of liberty and empire. He mentioned that 17,000 Ulstermen had come forward but that he hoped they would

## Siege Warfare Prevails Mud Holding Germans

General Von Hindenberg to Make Another  
Effort With One Million Men Against  
Capital of Poland

London, Jan. 8.—Aside from the continued Russian pursuit of the Turkish forces defeated in the Caucasus and the continuation of the Russian advance through the passes of the Carpathian mountains, siege warfare with intermittent artillery duels for the moment prevails almost everywhere in the eastern arena and western fields of war.

The reports reaching London show that General von Hindenberg, the German commander in Poland, for some time past has made no appreciable progress toward Warsaw, the mud of Poland evidently having done for him what the broken dykes and the resultant inundations did for the Germans in West Flinders. A dispatch coming to London from Copenhagen declares that von Hindenberg is expecting heavy reinforcements, and that with an army of one million men he purposed to make one more effort to break through to the Polish capital.

The Russians appear to have had ample time to reinforce themselves and to strengthen their positions around Warsaw, and it is believed that the trench warfare for which the western theatre of the war has become famous will be waged in the region of the Polish rivers.

Austria-Hungary again admits retirement of the forces in Bukovina, and it is from this Russian forward movement before which the Austrians are giving way that the most spectacular developments of the next fortnight may be expected, according to the opinion held by some British observers of the war.

Both British and French newspapers continue to-day to agitate the alleged arrest by the German authorities in Belgium of Cardinal Mercier. The Germans have been quick to deny that the cardinal has been detained.

## Alpine Troops on Skis Defeated Germans on Alsatian Frontier

St. Die, Department of Vosges, France, Jan. 8.—A brilliant exploit by French Alpine troops, who charged on skis down the snow-covered mountain slopes at Bonhomme, a post on the Alsatian frontier, forced the Germans to retire on Orbey, five miles down the valley of the river Wels toward Colmar.

The Germans held the railroad from St. Marie to St. Croix, menacing St. Die, where the French heavy artillery opened fire January 3. This led the Germans to expect an attack from that direction. At the same time the Alpine troops, leading the way for the French infantry, advanced on the German customs house at Diedelshausen, near Bonhomme.

A strong German detachment with quick-firers held the route, but the winding nature of the road prevented the Germans from firing more than 700 yards along it.

The French advanced to within this distance of the Germans, while the Alpine troops began to climb the heights to attack the Germans on their flank.

Progress was slow and the dark forms of the soldiers, outlined against the snow, made excellent marks for the German sharpshooters. Many of them rolled down the steep slopes, leaving crimson trails behind. The survivors pushed forward until they gained the shelter of the pines at the summit.

Then began an exciting charge on the Germans at Diedelshausen.

The Alpine soldiers on their skis slid down the mountainside at a dizzy speed, while the infantry in the road below opened fire on the Germans.

Caught between two fires, the Germans gave way, fighting obstinately along the five miles of their retreat.

## DEFERENTIAL PRAYER TO CARDINAL MERCIER WAS SENT BY GERMANS

Rome, Jan. 8.—The German government has sent to the Vatican an explanation of the Mercier incident in which it says that there is absolutely no truth in the reports that the cardinal was arrested by the German authorities in Belgium or even confined to his own palace or prevented from leaving it.

Continuing, this explanation says: "The German authorities entrusted with the most delicate and difficult task of maintaining order in Belgium and convincing the hostile population of that country of their sincere desire for their good simply addressed to Cardinal Mercier a most deferential prayer that he abstain from any attitude which might make difficult the accomplishment of their duty or ultimately entail risk to the Belgian people."

In following this course the Germans, the explanation goes on, had in mind the fulfilment of the Christian duty, which must be particularly dear to a minister of the church, of avoiding the shedding of blood.

"Any agitation or tumult arising from even an indirect cause," the German communication says in conclusion, "will render necessary severe measures on the part of the troops for the restoration of order."

## ST. HELEN'S LANCASHIRE HAS RECRUITING RECORD

London, Jan. 8.—The finest record of recruiting has been made by St. Helen's, Lancashire, which has the highest percentage of recruits of any town in the country. This is largely due to the generous allowance made to dependents by the local voluntary relief committee.

## WILSON SPEAKS ON PEACE.

Richmond, Ind., Jan. 8.—President Wilson made a five-minute speech on the duty of the United States to the rest of the world here to-day. In a short stop en route to Indianapolis, he declared to a crowd of several thousand persons that if the United States keeps its own peace it will best be able to bring about peace in Europe. He was warmly cheered.

## FRENCH GUNS HAVE GAINED ADVANTAGE

Infantry Won Ground Near  
Lombaertzyde and East-  
of St. Georges

## EVACUATED TRENCHES FILLED WITH WATER

Offensive Was Continued Yesterday  
Against Germans in  
Region of Thann

Paris, Jan. 8.—The extended French official report given out in Paris this afternoon shows the customary artillery activity all along the line from the sea to Alsace, and says the French guns are gaining the advantage. The French made some infantry advances. Near Rheims they moved forward 200 yards and elsewhere 50. At another point they retired 50 yards. Referring to the situation in Alsace the French report claims favorable developments.

The text of the official statement follows:

"The artillery of the enemy showed during all the day of January 7 great activity in Belgium and in the vicinity of Arras. The allied artillery responded spiritedly and efficaciously.

"Our infantry made some progress near Lombaertzyde. We occupied at a point 50 yards in advance of our trenches a hillock which had been held by the enemy. To the east of St. Georges we gained ground and inflicted serious damage on the trenches of the enemy in the vicinity of Steenstrate.

"In the sector of Arras at the forest of Berthouval, without being attacked, we were compelled to evacuate certain trenches, where our men were up to their shoulders in sand and water. To the left of Bouselle our line of trenches have been moved forward and we occupied the road from Bouselle to Aveluy.

"In the valley of the Aisne the artillery exchanges yesterday were quite spirited. Our heavy artillery secured good results near Blanc Sablon. At this point the mine-drawers of the enemy inflicted losses on us, but in the afternoon we checked this fire from the Germans.

"In the sector of Rheims, to the west of the forest de Souves, we blew a blockhouse and occupied a new trench 200 yards in advance of our lines.

"The artillery engagement between Bethany and Prunay was conducted with ferocity. The Germans left many dead on the field; our losses were not heavy. Between Jochery-Sur-Suppe and Souain, we time and again reduced to silence the artillery of the enemy, demolished his trenches and destroyed his breastworks.

"In the Argonne, to the west of Haute Chevauche, the enemy by means of a mine blew up some of our first line trenches which were completely demolished. A violent attack undertaken at once by the enemy on our positions was repulsed with the bayonet. We took some prisoners and we maintained our front, except for a distance of 80 yards. Here the demolition of the trenches obliged us to establish our line 20 yards farther back.

"On the heights of the Meuse and between the Meuse and the Moselle, there is nothing to report. Here the wind blew a tempest all day long on January 7.

"Our offensive continued yesterday in the region of Thann and Attkirk, and brought important results. We reoccupied the trenches on the eastern bank of hill 25, a position where the enemy two days ago succeeded in re-establishing himself. We then gained some ground to the east of these trenches. Farther to the south we occupied Burnhaupt-le-Haut, and at the same time we made progress in the direction of Pont l'Aach and Kthalberg.

"The artillery of the enemy, which had endeavored without success to reach our batteries, gave over shooting at our artillery in favor of the exclusive bombardment of the hospital at Thann which has been evacuated."

## MANSLAUGHTER IS CHARGED AGAINST FOUR AT FORT ERIE

Toronto, Jan. 8.—A provincial constable, a corporal and two privates were arrested at Fort Erie to-day, on warrants issued on the instance of the attorney-general of Ontario, charging them with manslaughter in connection with the death of Walter Smith and the wounding of Charles Dorsch, United States citizens, at Fort Erie on December 28 last. The men were held without bail.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—Canadian government authorities have forwarded to the United States government at Washington formal expressions of regret on the part of the Dominion of Canada for the killing of Walter Smith and the wounding of Charles Dorsch by Canadian militiamen. The Dominion government also has offered to compensate the wounded man and the family of the dead man.

In making this announcement the authorities intimated that their action was taken before the dispatch of the United States government's note to Great Britain on the subject.

The course of the Canadian government, it was said, was pursued as an act of grace, and was not necessarily an admission of liability. Criminal proceedings against those charged with the shooting will be held at Welland, Ont.

## VILLA TROOPS CAPTURE CITY WITHOUT FIGHT

Fifteen Thousand Constitutionalists  
Attacking Saltillo to  
Retake It.

Laredo, Tex., Jan. 8.—Villa troops in and around the city of Saltillo were attacked by about 15,000 constitutionalist troops to-day. Early reports from the battle said that hundreds had been killed or wounded. The Carranza forces attacked from mountains about the city with fifteen cannon.

The Villa troops occupied Saltillo two days ago without a fight. The Carranza forces there under General Antonio Villareal had evacuated the city to proceed against Villa forces which they met and defeated at LaBrisa and Marte.

Meanwhile another Villa force had marched through the mountains south-east of Saltillo and captured the city. The Carranza army returned in force early to-day.

Reports at noon from Carranza sources claimed that the advantage lay with the besiegers but with the battle still raging.

## BILLINGHURST ORDERED TO GET OUT OF CHILE

Santiago, Chile, Jan. 8.—The government to-day ordered Guillermo Billinghurst, former president of Peru, and Dr. Augusto Durand to leave Chilean territory within eight days.

President Billinghurst was deposed in a brief revolution in February last. It was expected that Durand would succeed him, but he was arrested and deported. November 30 last the Peruvian police confiscated a quantity of rifles and war stores which, it was alleged, had been collected by Dr. Durand in connection with an attempt to foment a revolution in Peru.

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## Popular Commander General Pau Directs French Attack in Alsace



## FIGHT FIERCELY TO TAKE ALSACE PAU'S ARMY IS MAKING PROGRESS

Geneva, Jan. 7.—The fighting in lower Alsace is daily growing in intensity around Steinbach, Cernay and Thann. Villages, houses and trenches are taken and retaken at the point of the bayonet, and the casualties on both sides have been extremely heavy.

It is stated that about 250,000 in all are engaged and that both sides are using heavy guns. The Germans are continuously hurrying reinforcements from the Rhine fronts.

General Pau, it is stated, is in command of the French forces, which have made progress despite the resistance of the Germans. French aviators from Belfort are assisting the artillery, the booming of which is heard day and night in the neighborhood of the frontier.

Paris, Jan. 8.—Fighting has been resumed on the Servian front, according to an official communication issued at Nish, Servia, and forwarded to the Havas Agency here. The fighting in which the Servians were the victors, according to the statement, occurred near Belgrade. The communication follows: "Strong forces of the enemy occupied the small island of Ada Trziska, near Belgrade, on January 3. Small detachments of our troops surprised and routed the Austrians during the night of January 4, capturing forty-five soldiers, a sergeant-major and two sergeants. Our loss was insignificant.

"Beyond this engagement there is nothing important to report on the fronts."

## REASON FOR SECRECY ON RECRUITING TOLD TO HOUSE OF LORDS

London, Jan. 8.—"We have every reason to be satisfied with the rate at which men are coming into the army, but nothing will draw from me the number recruited, for the reason that the value of such figures to the enemy would be enormous," said Baron Lucas, speaking for the government in the House of Lords this afternoon.

"We know that Germany is raising large numbers of new troops outside of the usual military organization from a part of the population not usually trained in arms," Baron Lucas continued. "No information could be of greater value to us than to have details concerning the progress of that work and how many men they are getting and training. The number they have or wish to have would be information of the very highest military importance to the allies."

## EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS CONFERENCE SUGGESTED

Rome, Jan. 8.—Negotiations are under way in Rome with the object of having the governments of the belligerent countries appoint delegates to discuss with the holy see the details of the project providing for an exchange of prisoners.

## HODEIDA INCIDENT CAUSE OF DISPUTE

Ottoman Empire Called on to  
Salute Flag or Suffer the  
Consequences

## ITALIANS REPORTING READY FOR SERVICE

Constantinople Fears Internal  
Disorders and Attacks  
From Outside

Rome, Jan. 7.—Italy has fixed a time limit in which Turkey must apologize formally for the Hodeida incident and salute the Italian flag or suffer the consequences. The Italian government will not be satisfied unless the reparations include the release of the British consul who was seized in the Italian consulate; the punishment of the violators of the consulate and a military salute of the Italian flag. Turkey has until January 10 to reply. After that date Italian-Turkish relations will be of the utmost delicacy.

Berne, Jan. 7.—A telephone message from the Italian frontier says that all public meetings and demonstrations in Italy in favor of the country's intervention in the war have been forbidden.

At the Italian consulates in Switzerland, Italian tribes to military service are now reporting themselves.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Jan. 8.—Dispatches reaching here from Constantinople described the situation in the Turkish capital as increasingly alarming.

The local authorities appear to apprehend not only attacks from the outside, but internal disorders as well. The archives of the state have been packed up ready for removal from the capital, and many of them already have been sent away. Preparations have been completed also for the removal of the treasury and locomotives are kept constantly under steam in the railroad yards of Stamboul to meet the possible necessity of conveying the officials of the government to a place of safety at short notice.

Preparations have been made at Adrianople for the quartering of the state officials should eventualities cause the porte to decide to quit the present capital.

## TWO DEATHS IN CAMP AT SALISBURY PLAIN

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—The militia department reports that Private Percy G. Palmer, of the 7th battalion, has died at Salisbury Plain of spinal meningitis. C. Norris, of 82d St. George St., Vancouver, is next of kin.

The death is also reported of Private R. C. Carter, of No. 1 Canadian general hospital, of same disease. He came from Elora, Ont. Up to the present time fifty members of the Canadian expeditionary force have died.

## GERMAN STATEMENT ON PROGRESS OF WAR

Berlin, Jan. 8.—The German official statement given out in Berlin to-day says: "In the western theatre of the war the continuous raids swamped the ground in Flanders more and more and our operations in consequence are very much hindered.

"To the east of Rheims the French attempted during the night to take one of our outer trenches, but were driven back into their own positions by a counter attack, losing 50 prisoners.

"In the centre and in the eastern part of the Argonne we made further progress.

"A night attack by the French against our positions on the Buckenberg, south of Diedelshausen, in the Vosges, was repulsed. Repeated French attacks on a height to the west of Senheim (Cernay) broke down under our artillery fire. We took two officers and more than 100 men prisoners. Fighting still is going on for the village of Oberburnhaupt (Burnhaupt-le-Haut) to the south of Senheim.

"Unfavorable weather also is being experienced in the eastern theatre of the war.

"On the East Prussian frontier and in Northern Poland the situation remains unchanged.

"East of the Rawka river our attacks are progressing. One thousand six hundred Russians were taken prisoners and five machine guns were captured by us.

"Only artillery battles took place on the eastern bank of the Pilica river."

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NEW METHOD USED BY GERMANS FOR DISCORD

Amsterdam, Jan. 7.—The Echo Belge protests against the efforts of the Germans to sow discord among the Belgians and Dutch by spreading the false report that poor fugitives from Belgium are neglected in Holland while rich ones are freed.

CAN SHIP NAVAL FROM UNITED STATES

Washington, Jan. 7.—Secretary Bryan received word from the British ambassador to-day that arrangements were being completed for the shipment without molestation of naval stores from the United States to the Netherlands and Italy.

**LATE NIGHT WAR NEWS**

**WAR COST TO NATIONS IN FIVE MONTHS TOLD**

Casualties and Prisoners Are 6,000,000; Struggle Too Costly to Continue Year

London, Jan. 7.—At the end of the old year statisticians computed that five months of the greatest war of history had cost the nations involved 6,000,000 men (killed, wounded and captured) and \$7,500,000,000. These figures are subdivided as follows:

**Total Casualties.**  
Great Britain—800 officers killed; 4,000 wounded; men, 15,000 killed, 60,000 wounded, 25,000 missing.  
France—Total casualties, 1,100,000, of whom 180,000 have been killed.  
Russia—Total casualties, 1,800,000, of whom 250,000 have been killed.  
Belgium—30,000 killed, 55,000 wounded, 35,000 captured.  
Serbia—Total casualties, 170,000; said by Austria to have been captured, 80,000.  
Germany—250,000 killed, 850,000 wounded, 400,000 missing.  
Austria—Total casualties, 1,500,000, of whom 100,000 have been killed.

**Financial Cost.**  
Great Britain—\$225,000,000 a month, or \$1,225,000,000 at the end of the year.  
France—\$300,000,000 a month, a total of \$1,500,000,000.  
Russia—\$350,000,000 a month, a total of \$1,750,000,000.  
Germany—\$300,000,000 a month, a total of \$1,500,000,000 at home, in addition to paying the expenses of her ally, Turkey.  
Austria—Estimated total, \$1,000,000,000.

In addition, all the warring nations are said to have lost perhaps as much as they have spent by the paralyzation of commerce and industry. Owing to this tremendous cost financial authorities say that the war must end within the next five months.

**LOCAL OPTION DEFEATED.**

Leamington, Jan. 8.—Local option was defeated on Pelee Island Monday by a majority of 28.

**CARDINAL'S PASTORAL LETTER IS PUBLISHED**

Defined Duties of Conscience Towards Power That Invaded Belgium

London, Jan. 7.—The much discussed pastoral letter of Cardinal Mercier, which the Netherlands newspaper Tijd said had been responsible for the arrest at the hands of the German military authorities in Belgium, an arrest which the German authorities have denied, has been published in pamphlet form in London and is as follows:

"I consider it an obligation of my pastoral charge to define your duties of conscience toward the power which has invaded our soil and which at this moment occupies a greater part of it. That power has no authority in law. In the sanctuary of your consciences no obedience is due to the legal power in Belgium in that which is derived from our king, our government and the representatives of the nation. This alone has a right to the affections of our hearts and to our submission.

"Of themselves the acts of those in occupation are without force, but the legal authority, ratified tacitly those acts which are justified in the general interest, and from this ratification alone they derive all their judicial worth.

"The occupied provinces of Belgium are not conquered provinces. Belgium is no more a German province than Galicia is a Russian province. Nevertheless the occupied part of our country is confronted by a situation which is most serious. The greater numbers of our towns have been handed over to the enemy; they must respect the conditions of their surrender.

"From the beginning of military operations the civil authorities have insistently recommended that private persons abstain from acts of hostility against the armed enemy. These recommendations are still in force. Our army alone is charged with the duty of our national defence. Let us know how to await at its hands the final deliverance. Let us comfort ourselves as the general interest demands. Let us respect the regulations they (the Germans) impose on us, so long as they do not attack our liberty, our Christian conscience or the dignity of our patriotism.

Amsterdam, Jan. 7.—The Amsterdam Tijd, whose report of the arrest of Cardinal Mercier elicited to-day an official denial from the German military government in Belgium, publishes a dispatch from Bergen-Op-Zoom, Netherlands, purporting to confirm the statement that the cardinal was placed under restraint. The Tijd asserts that German guards were stationed outside the cardinal's palace last Saturday; that the cardinal demanded of the German commander that he be allowed to visit Antwerp on Sunday, and another place on Monday, but that this permission was refused.

The Tijd also says that a majority of the Antwerp clergy have been arrested.

**KITCHENER ONCE MORE OUTFLANKED CURZON**

Former Viceroy of India Beaten in House of Lords by War Secretary's Tactics.

London, Jan. 8.—The re-opening of the House of Lords on Wednesday excluded unusual interest. Owing to the speech of Lord Curzon, the Lord Curzon of Kedleston is temporarily leading the opposition in the upper house.

Lord Curzon and his friends had tabled for the ministers a number of important questions dealing with the war, and the plan was that Lord Curzon should lead off with a general speech, and that Earl Kitchener, the secretary of state for war, should follow with a reply.

Lord Kitchener, however, has not learned tactics for nothing. Probably not desiring to be catechized by Lord Curzon, he took the offensive, and, advancing to the table, began a statement which Lord Curzon was still going through "retrograde" preliminaries. Lord Kitchener's flanking movement shattered Lord Curzon's plan of campaign at the start, and compelled him to take up a new position not at all so commanding as he had planned.

More than the suggestion of a smile flickered on the faces of peers at Lord Kitchener's successful manoeuvre, and especially as they recalled the personal antagonism of the two men since they were in India together and Lord Curzon was ousted from the vice-royalty when he attempted to interfere with Lord Kitchener's military plan.

Lord Curzon spoke for an hour, putting several questions to the government.

**BRITISH COLUMBIANS RECEIVE COMMISSIONS**

Fifty-Seven Men to Have Appointments in New Army; Regiment Physically Fit

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 7.—Writing from Salisbury Plain, Rev. William Barton, chaplain of the Seventh Battalion (First British Columbia) Second Infantry Brigade of the Canadian expeditionary force, states that 57 non-commissioned officers and men of the First British Columbia Regiment will receive commissions in the new army. The regiment is in fine physical condition, with very little sickness.

A list of the men applying for commissions to date follows:

Lance-Corp. H. O. Robinson, Royal Sussex; Pvt. C. Underhill, Royal Sussex; Sgt. R. Underhill, Royal Sussex; Pvt. G. D. Scales, Royal Sussex; Pvt. W. S. Barnes, Royal Sussex; Pvt. R. C. Lowe, Royal Sussex; Corp. W. J. Bell, 50th Bedford; Pvt. G. Patterson, 50th Bedford; Pvt. H. D. Burton, 10th Sussex; Pvt. W. E. Reid, Royal Inniskilling; Corp. N. C. H. Meiry, Royal Inniskilling; Corp. H. H. Goodall, North and Derby; Corp. F. J. Oatts, North and Derby; Sgt. W. H. B. Gillespie, 6th Royal Bucks; Sgt. W. F. H. Pelly, 3th Inniskilling Dragoons; Corp. H. F. Game, Warwick; Pvt. H. S. Allfrey, K. R. R. C.; Pvt. H. P. Williams-Freeman, K. R. R. C.; Pvt. H. K. Statham, A. S. C.; Lance-Corp. G. A. W. Shaw, R. M. L. I.; Pvt. M. S. Lawrence, K. R. R. C.; Pvt. F. N. Boltro, R. F. A.; Sgt. P. W. B. Foote, 7th Royal Fusiliers; Corp. R. C. Cartwright, 3rd E. Kent; Pvt. R. E. Horsford, 5th Bedford; Pvt. Trendell, 5th Bedford; Pvt. A. W. Taylor, 5th Bedford; Pvt. P. Priestley, Wiltshire; Pvt. W. E. P. Waterford, West Kent; Sgt. R. H. Columbine, Bedford; Lance-Corp. R. E. Hobbay, R. F. A.; Lance-Corp. V. M. Hobbay, R. F. A.; Pvt. C. S. Thurburn, R. E.; Pvt. G. L. Elverson, R. E.; Q.-M. Sgt. A. F. Young, R. E.; Pvt. S. M. Oliver, Wiltshire; Sgt. H. D. S. Keighley, 10th Lancers; Corp. L. Wilson, Indian Army; Pvt. A. M. Buckley, W. Kent; Pvt. H. H. R. Dolling, Pvt. P. H. Chawner, Lance-Corp. C. M. Lucas, Lance-Corp. R. W. Lucas-Lucas; Lance-Corp. E. W. Leggatt, Pvt. N. D. Theobald, Pvt. M. J. Adamson, Pvt. N. B. Leach, Pvt. H. E. Lloyd, Pvt. H. R. Guy, Pvt. E. V. A. Reynolds, Inniskilling Dragoons; Pvt. F. H. E. Fitzpatrick, Chas.; Pvt. O. Martin, Lines.

**BRITISH CASUALTY LIST**

London, Jan. 7.—The following casualty list was issued last night from the headquarters of the expeditionary force:

Killed—Pargus, Lieut., 9th Battalion London Regiment; Lawrence, Captain W., Flying Corps; Miles, Lieut., C. C. Island, Light Infantry; Paton, Lieut. J. E., Monmouthshire Regiment; Perce, Lieut. R. A., Rifle Brigade; Pryce-Jenkins, Lieut. R. D., South Wales Borderers; Silvester, Lieut. A. L., Royal Sussex Regiment; Trotter, Lieut. A., Coldstream Guards; Watkin, Capt. F. E., Northumberland Fusiliers. Died of wounds—Herbert, Lieut. M. C. N., Gloucestershire Regiment. Wounded—Benson, Lieut. W. D., Northamptonshire Regiment; Comyn, Lieut., Monmouthshire Regiment; Dorrmer, Lieut. R. S., Scots Guards; Frame, Capt. A. C., Highland Light Infantry; Gatehouse, Lieut. A. H., Northumberland Fusiliers; Hepburn, Capt. G. F., Royal Fusiliers; O'Brien, Capt. H. D. S., Northamptonshire Regiment; Orr-Ewing, Capt. N. O., Scots Guards; Rowell, Lieut. W. C., Royal North Lancashire Regiment; Turner, Capt. J. E., Camerons; Watson, Lieut. C. G., Royal Berkshire Regiment; Wilberforce, Lieut., Royal Sussex Regiment.

