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ASQUITH INTRODUCES COMPULSION BILL

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CASUALTIES 59,666

11,118 British Soldiers Killed on Western Front in That Period

MR. TENNANT MAKES STATEMENT IN HOUSE

39,383 Wounded; Big Offensive Took Place Between Those Dates

London, Jan. 5.—The British casualties on the western front from September 25 to October 8, including the battle of Loos, totalled 2,378 officers and 17,288 men, according to an announcement in the House of Commons to-day by Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary under-secretary for war.

A table showing the killed, wounded and missing follows:
Killed—Officers, 773; other ranks, 10,346.
Wounded—Officers, 1,288; other ranks, 38,095.
Missing—Officers, 317; other ranks, 8,848.
Totals—Officers, 2,378; other ranks, 57,288.

On giving the foregoing figures, Mr. Tennant said it was impossible to separate the casualties in the battle of Loos, by which name he referred to the big offensive carried out by the British on that part of the line in France, from those in adjacent areas. The figures, he said, were casualties on the western front from September 25 to October 8.

LANCASTER, MEMBER FOR LINCOLN, DEAD

Was Chairman of Railway Committee of House of Commons

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—With the death of E. A. Lancaster, K. C., Conservative member for Lincoln, Ont., there will be ten vacant seats in the house of commons when parliament meets on Wednesday next. They are: Lincoln, Ont.; East Hamilton, Ont.; East Grey, Ont.; London, Ont.; Carleton, Ont.; Brandon, Man.; Lisgar, Man.; King's, N. S.; Beauséjour, N. B., and Prince, P. E. I.

The flag is flying at half-mast to-day on the parliament buildings in honor of E. A. Lancaster, who was one of the best known members of the house. In recent years Mr. Lancaster presided over the deliberations of the railway committee, and was recognized as an exceedingly capable presiding officer. Owing to ill-health he practically had to drop out of all parliamentary work last session.

Edward Arthur Lancaster was born in London, England, on September 22, 1860, his father being English and his mother Irish. He passed through the high school at London, Ont., and took the law course at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, later practising his profession. On November 25, 1885, he married Mary H. C. Pettit, a daughter of A. Hamilton Pettit, of Grimsby, Ont.

He was elected to the house of commons first at the general election in 1900. In 1901 he was elected by the Conservatives as one of the party whips for Ontario. He was re-elected to the house of commons at the general elections in 1904, 1908 and 1911.

In 1901 and 1902 he moved in the house a bill to compel the railways to pay for cattle killed on their tracks, which led to the appointment of the cattle guard commission. That body made an elaborate report in May, 1903, and the bill became law at that session. His energies also were directed to amending the criminal law for the protection of juvenile offenders when tried before magistrates, and to amending the railway laws in several ways in the interests of landowners and the people generally.

Mr. Lancaster was a member of the Church of England and resided in St. Catharines.

BULGARIANS ABOUT TO CLASH WITH ITALIANS

Athens, Jan. 5.—Reports reaching here to-day state that a force of 40,000 Bulgarians is marching westward toward Durazzo, Albania, which is held by the Italians, and that hostilities are expected shortly.

BRITISH GOVT. CONTROLS 2422 MUNITIONS PLANTS

London, Jan. 5.—It is announced that 296 establishments have been added to the munitions works controlled by the government. The total number of these works is now 2,422.

AEROPLANES GIVEN A WARM RECEPTION

Fleets Prepared When Machines Attacked Camp of Allies at Salonica

INCIDENT DESCRIBED BY CONSTANTINE'S BROTHER

Athens, Jan. 4.—Prince Andrew of Greece, brother of King Constantine, in an interview to-day with the correspondent of the Associated Press, described the aerial bombardment of the allies' camp at Zellenik, on the outskirts of Salonica, by Austro-German machines on December 30.

"The bombardment and the reply of the fleets anchored in the roads of Salonica," said the prince, "was one of the most extraordinary sights imaginable. I was riding back from the morning's work with my regiment when I was startled by a deafening explosion some 200 yards away. A great cloud of black smoke arose, followed shortly by three more explosions. Then came the familiar rocket-like sound of a shell passing through the air, evidently fired by one of the warships in the harbor."

"Naturally my first thought was that for some reason the fleet was bombarding Salonica. Therefore I rode straight to the nearest British post, which happened to be a hospital not far from the Greek camp.

"Why are you bombarding the city?" I asked the officers.

Three Machines.
"Then for the first time I looked up and saw three machines fully 3,000 feet high, flying in-line from the northeast and turning just over the harbor toward the northwest, in which direction they finally disappeared."

"The bombs were dropped with the greatest precision, one after another, killing and wounding a number of the allied soldiers, but not touching the city. Meanwhile the firing of the fleet grew thunderous. In a short time it became evident that the fire from the fleet was more dangerous than the bombs from the aeroplanes, as some of the shells aimed wild whistled directly over the town, one narrowly missing Major Metaxas and a troop of Greek cavalry returning from exercise.

"Pieces of shells began to drop with frightful velocity, one even piercing two floors of a tram station and burying itself in the cellar.

"Toward noon a fourth aeroplane arrived following the same course as the others, though flying lower. The black maltese crosses of the German air service were plainly visible on its wings.

Consuls Arrested.
"Riding home along King George street toward tea time, I was astonished to see French soldiers and a dense crowd of onlookers surrounding the German consulate. Farther along the street other consulates presented the same sight. The consuls were hustled through the crowd, taken to the headquarters of the French commander, General Sarrail, cross-examined and then put aboard the French battleship Patrie to the accompaniment throughout of the stares and comments of curious crowds."

Asked whether he would return to Salonica, the prince replied:
"Of course I shall. Why should I not? Despite appearances, Salonica is still Greek."

AUSTRO-HUNGARIANS WERE RESPONSIBLE

Transylvanian Leader Says Officials Caused Assassination of Archduke Ferdinand

London, Jan. 5.—A special dispatch to the Times from Bucharest says: Count Tizsa, premier of Hungary, and certain other Austro-Hungarian officials were the real authors of the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand, according to the well-known Transylvanian leader, M. Locali.

M. Locali's statement is made in reply to an announcement by the Hungarian newspaper Pester Lloyd, that proof of the complicity of the Serbian government and Prince Alexander in the crime that brought about the war had been found among the prince's papers captured by the Bulgarians.

ONLY TWO CHILDREN SAVED FROM PERSIA

Tragedy Enacted So Rapidly Survivors Have Little to Tell

ALL THOSE SAVED BEAR TRACES OF HARDSHIPS

Mothers Who Went in Search of Little Ones Never Seen Again

London, Jan. 5.—The survivors of the P. and O. liner Persia, torpedoed in the Mediterranean, reached Alexandria, Egypt, according to the account sent by Reuter's correspondent at that point, all bearing traces of shock and hardships. Most of them had badly bruised and bandaged limbs. One woman is in the hospital with a broken leg.

The tragedy was enacted so rapidly that the survivors say they hardly realized what was happening, consequently they have little to tell. The passengers were at luncheon. Five minutes later those who escaped were in boats or clinging to wreckage and the liner had disappeared. It was possible to launch boats only on one side of the ship and only the prompt action by the officers and crew enabled them to launch four boats. There were no signs of panic. Everyone made the most of the few remaining minutes.

Young Woman's Story.
One young woman described her experiences as follows:

"I was sitting down at the table when the explosion occurred. I ran at once to my cabin for a life-preserver and twice was thrown down by the rocking ship. I got to my cabin, snatched a lifebelt and rushed on deck. I had the utmost difficulty in keeping my footing and again was thrown down. As I reached the deck the liner lurched heavily and I fell. Although badly shaken and bruised, I managed to adjust the lifebelt and jumped into the sea, where I was rescued fifteen minutes later."

Two bank clerks going to Egypt rushed to the bridge and dived into the water. They were saved. Mothers who went in quest of their children never returned. Only two children were saved.

SOLDIERS SHOULD HAVE THE POSITIONS

Crothers Denies He Made Statement Attributed to Him in Dispatch

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Hon. T. W. Crothers, minister of labor, denies the statement in a press dispatch from London, Ont., to the effect that he had stated that all now in the employ of the government capable of military training and without encumbrances were to be told to enlist or give up their positions.

"My principle," said Mr. Crothers to-day, "is that if there are any positions in the public services held by young unmarried men with no encumbrances and the duties can be undertaken by disabled soldiers who have risked their lives and suffered for their country, the soldiers should get the positions."

"Mr. Crothers explained that these were his personal views and that he had not discussed the matter with his colleagues of the cabinet.

URGED RESIGNATION OF MINISTER OF MUNITIONS

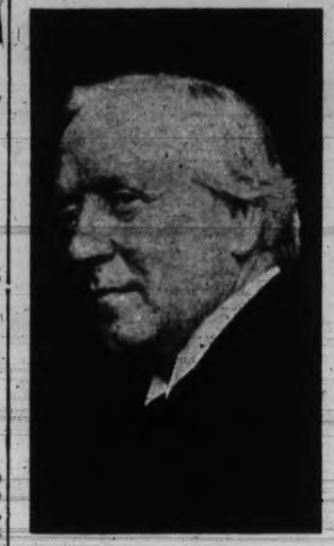
London, Jan. 5.—Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George, minister of munitions, was attacked in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. Outwaite, who concluded by shouting: "Get the minister of munitions to resign."

The attack occurred during a discussion of the resignation of the Scottish labor paper "Forward." The paper was accused of printing an account of Mr. Lloyd George's meeting with the Glasgow trades union officials which had not been approved by the censors.

ENEMY SUBJECTS WERE TAKEN TO GIBRALTAR

Madrid, Jan. 5.—British warships stopped a Greek steamship off Gibraltar and arrested 26 Austrian and Bulgarian passengers. They have been interned at Gibraltar.

INTRODUCED MILITARY SERVICE BILL TO-DAY



MR. ASQUITH

DEPRIVES ENEMY OF USE OF RAILWAY

Russian Success at Czernowitz, Bukowina, Will Have Important Results

BIG OFFENSIVE HOLDS FIRST PLACE IN NEWS

London, Jan. 5.—The Russian campaign on the front from the Pripet to the Roumania border undeniably takes first place in the war news with the announcement in a news agency dispatch from Petrograd that the Austro-German forces have evacuated Czernowitz, capital of Bukowina, which had become untenable because of the Russian capture of the heights surrounding the city.

Czernowitz undoubtedly is a valuable vantage point for a further Russian campaign. The Teutonic forces are already deprived of the use of the important railway from Czernowitz to Salestohlyk, while the line from Czernowitz to Kolomea is seriously menaced.

Czernowitz has changed hands four times since the beginning of the war.

TROOPS ORDERED NOT TO ENTER GREECE

Bulgarian Forces Instructed to Fortify Frontier, Says Bulgarian Finance Minister

Paris, Jan. 5.—The Temps prints the following from Salonica:
"The Journal Outronto, of Sofia, interviewed M. Tonieff, the Bulgarian minister of finance, who said:

"For reasons of the utmost importance the Bulgarian troops have been given strict orders not to enter Greek territory, but to fortify strongly the Greco-Serbian frontier. Our relations with both Greece and Roumania are better than before the war. This attitude of friendliness probably will remain unchanged."

M. Petkof, one of the ministers, said to the representative of the Outronto:
"Although we have concentrated forces on the Roumanian frontier, the action has been taken only as a precaution against the Russians. Our present difficulties with Roumania could be settled easily if she would join the quadruple alliance."

Italian Preparations.
London, Jan. 5.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Venice says:
"The Italian expeditionary force landed at Avlona, Albania, has opened a permanent line of communication between Avlona and Durazzo, Albania. The latter place will serve as a base in providing help to the Serbian army."

RUMOR IN NEW YORK KAISER WILHELM DEAD

New York, Jan. 5.—It was rumored about the produce exchange to-day that Kaiser Wilhelm is dead. No confirmation of the rumor, however, has been received.

"STARRING" PROVED TO BE HINDRANCE

Earl of Derby Tells of Difficulties Met Under His Plan

SHOULD REMOVE MANY FROM "STARRED" LIST

Men Who Had No Right Claimed to Come Under That Heading

London, Jan. 5.—The Earl of Derby's report on his recruiting campaign explains why the cabinet found it necessary to bring forward a measure for compulsory enlistment of unmarried men. More than 2,500,000 men in England, Scotland and Wales enrolled themselves, but after those engaged in indispensable industries and medically unfit have been winnowed out, about 1,100,000 available to bear arms remain. But there are 650,000 unmarried men who failed to come forward, and the government is now attempting to redeem Mr. Asquith's pledge that the married men should not be called out so long as a considerable fraction of unmarried men held back.

Unreliability of Starring.
In his report, which was addressed to Earl Kitchener, secretary for war, the Earl of Derby says:
"Many difficulties have been met with, but the chief difficulty has been the unreliability of those who should and those who should not be taken for the army. Instead of starring being an assistance, it has been a distinct hindrance to the canvass.

"More especially was this so in the rural and semi-rural areas, owing to the fact that it was known before registration day what branches of the agricultural industry would be starred, with the result that many men who had no right to be starred claimed to be engaged in those particular headings. The sense of unfairness thus created and the inequality of treatment to farmers has been most detrimental in these areas. The farmer himself is not a starred man, but there are numerous cases of his sons and laborers being starred as cowmen, horsemen, etc., though in many instances it is known that they are really not so engaged.

Should Be Revised.
"It is essential that the starred list should be carefully investigated and in many cases of misdirection the star removed and the man made available for military service. This applies to starred men in all industries.

"The issue during the progress of the canvass of lists of trades which were to be considered 'reserved occupations' also has proved an obstacle. I recognize it was essential that such lists should be issued, but the fact remains that trades and other than those mentioned in those lists have been applying to be included, and the men engaged in those trades are expecting to be treated in the same way as the starred men and have been deterred from coming forward.

"The men also who would willingly serve find themselves barred from doing so by domestic, financial and business obligations."

AGENTS OF GERMANY ARE BUSY IN PERSIA

Trying to Force Persians to Form Alliance With Central Powers

Petrograd, Jan. 5.—The Tiflis correspondent of the Bourse Gazette, of Petrograd, tells of the activities of German agents in Persia.

To the Persians these agents picture the operations in Mesopotamia as a collapse of British military might. They are exploiting these operations to further the conclusion of an alliance between Persia and Turkey and the central powers. The irregulars and gendarmes have renewed their raids in conformity with the German plan.

Leading priests are warning the Shah of Persia that the fate of his father will overtake him if he refuses to comply with the will of the people. All indications point to his removal to Ispahan as a crowned hostage of the Kaiser.

Bahram Khan, at the head of a strong force, has invaded British Baluchistan. The vanguard is a well-equipped expedition which the German consul at Kerman organized, according to the information reaching the correspondent at Tiflis.

MEN BETWEEN 18 AND 41, BACHELORS AND WIDOWERS, TO SERVE

Compulsory Service Measure Introduced by Mr. Asquith To-day Not to Apply to Ireland; Prime Minister Says Those Opposed to Conscription Will Support Bill.

London, Jan. 5.—Under the terms of the compulsory military service bill introduced in the house of commons to-day by Mr. Asquith, all males between the ages of 18 and 41 who are bachelors or widowers without children dependent on them are liable for military service.

Ireland is excluded from the terms of the measure.

Mr. Asquith said no case had been made out for general conscription and that the bill he was introducing would be supported by those opposed to conscription.

The prime minister opened his address with an analysis of the figures in the Derby report. He emphasized the fact that during the Derby campaign nearly 3,000,000 men had offered their services. Even deducting those rejected on the ground of physical disability, the total was still in excess of 2,500,000.

ATTACKS PART OF SOCIALIST PARTY

German Socialist Member Rates Those Who Opposed New War Credit

Berlin, Jan. 5.—Dr. Karl Wolfgang Heine, Social Democratic member of the reichstag, writing in the International Correspondence, bitterly attacks the minority of his party which opposed the sanctioning of the new war credit.

"Enemies who now, as Germany stands, powerful and unified, refuse all suggestions of peace," Dr. Heine says, "certainly would not be ready to grant peace to a German empire weakened by inner dissension. They would push across the border, defeat our armies, kill hundreds of thousands of our brothers and bring the misery of an enemy investment into our country."

"Those who destroyed party unity in order to oppose the war credit really did not want it refused. They enjoyed the luxury of their negative votes only because they felt assured that others would look out for the safety of the Fatherland.

"Let me say it plainly once and for all, that such tactics show neither courage nor love of truth."

Split in Party.
Under the heading: "Social Democratic Split," the Tageblatt reproduced a statement made by Karl Peters, who said:
"They (the minority) actually succeeded in opposing the war credit and in fact just after their comrades in the west had spoken up in opposition to a peace due to weakness."

"They trusted around proclaiming they had shortened the war and they used the most certain methods of prolonging it, for it is plain to everyone not entirely crazy that their procedure was bound to awaken among the enemies of Germany the hope that the empire eventually could be 'tired out.' That this is a fight to the last man should be apparent."

