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UTILIZE TIMES WANT ADS

## STATE RESPONSIBLE FOR CHILD WELFARE

Problems of Mental Defectives, Mothers' Pensions, Aired at Vancouver Conference

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—At 9.30 a. m. yesterday morning the Child Welfare Convention resumed its proceedings with J. J. Dougan, President of the Association, in the chair.

The meeting was addressed by H. W. Collier, Chief Probation Officer, on the subject "Classification of Delinquents." In an interesting manner, he outlined the history of the Child Welfare Association, with which he has been identified from its inception. The Association was formerly known as the Juvenile Protection Association, and it had its beginning many years ago at a meeting of the Royal Templars of Temperance. For a long time meetings were held in the Lester Hall, and much was accomplished by way of useful legislation for the children. After the Juvenile Court had been secured here, the activities of the Society were temporarily problems to be faced during re-construction caused by the organization of the present Child Welfare Association, which meets monthly in the City Hall.

He pointed out that, at present, the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court does not extend beyond the limits of the City of Vancouver, and urged the necessity of extending its scope to include not merely outlying districts and municipalities, but the entire Province of British Columbia. Mr. Collier advocated the changing of the age limit, under which juveniles come under the Juvenile Court to eighteen years instead of sixteen, as at present. He asked that the Convention request that the Provincial Government strike out of the present Juvenile Act the words, "between the age of ten and thirteen," to bring children of that age within the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court, and thus remove them from the category of criminal offences. He mentioned the efficient work being done by the Boys' Industrial School, in spite of the inadequacy of present institutional matters of dealing with delinquents.

Mr. Collier's remarks were enthusiastically received in view of the fact that his work as Probation Officer has been unquestionably efficient. The discussion following was led by A. M. Stephen, of the City School Staff, who pleaded for a destination being made between delinquent and defective children. He pointed out the fact that no institution could take the place of the mother and that a Mother's Pen-

sion Act would go far towards solving the matter of juvenile delinquency. Mr. Stephen recommended the Cottage System, as at present in use in England as a step in advance of present institutions.

### Home Responsibility.

Mrs. (Dr.) J. A. Gillespie, in an able address, brought home to the Convention the responsibility of the home to the child. She dealt with the matter from a mother's point of view, and maintained that too often the greater share of caring for the child was left to the mother instead of the father, who should share the responsibility of raising the child with her. "Our actions and thoughts are what affect the child," she said, "not what our ancestors thought and did." To correct our own thinking would go far towards forming a child's character along proper lines. The parents should have the confidence of their children and a home be made a place so effective, so filled with the beautiful and higher things of life, that its influence should go with the child throughout its life.

Robt. Sparling, principal of the Aberdeen School, supplemented Dr. Gillespie's remarks, by strongly urging greater co-operation between persons and teachers with a view to affording children vocational guidance and, thus, enabling them to do the thing in life for which nature has best fitted them.

The delegates and visitors were entertained at luncheon in the Hudson's Bay Tea Room, by the Association. The hour was pleasantly and profitably passed in getting better acquainted and exchanging of views and ideas relative to the work in hand.

At 2 p. m. the Convention was called to order again, by Mrs. Irene H. Moody to hear J. V. Pelton, LL. B., formerly of the Juvenile Court, Alberta, discuss the question of "State Responsibility for Child Welfare." The speaker advocated that a higher birth rate should be encouraged by free maternity hospitals, and that child life should be conserved by a tax upon landlords and upon the erection of apartment houses. This should be used for the building of homes for the working classes to enable them to marry and raise their families in the proper surroundings. Present economic conditions cause the average young man to avoid marriage because of the uncertainty of his old age being provided for. Consequently old age pensions should be made a state institution to obviate this. "Mothers' Pensions," he said, "should be granted to every widow, and unfortunate mother, irrespective of any consideration, provided she is a citizen of this country. He further advocated that bonuses be given by the Government for the adoption of orphan children, and that bachelors, spinners, and married couples without children, should be taxed for the support of dependent children. In conclusion, he said that Juvenile Courts imbued with parental spirit should be extended throughout the country.

Moses Cotworth, of New Westminster, the Rev. Mr. Ernest Thomas, and Rev. J. S. Henderson, were called upon to lead the discussion following Mr. Pelton's address. Col. McGregor, so long identified with the history of British Columbia, spoke in an interesting manner, and his reminiscences of the advances made in dealing with Child Welfare during his lifetime, were received with earnest attention.

## THOUSANDS WHO WERE DEPORTED BY TURKS RETURN TO SMYRNA

Smyrna, Dec. 12.—Via London, Dec. 13.—(Havas)—Several thousand former inhabitants of Smyrna and of nearby localities have arrived in Smyrna during the last few days, coming from inland districts to which they had been deported by Turkish authorities. Their condition is pitiful. It is said a majority of the young girls were sold as slaves to Turkish notables.

There were violent demonstrations against Germans and Turks when the deported people arrived.

## BRAZIL SENDS HER AGENTS TO FRANCE FOR PEACE CONFERENCE

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 12.—It was announced yesterday that the representatives of Brazil at the peace conference in France will be Dr. Epitacio Pessoa, Dr. Pandia Caloreras and Olyntho M. de Magalhaes, Minister to France. Drs. Pessoa and Caloreras already are on their way to France.

**A KERRISDALE DEATH.**  
Vancouver, Dec. 12.—Pneumonia, following influenza, caused the death of Charles E. Richardson, of Kerrisdale, yesterday. The deceased was a member of the Point Grey Council in 1912 and was a candidate for the re-reelection at the last election.