**CELEBRATING 100 YEARS PEACE AT NEW ORLEANS**

New Orleans, La., Jan. 8.—Celebration of the centenary of peace between Great Britain and the United States was begun here to-day with a salute of twenty-one guns timed to end 100 years, to the moment, after Andrew Jackson triumphed over the British army at Chalmette. Other ceremonies of the peace celebration included the unveiling of a statue of Jackson on the spot where the general had his standard at Chalmette and the formal exchange of greetings between Assistant Secretary Peters of the treasury department, who is President Wilson's representative, and the envoy of King George, Consul Carew-Hunt.

Many prominent Canadian and United States peace advocates were present for the series of exercises which were to take place at St. Charles in buildings famous by events of a century ago.

**GERMAN AUXILIARY CRUISER INTERNED**

Paris, Jan. 8.—A Madrid dispatch to L'Information states that the German auxiliary cruiser Otavi has been interned at Las Palmas, Canary Islands.

The German steamer Otavi arrived at Las Palmas January 5. She was previously reported December 3 as being at Pernambuco. There has been no mention heretofore that the Otavi had been converted into an auxiliary cruiser, but it is likely that she was used by the German cruiser Karlsruhe as a supply ship.

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### GERMAN PEOPLE ARE BECOMING CRITICAL

London, Jan. 7.—A remarkable change has come over the people of Berlin and all Germany, according to an American who reached London from the German capital.

"There is a tense, anxious look on the faces of the people, in marked contrast to the confidence at the beginning of the war," he said. "One feels that the impression is gaining that all is not well, that reported victories are not all victories, and that others are secured at an immense cost."

"There are thousands of widows and orphans in Germany whose sorrows will soon crystallize in a mighty wall of protest at continuing a struggle felt to be hopeless."

"Those in authority, unaccustomed to keeping their ears tuned to popular clamor, begin to realize that the people are becoming restless. The recent raid on the east coast, devoid of strategic significance, was ordered simply to furnish a dramatic episode in which the Germans appeared to advantage."

"The Socialists are quietly doing their utmost to foster this feeling of unrest. Criticism of the Kaiser and his advisers is becoming more open than was ever tolerated in peace."

### ARIZONA ANTI-ALIEN ACT UNCONSTITUTIONAL

San Francisco, Jan. 8.—The Arizona anti-alien employment act, adopted by the people of the state at the November elections, as an initiative measure, was declared unconstitutional to-day by a special court of three federal judges.

Washington, Jan. 8.—News that the Arizona anti-alien employment law had been declared unconstitutional and void by a federal district court at San Francisco was received with deep interest among diplomats here to-day, especially at the British and Italian embassies, which protested against it, and notably the Japanese embassy. Japan had not protested, but Viscount Genda, the Japanese ambassador, called at the state department and asked for information of the proceedings. The decision is open for appeal to the supreme court.

### GREAT BRITISH ARMY NOW ON BATTLEGROUND

Germans No Longer Able to Assume Offensive but Are Giving Ground

London, Jan. 7.—"The new year has opened upon a more favorable situation for the allies than any they had known since the commencement of the campaign," says a report made by a military observer attached to the British army headquarters at the front. The report made public to-day by the official information bureau is dated January 4, and supplements similar narratives given out at intervals during the progress of the war.

"So far as the British are concerned," says the report, "the small expeditionary force of four divisions which took the field in August has now been swelled into a great army which is steadily increasing in numbers, has become inured to war, and can look back on a record of hard fighting such as British troops seldom have sustained in the past. The struggle of the last four months has entered upon its fourth phase."

"A slow, but none the less marked change which has taken place has resulted in the definite passage of initiative into the hands of the allies. This is not shown so much by material results obtained, although at some points of the allied front ground has been gained and in some places progress has been made, resulting in the capture of guns and strongly entrenched positions; but our advantage lies in the fact that it is now the allies who for the past few weeks have assumed and maintained the offensive role, while the enemy has been acting on the defensive. The fact that the enemy is acting on the defensive does not mean that he has given up attacking altogether, but his attacks have been in the nature of counter-attacks, undertaken either in order to regain ground previously lost, or to relieve pressure on some other part of the German line."

"It is only by balancing the total results of these attacks by both sides that a clear idea can be obtained. Really marked progress has been achieved by the allies."

"The German defensive is an active one. It is founded on the axiom of war that the weaker the force is and the more hardy it is pressed, the more persistently should it attack; but it remains true that such action is none the less essentially defensive, even though here and there one of their counter-attacks may succeed in regaining possession of a trench or in driving back a small section of our front."

"If we retain the initiative, it will mean that the German soldier gradually will become increasingly conscious that he is no longer marching on Calais or Paris; that, instead of pressing forward, his role is merely to maintain what is already won, and that even this limited object has not been attained. Officers he has continually been told that reinforcements are about to arrive, and startling victories on land and sea are disseminated broadcast. But such fabrications can no longer carry conviction when the troops realize the method of attacking or even retiring, and the morale of the armies must be affected."

"The more thoroughly they are now deceived as to the true position, the greater will be the disillusionment if they realize that ultimately victory is unobtainable, while upon such an army as that of the Germans, which has been taught to exalt the cult of the offensive almost into a fetish, the mere consciousness of being reduced to acting on the defensive must have a most discouraging effect."

After referring to the ultimate consequences of repeated small successes, the British observer says: "It must not, however, be thought that this is other than very slow and laborious progress, or that the final result is within immediate reach. Yet every capture by the allies of a trench represents lost ground for which the enemy expended much blood and treasure, and is a step forward in the process of attrition which eventually will bring the war to an end."

The British observer states that he is able to confirm reports that there is considerable sickness in the German ranks. He says that for some time past there has been a considerable amount of typhoid fever, and that some German units have been withdrawn temporarily on this account.

### ARMENIAN VOLUNTEERS WELCOMED AT TIFLIS

London, Jan. 8.—Reuter's Petrograd correspondent transmits a message from Tiflis stating that a detachment of Armenian volunteers had arrived there from Armenia. The volunteers received an enthusiastic reception.

The Armenian volunteers evidently are to serve with the Russian army in the campaign against Turkey, whose troops were advancing in the direction of Tiflis until, as reported from Petrograd two days ago, they were defeated disastrously. Tiflis is a Russian city in the trans-Caucasian region. The territory known as Armenia, which is not a political unit, includes part of the trans-Caucasus.

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"There were other warships in the vicinity when the explosion occurred, and the captain of the Formidable might easily have asked them for help. Doubtless the captain recalled what happened when the navy lost at one blow the Aboukir, the Cressy and the Hogue. The Aboukir was torpedoed and the others, which rushed to save the drowning sailors met the Aboukir's fate."

"The captain, the other officers and the crew of the Formidable acted the part of heroes, since they must go down, they would at any rate save others from sharing their doom. Accordingly the Formidable signalled to the nearest ship to stand by but to keep off. Heroism such as this probably is without parallel in history."

London, Jan. 7.—The Marquis of Crewe announced in the House of Lords to-day that it was the definite opinion of the British admiralty that the battleship Formidable had been sunk by two torpedoes discharged by a submarine.

The Earl of Selborne, former First Lord of the admiralty, in an address in the House of Lords, had described the dispatch of Sir Christopher Cradock's squadron, he said, was wholly inadequate for the task assigned to it—to destroy the German warships there. He then asked for more information concerning the loss of the battleship Formidable and Bulwark, and data about other naval operations.

There were now only two German cruisers and two armed merchantmen to carry on commerce raiding, the Marquis of Crewe said, and they could not long escape the allies' ships. The Manning of new ships, including monitors, he added, had been completely provided for.

### AUSTRIA ADMITS THAT RUSSIA GAINED GROUND

Vienna, Jan. 8.—An official statement on the progress of the war was given to-day as follows: "In the Carpathian forest lands and in the southern part of the crown land of Bukovina regard for the safety of our advance troops obliged us to fall back on the principal mountain passes before an enemy numerically superior to ourselves."

### GARIBALDI SOLDIERS WON GERMAN TRENCHES

Captain Tells How Constantine Met His Death in Battle With Enemy

Paris, Jan. 8.—Constantine Garibaldi, second of the grandsons of the Italian patriot to die in the fighting in France, was killed during an attack on a series of these German trenches. A story of how he met his death is told by his brother, Capt. Ricciotti Garibaldi.

After mines had been laid and exploded, says Capt. Garibaldi, the regiment of Italian volunteers rushed forward shouting "Viva Trieste." They captured the first two trenches without difficulty, but the third trench was a more difficult proposition, being separated from the others by about 100 yards of open ground and commanded by a hill.

Notwithstanding this, the Garibaldians stormed the trench, but the Germans delivered a fierce counter attack

and the position of the Italian volunteers became difficult. Col. Pappeo Garibaldi, the commander, ordered the regiment to fall back, and Constantine Garibaldi, who commanded the reserves in the second trench went forward to aid his comrades. Almost immediately he was struck in the neck by a bullet which severed the carotid, and he fell within a few yards of where his brother Peppino was standing.

### PATTISON PRESIDENT OF SEATTLE CANADIAN CLUB

Seattle, Jan. 8.—O. A. Pattison was elected to the presidency of the Canadian club at the annual meeting last night of that organization in the assembly room of the Henry building. He succeeds H. D. Hughes, under whose administration the club has experienced a successful year. Ed. S. Sears was returned to the position of secretary, and other officers were elected as follows: J. F. Douglas, Dr. J. A. McKee, Dr. Alfred Raymond, Prof. B. J.

Saunders, E. Mol. Tedford, vice-presidents; Dr. C. A. Rumbart, assistant secretary; A. E. Maynard, treasurer; Henry Blackwood, auditor; Prof. Trevor Kincaid, historian; Dr. Sidney Morgan, chaplain.

The club reported that from present indications the concert to be given under the auspices of the British-American relief association in Douglas hall next Tuesday night will be a big success. J. F. Douglas is chairman of the arrangement committee for the concert.

### BRITAIN PREPARED TO PAY IN SMITH CASE

Washington, Jan. 7.—Sir Cecil Spring Rice, British ambassador, notified Secretary Bryan to-day that the British government without deciding the question of liability, was planning to pay damages to the family of Walter Smith, the American killed recently by Canadian militiamen, while hunting near Fort Erie, and to Charles Dorisch, who was wounded at the same time.

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**THE WAR.**

The French bulletin to-day records gains at both ends of the allied line. In Belgium an advance has been made to the east of St. Georges and towards Lombaertzyde. These points are northeast and southeast of Nienport, so the Germans either have evacuated that town or they must be about to do so.

It is at the other end of the line, however, where the most important progress has been made. The French have recaptured the hill dominating Sennheim, while farther south they have occupied the village of Nurnhaupt, eight miles west of the road from Mulhausen to Altkirch. These gains could have been made only after fighting of considerable magnitude and they will impress upon the Germans the necessity of strongly reinforcing their units in that region. Evidently this is being done, for reports from neutral points speak of trainloads of soldiers being brought westward from the interior bases.

In the east Vienna admits the withdrawal of Austrian soldiers from Bukovina and portions of Galicia. There is no important change in the situation in Poland, although the Germans apparently have succeeded in crossing the Rawka. The operations there are described by dispatches as resembling a siege, which should be highly satisfactory to the allies. They enable Russia to continue her advance upon Hungary and Cracow. Austria is reported to be preparing for a new offensive against Serbia. This also should cause satisfaction to the allies. With Roumania on the verge of intervention, and Italy and Greece preparing, the more Austria distributes her fighting strength the better. She is keenly desirous of obtaining peace, but she feels that she cannot afford to throw up the sponge with Serbia undefeated. That probably is why she is prepared to ignore the menace elsewhere in order to gain some success over the gallant little state which has inflicted the greatest humiliation upon her. The record shows, however, that the safest place for the armies of Francis Joseph is outside of Serbian territory.

**CIVIC EXPENDITURE.**

The aim of the Civic Retrenchment Association is to secure a twenty-five per cent. reduction in taxation. The sponsors for the movement claim that this can be accomplished without impairing the efficiency of the essential services of the community, and even then the annual outlay would be greater than it was during the prosperous years of 1912 and 1913. The council is now wrestling with those branches of civic expenditure over which it has control. It cannot touch the fixed charges, which have mounted to high figures in consequence of the large public works that have been carried on, nor can it lay its hand upon the police or school estimates. But within the limits of its powers it should dispense with everything that is not absolutely necessary, for these are times of stress which must be met by emergency measures.

Similar considerations should dominate the school board and police commissioners. An efficient system of education is a splendid asset for a city, but, like every other public service, its character should be based upon the capacity of the people to pay. If that limit required the school board to cut its estimates fifty per cent., which happily it does not, it should be done. Certainly this community cannot stand the same expenditure, or anything like it, on its schools in 1915 that was made in 1914. But this is a matter concerning which the municipal council has nothing to say. It is between the school

board and the public. In the last analysis it is up to the people. Vancouver and Seattle and other cities on this coast have dealt with the situation with Spartan severity borne of grim necessity. Vancouver has not only made a substantial reduction in its assessment but also has cut the tax rate, a co-ordination devoutly to be desired. Incidentally all the western cities are learning the same lesson. This is that if they would avoid difficulties when times are bad they should be careful in their expenditures when times are good. The progress of a city or country is not indicated by the amount of money expended by municipal, provincial or state governments but by the way in which it is spent.

**THE GARIBALDIS.**

The French official war bulletin of Wednesday was unique in the fact that it departed from the rule to which the general staff has rigidly adhered in regard to the publication of names of officers and regiments distinguishing themselves on the field of battle. As far as the official reports have told them, the French people have no knowledge of the particular generals and soldiers who have performed feats of signal skill and bravery. If a brilliant victory is won in Alsace, or in the Argonne, the report only announces that "our soldiers have won an important position," and mentions the region. France, a nation of hero-worshippers, is not permitted to indulge her proclivity in this war. This is a characteristic Joffre touch. He will have no limelight for himself or for anybody else in the fighting ranks. He is content to give the credit to France and the army in an impersonal sense.

On Wednesday, however, there was a departure from the rule. The French bulletin announced that in the Argonne a regiment commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel Garibaldi had made an important advance, in which Constantine Garibaldi, a brother of the commanding officer, had been killed. In this announcement shrewd policy waved aside the iron limitations of prescribed military practice. The Garibaldis, grandsons of the liberator of Naples, never forget what their country owed to "liberty-loving France and Britain. They saw that those two powers were menaced by a foe who stood for the tyranny against which their grandfathers had victoriously fought. In the attitude of Austria towards Serbia they beheld the brutal policy of the same old Bourbon crowd which had abused Italy for generations until it was kicked out. Their own country having for the moment, however, determined to maintain a neutral attitude, and the Garibaldis drew their swords for France, two of them perishing on the field of honor for her cause.

But more than policy prompted the French general staff on Wednesday to abandon its practice in regard to its official announcements. France owed that recognition to the gallant sons of Italy who have laid down their lives for her. A considerable number of subjects of Victor Emmanuel have silently slipped across the border and enrolled themselves under the leadership of Joffre, and every sign points to the participation of a million more, not, however, under the tricolor, but under the flag of their own country, an army superbly equipped and itching to strike again at the Bourbonism of middle Europe.

**THE LOAN.**

The province has obtained a loan of \$2,700,000 in New York on one-year treasury notes. This is the final instalment of the \$10,000,000 which the legislature last session authorized the government to borrow. We have had no statement as to the purposes to which the money will be devoted, and if the members of the House have not forgotten altogether their duty to the public they will insist upon the fullest explanation of the financial affairs of the province.

A year ago the attorney-general declared that the expenditures of the province exceeded the revenues in the two preceding years by some \$14,000,000. This must have absorbed that "substantial surplus" of \$7,000,000 which figured so frequently in ministerial utterances. The estimates for the current year anticipated a revenue of \$10,948,915, against appropriations aggregating \$13,742,000. Apparently the \$10,000,000 already borrowed must be merely an introductory consideration and it would not surprise us if the Hon. Price-Edison submitted a bill in the approaching session authorizing another loan.

Any financial statement which may be made will not be satisfactory or informative if it does not make clear the relations between the province and the railroad companies. Has the government advanced any money to the railroads beyond the amounts they were entitled to in proportion to the work done, from the sale of securities? What, precisely, is the situation in this respect? The public is entitled to know.

Within the last year there has been a notable movement of Canadian municipalities and private corporations to the money market in New York, but most of the loans, if not all of them, have been for short terms, the investors there being averse from lending money over long periods. Nevertheless

it is satisfactory to see the ice broken and we may look towards the extension of the movement to the fields of industry. The time is ripe for such a development owing to the absorption of British capital to meet the cost of the war and the wastage which must be repaired. At the same time it would be well for governments and municipalities that reach the purse strings of the magnates of the American metropolises to remember that some of the shrewdest eyes of the world are upon them and that an extension of their credit depends entirely upon the wisdom with which they expend their borrowings.

**THOROUGHLY CORRUPT.**

"Of recent months certain newspaper opponents of the administration have been astute to discover means whereby they would discredit the province as a whole and Sir Richard McBride and his colleagues in particular. Their efforts have proved fruitless."—Colonist.  
 We have heard this argument before. It is as old and as crooked as sin. Dr. Johnson aptly described it as the last refuge of a scoundrel. It represents an attitude which is expressed in the legislature, where the spectacle of two opposition members out of a total of forty-two frequently provokes outbursts of ministerial wrath. There must be no criticism of the government or the Premier because it will discredit the province! Dominion Trust scandals, Indian reserve transactions, fraudulent land deals, fat commissions, should not be exposed to the public. The taxpayers should be sandbagged in the dark. No newspaper which is not a subsidized prospectus of a corrupt organization would debase itself by advancing a plea so utterly inimical to the public interest. Nothing discredits a country more than a discreditable government record, and nothing helps to make that record discreditable more than a subservient press.

**WROUGHT UP.**

The state of the public mind at the present time is revealed in the volume and tone of the letters the Times is receiving daily. That mental condition resembles very much the natural inclination of mythical Paddy at the fair: "wherever you see a head—hit it." Our correspondents are numerous and they are belligerent. Things have gone wrong with them, and, feeling that someone or some institution has failed them, or inflicted injustice upon them, they are just laying about indiscriminately.  
 A considerable number of our contributors do not seem to understand that there are certain legal and moral responsibilities connected with the publication and circulation of matter in newspapers. We cannot print statements which transcend certain bounds without accepting the consequences. The mere fact that a writer signs his name to a communication, even if the author be a person of substance, does not relieve us of responsibility. But, aside altogether from legal penalties, we must guard our columns from anything that might affect unjustly the character or reputations of individuals, or even of "souless corporations." The public acts of public men, of course, always are open to legitimate criticism. If our correspondents would bear these facts in mind their letters would have better chances for publication.

To get down to cases, we have of late received a number of criticisms of the city police authorities in connection with the prosecution of motor drivers plying in competition with the street railway company for five-cent fares. We have selected the letter of W. J. Scott for publication as a sample of these because the writer has the courage to sign his name. Mr. Scott does not allege, as some anonymous letter writers do, that there is collusion between the police and the tramway company with the object of eliminating competition by prosecution of the motor car drivers; but he inquires why, in general, regulations upon motor drivers, in the guise of licenses of various kinds and limitations in other directions, are not equally applicable to drivers of street cars.

The cars of the tramway company are operated under a special charter given by the legislature of British Columbia, and, whatever we may think of the provisions of that instrument, they were given under authority and accepted eagerly by the citizens at the time they were conferred, and there is nothing for us to do but accept them now.

The tribulations of which motor car drivers complain they largely have brought upon themselves. They would not operate their machines with an eye to public safety and the rights of pedestrians until they were compelled to do so by statute. Hence the powers that rule were given an excuse to impose rules, regulations and restrictions, a power they were in no wise loath to exercise, because it provided them with an excuse for raising revenue. Authority always is looking for an opening for that sort of thing. The city police doubtless reasoned that when the motor cars began to compete with the tramway company there would be a natural disposition to break the speed limits imposed by law. Hence, they argued,

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here is a chance to impose our authority as well as an opportunity to augment the civic revenue, which is not as justly as it was when owners of motors were in more affluent circumstances.

Italy is just about ready to take a hand. She has given Turkey until January 10 in which to make amends for the outrage to the Italian consulate at Hodeida. She demands a public apology, a salute to the flag and the punishment of the culprits. Turkey, under pressure from Berlin, probably will comply. Italy then will have to look around for another pretext. How would it do to "advise" Austria to evacuate Trent and Trieste, just as Japan, with exquisite politeness, advised Germany to leave Kiaoo Chau?

By the way, is not Sir Richard afraid annexation will be one of the consequences of our provincial loan in New York? Additional borrowings from the United States mean additional exchanges of trade, and this, we were informed three years ago, would be fatal to our territorial integrity.

**TO MOTHER ENGLAND: GOOD-BYE.**

"It isna every chicken as'll serat for the old hen!"—North Staffordshire proverb.  
 Come, lads! Let's go to mother and wish her good-bye!  
 God knows what she's been to us—the making of the pie!  
 We'll find her up and doing, as busy as a bee,  
 At socks or soup or something, and all for you and me!  
 Ah! There she sits! I told you! And singing, ah, d'ye ken?  
 "It isna every chicken as'll serat for the old hen!"  
 Ah, mother! You look proudly!—You know that we should come,  
 Just for a kiss and comfort, before we left the home!  
 We'd love to take your blessing, we know just what you are,  
 The same old lovely mother! Same, if it's peace or war!  
 And what were you a-singing when we trod down the mat?  
 Was you the "old hen," mother?—and we the "chicks as serat?"  
 My boys, I knew you'd gather to see me ere you go—  
 I'm not a bit afraid of you to settle any foe!  
 I'm thankful and I'm cheery, and though my hairs are grey,  
 My old heart's just as young as yours,  
 God guard you all the way,  
 Loving and fit and fearless!—No sons like you, I ken!  
 If it isna every chicken as'll serat for the old hen!

You're all my sons! I know you! Some over oceans come,  
 And some I've brought up on my lap within the dear old home!  
 I didn't need to call you! 'Twas Duty, Love and Right,  
 That brings your jolly faces to make my old days bright!  
 The Germans thought you'd leave me! They didn't think, d'ye ken,  
 That chickens—made-in-England would serat for the old hen!

My boys, fill up your kit-bags! What these old hands have made!  
 'Tis hard life in those trenches, and hard death, too! 'Tis said!  
 God bless you ten times over! Fight without blot or stain!  
 I'll keep the old home going till you come back again!  
 Tell them you left me singing, by the old hearth they ken,  
 "It isna every chicken as'll serat for the old hen!"  
 Mother, our heart's just aching. Lads, turn up and come!  
 Please God it ain't the last time we see the dear old home!  
 We'd face a gross of Germans—and down them all, no doubt,  
 But, mother, with her kisses and dear old eyes,—it's rout!  
 Fall in! D'ye hear her, singing? By the old hearth all, ken!  
 Thank God that we, her chickens, "can" serat for the old hen!

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Sharp at 2.30 on Saturday afternoon we start our annual clearance of Feather and Marabout Ruffles, Stoles and Muffs. The prices to which we have reduced the balance of our stock is an exceedingly low one, and we believe that we are fully justified in saying that the values are appreciably greater than any offered at previous years. The samples displayed in the View Street windows will enable you to judge the qualities far better than we can describe them here.

These exceedingly low prices warrant our expecting a big demand. We therefore advise you to be here sharp on time.

The Feather Ruffles come in black and white only, while the Marabout Ruffles and Stoles can be had in both plain and combination shades.

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- 3 only, regular prices \$35.00 to \$50.00—To clear at ..... \$15.00

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- Fancy Scarves, in lace, silk and crepe do chine. All to clear at Half Price.
- Linens and Dutch Fancy Collars, clearing at each ..... 5c —Main Floor

**Wanted Bedding at January Sale Prices**

- \$4.00 White Woolen Blankets for, pair, \$3.25 —Full size, 60x90. A well woven Blanket and a good warm quality finished with pink or blue borders.
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- \$6.75 White Woolen Blankets for, pair, \$4.35 —An extra good quality Blanket with soft, fleecy finish. A good Blanket for small outlay.
- \$3.50 Grey Blankets for, pair, \$2.95—25 pairs only of these, and they are splendid for campers, rooming houses and for children's beds.
- \$5.50 Silver Grey Blankets for, pair, \$4.25 —All-wool Blankets in a light grey shade, suitable for either home or camp use.
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**Installation of Officers.**—At the first regular meeting of the month of Purple Star Lodge, 194, E. A. B. A., the following officers for the ensuing year were duly installed by Past Worthy Mistress, Mrs. E. Henderson: Past worthy mistress, Ellen Galbraith; worthy mistress, Bertha A. Manson; deputy mistress, Margaret Jamison; chaplain, M. Lovel; recording secretary, Ada L. Kirk; financial secretary, Ethel Munro; treasurer, Agnes E. Bush; director of ceremonies, Mrs. Martin; lecturer, Jessie Bates; inside guard, Annie James; outside guard, R. G. Foster; committee, Annie Foster; S. J. Gilson, E. Symons, Mary Cochener; guardian, W. Patterson; pianist, Mrs. Hodley. The lodge intends to hold its anniversary on January 28.