NEWFOUNDLAND'S REVENUE INCREASING STEADILY

St. Johns, Nfld., Jan. 5.—The revenue of the Colony of Newfoundland for the fiscal half year ended Dec. 31 was the largest on record, according to figures made public to-day. The increase over the corresponding period of the previous year was approximately \$500,000.

Government officials estimate that the coming six months will show equally good results, and that for the fiscal year ending June 30 next there will be a surplus of revenue over expenditures. Last year there was a deficit of \$700,000, which was met by the utilization of a cash reserve and the raising of a loan of \$500,000.

BERNHARD SHAW OPPOSES.
London, Jan. 5.—Bernhard Shaw, in a letter made public to-day, announces his opposition to any plan calling for extensive conscription. His letter says: "Any fool could win the war with enough men."

NINE KILLED IN LYONS.
Lyons, Jan. 5.—Eight soldiers and one civilian were killed and nineteen soldiers and one civilian were injured here yesterday by the accidental explosion of a shell in the artillery park.

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RUSSELL TESTIFIES ABOUT BICYCLES Sold First Lot to Government at \$62; Price Later Was \$47.50

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—T. A. Russell, of the Canada Cycle & Motor Co., was again on the stand before the Davidson investigating commission yesterday afternoon with regard to certain phases of the transactions of the firm in selling bicycles, motor trucks and tires to the government for the first Canadian contingent. John Thompson, K. C., asked if the firm had not charged \$62 for the first order of bicycles and \$55 for the second, and Mr. Russell agreed that it had. The firm had furnished bicycles since that time, in fact, since the last time the matter had come before the commission.

TWO DIVISIONS FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA Hughes Says Object is to Raise 21 Divisions More in Canada

Toronto, Jan. 5.—At a banquet here last night to Brigadier-General Logie and his staff, given by the Toronto National Exhibition Board, ex-Mayor Joseph Oliver presiding, Major-General Sir Sam Hughes, a guest of honor, announced that Canada proposed to raise the quota of troops necessary to bring its war contribution to 500,000 men, as announced by Sir Robert Borden in his New Year message, by securing 21 additional divisions, apportioned as follows: British Columbia—Two divisions, Alberta—Two divisions, Manitoba and Saskatchewan—Three divisions, Ontario—Toronto district, five divisions; Eastern Ontario, two divisions; Western Ontario, two divisions. Quebec—Three, and possibly four divisions. Eastern Provinces—Two divisions.

FINANCES OF CANADA DURING NINE MONTHS Increase of \$23,000,000 in Revenue Over Corresponding Period of Last Fiscal Year.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The monthly statement of the department of finance shows that the revenue for the nine months of the fiscal year ended December 31 was \$122,000,000, and for the corresponding period of the last fiscal year \$99,000,000, an increase of \$23,000,000. Payments on ordinary expenditure during the nine months were \$14,000,000, as against \$5,000,000 during the corresponding period of the last fiscal year, a decrease of \$9,000,000. The capital expenditure was \$28,000,000, a decrease of \$5,000,000 as compared with the corresponding period of the last fiscal year.

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CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The following casualty list was issued last night: First Battalion—Severely wounded: Pte. James Craig, North Hamilton, Ont. Second Battalion—Dangerously wounded: Pte. F. J. Southall. Wounded: Pte. C. T. Learn, Aymer, Ont.; Pte. Wm. Cox, England; Lieut. Malcolm Neilson, England. Slightly wounded: Pte. R. W. Temple, England. Reported missing: Pte. George Gray, England. Third Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. Thos. Phillips, Wales. Died of Wounds: Pte. R. I. Hughes, England. Fourth Battalion—Suffering from shock: Sgt. Fred Delaney, Channing islands. Wounded—Pte. Archie Hiner, Ingersoll, Ont. Eighth Battalion—Died: Pte. Thos. Kelley, England. Wounded: Pte. Jas. Wilkie, Dauphin, Man.; Sgt. P. E. Henderson, Middleboro, N. S. Tenth Battalion—Dangerously wounded: Sgt. N. G. Buchanan, Eng. land. Fourteenth Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. W. J. Osgoode, Quebec. Missing: Sgt. Jos. Turcotte, Montreal. Wounded: Pte. C. Kenney, Montreal. Fifteenth Battalion—Wounded and suffering from shell shock: Lieut. R. McChester, Brooklyn, N. Y. Wounded: Lieut. E. G. Waller, Elkhorn, Man. Sixteenth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. James Murray, Scotland. Eighteenth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. Chas. Dickson, Scotland. Nineteenth Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. John McCombie, Scotland. Wounded: Pte. J. E. Bryant, St. Catharines, Ont.; Pte. A. G. Miller, Mount Denis, Ont.; Pte. Wm. Barth, Toronto. Twentieth Battalion—Wounded: Sgt. Major J. Lauchlan Torrie, Kakabeka Falls, Ont. Twenty-First Battalion—Slightly wounded: Pte. Edward Wilson, Kingston, Ont. Wounded: Cpl. Charles Southgate, England. Twenty-Fourth Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. Owey O'Keefe, Montreal. Twenty-Fifth Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. Charles Bell, Glace Bay, N. S. Wounded: Sgt. J. W. Sutherland, Oxford, N. S. Twenty-Sixth Battalion—Pte. John Hamilton, London, Ont. Twenty-Eighth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. Edward Wilson, Ireland; Pte. John Bowers, England; Pte. A. H. Waugh, England. Twenty-Ninth Battalion—Suffering from shock: Pte. J. A. Grouse, Chelsea, Mass. Wounded: Pte. Herbert Reynard, England. Thirty-First Battalion—Wounded: Sgt. F. Hasell, England; Pte. Edward Lloyd, England. Fifty-Second Battalion—Seriously ill: Pte. Frank Liddell, Medicine Hat, Alta. Fifty-Second Battalion—Seriously ill: Pte. R. A. Westover, Barwick, Ont. Fifty-Fifth Battalion—Seriously ill: Lieut. Cpl. J. W. Charnley, Marysville, N. S. Princess Patricia's—Found dead, December 23; Pte. J. Macdonald, Quebec. Seriously ill: Pte. J. Patrick, England. Sixth Canadian Mounted Rifles—Seriously ill: Pte. Jack D. Lilliecrop, England. Third Field Artillery—Concussion: Gnr. G. F. Gilmore, Toronto. Eaton's Armored Battery—Wounded: Cpl. Frank Radford, Toronto. No. 3 Field Ambulance—Wounded slightly: Pte. A. Plumbree, Toronto; Pte. J. H. Singleton, England.

ENEMY CONSULS WILL BE SENT TO SWITZERLAND

Paris, Jan. 5.—The ministry of the interior announces that the consuls of the Teutonic allies arrested at Salonica will be brought to Marseilles and from there conducted to the Swiss frontier. The ministry further announces that in reprisal for the arrest by the Bulgarian authorities of the French vice-consul and charge d'affaires at Sofia, and the seizure of the archives of the legation, the government yesterday caused the arrest of the Bulgarian official in charge of the archives at the Bulgarian legation in Paris. As the official is ill, however, he was allowed to remain in his room, but under guard.

JOHN THOMPSON, K. C., JOINS 124TH BATTALION

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—John Thompson, K. C., who for eight months past has been engaged as counsel for the Davidson investigating commission, has decided to discard his legal gown for his majesty's uniform, and left for Toronto to-day to take a commission with the 124th Battalion under Lieut.-Col. Chadwick. Mr. Thompson, who is a son of the late Sir John Thompson, one-time prime minister of Canada, has had previous military experience, and it is said that he will take the rank of major in the regiment. During the time the Davidson commission was in session Mr. Thompson has given his services free of charge.

SCHUMANN-HEINK'S SON DIED IN SAN DIEGO

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 5.—Hans Schumann-Heink, of the Guy Schumann-Heink insurance company, of this city, son of Mme. Schumann-Heink, the world renowned contralto, died here at 2:30 a.m. to-day. He had been ill with a severe attack of pneumonia since Christmas day. His wife, mother and brother, Ferdinand, were at his bedside when he died. Mr. Schumann-Heink was 28 years old, the father of two children.

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RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE MEETS WITH SUCCESS

Gains Made in Czartorysk Region, in East Galicia, Near Czernowitz Petrograd, Jan. 5.—The following official statement was issued last night: "The Germans tried to cross the Dvina in the region of Eisenhof, but were thrown back by our fire. We put to flight Germans wearing white coats, who attempted to approach our trenches in the region of the Taargrad station. "In the region of Czartorysk, (Volhynia, Russia), the enemy was driven from the wood between Koshulinska and the Podcherevitchi station. In the region of the Middle Strypa (East Galicia) our troops crossed the line of wire entanglements, occupied enemy trenches to the east of the village of Bielawitz and took by storm an isolated fortified enemy work. "Northeast of Czernowitz (Bukovina) we occupied a line of trenches and repulsed by the concentrated fire of our artillery enemy counter-attacks, the enemy sustaining heavy losses. Czernowitz Evacuated. London, Jan. 5.—The Petrograd correspondent of the Hvas Agency announces that the Austrians have evacuated Czernowitz (Bukovina), the Russians having seized all the heights dominating the town. A Reuter dispatch from Petrograd says that the Teutonic forces are reported to have evacuated Czernowitz. It adds that a large number of prisoners have been taken, including many Germans.

MONEY FROM STATES FOR JEWISH WAR SUFFERERS

New York, Jan. 5.—The American Jewish relief committee announced to-day that its fund for the relief of Jewish war sufferers in Europe had passed the million mark. The actual figures given out were \$1,007,893.65. There is not the slightest doubt now, it is said, that the fund will go beyond the two million mark before the end of January. It is believed that at least \$50,000 will be raised at the big mass meeting to be held in Chicago.

TO DESTROY SUBMARINES.

Rome, Jan. 5.—Instructions of the most energetic character have been sent to the British, French and Italian fleets in the Mediterranean to hunt down the enemy submarines and render them as harmless as they have been of late in the North Sea. Paris, Jan. 5.—A dispatch to the Hvas Agency from Salonica says: "The British authorities have offered a reward of 50,000 francs (\$14,000) for information of the presence of German submarines in the Aegean Sea." Just and noble minds rejoice in other men's success, and help to augment their praise.—Penn.

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BITTER TRUTHS FOR GERMANS IN TRENCHES

Small Newspaper Deals With Real Conditions in Germany; Winter Campaign

London, Jan 5.—Evidence that the German malcontents are not confining their efforts to protests in the reichstag is forthcoming in the shape of a small four-page newspaper printed in Gothic characters, headed with the German eagle and the title Die Feldpost, which has fallen into the hands of a member of the Royal Engineers near Ypres.

The contents of this production, evidently intended to circulate among the German troops, are not calculated to cheer them up.

Campaign Against Russia. A front page article is headed: "The Coming Winter Campaign" ("Die Kommende Winterfeldzug"), and it gives a lurid outline of the troubles which lie ahead of the German armies in their winter warfare against the Russians.

"As a consequence of the skillful withdrawal of the Russians," it says, "the German troops will have to fight, not only against the Russian generals, but also against the pitiless field commander Winter—The warfare that was waged last winter in the flooded district of the Yser gives only a faint picture of the battle which soon will develop in the swamps of Russia."

Submarine Campaign. Another article deals in an equally discouraging style with the German submarine warfare, declaring that there is considerable disquietude in Germany because so many submarines fail to return to harbor.

"Their opponents know why," observes the writer, "and they also know that Germany possesses fewer submarines to-day than she did at the beginning of the war, in spite of the fact that in the meantime she has built a large number of them—The British admiralty have found excellent means of beating off the attacks of German submarines, but it prudently keeps the knowledge to itself—The so-called 'blockade' of England has become more futile than ever. Germany may go on confidently with her submarines sinking unarmed merchant ships and passenger steamships, but she does thereby more damage to herself than to her enemies—She suffers a moral and material loss combined."

Doctored News. Under the heading, "The Censor in Germany," a third article gives specific instances of the way in which the German authorities not only suppress unpalatable news, but deliberately falsify articles in the press to give to the public an erroneous impression of the state of affairs.

Headed "Die Lebensmittelnot infolge Teuerung und Wucher (usury) in Deutschland," another article discusses the alarming increase in the cost of living in Germany, giving extracts from German newspapers showing how two divergent explanations are offered by opposing journalistic schools of thought for this serious state of affairs.

One section of the press, it is shown, declares that the cost of food is due to actual shortage, against which any measures taken by the government are ineffectual, while other organs declare there is food enough for the empire, but that the dearthness is artificially produced through the usurious profits exacted by the merchants, against whom the government neglects to take drastic action.

Cheaper in Belgium. From the Kolner Tageblatt is quoted an instructive letter from a German soldier in Belgium, who complains bitterly: "It is sad, very sad, when we see how the Belgians, in spite of our possession of their land, live much more cheaply than our dear wives and children at home, and many a father of a family thinks anxiously of his dear ones."

"The excessive prices," asserts this retailer of disagreeable truths, the Feldpost, "actually restrain the consumers from buying as much as they need in order to live properly, and consequently foodstuffs, in spite of their scarcity, are spoiling in the hands of the greedy merchants. This spoiling has assumed such dimensions that, as Vorwärts openly declares, there has now developed a trade in spoiled foodstuffs."

Cannot Escape Starvation. The same journal is quoted, in commenting on an advertisement of 500 cwt of meat for sale as cattle food, as making the bitter statement: "While at present huge quantities of meat are everywhere spoiling, which often hardly can be disposed of as cattle food, the people are no longer in a position, owing to the high prices, to be able in many cases to eat sufficient quantities of meat themselves."

The Feldpost writer closes an article with the prediction: "An extreme shortage in the nourishment of the German people is only a question of time; it is as certain and unescapable as the financial distress."

SAYS DANGER FACES THE UNITED STATES

Germany Forbids Republic to Be True to Itself, Declares Reinach

Paris, Jan. 5.—In an editorial article in the Figaro, Joseph Reinach, the official historian of the war, writes:

"The gigantic game of Germany is already as good as lost in Europe, but she will attempt to replay it in the United States before the end of the century if Washington is not careful. The negro question which issued from the Civil war is as nothing compared with the German peril which will arise shortly.

"Germany knows that the day when the United States reaches the end of its patience and declares war she will have no other course but to admit defeat. In that day world liberty would be proclaimed victor.

"Surely there is no other country in the world which would have submitted as has the United States to the prolonged German outrages. At least the phrase 'civis Americanus' ought to be equal in value to the historic utterance 'civis Romanus sum,' yet more than one hundred Americans have slept in the depths of the Irish Channel for the past eight months.

"Have they been avenged?" "Will the secretary of state be content with the last Austrian note, which, among ridiculous platitudes, mixes an infamous accusation of Italian sailors?"

"I learn that already the western states demand action while the east demurs. Therein appears the United States' peril, and I know of none more redoubtable. Germany, which is saddling itself on the United States, forbids her to-day to be true to herself."

GERMANS NOT LIKELY TO ACCEPT GREY'S OFFER

London, Jan. 5.—An official statement issued last evening said: "Sir Edward Grey, secretary of foreign affairs, has answered the complaint by the Germans through the American embassy regarding the destruction of the coast of Ireland of a German submarine and crew by the British auxiliary vessel Baralong by referring to various German outrages. Sir Edward Grey offers to submit such incidents, including the Baralong case, to an impartial tribunal, composed, say, of officers of the United States navy."

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QUIET ON WEST FRONT

Paris, Jan. 5.—The following statement was issued by the war office last night: "No important events occurred during the night. Last evening our artillery destroyed in the outskirts of Androschy and in the region of Royes, a house which had served as shelter for machine guns."

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BICKERDIKE WOULD ABOLISH HANGING

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Robert Bickerdike, Liberal member for the St. Lawrence division of Montreal, has secured the first place on the order paper for bills, with his bill to abolish capital punishment in Canada. Mr. Bickerdike has introduced this bill at every recent session, but the majority of the members of the house on both sides have always been of the opinion that the time is not yet ripe for such a reform in Canada, and the bill has been killed.

A number of questions which members propose to ask have been received already by the officials of the house. J. H. Sinclair, Liberal member for Guysboro, N. S., will ask if it is the intention of the government to name a minister of munitions. A number of questions will be asked in regard to machine gun contributions, while public works and the dredging at Port Nelson also will be productive of a number of questions.

HIGHER INSURANCE RATE MEDITERRANEAN ROUTE

New York, Jan. 5.—The activity of Austro-German submarines in the Mediterranean sea caused an advance in war risk insurance by local companies to-day on cargoes for Mediterranean ports and shipments for the Far East through the Suez canal. A rate of ten per cent. is quoted on cargoes in ships of belligerent countries, as compared with three-eighths of one per cent. before the sinking of the A. Ona and the Yasaka Maru.