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Those who shop now enjoy better selection and more leisure than later in the month. Hundreds of gift shoppers proclaim "Campbells'" to be the greatest Christmas store. Again we say, please shop early.

A Noteworthy Clearance of

## Women's Suits Saturday at \$37.50

Every mode featured in this worthwhile sale of smart Suits for women and misses' is easily worth 25 per cent. more than its marking. There are Suits of serge, cheviot and fancy tweeds to select from, all well-tailored and coats lined with good wearing silks and satins. Unless you make selection early you may be deprived of the particular Suit you like best. On sale Saturday at... **\$37.50**

## \$11.50 For a Smartly Styled Woman's Raincoat

When you see these splendid Raincoats you will wonder how we could possibly offer them at such a remarkable price. They are made in full belted style, with slash pockets and a collar that fastens close to the throat, in olive and tan shades. Specially priced for Saturday at only... **\$11.50**



## Christmas Glove Special!

### DENT'S

REG. \$2.50 CAPE KID GLOVES At \$1.95

Dent's Celebrated Tan English Cape Kid Gloves, pique sewn, 2 clasp, and in any sizes from 5 1/2 to 7 1/2. Regular \$2.50 per pair, Saturday **\$1.95**. These Gloves make an ideal Christmas gift.

When in Doubt, Buy Her a Glove Strip

## Gloves Will Solve the Gift Problem Dependable Makes—Remarkable Values



Dent's Tailored Tan Cape English Walking Gloves, splendid wearing quality, 2 domes. Sizes 5 1/2 to 7 1/2. Pair, **\$1.95**  
Perrin's Fine Mocha Gloves, in dark grey, pique sewn. Sizes 6 to 7. Pair, **\$2.75**  
Perrin's Fine Quality Kid Gloves, in black and white points, white with black points, and black with white and self points; 2 domes. Pair... **\$2.50**

Dent's Mocha Gloves, a stylish Glove for Fall wear, in shades of slate, sable and beaver. Two pearl buttons. Sizes 6 to 7. Pair... **\$2.25**  
Trefousse Kid Gloves, fine quality, made from soft pliable, selected skins, in shades of tan, grey, brown, navy, mode, black and white; 2 domes. Sizes 5 1/2 to 7 1/2. Pair... **\$2.50**  
Perrin's Belfort, a high-grade Kid Glove, pique sewn, in black, white and yellow. Pair... **\$2.75**  
**A COMPLETE STOCK OF EVENING GLOVES**  
In 12, 16 and 20-button lengths. Shades: black, white, pink, champagne, sky and grey. In suede and glace. At **\$2.75, \$3.25** and... **\$4.25**

## Georgette Crepe and Crepe de Chine Blouses in a Holiday Offering

Saturday at **\$5.90**

Saturday we offer you your unrestricted choice of a special group of new Blouses of crepe de chine and georgette crepe at a very interesting price. All this season's buying, and you will find a fine range of shades and styles to select from. Values up to \$8.25. Saturday... **\$5.90**

Dainty White Voile Blouses from \$1.25 to \$6.50



A New Shipment of House Dresses Arrive in Time for Christmas Selling

A fine showing of House Dresses is now available for Christmas shoppers, featuring many new styles and color combinations. Just the dresses to don during the early morning hours. Belted and plain styles. Sizes 34 to 48. Priced at **\$2.25** to... **\$5.25**

## American Lady Corsets Special for Saturday At \$2.50

A special model fashioned from pink coutil, made with free hip and elastic inset at top; four strong hose supporters; suitable for slight and medium figures. Very special value at, per pair... **\$2.50**  
Trained and Competent Corsetiers at Your Service

## Silk Stockings Appeal to the Giver of Practical Gifts

Moleproof Silk Stockings, in shades of navy, pearl, champagne, dark tan, white and black. "A guarantee with every pair," at **\$1.50**  
Fine Quality Silk Stockings, with strengthened lisle tops. Black and white, at, per pair, **\$1.75**  
At **\$1.95**—A splendid wearing Silk Hose, with reinforced soles, heels and toes; black and white, and deep garter top. Special value at, per pair... **\$1.95**  
Fancy Striped Silk Hose, with strong lisle garter top; in these favored colors: drab, champagne, Russia calf, white and black. A stylish and good wearing hose at, per pair... **\$2.50**  
Fancy Clocked Silk Hose—Black with white, white with black, champagne with black, and Russia calf with white. At, per pair... **\$2.50**  
Kaiser Italian Silk Hose, in these shades: pearl, old rose, sky, tan, black, white and nell rose. A splendid Hose for evening wear. At, per pair... **\$2.90**  
At **\$2.25**—Fine quality Silk Hose, in shades of grey, bronze, smoke, Russia calf, champagne, black and white; with strengthened garter top. Per pair... **\$2.25**  
At **\$3.25**—A high-grade Pure Silk Hose, in shades of black, navy, grey, gold and dark tan. Noted for its splendid wearing qualities. Pair... **\$3.25**

## Cashmere Stockings Values to \$1.25 Saturday, 85c Pair

Women's Fine Black Cashmere Hose, including Penman's and fine Black English Llama Stockings; sizes in the lot 3 1/2, 4 and 5 1/2. To clear Saturday, regular **\$1.25**, at, pair... **85c**  
Sizes 3 1/2, 4, 5 1/2



## Week-End Special

IRISH SERGE NAVY BLUE, in a nice three-button style. **\$30.00** Special

Don't fail to get one of these Suits, as the cloth cannot be replaced at \$30.00 wholesale.