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**Letter From Dr. Donald.**—Mrs. Margaret Jenkins has received a certificate from Dr. Donald, who is with the Canadian troops on Salisbury Plain. The artillery, to which he is attached, are still in tents, but all were well when he wrote. The infantry are in huts.

**Time Extended.**—The provincial secretary notifies assessors through the columns of the B. C. Gazette that the time for completing the assessment rolls for the year 1915 has been further extended for a month, this time until February 25.

**Choir Member for the Front.**—The seventh member of the choir of St. John's church to volunteer for service at the front, Mr. Mildenhall, was last evening, presented with a fountain pen from his fellow-singers, the Keith Campbell, Macgowan, New Westminster, the choir leader, Mr. Mildenhall is going with the section of the Army Medical Corps which leaves here on Sunday afternoon.

**Opening of Saanich Campaign.**—The first of the meetings at which the reserve and council candidates will explain themselves to the electors—Saanich will be held to-night at the Temperance hall, Cedar Hill. The meeting, which will be under the auspices of the Ward I. Ratepayers' association, will commence at 8.30. Tomorrow candidates will be at Tillamook Road in Ward VII.

**Provincial Appointments.**—Appointments made by the provincial executive this week are: Keith Campbell, Macgowan, New Westminster, and Robert Wallace Lane, Rossland, as notaries public, and of John Albert Kirk and Samuel McCurdy Young, both of Summerland, as directors of the Summerland hospital until May 1, 1915. The resignation of Samuel Clayton Towle, Langley, as a Justice of the peace, has been accepted.

**Letter Got to Right Address.**—The letter from a wounded soldier—referred to in these columns some days ago as being directed to a box in the Victoria post office through an obvious error, has reached the addressee, Mrs. Wakefield, of Port Alberni. It was from her brother, who is in the third battalion of the Worcestershire regiment, and regarding whom she had become anxious as a result of the lack of news.

**New Companies.**—The following new companies have been incorporated in the province during the past week: Canadian Co-operative Bond Corporation, Limited, Vancouver, capital \$250,000; Colquhoun and Ostrander, Ltd., Vancouver, \$10,000; J. S. Tall & Co., Ltd., Vancouver, \$10,000; Kelowna Mercantile Co., Ltd., \$10,000. The Trustee Co., Ltd., has abandoned the trustee features of its business, and has altered its name to Mercantile Mortgage Co., Ltd. Edward and John Burke, Limited, of Bachelor's Walk, Dublin, have been licensed as an extra-provincial company to carry on business in the province. The head office for the province is to be in the Yorks Building, Vancouver, and the attorney of the company is Clarence MacLean O'Brien.

**Finest Cow in Canada.**—Dr. S. F. Tolmie, Braefoot Farm, is the proud possessor of the finest cow in Canada. Lady Smith Daisy, a pure-bred Holstein. He has received from Ottawa the full figures of her record in the test held by the department of agriculture. At the commencement of the test she was seven years old. In May she gave 2,970 pounds of milk, containing 37.71 pounds of butter fat, the best record made by any cow in western Canada. The average among dairy cattle for the whole of Canada is 1,999 pounds of milk in a year. Lady Smith Daisy's record for the year amounted to 25,596 pounds of milk, yielding 721 pounds of butter fat. Her actual days in milk were 218, and her highest yield per day was 112 pounds of milk (111.5 gallons). The yearly production required to qualify in the Canadian Record of Performance, is 19,500 pounds of milk and 257 pounds of butter fat. Another cow of the Braefoot Farm, Pauline Brook, has just completed her yearly test, giving 14,527 pounds of milk, and 477 pounds of butter fat. Her days in milk were 209. These performances show what can be done on Vancouver Island in the dairying industry.

**Soldiers.**—All "Jitneys" and Willows cars stop at the Skene Lowe Studio, corner Yates and Douglas. Headquarters for Sopias.

**TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY**  
Victoria Times, January 8, 1890.

The voting on the bonus by-laws which took place on Tuesday resulted in the adoption of all four by large majorities.

Dr. R. F. Verrinder returned from San Francisco last evening on the Queen of the Pacific.

The employees of the new firm of R. P. Rithet & Co. met together last evening in the Poodle Dog and spent a pleasant social time.

A branch of the well known legal firm of Thornton Fell & Co., Victoria, has been opened in the Masonic building, New Westminster, by Mr. Aulay Morrison, L. L. B., who will represent them in that city. Mr. Morrison is lately out from Nova Scotia and already entertains a high opinion of Westminister and British Columbia.

A verdict of death from natural causes was returned to-day at the inquest into the death of William Standish, found dead in the police cells the previous day.

**MINE EXAMINING BOARDS**

**Appointments for the Year 1915 for Examination of Coal Miners Are Made by Department of Mines.**

Boards of examiners, under the Coal Mines Regulation act have been appointed for the year 1915 for the several collieries in the province. Those for the Vancouver Island collieries are as follows:

**Chimberland Collieries.**—Appointed by the owners, Charles Parnham; alternates, Frank James, and a large proportion ride on transfers.

**Nanaimo Collieries.**—Appointed by the owners, John Hunt; alternates, Thos. R. Jackson, Geo. B. Bradshaw; appointed by the lieutenant-governor in council, John G. Biggs (secretary); elected by the miners, Alfred Odgers; alternates, John Slinn, Richard Saunders.

**West Wellington Colliery.**—Appointed by the owners, James Dixon; alternates, W. Moore, H. Hemer; appointed by the lieutenant-governor in council, Thomas Hodge (secretary); elected by the miners, Robert N. Hamilton; alternates, James Beattie, James Cairns.

**South Wellington Colliery.**—Appointed by the owners, Joseph Foy; alternates, Arthur K. Wilson, Luther Saville; appointed by the lieutenant-governor in council, Albert Manifold (secretary); elected by the miners, James E. Parrot; alternates, John Allan, Joseph Wm. Dykes.

**Extension Colliery.**—Appointed by the owners, James Strang; alternates, William Jones, Robert Bonar; appointed by the lieutenant-governor in council, Ira E. Lowe (secretary); elected by the miners, John J. James, alternates, John H. Foster, James P. Nimmo.

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Some one once conceived the idea of printing a daily advertisement on each transfer.

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**MUCH GOOD WORK**

**Saanich Friendly Help Association Holds Meeting; Christmas Hampers.**

A busy period of good work was reported at the monthly meeting of the Saanich Friendly Help, held at the association's rooms at Grimm's house, Bolestone road. Mrs. Eberts, the president, was in the chair.

The secretary-treasurer reported that during December the following had sent gifts of money: The Saanich Teachers' institute, per Mr. Campbell; Mrs. G. H. Barnard, Mr. Pemberton, Mr. Dickson, Miss Aston, Mrs. Mackenzie, Mr. R. Lavitz, Mr. McHardie, Mrs. H. Knott, Mrs. P. Knott, teachers and children of Craigflower school, Centennial Church Helping Hand Bible class, Mrs. Tanner, Mrs. Harold Robertson, Mr. Crow Baker, Mrs. J. O. Graham, Miss Robbins, Miss Dill.

Clothing, groceries, etc. were gratefully acknowledged from the following: Florence Nightingale chapter, I. O. E., Independent Sewing meeting, P. Burns, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Head, Mrs. Copthorne, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Hiberson, Mr. Harrison, Mrs. Duke, Miss Tolmie, Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Sherwood, Mrs. McKenzie, Mrs. Stevens.

The members of the committee and their friends were kept busy occupied during Christmas week arranging for and sending out Christmas hampers. Over eighty were distributed. The committee wishes to thank most gratefully all those who by their contributions enabled these gifts to be made without drawing upon the funds of the society. The following kindly contributed complete hampers or money, clothing, groceries, etc. for hampers: Mrs. Eberts, Mrs. Sherwood, Mrs. A. W. Jones, Mrs. McLaughlin, Mrs. Riley, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs. Roacher, Mrs. Tolmie, Mrs. French, P. Dyke, H. Thom, Royal Oak Women's Institute, Miss Ledingham, Miss Ozard, Mr. Ormond, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. G. Rogers, Mrs. Friend, Miss Aston, Mrs. McKilfrish, Mr. Heal, Mr. Lincker, Miss Yuill, Mrs. Birkby, Mrs. Sims, Mrs. Ranes, Mrs. Hume, Mrs. Griffiths, Mrs. Morrey, Gordon Head Women's Institute, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Thurston, Mrs. Kincaid, Mrs. John May, Mrs. Glendinning, Mrs. Macrae, R. Macrae, Miss Orwin, Mrs. Matthews, Mr. Scott, Mrs. Hawkey, Mrs. G. Davidson, Mrs. J. Irvine, Miss Irvine, Mrs. C. Dawson, Mrs. J. Todd, Agnes Deans Cameron Chapter I. O. D. E., Sisters of St. Ann, Miss Jessie Brown, Mrs. Ballantyne, Mrs. Hinkie, A. Friend, Mrs. Greenshaw, Miss Egerston, Mrs. Barker, Mrs. Greenwood, Mrs. Sea, Mrs. Johns, Mr. Chandler, Mrs. Sutcliffe, Miss Brown, Mrs. C. Fisher, Mrs. Dawson, Mrs. Greenwood, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Rowlands, Mr. Byley, Mr. Raper, Mr. Brewster, Mrs. Gilie, Mrs. Head, Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Doull, Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Adams, the Saanich Manual training instructor, Mr. Campbell, 100 toys made in the manual training school; Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. P. Fisher, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Elford, Mrs. Chesham, Captain Walker, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Primrose, Mrs. Everett, Mrs. Fryatt, Mrs. Jackman, Mrs. Street, Mrs. Priestley, Mrs. Lister, Mrs. Durrant.

**WILL MEET MONDAY**

**Two Sub-Committees Are to Settle Down to Work for Central Employment Committee.**

The establishment of the central relief registry at the market building will be undertaken at once. It is impossible to do anything till after the poultry show is over to-morrow, but on Monday at 11 a.m. there will be a meeting of the sub-committee appointed by the management committee of the Central Employment and Relief association, composed of Mrs. R. S. Day, Alderman Porter and Capt. Clough, and the honorary manager, Dr. J. J. Miller, to arrange the details for the immediate opening of the bureau adjacent to the offices of the Friendly Help association.

Previous to this meeting, at 10 o'clock, there will be a gathering of the sub-committee appointed to discuss what relief work is advisable in order to make a recommendation on the other part of the Central body's work, namely, employment. On this latter body are Rev. William Stevenson, chairman; Alderman Dilworth, Capt. Clough, E. C. B. Bagshaw, J. L. Martin and Ensign Merritt.

**RAIDED OPIUM JOINT**

**Five Chinese Taken and Much Paraphernalia Confiscated; Attempted to Escape.**

A raid was made last night on an opium joint at 558 Fisgard street by detectives Turner and Siciliano. A large amount of the drug was taken in addition to several "layouts"—pipes, lamps and cookers.

The men caught in the raid were Mar Yep, Chew, Kong, and the work done each loaded suitly in the police car this morning. They were fined \$21 apiece or one month in jail. All the paraphernalia was confiscated and subsequently burned.

The detectives stated that the men were in the dark when they arrived and they had to use flash lamps to locate them. Two of them were in the joint itself, merged in the blissful coma which is said to succeed the smoking of the drug; while the other three started upstairs at full speed and attempted to escape by a trap door. They were all gathered in, however, and spent the night in the lock-up.

For a Really good Steak or Chop, the Cafe at the Blanshard Inn, next Public Library.

**Held Whist Drive.**—The Ivy Leaf Social club held the first of its series of whist drives for 1915 last evening in the Knights of Pythias hall. All enjoyed themselves and expressed their thanks for the beautiful prizes they received. The following ladies and gentlemen were successful: Mrs. Romans, first; Miss Burman, second, and Mrs. Veitch, third; W. E. Ferriday, first; Fletcher, second, and T. Dunlop, third. Another whist drive will be held next Thursday. All will be welcomed.

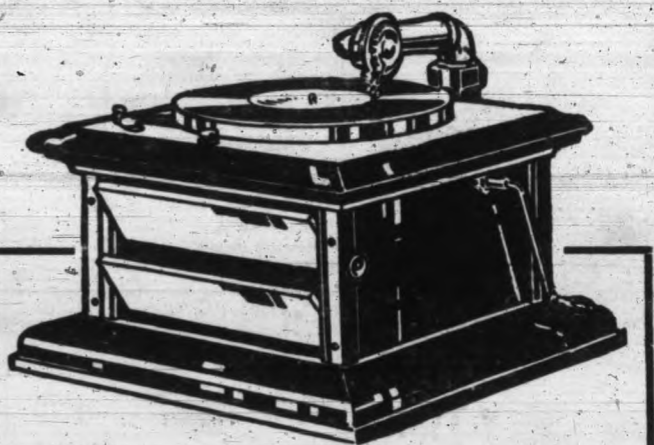
To be a great man one must know how to derive some benefit from every incident in one's life.—La Rochefoucauld.

**WESTHOLME SUIT**

**Afternoon Session Taken Up in Reading of Evidence of Consulting Engineer Given on Discovery.**

The afternoon yesterday was taken up in the Westholme and city suit, with the reading by W. J. Taylor, K. C., of evidence taken on examination for discovery, and it was intimated by counsel that he had quite a deal more to put in from the same source.

The testimony of Wynn Meredith, consulting engineer for the city in the waterworks scheme, was read in lengthy extracts for some two hours, and this traveled over the matter of



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the surveys made of the route of the pipe line and other preliminaries of the granting of the contract, the abandonment of which by the company is the subject of the present suit.

Mr. Meredith, on examination, stated that he had not gone over the whole route prior to the letting of the contract but only examined the controlling points, such as the reservoir, and that he had not checked the surveys personally. That the amount of excavation which was necessary was in some places two or three times more than had been anticipated under the plans on which the company had tendered he admitted, and put this down to the arising of conditions which had not been foreseen.

Mr. Taylor's cross-examination, on discovery appeared to be directed to bringing out that the engineers were not in possession of such detailed data as to enable the contractors to estimate the cost of the work with an approach to certainty.

**JUDICIAL POLICY.**

**Court of Appeal Dismisses Appeal in Case Where Litigant Went to Second Judge After Refusal of Order.**

A judgment on grounds of judicial policy was given by the court of appeal yesterday in the case of Irving v. Bucke, dismissing the appeal of the defendant from an order made by Chief Justice Hunter refusing an application to reopen a judgment entered in default of appearance by the defendant.

The writ in this action was issued in July last, and later judgment was entered in default, pending an application to set aside the writ on the ground that the address of plaintiff was not given. This was afterwards consolidated with an application to set aside the judgment. After there had been two adjournments on this application it was dismissed in the absence of the defendant.

Bucke then made another application to Mr. Justice Clement to reopen the judgment and was refused. Later he again applied to Chief Justice Hunter for the same thing, and again it was refused, and from that refusal the appeal was taken.

Their lordships held that after the application to reopen was dismissed by Mr. Justice Clement the defendant had no right to make the same application over again before the chief justice. His proper course was to appeal from Mr. Justice Clement's dismissal of his application.

**British Columbia Gazette.**—The issue of the British Columbia Gazette which was made last night is the first number of the fifty-fifth volume of the official publication. In all that time there have been but two king's printers, the late Lieut.-Col. Richard Wolfenden and William H. Cullip, the present holder of the position.

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R. F. Waddington, of Chilliwack, is at the Dominion hotel.

J. E. Stinson, of Vancouver, is staying at the Empress hotel.

A. H. Daly, of Vancouver, is registered at the Empress hotel.

A. C. Stritt, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

T. S. Pickering, of Pentikton, is a guest of the Dominion hotel.

F. J. Hayward, of Vancouver, is staying at the Empress hotel.

W. Thomas is among the Nanaimo guests at the King Edward hotel.

N. A. McKinnon, of Vancouver, is registered at the Dominion hotel.

E. Eastwood, of Sidney, is in the city, a guest at the King Edward hotel.

H. J. Buckle is among the guests at the Empress hotel from Vancouver.

H. S. Tobin is among the guests at the Empress hotel from Vancouver.

E. A. Chamberlain is among the guests at the Empress hotel from Seattle.

F. Caldwell is staying at the King Edward hotel while in the city from Sooke.

W. Heaton is staying at the King Edward hotel while here from Saanichton.

J. J. Roberts is among the guests registered at the Empress hotel from Vancouver.

Thomas Scott is here from Vancouver, and is staying at the King Edward hotel.

W. R. Gibson is a Ladysmith visitor in the capital. He is at the King Edward hotel.

J. S. Cairns, of Ladysmith, is in the city, and is registered at the King Edward hotel.

Dr. S. White, of Nanaimo, has arrived in town again and is at the Dominion hotel.

Mrs. E. J. Palmer, wife of the well-known Chemainus lumberman, is at the Empress hotel.

Gordon Drysdale, of the stores in Vancouver and this city, arrived at the Empress yesterday.

A. E. Mainwaring has come down from Nanaimo, and is a guest at the King Edward hotel.

J. E. Hart arrived in the city yesterday from Vancouver and is stopping at the Empress hotel.

A. J. Nickson, of Vancouver, is among the mainland guests at the King Edward hotel.

A. N. Lewis is among the Chemainus visitors in the capital. He is at the King Edward hotel.

H. N. Davis arrived in the city from

## AT THE THEATRES

### COMPLETE NEW CHANGE.

There was shown at the Royal Victoria this afternoon a complete change of programme. The subjects embraced comedy, comedy-drama and events of the world. The new service of films that has been secured by the management and which started last Tuesday for the first time at the theatre, has been more than a success. The remarks of the audience who have witnessed the pictures have been most complimentary. There will be a performance this evening, commencing at 7 and running continuously until 11 p. m. and a continuous performance to-morrow commencing at 2.30 and 7 o'clock.



MAX FIGMAN

Who headed the cast which played "The Man on the Box," now being shown at the Dominion theatre.

### VARIED BILL.

An all-feature programme is provided at the Majestic theatre for this week-end. It consists of a fine variety of films of the best makes obtainable. "If I Were Young Again" is a two-part fantastic written by Gilson Willets. It is a weird story concerning a curator of anthropology in a great museum. His experiences are very interesting and entertaining and

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- Special at 65¢—Cambric Petticoats, with tucked flounce and linen lace-trimming.
- Also perfectly plain style with tucked flounce at 65¢.
- Special at \$1.15—Cotton Petticoat, made with flounce of embroidery and finished with bow at side.
- Also Nainsook Petticoats with embroidery insertion and Valenciennes lace ruffles at \$1.35.
- Heavy Saten Petticoat with scalloped edge, at \$1.35.
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- Special at \$1.35—Slip-over Night-gown, with yoke of blind embroidery, in neat design, trimmed with imitation cluny.
- Special at 45¢—Drawers in cambric, with a ruffle of fine tucks and embroidery.
- Special at 65¢—Cambric Drawers with embroidery ruffle.
- Special at 95¢—Nainsook Drawers, with fine muslin ruffle of embroidery. Also in-bloomer style at 85¢.
- Princess Slips—Of fine Lonsdale embroidery, at 85¢. Or lace trimmed at \$1.15.
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- Special at 20¢—In cotton trimmed with tuchon lace, open or closed style.
- Special at 25¢—Fine Cotton Drawers, trimmed with linen lace or with plain hemstitched tucks.
- Special at 35¢—Drawers with tucked muslin ruffle finished with linen lace; also a style with ruffle of embroidery.
- Special at 45¢—Cambric Drawers with muslin ruffle and lace trimming.
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presently withdrew it with three sovereigns in his palm. He showed them all round, to the wonder of everybody. The landlord, getting rather warm in his excitement, caught up the mug, whereupon the stranger picked up the money from the table and walked out amid a shout of laughter!

An innkeeper was boasting to a group of his customers that no one had ever been able to get the better of him, when a stranger entered and, hearing the remark, said to a neighbor, "I'll bet you a sovereign I will do him."

"You won't!" said the landlord. "I will!" said the man. "If you'll put a sovereign under that mug and place it at that table, I will take the money without touching the mug." "You won't trick me," said the landlord, "and, to let you see I am not afraid, I will put two—in fact, I will place three sovereigns under it. There you are," he added—"all is ready!" And he stood by with a smile on his face, while the others looked on, eager to see how the scene would end. Leaning under the table, the man, extended his hand, and

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#### Victoria and Island Development Assn. Hears Request of Civic Retrenchment Assn.

"I have always held," said J. L. Beckwith yesterday, "that the fairest way to carry on public work is the present one of a charge on the general revenue of the city, rather than appeals to individual citizens." He was speaking to a deputation from the Civic Retrenchment association which waited on the executive of the Victoria and Island Development association to urge retrenchment in the vote for 1915.

An explanatory statement of the work of the association was made in a written report read by Alderman Okell, chairman of the executive.

As to the publicity work done, some interesting data was given in the report of the amount of literature issued during the last few months. "Since this executive took charge, the following literature has been printed, 50,000 leaflets, entitled, "Victoria, the Pacific Gateway of Canada"; 500 leaflets, "Victoria, the Pivotal Trade Point"; 1,000 leaflets, "The City of Sunshine"; 1,500 booklets, "Government and Railway Expenditure in and Near Victoria"; 25,000 slips on encouragement of home industries; 2,000 posters advertising the opening of the public market; 2,000 posters offering prizes for the cultivation of vacant lots; 2,000 posters advertising special excursions to Victoria; 15,000 booklets, of twenty-four pages on "Victoria, the Most Attractive City on the Coast"; 1,000 leaflets, "Victoria, the Most Attractive City on the Coast"; 15,000 leaflets, "A New Year's Wish," encouragement of home industries; 10,000 letterheads. The total number of pamphlets, etc., issued reached the figure of 127,000.

"It is impossible, in a memorandum of this kind, to give any idea of the manner in which this literature was distributed, because several thousands have gone out to individual addresses by mail, but larger parcels have been distributed.

"Since this office has opened, it is estimated that 1,200 people have called upon the commissioner in connection with the various projects instituted by the association, and 4,222 letters have been sent out from the office.

First the Retrenchment association through its deputation, consisting of a number of citizens, presented its case for reduction of the civic vote. F. J. O'Reilly, the president, said: "Economy is absolutely necessary. It has to take place in other departments of the city."

F. Landsberg thought too large a proportion of the total was being

spent in the office and other expenses. To save the city there must be curtailment this year in all departments. "If you do not curtail," he said, "something very serious is going to happen." He thought a cut of 50 per cent. in the vote would be satisfactory.

E. H. Anderson joined in advocating a 50 per cent. cut, and then W. M. Wilson plunged into an attack on the city fathers and the members of the executive which brought Ald. Okell to his feet with the words: "These men are business men who give a great deal of their time to the service of the association, and I cannot permit that they should be criticized in this manner.

"I am not going to stay here and shall leave if the remarks continue. I was invited by the aldermen to assist, and have given considerable time," said C. H. Lugin.

"I decidedly object to the tone of Mr. Wilson's remarks," said Beaumont Degees, who then explained what was being done. He thought, though he had not consulted his colleagues, that some economy might follow, possibly in the way of a reduction to \$7,000.

"I have always felt that the two necessities are having our hotels and residences filled. The publicity work is not one of those on which we can retrench this year," said Ald. Todd.

F. A. Pauline spoke of the advantage of securing even a small percentage of the 600,000 people who will attend conventions this year at San Francisco. The benefits would be felt even if they stayed for a brief period here. He did not think the association could possibly exist with less than a vote of \$10,000.

Simon Leiser and Frank Higgins strongly defended the present vote.

"You cannot run this association for a cent less than \$10,000," said Mr. Higgins. "Mr. Cuthbert is the most poorly paid commissioner in the Dominion of Canada to-day. You are trying to retrench upon something that cannot be retrenched upon."

Ald. McNeill favored a reference to the suburban municipalities. "Our work," he said, "is being done by this association to help others, and we should make an appeal to the neighboring municipalities to contribute before their estimates are made up."

The Civic Retrenchment association, who disowned Mr. Wilson's attack, then withdrew.

Other members of the Development association executive attending and not previously mentioned, were H. G. Wilson, R. W. Douglas, W. A. Jamieson, and Stephen Jones. Among the delegation from the Retrenchment association were Thomas Shotbolt, W. H. Fone, R. W. Perry and J. Keith Wilson.