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Washington, Jan. 5.—The state department to-day received the following report from the American consul at Marseilles: "Marseilles agents of the P. O. line state that only two Americans were aboard the liner Persia. These were American Consul McNeely, who is missing, and Charles Grant, of Boston, who was saved."

A man walked into a grocer's shop and handed to the assistant a paper containing some white powder. "I say," he said, "what do you think, that is? Just taste it and tell me your opinion." The grocer smelled it, then touched it with his tongue. "Well, I should say that was soda." "That's just what I said," was the triumphant reply. "But my wife said it was rat poison. You might try it again to make sure."



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HIS AILMENTS.

If the Kaiser has all the maladies ascribed to him by the cabled reports he is a very sick man. The first account gave to his ailment a technical German term which probably explains the cable and telegraph wire troubles of the last few weeks. Next it was claimed that he had an affliction, the professional definition of which was said to be suffering from a form of influenza which affected the joints, next it was rheumatism, and finally becoming more definite, the reports fixed upon the throat trouble from which everybody knows he has suffered for years. A Parisian report says his condition is so grave that an operation for the removal of his larynx will be necessary. This would deprive him of the power of speech. It would also put an end to those blasphemous declamations with which he justified the devilish actions that have stained his soul with the blood of millions. Death will treat Wilhelm of Germany many times beyond his deserts if it intervenes between him and the punishment he should receive on this earth for his monstrous onslaught upon humanity and civilization.

RUSSIA'S RECUPERATION.

Last summer we were all on the tip-toe of apprehension that the giant Teutonic pincers would clench the lips of the Russian retreat from the Vistula. The Slavs were attacked on the front before Warsaw and on both flanks, the enemy forces threatening three sides of the squared formation of the retreating armies. With remarkable skill, however, Ivanoff and Alexieff held the sides intact while they withdrew their front, contesting every mile of ground and inflicting enormous losses on the advancing Teutons. Berlin and Vienna had celebrations every day and the entente capitals were correspondingly depressed. Notwithstanding their heavy losses and their deficiency in artillery and munitions, the Russians had the situation well in hand. Masters of defensive warfare, they escaped every snare and finally fell back upon lines which could not be forced. The Teutonic losses in that drive, including those resulting since from the difficulties and hardships of fighting in a most unfavorable region, are estimated at two millions. That enormous drain depleted their supply of effective reserves. Nevertheless all sorts of preposterous claims were made by the war-mad "Junia" and it was stated that Russia had been so badly crippled that no more offensive operations by her would be possible until late next summer and perhaps for the remainder of the war. Incidentally, the whimpering North-cliff press agreed that Russia would not be a serious factor for a very long time.

All this, of course, was the veriest humbug. Lack of foresight is not a Russia failing, and as everybody might have expected, large fresh Russian armies were being formed even while the active forces had begun to retire from the Donajec and Carpathians. The tremendous offensive now being conducted by Ivanoff from the Pripiet to Bukovina shows how woefully both Germans and our pessimists underestimated the enormous vitality and recuperative power of the Czar's empire. So formidable are those Russian armies regarded by the Teutonic higher command that von Mackensen and the German and Austrian forces in southern Serbia and Bulgaria have been hurriedly withdrawn and sent to Galicia. Berlin and Vienna just now are having plenty of thrills, but of an altogether different kind from those which followed the grandiloquent announcements of Russia's military

downfall. Their armies will be fortunate, indeed, if they hold any considerable part of their present lines as the result of the present clash, yet it is but a foretaste of what they will have to meet in the spring when Russia for the first time will have in the field forces which will be completely equipped. Four million fresh men, with an abundance of equipment of all sorts from the factories of highly industrialized Japan, United States and Great Britain, besides her own establishments, will be a menace that the weakening armies of Germany and Austria well may anticipate with heavy hearts. There will be no more premature celebrations of Russia's "military collapse" in Berlin and Vienna.

THAT PILE TRESTLE.

On April 6, 1914, the city council by resolution decided to oppose the application of the Canadian Northern Pacific Company to build a temporary bridge across Selkirk Water. A message was sent to Mr. Barnard, the member, and Mr. Ritchie, the city's legal representative at Ottawa, requesting them to insist upon the construction of a permanent bridge of either steel or concrete, with spans of not less than fifty feet. Up to October 23, 1915, the council adhered to that attitude, which was wholly reasonable, particularly in view of the fact that we have guaranteed the bonds on that bridge as part of the system in whose behalf our credit has been pledged in the principal sum of more than \$40,000,000, with annual interest charges of more than \$2,000,000. The people of Victoria were led to believe that a great transcontinental railway system was going to establish island connections according to first-class standard. That is what the contract endorsed by them provides. Our morning contemporary, which was the most prolific of assurances, pledges, undertakings, now seems to think that the public ought to be satisfied with any kind of branch works so long as it can announce their "completion." It really ought to guarantee on behalf of the railroad that inasmuch as the company has been permitted to depart from the terms of its contract, the taxpayers of Victoria also should not be held to the terms of agreement relative to their proportion of the guarantees if the company is unable to pay. Either this year or next year the province will be asked to meet the interest on the guaranteed bonds in the shape of a loan in pursuance of the agreement. Victoria will have to contribute a substantial share of that amount. How would it do to ask for the remission of that obligation pending the performance by the company of its part of the contract?

RECRUITING POSSIBILITIES.

The contribution of British Columbia and the Yukon, known as Military District II, to the additional forces to raise Canada's military strength to half a million has been fixed at two divisions, or 35,000 men. This district, according to returns issued at Ottawa yesterday, already has enlisted 21,703 men. Thus, if British Columbia and the Yukon succeeded in raising two new divisions they would have recruited more than 57,000 men. This would be thirteen or fourteen per cent of the population if we include 30,000 Indians, and our own non-recruitable foreign inhabitants. It would be nineteen per cent. If we exclude them from the reckoning, no country in Europe has reached that ratio, nor can it reach it without enlisting women, very old men, the physically incapacitated and school children. The authorities there claim that the maximum number of men a highly militarized country can use from first to last in a war is equivalent to ten per cent of the total population. None of the belligerent countries, with the possible exception of Serbia, in whose ranks many women, children and the aged and unfit have been fighting, has exceeded that percentage so far. Moreover, although the bulk of our population is concentrated on the coast, thousands are distributed among the sparsely settled districts many miles from the centres of enlistment and sources of information, a condition which makes the total of 21,700 already gained highly creditable.

According to the last census the total number of males over twenty-one years of age in British Columbia alone was 45,639. The total in this province and the Yukon was about 55,000. The number of males over eighteen, of course, would be larger, but, on the other hand, we must exclude from our reckoning men of more than forty-eight years of age. We also must exclude the males between eighteen and forty-eight of the total foreign and Indian population of 30,000. We must further exclude the physically and mentally unfit. These eliminations would reduce the aggregate of available male effectives of military age at the outbreak of war to a figure which probably would not exceed 40,000 and which, allowing for the increase of

the male population since the last census, certainly would not be greater than 45,000. Our total enlistment, however, is expected to be 57,000, and obviously as it, or nothing like it, cannot be raised even by forcibly enrolling every physically fit man of military age in the province, it is clear that if our authorities are in earnest appeals will have to be made to immature youths, old men and the physically unfit, who if they reached the battlefield would quickly succumb to the hardships of a heavy campaign.

We are confident that British Columbia's creditable percentage, which, reckoned on the basis of our available recruitable population, is the highest of any province in Canada, will go still higher. But it should be remembered that there is a fixed limit to the recruiting possibilities of this province beyond which it would be dangerous to go. In Great Britain, notwithstanding the determination to place a gigantic army in the field, every care is taken to keep the wheels of industry going. The railroads, the mines, the banks, the great factories, must be kept in operation at all hazards, for economic chaos, and probably defeat, would follow the termination of their activities. In British Columbia our business establishments, industries, utilities and administrative services must be kept in operation or we shall be bankrupt. We would like to be able to put a hundred thousand men in the field, but we cannot do so any more than we can recruit a total of 57,000 men fit for active service. Moreover, striving after the unattainable invariably results in the impairment of the efficiency of what we do attain. Twenty-seven thousand well-trained, physically fit men can do infinitely more on the fighting front than twice the number made up largely of boys, old men and others unfit for heavy exertion.

In his vehement protests against the attacks made upon him in Britain and France the King of Greece carefully refrains from touching upon their cause. He is despised by loyal people everywhere because he abandoned Serbia with whom his country was bound to make common cause in the event of a hostile attack by Bulgaria. Not only did he disregard a treaty of which the government of his own kingdom was the principal author, but he trumped upon the Greek constitution to do it. When Bulgaria attacked Serbia, Greece had between two hundred and three hundred thousand men under arms. Had she menaced Bulgaria, as she solemnly bound herself to do, the Serbs would have been able to concentrate practically all their forces against the Teutons, whom they could have held, for the Austro-German Balkan army never was large at any time. It was not the Teutonic attack that crippled Serbia, but the more formidable Bulgarian advance on the flank and rear. It is idle for Constantine to whine about his neutrality at this juncture. He has been notoriously pro-German for a long time, and never took any particular pains to conceal his sympathies. Two years ago the French government had to make his Germanophile proclivities the subject of serious representations to Athens.

Now we know why Roosevelt refused to lead a Canadian army against the Hun. He is grooming himself for the presidency, and if, he runs against the present holder of the office the indications are he will get it. Even Col. Watterston, a lifelong and militant Democrat, cannot endorse the foreign policy of Wilson.

An American professor now riles and announces that both Great Britain and Germany have violated every law which stood in their way. He proposes that both be punished and that the penalties be inflicted by neutrals. As the chief of the neutrals, we presume

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The Kaiser, we are told, is in danger of losing his organs of articulation. But even at that the All-Highest still will be equal to inditing loving epistles to his illustrious allies, the imperial and royal head of the house of Hapsburg, the sublime Sultan and Ferdinand the Fox.

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Ex-Ambassador Choate is described as hopelessly old-fashioned, albeit somewhat hasty. He said recently: "I do not believe the people of America can sit idly by and see liberty crushed to earth, law and order overthrown and civilization abolished."

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 And that just when women need them most. These gowns are well made from a nice warm quality flannelette, and will give good satisfaction in wear. There are three grades to choose from.
Flannelette Nightgowns of good quality, finished with tucked yoke, long sleeves, open front and lace trimmed, white and pink. January Sale price each **95c**
Flannelette Nightgowns of heavy quality in white and in pink, made in slip-over style, also open front, three-quarter and full length sleeves and lace trimmed. All sizes and some O. S. extra full in skirt. January Sale prices each **\$1.20**
Flannelette Nightgown of heavy quality, made in slip-over style and with open fronts, finished with yoke effects and embroidery trimmed. January Sale price **\$1.45**
 —First Floor

Men's Work Shirts 50c and 75c
 A strong shirt for working men, cut large in body and you choose from dark stripes and plain colors.
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Clearing Balance of Winter Cloakings \$1.50
 Values \$2.25 to \$3.50
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50 Seamless Tapestry Rugs at January Sale Prices
 Good Serviceable Quality Rugs, woven without seam and a quality that will give perfect satisfaction in wear. They come in two sizes—the most useful for Victoria homes.
 Size 9x10.6, reg. \$17.50 grade for **\$12.90**
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Special Purchase of Traveler's Sample Neckwear 15c
 On sale at
 A complete sample range of ladies' new neckwear—revealing all the very latest styles and novelties, also materials and colors. Included is a very nice assortment of string ties, new slide ties, four-in-hand, wide ends and many other styles. The materials include silk crepe de chine, fancy silks and cords in very pretty designs and new colors—Practically all different. Values that would sell in the regular way to 50c. Special each **15c**
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Bargains in Boys' Suits
Strong Hardwearing Suits, made especially for school boys. Serviceable tweeds and worsteds the chief materials. Regular grades to \$7.50, clearing at **\$5.75**
 Better qualities clearing at **\$7.50**
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A Clearance of Fancy Laces
 Beautiful quality laces, including Guipure, Battenburg and Oriental—mostly insertions—2 to 10 inches wide. These are very choice grades and pretty designs.
 Values to \$1.00, clearing at yard **25c**
 Values to \$1.50, clearing at yard **75c**
 Values to \$2.25 to \$2.50, clearing at yard **75c and \$1.00**
A Special Purchase of Fancy Laces Being \$1.00 Values for 50c
 All kinds of pretty designs in white, cream, black and colors. For samples see Broad Street windows.
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Savings on Women's Hose
 The Hosiery market continues to raise prices, and there's every indication of still further advances. You will therefore be very wise in buying your new stock at present prices—even for next Fall wear.
Black Cashmere Hose—Special per pair 35c, 3 pairs for **\$1.00**
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3-Dozen White Woolen Sweaters for Girls—On Sale at \$1.25 and \$1.50 BUT WORTH \$2.50
 A very serviceable Woolen Sweater in V-neck, coat shape, white only and sizes to fit girls 6 to 12 years. A quality well worth \$2.50. Special price while they last, each \$1.50 and \$1.25.
Girls' Woolen Sweaters in coat shape with military or roll collar, fine knit and all sizes from 1 to 12 years. All colors to choose from—priced according to sizes and qualities **\$1.65 to \$5.00**
Separate Woolen Caps to match, each **75c**
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 —Main Floor

Strong Boots for Boys at Rare Savings \$3.50 VALUES FOR \$2.75
 Boys' Box Calf Blucher Boots, leather lined, also Boy Scout Box Calf Blucher Boots. Regularly sold at pair \$3.50. All sizes 1 to 5½ now selling at pair **\$2.75**
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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY
Victoria Times, Jan. 5, 1891.

Mr. Herbert Kent leaves for New Westminster this evening to sing the baritone solos in the "Messiah."
To-morrow the sixth of January, is the twenty-fifth anniversary of the commencement of the terrible winter experienced by the residents of the province in 1862. There was good sleighing for six weeks, during which time it was freezing hard, and fodder having run out, almost every head of livestock in the city and province perished.
It is understood that one of the measures to be introduced into the legislature at the coming session will be one similar to the pharmacy law existing elsewhere, and governing the drug trade. Its effect will be the compulsory passing of the required examination in chemistry before qualification to make up a prescription.

THE JURY
Every reader of this newspaper is a member of a daily jury. Each day the claims of rival manufacturers and merchants are set forth in the advertising.
And the great jury of readers passes on these and gives its verdict by purchasing or leaving alone.
By that verdict the various advertisers must stand or fall.
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The advertising only succeeds, as it is made helpful and appealing to your needs.

Phoenix Beer—2 qts. for 25c.
Give to aid the Union Jack; There are those who'll not come back.
Patriotic Aid Society, 1210 Broad St.
Show Cards, W. Blake, phone 3545, 1424 Government St.
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Patriotic Aid Society, 1210 Broad St.
Phoenix Stout—2 qts. for 25c.
You Can't Blame the Ladies for looking around when they want to buy furniture. Naturally it's the store out of the high rental district that can give the best prices. See the Standard Furniture Co., 731 Pandora avenue.
Phoenix Stout—2 qts for 25c.
For the Misses and the Kids Left behind—who pays, who bids? Patriotic Aid Society, 1210 Broad St.
H. B. "Imperial" Lager Beer, quarts, \$2.00 per dozen.
Helen Badgley's Classes in Speaking for children, young people, ladies, business women, teachers, advanced students, men, dramatic art—meet Monday afternoons and evenings, phone 5022L.

Have you noticed Standard Steam Laundry branch office in Dominion Hotel block.
Silver Spring Beer, 2 qts. for 25c.
The Umbrella Shop, 519 Pandora St.
Weather Strip, 5c. Per Foot. R. A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas St.
H. B. "Imperial" Lager Beer, pints, 1 for 25c.
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Silver Spring Beer, 2 qts. for 25c.
Retrench by having things repaired at Wilson's Repair Shop, 614 Cormorant. Gramophones especially.
Silver Spring Beer, 2 qts. for 25c.
Heat Up That Bedroom with a Famous Oil Stove, \$4, at R. A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas St.
Silver Spring Beer, 2 qts. for 25c.
Furnaces Installed. Watson & McGregor, Ltd., 647 Johnson St.
Dr. S. G. Clemence, Dentist, has moved to his new and up-to-date office, corner View and Broad streets, No. 46-47 Arts Bldg.
Phoenix Beer—2 qts. for 25c.
Polish With Nutsurface—Good for floor and furniture, 3 oz., 25c., at grocers. Made in Victoria.

Those of us are left behind Must be something more than kind. Patriotic Aid Society, 1210 Broad St.
Silver Spring Beer, 2 qts. for 25c.
Red Cross Society.—A meeting of the Oak Bay committee of the Canadian Red Cross society, will be held in the Municipal hall, Oak Bay avenue, tomorrow at 8.30 p. m.
Claims for Damages.—Claims for damages alleged to have been done to the premises of Chinese proprietors which were raided by the police on search warrants last week have put in through Moresby and O'Reilly, and these will be considered by the board of police commissioners on Friday afternoon. As the premises were being used for illegal purposes and entrance was denied the police by the barring of the doors against them, necessitating the breaking down of these, it is not likely that any favor will be shown to the request for compensation. In all these places where opium smoking or gambling is carried on there are always doors constructed of double thickness and these have elaborate systems of bars and springs enabling them to be shut at any alarm by the pulling of a cord. Friday's meeting will be the last of the present police board.