GABERDINE TRENCH COAT. Week-End... **\$25.00**

RUBBERIZED TWEED COATS, reg. \$30.00. Week-End... **\$23.50**

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# THE REMOVAL OF SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS

Into the New Building Gives Us Ample Room to Handle the Big Shopping Crowds Which Will Be Here To-morrow—The Last Saturday But One Before Christmas.

Women's Warm Winter Coats

Big value to-day at **\$29.75**  
—Mantles, First Floor

New Coats For Children

These new models have just been opened up and they will be welcomed by many parents who are about to buy a nice warm model for the cold winter days. They will also make most practical Christmas gifts. Represented are:

- Navy Cloth Coats, finished with belt, pockets and anchor buttons. Sizes 2 to 6 years. Each ..... **\$7.50**
- Velvet Coats in navy and green shades, made with turned down collar and finished with pocket. Sizes 2 to 6 years. Each ..... **\$7.50**
- Corduroy Coats in shades sage, green and maroon; made with turned down round collar, belt and fancy buttons. Sizes 2 to 5 years. Special, each ..... **\$3.90**  
—Children's, First Floor

SILK HOSE IN GIFT BOXES



Make a dainty and most practical Christmas gift. We have an extensive range of the best and most reliable makes and you can choose from all the most wanted shades. Prices range up from, a pair, **75¢** to ..... **\$3.50**  
A new shipment of "Holeproof" Hosiery just received. All the wanted shades and a guarantee goes with each pair.  
—Hose, Main Floor

A Shipment of Fancy Camisoles

—Just arrived in time for this week-end selling. These are better value goods and very dainty for gift giving. Camisoles of all-over lace, in many dainty patterns. Special at ..... **\$1.25**  
Camisoles of silk with lace tops and ribbon straps. Other styles have deep lace yokes. Special at **\$1.50**  
—Whitewear, First Floor

A Spencer Glove or Merchandise Scrip

Makes a convenient way of giving a gift, especially if you are not sure of the correct size or not quite certain of what to give. The advantage of our Scrip is that it is redeemable for any class of merchandise at either of our three stores—Victoria, Vancouver or Nanaimo. Glove Scrip issued for any amount at Glove Counter.  
—Main Floor

GLOVES LIKE THESE ALWAYS WELCOME



—Because they are the best and the makes are those that all women appreciate wearing. Let your friend realize that you recognize this trait in her character by giving a pair of the following:

- Glace Kid Gloves of Perrin's and Trefousse makes, recognized as absolutely the best and most reliable on the market. In tans, browns, grey, black and white. A pair, **\$2.25** and ..... **\$2.50**
- Dent's Cape Skin Gloves, in tans only. English make. Pair, **\$2.00**
- Fleece-Lined Gloves, with fur wrist. Good quality. A pair, **\$2.50**
- Cape Skin and Mocha Gloves, fleece-lined. A pair ..... **\$1.75**
- Children's Cape Skin Gloves. A pair, **\$1.35** and ..... **\$1.50**  
—WOOLEN GLOVES.
- Women's Woolen Gloves, in navy, tan, brown, grey, black and white. A pair, **75¢, 85¢, \$1.00** and ..... **\$1.25**
- Children's Woolen Gloves, in navy, white, scarlet and black. A pair ..... **50¢**  
—Gloves, Main Floor

Warm Eider-down Dressing Gowns

Plain and fancy designs **\$4.75**  
—Mantles, First Floor

GIFTS FOR MEN

Some persons always experience a difficulty in thinking of suitable Gifts to give a man. If you are one of them you may possibly find this short list helpful. Other lists will be printed from time to time, so why not cut this one out and keep it by you.

- Leather and Suede Collar Boxes in tan, grey and brown. Special value, each, **\$2.50, \$3.00** and **\$3.50**
- Combination Sets for men and boys; three-piece sets—garters, arm bands and braces. A set, **\$1.75** and ..... **\$2.50**
- 2-Piece Sets—Garters and Braces, a set, **\$1.25, \$1.75** and ..... **\$2.50**
- Arm Bands and Garters to match, a set ..... **75¢**
- Garters in individual boxes, all colors. A pair ..... **50¢**
- Arm Bands in Gift Boxes, priced **25¢, 35¢, 50¢, 75¢**  
—MEN'S WORK SOCKS
- Good medium weight, in grey and natural color. Special, a pair ..... **20¢**
- 3 pairs for ..... **50¢**  
Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Sale of "Goddess"

Front Lace Corsets Saturday At **\$3.25**

A splendid front-lace model, made in a strong white coutil, with low bust, long hips and back. A small shield in front under the lacings, four hose supporters are other features. Very neat trimmings of silk braid. Sizes 20 to 26. Special at ..... **\$3.25**  
—Corsets, First Floor

IN TOY LAND Saturday

- Shoo-Fly Rockers. Special, each ..... **\$1.75**
- Skooters. Special, each ..... **\$3.25**
- Kindergarten Sets, containing three pieces—table and two chairs. Special, a set ..... **\$3.25**
- Christmas Crackers, a box, **50¢, 75¢** and **\$1.00**
- The New "Bicycle Horse" which has attracted such considerable interest in Toyland all week, will again be demonstrated in Toyland Saturday. Our special introduction price for Saturday ..... **\$6.90**  
—Toyland, Third Floor, New Building

\$2.00 Dolls—Special Saturday at ..... **\$1.69**

Shop in the Morning

"Bookland" Specials Sat.