Shop assistants: "Pardon me, sir, but our rules forbid us to receive bent or battered coins from customers." Customer: "But I received that very coin here as change." Shop assistant: "Very likely, sir. We have no rule against giving bent coins to customers."

Phoenix Stout, dozen pints, 75c.

### ALDERMEN ANSWER QUERIES OF CITIZENS

#### Many Puzzling Problems Presented at Labor Meeting to Aspirants for Office

"I consider the Salvation Army has done right. The Army is not paying a high wage, but it is enough to keep body and soul together, and you must admit at this time that half a loaf is better than no bread. It has done a good act for this city in keeping men from starvation," observed Ald. Dilworth at a well-attended meeting held under the auspices of the unemployment committee last evening at George Jay school. The support given by the city council to the wood-cutting scheme of the Salvation Army seemed an annoying point with the audience and many questions were asked on the matter.

Least the discussion should wander uncharted over the stormy sea of municipal politics, the unemployment committee had anchored the aldermen candidates by a chain of questions carefully framed to catch the unwary candidate.

1. Are you in favor of the \$3 minimum wage for city workmen?

2. Are you in favor of continuing the present rate of wages and present off-time for firemen?

3. Are you in favor of curtailment in superintendency of public works and a substantial reduction for higher-paid officials over \$100 per month?

4. Are you in favor of a rigid itemizing of all city auto expenses?

5. Are you in favor of all officials being residents of the city?

6. Are you in favor of a rigid investigation into the methods of collecting inspection fees for plumbing, and the expenses incurred, with the view of lessening the same?

7. Are you in favor of recommending to the police commissioners a general reduction in the number of detectives?

8. Are you prepared to stand by section 526 of the Municipal act, which provides that suitable provision be made for the poor and destitute?

9. If so what are your individual plans, if any?

10. Are you in favor of continuing the \$10,000 grant, on present terms, to the Victoria and Island Development association?

11. Are you in favor of a compulsory weekly half-holiday for store employees?

12. Are you in favor of the salaries for mayor and aldermen being reduced? Ald. Dilworth answered question one by saying the city had not the money to pay \$3 a day now. As a matter of fact living was now cheaper. He had

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## Many Bargains for the Week-End

### Great Sale of Ladies' High-Grade Shoes To-day and To-morrow

#### TABLE NO. 1

Dorothy Dodd Hand Craft Shoes. The very highest grade of women's shoes made. All sizes a n d widths in patent, brown, grey, suede. The regular prices from \$6.50 to \$7.50 per pair. January Sale price, pair ..... \$5.35

#### TABLE NO. 2

Dorothy Dodd Gun-Metal and Patent Button Boots, made on a very neat last, suitable for street wear. Every pair guaranteed to give the best of satisfaction. Reg. price \$5.00 and \$5.50. January Sale price, pair ..... \$4.15

#### TABLE NO. 3

We have about 100 pairs of Pumps, black suede, patent, satin, grey suede and dull kid beaded toes; very neat afternoon or evening slippers. The regular price \$4.00 and \$5.00. Our January Price ..... \$2.85

#### TABLE NO. 4

Extra good bargains in Street Boots. This lot is made in patent, with dull tops, patent with cloth tops, dull kid with heavy soles and calf leather with plain toes. Very neat and dressy shoes. Regular price \$5.00. January Sale price ..... \$3.85

We have marked our entire stock of Colored Satin Slippers so low that every woman will want a pair. Colors are gold, blue, pink and some lines of black. This is all new, fresh stock. Regular prices \$4.00. Our January Sale Price, per pair ..... \$2.65

Children's Over Gaiters—Black, red and navy blue. Regular price \$1.00. January Sale Price ..... 25c

Ladies' Fine Matchless Shoe Polish. Regular 25c. January Sale Price, 2 for ..... 25c

Some special lines of Children's Shoes reduced for January.

### A Sale of Smart Coats that is Attracting Widespread Attention

One wonders how we can possibly sell these smart coats at such low prices—the answer is that it is useless to carry them over until next season, therefore we have marked them at prices that will warrant them all being sold during this sale. No matter what style you require, you are almost sure to find it here, and at a price that will please you.

LOT 1—January Sale Price ..... \$4.75

LOT 2—January Sale Price ..... \$6.75

LOT 3—January Sale Price ..... \$9.75

LOT 4—January Sale Price ..... \$13.75

LOT 5—January Sale Price ..... \$15.75

LOT 6—January Sale Price ..... \$19.75



### Great Saturday Sale of Ladies' Gloves

Regular Values to \$1.75. Saturday Special Price ..... 95c

You will surely want a pair of two of these Gloves at such low prices. Included are tan Cape Gloves, one and two button length, black, tan and grey suede, white and natural chamois, chamois Gauntlets and fine Kid Gloves. These are the famous Dent's make and are excellent values at their regular prices.

### The Last Few of Our Cloth Dresses

Most of these Dresses are made of serge with various trimmings of silk and lace. The tunic effect is strongly represented, as are other favorite novelties of the present fashions. A good assortment of colors are here, including navy, black, sea green, sage and brown.

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LOT 2—January Sale Price ..... \$7.90

LOT 3—January Sale Price ..... \$10.90

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LOT 2—January Sale Price ..... \$8.75

LOT 3—January Sale Price ..... \$14.75

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Mr. O. D. Barnes, R.F.D. 1, Byron, Mich., writes:—"About fifty years ago, when living in Ann Arbor, Dr. A. W. Chase, the famous Receipt Book author, was called on to treat me for

pleurisy. Ever since that I have used and recommended Dr. Chase's Medicines, and have two of his Receipt Books in the house.

"Some time ago a cold settled in the kidneys, causing backache, frequent urination, dizziness, and affected the eyesight. My appetite failed and I could not sleep nights. Two doctors failed to do me any lasting good, so I started using Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills and Nerve Food. The results have been highly satisfactory to me. Appetite improved, I gained in weight, sleep and rest well, and feel strong and well. My kidneys resumed their natural functions, and I believe that my cure was due to Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills and Nerve Food. I am 75 years old, superintend work on my farm, and can turn in and do some work myself."

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## HEART OF HOLLAND BLEEDS FOR BELGIUM

Visitor From Haarlem Tells of His Nation's Sympathy With Stricken People

"No country, however sympathetic its attitude can be, feels for little Belgium as does Holland."

The speaker was L. A. Van Tuss, a traveler from Haarlem, Holland, who arrived in the city this morning, intending to leave on the afternoon boat for Seattle and the south. He left Amsterdam in November, and while crossing the North Sea saw many ships patrolling the waters both close to the Dutch coast and nearer to the English shores.

In speaking of the feeling which his own country had for the stricken little state which has now left to itself only a small corner in the northwest, Mr. Van Tuss remarked that because of the wanton destruction of Belgian cities, and because of the sufferings of the people who are so near to themselves in kin and sympathy, the feel-

ing of the Hollanders was almost unanimously on the side of the allies: "We want no German Kultur of the kind they have shown in Louvain," commented the traveler. "For my own part I do not see how any people who have imbibed anything of the real meaning of civilization can feel at ease with a nation which has betrayed such barbarism as the Germans have done throughout this present war. You on this side can perhaps hardly realize what they have done to Belgium, not only in the cities like Dinant, Antwerp and Louvain, but to the whole countryside; once the most beautiful stretch of cultivated territory in the world."

Mr. Van Tuss corroborated the statements of other of his countrymen who have visited this city, that Holland has suffered almost as severely in this war as the nations actually concerned in it. It is a tremendous hardship, he points out, to have thousands of homeless refugees billeted on the people, and to have to take charge of several thousands of interned belligerents. Not only that, but the army is mobilized and keeping a keen watch on all the frontiers, taking away the men from every industry, until the country has virtually become a non-producer and is merely living on the garnered savings of past years.

"What is the war going to mean to Europe?"

The Hollanders both put and answered the question himself.

"It is going to mean, I truly believe, a great regeneration for the whole con-

tinued. Out of evil comes always good, and Europe will quickly recover from the many blows which this war has struck at her industrial and domestic life. The good will, I believe, be permanent. The age of militarism, which so long has cast its shadow over all our countries will die a violent death. Small nations will find their true place again in the welter of the peoples and life in the future will be sweeter, better and simpler for the great struggle that is being waged."

"Of course you can see from what I say that I believe firmly in the ultimate victory of the allies. For all the highly-colored reports that the Germans have spread abroad, that belief is a very prevalent one in neutral countries that I have visited."

"For Belgium the future will mean a long period of reconstruction, of reclamation and the saving of herself. But no longer can the little nation be a mere pawn on the European chess-board, no more will she be lost amid the great powers who flank her on either side. For she has gained and will keep a place in history and in the mind and heart of the world that no other nation can occupy. Though lost as far as appearances go, and a vassal nation in one sense, yet nationally she has found herself at last, and will henceforth play her part in the European harmony as loudly as any other."

Mr. Van Tuss has visited some of the interned camps where the British soldiers and marines are looked after. "They are exceedingly popular," he said, "and contrive to make themselves

very much at home with our people. The principal features about them we have noticed is their perennial cheerfulness and their spruceness. I was much surprised to see them laugh so often and look so merry, for I had imbibed the common European impression that the Britisher abroad is a dull dog. As to their smartness, it would be unavoidable to recognize that. No matter how ragged their uniforms may have got through hard fighting, they always manage to preserve an appearance of cleanliness and neatness that appeals very strongly to the Dutch mind. Their excellent behavior, especially towards our women folk, has also made them much liked, and of all the belligerents we have interned, the Britishers are received with the most favor."

The following two stories are from Mr. Horace Wyndham's new book, "Following the Drum": "Mr. Wyndham has not a high opinion of the average subaltern intelligence, and he quotes the case of one youth who got his hair-sectioned into hopeless confusion in Dublin, and 'kept shouting—'Right turn, left turn, front wheel, form fours'; suddenly an inspiration struck him: 'Damn it all,' he bellowed, 'go down Sackville street, can't you?' He quotes the reply of an Egyptian clerk to a demand for 1,000 rations for Middlesex: 'Honored sir, estimable telegram to hand, but not understood. Male sex I know well, ditto female sex. Middle sex, however, not familiar. Please send specimen.'"

### "CHRISTMAS CAROL"

Dickens' Immortal Story Staged Last Evening in Behalf of S. P. C. A. Funds.

H. N. Moore deserves congratulations and thanks from more than the S. P. C. A. in behalf of which society Dickens' "Christmas Carol" was repeated last evening at Fairfield Methodist church. The immortal Christmas story should be revived at least once a year in every city throughout the empire in play or reading, and presented as it was last night under the personal direction of one who was himself the greatest of Dickens' impersonators, the characters live again by the very realism of their portrayal.

Despite the stormy elements the auditorium of the church was well filled with an interested audience, who retraced in the five acts of the play—the familiar story of Scrooge, the old, and the regenerated Scrooge making amends for life's opportunities missed. The story had been adapted by Mr. Moore, who also had all the responsibilities of the production, and with limited stage and sartorial conveniences wonders had been achieved. In the leading role of Scrooge, than whom as Marley's Ghost said, "No finding know less open to entreaty," Mr. Moore was beyond criticism. Make-up and characterization were

perfect, and in all respects the performance was a most finished one, and was played with a fine sincerity. Others particularly good in their respective roles were Gerald Green, as Fred, Scrooge's nephew; William Harker as the harassed and under-paid clerk, Bob Cratchit; Dorothy Kershaw, as Scrooge's niece, and Master Ned Steinmetz as Tiny Tim.

A very hearty vote of thanks on behalf of the S. P. C. A. was moved at the close of the entertainment by Mr. Lethaby, seconded by Mr. Jacobs, who also expressed thanks to the Gideon Hicks Piano company for the piano; to the Speer Walton Furniture company for chairs; and to the Victoria Gas company. The singing of the National Anthem concluded the entertainment.

Texas is a land of many surprises. Some of the events that happen there would stagger humanity. For instance, a few weeks ago a stranger was travelling through the State, and was somewhat puzzled to see what he took to be a tall chimney rising upon the monotonous surface of the prairie, without the "trimmings" that usually accompany such smoke-removers. "And may I ask what that chimney's for?" he queried, turning to a native. "Surely no one is going to build a factory in this desolate hole?" The man of Texas looked grim. "Well, stranger," came his reply, "yew see, we git some cute weather here. That's odd Joe Miller's well. A cyclone turned her upside down and inside out as well!" The stranger resumed his weary, watchful way.



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# FISHER AND VON TIRPITZ



A Comparison of the Two Rival Sea-Lords By A. G. G. in *The London News and Leader*.

Two events have recently taken place which, when the history of the war comes to be written, will stand out as decisive landmarks in the struggle. With the death of General Beyers the rebellion in South Africa has come to a swift and utter collapse. It marks the end of one of the main hopes upon which the calculations of the Germans were based. It was believed that with the outbreak of universal war the fabric of the British empire would fall into dissolution. The failure of those hopes is the most significant event of the war so far, for it brings into relief the conflict of ideals behind the struggle and foreshadows more than any thing else has done the future of the history of the world. The doctrine of German imperialism, the doctrine of a conquering people imposing its iron rule upon subject countries, has received its deathblow. The liberal doctrine of an empire based on a confederation of free, self-governing people has won its most conspicuous triumph. The shock has not broken the British empire; it has revealed its strength. We know to-day, as we never knew before, that the empire is a reality, springing out of the sanctions of free communities, and bound together, not by cunning material bonds but by spiritual sympathies and a common heritage of liberty.

What more splendid tribute to the eternal truth of the Liberal idea could we have than this: that General Botha has saved South Africa to the British empire? Had the Prussian ideal of Lord Milner been followed, had the liberties of South Africa been forfeited, we know that to-day that great country would have fallen away from us almost without a struggle. Let us keep this in mind. It will illuminate much in this war, which, truly seen, is a struggle for the soul of the world.

### The Invisible Victories

But leaving that subject for fuller treatment, let us turn to the second event which is more instant and hardly less impressive. The striking victory off the Falkland Islands has established

the high seas where the German fleet has dared to sail free and defiant. This is the great, outstanding fact of the struggle. The German war machine on land has come to grief, but it is still formidable. The German war machine at sea is locked up in an ignominious fear. It may be that the war came too suddenly for von Tirpitz to carry out his strategy. There is reason to believe that the war lords forced the pace without regard to the interests of the navy, and that von Tirpitz was sacrificed to the need of rushing events on land. It is an interesting matter for speculation as to what would have happened if the German admiralissimo, instead of keeping his great fleet intact, had distributed a considerable portion of it over the oceans of the world before the outbreak of war for the purpose of commerce destruction. It would have meant of course heavy losses to the German navy; but it would hardly have failed to produce important moral results. It would have been a serious challenge in the eyes of the world to our mastery of the seas, it would have gravely interfered for a time with our overseas trade and it would certainly have given the Germans a run for their money. The ships would have been rounded up in the end, but the interruption they would have caused to our trade would have been serious, and the anxiety felt about the trivial episodes of the Emden show how severe a blow such an aggressive policy would have struck at our confidence.

The timid policy adopted by von Tirpitz, whether it was his choice or whether it was thrust on him by the rapid movement of events, has been a disastrous failure. His fleet is in being—and in hiding—but the seas are ours. The policy of "attrition" is wrong for the weaker power. Any chess player will understand that it is the player who has the superiority in "pieces" who can best afford to play the game of attrition. What has been the result of that game so far? The British navy has not only had all the fruits of victory, but it is to-day in a relatively stronger position than it was on the day that war was declared—owing to the enormously superior power of building on which, in the controversies of the past, this power has always insisted. We have it, in a word, both on the cake and we have it in the "Two Men."

But the failure of German tactics, after all, is only a tribute to British supremacy. For a dozen years two navies have been measuring themselves against each other at sea and the war has brought their relative genius to the test. In all this vast conflict there is only one real personal contest. It is that between Lord Fisher and von Tirpitz. They have watched each other's moves for years, the one grimly and studiously, after the Prussian manner, the other with sardonic gaiety after a manner for which I have no parallel. Von Tirpitz has failed, not only because he had the heavier, more mechanical mind. His sweep and range of the other's imagination. Von Tirpitz is governed by the thing that is discovered; Fisher is the discoverer, the man of free, adventurous mind, the empire of the sea. He saw that the navy was sterilized by traditions of the past which had no relevance to new facts and, having no respect for authority, he made a revolution. In the revolution von Tirpitz was always panting in his wake. Just when the Kiel canal was finished, Fisher at one stroke rendered it useless for the purposes of the navy. He invented the all-big-gun ship and put the Kiel canal out of action for nearly ten years—until, indeed, it could be deepened to take ships of the dreadnought size. That blow paralyzed von Tirpitz. He could not build ships of the pre-dreadnought type; for they might be obsolete; on the other hand, he could not bring himself to build ships that would not go through the canal. Thus, for a year Germany stopped all its building and when in feverish haste it laid down eight dreadnoughts, it had them down from plans for which it had made a great sum, but which Lord Fisher would doubtless have been glad to give von Tirpitz for nothing, for they were already obsolete.

The Dreadnought Cruiser. It was this break with the past, carried out so swiftly and silently—the original dreadnought was built in a year—that gave the British navy such an overwhelming advantage; not so much in the number of dreadnoughts as in their quality, for while Germany was laying down large numbers of ships of an inferior model we were able to correct the discovered defects for each ship in its successor. As to the wisdom of the change, there is no doubt after the battle off the Falkland Islands. The great principles which Lord Fisher applied in the dreadnought were the uniformity of calibre in the guns, and the union of striking power and high speed. The latter principle has been perhaps the most important of his many contributions to the philosophy of naval warfare. In the old days the cruiser was the vision of the navy, but not its striking power. The battleship had power, but not speed. Lord Fisher saw that to unite the two elements in one ship would do much more than double its value, and I think I am revealing no secret in saying that he himself would have built nothing but dreadnought cruisers. But he had to yield something to the powerful opponents who stood for the old traditions and who wanted against the ravages of his formidable boom. And so we had the dreadnought battleship, the single calibre ship with an inferior speed but heavier, and the dreadnought cruiser, the single calibre ship with the maximum speed. It will be found I think that the battle off the Falkland Islands bears testimony to the wisdom of the battle cruiser, which not only threw the heaviest projectile the farthest distance, but has the speed of the greyhound. It will show also, I think, the far-seeing strategy which came back to the admiralty when Lord Fisher, the youngest man of 73 in England to-day, resumed the control of the great instrument that he forged during the sensational years when he was first sea lord.

There was one man, I am sure, who saw the announcement of his return with a sad heart. It was Admiral von Tirpitz.

In the popular mind, as nothing else has done, the overwhelming supremacy of the British fleet. The failure of German on land has been only relative; her failure at sea has been absolute. There has been a disposition in the public mind to overlook the magnitude of that failure. This is very natural. We are impressed by visible results and ignore the much more important invisible results. The achievements of the Emden had that dramatic quality which arrests the popular mind and assumed an importance which the English fleet without the newspapers, and gave people who do not think an easy subject for their fears about the navy.

And all the time one of the most wonderful things in history was happening with hardly a word of comment in the press or of remark from the public. The whole mercantile marine of Germany was vanishing from the seas. There is to-day on the waters of the earth not a trading ship to be seen carrying the German or Austrian flag. The shipping industry of Germany is dead. Its vessels have either been captured and sold, or interned in foreign ports, or lie useless hulks in the harbours of Hamburg and Bremen. Still more wonderful, hundreds of thousands of British soldiers have been carried across the English Channel without the loss of a single life. The North Sea is almost as hostile as the Serpentine. Over four months have passed and not a German soldier has landed on our shores. The spectacular raid to Yarmouth only served to show the inability of the German fleet to make a real offensive stroke against this country.

These invisible victories of the fleet are the realia of warfare. They are destroying Germany without a shot being fired. "You take my life," said Shylock, "when you do take the means whereby I live." And it is the means whereby she lives that the British navy is taking from Germany. For an example, take rubber. It is an essential in modern warfare and the navy has taken it from her. The price of rubber to-day in London is about 2s. a lb. in Hamburg, I understand, it is 18s. Or oil. The navy has just taken Basra in the Persian Gulf from the Turks. The man in the street has not remarked the fact. Yet Basra is the port for the Persian oilfields. Its capture means that while Germany is without supplies of oil we are assured of an abundant supply from the Persian oilfields of which the British government is the principal owner.

Von Tirpitz' Strategy. Meanwhile the German grand fleet lies idle in its harbours. It is not for us to complain if von Tirpitz yields us the fruits of victory without asking us for the sacrifice of victory. But it is not difficult to conceive the profound disappointment of Germany at its failure to challenge our supremacy at sea. The Germany navy was the peculiar pride of the kaiser. As Frederick the Great had taught Prussia to march, so the kaiser's ambition was to teach it to swim. And at the end of four months of war there is not a square mile of

the high seas where the German fleet has dared to sail free and defiant. This is the great, outstanding fact of the struggle. The German war machine on land has come to grief, but it is still formidable. The German war machine at sea is locked up in an ignominious fear. It may be that the war came too suddenly for von Tirpitz to carry out his strategy. There is reason to believe that the war lords forced the pace without regard to the interests of the navy, and that von Tirpitz was sacrificed to the need of rushing events on land. It is an interesting matter for speculation as to what would have happened if the German admiralissimo, instead of keeping his great fleet intact, had distributed a considerable portion of it over the oceans of the world before the outbreak of war for the purpose of commerce destruction. It would have meant of course heavy losses to the German navy; but it would hardly have failed to produce important moral results. It would have been a serious challenge in the eyes of the world to our mastery of the seas, it would have gravely interfered for a time with our overseas trade and it would certainly have given the Germans a run for their money. The ships would have been rounded up in the end, but the interruption they would have caused to our trade would have been serious, and the anxiety felt about the trivial episodes of the Emden show how severe a blow such an aggressive policy would have struck at our confidence.

The timid policy adopted by von Tirpitz, whether it was his choice or whether it was thrust on him by the rapid movement of events, has been a disastrous failure. His fleet is in being—and in hiding—but the seas are ours. The policy of "attrition" is wrong for the weaker power. Any chess player will understand that it is the player who has the superiority in "pieces" who can best afford to play the game of attrition. What has been the result of that game so far? The British navy has not only had all the fruits of victory, but it is to-day in a relatively stronger position than it was on the day that war was declared—owing to the enormously superior power of building on which, in the controversies of the past, this power has always insisted. We have it, in a word, both on the cake and we have it in the "Two Men."

But the failure of German tactics, after all, is only a tribute to British supremacy. For a dozen years two navies have been measuring themselves against each other at sea and the war has brought their relative genius to the test. In all this vast conflict there is only one real personal contest. It is that between Lord Fisher and von Tirpitz. They have watched each other's moves for years, the one grimly and studiously, after the Prussian manner, the other with sardonic gaiety after a manner for which I have no parallel. Von Tirpitz has failed, not only because he had the heavier, more mechanical mind. His sweep and range of the other's imagination. Von Tirpitz is governed by the thing that is discovered; Fisher is the discoverer, the man of free, adventurous mind, the empire of the sea. He saw that the navy was sterilized by traditions of the past which had no relevance to new facts and, having no respect for authority, he made a revolution. In the revolution von Tirpitz was always panting in his wake. Just when the Kiel canal was finished, Fisher at one stroke rendered it useless for the purposes of the navy. He invented the all-big-gun ship and put the Kiel canal out of action for nearly ten years—until, indeed, it could be deepened to take ships of the dreadnought size. That blow paralyzed von Tirpitz. He could not build ships of the pre-dreadnought type; for they might be obsolete; on the other hand, he could not bring himself to build ships that would not go through the canal. Thus, for a year Germany stopped all its building and when in feverish haste it laid down eight dreadnoughts, it had them down from plans for which it had made a great sum, but which Lord Fisher would doubtless have been glad to give von Tirpitz for nothing, for they were already obsolete.

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### HOW THE WAR MAY END

Position in Germany; Ammunition Shortage; Fighting Now for Terms.

A remarkable article appears in the Daily Telegraph from the pen of an American lately in Berlin. The writer, after reviewing the position of the Germans in the western theatre of the war, goes on to indicate a possible termination of the struggle after June next, owing to the exhaustion of Germany's supplies of ammunition.

The writer says: "First of all, let me deal with the attitude of the German people. But they are only preparing these two positions for unforeseen emergencies. They have not abandoned hope of gaining decisive successes in France and Western Flanders."

Ammunition Exhausted Next June. In my opinion, Germany has very large supplies of men to keep the war going for an indefinite period. I do not believe there will be any collapse in her credit or finances during the duration of the struggle. There is absolutely no shortage of food supplies in the country.

More serious still is the shortage of copper, which is essential for the manufacture of shells and ammunition. I do not mean to imply that there are not still immense reserves of ammunition in the country, but from my inquiries I am convinced that even on a scale vastly below the present they will be unable to carry on the war for this reason alone after next June. I am sure that the most vital consideration of this struggle is Germany's lack of copper and gunpowder, the essentials necessary to make the various explosives now in use.