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SHOOTS HIMSELF IN PRESENCE OF FAMILY
Francis J. McGrath, Sailor and Mining Man, Suicides in His Home

A somewhat sensational suicide took place last evening at 2655 Oak Bay avenue, when Francis Joseph McGrath, an able seaman of the crew of H. M. S. Shearwater, took his own life by putting a bullet through his brain. The act was committed in the presence of the wife and five-year-old daughter of the man.
Mrs. McGrath is unable to give any reason for the action of her husband, as she knew of nothing that should lead him to end his life. Chief Syme, of the Oak Bay police force, has been conducting inquiries to-day, but these also fail to throw any light on motives.
The story which Mrs. McGrath tells is a very clear one. Her husband had come home about half-past six o'clock, and entered the room where she and the little girl were preparing to go out, first to a moving picture theatre and later to spend some time with friends. They asked him to go with them, but he refused the invitation, saying he would stay in for a while. When he went out of the room and into the kitchen he took with him his revolver, a heavy old-fashioned Smith & Wesson with a nine-inch barrel, and of .38 calibre.
On following him into the kitchen some time later, about 7 o'clock, Mrs. McGrath found that he was sitting at a corner of the table, toying with the weapon, but there was nothing out of the ordinary in his manner, nor did the fact of his having the revolver or what he was doing with it occur to her.
Mrs. McGrath again asked him if he would not go out with the child and herself, but he answered somewhat shortly that he would not. The two of them turned to leave the kitchen when McGrath, saying, "Well, here goes," put the weapon to the side of his head and fired. The thing happened so suddenly that for a few seconds Mrs. McGrath was stunned, and unable to realize what had occurred. Then she ran to her husband, who had fallen forward, with the blood streaming from the two wounds in the skull. She ran out screaming and neighbors who heard her went in to the assistance of McGrath.
H. F. Pullen, who lives next door, Arthur J. Bird, of 2055 Chaucer street, immediately to the back of the McGrath home, and Sergeant Kilsby, of the 88th Fusiliers, who was visiting Mr. Bird at the time, responded to the cries for assistance and hurried to the house. It was quite evident that McGrath was dead, the bullet having passed clean through the brain from side to side. It had then lodged in the wall near the doorway within two or three feet of where Mrs. McGrath and the little girl had been at the moment.
Dr. Kenning was summoned by telephone, and arrived in a few minutes, but he could only confirm what was apparent to those who had first found the body. Chief Syme was also called, and he took charge of the body, which he had removed to the rooms of the B. C. Funeral company. An inquest is being held this afternoon by coroner Stanier, who saw the body before it was moved from the house.
McGrath was a man of fine physique and was a familiar figure on the street and at Esquimalt in his naval uniform. He was over six feet in height and broad shouldered. A great part of his life had been spent out of doors and he had the rugged, ruddy, healthy appearance of the man whose training in this way rendered him able for any exertion and almost insensible to fatigue. He had spent many years in the royal navy and was a member of the R. N. reserve. As soon as war broke out he rejoined the service and was placed on the strength of the Shearwater.
He was an excellent sailor, and had a good reputation among his mates and his officers. His long service previously made him a good man as a leading seaman, and he was popular with the men. While living here since his retirement from the navy he had been engaged in mining and had extensive interests in the northern part of the province.
Fire Alarm Equipment.—The installation of the telephone service in the new fire alarm quarters is in progress to-day, and there is every prospect that by the end of this week the installation will have been completed.
Death Was Accidental.—The verdict of the jury which yesterday heard the evidence touching the circumstances of the death of James Webster was that he had died while under the influence of an anaesthetic, that there was no blame to anyone and that it was purely accidental.

NEW PATRIOTIC SONG
Words Written by Lieut. Guy, of Esquimalt Navy Yard. Being Sung at Pantages.
The following patriotic song, written by Lieutenant Guy, of the Esquimalt navy yard, is being sung at Pantages this week:
Thy clarion call sweeps o'er the seas, Motherland, my Motherland,
Thy voice is borne upon the breeze, Motherland, my Motherland,
Thy children yield unto the call— Home, kindred, life, their very all, To guard thee lest thy empire fall, Motherland, my Motherland.
The foe is battling might and main, Motherland, my Motherland,
Thy women are among the slain, Motherland, my Motherland,
With deeds most foul his blood-stained hand The craven host his murderous band Shall ne'er set foot upon thy strand, Motherland, my Motherland.
Hark to proud Belgium's cry of pain, Motherland, my Motherland,
And shall that cry be heard in vain, Motherland, my Motherland,
Hear Poland moan from out the dust, To satisfy the Prussian lust, And martyred Cavell with the just, Motherland, my Motherland,
What is the price the foe shall pay, Motherland, my Motherland,
When Right—not Might—shall hold the sway, Motherland, my Motherland,
Among the nations of the free The name forever accused shall be, Despised, dishonored Germany, Germany, yes Germany.
Then sons of Britain grasp the sword, Motherland, my Motherland,
And crush with steel the Prussian lord, Motherland, my Motherland,
Lord God of Battle, be our shield, And guide us till the foemen yield, Or grant us death upon the field, Of Motherland, our Motherland.

Prohibitionists Meet.—Last evening at the Y. M. C. A. over one hundred enthusiastic men and women interested in the prohibition movement sat down to a workers' supper which was supplied by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. At the conclusion of the meal plans were discussed and perfected for a thorough canvass of the city to solicit signatures for a petition to the provincial government, requesting it to submit the question of prohibition to the people at an early date. What proved to be a very interesting part of the evening was the canvassing demonstration made by Mr. Pringle, who canvassed five voters.

Oaklands Pride, I. O. G. T.—On Tuesday evening, December 25, the members of Oaklands Pride Juvenile Temple, International Order of Good Templars, entertained their parents and friends in their lodge room in the Oaklands Methodist church. The superintendent, Miss A. Abel, occupied the chair. A short programme was rendered, after which each child present received a bag of candy and an orange as a gift from the temple. Those who took part in the entertainment were: Edna Ashton, Millie McGregor, Grace Wilson, John Crowe, Jessie Roy, Mina McGregor, Jessie Shearer, George Lane, Lena Butterfield, Rhoda Bass Florence Bryant, Lizzie Crowe, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Butterfield and Mr. Cooper.

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A Public Meeting
Will be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on
Thursday, January 6, 1916
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for the purpose of hearing an address by
J. A. CUNNINGHAM, ESQ.
PRESIDENT OF THE B. C. MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION
on the subject of
"SHIPBUILDING IN BRITISH COLUMBIA."
A. STEWART,
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- Camphorated Oil, bottle **10c** and **20c**
- Jamaica Ginger, bottle **20c**
- Petroleum Jelly, jar, **6c** and **12c**
- Dr. Cassell's Tablets, per pkg., **47c**
- Senna, pkt., **4c** and **8c**
- Nice Table Apples, per box, only **\$1.38**
- Golden Star Tea, lb., **35c** or 3 for **98c**
- Tetley's Tea, 1-lb. canisters, for **44c**
- Our Special Coffee, lb., **35c**
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TRUSTEES TO MEET

CITIZENS TO-NIGHT

Civic Retrenchment Association Meeting Will Be Held at Belmont House

The Civic Retrenchment association has invited the school trustees to explain the work of the school year to them at a meeting to be held to-night at Belmont house. More particularly the possibility of retrenchment in the coming twelve months will be dealt with. The association hopes the trustees will see their way clear to effect a further reduction of \$20,000 to \$25,000 in the estimates as submitted tentatively to the council last month. Dr. Lewis Hall intends to explain the operation of the parents' associations which exist on the other side of the ice, and elsewhere. An initial step in this direction was taken recently at a meeting at Victoria West school. He is satisfied that many difficulties may be cleaned away by this proposal, which would lead, he believes, to a better understanding with regard to the school management. He proposes also to lay before the meeting some ideas with regard to broadening the curriculum of the graded schools, so that youths who leave school without proceeding to the high school may have some useful knowledge which will serve as a groundwork upon which to build a commercial education. The trustees will be asked some questions with regard to night schools being made self-sustaining, the maintenance of a separate health officer when the city has a health adviser, school supplies, and pupils staying on after the age limit is reached. There are four retiring candidates on this occasion, including the chairman of the board. As no other candidate beyond these gentlemen have offered themselves, nor is there any prospect of a contest, whatever

pledges they may give to-night will be decisive.

"House Based Upon Woman"

"A house is not based upon the ground, but upon woman," is an old Montenegro proverb. To her falls the hard work of the household. They use the sickle, tend the flocks, as well as the spinning wheel, and have the vitality and health to enjoy it. Canadian women should take more care to preserve health and vitality by avoiding nervous run-down conditions, and for this purpose our local Druggist, D. E. Campbell, Victoria, B. C., has a most valuable combination of the three oldest tonics known in Vinol. If you are weak, run-down, over-worked just try it.

NOT TO BE MISUNDERSTOOD AT BERLIN.

Nowhere else in the world, excepting perhaps in the United States, could there possibly be uttered by a high officer of a government at war a speech like that of David Lloyd George in parliament, with its refrain of "Always too late!" and its picture of past, present and future defeat through indifference at home to the needs of preparation. Such plain talk is characteristic of the British culture. It is a sort of negative bravado; the bravado of a fixed purpose. It is needed in England to warn the civilian squire that he must do his part. It is needed to stir and sting him to co-operative action. But it ought not to be misinterpreted in Germany. In the most pessimistic expressions of Lloyd George or any other patriot and prophet of war there is not the faintest sign of weakening in the national resolution to see the thing through at any cost of time or life or treasure. Indeed, it is likewise characteristic of the race that the blacker the military situation may seem, and the gloomier the utterances of responsible statesmen or soldiers, the further from the British heart is the thought of quitting. Nor is this the courage of the forlorn hope. Whatever has happened or may happen in the operations on land, so long as Great Britain's navy masters the seas she is invincible; a fact equally well understood at London and at Berlin—New York Sun.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

All personal items sent by mail for publication must be signed with the name and address of the sender.

B. Reimers, of Metchoin, is stopping at the Dominion.

David Thomson, of Prince Rupert, is at the Dominion.

Mrs. Rod Cameron, of Vancouver, is at the Dominion.

W. A. Clement, of Toronto, is staying at the Dominion.

Mrs. G. E. Hamilton is a guest at the James Bay hotel.

B. W. Briggs, of Portland, is staying at the Empress hotel.

G. A. Dunn, of Calgary, is staying at the Dominion hotel.

R. Jobson, of Port George, is a guest of the Dominion hotel.

Hornace Dover, of Vancouver, is staying at the Dominion hotel.

E. E. Gladman, of Peterboro, is a guest of the Dominion hotel.

C. R. Harald, of Seattle, registered at the Empress hotel yesterday.

C. R. Tyrone, of French Creek, is registered at the James Bay hotel.

W. D. Hampden and family, of Calgary, are registered at the Dominion hotel.

A. F. Carter and Mrs. Carter, of Vancouver, are staying at the Dominion hotel.

H. Brunell, Mrs. H. Brunell and Miss M. Brunell, of Vancouver, are guests at the Dominion hotel.

Harry Sisor, of Pender, Cooper, Sisor & Co., accountants, Winnipeg, is a visitor at the Aberdeen.

Seattle guests at the Empress hotel yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Black, W. A. Dudley and C. S. Pierce.

Vancouver arrivals at the Empress hotel yesterday included Edward Brooks, James Brooks and James McGowan.

The engagement is announced of Stanley March, a member of the 67th battalion, and a son of Mr. and Mrs. James March, this city, to Miss Florence Levens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levens, also of Victoria.

Hon. Lorne A. Campbell, minister of mines, has returned from his home in Rossland, where he spent the Christmas and New Year holidays. He is making arrangements to take up the examination of the position of the unfinished railway projects guaranteed by the government, a chairman of the committee of the executive council to which this has been given by Premier Bowser.

Lieut. Gary and other officers of the unit were in charge of the company from the 6th Battalion, Western Scots, which visited Pantages last evening in a body for the purpose of hearing Miss Billie Seaton, who is appearing there this week. Several members of the Western Scottish heard Miss Seaton when she was on the Orpheum circuit, and hearing that she was in Victoria this week on the Pantages bill, decided to visit the theatre and once again hear the favorite. Her several songs were received with marked enthusiasm, and at the close of her performance she was the pleased recipient of a bouquet of flowers from the soldiers.

The superfluities sales committee of the Red Cross has decided to continue the sale of goods to the public, but will not sell by auction. They believe better prices can be obtained by selling from the store direct to the public. One store has been retained in the Belmont block where the articles for sale are on view and may be bought at reasonable prices.

There is a display of tapestries, rugs, pictures, ornaments and household articles of value, many of them unique. There has been a steady demand for superfluities since the idea was originated, and the Red Cross society makes a further plea that gifts will be continued to the society for sales purposes. Only small articles, such as can be displayed in a limited space, are sought.

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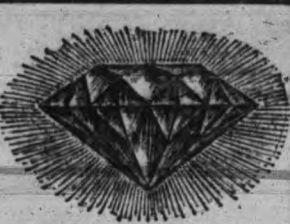
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Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

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Generosity of Many Donors is Much Appreciated; Many Cash Offerings

At its meeting yesterday morning the Friendly Help association acknowledged with thanks a long list of donations from citizens in connection with Christmas hampers, in addition to generous gifts for general relief work during December, as follows:

Cash from—The provincial government, Hon. James Dunsmuir, A. Manson Friend, Mrs. Fletcher, Hon. W. J. Macdonald, A. J. Farrell, Mrs. W. Wood, John Brown, Hon. J. S. Helmcken, Mrs. W. R. Higgins, A. Sinclair Friend, L. H. Solly, Mrs. Saunders, Mrs. J. H. Gillespie, Mrs. Christie, Mrs. Fernie, Mrs. B. W. Pearce, Mrs. Woodcock, Mrs. Geo. Power, Mrs. H. Robertson, J. O. Graham, Miss K. Adair, Frank Sore, Mrs. Ferris, Mrs. C. F. Todd, F. W. Noffe, J. A. Mars, Mrs. Jeffreys, Mrs. Rowley, Mrs. Tuff's S. S. Class, Miss E. C. Moore, Mrs. Robbins, Mrs. Crawford, Miss McDowell, H. E. Beasley, Mrs. Galletty, Mrs. C. A. McTavish, E. Crow-Baker, Miss Dawson, Dr. T. J. Jones, Oak Bay Friend, Mrs. Browne, Dean of Columbia, Mrs. Helsterman, Miss Thom, Miss Russell, Mrs. Carter, Miss Blackwood, Anonymous, Mrs. R. T. Elliott, O. B. Ormond, Mrs. Leewen, Another Friend, Mrs. Gregory-Allen, Mrs. Ashton, D. R. Ker, Mrs. Pierce, Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Rathorn, Mrs. J. H. Solly, E. Stinson, Mrs. Lloyd, J. Williams, Miss Amy Angus, Miss A. Ferguson, Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Burns & Co., William, Hick, L. Goodacre, J. E. Painter & Son, Hall & Walker, B. W. Grant, Beardon & Vernon, Gilbert D. Christie, Beacon Hill School, also Sir James Douglas, Girls' Central, Spring Ridge, Quadra St., Oakland, South Park, Margaret Jenkins, Victoria West and Bank St. Schools.

Clothing was received from—Miss Ryall, Mr. Westgate, Mrs. R. McDougall, Mrs. Loewin, Mrs. H. G. Wilson, Miss Perkins, Mrs. Toms, J. D. Virtue, Miss Lettice, the Detectives, Mrs. Fernie, Mrs. Robbins, Mrs. Linn, Mrs. Bass, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Toller, Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Goodlake, Mrs. Kettle, Mrs. Rolfe, Miss Carr, Mrs. S. M. Leigh, Mrs. Howell, Mrs. A. D. Hardie, Mrs. Hooper, Mrs. Pease, Mrs. H. G. Barnard, Mrs. Dunsmuir, Miss Dill, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Lothian, Mrs. Helsterman, Miss McKay, Mrs. Herbert, Mrs. Rough, Mrs. Tobin, Mrs. Wheeler, Mrs. C. Schwager, Miss Montclair, Miss Calley, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Duncan Ross, Mrs. Nichol, Melba Apartments, R. B. Robinson, Friend, Fred Landsberg, Mrs. Creese, Mrs. Fatt, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Blankenbach, Mrs. R. F. Green, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Barraclough, Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Loveridge.

Shoes were received from—Spencer's, Mutrie's, Mrs. Thompson, Mr. Whitefield, Wm. Fernie.