- Gift Edition of The Books—Bound in imitation alligator leather. Good list of titles. Regular \$1.50 value. Saturday, **75¢**
- Fragments From France—By Capt. Bruce Bairnsfather. Volumes 5 and 6. Each ..... **45¢**
- Mary Slessar of Calabar—The missionary book of the period. Beautiful Boxed Edition of the "Silver Ship" and other tales. Illustrated. Regular **75¢**. Saturday ..... **50¢**
- Canada in Khaki—2 volumes, each ..... **\$1.35**  
—Bookland, Third Floor, New Building

Folding Doll Buggies—Special Saturday at ..... **69¢**

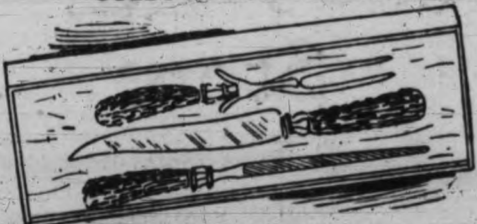
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A favorite gift because its a useful article and one that every housekeeper welcomes. A "Bissell" is a handsome piece of furniture and does good service in the home. It is also a time and labor saver. We have a full stock of the different patterns and grades, also Bissell Vacuum Sweepers. Sweepers up from ..... **\$3.75**  
Vacuum Sweepers ..... **\$9.75**  
—Drapery, Third Floor

200 Pieces Hand-Painted China to Sell Special Saturday at **\$1.25**

—a good opportunity here for you to solve many of your gift problems. These are very dainty pieces and there's a good variety of useful articles to select from, including Spoon-trays, Bonbons, Celery Trays, Berry Bowls, Butter Dishes, Cream Sets and many other pieces.  
—Crockery, Second Floor

AN UNUSUAL BARGAIN IN CARVING SETS



Values to **\$12.50** Saturday ..... **\$4.98**

Not often do we get such a chance to offer bargains like these in superior grade Carving Sets. But we have some 15 sets which got a little shop soiled—in some instances it is only the cases that are a little faded or a few slight marks on the cutlery that will soon wear off. They are all of the best known makes, such as I. X. L. and Wostenholms, of Sheffield, Eng. If you need a real good set for Christmas or for a gift, come early and choose from this offering. These bargains are unusual.  
—Hardware, Second Floor

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A Fascinating Book of Missionary Work and Travel By John B. McEwan

A Book you will thoroughly enjoy reading, especially if interested in Christian work and the spread of the Gospel in heathen lands. A book full of information, written in a most fascinating style which cannot fail to attract considerable attention.

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The book is also full of valuable information concerning this "Little Known Country"—which will be of great interest to manufacturers desiring to expand their export trade.

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The Author at the present time is in Victoria lecturing on "BRAZIL." We suggest that you follow this important work and the further study of this country, by securing one of these little volumes, printed in a very clean readable type and bound with cloth boards. An acceptable Christmas Gift; also will make a nice Sunday School prize. A copy ..... **\$1.00**  
—Books, Main Floor

A Song of Home Coming. "The Home Bells Are Ringing"

By Ivor Novello—The Composer of "Keep the Home Fires Burning."

Chorus

The home bells are ringing,  
"No longer we roam."  
Our hearts are all singing  
"There's no place like home."

When wanderings are ended,  
And sad days are o'er,  
It's worth all the waiting  
To be home once more.

Published in Eb (Bb to Eb), F (C to F). A copy ..... **40¢**  
—Sheet Music, First Floor

You Can Buy Your Boy a New Norfolk Suit for \$5.00 or \$7.50

By taking advantage of this special sale offer. We are clearing out a quantity of these suits at two low prices, because the sizes are broken and we want to clear them before we remove the department into its new quarters. These Suits are tailored from serviceable suitings in brown, dark grey and fancy mixtures. Sizes 5 to 8 years, clearing at ..... **\$5.00**  
Sizes 13 to 16 ..... **\$7.50**  
—Boys' Clothing, Arcade, Broad Street

The Latest in Bronze and Brass Jardinieres

These are superior pieces and there are many very handsome new designs to choose from. Pieces that will make very acceptable Christmas Gifts. Represented are:

- Jardinieres at prices, **\$2.75, \$3.75, \$4.50, \$5.50** and ..... **\$6.90**
- Fern Pots, each ..... **\$1.90** and **\$2.50**
- Flower Pots, each ..... **\$1.90** and **\$2.50**
- Flower Baskets, each ..... **\$2.90**
- Smokers' Sets, at **\$1.75, \$2.50, \$2.90, \$6.50** to ..... **\$12.50**  
—Hardware, Second Floor

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"You'll Like Our Clothes"—Rgd.

# Big Wind-up to O'Connell's Gigantic Clearance Sale SATURDAY

IS THE LAST DAY—

And it will be a hummer. Don't overlook the fact that this Sale offers bargains that will not be duplicated for a long time to come, and if you fail to take advantage of them YOU WILL BE THE LOSER. As an inducement for you to assist in making the windup a huge success, we have made still further reductions for the occasion.

For Saturday Only!