Enemy Know They Are Beaten. "In their inner hearts the German official classes realize quite well that there can only be one result to the present struggle. They know, as a fact, that they are beaten. They realize that the odds against them are too great. They are fighting now to obtain the best terms possible. They are determined to fight to the bitter end rather than yield, and they are equally determined to hold to Belgium and to preserve their fleet, as they are the only two weapons left with which they can obtain favorable terms. They hope to prolong the war to exhaust the patience and endurance of the allies. They hope to offer such a strenuous resistance on both fronts that rather than continue the war, the allies will meet them half-way."

"I have spoken with many, who frankly admit they expect to lose Alsace and part of Lorraine. On their eastern frontier they expect to lose part of East Prussia, so that Russia can straighten out her frontier. They expect Austria to lose Galicia for a like reason. All they hope is to preserve the unity of Germany and to save what remains of the empire. The official classes, society, in fact all those who know, keep up a smiling face. At heart they are in despair, because they know that, however long they continue their resistance, before a year is out the lack of certain essentials in the destruction of mankind will bring them up against a stone wall, in which there is no exit except by the acknowledgment of their defeat."

"I wish I knew how to save part of my salary. I've tried every way I can think of, but it appears to be useless. I have never anything left at the end of the week." "Have you tried cutting down your expenses?" "Not yet, but I'm getting so desperate that I'm liable to."

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# SPORTING NEWS

## COMMERCIAL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

### WILL CHALLENGE FOR CITY TITLE

Carter & McKenzie Seven Plan Series With Senior Amateur Winners; City League Games To-night

Should the Carter & McKenzie hockey team win the championship of the Commercial Hockey League, they will challenge the winners of the City Amateur League. This was announced by a member of the Carter & McKenzie seven yesterday, after their win over the Shoemen. This victory practically clinched the championship for the Carters, though they still have three games to play. They must meet the Cedar Hill septette twice, while they again clash with the Shoemen. The latter state that they will turn the tables on the Carters in this match. High school and Bankers clash, which promises to be the fastest game of the Senior League schedule, will be fought to-night at the arena. This will be the premier combat. The other game on the evening's programme is the McGill-Shortt, Hill & Duncan meeting.

Looking over the High school and Banker material, the teams appear to be very evenly matched, and a tight contest is anticipated. The Bankers are without the services of their star rover, Frank Kenny, who has retired for the season and his absence will greatly handicap them. High school are the sensations of the season, losing but one game to date, and they look for a win this evening.

Shortt, Hill & Duncan are favorites over McGill, and unless the latter uncover some new material for to-night's game, they should be easy picking for the Jewellers. However, the leaders had better not under estimate the strength of their opponents, or they are liable to be toppled.

Shortt, Hill & Duncan team will take the ice as follows: Goal—McVicker; point, Hill; cover, McDiarmid; rover, Burnette; centre, Wakeley, left wing, Stewart; right wing, Lott.

## BOWLING TROPHY



JIMMIE STEPHENS

well-known baseball player and trap shot, who donated the "Fit-Rite" Bowling trophy. It is now proposed to put up this trophy for a Regimental Bowling League, composed of teams of the different regiments now in the capital.

## CONTRACTS MAILED TO VICTORIA SQUAD

### Calvo Likely to Return to Local Club; Spokane May Trade Win Noyes to Portland

Contracts were mailed to the Victoria baseball squad yesterday, the management sending out papers to the following players: Pitchers, Al Narveson, G. McHenry, Walter Smith, A. Hanson and Babe Driscoll, infielders, Geo. Kelly, Marty Nye, Tom Scanlon, Bert Delmas and Bert Lamb. The club will likely have Calvo back again from the Washington club, while deals are now on for several hard hitting outfielders, one of whom comes highly recommended by T. P. McConnell, the former club owner. Pinky Grindis has agreed to terms, and will sign just as soon as arrangements for his transfer with Bob Brown are completed.

Spokane will likely turn Win Noyes over to the Portland club, of the Coast League in exchange for Catcher Brennan and Pitcher Pat Eastly. There are other players to follow this pair from the Portland team, and it will not be surprising if Guigni and probably Coltrin are included in the deal. President Farr, of the Spokane club, has not yet announced his manager, but Nick Williams looks the probable choice.

The jumping of Emil Huhn to the Indianapolis club, of the Federal League, means that Dugdale will have to secure another first sacker. Dugdale was lucky to sell Gipe and Dell to National League clubs last fall for he would have a hard time holding this pair under the salary paying process. F. C. Furr, president of the Spokane club and one of the best fellows in the world, had the misfortune to run over and kill a 6-year-old boy who was coasting on a hill in Spokane last Sunday.

## SANDY COWAN DIES IN ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL

Lacrosse followers throughout the Dominion will mourn the loss of Sandy Cowan, one of the greatest home fielders that ever handled a stick. The deceased athlete died in St. Joseph's hospital this morning, following an operation for appendicitis. He was a member of Victoria's famous lacrosse twelve of some years ago, and was noted for his aggressive tactics in scoring goals. He played throughout the east for some years, and his death will be deeply regretted by all who knew him.

Born in Chesley in 1879, the son of Thomas Cowan, the deceased was thirty-six years of age. He played lacrosse with Chesley, Wainston, Wainipe, Vancouver, New Westminster and Victoria. He went east in 1901 with the Westminster twelve, champions of the world, and had been a resident of the province for the past sixteen years. He formerly held several skating titles in the east, and was also a hockey player of note in the Ontario Hockey association.

The late Mr. Cowan entered the hospital on Monday last, and did not recover from the effects of the operation, pneumonia setting in. He leaves five brothers in Toronto and one sister to mourn his loss while another brother, John Cowan, of Vancouver, reached the city yesterday. The funeral will be held to-morrow afternoon at 2.30 from Hayward's funeral parlors, interment taking place at Ross Bay.

## EMPIRE LINEUP

Manager Lally will line up the following players to represent the Empires for the postponed league game with Civic Service to-morrow at the North Ward park: Goal, Davies; backs, "Dutch" Davies and Donald; halves, Castle, Elliott and Nash; forwards, Smith, Steele, Cummins, Smith and Cummins. All players are requested to be on the grounds at 2.30 sharp.

## IMPORTANT GAMES

### ON CARD TO-MORROW

West's Picked to Win Over Thistles; Empires Fancied in Game With Civic A. A. A.

Two of the fastest games of the season are anticipated to-morrow, when the Thistles and West's clash in the Senior League fixture and the Empires lock horns with the Civic Service, in their postponed intermediate fixture.

Victoria West are picked to win over the Thistles at the Royal Athletic park. They appear to have an edge on the Scotsmen both in defence and attack. The latter, however, have signed three new men and might surprise the West's. To win the league the West must defeat the Thistles. A victory will give them a one-point advantage over the Jacksoms, a draw will put them on an even standing with the quarry workers and defeat will give the Jacksoms the league title. If the West's play in the same form as they did last Saturday, they will defeat the Thistles. Mr. Allan will handle the game.

Civic Service will give Lally's Empires a hard fight in the postponed second division fixture at the North Ward park. Recently the City Employees greatly strengthened their team, and their supporters look for victory Saturday. To win the intermediate league the Empires must defeat the Service team Saturday and also trounce the West's once more. A draw with the Service and a victory over the West's will put them on an even standing with the C. P. R. team for the Second Division league silverware. Mr. Goward will referee this game.

Thistles—Shrimpton; Newlands and Taylor; Broadner, Adams and Stronach; Howden, Muir, Philmore; Inalis and Wright.

Victoria West's—Robertson, Whyte, Prevost, Bolton, Glines, Pilkington and Baker.

Professional football players from all parts of the old country have at last made a strong rally to the colors and will go on active service when the soccer season is ended. A battalion of players has been formed and permission given by Lord Kitchener to all professional players joining, who are under contract, for time off for their engagements until the end of the season. All expenses for traveling from their centres to their Saturday games will be paid by their clubs. That they might be induced to join at once, their army pay starts from the time they are attested and this pay is in addition to the salaries received from their clubs.

At the meeting of the Vancouver and District League it was decided to submit to the Victoria officials February 6-13 as suggested dates for the playing of the return inter-city soccer match between the two cities.

The following team will represent the Civic Service Athletic association at Central (North Ward) park on Saturday at 2.30 sharp: Northcott, T. Bridges, McGhie, Shearman, Haines, Maxwell, Baker, Bartholomew, Swan, Bridges, A. Martin, Reserve, Erskine.

Germany is said to be willing to hand the Olympic games to the United States for next year.

## ROSS WAS LUCKY

### TO GET DECISION

Davies Outpointed Vancouver Bantam; Scott Cropper Put Up Nice Fight

Victoria's representatives at the Commercial club boxing tourney last night really won two bouts, but were only handed the one decision, Al Davies being deliberately robbed out of the honors, while Scott Cropper beat his man up so that it was impossible to give the home-brew the verdict.

After securing a slight lead in the opening round in his bout with Davies, Ross showed up under the terrific up-purts delivered by the Victorian, and Al easily had the second and third rounds to his credit. Not even did the judges decide upon another found, but gave the Vancouver boy the verdict. To win the bout Al would have to have stretched his opponent for the count. Even Russ Leighton, manager of the Commercial club, admitted that his protegee was outpointed in the three rounds.

Last night Davies fought the battle of his career, and was greatly disappointed, having lost the verdict. Billy Davies intends staging a return bout in the near future between the pair.

Another error by the judges was when they ordered a fourth round in the Cropper-Butler bout. The local boy had a country black lead in three rounds, but likely owing to the poor fight attendance something for their money. Cropper fought an aggressive battle and had the verdict in every round.

Portland, Jan. 8.—"To the clean cut young man who can come forward and regain the heavyweight championship for the white race, there is a million dollars waiting," declares James J. Corbett, who is in this city on his way to Australia. The ex-champion added: "When I am in Australia I am going to endeavor to uncover that man. Australia has produced probably a greater number of first-class fighters than any other country, and during a visit to the antipodes, which will extend from March 15 until late in September, I will make every effort to seek out a man of championship calibre. Those boys over there are strong, rangy fellows, and with the proper tuition I should be able to develop in them a real champion. I am going to give every encouragement to the men who have the desire to become champions, and during the months I am in that country I will give them from time to time the benefit of my instructions. I do hope that a man of the proper make-up to reach the top of the pugilistic ladder is discovered."

Thinks Langford Best.

The best heavyweight in the world to-day, in the ex-champion's opinion, is Sam Langford. Of Jess Willard's chances when he meets Johnson, Mr. Corbett does not think very much.

Speaking of Freddy Welsh, Corbett said:

"From the report he had a pretty close call against Shurgue. Shurgue might have put him away, then good-bye title. Welsh will probably take a tip from his weak showing and take a good, long lay-off."

## FAIRFIELDS' LEADERS

### BASKETBALL SERIES

Baptists Lose in Exciting Struggle; Belmont's Score Win Over James Bay

By winning last night's game from the Baptists, the Fairfield Methodist church basketball five took the lead in the Sunday School league. Last night's victory for the Fairfield was by no means decisive, the score being 25-22. As the score indicates, the play was exceedingly close, only a break in the luck giving the Methodist team the verdict.

At half-time the Baptists led by 3 points, the score standing 13-10, but the Fairfield rallied, and just before time notched the basket which gave them their scant victory. The teams were: Baptists—E. McIntyre and Bob Yates, forwards; P. Carme, centre; and L. Lane and B. Backwith, guards. Fairfield's—A. Aird and W. Marwood, forwards; A. White, centre; and H. Knott and P. McAdam, guards.

Belmont Methodists opened the season with a decisive victory over the James Bay Methodist five, the final score being 18-2. James Bay were outclassed from the start by their larger opponents. R. Parfitt led the victors in scoring, tallying 13 points, while Hugh Stevenson netted the James Bay points. The teams lined up as follows: James Bays—H. Stevenson and G. Baker, forwards; G. Leeming, centre; and F. Schroeder and J. Sugden, guards. Belmont—C. Luntie and J. Fuller, forwards; R. Parfitt, centre; and G. Parfitt and R. P. Knott, guards.

## League Standing

Team	Won	Lost	Pts.
Fairfields	2	0	4
Centennials	1	0	2
Belmont	1	0	2
Baptists	1	1	2
Metropolitans	0	1	0
James Bay	0	1	0
Knox	0	1	0
Congregationals	0	1	0

McMullin's return to Tacoma was unlooked for, as this youth is one of those old-fashioned sluggers.

## CRACK SKATERS MAY CLASH SOON



NORVAL BAPTIE

Whom McLean is trying to sign up for a series of races.

Robert McLean, international skating champion, who announced his intention of quitting amateur ranks a few days ago when his amateur standing was questioned by the International Skating association, is open to meet any ice speed skater for any sum up to \$5,000 over distance ranging from 220 yards to two miles. McLean's plans for the future were outlined in a statement made by him, in which he said: "I have decided there is more money in professional ice skating than amateur. I will race Wood, Bantle or Lanny if a suitable purse is offered and a substantial side bet. I am not admitting that I have received money for my exhibitions at a Chicago cafe, and I will remain an amateur until I race a professional."

# Annual Clean-Up Sale

Our Annual Clearance Sale will open Saturday, Jan. 9, with the largest list of low priced bargains offered the public since we opened in Victoria. When we say "Sale" we mean that every article in the store is reduced to a figure that will appeal to every man's pocket book. See our windows to-night. They are filled with the best of merchandise at less than one-half the regular values.

**\$2 and \$3 Shirts Clean-Up Sale \$1**

20 dozen Men's Shirts, in plain and fancy stripes, tucked and mushroom fronts. Values up to \$3.00. Clean-up Sale

**\$1**

**Hats to \$5 Clean-Up Sale \$2.50**

15 dozen Men's Soft and Stiff Hats, in all the latest shapes. Regular values up to \$5.00. Sale price

**\$2.50**

**Pyjamas and Night-shirts at 95c**

Mixed lot of Pyjamas and Night-shirts, about 5 dozen in all, sizes 36 to 44. Value regular \$1.50 to \$2.00. Clean-up Sale

**95c**

**Genuine Values at \$4.50**

Our entire stock of Velour Hats shown in colors of green, fawn, navy, black and brown. Regularly sold at \$8.50 and \$10.00. Clean-up Sale

**\$4.50**

**50c Hosiery Clean-Up Sale 25c**

Take your choice of cashmere, fancy lisle and cotton hosiery, sizes 9 1/2 to 11. Regular values up to 50c. Clean-up Sale

**25c**

**Sweaters Up to \$7.50 Clean-Up Sale \$3.50**

8 dozen Sweaters in white, also the leading shades; new weaves; all sizes. Regular prices up to \$7.50. Clean-up Sale

**\$3.50**

**Auto Gauntlets at \$1.50**

50 pairs of Auto Gauntlets in tan and black, large and small cuffs. Values in the lot up to \$3.00. Clean-up Sale

**\$1.50**

**\$3.25 Viking Natural Wool Underwear Clean-Up Price \$1.75**

20 dozen Viking Natural Wool Underwear, the kind you pay \$3.25 for from coast to coast. See our window to-night. Regular price \$3.25. Clean-up Price

**\$1.75**

**\$1.50 Knitted Neckwear, Also Range of Fancy Silks, Clean-Up Sale 50c**

Big range of Fancy Silk and Silk-knitted Neckwear, all the new shades and designs. Values up to \$1.50. Clean-up Sale

**50c**

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**EXTRA SPECIAL Suits Up to \$25 Clean-Up Sale \$10**

40 Men's Suits, sizes from 34 to 46. We have a limited number in this lot and would advise you to come early. Regular values from \$20.00 to \$25.00. Clean-up Sale

**\$10**

**\$35 and \$40 Suits Clean-Up Sale \$20**

In this lot we have all sizes, and you can get your choice of the stock. English worsteds, Scotch tweeds, and fancy vicunas. Regular values up to \$40.00. Clean-up Sale

**\$20**

**\$30 Suits Clean-Up Sale \$15**

100 Men's Suits in tweeds and worsteds, all this season's styles. Regularly sold at \$30.00. Clean-up Sale

**\$15**

**Dress Suits at \$25**

Now is the time to purchase a Dress Suit at about one-half, Vicuna and French Panama cloths, silk lined throughout. Values up to \$40.00. Clean-up Sale price is

**\$25**

**\$35 Raincoats Clean-Up Sale \$17.50**

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# SPORTING NEWS

(CONTINUED)

## N.H.A. WILL HAVE TO FOOT BILL

### NEW OFFICIALS FOR TO-NIGHT

Ticket Sale for Portland Game Opened This Morning; Champions Leave for Vancouver

While no official statement has yet been issued by the P. C. H. A. directors as to the strained relations between the National Hockey Association and the Coast League, there is every indication that the P. C. H. A. will ask for a show down by the N. H. A. before the month is out.

leagues is protecting over 50 players by this commission, while we are protecting but 25," is the way Lester Patrick sums up the value of the commission to the P. C. H. A.

Word was received in the capital this morning that R. MacDonald and Eddie Oatman will be the officials for to-night's game at Vancouver. The Victoria club left this afternoon. Lester Patrick taking over his full squad. It is likely that Bernie Morris will start out at centre, while Bobby Rowe and Walter Small will also be used.

The ticket sale for the Portland-Victoria clash at the Willows Arena next Tuesday night opened at the P. H. Rite this morning, a fair percentage of the tickets being disposed of.

Portland will visit Victoria Tuesday night at full strength. Yesterday's dispatch from the Oregon capital in which it was stated that Johnson has fractured a couple of ribs and Harris had smashed his nose, will affect this club. Johnson is of the Danny Shea type, willing to play under any conditions.

Harris' injury will not prove serious enough to keep him out of the game for any length of time. Tickets for this encounter were placed on sale this morning, a steady demand being evinced for the pastebards.

Winnipeg, Jan. 8.—Coming up from behind in the second half and scoring the winning goal in the last minute of play, the Victorias nosed out a brilliant victory over Winnipeg by the score of 8-7 in a Winnipeg senior fixture here last night.

1915 looks a bad year for the vets. Joe Hall, Jack Marks and a couple of the Canadians' standbys will probably pass out this winter.

## WELSH CHOOSE TEAM FOR RUGBY FINAL

While the Bays are strong favorites over the Welsh team for to-morrow's game at Oak Bay, the latter are confident that they have an even chance of winning from the prospective champions of the Victoria Rugby Union.

The Welsh team will line up as follows: Fullback, Knox; three-quarters, S. James; I. A. Thomas, T. J. Thomas and W. James; halves, Bayley and Sid Hendra; five-eighths Dave Gray; forwards, Adams, Griffiths, Bob Stevens, J. Hunter, Lewis, F. Dunne, Sam Lees and S. Griffiths. Referee C. T. Marshall.

## WESTHOLME BILLIARD FIVE LEAD LEAGUE

Westholme billiard artists climbed into the lead, in the race for the City League championship, at the Westholme rooms last night, when they took all five games from the Broad street team.

The full scores were: Cameron (250) beat Irish (240); Smith (250) beat Murray (230); Ashworth (250) beat Penketh (160); Scott (250) beat Lord (160); Maghail (250) beat Atkinson (140).

The next match will be played at the St. James' rooms between the St. James and the Metropolis C. & C. on Monday. The present standing of the teams entered is as follows:

W. L. Pts.	W. L. Pts.
Westholme .....	15 5 750
Richardson's .....	10 5 500
Broad Street .....	7 8 400
St. James .....	7 8 400
C. & C. .....	1 14 66

## A.A.U. MEETING

George Nicholson, president of the Victoria branch of the B.C.A.A.U., will leave for Vancouver to-morrow afternoon to attend the B.C.A.A.U. meeting in that city to-morrow evening.

## SPORTING GOSSIP

Here's hoping the champions open up with a win.

Bob Genie says that he is going to score a couple of goals.

The Victoria Baseball club are after another Eastern outfielder.

Jacinto Calvo may rejoin the local squad when they report here in April.

Wests' protest against the High School may result in a tie for the junior league honors.

Regina is putting up a hard fight to retain the Allan cup.

McKey McKay is now leading the P. C. H. A. goal getters.

Bob Brown is still busy signing up young-ball players.

He says that the veterans cannot get any coin out of the Beavers this year.

Curr McCarl is trying to get back into the Coast League.

Finish fights will be allowed by the Cuban government at Havana.

Miles Main, the lengthy Detroit twirler, has jumped to the Federal League.

Champions have their big chance at Vancouver to-night.

Wests are strong favorites over the Thistles to-morrow.

The Scottish eleven say that the addition of Philmore, Broadner and Wright will give them a winner.

Johnny ought to be careful; he might be taking in too much territory.

Bert Lindsay has been showing nice form with the Coast League champions.

Hines should star in to-morrow's match at the ball park.

James Bays are called to win over the Welsh to-morrow.

The Barnard cup final at Oak Bay is sure to produce some fine rugby.

This time last year Vancouver had seven wins and only two defeats.

Willie Ritchie will likely fight as a welterweight hereafter.

Wanderers and Ottawas are tied for the lead in the N. H. A.

Shires and Chalk gives the Bays a big edge in half-back for to-morrow's game.

Carter & McKenzie possess the class of the Commercial League.

Geo. Strath has been playing very steady hockey for this club.

Bill Rodgers, former Portland second baseman, is sure of a job at Cleveland now Lajoie has been traded.

Empires say they will double the score on the Civic Service eleven to-morrow.

Tommy Dundardale should break into the summary with three or four goals to-night.

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Reg. \$18.20 Suits, Jan. Sale \$14.75  
Reg. \$15.00 Suits, Jan. Sale \$10.75

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## More Underwear Specials

Reg. \$1.25 Tiger Brand. Sale Price ..... 95¢  
\$1.50 Tiger Brand. Sale Price \$1.25  
\$1.25 English "Hego" Brand. Sale Price ..... 95¢  
Heavy Ribbed Wool. Regular \$1.00. Sale Price ..... 65¢  
Medium Weight Fleece Lined. Sale Price ..... 65¢

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## KANTY TO MARRY.

El Centro, Jan. 8.—When Erving Kantiener, whose pitching has made the nearest approach to a sensation in the Valley League this season, goes east next spring to join the Pittsburgh Pirates, it will be his honeymoon trip.

## LEARNING TO KNOW ONE ANOTHER.

In the schoolhouse in Belleville, Wis., a few evenings ago, upon motion of the Catholic priest, the Methodist minister was elected president of the community's social centre for the coming winter.

They differ in religion, in politics, in incomes, in most other things about as widely, as men ever differ. But in the common school building, in the free democracy of the social centre, they agreed to lay aside their differences for the purpose of discovering how much good fellowship there was in meeting together now and then as equals, as brothers.

And out of this agreeable discovery will come, for Belleville, more tolerance, more kindness of feeling, more give and take than it had ever known before. Even when they shall differ again—as, of course, they often will—it won't be with as much bitterness, as much bigotry, as much hate as of yore. It will not be a bad world when we have more brotherhood.—Pittsburg Press.

## READING USHER'S BOOK.

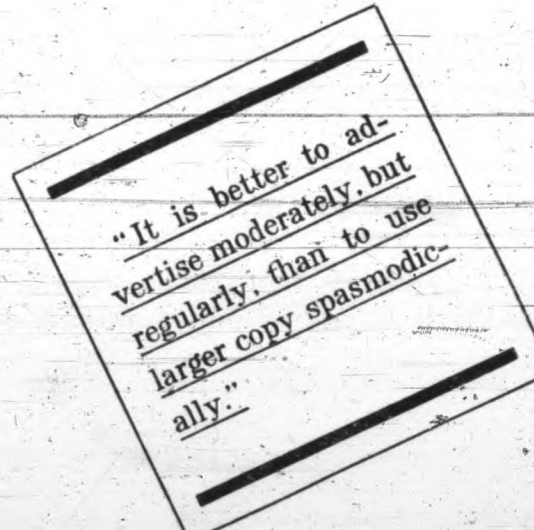
Professor R. G. Usher wrote his book "Pan-Germanism" more than a year ago. In it he told his reader what the Germans proposed to do when they launched the war they had been so long preparing for, how they proposed to do it and why they proposed to do it. He recounted how well prepared they were for a sudden rush on Paris. He told how readily they would sacrifice tens of thousands for an idea—Dominion.

Dr. Usher wasn't a historian or a wide reputation or a statesman or a diplomat. Least of all was he an international figure. He was a university professor who knew what he was writing about, because he had lived among the Germans and, after collecting all this material, had weighed and analyzed it carefully. So when he wrote his book it had only a fair sale in America and Europe at all in England. Why should the English learn about Germany from St. Louis, Mo.?