Layettee from—The Baby's Aid, Mrs. Tom Gore and Mrs. Colquhoun.

Comforters from—Mrs. Fleitt, Oil stove from—Mr. Maynard.

Carpet from—Mrs. Richards.

Bread from—Golden West Bakery.

Potatoes and other vegetable from—Dr. R. Ker, Mrs. F. Pemberton, Mrs. J. H. Gillespie and the stallholders in the market.

Groceries were received from—C. A. Erb, Mrs. George Taylor, Mrs. Drewry, Mrs. Broderick, Mrs. Connell, Mrs. Keays, Mrs. Wheeler, Mrs. Munste, Mr. Mair (Sidney), Mrs. Ledingham, Brackman & Ker, Mrs. Frank Barnard, Mrs. R. Angus, Miss Carr, Miss Fraser, Wilson-Bros., Wesley Church, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Fatt, Mrs. Leigh, Mrs. A. Green, Mrs. Borde, Mrs. J. F. M. Pinkham, St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Mrs. Ferris, Mrs. Gilmore, Mrs. R. F. Green, Mrs. Fred Jenne, Mrs. R. Selick, Mrs. Dickinson (Hillside avenue), Mrs. James, Niagara Guard 50th Highlanders, Mrs. J. A. Worthington, Mrs. F. D. Little, Miss Lettice, Mrs. Rob-

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New clothing was received from the Ladies' Needlework guild per Mrs. Harry Barnard; also from Mrs. Holt, Mrs. J. W. Virtue, Miss Russell, Miss Amy Angus, Mrs. R. A. Brown, Mrs. Gill, Miss Angus, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Thoburn, Mrs. Davey, Mrs. Christian M. Becker, Mrs. Vidler, Miss Sutton, Mrs. Broderick, Mrs. J. O. Graham, Mrs. Cessford, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Earsman, Mrs. Clayton, Mrs. Riddell, Mrs. Fred Landsberg, Mrs. Borden, Mrs. Baynour, Mrs. Oscar Eass, Mrs. Southland, Mrs. H. G. Wilson, Miss Agnes Renny, Miss Thom.

Little Eda, with sweet memories of the Christmas dessert, turned to her mother, who was a widow, and said—"Mamma, do you really and truly love me?" "Why, of course, my dear. Why do you ask?" "And you will prove it to me?" "Yes, if I can." "Then go marry the man round the corner who keeps the sweet shop."

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A young man was sitting in a barber's shop looking at a magazine when an old farmer, with little knowledge or appreciation of literary people, stepped up behind his chair and looked over his shoulder. "Who's them?" he inquired, pointing to a group of portraits. "Well known authors and playwrights," was the reply. "Humph!" ejaculated the farmer, contemptuously. "Jist writin' fellers, eh?" Then he caught sight of an author with a long, solemn face, and his eyes sparkled. "That's the one I like," he said with decision, putting his finger on the writer's mournful countenance. "Oh, yes; nearly everyone likes him," agreed the young man. "His humorous writings are 'Don't I know nothing' 'out his writin' but I know his face.' 'Why so?' 'Cause he's the only feller that looks like he was sorry for what he'd done."



SCENE FROM "JUST JIM," WITH HARRY D. CAREY, AT THE VARIETY THEATRE

ROYAL VICTORIA.

For the last time to-night "The Absentee," with Robert Edson in the star role, will be the attraction at the Royal Victoria. There is no doubt that in this five-reel feature the theatre has secured something that should be seen by every business man and every working man in this city. It deals with labor difficulties that are presented to every man some time or another whether he be employer or employee. The theme is that of an absentee who has built up a successful industry and retired to enjoy the results of his work, giving small consideration to those who labored with him and for him, who contributed from their just portions to his material advantage. The whole story is a live one and should not be missed.

PANTAGES THEATRE.

Merry musical maids, dainty dancers, clever comedians and a pleasing sprinkling of vocalism and daring acrobatics combine to make the week's amusement at Pantages as satisfying as could well be. A delightful dessert for this feast of entertainment is provided by the "Fashion Girls," a bevy of pretty girls who are extremely easy to look at. They offer a musical comedy act of the tabloid species that besides the eight attractively costumed chorus girls and two women principals,

has two good comedians who make the most of their opportunities for fun-making. "Oklahoma" Bob Albright might be termed the piece-de-resistance of the feast. For Bob and his remarkable baritone-soprano double voice, are always welcome to Victoria audiences. His imitations of Chauncey Olcott, Al Jolson and of J. K. Emmet, are great. He also sings "My Hero," as a baritone-soprano duet, and a new patriotic song, "Motherland," the words of which were written by a naval officer at Esquimalt.

The Potts brothers—twins, and they look it—put on a rollicking comedy sketch, assisted by two pretty women. It is entitled "A Double's Troubles," which in itself suggests how well suited they are to present it. Miss Billy Seaton, a charming Spokane girl, is heard in a number of good comedy ballads and the Standard brothers provide a fine acrobatic number to open the bill.

MAJESTIC THEATRE.

At the Majestic theatre to-night will be shown a special two-part film entitled "A Sultana of the Desert." It tells how Jean, the daughter of Martine, the French exporter, loves Christoph and the love is requited. However, Jean's father objects to the two lovers' meeting. He discovers the trysting place of Jean and Christoph. Taking home his daughter, he orders

her to prepare for a journey. Before Martine and his laughter leave, Jean writes Christoph a note: "Good-bye; they are taking me to a convent," Martine's servant sees Jean give the maid this note, follows her to Christoph's shop, where he overcomes Christoph and knocks him unconscious with a blow. He then takes Christoph to a dungeon beneath Martine's home. Jean and her father cross the desert with a caravan of camels.

In the meantime, Christoph comes to his senses, wrenches loose a bar in the dungeon window and escapes. He again encounters Jean's maid, who tells him where Jean has been taken. After Jean has been placed in the convent, she escapes and in time reaches a cave in the desert, where she makes friends with a lion. Christoph has also crossed the desert; has visited the convent and is told that Jean is no longer there. He returns to the desert in search of Jean. Word reaches Jean's father that she has disappeared, and he engages Balsamo—the Bedouin pirate of the desert, to search for Jean. Balsamo follows Jean's trail, discovers her, and shoots and kills the mate of the lion, which has become Jean's pet. He then forces Jean to accompany him.

In another oasis, Balsamo attacks Jean, but the lion enters and kills the bandit. Christoph, in search of Jean, arrives on the desert and finds her alive, with her pet lion. Jean's father, hearing nothing of his daughter, also starts a search for her, and arrives

on the oasis. He shoots and kills the pet lion, and Jean coming upon him, tells him how the lion saved her life.

TWO NEW CANDIDATES

Ex-Alderman Peden and James Bell Are in Field for Aldermanic Honors.

The number of candidates for the aldermanic contest grows very slowly. James Bell, a resident of the city for the past 25 years, and formerly in the hardware business, announces his candidature to-day. Mr. Bell, although not previously a candidate for municipal honors, has taken considerable interest in municipal matters, and will be able to devote the necessary time to the work.

Another is forthcoming in the person of Alexander Peden, a member of the council of 1911 from Ward V. Mr. Peden was an active member of one of the busiest councils of recent years, and served through a year when much of the local improvement work was inaugurated.

As chairman of the cemetery committee, he was active in the construction of the Ross Bay seawall, which was undertaken as a direct attempt to save coast erosion. The work was then carried out, leaving a substantial surplus—since 1912 he has not made an effort to return to civic life. He is well-known in insurance and sporting circles in the city.

EIGHTY-NINE CHINESE APPEAL CONVICTION

Are Marched Through Streets Under Police Guard to Court House for Hearing

Eighty-nine Chinese, convicted in the police court last month on a charge of being inmates of a gambling house, appeared before Judge Lampman in the county court this morning to appeal against the magistrate's conviction. Some of the Chinese were on bail pending the hearing of the appeal, and some who were unable to get bail have been held at the provincial jail to await the hearing.

Those who were at the jail were brought to the city this morning in the interurban train, and those who were on bail joined them there.

The Chinese were formed into fours, and, guarded by a number of uniformed police officers, were marched in the roadway along Douglas and down View streets to the courthouse. Seen in the distance they looked like a company of uniformed recruits, and on arrival at the courthouse were doubted by the onlookers there who knew the number of the company in the 89th Battalion. On the way through the streets they caused considerable excitement, people running from many directions to get a look at the procession. The expectation of the public turned to laughter when the novel procession reached them.

There were too many of the Chinese to get into the space of the court room, so the cases of those who were not on bail were called first. These were marched into court, and the others who had surrendered their bail were guarded in the corridor. Following the entering of an appearance of the first batch, and the hearing of the opening of this case, they were taken from the court and returned to the provincial jail. The second party then entered the court room and were spectators of the proceedings while they lasted this morning.

W. C. Moreby, appearing on behalf of the whole eighty-nine, applied to have the conviction by the magistrate quashed on the ground that the warrant under which the premises where they were arrested was defective, inasmuch as it was made in the day time, and was not for the premises asked for in the application of Sergt. Fry for a search warrant.

The application asked for a warrant to search No. 1 Fan Tan alley, and it was shown in the evidence that there are two places in Fan Tan ally known as No. 1. It is contended that the warrant was not explicit enough. There is a further defence that the men were not in a gambling house.

C. L. Harrison for the crown presented similar arguments to those advanced at the police court hearing, and his honor reserved judgment on the argument until Tuesday morning.

COUNSEL ABSENT.

Appeal Court Judges Say Absent Counsel Are Not Entitled to Consideration of Court.

An application was made in the court of appeal this morning on behalf of an absent counsel to have a case in which the absentee was to appear set back on the list because the counsel could not reach Victoria in time. The chief justice said the court was not inclined to grant consideration to counsel who did not fill their appointments, but as there was inconvenience to the counsel on the other side who was present, the court would have to grant the indulgence. The chief justice said the court owed absent counsel no consideration, and Mr. Justice Martin also objected to counsel not being present to comply with the requirements of the list.

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SOLDIERS MAKE AN ATTACK ON POLICE

Break Iron Gates at Station in Miniature Riot Last Night; Three Arrested

There was a wild time about the police station for a couple of hours last night, and for a time it looked as if a mob of soldiers might work havoc with the new premises which have been in occupation little over a month.

It was practically a riot, but the police were too few in number to be able to cope with it in the inflated condition in which the soldiers were, led on largely by a couple of young fellows who are no strangers to the police cells but who have lately enlisted. A large picket was sent out from the Willows after some time, but of course it took considerable time to get in, and by that time the affair was practically over.

What caused the riot was a baseless rumor of ill-treatment of a soldier who had been taken charge of by the military police. Pte. Dyson, of the 88th Fusiliers, was taken out of the Manitoba bar by the military police as he was drinking after the hour at which bars become out of bounds in the evening, half-past nine o'clock. When taken out he kicked and bit and struggled along Yates street and down Broad street as far as the Hotel Canada corner, and of course a crowd quickly gathered in which were both civilians and soldiers.

Finding that they needed help the picket called on the city police for assistance, and Constables Barnes and Godfrey responded. At this point the excitement had the effect on Dyson of bringing on an epileptic fit, and he collapsed on the sidewalk. Some fool started the cry that he had been clubbed by the police, and the soldiers at once began to get nasty and hustled the officers. In the melee the unfortunate Dyson got crushed and bruised by his supposed friends.

Three of the ringleaders of the crowd of soldiers were Pte. Charles Hanson, of the 88th Fusiliers, who has made several appearances in the police court dock on various charges, and Ptes. Leon Lamont and Patrick McGraw, of the 103rd Battalion. These men endeavored to rescue Dyson from the officers and struck at them and obstructed them, at the same time inciting the crowd to do the same.

By sheer strength the officers got to the patrol box and the wagon was called. On its arrival there was another struggle before the three men could be got into it and taken to the station. There was at first a movement to follow the wagon to the station, but cooler heads in the crowd prevailed for a time. As soon as the crowd dispersed Dyson was taken to the station and there he was attended to by Dr. Lennox, and ordered to be removed to the Jubilee hospital.

Some of the more rowdy of the crowd got the excitement worked up again, and a move was headed for the police station, but in their ignorance the new ringleaders, including a brother of Hanson's went to the old premises on Cormorant street before finding their mistake. Then the crowd, which was constantly increasing and in which was a preponderance of soldiers of the different regiments, moved around to Fisgard street and made a demonstration in front of the police station.

The iron gates closing the entrance doors to the building and to the side entrance used for bringing in prisoners had been closed and locked before the arrival of the shouting and singing mob. The foremost caught hold of the iron bars and shook them, demanding the release of the three men. There were shouts to the crowd to "Let us break down the place." "We'll burn the building," "They're killing them inside," and these served to further incense the mob. Some of the soldiers were admitted to the alleyway, and it was explained to them what was the matter with Dyson, but the rest of the crowd wanted the prisoner released. The iron gates at the entrance door were forced, but the sight of the officers in the doorway daunted the crowd and they tried to get no further.

Major Armour and the picket of the 6th Western Scots arrived about this time, and they rounded up all the members of that corps in the crowd and incorporated them in the ranks of the picket. With the addition of this defensive force, which remained drawn up in front of the building for some time, the other soldiers and the civilians drifted off.

This morning Hanson, Lamont and McGraw were brought up on charges of unlawfully obstructing a peace officer, Constable Godfrey, in the discharge of his duty. A remand was obtained until to-morrow morning, as the attendance of the members of the picket of military police which first took Dyson in hand is required as witnesses.

There is a good deal of criticism among citizens of the inadequacy of the military pickets which are being sent into town to enforce the rule against soldiers drinking in bars after nine thirty. There is no obligation on the hotelkeepers to refuse to serve them, and while many licensees do their best there are others which cater to the soldier trade and will serve them at any time. In several of the bars men in uniform may be found drinking at prohibited hours, and they are adopting schemes to outwit the pickets. The city police have no jurisdiction in the matter, although they have been appealed to in some cases by proprietors of restaurants and grills where liquor may be served to assist them in keeping soldiers out. In some of the cafes there is a disposition to refuse to serve men in uniform at all, as it is being found that citizens are giving up patronizing places where there are likely to be intoxicated soldiers creating a disturbance.

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FEW PASSENGERS ARE COMING ON NIAGARA

Australian Liner Will Dock Here on January 16; Travel Is Very Light

Inward bound from Sydney, the Canadian-Australian liner Niagara, Capt. Rola, called at Auckland, N. Z., on December 28 and at that time carried 107 passengers in all classes.

Northbound travel at the present time is very slack. This is the off-season, but owing to the war there are not so many people coming this way as there have been during the same period in preceding years.

The Niagara is bringing in a fairly heavy cargo of butter, mutton, beans, oils and general merchandise.

Shimpo Maru Is Coming

Word is expected almost any day of the steamship Shimpo Maru, under charter to the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, which left Yokohama last month.

The steamship Kuni Maru has been added to the trans-Pacific fleet of the O. S. K. She sailed from Kobe, Japan, on December 26 and is expected to show up off Cape Flattery on January 16.

MAN WHO IS MAKING WEIRD TRIP HEARD FROM

Catalina Islands, Cal., Jan. 5.—Officiating as his own crew, cook and dishwasher, Capt. Thomas W. Drake, on his way from Seattle to Brazil, in a thirty-two-foot power schooner, is in port here to-day, before he puts out for the storm to abate before he puts out for San Diego.

VANCOUVER MARINE NOTES

Vancouver, Jan. 5.—The Union company's steamer Venture, Capt. Parks, arrived yesterday morning from Prince Rupert with 10,000 cases of canned salmon and three carloads of frozen fish.

The steamer Waiwemo, of the Canadian-Australian line, is due here between January 5 and 8 from Australia and Fiji.

SANTA CLARA ASHORE

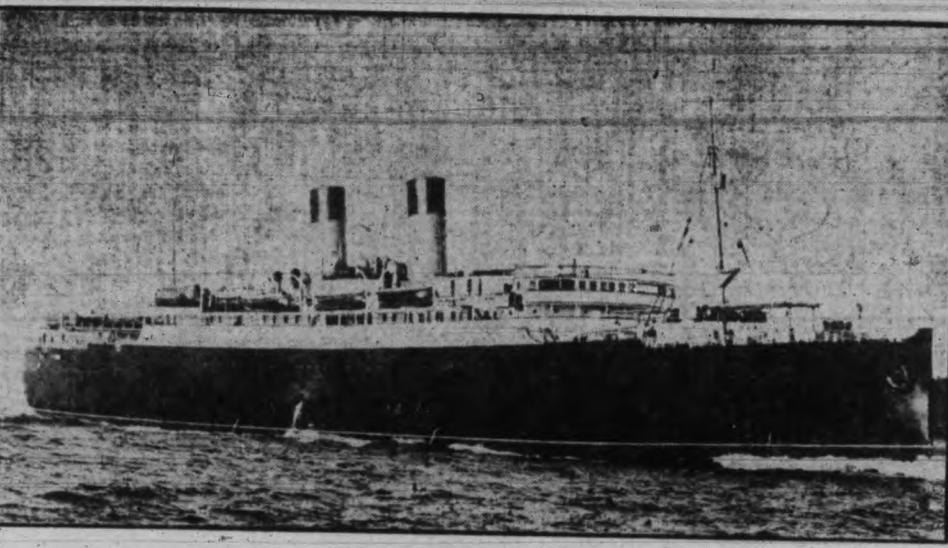
Valparaiso, Jan. 5.—The American steamer Santa Clara, which sailed from New York November 25 for Valparaiso, is stranded in the English narrows of the Magellan Straits.