Suits and  
Overcoats  
In Broken Lines

\$30 VALUES \$15

Bargains in Men's Suits, Overcoats  
and Furnishings

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| Rubberized Tweed Overcoats—<br>Worth \$20.<br>Special Sale Price ... <b>\$13.75</b>   | Extra Special Suit Offering—Reg-<br>ular \$45 values.<br>Special Sale Price ... <b>\$32.75</b>                     |
| Togo Coats, made by Studd Milling-<br>ton, London, in blue shade only.<br>Worth \$60.<br>Sale Price ..... <b>\$42.50</b>              | 100 Men's and Young Men's Suits—<br>Worth to \$30.<br>Special Sale Price ... <b>\$18.75</b>                        |
| English Slip-on Coats, in good shades<br>of browns and greys. Worth \$40.<br>Special<br>Sale Price ..... <b>\$29.75</b>               | 100 Pairs Men's Pants, worth to<br>\$8.50. Special<br>Sale Price ..... <b>\$5.00</b>                               |
| Heavy English Ulsters, made with<br>heavy storm collar—suitable for<br>motoring. Worth \$60.<br>Special Sale Price ... <b>\$45.00</b> | Men's Sweater Coats—Regular<br>\$7.50 values. Sale<br>Price ..... <b>\$4.95</b>                                    |
| Men's Suits—Good styles and pat-<br>terns; made from all-wool cloths.<br>Worth \$30.<br>Special Sale Price ... <b>\$21.75</b>         | Men's English Sweater Coats and<br>Vests, light weight. Regular \$20<br>values.<br>Sale Price ..... <b>\$15.00</b> |
|   | Men's Flannelette Nightgowns, reg-<br>ular \$3.50 values.<br>Sale Price ..... <b>\$2.25</b>                        |

Men's Soft Hats, Values Up to \$5, for \$3

Every Dollar spent in this store gives the Purchaser a chance to win a prize in our \$800 Victory Bond Contest.



### Men's New Neckwear for Christmas

We have just received a very large consignment of New Neckwear for Men. Not only is it new stock, but the designs and coloring are new, and we have no hesitation in stating that it is the most beautiful lot of Ties ever shown at this store.

**At 75c** A splendid showing of Silk, Wide-end Ties in all the latest colorings.

**At \$1** English, Canadian and American Made Neckwear; wide ends; in fancy stripes, new floral effects and rich Japanese silk designs.

**At \$1.50** Exclusive designs made by leading English, Canadian and American manufacturers, in a wide range of rich colorings.

**At \$2 to \$3** Positively the last word in Men's Neckwear, in hand-woven Swiss and British silks. Colors and designs are absolutely exclusive.

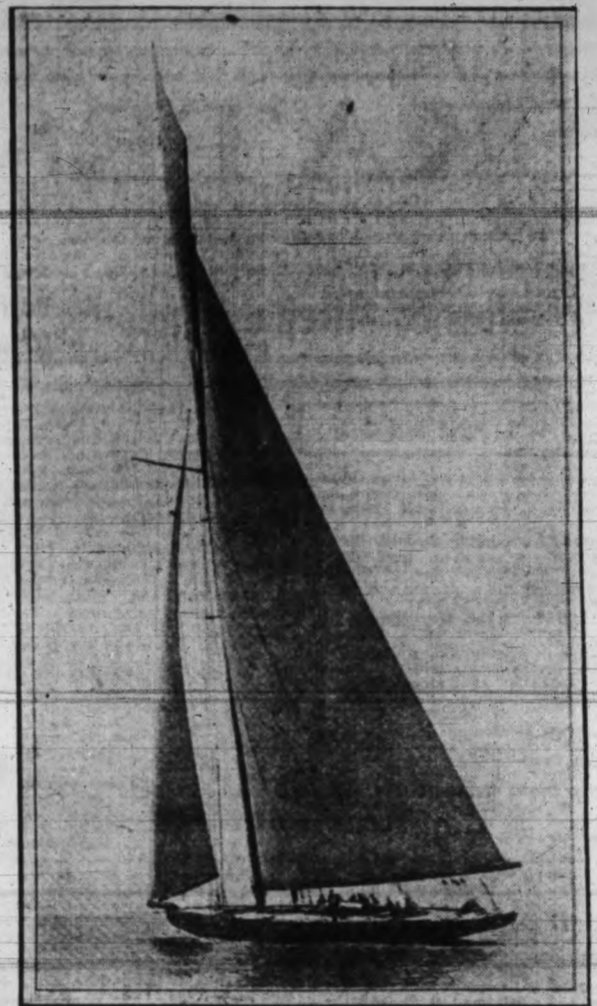
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### USEFUL TOYS FOR BOYS

Puzzles, each, 75c and .....	40c
Erectors, each, \$11.25, \$7.50, \$4.50, \$3.00 and .....	\$1.50
Tele. Set .....	\$2.70
Phono. Set .....	\$5.95
Wireless Telegraph Outfit .....	\$7.50
Electrical Sets .....	\$3.75
Toy Motors, each, \$3.00, \$2.25 and .....	\$1.50
Myoto Magic Outfit, each, \$4.50, \$3.00 and .....	\$1.50
Mechanical Ambulance, Racers and Mail Wagon, each .....	\$1.50
Mechanical Trucks, each .....	75c
Diving Submarines, each .....	\$2.25
Machine Guns, each .....	\$4.90

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THE SHAMROCK IV, CHALLENGER

### SHAMROCK FOUR AS CHALLENGER

Sir Thomas Lipton Will Again Endeavor to Lift Famous Yacht Cup

Belfast, Ireland, Dec. 13.—The Royal Ulster Yacht Club has sent a cablegram to the New York Yacht Club containing a challenge for the America's Cup. Sir Thomas Lipton is relying on Shamrock IV. for the contest.