## THE PIRATE'S WAY.

The allies should surely make a strong protest against the iniquitous proclamation of Field-Marshal von der Goltz, in which he has ordered the members of the Brussels civic guard to hold themselves at the disposal of the German government and to pledge themselves never to take up arms against Germany. This is a gross affront against all international usage. It is the pirate's way on earth except Germany could be capable of such an abominable outrage. What, however, can we expect from a nation which glories wild-eyed over the hope that its Zepelins will soon set fire to London with incendiary bombs? There is always a short way with criminals.—London Express.

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In the Matter of the British Columbia Railway Act

and In the Matter of the Expropriation by the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company of Part of Sections 83, 15A and 14, Victoria District.

TAKE NOTICE that the above named Company has, under the provisions of the British Columbia Railway Act, compulsorily acquired all those pieces or parcels of land lying thirty-three feet (33 ft.) at right angles on either side of the centre line of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company's right-of-way as more fully and in detail set out in Sections eighty-three (83), fifteen A (15A) and fourteen (14), Victoria District, the said order of the Hon. Judge, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the intersection point of said centre line with the western boundary of said Section 83, and extending eastward along said centre line a distance of one hundred and sixty-two and two-tenths feet (162 2/10) more or less to the westerly limit of Cross Road.

Commencing at the intersection point of said centre line with the westerly limit of said Cross Road, thence on a tangent bearing south seventy-three degrees and thirty-eight minutes east (S. 73 deg. 38 min. E.)

Commencing at the intersection point of said centre line with the westerly limit of said Cross Road, thence on a tangent bearing north eighty-eight degrees and thirty-seven minutes east (N. 88 deg. 37 min. E.)

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the compensation payable by the above named Company in respect to the lands aforesaid has been determined by arbitration at the sum of twenty thousand four hundred dollars (\$20,400.00).

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the above named Railway Company has paid into Court the said sum of twenty thousand four hundred dollars (\$20,400.00) to stand in the place of the said lands aforesaid, and any claim to or encumbrance upon the said lands or any part thereof shall be converted into a claim for compensation or to a like proportion thereof.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the award constituting the title of the above named Railway Company, an authentic copy of which has been filed with the Registrar of the Supreme Court of Victoria, has been obtained under the authority of the British Columbia Railway Act.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the Matter of the British Columbia Railway Act

and In the Matter of the Expropriation by the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company of part of Lot 20, Section 73, Victoria District.

TAKE NOTICE that the above named Company has, under the provisions of the British Columbia Railway Act, compulsorily acquired ALL that piece or parcel of land, being part of Lot 20, Section 73, Victoria District, as shown on Land Registry Office Map 89, having a uniform width of sixty-eight and two-tenths feet (68 2/10) and lying along the southern boundary of said lot, and extending the full width of the said lot and containing thirty-eight hundredths feet (38 8/100) more or less, and situated as more fully and in detail as set out in Sections 73, 15A and 14, Victoria District, the said order of the Hon. Judge, more particularly described as follows:

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the compensation payable by the above named Company in respect to the lands aforesaid has been determined by arbitration at the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00).

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the above named Railway Company has paid into Court the said sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) to stand in the place of the said lands aforesaid, and any claim to or encumbrance upon the said lands or any part thereof shall be converted into a claim for compensation or to a like proportion thereof.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the award constituting the title of the above named Railway Company, an authentic copy of which has been filed with the Registrar of the Supreme Court of Victoria, has been obtained under the authority of the British Columbia Railway Act.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that all persons claiming an interest in or title to the said lands or any part thereof, or claiming any encumbrance upon the said lands, must file their claims, with the compensation or any part thereof with the Registrar of the Supreme Court of Victoria within three (3) months from the date hereof.

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BRITISH FLEET PRACTISES ITS BATTLE FORMATIONS

Officer on Duty in North Sea, Whose Cruiser Has Steamed 17,000 Miles Since Patrol Began, Tells of Activity Among Warships

The Maritime Post publishes the following from an officer of board one of the British protected cruisers in the grand fleet:

I suppose you want to know a little of how we are getting on and what we are doing—our coffee, I mean?—tell you in detail, but it is the same thing—waiting and watching. We know we shall get our chance eventually; then we hope to be in the limelight a little. The point that is so aggravating to us is that to the unthinking person we are doing nothing. Herr Ballin, the manager of the Hambro-American line, says that we are lurking in our harbours. That may be so, but how does that statement coincide with this one of mine: 'From the first week in August to the middle of November my ship has steamed no fewer than 17,000 miles, and that in the North Sea?'

And of course we have not been alone. The grand fleet has been with us, and, although they have not covered so many miles, they have been at sea just as long as my ship, but owing to our high speed and the duties we have to perform—scouting, reconnaissance, etc.—we have naturally traveled many miles. Herr Ballin need not worry; if they want us, well, they know where to find us. Oh, yes, we know quite a few. Wilhelmshaven, Cuxhaven and Heligoland. People who don't understand will say: 'Why don't you go there and attack them?' Not much! We have our own plans, and they are certainly not to take our splendid fleet into their mine-infested areas and under their fortresses. Every mile of their coast bristles with heavy guns.

Shore Guns Wasted. Think we are going to attack them in earnest, they give their submarines just the opportunity they are so anxiously looking for. We play our game; not theirs. Their fortresses and shore guns and all the money and skill that have been expended on them are all wasted as far as the British fleet is concerned. We are not out to sink their forts; at all events not stationary ones. We don't mind their floating fortresses; to wit, their ships. Besides, what do you put guns in a ship for? Simply so that you can move from place to place. Ships, after all, are only movable fortresses. If they elect to remain in their defended harbours, well, they must; but no matter how many they have, they will not stand down on vigilance. That they will be bound to come out sooner or later there can be no doubt. They are not increasing their efficiency by remaining in harbor, and it is well known in naval history that to remain in harbor is fatal to your chances of success.

We are adding to our efficiency every day. We take every opportunity of practicing gunnery, torpedo, etc., and also battle tactics, acclimating every one to his exact duties. Our ships know exactly what our commander-in-chief's plans are. Constant practice under varying conditions of weather, light and position have enabled every captain to know exactly what to do under each condition in which we might find ourselves. Don't you think

that is something? The enemy cannot do that, bottled up as they are. Don't you worry. Our admiralty and the commander-in-chief of the home fleet know exactly what they are about, and if you are asked 'What is the navy doing?' all you have to tell them is that we are simply doing what the navy was built for, 'to rule the waves and to defend our shores.'

Confidence in Navy. But when the suitable time arrives we shall do more than that. I feel confident. Our navy is and must be our first line of defence, and without it we are lost. We have lost some ships, but then, we expected to. You cannot expect to make an onлет without breaking eggs. But, still, our losses are considerably less than we made provision for—and even if our enemies do lurk in their harbours we have given them something to remember each time they have shown themselves. When you remember the number of ships we have in the North Sea and the activity of their submarines, and also the way they have striven since all over the place, you must admit that our casualties have been very light. It is only thoughtless people who suggest that we are doing very little. Just suppose that our fleet were withdrawn for a short week, do you realize what would happen? It is really worth an hour's thought, and after you will have thought for an hour you will say: 'Thank God for our navy!'

If there are any ladies doing work for the sailors and soldiers you might suggest that I have three boys under me who are thoroughly deserving. Not one of them is seventeen yet, but they are so enthusiastic—heroes every one of them. What I should like for them are thick socks and warm underpants and something warm to sleep in. I feel certain that if the ladies knew what weather they have to face, not only the cold but the rough, wintry North Sea, they would do something. I assure you I have seen as bad weather continually for the last two months as I have seen during my whole career of thirty-five years. Yes, and being single boys they in the course of their duties have to spend very long hours in the open, and if the seas break over the ship, no chance to dodge, they get drenched over and over again. But never a word, although once I heard one of them say after a particularly bad storm, 'I'll make the German flag for this time only the three things I mention that are at all necessary. Mind you, they have the socks and pants, but not enough. They want plenty of changes, so that when they go off duty they can be certain of having something dry to put on. Their health and their lives are very valuable just now, and, by the way, for all this exposure, discomfort and risk they get sevenpence a day.

This England of ours is worth a few sacrifices, and I say with Rudyard Kipling, 'Who dies if England lives?' I don't want to die for England; I want to last right out on to the end, so that I can give my services, and I had ten lives I would give them all if required.

The lady with the glinty eyes and the brawny, undraped arms bounced into the grocer's shop. 'Morning,' she said, affably. 'I'd like another dozen of them eggs you sent me yesterday.' 'Certainly,' smiled the shopkeeper. 'Are you making puddings again?' 'No, thank you!' sniffed the lady. 'I want those eggs for something more profitable this time. They're going to get me out of this quarter's rent.' 'Indeed! Are you going to offer your landlord some appetizing pancakes?' 'Not exactly,' said the customer. 'You see, it's this way. He's comin' round this mornin' for the money, so if I crack them eggs and hide 'em in one back-yard, it's ten to one he'll cry quits about the rent, thinkin' it's the drains!' And, as the shopkeeper's professional smile quickly faded, the lady with the glinty eyes made her way out of the establishment.

In a training college for teachers the students were given quotations from well-known authors and asked to paraphrase them. One student paraphrased: 'Canst thou minister to a mind diseased?' thus: 'Can you not attend upon the invalid lunatic?' Another had to paraphrase Keat's 'Ode to a Nightingale,' the last stanza of which begins, 'Thou wert not born for death, immortal bird; no hungry generations tread thee down!' He did it thus: 'You were not sent into the world in order that you might go the way of all flesh, undying member of the feathered tribe. No multitude of persons afflicted by famine can mourn over you!'

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WHEN THE BABY LIONS COME. EFFECT OF THE KING'S VISIT.

(To the tune of "John Brown's Body") At the lion whelps are coming from their homes across the sea to a picnic on the Spree. They are coming uninvited—how delighted he will be.

When the Baby Lions come, Greeting, growing, grim and growling. The Baby Lions come. Half the noses of the atlas, see them tapping on the way.

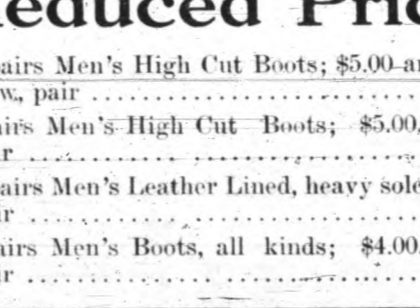
Just to call on Kaiser William for its Kaiser William's Day. He is sure to preach a sermon, and will likely pray. When the Baby Lions come.

They have left their dear equator and their precious polar ice. They have left their maple sugar, ketchup, and their German Kaisers will, fancy, fall in price. When the Baby Lions come.

Yes, the lion whelps are coming, with the Island lioness. To the rescue of a little Flemish dame in distress. And I were Kaiser William I would sensor my address. When the Baby Lions come.

An eminent lecturer, who is addicted to the habit of snuff-taking, has been lecturing to the literary society of one of the churches of the denomination he adorns. The delivery of the lecture was accompanied throughout by the insertion of copious quantities of the 'snuff' into the oratory organ.

At the conclusion of the lecture a somewhat important elderly gentleman came forward to offer congratulations, which were, however, modified by the closing remarks: 'But don't you think, sir, that in the presence of so many young people it's a pity to take snuff so freely. It only makes your nose red! Gravely and at once came the reply: 'Sir, some people may make their nose red by taking snuff; some there are others who make their noses red by poking them into other people's business!'



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STREET CARS AND MOTOR CARS.

To the Editor.—I notice in the Colonist of this date an article headed, "Many Complaints of Reckless Motoring," and which attempts to throw the entire blame on the car fare motor. Are they the only culprits? Excessive speed and failure to observe the rule of the road should be punished, but again, is only the car fare motor the wrong doer? Why should the motor owner put up with any more than the street railway? The owner of a motor must pay to the government his motor license and to the city a vehicle license, the chauffeur to the government his chauffeur license and to the city his driver's license. Do the street car conductor or motorman pay any license to either government or city for the privilege of earning his living? The automobile service spend all their earnings in the city—gasoline, oil, tires, repairs, etc., besides the living of owner and chauffeur, and have not to make dividends for stockholders outside the city and province. Has not the chauffeur as much right to earn a living for himself and those dependent on him as the members of the Street Railway Men's Union of America? Why should the authorities protect them any more than the automobile owner and driver? Trusting that this will see publicity through the medium sought, I have the honor of being owner and driver of a car.

W. J. SCOTT.

GROWLERS AND CRITICS.

To the Editor.—I notice that your morning contemporary is evidently upset by its correspondents' hence its leading articles recently. They pay particular attention to "Growlers." Of course a lot depends whether what the so-called growlers say suits their particular creed or ideas. I always thought newspapers were a means whereby freedom of thought could be expressed, and especially in a new country. If criticism is to be suppressed, what chance is there of making good progress? Criticism and debate should bring out good points. If correspondents have suggestions or grievances—void of personalities—why not publish them? Surely the mayor, aldermen, or even the government, can reply to critics. However, truth will always prevail, and falsehoods and misrepresentation can always be refuted. It would be interesting to know what is meant by the sentence, "Perhaps it is well to have some brake on the car of progress." People of Victoria don't think so. Maybe they recall the rashness of our city fathers paving miles of streets (without houses) and the bulk of the money going out of the city. Otherwise, it may be a chance for employers to cut wages by half without reducing living, or to give a chance for those rich to become richer by foreclosing upon unfortunate people like your humble servant. No doubt the Oriental question is causing growlers, but why not let the people of Victoria and British Columbia take the same steps as they did in California some time ago? You know it is hopeless so far as the present government is concerned. The time is ripe for the people to elect a bold and fearless government, who would give a short shift to grafters and filibusters, and then the working community would get what they deserve, and Canada will become a prosperous, thrifty, happy and contented nation.

A BRITISHER.

RE CIVIC ELECTION OR NOT.

To the Editor: It is submitted that it would be better to have an election for the following reasons:

1. To give the present council an opportunity of giving an account of their stewardship. 2. To give candidates an opportunity of announcing their views on the best policy to be adopted in the present emergency and their pledge to the ratepayers. 3. To give the electors an opportunity of choosing the candidates who represent the policy and action they prefer. 4. It must be admitted that an abnormal condition exists which calls for unusual care and economy. 5. With exception of Ald. Todd none of the council has announced any definite policy or intention of grappling with the situation. 6. It is clear that a material reduction in the current expenses is the only available source of relief, for local improvement taxes cannot be reduced. 7. The existing council are apparently conducting with the proposal of Aldermen Todd and the recommendation of the Retrenchment association to make a reduction in salaries, inasmuch as the proposal is referred to the estimates committee, which does not meet until Friday, and will not report until after time for nominations is past, leaving the electors in the dark as to their intentions, until the time has passed for them to nominate candidates who will announce and pledge themselves, so that the only way for the ratepayers to protect themselves is to get candidates nominated. The following proposition is submitted as a fair one: "There is no reason why an official or an employee of a municipality, should have a greater remuneration for a like service rendered than a civilian ratepayer has who earns and pays the remuneration of the official and employee." In all other walks of life short rations and self-denial are in effect. Why not in officialdom? It is far better to reduce the salaries than to drastically reduce the staff, and of course they would all be at liberty to take a better job if it offered. It is urged on the score of expense that the present council be elected by acclamation. School trustees have to be elected. The additional expense will be a bagatelle compared to the savings effected by a proper policy of economy being insisted on. Besides the cost is all circulated in the city. There will be far more honor for a member of the present council being elected in a contest than there would be without one. RATEPAYER.

BY ACCLAMATION?

To the Editor.—The Colonist says the mayor and council are all right and suggests their return by acclamation. The Colonist is equally well satisfied with the services of the provincial government, so why not make a bigger saving and return both bodies by acclamation? The opinion of the Colonist should satisfy the most critical citizen. The suggestion reminds the writer that he and his council were on one occasion to be similarly honored. But it did not work out harmoniously, and so no return by acclamation. Not when we know where we stand financially, and the record of the council of 1914 is made clear, it is time enough to pass judgment. The city is facing its most serious crisis. The public up to the last moment have remained blindly indifferent to city business. The council has escaped the usual criticism of the press. The proposal to reinstate a council under these conditions is a fitting climax. The well meant efforts of the Retrenchment association may amount to nothing, the intention of the author of the budget system to make the pre-election estimates binding upon the new council having, for want of public backing, been frustrated. The council is at liberty to treat the whole matter as the average politician treats his pre-election promises. Their metal has been tested on the salary question. What right have we to trust that which has failed? Talk is cheap, but by their actions only can we judge men and councils. Did the council of 1914 grasp the situation and act up to it? No! The first move was to find places for favored ones on the already overloaded salaried staff. They failed to act up to the financial situation until in the middle of the year they were jerked up at the end of their tether and then the interesting proceedings began. The council must have a clear financial statement of what it was faced with. The first report promised a serious deficit, made more serious owing to the council of 1914 being obliged to meet an additional debt of some \$200,000 due the bank from previous year or years, but which had been in some way overlooked. A final complete report for considering the estimates brings to light that while the council's position was rendered still more difficult owing to its having to provide \$125,000 to cover delinquent local improvement taxes, that there was available \$125,000, surplus, interest and sinking fund, accumulated since 1910 on a too high rate being set, but again "overlooked." The mayor and aldermen would no doubt be shocked if any ratepayer were to suggest the possibility of anything irregular. But the fact that with such a complete staff of accountants, capable treasurer, controller and auditor, no comment was reported as having occurred by mayor or aldermen on either occasion leaves ground for thought. Surely these gentlemen know what would happen under similar circumstances in any but a city business. There are many other important matters calling for explanation; but if the Retrenchment association would provide us with an independent audit and statement of the city's actual financial position it would be of more practical value than pre-election promises of retrenchment. No, Mr. Editor, I am not a candidate for municipal honors, have no more energy to waste on a played out amateur performance, but have not lost interest in city affairs. A. J. MORLEY.

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**CITY SCALES NEVER  
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**Weights Officer's Testimony  
in Gas Company Case;  
Charged Dismissed**

The case of alleged short weight brought against the Victoria Gas company in the police court today was summarily dismissed by Magistrate Jay before the defence had been called upon to dispute the charge. The prosecution fell down completely when City Fair Weights Inspector Robertson admitted in cross-examination that the city scales had, to his knowledge, never been tested. His worship curtly pointed out that there was an official called the inspector of weights and measures and it was the obvious duty to have the scales examined and tested before taking part in a case of this character.

For the company Harold B. Robertson said he had brought evidence to show that the company's scales had been inspected by the assistant Dominion inspector of weights and measures and had been found perfectly accurate and correct. He had proof also, he asserted, that the amount sent out from the yards of the company had been exactly what was paid for.

The magistrate pointed out that the onus was on the prosecution to prove that the scales they employed in the test were perfectly accurate, else there was no case at all.

The information was laid by Edward Rabington, of 647 Niagara street. He stated that on December 28 he went to the offices of the Gas company and gave an order for half a ton of coke or small coke. He paid a dollar and a quarter and got a receipt.

The breeze was brought over on the following day to his address and was delivered in nine sacks. He had a witness named Arthur Marriott there while it was being brought in, and he himself went to the phone to ask Fair Weights Officer Robertson to come up and test the weight of the breeze. The evidence of the fair weights officer was that the alleged half ton of coke weighed only 948 pounds. In cross examination, however, he admitted that to his knowledge the city scales had never been tested. At this point Magistrate Jay decided to dismiss the charge.

H. B. Robertson appeared as counsel for the defendant company, assisted by A. D. King.

**WEATHER BULLETIN**

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Jan. 8, 3 a. m.—During yesterday an ocean storm area has crossed this province and has caused southerly gales on the coast. Strata and sound, and heavy rains prevail southward to Chetopa. The weather is mild in Carleton and Kootenay, and moderately cold in the prairie provinces.

**Forecasts**

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m., Saturday: Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh northerly and easterly winds, unsettled and mild, with rain. Lower Mainland—Winds mostly northerly and easterly, unsettled and mild, with rain.

**Reports**

Victoria—Barometer, 29.65; temperature, maximum yesterday, 46; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles N.; rain, 4; weather, rain. Vancouver—Barometer, 29.62; temperature, maximum yesterday, 46; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles N. E.; rain, 1.4; weather, rain.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.70; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 32; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.54; temperature, maximum yesterday, 28; minimum, 28; wind, 19 miles S. W.; weather, clear.

Tatoush—Barometer, 29.40; temperature, maximum yesterday, 30; minimum, 42; wind, 3 miles N. E.; rain, 28; weather, rain.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 29.66; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 40; wind, 19 miles S.; rain, 72; weather, cloudy.

Seattle—Barometer, 29.64; temperature, maximum yesterday, 46; minimum, 42; wind, 6 miles S. E.; rain, 61; weather, rain.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.09; temperature, maximum yesterday, 56; minimum, 42; wind, 6 miles W.; rain, 36; weather, rain.

Pierce Report—Barometer, 29.40; temperature, maximum yesterday, 46; minimum, 44; wind, 16 miles E.; rain, 24; weather, cloudy.

Temperature

	Max.	Min.
Penitton	37	27
Nelson	22	16
Calgary	40	16
Edmonton	30	14
Prince Albert	16	10
Winnipeg	10	10
Toronto	43	28
Ottawa	28	28
Montreal	44	28
St. John	22	22
Halifax	16	16

Halifax—Vic. Daily Weather

Observations taken 3 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Thursday.

Temperature

Highest	46
Lowest	28
Average	42
Minimum temperature on grass	35
Wind, 24 inch.	
General state of weather, cloudy.	

In the lounge of the Carlton the following tale caused some hilarity round the tea hour yesterday. Dramatis Personae—A parent of the nouveau riche kind and a pretty daughter upon whom he dotes. They were discussing the marriage portion which "Aubrey" ought to have for carrying off so priceless a prize. Miss Heiress proposed a million, but papa said it was not enough. "Two millions, then," suggested the girl, are you going to give us besides a town house and country house and a yacht and an ounce of radium?" queried the young woman, rather petulantly. The old man threw out his chest and replied slowly and impressively: "I will turn over to you and Aubrey the moving picture rights of the Kaiser receiving the news that his army had been chased out of Russia.—Daily Coll.

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### PASSENGER MANAGER RETIRES.

London, Jan. 8.—John Fleetwood has retired from the passenger management of the White Star-Canadian service after 40 years' service, and yesterday received a handsome presentation. He is particularly well-known in Canadian shipping circles.

# Along the Waterfront

### Shipping News from Day to Day

## PROGRESS ON PUBLIC WORKS SATISFACTORY

### J. S. MacLachlan Gives Figures on Work Done on Breakwater and Piers

Satisfactory progress has been made during the past year by both the contractors for the new Ogden Point breakwater and the new outer harbor piers. Yesterday afternoon J. S. MacLachlan, government supervising engineer, made public certain figures dealing with the work carried out on the big undertakings which are of interest. Sir John Jackson, Ltd., contractors for the breakwater, and Grant, Smith & McDonnell, builders of the piers, did an extraordinary amount of work, and the progress which they have made on their respective jobs has elicited a great deal of favorable comment.

During the year the breakwater contractors dumped 184,175 tons of material for the core of the breakwater and 404,990 tons of rubble. They also lowered into position 18,267 tons of granite blocks and set 1,711 yards of concrete. In the preparation of foundations for the piers Grant, Smith & McDonnell dumped 221,894 tons of rubble, which is an exceptionally fine record, considering the fact that the work was not started until the month of May.

In Its Last Stage. Mr. MacLachlan said that the breakwater might now be said to be in its last stage of construction. All of the core has been deposited and practically all the rubble required for foundations has been dumped in position. Now the levelling off work will be carried out by the divers and the laying of the huge granite blocks will be pushed ahead rapidly. Several sections of the concrete superstructure have been constructed and persons are able to gain a slight idea of what the breakwater will look like.

The pier contractors have the first pair of cribs for the docks well under construction and one is about half finished. The pair will be floated off the drydock in a very short time. The foundations for cribs are now being levelled off.

During the month of December the breakwater contractors dumped 2,226 tons of core and 48,336 tons rubble, and laid 3,025 tons of granite and 1,066 yards of concrete. The pier contractors dumped 38,353 tons of rubble.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 8.—Arrived: Mrs. W. F. Herrin, Atlas, Monterey; Br. str. Onwen, Moil, Sailed: Str. Coral, San Francisco.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 8.—Arrived: Str. Mexico Maru, Orient; str. Cuzco, San Francisco. Sailed: Str. Mariposa, President, Seattle.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 8.—Arrived: Str. Mariposa, Tacoma; str. President, Tacoma; Sailed: Str. Yokohama Maru, Tacoma; str. City of Seattle.

## COLUMBIA'S GRAIN FLEET

Astoria, Ore., Jan. 8.—The Norwegian barque Harsford; and the Norwegian ship Sierra Miranda, both grain laden for the United Kingdom, went to sea Monday.

The Norwegian barque Havilla sailed Monday for the United Kingdom with a cargo of grain.