TIDE TABLE

Table with columns for Date, Time, Ht. m., Ft. m., Ft. m., Ft. m., Ft. m., Ft. m.

The time used is Pacific standard, for the 120th meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours from midnight to midnight.

ATLANTIC LINER WHICH CARRIED LOCAL ARTILLERY MEN SAFELY TO LIVERPOOL



S. S. MISSANABI. Related news was received here early in the week of the arrival at Liverpool of the Missanabi with the draft from the 5th Regiment.

LIGHTHOUSE TENDERS PREPARING FOR TRIPS

Leebro Already Has Left for Gulf; Estevan Sails This Week and Quadra Next

After remaining in port over the holidays, and having blown-down their boilers and undergoing short overhauls, the lighthouse tenders are being dispatched on various cruises by the marine department.

ALASKA FREIGHTER TO LOAD FOR JAPAN

Seward Will Make Her First Voyage Offshore to Relieve Freight Congestion

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 5.—For operation between Seattle and Japan in the general freight trade, Frank Waterhouse & Co., yesterday chartered the big steel freighter Seward from the Alaska Steamship Company for three months.

CREW STILL STANDING BY DISABLED VESSEL

Thessaloniki Is in Serious Plight; Urgent Call Sent Out for Assistance

New York, Jan. 5.—A wireless message received here to-day from Capt. Goethe, of the steamship United States, indicates that the Greek steamship Thessaloniki is in a serious plight.

THREE BOATS BROKEN ON YAROSLAV BY SEA

Marking the return of the Russian Volunteer fleet to the trans-Pacific trade, the steamship Yaroslavl, Capt. Blitt, arrived at William Head this morning at 4 o'clock from Vladivostok.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Aberdeen, Jan. 4.—Arrived: Str. Solanoff from San Francisco. Sailed: Str. Svea, Carmel and Tamalpais, for San Francisco.

WATCHING THE GOVERNMENT

Above all, the British public are not prepared to give their present parliament an indefinite period, as they realize that a general election, even in war time, on of them, for instance, is an ill-conducted war, and another is an inconclusive peace.

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THE TIME BALL

The time ball on the Belmont building will be raised halfway at 12.45, at the top at 12.55, and dropped at 1 p. m. daily.

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SAANICH MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

ELECTION OF REEVE AND COUNCILLORS. PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the electors of the Municipality of Saanich, that I require the presence of said electors at the Royal Oak Hall, Royal Oak, B. C., on Monday the 10th day of January, 1916, at 12 o'clock (noon) for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Reeve and Councillors.

LIQUIDATOR WANTS ALL DEPOSITORS HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR LAW COSTS IN TEST SUIT

When the Dominion Trust Company depositors made a claim to be considered as creditors, an action was taken before Mr. Justice Murphy at Vancouver to decide the issue, and one representative depositor of each of three classes was selected so that a test case might be tried out and the position of the whole of the depositors, numbering about four or five thousand, might be determined. Mr. Justice Murphy directed that the selected claims be tried out, and that meanwhile any action the liquidator might propose in connection with the claims of the other depositors should be stayed.

winding up. He said the claims of the depositors were in three classes, the first being those who banked when the company was the old limited company, the second those who banked after the company got a provincial charter to accept deposits in 1912, and the third those who came in after the repeal of the provincial charter in March 1914. The three classes were each represented by one depositor in the suit now before the court.

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NEW YEARS RESOLUTION—I will get a suit from Cooper & Potts, 278 Yates Street Tailors, 708 Yates street, Metro-polite block.

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WANTED—Live business man with \$800, to take half interest in good manufacturing concern. Will be required to take charge of same. For full particulars, apply P. O. Box 61, Vancouver.

WANTED—Piano, good tone, touch, and condition, for cash; state price, but no fancy one. Apply Box 113, Times.

MATERNITY NURSING HOME—Terms reasonable (discuss). Mrs. M. A. Ince, 248 W. 1st street.

EXCHANGE—Two lots, 100 x 25, new four-roomed house, opposite boys' university, Wardworth street, clear title, for one lot and new house in city, clear title. Address J. W. Driest, Oakland P. O., Sub. 2, Victoria.

FOR SALE—Dresser, beds, and mattresses, sell very cheap, 219 Superior street.

BEAUTIFUL LOT, on Blackwood St., good view, nice oak trees, close to city, worth \$1,500. Will sell for \$900 cash. White & Sons.

WANTED FOR CASH—5 or 6 roomed cottage or bungalow; must be thoroughly modern and within twenty minutes walk of post office. State full particulars and lowest price to Box 112, Times.

LOST—Cretone knitting bag, containing some knitting and silver spectacle case, probably in vicinity of intersection of Yates and Broad streets, about 5 o'clock Tuesday, January 4th. Finder please phone 3221, Reward.

TO LET—Equipped, new three-roomed cottage and three-roomed apartment, Fraser St. Terms reasonable. Phone 2261, or 2254.

W. E. MILLS, express and transfer. Furniture removed, baggage collected and delivered. Phone 32041.

LOST—Fur-mounted gauntlet, driving glove, left hand, brown felt, with Johnson Street. Will reward leave at engineer's department, City hall.

LOST—A red cocker spaniel pup. Phone 12276.

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LOST—Will the party who was seen taking a rose colored sweater from the Adams last Friday afternoon kindly return same forthwith and avoid further trouble.

WANTED—AT ONCE—Bicycle with bicycle. Apply at 104 Blanshard St.

FOR RENT—Furnished bungalow. Apply 422 Grant St.

FOR RENT—Comfortably furnished house. Apply 142 Grant St.

WANTED—Thoroughly experienced head sales lady for high class coat and skirt department; good salary paid to competent hand. Only ones having held similar position need apply to Box 262, Times.

FARM TO LET—40 acres, all cultivated, 500 fruit trees, good 6-room house, chicken houses and barns. City Brookings, 268 Union Bank. Phone 818.

FOR SALE—CHEAP—Six-roomed residence, with 3 acres of land, suitable for chickens or small fruits; close to station. P. O. and store. Apply D. Cobble Hill.

EXCHANGE—25 acres, improved, house, etc., near Vernon; for bungalow, Stran and Realy, 57 Sayward Block.

FOR SALE—Good fresh cow, D. Sanderson, Milne's Landing, B. C., Sooke River road.

FOUND—Tuesday, money. Owner can have it by applying to 246 Caledonia avenue, describing the same and paying for this ad. Box 112, Times.

HITTISH ISRAEL—Books on our identity with the ten tribes. "House of Israel." Dr. Poole's Fifty Reasons, 25c; "Israel in Britain," by Col. Gardner, 25c; "Lost Ten Tribes," by Reader Harlin, K. C. C. Can be obtained at the Oak Bay P. O.

WE BUY FOR CASH all kinds of poultry, in large or small quantities; highest price paid. Phone 454.

LADY would give use of bedroom and breakfast for company, Foul Bay district. Phone 2212 between 9 and 3 p. m.

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PRESENTATION MADE

SIR RICHARD M'BRIDE

Civil Service Employees Attend Ceremony in Legislative Chamber This Morning

The civil service employees at the parliament buildings this morning held a formal leave-taking of Sir Richard McBride in connection with a presentation ceremony that was held shortly before noon in the legislative chamber. About half past eleven deputy ministers and clerks from the various departments to the number of about three hundred assembled in the big hall, and shortly afterwards the ex-premier, entered from the door to the left of the throne.

His appearance was the signal for long applause, which was interrupted, however, by the reading of a presentation address by E. O. S. Schofield, provincial librarian and archivist, who stood at Sir Richard's right, and facing him in such a way that he could be heard distinctly from all parts of the hall.

The address was as follows: To Sir Richard McBride, K. C. M. G., K. C., LL.D., Etc., Etc.

"On the occasion of your relinquishing the office of prime minister of this province—an office which you have held and adorned for a period of over twelve years—to assume the important duties of agent-general of British Columbia, in the capital of the empire, lumbia, in the civil service desire to express their deep appreciation of the kind consideration and personal courtesy which have always distinguished you in your long association with them, and at the same time to assure you of their continued affection and esteem."

"Wishing to give some token of their sentiments toward you, the representatives of the civil service had unanimously decided to ask you to accept a golden loving-cup as a memento of your long years of service in and for the province, but, at your suggestion, the form of the presentation has been changed to the furnishing of a ward in the Provincial Jubilee hospital, which at our request will be known as the Sir Richard McBride ward. It is felt by all of us that in making this suggestion you have given a mark of your affection for the land of your birth and of your concern for the unfortunate in this hour of trial. It is the earnest wish of the civil service that the Sir Richard McBride ward may long serve a noble purpose in the alleviation of suffering and stand as a lasting memorial of one whose thoughts were ever centered in the welfare of British Columbia.

"In acknowledging the cordial sentiments expressed in the address of presentation Sir Richard, speaking very quietly but with evident deep feeling, said:

"Gentlemen of the committee and friends: This is a most delightful recognition that the members of the civil service have extended to me this morning. I have nothing but the happiest recollections of my long years of service in the country, which have permitted me to enjoy the friendship and co-operation of scores of the ladies and gentlemen who compose the civil service of British Columbia. It has been an inspiration to realize that I had around me such splendid and such efficient colleagues, and it has been a source of constant pride to know that British Columbia can lay claim to having one of the finest civil services in the whole Dominion. Everyone who has been associated with the business of any of the departments seems to me to have tried in every way to leave nothing whatever undone in order that his commission, whether high or low, of great importance or otherwise, might be discharged in the best possible manner. I have watched the civil service grow in the last fifteen years from a comparatively small thing to a large and important body. In this interesting development it has been quite noticeable to those of us who had some concern in the public business of this country that we had assembled a staff of ladies and gentlemen of which any government might well be proud.

"It was always my ambition," Sir Richard continued, "to see the civil service of British Columbia reach the standard set by the civil service of the old country. The civil servants of British Columbia to-day feel that they are very vitally interested in a very wonderful and very resourceful country. They also realize that they can take a part in the public work of making the province of British Columbia one of the brightest jewels of the empire."

"I cannot tell you how badly I feel in leaving you all. But I have the satisfaction of knowing that I leave behind me many true old colleagues and friends. I wish you all well. "I wish too, that we may all see the end of the war soon," said Sir Richard in concluding. "I know that you will each do your part to bring to British Columbia the prosperity that is destined to be hers in the years to come. It is quite within the range of possibility that some of us may meet again, if not in the Old Land perhaps here in Victoria. Indeed I hope so. I thank you again for this kindly address; I thank the committee for the generous expressions they have incorporated therein. I thank you all for permitting me to be associated with the ward to be established in the Royal Provincial Jubilee Hospital of British Columbia. I can say no more

LOGGERS HAS CASE

IN APPEAL COURT

Action Brought Under Woodmen's Lien Act; Judgment is Reserved

The court of appeal this morning heard the appeal of Mills against the Smith Shannon Lumber company, an appeal by the plaintiff against judgment for defendants given at Vancouver. The appellant claimed \$115 money earned as wages in his employment as a hook tender for the Pacific Slope Lumber company, who got out and supplied logs to the respondents in the appeal. J. A. MacInnes appeared for the appellant and Mr. Senkler for the respondent.

The appellant's claim was under the Woodmen's Lien Act, in which it is provided that persons taking a contract with a company, employing men who would perform the labor in the contract should, before paying accounts, obtain from the employers of the workmen a receipted wage sheet.

It is claimed that the logs were delivered according to contract, but that Mills, who worked for the other party to the contract, did not get paid, and that the respondents to the appeal did not take the precaution of getting a receipted wage sheet.

The question was raised this morning that the logs were already in the water when the respondent took possession of them, and that their contract called for purchase in this way. It was contended that whatever liability the other company had incurred towards Mills was made before the respondents entered into the contract.

Mr. MacInnes argued that this was not so, for that some of the logs were cut and delivered to the water after the contract was signed in October. The court asked what percentage of the claim would be due Mills between October and December 10, when the contract ended. Mr. MacInnes said he was unable to say definitely, but the amount would be about \$75, and could be decided by a reference to the registrar. He contended nevertheless that whole of the claim was arguable inasmuch as Mills had worked getting out the logs taken before the contract, but included in the delivery after it was begun.

The court reserved judgment.

EVIDENCE OF SOUND BUSINESS CONDITIONS

The Great West Life Again Breaks Its Own Record and Retains Premier Position. Nothing more clearly demonstrates the essential soundness of Canadian business during these strenuous times than the showing made by the country's leading financial institutions for the year which has just closed—the first complete year of the war. Among these special mention may be made of the Great West Life Assurance company, two of whose directors are residents of this city, Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt, minister of finance, and Mr. Fred Nation, and whose manager for Vancouver is Mr. J. Burt Morgan. The latter is just in receipt of a telegram from his company's head office in Winnipeg to the effect that the total applications received in 1915 amounted to \$27,450,000, making the best year in the company's history. This is also the ninth successive year in which the Great West Life agents have secured more business in Canada than the agency force of any other company—a most striking evidence of increasing confidence on the part of the public. Nor is British Columbia an exception in this regard. In 1914 the Great West Life took the lead in this province also, and with a production of \$2,011,570.00 for 1915 it will probably maintain this position.

MILK VENDORS' QUANDARY

City Council is to be Asked What Course Will Be Adopted Concerning License Renewals. The opinion of the city council will be taken at the earliest occasion on the situation which arose when the milk-by-law certificates failed to be forthcoming for the issuance of license renewals. These renewals are called for by the by-law to be made by January 15. No certificate can be issued till the milk vendor or wholesaler produces his certificate that his herd is free from contagious diseases. This certificate has been given in the past by the government veterinary officer. As the officials of the department of agriculture are disinclined to make tests where they would be compelled to order the condemnation of stock without compensation, the situation is difficult. The city officials could not possibly inspect the herds themselves, as many of the producers are located at points up the Island, and on the Gulf Islands. Some temporary arrangement will be sought until inspection can be renewed. The health department is daily in receipt of inquiries as to what course is to be adopted, but no answer can be given, because otherwise the department would be called upon to break its own by-law.

MOTOR CAR CASES

Fine for Failure to Report Accident, as the Law Requires, Within Six Hours. In police court to-day A. H. Griffith was present to answer a charge of failing to report an accident which occurred at the corner of Haulin street and Scott street on the evening of December 22. Mr. Griffith said he had been on his way to report the accident when the young fellow he had hit said it was not worth while, but after December 29,

INVESTIGATING HARBOR DREDGING CONTRACT

Ottawa Officials Here to Look Into Matter of C. E. McDonald's Work on Piers

To the activity of members of the Liberal party in Victoria and the refusal of the auditor-general to pass accounts without explanation are to be credited the action of the dominion department of public works in starting an investigation into the irregularities which are alleged to have taken place in connection with C. E. McDonald's contract for dredging at the new harbor works.

The assistant deputy minister of public works and one of the engineers of the department are here at present making a personal inquiry on the ground into the matter, and they will make a report to the minister. Yesterday afternoon they went out on a dredge and had several buckets of material dredged from the bottom in order that they could estimate whether there had been over-classification of solid rock when it might have been, as it is claimed it was, earth, the difference in the figure paid the contractor being that between \$5c and \$9 a cubic yard.

A number of statements, some of them based on documentary evidence, came out in the course of the recent proceedings taken to settle the ownership of certain papers as between Gordon E. Mallory and C. E. McDonald, in which Henry C. Hall acted for Mallory. Documents indicate that John E. Nelson, late superintendent of dredging for this province, while still in that office financed McDonald in undertaking his contract, and it is alleged that being financially interested in it, he was responsible for over-classification in order to increase the profits.

PUBLIC MARKET.

There was a fair market to-day considering the state of weather. The following average prices prevail: Flour—Apples, No. 1, \$1.40; No. 2, \$1.10; pears, 3 cents per lb.; Dairy produce—Butter, 40 to 45 cents per lb.; eggs, 45 and 50 cents per doz.; Vegetables—Cabbage, 1 cent per lb.; turnips, 1 cent per lb.; parsnips, 1 cent per lb.; Brussels sprouts, 5 lb. for 25 cents; watercress, 5 cents per bunch; lettuce, two heads for 5 cents; pumpkins, 5 cents each; cauliflower, 5 and 10 cents each.