New York, Dec. 13.—Surprise was expressed by members of the New York Club that it had been sent so soon after the close of the war. In the absence of Secretary George A. Cormack, who is in Washington, and Commodore George E. Baker, who was not at home or at the club, no official statement was forthcoming.

Sir Thomas Lipton thrice has attempted to "lift" the America's Cup, historically known as the trophy for the "blue ribbon" event of yachting between the United States and England. Three Shamrocks have come across the seas and fought for supremacy, but unsuccessfully, with American-built craft over the triangular windward and leeward courses off Sandy Hook, and still another Shamrock, called Shamrock IV., was being sent across the Atlantic in the summer of 1914 for a contest for the cup when the European war broke out. This race, for which American syndicates had built a trio of yachts, one of which was to defend the cup, was never sailed, and the Shamrock IV. since has been lying in a Brooklyn shipyard. The three American yachts were the Resolute, Vanitie and De fiance. After several preliminary races to choose a defender the owners of the De fiance decided to withdraw their craft from competition.

Under the rules governing contests for the America's Cup is the provision that the challenger shall sail on her own keel across the sea. While the Shamrock IV. was on her way and in danger of being destroyed by submarines, the New York Club custodian of the America's Cup, sent a wireless dispatch to Sir Thomas Lipton of the Azores Islands giving him permission to have his steam yacht, the famous Erin, tow the Shamrock IV. to New York.

The America's Cup was a trophy put up by Queen Victoria in 1851 for an international yacht race. It was won by the schooner yacht America, which at last accounts was lying in Boston.

### OAKLAND BOUT OFF.

Oakland, Dec. 13.—Sam Langford and Fred Fulton will not be permitted to box here next Wednesday night. District Attorney Ezra Deoolo yesterday notified Promoter Tommy Simpson that the law prohibiting professional prize fights would be enforced. Simpson is trying to communicate with the principals to notify them not to come. Langford probably is on the train from Boston.

### AMERICAN LEAGUE ADOPTS SCHEDULE

Season of 1919 Will Commence About May 1; Session of Clubowners

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Adoption of a 140-game schedule opening the season on or about May 1, is the American League plan for the resumption of baseball in 1919, as expressed at a protracted session of the club owners at their annual meeting here to-night.

Action on the status of the players who deserted their clubs last summer to join the "shipyard league" and the election of a committee to meet with the National League were among the remaining important questions to be settled.

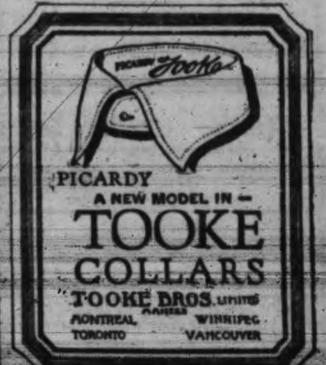
**Cut Player Limit.**  
Another move in the path of re-trenchment was the decision to slash the club player limit from twenty-five to twenty-one men, starting fifteen days after the pennant race has begun. But in order to take care of the players in the military or naval service, a special amendment was passed, so each club owner will be permitted to retain returned soldiers and sailors on his roster for thirty days. If at the end of that time they are deemed of major league calibre they will automatically be regarded as regulars and other players must be dismissed to make room for them.

The club owners voted to retain the national baseball commission, as now constituted. A vote of confidence was passed for August Herrmann, chairman of the commission, whom the National League recently opposed for re-election.

**Comiskey Vice-President.**  
Charles A. Comiskey, president of the Chicago club, was re-elected vice-president of the league at the afternoon session.

The presidents of the Boston, New York, Cleveland and Chicago clubs were named the new board of directors. The 1918 pennant was officially awarded to the Boston club.

The Canadian flax crop is estimated at 7,695,000 bushels as compared with 5,934,900 bushels last year.



GOOD FIGHTING SEEN

IN RING OF WILLOWS

Preliminary Contests for the Championship Prove Good Sport

Some nifty work in the ring was seen at the Willows Camp last night when the preliminary contests for the Brigade boxing championship were staged.

To start off the evening's entertainment, the judges failed to agree on the victor in the Lindsay vs. Adams round.

The second bout proved a tame contest. Finally Lucas, of the 259th Battalion (133 lbs.), gained a decision over

The third mix-up proved a young whirlwind. Stice (125 lbs.) with his knowledge showed up well, while McCoy, a colored boy, with his rugged tactics, gave his opponent all he could

Coole and Helmer next arose to do battle in the ring, and the resulting contest was fast and even until the last round, when Helmer took the lead and earned the decision.

A fight of the slap bang variety was witnessed when Naimack and Hunter went after each other. There was plenty of mixing and slugger until finally the pace proved too fast for Naimack, who was forced to quit in the third round.

Brotherly ties thrown aside, Charlie and Harry Picca treated the spectators to an exhibition bout of three rounds, which was voted one of the best little fights that was ever pulled off in the ring of the Willows.

Daniels demonstrated his fine ring generalship in his go with Ralph, setting the pace from the outset, and forcing his opponent to quit in the third.

The officials at last night's competition were: Judges, Bayley and Lieut. Ellis; referee, W. H. Davies; timekeeper, Capt. Bernier; announcer, Lieut. Charlton.

NICK WILLIAMS WILL BE IN COAST LEAGUE AGAIN

Nick Williams, who is well-known to the Victoria fans from his appearances as first baseman with the Portland Club, former Coast League player and umpire and for the last few seasons manager of the Spokane Club in the Northwestern League, is in a training camp at Louisville and expected to be graduated shortly with a commission.