Portland, Jan. 8.—Under charter to the Portland Flouring Mills Company, the British barque Kinross-shire will begin loading grain at the elevator dock for the United Kingdom. She is to be given quick despatch and will be ready to leave the early part of next week. The same company is loading the French barque Pierre Antoine with a wheat cargo, and she probably will go to the United Kingdom. The French vessel will get away toward the end of this week. The British ship Celtic Glen, one of the Houser fleet, also is to begin taking on a grain cargo for Europe to-day.

## CLAUDE SOLLY HOME

Claude S. Solly, local agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway, has returned to Victoria after his annual educational tour. This year he went as far east as Winnipeg, where he looked over the new G. T. P. hotel "Port Garry," and all the other new buildings, and traveled to Edmonton on the G. T. P., which he says has a splendid service. Mr. Solly was in a good, many cities, but is glad to be back in Victoria, where there is no 20 below. "Everywhere I found things quiet, but everyone was optimistic," said Mr. Solly. "Victoria looks very good to me, and I'm glad to be home again."

## WHALING BUSINESS IN EAST NEARS ITS END

### Periodical Devoted to Its Interests Suspends Publication; Fleet is Small

New Bedford, Mass., Jan. 8.—The decline in the whaling industry has reached a point where it is no longer profitable to maintain a periodical devoted to its interests, according to the publishers of the Whaler's Shipping List, who to-day announced that this week's issue would be the last of that weekly journal.

When the paper was established in 1843 the number of vessels engaged in the whale fisheries was 675, with an aggregate tonnage of 199,174, while three years later the whaling mark in the industry was 1,000 vessels and 600 ships, aggregating 333,258 tons. To-day only 32 vessels with a tonnage of 6,613 are engaged in the search for whales. The highest price for sperm oil reached during the civil war was \$2.75 a gallon, last year's product sold at 45 to 48 cents.

## AKI MARU ORDERED TO REPAIR AT KOBE

### Nippon Liner Switches Sailing Dates With Shidzuoka Maru; Badly Damaged

Owing to extensive repairs being required by the steamship Aki Maru as a result of the terrific battering she received on her last inward voyage from Japan to Victoria and on her recent outward run, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha has found it necessary to switch two of its vessels in order that the schedule may not be interrupted. The Aki Maru reached Yokohama about one week ago from the Pacific coast and her owners immediately ordered her to discharge all her freight and proceed to Kobe to repair. The steamship Shidzuoka Maru, sailing from Hongkong on December 29, upon arriving at Kobe, will be ordered to return to the British port, and the Aki Maru will be dispatched on the voyage across the Pacific.

The Aki Maru had a very eventful trip the last time she crossed the Pacific to Victoria. She was caught in a hurricane and one gigantic comb struck her amidships on the port side, battering in the door leading to the main saloon and flooding many staterooms and the dining-room; bending the great steel plates of the upper works; washing away the companionway leading to the bridge, and damaging several lifeboats and bridge fittings. The damage was partly repaired at Seattle in order to allow the ship to make her homeward voyage. She was again caught in heavy weather, and was two days late reaching Yokohama. The Aki suffered much damage.

By the old schedule the Shidzuoka Maru is due to arrive here on January 27, following the steamship Sado Maru, which departed from Yokohama on Wednesday of last week. Now she will not be here until the end of February. The Aki Maru will sail from Yokohama on Wednesday next and will be here two weeks after that date.

The steamship Yokohama Maru, of the same fleet, will sail from Victoria on Tuesday, January 12.

## STRANGE CURRENT SENT MALAKKA TO HER DOOM

Portland, Jan. 8.—That an inexplicable inshore current was felt off the Pacific coast on the night of December 18, resulting in the piling up of the Danish motorship Malakka and the American-Hawaiian freighter Isthmia off Lower California and nearly bringing disaster to many boats further north, was announced by the United States hydrographic office yesterday.

Records compiled by the office show steamships were from eight to forty-three miles off their courses on that night. A southeast gale was blowing and masters presumed they were being driven off shore when in reality this mysterious current was dragging them on. Among the reports received confirming the strength of the current are those from the Isthmia, the Malakka, the yacht Paxtorista, the schooner Mafy Dodge and the steamship Cello.

## MAILS DELAY MOANA.

San Francisco, Jan. 8.—Because of a delay in transshipment from the east coast of the English mail for the Adelpodes, the Royal Mail liner Moana, which was scheduled to steam from this port for Australia and New Zealand at noon yesterday, is lying in the stream off Motera's wharf. In addition to 75 passengers, the Moana carries a cargo of 1,700 tons of general merchandise for her several ports of call. Latest charters at this port include: Manacuna, British steamship, 2,358 tons, grain from North Pacific to the United Kingdom or continent at 45s.; by Straus & Co.

## WOULD SHIP BONELESS COD EAST FROM HERE

### Scheme to Use Harvest of Sea for Eastern Markets; Plans Being Made

For the purpose of developing the boneless cod industry on this coast, F. J. Hayward is in the city meeting prominent business men. Mr. Hayward has had considerable experience in the preparation of cod for the market in Newfoundland and believes there is a field for the industry on the Pacific.

While not yet prepared fully to disclose the methods he proposes to adopt to secure the raw material, he assured the Times that such steps have been taken as will secure a plentiful supply of the raw material delivered at the southern end of Vancouver Island at rates which will compete favorably in the United States market. He proposes to charter a vessel in March and sail to the banks, bringing his material back in a green state for preparation and dispatch to the desirable markets.

One feature which the marketed Newfoundland cod has, and which is essential to a good market, is the quality of being sun-dried. This portion of this island has that advantage on account of the small range of temperature and the number of sunny days. This section, he states, has only one rival on the coast of the province. Mr. Hayward says that some backing has already been promised him in Vancouver but he requires a few more thousand dollars before he can engage in the business and secure the vessel which is required to bring the raw fish here.

Information, which has been secured from the principal fish brokers in Chicago, assures a market for the product in competition with the best Newfoundland cod, and he has the certain sale of the produce first packed, as soon as it is ready. Mr. Hayward has an old cannery in view which will be of service along the very lines he has contemplated, and he is full of optimism for the success of the project.

## WIRELESS REPORTS

Jan. 8, 8 a. m.

Point Grey—Raining, N. E. bar. 29.62, temp. 49, sea smooth.

Cape Lazo—Cloudy, S. E. light bar. 29.70, temp. 35, sea smooth.

Pachena—Raining, S. E. bar. 29.30, temp. 47, heavy swell.

Estevan—Cloudy, calm bar. 29.52, temp. 42, heavy swell.

Triangle—Cloudy, S. W. bar. 29.60, temp. 40, sea moderate.

Ikeda—Raining, S. E. bar. 29.22, temp. 37, sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Raining, S. E. gale bar. 29.15, temp. 43, sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Cloudy, S. E. light bar. 29.42, temp. 41, sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Cloudy, N. W. light bar. 29.22, temp. 41, sea moderate.

Alert Bay—Overcast, N. W. light bar. 29.27, temp. 43, sea smooth.

Tatoosh—Overcast, N. W. 26 miles, bar. 29.8, temp. 45, sea rough.

Pachena—Cloudy, N. W. bar. 29.40, temp. 46, heavy swell.

Triangle—Cloudy, calm bar. 29.68, temp. 47, heavy swell.

Triangle—Cloudy, S. W. bar. 29.52, temp. 41, sea moderate.

Ikeda—Point—Overcast, W. light bar. 29.32, temp. 47, sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Raining, S. E. strong bar. 29.28, temp. 46, sea rough.

Dead Tree Point—Passing showers, calm bar. 29.52, temp. 45, sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Cloudy, S. W. bar. 29.38, temp. 48, sea smooth.

## TIDE TABLE

January						
Date	Time Ht.	Time Ht.	Time Ht.	Time Ht.	Time Ht.	
	m.	f.	m.	f.	m.	
1	11:22	0.7	11:24	0.9	11:26	1.1
2	11:23	0.9	11:25	1.1	11:27	1.3
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4	11:25	1.3	11:27	1.5	11:29	1.7
5	11:26	1.5	11:28	1.7	11:30	1.9
6	11:27	1.7	11:29	1.9	11:31	2.1
7	11:28	1.9	11:30	2.1	11:32	2.3
8	11:29	2.1	11:31	2.3	11:33	2.5
9	11:30	2.3	11:32	2.5	11:34	2.7
10	11:31	2.5	11:33	2.7	11:35	2.9
11	11:32	2.7	11:34	2.9	11:36	3.1
12	11:33	2.9	11:35	3.1	11:37	3.3
13	11:34	3.1	11:36	3.3	11:38	3.5
14	11:35	3.3	11:37	3.5	11:39	3.7
15	11:36	3.5	11:38	3.7	11:40	3.9
16	11:37	3.7	11:39	3.9	11:41	4.1
17	11:38	3.9	11:40	4.1	11:42	4.3
18	11:39	4.1	11:41	4.3	11:43	4.5
19	11:40	4.3	11:42	4.5	11:44	4.7
20	11:41	4.5	11:43	4.7	11:45	4.9
21	11:42	4.7	11:44	4.9	11:46	5.1
22	11:43	4.9	11:45	5.1	11:47	5.3
23	11:44	5.1	11:46	5.3	11:48	5.5
24	11:45	5.3	11:47	5.5	11:49	5.7
25	11:46	5.5	11:48	5.7	11:50	5.9
26	11:47	5.7	11:49	5.9	11:51	6.1
27	11:48	5.9	11:50	6.1	11:52	6.3
28	11:49	6.1	11:51	6.3	11:53	6.5
29	11:50	6.3	11:52	6.5	11:54	6.7
30	11:51	6.5	11:53	6.7	11:55	6.9
31	11:52	6.7	11:54	6.9	11:56	7.1

The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water. Where blanks occur in the tables the tide rises or falls continuously during two successive tidal periods without turning.

The height is in feet and tenths of a foot, above the average level of low water.

Equipment—To find the depth of water above the sill of the dry dock at any tide add 19.9 feet to the height of high water as above given.

## DAMAGED SHIP SAILS.

St. Thomas, D. W. I., Jan. 8.—The British steamer Keivindale, which went ashore on Anegada reef, Tortola island, last month and later was towed to this port badly damaged, has been repaired temporarily and to-day sailed for New York. The Keivindale is accompanied by the wrecking steamer Reilly, which will tow her if necessary.

## HEADS AND FISH ARE GOING ON PRESIDENT

### Part of British Columbia's Exhibit at 'Frisco to Be Loaded Here To-night

Sixteen cases of mounted heads and modelled fish, which will form a part of the British Columbia exhibit at the world's fair which opens at San Francisco next month, will be loaded by the Pacific Coast Steamship President, Capt. Cann, at the outer docks this evening and taken to the Golden Gate. The exhibits, which are being sent by the provincial museum, represent the finest specimens of the big game which are to be found within the confines of British Columbia, and of the great halibut, salmon and other fish which swarm the waters of this province.

The government has already sent south large parts of the exhibit which is to be shown at the fair. Huge pieces of Douglas fir and other lumber together with other products of British Columbia are now being assembled in the building allotted to this province at the exhibition. It is expected that a few smaller shipments will be sent out on the 'Frisco' steamships within the next two weeks.

On New Schedule. The President is leaving here at 8 o'clock this evening, which is the new sailing hour from this port. The vessels usually cleared from here at 11 o'clock, but following the inaugurating of the winter schedules of the C. P. R. fleet, the Pacific Coast Steamship company altered its sailing hour in order to accommodate passengers.

Among the Victoria passengers who will join the steamship this evening will be the following—S. Dinsdale, Mrs. E. Stevenson, Mrs. R. Greber, Mrs. A. Mittelstadt and Miss Mittelstadt, Miss N. Nicholson, Miss E. Nichols, Mrs. S. C. Mooney, Mr. and Mrs. L. Labatux, R. C. Shelman, John Hay, Miss E. L. Ashworth, H. R. Orr, Alex. Cannon, Miss Kate Galbraith, R. Sweetland, of Quamichan avenue; and Capt. C. Armstrong, formerly master of the British barque British Yeoman, who has decided to take a holiday from the sea for a short time.

## GERMAN SAILING SHIPS ARE AFRAID TO LEAVE

Portland, Jan. 8.—Captain Volzke, master of the German barque Steinbek, came down from the Sound on Wednesday on a business trip. His vessel is tied up at Bellingham on account of the European war. Before hostilities started the Steinbek loaded 1,500,000 feet of her cargo, and the product still is aboard her. She was to have cleared for the United Kingdom under charter to Comyn, Mackenzie & Co.

The vessel belongs to the same line as the German barque Dalbek, which is lying idle at Portland for a similar reason. She came here from the West Coast to take on a cargo of wheat for the United Kingdom.

The German ship Arnoldus Vinnen is tied up at Gable, on the lower Columbia, and the German barque Kurt R. Astoria.

There is scarcely a port on the Pacific coast where German ships are not lying because of the trouble across the Atlantic. Down on the west coast of South America they probably are more plentiful than nearly any place else.

## RECORD CHARTER RATE OF 100S. FOR LUMBER

San Francisco, Jan. 8.—Charter prices between this coast and the United Kingdom have reached the record mark according to an announcement yesterday. The rate for lumber has gone to 100 shillings a thousand feet, provided that vessels call at two ports including London. If the port of London is not included, the rate will be 97s 6d.

The regular rate for one port of the United Kingdom is 95 shillings. Simultaneously with the announcement it was learned that the high rate has made it possible for an American vessel to be chartered to take a cargo of lumber from this coast to England. Comyn, Mackenzie & Co. have completed arrangements for the charter of the steamer Edgar H. Vance at the rate of \$300 a day. The cargo will consist of redwood railroad ties to be loaded at Eureka, Cal.

## MUCH WORK AT PORTLAND.

Portland, Jan. 8.—Just now it is said more carpenters are employed at the several yards in and near Portland than in years. Several hundred mechanics are at work at the plant of the Willamette Iron & Steel Works, where three big jobs are under way. These are the repairing of the Grace, liner Santa Catalina, light vessel No. 67, and the construction of a new government dredge for service in the tributaries of the lower Columbia. The light vessel, which has been at the yards for the last six weeks, will be ready to take back to her station near Umatilla Reef in about another fortnight. But the other two contracts will not be completed until along in the spring. The three will represent a disbursement of probably more than \$400,000. The indications are that considerable other shipbuilding work will be done at Portland this winter or early in the spring.

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Director	Nicholson	1138	Balfour, Guthrie	Liverpool	Jan. 10
Glenroy	Holman	1209	Finlay, Durlan & Bro.	London	Jan. 10
Awa Maru	Tomlinson	1829	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Jan. 13
Makura	Phillips	4921	C. P. R.		



VERDUN IS SAFE FROM ATTACKS BY GERMANS

Never Was Invested and is Now Stronger Than When War Began

Nancy, Jan. 8.—For the Germans Verdun is one of the great disappointments of the war. That is the explanation of the reports of its investment which have been published on the other side of the Rhine. These newspaper stories are still continued with the object of keeping up the drooping spirits of German readers. They need all the encouragement that they can get. On this part of the line the rock on which their long-considered, carefully-laid schemes of invasion foundered is not, as it might have been, the great fortresses of the frontier, but the fact that the Germans have never been able to get near them. They have been felled, not by forts but by forces. They knew and trusted the destructive powers of their giant Krupp guns. At the beginning of the war they talked of them with bated breath, as a kind of invincible fetish. They almost pined the poor people whom they were to crush. They had not reckoned upon—perhaps they had despised—the resting powers of the French armies in the field. As they proved at Liège and Namur, the little surprise which they had secretly prepared for their neighbors was a more than useful weapon when it could be brought into action. But in the territories of Belgium, the Vosges, Lorraine, Le Woevre and the heights of the Meuse it has not had a chance. The generals and their armies have all been kept busy in the history of the world men and moral have triumphed over matter and machines. The French engineers that were to have been pounded to pieces are still untouched, and the French gunners who were to have maimed the lines of the front have been busy enough to get away to the front to have been as sorry for themselves as the newspaper correspondents, and have been even more inactive.

KAISER AND BRITAIN

German Emperor Describes His Enemy as "Treachery Incarnate"

Wild Outburst. The France de Demain is responsible for the publication of a story of the interview which a French nurse is said to have had with the Kaiser. The nurse was taken prisoner with her ambulance near Sedan and threatened with execution as a spy, she wrote to the Emperor and was received into his presence at Charlerville, where he had taken up his quarters in a couple of houses near the station. The Paris correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, who has forwarded the narrative to this country, says that the French journal adds that the Emperor's bedroom was provided against possible hostile aeroplane attacks by guns mounted on pivots, and whenever he went abroad for a constitutional on horseback or in motor-car he was accompanied by a strong escort. The body was a strong, muscular man, dressed as an officer of his staff, Major von Pleiggen. When she entered the reception-room she saw sitting at a table, covered with maps and plans, an officer in a greenish grey uniform, clicked his heels together in the German way, and said, "I salute the ladies of France."

His Skin Was Yellow and Drawn. He had not shaved his moustache, but cut it very close. There were brown spots under his eyes, and his skin was yellow and drawn. He looked not like the photographs but like the caricatures of himself. As soon as she came before him, he asked her to be seated, and with a strange, nervous rapidity, set her a series of questions, which she answered himself. It was rather a monologue than an interview.

What I Think of Your Fine England. "Excuse me, sir," said the Frenchwoman, trying to stem the stream of verbiage, "I have come here to protest against a charge of espionage."

But the Kaiser swept her interruption aside. "I'll tell you what I think of your fine England," he said, with growing fury. "She is treachery incarnate. She has betrayed everybody, and me first of all. I wished she would betray France to-morrow. How can France have made common cause with our secular foe? I expected better things of you. Yet it is true that you are proving yourselves unworthy of your ancient fame, for you have summoned savages to your assistance. Just think, bloodthirsty negroes from the flower of your army!"

Here the Frenchwoman broke in: "I have never heard, sir," she said proudly, "that our black troops massacre churches, shoot down old men, burn children, and desecrate sepulchres."

The Kaiser had put the time to answer this charge. It is doubtful if he heard it. At that moment the public audience chamber opened the door of the audience chamber.

"Good," said the monarch hastily. "It appears to me that you have been wrongly accused, and you shall be set at liberty, but do not fail to repeat all that we have said to you."

One of the best Roberts stories is of the rifle ranges at Bletley some years ago. "Bobs" was watching the firing, and noticed there seemed to be many errors on the part of the marksmen at the targets. So, going to the telephone, he rang up the officer in charge. "The marking is very bad indeed," he said. "It's the best you'll get," came the reply from the other end. "Do you know who is speaking?" demanded Lord Roberts, in mangled anger and surprise. "No," said the officer. "This is Lord Roberts," he said. "And I am Lord Wolseley," was the answer.

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MORNING WAS SPENT READING EVIDENCE

City Counsel in Westholme Case Protests Against Delay in Oral Testimony

Further protests were voiced this morning by the senior counsel for the city against the prolonged reading of evidence given on examination for discovery in the case of the Westholme Lumber company versus the City of Victoria, in connection with the Sooko waterworks contract.

The court refused, however, to interfere with the course adopted by counsel for the plaintiff in the preparation of a case of such magnitude, one which had been in preparation for a couple of years and in which, as it was very likely to go higher, it was essential that the record should be kept clear.

No oral evidence at all was taken this morning and it will probably be some time before any until late this afternoon, if then.

W. B. A. Ritchie, K.C., senior counsel for the city, at the outset of the sitting, pointed out that among the plans marked by the plaintiffs were very many which were neither delivered to the contractors nor used in the construction of the works at any stage.

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plans of a definitely located line so as to allow of the calling for tenders. Having read further, counsel said this represented what the water commissioner thought had probably occurred, and he proposed to read from Mr. Meredith's examination what had occurred. The engineer, asked if the extracts as to quantities not being hazardous guesses was a correct statement, replied that it would not be a correct statement. He had not told Mr. Raymur such a thing at any time and knew nothing about it. In other parts of his evidence Mr. Meredith said he knew the contract was being carried out on plans approved of by himself and the water commissioner.

Questioned as to changes made in the plans after the contract was given he had said he approved of some but did not remember what ones. Others had been approved of by the resident engineer in charge and he knew nothing about them.

A report from Mr. Raymur was read by counsel of November 6, 1911, in which it was stated that the surveys were decisive as to route and sufficient for the letting of a contract.

It was at this point that Mr. Ritchie interposed to ask the court to give a direction that witnesses should be called and examined. He thought it was oppressive to the defence that this reading should go on for days while witnesses were being kept there at great expense to the city and loss to themselves. He suggested that the reading of extracts could be as well done at a later stage.

Mr. Taylor explained that he was endeavoring to follow the chronological course of events and put his case in the clearest manner. A most important and material consideration for the plaintiffs was to show that the city had not taken proper means to lay the work out, and had waited until after the award of the contract to prepare plans and specifications that ought to have been got ready before the award was made. It was the first time he had heard it suggested that the witnesses for a plaintiff must be put in order to convince the defence who wanted to get away.

Mr. Justice Murphy declined to make any direction, and said he had never heard of a court giving a direction as to how counsel should conduct his case where it was one of this magnitude, which had taken eighteen months or two years to prepare. If it was possible for Mr. Taylor to mitigate expenses he asked him to do so.

Mr. Taylor promised to be as brief as he could in his clients' behalf, but he had to show the assessors the facts upon which he based his contentions at the opening of the case and on which he would base his argument later.

The case is in progress this afternoon.

PUT LOAN THROUGH Success of Provincial Appeal Due to Henry C. Payne, Representing New York Interests.

The success of the provincial government in securing the \$2,700,000 which represents the balance of the ten million dollar loan authorized a year ago by the legislature is due to Henry C. Payne, who is the representative in this city and province of a very influential group of New York financiers.

This is the first loan ever floated by the province in the New York market, and Mr. Payne, in speaking about it, states that the rate is equal as favorable as has ever been obtained by the province in any of its loans elsewhere. He believes that the financiers of the eastern money market will begin to take a greater interest in this province as a result of this flotation, and that money required for the financing of public and private enterprises will be forthcoming from that source in greater volume than has ever been the case. That it can be obtained Mr. Payne, from his close connection with that centre, is able to state positively.

ENDORSE SITTING MEMBER Ward V. Saanich Ratepayers Support Councilor Tanner; Brooks for School Trustee.

The ratepayers of Ward V., Saanich, met on Wednesday evening at the Temperance hall, to discuss municipal affairs. On being voted to the chair George Stewart called on the Ward V. representative for 1914 to give an account of his stewardship.

Councilor H. E. Tanner responded in a lucid and straightforward address, in which reference was made to the principal matters with which the council has had to deal during the past year. The paving scheme was stated to be nearing the practical stage, as far as financial considerations permitted.

Mr. Tanner favored a policy of strict economy, and a reduction, if possible in office expenditure, as well as in road work. Considerable roadwork had recently been carried through with the object of giving the general public access to the waterfront.

Those present voiced general satisfaction with what had been accomplished and endorsed Mr. Tanner's candidature for the office of councilor. The subject of a school trustee was next considered, this part of the discussion having been without representation on the school board for several years, owing to the difficulty of finding anyone to accept nomination. J. T. Brooks finally consented to stand, and will appeal for support to the voters of the more populous wards on the ground of fairness to the rural district.

Reeve McGregor was given a vote of confidence.

Missing Since February.—Inquiries have been instituted through the provincial police with the object of ascertaining the present whereabouts of John Spenslow Bennett, who was last heard of in February last as living in Niagara street. Information which has reached the inquiries lead them to believe that the missing man is still in Victoria. Any news of him would be welcomed at the provincial police office.

COMFORT ECONOMY EFFICIENCY BEST WELLINGTON COAL \$6.50 Per Ton, CASH ONLY Our system of screening assures the greatest comfort. Our Coal is more economical in heater, furnace or range than any coal mined on Vancouver Island. Our Delivery is unequalled. Our Motto is FULL MEASURE, and our reputation stands behind it. MACKAY & GILLESPIE, Ltd. Distributors for Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir) Mines, Ltd. PHONES, 149 and 622. OFFICE, 723 FORT STREET.

HANDICRAFTS SCHOOL RE-OPENING SOON On January 18 New Department to Be Started in High School building, the regent, Mrs. W. J. Roper, being in the chair. A considerable amount of routine business was disposed of, including the reading of reports in connection with the Christmas tree and entertainment held in the Connaught Seamen's Institute. A tribute of thanks to the assistance given by 7th Troop, Boy Scouts, was paid, and Mrs. Roper was appointed convener of a committee to arrange an entertainment for the 'lads in the near future, while the badge of affiliation with the Navy League Chapter would be formally presented to the Scouts on the same date.

The discussion of ways and means of raising money for the chapter fund culminated in a resolution to postpone any definite action in this behalf until after the annual meeting of the order, and both ladies will be at the rooms on Friday, January 15, at 2 o'clock, to discuss the matter with any interested members. Votes of thanks were passed to Mrs. Tobin, Mrs. Langley, Mrs. Cookson, Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Cox for assistance given the chapter in various ways.