Meats—Beef, 8 cents to 15 cents per lb.; veal, 15 to 20 cents per lb.; pork, 12 1/2 to 15 cents per lb.; mutton, 12 1/2 to 20 cents per lb.; fowl, 18 to 20 cents per lb.; milk fed chickens, 25 to 28 cents per lb.; ducks, 25 cents to 28 cents per lb.

Fish—Fresh herring, 7 1/2 cents per lb.; cod, 10 cents per lb.; halibut, 12 1/2 cents per lb.; smelts, 10 cents per lb.; crabs, 12 cents each; shrimps, 20 cents per lb.; smoked salmon, 15 cents per lb.; fillets, 15 cents per lb.; kip-pers, 10 cents per lb.; bloaters, 10 cents per lb.

Thos. D. Sedger is spending the winter in Los Angeles, California, and is not expected to return to Victoria until March or April.

On New Year's Day, at 6.30 p.m., a very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. Gower, 2024 Fernwood road, by the Rev. Andrew Walker. The contracting parties were William J. Gower and Miss M. A. Williams. After the wedding guests had been served a sumptuous dinner, there were songs and speeches.

Among the British baronetries conferred at the New Year was that of Sir Richard Burbridge, head of Harrod's Stores, London. Sir Richard was twice in British Columbia, and his second son, Commissioner Herbert E. Burbridge, is now on the coast, having charge of the Hudson's Bay stores. His father is one of the leading organizers in the dry goods and wholesale stores in London, and has been a member of several commissions.

when he refused to give the lad money, the information was given the police.

Private Robert Wilson, of the 50th Highlanders, told the court he was crossing the street when the motor car hit him on the back and knocked him down. Mr. Griffith picked him up and asked if he was hurt, to which he replied that he was not. Later he found that he had lost his tobacco, a handkerchief and 75 cents, but on being further questioned by the magistrate he remembered that he had found the tobacco and handkerchief.

As there was no doubt that there had been a failure to report, which requirement is imperative and does not depend upon what any person injured may say, a fine of \$5 was imposed.

A case against J. R. Carmichael for driving on the wrong side of the road, in which a man had his leg broken, was adjourned for a week. J. A. Alkman is acting for Mr. Carmichael.

LEADING CITIZENS CHEER EX-PREMIER

Sir Richard McBride is Given Hearty Send-Off on Departure for England

Sir Richard McBride left Victoria this afternoon for London, to assume office as agent-general for British Columbia. In spite of the snowstorm there was a large gathering at the C. P. R. wharf to bid farewell to the ex-premier.

While the majority of the gathering was composed of political friends and heads of departments in the civil service, there were also a number of leading citizens representing every walk in and around the entrance were Hon. C. E. Tisdall and Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt, members of the present cabinet; Mayor Stewart, Aldermen Dillworth and Okell, G. H. Barnard, M.P., Bishop Macdonald, Rev. Dr. Campbell, D'Arcy Tate, Col. Ogilvie, D.O.C., and the senior officers of the 67th and 88th Battalions, C.E.F., H. B. Thomson, M.P.P., R. H. Pooley, M.P.P., H. F. Behrens, M.P.P., F. Davy, M.P.P., R. E. Gosnell, F. J. O'Reilly, Henry Croft, and many leading citizens. The political friends of the late premier were practically all there.

The ex-premier's automobile passed through the double line of the 88th and 67th Battalions, respectively, on the Clugway and Belleville street, the men cheering heartily as the premier and Lady McBride passed. At the wharf Sir Richard held a brief reception, while the pipe band of the 67th Battalion played suitable music. The crowd cheered again and again as the premier went along the gangway to the steamer.

WILL CASE HEARD

Formal Case Brought in Connection With the Estate of Late Herbert W. Lees.

In the supreme court this morning Mr. Justice Macdonald heard a formal suit to prove the will of the late Herbert W. Lees, of Victoria, who left an estate at the time of his death valued at about \$50,000. The property was left to his wife, but as the testator had been a short time before the making of the will confined to a home for persons of unsound mind, the chamber judge at Vancouver had declined to make an order on the will and advised that a court hearing should be taken.

In the suit to-day Leitia J. E. Lees was the plaintiff and Dorothy W. Lees was the defendant. The witnesses to the will were called and testified that when they signed the will at the request of the late Mr. Lees in his presence and after he had signed, he was in a sound state of mind. At that time, one of the witnesses said, Mr. Lees told him he was leaving his property to his wife, as he thought it the best manner in which to leave his estate as she would take care of their child.

DIED SUDDENLY

Arthur Pinder Expires While Walking Along Street; Well-Known Among Surveyors.

Arthur Pinder, well-known among surveyors in this province for several years past, died suddenly on the street at noon to-day. He was seized with a stroke of apoplexy while walking on Fort street, near Oak Bay junction, and was carried by street railwaymen who saw him fall into the Oak Bay Pharmacy, where he expired in a few minutes.

Dr. Leeson was called but when he arrived he found that Mr. Pinder was beyond any aid. The police ambulance went out with Constable Shawyer, and brought the body to the rooms of the B. C. Funeral company, from which the funeral will take place.

The late Mr. Pinder was a native of England, but had been in Canada for many years. He served in the Royal Northwest Mounted police for a number of years and was stationed at many points in the old territories. When the South African war broke out he enlisted in the Strathcona Horse, and served with that corps through the war. At the close of the war he came to British Columbia, and practically every year since then he has been engaged in survey work, going out with parties from this city. He was about sixty years of age. A widow and daughter live in England. Mr. Pinder was a member of the Church of England.

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Inspector Hatcher and Constable Florence Arc Going With Fifth Regiment.

Quartermaster-Sergeant Frank Hatcher, license inspector, is leaving the police force to join the overseas detachment of the 5th Regiment, C. G. A., and he is now being followed by Constable James G. Florence, who is going with the same detachment when it leaves here in the course of two or three weeks.

OBITUARY RECORD

The death took place this morning at 634 Avalon road, of Ann Logan, the widow of the late George Logan. The deceased lady was born 79 years ago in the Orkney Islands and had lived for the past 61 years in Victoria. She was well known here, and had many friends. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. W. A. Pound, of South Vancouver, and Miss Lizzie Logan, of this city; also one son. The funeral will take place at 2.30 on Friday afternoon from the family residence, Rev. J. G. Inkster officiating.

The funeral was held this morning of Victor Holton, a former inmate of the B. C. Protestant Orphanage. The services were held at 10.45 from the B. C. Funeral chapel, Rev. A. De B. Owen conducting the services. A number of the children from the Orphanage were present, as well as numbers of grown-ups, and there were many exquisite floral tributes.

WILSON AND LANSING HELD CONFERENCE TO-DAY

Washington, Jan. 5.—President Wilson summoned Secretary Lansing to the White House early to-day for a conference on the international situation. It is understood the chief topic under discussion was what constitutes an armed vessel. Secretary Lansing carried a large portfolio containing papers on the submarine warfare conducted by the German allies. Self-denial does not belong to religion as characteristic of it; it belongs to human life; the lower nature must always be denied, when you are trying to rise to a higher sphere.—H. W. Beecher. The population of the German Empire—excluding that of her colonies—is, in round numbers, 50 per cent. larger than that of the United Kingdom, or about one million greater than that of the white population of the British Empire, which includes a large number of people of German and other nationalities.

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The Spheres.

Prior to the assault on the German trenches at Loos in September, Piper Daniel Laidlaw, with absolute coolness, mounted the parapet during the worst of the bombardment and played the regimental march of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, 'Blue Bonnets Over the Border.' The effect of his splendid example was immediate, and the company dashed out to the assault.

Sea Power Is Germany's Doom

In entering the war Germany hoped and expected to defeat France and Russia with ease. Her statesmen counted not perhaps upon permanent British neutrality, but upon a temporary paralysis of British statesmanship, which would permit her generals to repeat the success of 1870 and enable her to confront Great Britain with a stupendous accomplished fact.

the war, but all the men were cleared out before Germany came by the mobilization. It contained the busiest industrial plants, the richest coal and iron mines. The possession of both has been of great advantage to Germany, and France has suffered severely by the loss of them.

The right to use the sea Germany can only regain in two ways: by compelling Great Britain to relinquish command of the sea or by compelling, with the terms fixed by Great Britain as the price of the use of the sea, the other of defeat. But up to the present moment Germany has not been able in the smallest way to exert any force upon Great Britain to compel her to give up the mastery of the sea.

After the War. Now, if peace were to be considered to-day, it is plain that Germany would have to evacuate France and Belgium as well. In no other way could she persuade the British to permit her ships to sail the seas, and she has no present means of compelling such British consent.

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CRIMES SUGGESTED BY SIR EDWARD GREY

Invites Germany to Have Impartial Tribunal Investigate German Outrages

London, Jan. 5.—The sinking of the White Star liner Arabic, the destruction of a British submarine by a German destroyer while the submarine was aground on the Danish coast, the German destroyer firing on the British sailors who were struggling in the water, and the submarine attack on the British steamship Ruel are the three incidents that Sir Edward Grey suggests for submission to some impartial tribunal for investigation together with the case of the cruiser Baraton.

TWO WERE KILLED AND ELEVEN INJURED

Wreck on C. P. R. at Moose Jaw; Switchman is Under Arrest

Moose Jaw, Jan. 5.—In one of the worst wrecks that has taken place on the prairies during recent years, C. P. R. local passenger train No. 53, from Regina to Moose Jaw, plunged into the Tri-city Express, eastbound, shortly after 10 o'clock last night, with the result that Fireman Lagre, of the Tri-city Express, who lived in Moose Jaw, and M. Macdonald, of Regina, serious injuries were sustained by three persons and slight ones by eleven others.

TO INCREASE OUTPUT OF WAR MUNITIONS

London, Jan. 5.—The House of Commons to-day passed an amendment to the Munitions Act which is expected to facilitate the manufacture of munitions.

TOTAL NUMBER READY TO BEAR ARMS, 1,046,493

London, Jan. 4.—The total number of men ready to bear arms obtained from enlistments during the period between Oct. 22 and Dec. 15, is estimated in Lord Derby's report at 1,046,493.

GLOVER WON

Gloucester, Mass., Jan. 5.—M. Glover of Boston gave Joe Chick of Gloucester an unmerciful beating in a twelve-round bout last night. A right hand joint to the jaw put Chick down for a count of nine in the first round.

STRONGER CABLES FOR WHEAT FROM LIVERPOOL

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Cables came stronger this morning and with the advance for Liverpool was not equal to the Chicago market yesterday. It is noted that millers are anxious buyers. It is becoming evident that Liverpool is awakening to the seriousness of its inability to secure adequate supplies.

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Financial News

SENTIMENT IN STOCK MARKET UNSETTLED

Speculative Sellers Featured as Heavy Traders in Day's Dealings

STOCK OFFERINGS IN ROSTER SHADE LOWER

Trend Undefined on Local Exchange and Demand Slacker for Session

Table of stock prices and market data including columns for High, Low, Bid, and various stock symbols like Alaska Gold, Am. Coal, etc.

MONTREAL STOCKS

(By F. A. Borden & Co.)
Montreal, Jan. 5.—Yesterday's selling in Canada Car and Foundry apparently was overdone, for the stock rose to 34 during the first half-hour's trading.

TO-DAY'S TRADING ON THE WINNIPEG MARKET

Table of Winnipeg market data including columns for Northern wheat, Minneapolis No. 1 Northern, etc.

NEW YORK CURB PRICES

Table of New York curb prices for various commodities like Am. Marconi, Buffalo, etc.

WEILER'S DAILY STORE NEWS

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Total Number for Active Service Overseas Since August, 1914, Over 18,600

The following statements showing (1) the number of officers and men who have left British Columbia already with Canadian expeditionary forces since the beginning of the war, and (2) the number of officers and men of the Canadian expeditionary force under arms in British Columbia up to December 20, 1915, have been very kindly furnished by Major Moore, D.S.A., military headquarters, Work Point, with permission from Colonel Ogilvie, D. O. C.

These figures show that already military district No. 11 (British Columbia and the Yukon) has sent on active service up to date 12,789 officers and men, including the first Canadian contingent detachment of 2,947 that went into camp at Valenciennes before proceeding to the front. Of this total of 12,789 there were 438 officers and 12,351 men. There are now under arms in British Columbia, however, an additional 5,898 (239 officers and 5,659 men) members of the Canadian expeditionary force awaiting orders to proceed to the front, and this number is being increased daily through recruiting in those units that have not yet reached full strength.

It will be noted that the figures do not include any men under arms in this military district other than those belonging to the Canadian expeditionary force, and as hundreds of home defence forces are stationed about the coast and along the main lines of railway and telegraph communication throughout the province, as well as at the internment camps, the number actually in service in the uniform of his majesty's army is considerably increased.

The statements follow:

Statement showing number of officers and men who have left British Columbia with Canadian expeditionary contingents:	
Corps.	Officers Men TL
1st Contingent.....	124 2923 3047
Draft for R.C.R. (Bermuda).....	102 105
Cyclist Platoon.....	2 35 37
Draft for P.P.C.L.I.....	3 125 128
"B" Section, No. 4 Fld. Ambulance Depot.....	3 78 81
Draft 6th Fld. Co. C.E.....	2 30 32
8th Battalion.....	24 977 1001
Draft 5th Reg. C.G.A. (St. Lucia).....	2 10 12
No. 8 Co. C.A.R.C.....	5 89 94
Draft for Remt. Dept. (St. Jean, Que.).....	1 59 60
"A" Section, Depot.....	4 78 82
20th Battalion.....	37 1190 1227
2nd Reg. C.M.R.....	28 582 610
"B" Section, 4th Fld. Co. C.E.....	3 78 81
Draft 6th Fld. Co. C.E.....	3 105 108
Draft 11th Reg. C.M.R.....	1 59 60
"B" Section, No. 1 Fld. Ambulance Depot.....	2 47 49
8th Battalion.....	38 1018 1056
Boorman's Artillery Draft.....	2 59 61
Draft 6th Fld. Co. C.E.....	4 41 45
Draft 11th Reg. C.M.R.....	2 59 61
No. 4 General Hospital.....	21 263 264
Draft "B" Section No. 1 Fld. Ambulance Depot.....	2 55 57
Cyclist Platoon.....	1 30 31
Draft 6th Fld. Co. C.E.....	4 45 49
Draft 4th Battalion.....	5 236 241
Draft 5th Reg. C.G.A. (St. Lucia).....	2 10 12
1st Can. Pioneer Battalion.....	16 545 561
Draft "B" Section No. 1 Fld. Ambulance Depot.....	1 75 76
Draft 5th Reg. C.G.A. (St. Lucia).....	5 259 264
"B" Section, No. 1 Fld. Ambulance Depot.....	5 65 70
6th Battalion.....	36 1115 1151
Draft "B" Section No. 1 Fld. Ambulance Depot.....	3 75 78
Draft 6th Fld. Co. C.E.....	2 57 59
5th Battalion.....	36 1111 1147
Draft 5th Reg. C.G.A. (St. Lucia).....	3 98 101
Draft "B" Section No. 1 Fld. Ambulance Depot.....	1 39 40
Cyclist Platoon.....	1 30 31
Base Details, 1st Can. Pioneer Battalion.....	1 99 100
Draft Mech. Trans. Drivers (Regular Army).....	150 150
Totals.....	438 12,351 12,789

Statement showing the number of officers and men of the Canadian Expeditionary force under arms in British Columbia on December 20, 1915:

Corps.	Officers Men TL
11th Regiment, C.M.R.....	28 849 877
"B" Sec. Field Ambulance.....	5 167 172
6th Battalion.....	37 1136 1173
8th Battalion.....	34 762 796
103rd Battalion.....	28 238 266
62nd Battalion.....	35 1099 1134
72nd Battalion.....	33 1070 1103
121st Battalion.....	12 552 564
151st Battalion.....	16 126 142
Totals.....	229 5669 5898

HOME PRODUCTS WEEK

Plan of Development Association Committee to Be Enlarged to Include All Vancouver Island.

The committee in charge of the Home Products week met yesterday afternoon in the office of the Victoria and Island Development association, and decided to enlarge the scope of the undertaking so that it would include Vancouver Island, instead of only Victoria, as at first proposed. The committee yesterday discussed the question of accommodation, and it was decided to request Ald. Sargent to make a report on the matter at the next meeting of the committee.

It was also determined that at the next meeting consideration will be given to the organization here of a Victoria branch of the British Columbia Consumers' league, which it is proposed to incorporate with the new organization, the "Buy-at-Home Club," recently organized.

There was a discussion on ship-building, and it was decided that the movement should be with the object of constructing permanent yards here rather than the immediate construction of ships for temporary trade purposes. It was decided to suggest this to the board of trade to-day so that it can be taken up for discussion tomorrow morning by representatives of the boards of the various coast cities who are to adopt resolutions to be submitted to the government.



Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and legibly written. The longer an article the shorter its chance of insertion. All communications must bear the name of the writer. The publication or rejection of articles is a matter entirely in the discretion of the Editor. No responsibility is assumed by the paper for MSS. submitted to the Editor.

NORTHWEST SEWER.

To the Editor.—With your permission I will quote from an issue of your paper, December 23, regarding the northwest sewer. The cost of work has been much less in 1915 than the estimate and doubtless when the figures are submitted by the engineers later the matter will be subject for satisfaction. It is gratifying to know that some satisfaction is in prospect, for little is in evidence amongst those who have been compelled to live under unsanitary conditions in Victoria West.

It is now almost three years since the necessary money was appropriated for the northwest sewer, after huge expenditures in previous attempts to deal with a matter, which at no time presented engineering difficulties, and perhaps this may become more apparent when I say even the lowest part of the ground is some 17 feet above sea level, and at that only a few hundred feet from tide water. At this juncture, I would say, there is no apparent reason why that section of the work, which comprises the combine surface water and sewer drain from the E- & N. tracks to harbor, could not have been constructed at least two years ago without any additional expense, thus relieving all the suffering and expense which have followed in the train of this oversight, or worse, on part of the engineering department.

Now what really did happen? The main sewer was laid on Herwood road, at a depth of 22 feet, and filled in. But without any apparent reason. The surface drain which enters the same tunnel was left out, and in the worst weather in the year. In the wettest section of the undertaking they are now endeavoring to put in this surface drain. Does this look like the work of a \$5,000 engineer, with some \$12,000 per year of assistance? That is at least one question which every taxpayer might ask themselves when this cry for retrenchment is so much in evidence. Then again the question arises, why was this work not done in either of the three summers past, when men were calling so urgently for work, and the money had already been provided, and not at this time of year when men under wholly unfavorable conditions are unable to do justice to themselves or the taxpayers? Perhaps some of the council who have publicly stated the ratepayers are getting value for their money from the engineer will kindly explain away those confusing circum-

stances and hasten the time when unsanitary conditions will no longer threaten life itself.
GEORGE OLIVER.
313 Edward street.

SAANICH IS HEALTHY

Medical Health Officer, However, Points Out There Has Been Increase in Lunacy.

At the Saanich council meeting yesterday afternoon, Dr. C. Denton Holmes, medical health officer, presented a report on the health of the district during the year, as follows: "In presenting my annual report for 1915 I am pleased to be able to tell you that the Saanich district still preserves its reputation as a most desirable spot to live in as far as one's health is concerned. No fresh case of tubercular disease has come under my notice, nor has any case been reported to me during the year. There have been no epidemics of infectious disease. During the year six cases of infectious disease were reported to me, all mild, and in every instance limited to the initial case. The only fly in the ointment has been the increase in lunacy cases, and these have occurred mostly among the foreign element. It would not have been surprising had they occurred among the white population considering the great strain of living which so many have had to face, both on account of the war, and on account of industrial conditions." Dr. Holmes thanks the members of the council, the staff and the police for their assistance.

LAW EXAMINATIONS

Bencher's Issue List of Those Who Passed at Last Examination.

The following are the results of the recent law examinations as issued by the Benchers of the Law society at the last quarterly meeting:

- Preliminary—Miss V. V. DeBeek, R. C. Field, R. A. Kennedy, D. R. Macdonald.
- First Intermediate—A. L. Shaw, T. B. Jones, K. Myers, W. H. Campbell, A. S. Duncan, H. G. McCreedy, E. A. Boyle, F. D. Pratt, J. A. Featherstonhaugh, H. A. Fromin, J. L. Fryke.
- Second Intermediate—J. H. Grant, M. G. Grossman, A. Graham, H. L. W. Tupper, E. Clark, W. Murray, J. W. Braden, G. H. Lardner.

Articled Clerks for Admission—E. V. Finland, H. C. DeBeek, D. M. Gordon, F. S. Cunliffe, T. E. Wilson, R. A. Braden, G. H. Lardner, R. A. Braden. British Columbia Solicitor for Call—Jonathan Ross. Eastern Canadian Barrister and Solicitor for Call and Admission—E. L. Paterson. English Barrister for Call—G. J. Spreull.

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Honey, per lb.	35¢	Small Abernathy, per lb.	30¢
Oval Rich Tea, per lb.	35¢	Milk Chocolate Finger, per lb.	40¢
Ginger Button, per lb.	30¢		
Small Capstan, per lb.	30¢		

ASSESSMENT ROLL RETURNABLE MONDAY

Notices Almost Ready for Issue; Vancouver's Example

The assessment roll is to be presented to the city council at its meeting on Monday next. No information is available as to the extent of the reduction on land assessment. That there will be a further reduction is fully anticipated, and in fact that intimation was given by the mayor to a meeting of citizens on December 7. While the value of improvements is generally regarded in a new country as bound to rise, it is significant that the Vancouver assessor has found it necessary to cut \$4,200,000 from the valuation there, as compared with the previous year. The assessment on land in Vancouver has fallen another \$5,500,000, and is now \$13,000,000 on land and \$75,000,000 on improvements. Reduction in assessment naturally affects the tax rate, and the figures which will be made public next week will have a material bearing on the local situation. The notices, to the number of some 11,000 to 12,000 are almost ready for issue at the assessor's office, and when the owners and their agents receive them, it is fully expected at the city hall there will be a great increase in the appeals for consideration of the court of revision. After the outcome of the Wilson cases at the court of appeal in November, there is not the slightest doubt that mercantile property will be the subject of appeal to a large extent, whatever the assessment may be. To meet that situation the legislature will probably be asked by the executive of the Union of B. C. Municipalities to recast the appeal clause of the Municipal Act, exactly defining the power of the court before whom appeals from the assessment may be heard.

Victoria, in common with other municipalities, began to have a marked increase in assessment about ten years ago. Till that time the city assessment was considerably less than some of the neighboring municipalities are today, but from then until 1914 values rose. It is admitted by assessment experts to-day when real estate is scarce and negotiable, that an arbitrary value has to be assumed, or otherwise there would not be an assessment basis.

Winter Apparel and Bedding at January Sale Prices

Sale of Warm Woolen SWEATER COATS

With the snow beginning to flurry there should be a rush for these warm sweater coats. They are made in a good style; the roll collars can be buttoned close to the neck. They are made with two patch pockets. In cardinal only. Sale price, \$1.90.

January Sale of Smartly Trimmed Hats

Reg. values to \$7.50. **January Sale price \$2.95**
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They come in a good weight material, in dark serviceable colors. The styles, too, are neat. Several dozen are here for you to choose from in various sizes.

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These Dresses come in colors, materials and styles that have become such favorites this season. There are shades, styles and fits for all individual types and tastes. Four lots are here for you to select from.

\$5.00 Neat dresses made of a very good quality messaline silk. The style, although simple, shows excellent taste and good lines. Colors are navy, wisteria and sage. They were originally marked at the regular price of \$15.00.

\$12.75 Some very pretty dresses are among this lot. For example, one is made of deep lavender charmeuse satin; the skirt is made in a three-tier effect, while the blouse is made with sheer lace sleeves and yoke of the same material. Another dress of unusual daintiness is made of sage blue messaline; the blouse is made in Cosack effect, with collar and cuffs of organdie. Navy messaline is the material used in another pretty dress, the skirt of which has a pretty fancy yoke; the blouse having a collar and yoke of pretty shadow lace crush grid. Other dresses can be had in sage, navy, black and tan, in various styles.

\$17.75 Those desiring a dress for afternoon or evening wear should ask to see these dresses. Among them are some of the prettiest dresses we have seen this season. The finest weaves of crepe-de-chine, silk poplin, charmeuse and messaline silk has been used in the making, while such popular colors as Labrador blue, silver grey, violet, wisteria, navy and black are shown. Regular values to \$35.00.

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POSTAL DELIVERY IN THE PENINSULA

Matter is to Be Facilitated; Some Points to Be Cleared Up

While a scheme to extend the postal delivery to the populous sections of Saanich has been under consideration for a considerable time, it has not made much progress. However, the post office officials have the matter now in hand, and will endeavor to have it inaugurated early in the spring. One of the preliminaries has been completed by the naming of the streets and roads. The department insists further on the numbering of the houses, and advocates also the abolition of duplicate names of streets and roads.

At the meeting of the Saanich council yesterday afternoon the engineer was instructed to prepare an estimate of the cost of numbering the houses, the idea being to execute the work out of ward appropriations in the present year. The subject already has been under consideration, and quotations have been obtained as to the cost. In order to avoid the confusion which would arise from the commencement of new numbers at the city boundary, those roads like Quadra and Douglas streets, and Gore, Richmond and Burnside road, which are continuations of city streets, will have the numbering commence with the figures with which the city leaves off.

The third matter, the duplication of names can only be done by the passage of a municipal by-law. Not only are there a number of duplications owing to the large number of subdivisions plans approved during the time of the boom, but there are several registered streets without a name at all, some even have houses upon them. The by-law will be introduced after the clerk has prepared a schedule similar to that which was adopted in the city two or three years ago. A plan will have to be submitted for approval of the post office department, showing the official title of streets, before postal delivery commences in the district.

So far as rural mail delivery is concerned the district, scattered as it is, is fairly well provided for, in the western district around Colquitz, Strawberry Vale and Burnside road being one delivery; the West road, Stelly's cross road and the East road compose another delivery, while a third delivery embraces Cedar Hill (part) and Gordon Head. When postal delivery is extended to the populous area, the continuation by rural delivery on the trunk roads will help to supplement this and will give the district a good service.

We never have any more than we can bear—nothing that has not been borne before, and bravely at that. There is not a new sorrow in the world—they are all old ones, but we can all find new happiness if we look in the right way.—Myrtle Reed.

MANY MEETINGS AT CITY HALL THIS WEEK

Each Day is Filled Up With Engagements, Windin' Year's Work

A meeting of the joint committee appointed last week to make a settlement with regard to the contribution of Saanich to the cost of the northeast sewer is being held to-day. Oak Bay's claim for compensation for the provision of sewerage facilities is a matter for adjustment between the city and Oak Bay, according to the Saanich authorities, who contend that its payment to the city discharges the liability agreed upon. The meeting is to settle this question.

To-morrow afternoon the license commissioners meet, when formal arrangements are to be completed with regard to the license renewals, as the annual fees are due on January 15. On Friday morning takes place the conference between the city solicitor and water commissioner, on behalf of the city, and the Saanich municipal engineer and solicitor, to make some arrangement whereby the waterworks system which is ready for transfer from the city may be legally transferred temporarily, pending the legislation which Mr. Hannington has advised that the by-laws which are required will have to receive the assent of the electors in each municipality, as well as that of the lieutenant-governor in council, whereas the district councilors think they have ample power under the provisions of the Saanich Electric Light, Water and Sewer Act of 1914. Some decision on the matter, however, will be reached for a recommendation to the councils interested. People in the district to be served are very impatient at the delays which have occurred.

Several meetings have been arranged for Friday afternoon. The Retail Merchants' association has been promised a conference, owing to the impossibility of accepting the previous date offered by the aldermen, which fell too close to the busy Christmas season. The principal matter to be discussed is the effect which the new early closing by-law would have on the trade of Victoria. It is understood that the merchants will consider the 9:30 o'clock limitation on Saturday too drastic, and that some latitude should be given.

The civic labor bureau is to make a return on the work it has accomplished in the past year. It is not quite 12 months since it was started, during which time it has been under three managers, but in spite of the criticism directed to the operations of the bureau early last year, it will be shown that the council did a wise thing in establishing the organization and in trying to bring order out of chaos.

There also will be a meeting of the police commission on Friday afternoon.

RETURN FROM FRONT

Five Soldiers Get Back to City for Treatment in Convalescent Hospital.

There was a large crowd of citizens and an escort from the 88th Fusiliers out to meet the five soldiers who returned from the front on yesterday afternoon's steamer.

The men were Sergeant Miller, Privates Graeme, Stacpoole, Anderson and Wilson, and they have gone into the military convalescent hospital at Esquimalt for treatment.

On their arrival they were welcomed by the band of the 88th, under Bandmaster Rumsby, and were escorted through the streets by the band as they were taken by motor to Esquimalt. The men all have been in action, and bear the marks of the fray in wounds and impaired health.

ROTARY CLUB.

Speakers for Thursday's Luncheon Will Be J. A. Cunningham and H. Amphlett.

There are to be two short addresses at the Rotary club luncheon at the Empress hotel to-morrow. J. A. Cunningham, president of the B. C. Manufacturers' association, has promised to give an address on the work of the manufacturers' association, and H. Amphlett, secretary of the Retail Merchants' association, will speak on "Industrial Possibilities of Victoria."

The Christmas tree committee has a little money left over. A statement of the receipts and expenditures will be presented to the club, and directions asked as to the disposition of the money in hand.

The Northwest Rotary conference is to be held at Seattle on February 19. The Victoria club will send a strong delegation.

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B. C. FEDERATION OF LABOR MEETING

Industrial Compensation Will Be Chief Issue Before Convention This Month

Provision will be made at the meeting of the Trades and Labor council to-night for the selection of delegates to the annual convention of the B. C. Federation of Labor, which will convene in Vancouver on Monday week at the Labor Temple.

A. S. Wells, of this city, in his appeal to affiliated unions as secretary of the organization, says:

"What may appear to be sacrifices, may have to be made by local organizations to be represented at this convention, but with conditions prevailing, that are unparalleled in the history of this, or any other province in the Dominion, with the interests of the workers being jeopardized, it is essential that organized labor in the province should guard well their position.

"If it is necessary for the employing class to organize provincially and the government of domestic affairs of the province to be a provincial matter, how much more necessary is it for the workers to organize provincially, when by the legislation passed in the provincial legislature, and the activities of the employers' associations, the position of the workers may at any time be threatened; true, the position of the toilers is none of the best, true, that we have little to lose, yet we have much to gain; this can only be accomplished by interest in our own affairs, and the building up of our organizations; it therefore becomes the duty of all organizations affiliated with the Federation to be represented at this convention and for organizations not yet affiliated, to do so and aid the central expression of the labor movement of the province.

"Many matters of legislation will be brought before the convention, the outstanding feature of which will be the workmen's compensation for industrial accidents and diseases. This is of vital importance, and if we are not watchful, legislation along these lines may be placed on the statute books, that will not be in our interests. Now is the time to place our views before the province, and not after we find that the act is lacking in the essentials to provide for those who are deprived of the means of livelihood through industrial accidents and diseases.

"Many other matters will be placed before the convention that are of vital importance, and you are urged to make special efforts to have your representative at this convention, in order that you can place your needs and requirements before the workers of the province."

Nominations for officers of the federation must be made by the date of the opening of the convention. Alexander Watchman, of this city, is president of the organization.

Send a hand and trust to luck; Something's due to Jack Canuck; Patriotic Aid Society, 1210 Broad St.

LIFTS EMBARGO ON PARK SKATING

Beacon Hill Lake Can Be Used; Good Skating All Round City

The embargo on skating on the ornamental lake in Beacon Hill park was lifted yesterday afternoon. Prior to the fatal accident last winter, the city parks committee had, for a considerable time, refused to permit skating. However the cold snap has been more prolonged on this occasion than is usually the case, and in response to numerous requests, the chairman, Alderman Dilworth, agreed to allow skating yesterday. The skaters will take advantage of the opportunity at their own risk, and are advised to keep on the part west of the Rialto bridge, and at least several yards from the bridge. They are also asked to respect the directions of the attendant on duty.

Since the embargo has been withdrawn, climatic conditions promise a thaw, in which case of course the permission will be withdrawn. There is no doubt however, if the keen frosty nights prevail, and the ice improves, that advantage generally will be taken of the permission. If any risk appears, however, the ice will be broken up.

Around the city skating in the opening is general, and the opportunities for indulging in this delightful sport are rare in the neighborhood. Following the heavy rains before Christmas, the low-lying land in the valleys of the peninsula and the districts west of the city has been flooded, and fine skating has resulted. Some of the favored spots have been Thetis lake and Colwood, the flooded meadows along the B. C. Electric Railway north of Eberts, right through to Brentwood, the meadows at Raper's farm, Burnside road, and portions of the lakes on the Saanich peninsula.

Skaters returning to the city during the last three days report that the ice is in good condition, and that given a continuation of low temperatures, some of the best skating available in years will be experienced in this district.

down at Raper's farm, Burnside road, and portions of the lakes on the Saanich peninsula.

UNANIMOUS.

In making this demand upon Austria the government has the united support of all the American people, of all who think and feel as Americans, for we have long been on notice that those of our citizens whose sentiments are expressed by the German language newspapers do not think and feel in that way. Much pondering of the Lusitania case and the delay of the German government in responding to our demands has given us abundant opportunity for that, has brought our people to one way of thinking. If there is any division of opinion it is because of those who criticize the deliberation of the government in pressing its demands upon Germany.—New York Times.

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