V. I. A. TEAM FOR TO-MORROW'S GAME

The V. I. A. Rugby team which will do battle with the Foundation stalwarts to-morrow afternoon at the Royal Athletic Park will be composed as follows: Full back, Winsby; three-quarters, Mason, Grubb, Wilson and Staples; Scrum-half, Guy; Outside half, Cowan, Forwards, Boyd-Tims, Middleton, Blythe, Cuthbert, Riley, N. Wilson, Bond and Andros. Referee, Fred Jones, of the I. M. B. The game will start a half past two.

FRANK FARMER DRAWS WITH JIMMY DARCY

Portland, Dec. 13.—Frank Farmer, of Tacoma, celebrated his return to the game after a short lay-off by shading Jimmy Darcy, the local crack, in the main event of the Rose City programme. The bout was called a draw.

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MONSTER FIELD DAY

PLANNED BY SOLDIERS

Siberian Contingent Arranges for Giant Feature at Camp

A meeting of the officers in charge of athletics of the various units stationed at the Willows was held yesterday to arrange for a monster field day, which, subject to the approval of Brig.-General H. C. Bickford, C. M. G., will be staged on the Oval at the Camp on Monday, December 16.

One of the spectacular items of the programme will be six mounted events, such as tent-pegging, "V.C." race, lemon-cutting, Turks head, bending race and jumping. These events require great skill in horse handling, and will be a treat for the civilian spectators, as the sight of the soldier boys swinging past in column of companies is most impressive, and it will give them an idea of the calibre of the troops which will represent Canada in Russia.

Competition in the foot events is certain to be keen, as the Siberian troops are drawn from all parts of the Dominion, and there are many first-class athletes scattered among the units. It is rumored that there are several first-class 100 and 220-yard men in camp, and if the track is good, some good times should be made.

The events are as follows: 100 yards, 220 yards, 440 yards, half mile run, mile run, mile relay, sack race, estate race, foot race, running high jump, hop, step and jump, running broad jump, tent pitching, tug-of-war and bomb-throwing, and the six mounted events. Immediately after the mounted events, the 260th Battalion, and 20th Machine Gun Company, will meet in a hockey game, and a great tussle is expected. These units are great rivals, and have some good talent.

In the evening, a boxing show will be put on in the large amusement hall at the camp. There are a number of clever boys at the camp, and a fine programme is assured.

The events will commence at 9 a. m., and the mounted events will be over at 4.30 p. m., when the hockey game will take place. The boxing will commence at 7 p. m.

SAYS PRAIRIES WILL SEE BALL NEXT YEAR

Many Stars Coming to Middle West in the Spring

Vancouver, Dec. 13.—Former Pacific Coast International League stars are planning an invasion of cities in the Middle West next spring, according to Jimmy Hamilton, former manager of the Vancouver club.

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AMERICAN BOXERS

WON FIVE FINALS

Prince Albert Bestowed Medals on Winners in Boxing Tournament

London, Dec. 12.—American boxers won five finals in the lightweight division in the closing bouts of the Inter-Allied Boxing Tournament here to-day. The American army team added four points to its total, while the American navy's total was advanced three. The final point standings of the American teams were: Army, 39; Navy, 32.

While the American army team failed to equal the points piled up by the British army earlier in the tournament the surprise of the meeting was the defeat of Jimmy Wilde, the English bantamweight champion, by Pal Moore, of Memphis, fighting with the American navy.

Cal Delaney, of Detroit, American navy, was defeated by Sgt. Johnnie Busham, British army champion welterweight—of Great Britain in the finals.

The tournament was held in the beautiful Albert Hall. The Americans were unaccustomed to the British rules, frequent warnings from the referee outside of the ring being necessary.

Many of the Americans had never seen a real prince before, but to-night they heard a word of praise from Prince Albert as he bestowed individual medals on the winners, and the royal trophy on the British army team.

Mike O'Dowd, the American army man, of St. Paul, and the world's champion middleweight won all three of the bouts in which he was engaged. Eddie McGoorty, American army, of Oshkosh, after defeating Chorrock, of South Africa, fell before Billy Wells, of the British army in the semi-finals. Augie Ratner, American army, fought his way through to the finals where he defeated Sergeant Fuller, of the British army on points. Ratner comes from New York and is a former American amateur welterweight champion.

CHICK EVANS WORKED HARD FOR RED CROSS

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Although Chick Evans, national amateur and open golf champion, did not play to war, he was accepted in the Aviation Corps only a few days before Germany was defeated, his record in Red Cross work, just lauded, shows an amazing performance in golf.

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**LOOKING BACKWARD TO PERIOD OF CITY AS REAL FREE PORT**

Scheme to Secure Privilege of Trade Levies Had Historical Parallel

From time to time references are made to the advantages which would accrue from a free port zone at Victoria. These references appear to anticipate a new condition of things rather than restoration of a policy which existed in the colony of Vancouver Island and which brought great prosperity to the infant community.

**An Unchanged Position.**  
The arguments which were put forward sixty years ago might be utilized to-day with very few changes of names and events. The early colonists were dependent on trade with San Francisco, except for the ships of the Hudson's Bay Company. In San Francisco the municipal duties—duties amounting to about 30 per cent. on the value were imposed on all foreign goods. The imports from San Francisco to Victoria during the year 1859 amounted to about \$1,500,000, the import duty on which paid at San Francisco totalled about \$450,000.