INDIAN COMMISSION Members Leave to Prosecute Field Work on the Mainland; Go North Soon. Acting Chairman McDowell and Commissioners Shaw and McKenna, of the Royal Commission on Indian Affairs, left the city this morning for the Fraser valley, where the field work of the present year will be inaugurated to-morrow.

Visitations and inspections of reserves will continue in the Fraser valley until the end of the present month. After a short return to Victoria, the commission will complete its field operations in the New Westminster agency during February and early March, and upon the coming of more favorable weather will proceed to the north, not only to visit and pass upon conditions in now established reserves, but also to observe the necessities and requirements of Indians in isolated territories in which no reserves have as yet been created, owing to the inadequacy of transport facilities and in order to expedite the work, the commission will divide, working in two parties simultaneously. It is expected that the work of the commission will be completed during the present year.

Will Confer To-morrow.—At 10.30 to-morrow morning there will be a conference between the city market committee and the members of the Saanich council with regard to the new city market by-law. The principal thing desired is the removal of the restriction on the sale of flowers in the produce market. Already the city council has shown a disposition to aid the Saanich florists and there will be no difficulty, it is expected, in meeting the desires of the Saanich council.

Wiper's Saturday Special—Chewing Minties, 20 cents per pound; usual price 30c per pound. The Victoria public are just beginning to realize that Wiper's candies have been awarded gold and silver medals at the largest exhibitions in England which were open to all corners. Wiper & Co., 1219 Douglas Street.

Charged With Receiving.—Ell Bean and Robert Taylor were arraigned in the police court this morning charged with receiving stolen property from Walter Atkinson, who was yesterday sentenced to six months in jail for theft. The articles alleged to have been retained by the two men, who are connected with the Victoria Junk agency, are brass fittings of a Swedish engine belonging to ex-Alderman W. H. Langley. A remand was asked for until Tuesday and granted. R. C. Lowe has been retained by Taylor and J. A. Aikman by Bean.

Judgment Summons.—A judgment summons case that was a little out of the ordinary came up before Judge Langman to-day, on an application by W. H. Langley, for Walter Shot-bolt, the judgment creditor, for payment of money garnished in the hands of a debtor of Charles Freearg, a painter. There was a second case in which another debtor owes a bill but has not paid it yet. C. B. S. Phelan represented the garnishee, Private Freearg, who is in the Canadian Mounted Rifles, appeared on his own behalf. In both cases the money due him are for the painting of the amount due Freearg. The judgment debtor asked what recourse he had, and was told that this would be a matter apart from the present application.

NAVY LEAGUE CHAPTER. Much Routine Business Transacted at Meeting This Morning. The regular meeting of the Navy League Chapter was held this morning at the I.O.D.E. headquarters, Temple

DUNDAS STREET CASE AGAIN IN LIMELIGHT

Mentioned Again at Streets Committee Meeting; Estimates Committee's Work

Once again Dundas street was mentioned in the streets committee of the city council this afternoon. This time it was on a suggestion that the by-law should be closed up in its present state. Ald. Porter, chairman of the committee, is averse to the closing up of the by-law till the work is left in a more satisfactory state than at present.

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BUSY SOUND AT MARKET Proximity of Poultry Show Gave Interesting Character to City Market To-day.

The close relations of the city market with the poultry show gave the former institution a particularly busy sound this morning, the clamor of the numerous chanteleers overhead lending a particularly competitive atmosphere to the proceedings.

Except in the case of butter and eggs there was no noticeable drop in the prices. The latter commodity was practically everywhere selling at forty-five cents per dozen, one of the reasons for the drop being indicated in the evidence of an advancing season furnished in a brood of downy chicks which emerged from their shells on January 2.

Other prices are standing about as before. Milk-fed chicken sold as high as 25 cents; chicken for 23 cents, four for 18 cents. Pork was selling at from 15 to 18 cents per pound, beef at about the same price, and veal from 15 cents up to 25 cents.

Curly kale, water-cress, hot-house lettuce and young onions were seen among the various stalls, and the flower-stalls added a pleasant touch of color to the surrounding stalls.

Many customers are availing themselves of the delivery facilities, and the knowledge that parcels up to one hundred pounds in weight, either singly or collectively, will be delivered for the small sum of ten cents, has been a considerable inducement to numerous shoppers to extend their purchases in the city market.

When the matter of the by-law and the public discussion of it, as elicited from Mr. Raymur, was reached in the transcript of the evidence Mr. Ritchie objected to time being taken with evidence which he considered irrelevant.

Mr. Taylor argued that there had evidently been an argument used that the cost was being kept down, in order to secure the passage of the by-law, and the evidence was relevant to the allegations of misrepresentation and fraud raised by the plaintiff company.

On this view his lordship allowed the reading to proceed.

Commissioner had gone on as to the objections made by individuals and public bodies, and the statements he had published in reply. In an open letter to the electors he had given the figures of the Westholme contract, and the amount estimated to acquire land, and of the work which had to be done he said: "These quantities are not hazardous guesses, but are the result of accurate surveys."

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OAK BAY THEATRE—Special price matinee to-morrow afternoon at 3. STONING GRIFF, about 17, to help with light household and two children, 2504 Home and small wage. Apply at 2, Box 56, Times.

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WANTED—Immediately, printer, Apply Room 27, Winch Bldg.

LAST—White Pomeranian Spitz dog, in November; answers to name of "Tobby." Parties found detaining same will be prosecuted. Phone 2901, Times.

WANTED—Persian or Maltese kittens. Apply Box 16, Times Office.

THE MECCA GRILL, down the marble stairs, Seward Building, Douglas St. Meals from 7.30 a. m. to 8 p. m. (four-course lunch and dinner also). Afternoon teas served, no order too small. Comfort and every accommodation for ladies and gentlemen.

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WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED a shipment of Per cigarette, and also stock of Wadding and Cigarette papers. Egyptian cigarettes obtainable in Canada. "Eliot's Cigarette Stand," 622 Fort Street (opposite Pemberton Bldg.).

REWARD for Perfect wheel No. 54398, Phone 4687.

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FOUR PURE BRED WHITE PERKIN DEAKIES, will trade for 3 ducks and 1 drake. Call Mr. Tardila, avenue west of Tillikum road.

\$250 AGREEMENT, short term, good security; will take part trade in a good boat or auto, and balance in cash. Box 567, Times.

FREE SKATES FOR THE CHILDREN. Prize matinee, Oak Bay Theatre, to-morrow afternoon at 3.

MILK MEN—Your milk tickets, both perforated and cards, are specialized in by Dugan Printing Co., 1014 Broad Street (Pemberton Block).

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FURNISHED HOUSE—6 roomed house, modern conveniences, close to city. O. and conveniently situated, also 5 roomed, modern bungalow, newly built, "Nelson Cottage," furnished or unfurnished. Apply, Geo. J. Cook, "Rivoy Villa," Constable Ave.

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HERE IS A GOOD TRADE, for acreage in Saanich or within 15 miles of Victoria, for clear title, revenue producing property, value \$1,500. Curdie & Poyser, 114 Douglas Street, Phone 1469.

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LOST—Oak trough, shape of saddle and seat, set with pearls. Finder please return to Box 99, Times.

AUCTION SALE We will hold our regular weekly sale at our rooms, 716 JOHNSON STREET, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY) AT 2 P. M. Furniture, Carpets, Linoleum, Grass Chairs, Crochets, Heaters, Ranges, Kitchens and Garden Utensils, and numerous other items.

FORD & GREENWOOD, Auctioneers. Phone 441.

SAANICH MUNICIPAL Elections Notice is hereby given that the Poll advertised to be held at Adams' Store, corner of Gorge and Tillikum roads, on Saturday, January 15, 1915, from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m., will be held at Mr. Miles' Garage, corner of Gorge and Tillikum roads.

R. R. F. SEWELL, Returning Officer.

NOTICE Corporation of the District of Saanich.

TO MEET SHORTAGE Board of Trade Committee Complete Report on Prospects of Profitable Seed Growing. Completing a report on the prospects of profitably growing farm and vegetable seeds on Vancouver Island to replace the shortage from other sources of supply in 1915, the board of trade committee on agriculture met yesterday and their report will be presented to the council on Tuesday next at 10.30. It will then probably be referred to the meeting of the full board on Friday next.

An important report of the special lumber committee of the board will follow the same process.

The quarterly general meeting is called for this day week, and members wishing to introduce business for that session should inform the secretary immediately in order that particulars may go out with the notices of the meeting. It has always been a principle of the board that all members should be informed as far as possible of subjects to be introduced for discussion on such occasions.

Housebreaking Alleged.—Two Chinamen named Lee Suay and Ching Hong were again remanded in the police court this morning on a charge of unlawfully breaking into and entering the house of Mon Yin Yuen on Herald street on Christmas Eve. R. C. Lowe appears for the informant.

# Financial News

### M'GILLIVRAY WANTED PRICE MOVES UPWARD

### Portland and Coronation Shares Lower in Bids on Victoria Exchange

McGillivray gained one cent in the bid price on the Victoria exchange to-day. This stock has gradually crept up on a consistent support. The company has a surplus and is showing net profits of about \$100,000 per annum. The Canadian Pacific is a buyer of the coal output.

Blackbird Syndicate	10.00	9.50
B. C. Refining Co.	20.00	19.50
C. N. P. Fisheries	75.00	74.00
Coronation Gold	62.00	61.00
Lucky Jim Zinc	62.00	61.00
McGillivray Coal	19.00	18.50
Nugget Gold	19.00	18.50
Portland Canal	31.00	30.00
Rambler Cariboo	20.00	19.50
Red Cliff	1.00	0.95
Standard Lead	1.20	1.18
Stewart M. & D.	15.00	14.50
Slocan Star	19.00	18.50
S. S. Island Creamery	6.25	6.00
Stewart Land	7.50	7.25

### STRIKINGLY BULLISH MARKET IN WHEAT NOW

Chicago, Jan. 8.—Despite the severity of a recent rise in the wheat market, a little while, the trend was early defined as bullish to-day.

At one time, wheat was 30 cents above yesterday's close, and final prices were only fractionally off. There was some remarkable milling demand, and different concerns were competing with exporters for supplies. The agreement reached between England, Italy and Holland to protect cargoes from the United States exerted a bullish influence.

Wheat	Open	High	Low	Close
May	121	121 1/2	121	121 1/4
July	119	119 1/2	119	119 1/4

### WHEAT PRICES GO UP ON WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, Jan. 8.—The wheat market continues on the boom, prices within 45 minutes from opening had advanced over 30 cents for May and 24 for July. The advance, however, was not maintained. May eased off and held fairly steady at 113 1/2, while July held around 113 1/2 previous to noon. Exporters state cables were stronger than ever, and last night's offerings were accepted this morning.

Market conditions were responsible for yesterday's high prices. Practically all the vessels of the independent fleet were laid off during December, with the result that few cargoes have been received from the Alaska banks in the last five weeks. The boxed halibut was shipped down by schooners that remained in the north.

### OPINIONS DIFFER AS TO EAST PRUSSIA FUGITIVES

Berlin, Jan. 7.—The fugitives from the threatened zones in East Prussia who have sought safety by flight to portions of the Empire further to the west, now number 300,000, according to semi-official statistics. The newspapers of Königsberg, however, maintain the fugitive do not number more than 60,000.

### TEACHER SUSPENDED

Toronto, Jan. 8.—Harry Lea, teacher in Annette public school, was suspended to-day after preliminary investigation into a charge of pro-German teaching. His case is to come up before the board. He is a Socialist.

## FRENCH WAR MACHINE GIGANTIC BUSINESS

### Work of Administration Con- ducted by Expert Business Men of Nation

Paris, Dec. 22.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) What might be called the civilian administration of the French army is probably the most significant business proposition the world has seen. The French war effort through its civilian administration must assemble, transport and distribute food for nearly 4,000,000 men. It must supply the men with transportation from one part of the fighting line to another, from the front to the interior, and from the interior to the front in their periods of recuperation. It must provide clothing, medical attendance, dentists and every variety of service necessary to keep a man in the line.

Besides all this, it must look out for the families of the men at the front, supplying the wives with the equivalent of twenty-five cents a day, and in case of children with the equivalent of ten cents a day.

The smooth working of these immense business transactions is only possible because the work is distributed among the trained railway managers, steamship directors, great corporation officials and business men of capacity, who, although they are wearing uniforms have been trained and prepared by civil life for this sort of work in war times.

### ALASKA NORTHERN ROAD IS OFFERED FOR SALE

Formal Tender Made to United States Government by August Heckscher.

Washington, Jan. 8.—August Heckscher, a New York banker affiliated with the banking house of James Stillman & Co., on behalf of the Alaska Northern railway has made a formal offer to Secretary Lane to sell that railroad to the government. It is understood that Mr. Heckscher represents the Canadian banks which now hold the bonds of the railroad corporation. Secretary Lane does not make public the exact terms of the offer, but the law limits the amount to be paid for any railroad to the appraised physical value.

### SALISBURY CAMP HAS SUFFERED FROM FLOOD

Hospital to Be Moved as Soon as Patients Are Well Enough.

London, Jan. 8.—Headquarters of the No. 2 hospital of the Canadian contingent has been moved permanently, and it is understood that the hospital will be moved as soon as the health of the patients improves. There have been several cases of spinal meningitis among the troops.

### ULTIMATUM TO TURKEY IS SENT BY PERSIA

Rome, Jan. 8.—The Giornale d'Italia has published an ultimatum sent by Persia to Turkey in the course of which the diplomat said Persia desired to remain neutral throughout the war, but that its territory was being invaded by Kurds and Turks.

### "JITNEY BUS" SERVICE HURTS RAILWAY COMPANY

Los Angeles, Jan. 8.—"Jitney bus" competition has forced the Los Angeles Railway company to stop construction of 250 street cars being built in the company's shops to handle expected heavy business this year, and also to lay off one hundred shop employees, according to an announcement to-day by the corporation.

## RUSSIAN REPORT ON VICTORY AT ARDAHAN

### Ninth Ottoman Army Corps Destroyed; Large Quantity of Booty Taken

Petrograd, Jan. 8.—There was given out in this city this afternoon an official communication from the headquarters staff of the Russian army in the Caucasus reading as follows: "In the combat of Ardahan, in Trans-Caucasia, forty miles northwest of Kars, we defeated and dispersed the component parts of the Ottoman army which formed part of the first army corps. This corps had been stationed at Constantinople. A number of Bashkirs brought from European Turkey, as well as bands of Adjar tribesmen who have taken up the cause of Turkey, fought against us at Ardahan. We captured a large quantity of war booty. The cannon made a vast pile, with their trunks and caissons, etc. We captured also the officer in command of the Turkish artillery. Other prisoners included several dozen officers, and we captured also a large number of soldiers. We buried more than 1,500 bodies of the enemy's troops. A regiment of Siberian Cossacks delivered a brilliant charge. These men sabred several companies of the enemy and captured the flag of the Eighth Infantry regiment."

"It has been established that the Ninth Ottoman Army corps, 30,000 men strong, has been completely destroyed; these detachments were completely annihilated at Sari Kamysh.

"We took possession of all the artillery of this corps, all the generals, and 200 officers, several thousand Armenian tribesmen, who composed the reserves of this corps.

"We still continue to pick up enormous quantities of arms and other trophies thrown down in heaps in the mountains, in the forests and in the ravines, and covered up with snow.

### TORONTO MEN RECEIVE COMMISSIONS IN ARMY

Toronto, Jan. 8.—Two more Toronto men have received commissions in Kitchener's army, according to a dispatch from London. They are both sons of H. J. Bethune of the head office staff of the Dominion bank. F. Bethune, 20 years of age, had taken two years of the course at the Royal Military College at Kingston. When war broke out he was in Winnipeg and enlisted as a private with the 79th Cameron Highlanders. Robert Bethune, aged 22, was a law student with Eylesworth, Wright and Thompson. He joined the Fort Garry regiment.

### BRITAIN REPLIES TO UNITED STATES NOTE

London, Jan. 8.—Ambassador Page to-day received from the British government the preliminary reply to the United States note protesting against British detention of United States ships. He forwarded it immediately to Washington.

### FRENCH PREMIER LOSES YOUNGEST SON IN WAR

Paris, Jan. 8.—Premier and Madame Viviani have received official confirmation of their youngest son on the field of battle.

### OBITUARY RECORD

The funeral of Baby Wing, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wing, 107 St. Ann street, will take place to-morrow afternoon at 12 o'clock from the above residence.

## MANY CANADIANS ARE GIVEN COMMISSIONS

### and Men of Contingent Of- ficers in New Army

Every British Columbian will feel a thrill of pride at reading that fifty-seven non-commissioned officers and men of the First British Columbia Regiment (Seventh Battalion, C. E. F.) now in camp on Salisbury Plain, have been granted commissions in the new army, which is being raised in the United Kingdom.

The news comes to the Times in a letter from Rev. William Barton, chaplain to the regiment, conveying the heartiest good wishes of the men to all at home for the new year. The regiment is in splendid condition, with a very small sick list. Mr. Barton writes: "Most of the men who have received commissions had left at the time Mr. Barton's letter was written, December 13, to join their new regiments, and the others were only waiting until their transfers were completed."

The names of the units to which the men were being appointed was known to most cases when the letter was sent, but in only two cases was the rank definitely known. Private R. E. Horsford is appointed to a captaincy in the 6th Battalion of the Bedfordshire Regiment, and Sergeant H. D. S. Knightley to a captaincy in the Twelfth Cavalry, Indian Army. The two sons of Colonel Hobday, who were lance-corporals in "E" Company, have been given commissions in the Royal Field Artillery.

There will be a rousing send-off given the detachment of the 30th Battalion which is going to France as reinforcements for the Princess Patricia Regiment, and the Army Medical Corps section when they leave by the 145 p.m. boat on Sunday. All the military bands will escort the men to the steamer, and there will be a big turnout of their comrades and the public. The 30th Battalion will parade as a full unit in honor of their fellow-soldiers, who will get a little ahead of them in reaching the battle-line.

### MEETINGS

Local Council.—The regular meeting of the Local Council of Women will be held on Monday afternoon, January 11, at 2:30 o'clock in the Y. W. C. A.

To Give Lecture.—Rev. E. A. Sand, of Vancouver, will give a lecture on "A Trip to Europe," at Grace English Lutheran church to-morrow evening, commencing at 8 o'clock.

Equalized Voters' League.—There will be a meeting of the members of the Equalized Voters' League in the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home this evening at 8 o'clock. It is likely that the candidates who have received the endorsement of the league will be present and will address the electors.

New Thought Lecture.—Dr. T. W. Butler will give the second in his series of lectures on "The New Thought at the Progress Temple, Pandora avenue, on Sunday at 3 p.m. The subject will be "The New Thought, Its Message and Mission." Admission will be free.

Winnipeg Lecture.—Rev. R. G. MacBeth, who will be accompanied by Mrs. MacBeth, is coming down from Vancouver on Tuesday in order to lecture at St. Columba church on Tuesday evening on "Florence Nightingale and the Crimea." Anyone who has heard this interesting speaker knows the scholarly character of his addresses, and an interesting evening may be looked forward to.

Daughters of Pity Dance.—Great interest centers in the annual dance of the Daughters of Pity which is being held to-night in the Alexandra ballroom. The annual children's dance, which always precedes the event, is taking place this afternoon, commencing at 4 o'clock, and continuing until 8. A committee of the Daughters has been in attendance at the club day taking donations of cakes and sandwiches for the supper and other refreshment arrangements in connection with the double event. Dancing, the music for which will be supplied by Miss Thain's orchestra, will commence at 8 o'clock for the adults, and will continue until 2 a.m. The proceeds of both events will, as usual, be devoted to the children's ward, Royal Jubilee hospital.

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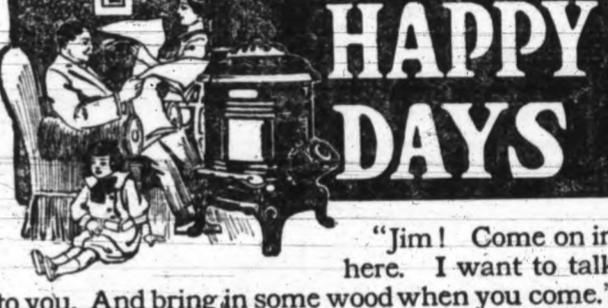
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### NOTICE

In the Matter of the Supreme Court of British Columbia. In the Matter of the Estate of John G. Spry, Deceased and in the Matter of the "Administration Act."

Notice is hereby given that under an Order granted by the Honorable Mr. Justice Gregory, dated the 29th day of December, A. D. 1914, the undersigned, was appointed Administrator of the Estate of the above deceased. All parties having claims against the said Estate are requested to forward particulars of same to me on or before the 29th day of January, A. D. 1915. All parties indebted to the said Estate are requested to pay such indebtedness to me forthwith.

### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at their next sitting, for a transfer of the hotel license to sell liquor by retail, now held by me in respect of the Victoria Hotel, situate at No. 108 Government street, in the City of Victoria, from myself to Joseph Salagna.

### MORTGAGEE'S SALE

Under and by virtue of the powers contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage, dated the 5th day of January, 1914, the undersigned is instructed by the Assignee of the Mortgage to offer for sale the following lands:

Lots Three (3), Four (4) and Five (5), in Block One (1); Lots Three (3), Four (4), Five (5), Six (6), Seven (7), Eight (8), Nine (9), Ten (10), Eleven (11), Twenty-five (25), Twenty-six (26), Twenty-seven (27) and Twenty-eight (28), in Block Four (4); Lot Two (2), in Block Five (5); and that portion of Lot Twenty-eight (28) in Block Six (6), lying without suburban Lots Fifty (50) and Forty-two (42), and part of suburban Lot Forty-one (41) and north-west corner of Section Eleven (11), Esquimalt District, according to a map or plan on file in the Land Registry Office at the City of Victoria, and there numbered 1153; and in accordance with such instructions tenders for the purchase of the above-mentioned property will be received by the undersigned up to the 26th day of January, 1915.

### NOTICE

Under and by virtue of the powers contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage dated the 9th day of September, 1911, the undersigned will offer for sale the following lands: Lot Eighty-three (83) of Sub-lots Fifty and Fifty-one (50 and 51), Fernwood Estate, Victoria, City, according to a map or plan on file in the Land Registry Office at the City of Victoria, and there numbered 433. Tenders for the purchase of the above-mentioned property, which has a house erected thereon, will be received by the undersigned up to the 9th day of February, 1915.

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## FOUR CANDIDATES NOW FOR SCHOOL BOARD

W. J. Shortt, T. W. Howard and Capt. J. W. Gidley Enter Field To-day for Contest. To-day finds four candidates in the field for the school board, as in addition to Joseph Patrick, announced by the Times yesterday, W. J. Shortt, Captain J. W. Gidley and T. W. Howard have definitely stated their intentions.

Mr. Shortt will run for a two-year term, and Messrs. Patrick and Howard for one-year terms, in which latter instance there are two vacancies. Capt. Gidley stated this morning that he had not yet finally decided what terms he would offer himself for.

It is understood that Mrs. Jenkins and Mrs. Gilbert, the latter of whom has been out of town for some time, will again be candidates for two-year terms. Mrs. Jenkins has been for a number of years a member of the board, while Mrs. Gilbert joined it as late as last March at a by-election.

Mr. Shortt is a well-known young man of the city, the senior partner in the well-known firm of Shortt, Hill & Duncan, Ltd. Capt. Gidley has been a resident for some 17 years, while Mr. Howard, who contested an aldermanic seat last January, is a real estate man in business on Douglas street.

Other candidates are expected to announce themselves in the immediate future, now that the ice has been broken. "My object in running," said Capt. Gidley, who is a heavy taxpayer, "is in the interests of retrenchment. I am anxious for efficiency in our educational system while at the same time I consider there is some retrenchment on account of the depressed financial condition of the country. I took an interest in educational matters before I came to this city and am still interested in all educational development. I have been a great supporter of by-laws for school purposes."

"Retrenchment in all times, however, must follow any salary must be reduced. All employers of labor are cutting salaries, and I think it is in the interests of the ratepayers that the trustees should follow that example. Rents are falling and unless reduction in all lines comes, it will be impossible to reduce the general taxation of the city."

"I think there is room for retrenchment in the engagement of supervisors. The trustees who are elected should, in my opinion, look into this phase, and I have no doubt that those candidates who are elected will make it their business to examine the expenditures in this direction. Wherever they see retrenchment is possible they should recommend it, as I think it is in the best interests of the city to do so."

"This is a city of education, and the educational facilities should be remembered in the effort to attract residents. We have in the Normal and High schools institutions second to none in the province, and if we can show that by retrenching we can educate as cheaply as is done elsewhere, we are going to secure that class of residents who will make it their home and add to the revenue of the city."

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