In a minute of the Legislative Council of March 25, 1859, on this subject one of the arguments advanced is: "The abundance and cheapness of our markets under this system (a free port) would make it a centre of trade and attract ships from ports on the Sound, from the Sandwich Islands, the Russian American settlements, who would discover that they could obtain supplies of flour, grain and manufactured goods of various kinds cheaper here than at San Francisco."

The Guadalepe was the first vessel, besides the Hudson's Bay Company's ships, which brought goods to Victoria direct from England.

**How Dues Compared.**  
In November of the previous year the port imposed no import duties, only charged \$10 for entry and clearing at the Customs House, with \$5 for British vessels. There were no tonnage dues, and pilotage was optional, at \$2 per foot when employed. There was no poll-tax on emigrants. These figures, of course, were overwhelmingly favorable to shipping as compared with Californian ports, and much easier than to ships proceeding to British Columbia with cargoes for debarkation at New Westminster.

The feeling was strongly marked both in the Council and Assembly towards free trade, and at the prorogation of the House on February 8, 1861, in his speech to the members Governor Douglas alluded first to free trade, saying: "The Free Trade system before initiated has been confirmed and become an essential part of our policy."

**Policy of Improvement.**  
The policy of encouraging trade—and Vancouver Island owes its settlement exclusively to seafaring men who came to take tribute of its natural resources—led the colonial government to establish lighthouses and a pilotage authority while busy with the stupendous task of the gold rush. From that period dates the Race Rocks Light-house and the establishment of beacons to light the harbor.

The freedom of the port was gradually impaired as the sixties wore on, duties being levied on many articles of consumption, so that when union of Vancouver Island with British Columbia was enacted in 1866 the free trade island colony gave way to the tariff of the mainland and laid the foundation of the policy of taxing the consumer which has continued.

**GOING TO OTTAWA**

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Lady Barnard Will Attend Investiture.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Lady Barnard will leave for Ottawa to-night to be guests of His Excellency the Governor-General, and to attend an investiture to be held by His Excellency on December 29.

During the absence of His Honor the Hon. Chief Justice Macdonald will act as Administrator. His Honor will probably remain in the East over the New Year.

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**Disabled Natives Receive Vocational Training at Bombay Institution**

In Bombay there is a most interesting school founded by Lady Wellington and dedicated to what would be in other lands the rehabilitation of the maimed soldier but what is in India, his first education. Back from a khaki-colored road ("Khaki" is the Indian word for dust) on a millionaire's estate stands a building with many broad verandas, Queen Mary's Technical School for Disabled Indian Soldiers. Here, in the evening, bareheaded, legless, sitting on their cot, are 200 men, in some instances blind, men

who in the usual course of events in India would become contented beggars and die at last, unimpaired and even unmissed in a land that loses one life in every four before the completion of its second year, or, as was the case last April, loses 87,000 by plague and scarcely feels the loss. Half a million blind of the general population, are uncared for. Their condition even excites no comment. Five millions out of the three hundred million population are medicants although able-bodied.

It is easy to see, then, what an innovation is Queen Mary's School; for here, the 200 who fought for the Empire are put into the way of escaping the usual lot of the maimed and the unfortunate. Some of the 200 are learning to farm scientifically; some are to become tailors, sitting cross-legged on the floor, a little hand machine in front of them and their pin-cushion on their head, for why not use the turban as a pin-cushion also? The army clothing department and even the men's own regiments have positions waiting for the graduates of this school. Motor driving is also being taught, for the business of motor transportation promises much after the war as well as that of the ordinary chauffeur for civilians.

factories, arsenals all offer employment to turners, fitters, engine-drivers and machinists, and these maimed soldiers are qualifying for the positions; those who have suffered the loss of one or even two limbs being fully competent to perform this work, thanks to the splendid artificial equipment which has been devised to take the place of the missing member, and, thanks too, to the indomitable perseverance that gives wonderful skill in the management of these contrivances. Carpentering, motion picture operating, elementary engineering and even machine knitting are other things taught. The last named is indeed a curious thing to flourish in India, but these 200 men while in France fell victims to the habit of wearing socks and the folks at home are also adopting the fashion.

While in the school the men are provided with food, bedding and clothing with free transportation from their homes. Some, on leaving, are given the tool needed in the new trade. Going back to their home towns, equipped for a happy, prosperous existence these men will surely be effective missionaries for spreading the gospel of work and self-support.

**ENDOWMENT OF MOTHERHOOD.**

Manchester, England, has taken a full step ahead in getting ready to do its duty by the coming generation. It has held a conference on the Endowment of Motherhood and has gone much deeper than the merely sentimental stage which contents itself with preparing high-sounding resolutions and securing voluminous minutes.

This conference recognized important basic principles such as the fact that home life is worth infinitely more than that of the best institution provided that the parent has control. Steps to secure and even compel this control and means of insuring stability to home life were discussed at the Conference. The fact was recognized that these two important, or rather, necessary factors to social decency were dependent directly on the vesting of questions of wages and housing. Just how far the state should control and just how far it should not go were also discussed. Good citizenship comes high and depends first of all and always on the sort of mothers the state demands and aids.













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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS. BORN. MAYNE—At Rutherford's Maternity Home, 2221 Shakespeare Street, on December 12th, to the wife of T. H. Mayne, of 1223 McKenna Street, a son.

DEATHS. SHAW—On the 12th inst., at 925 Empress Ave., Aeneas Andrew Shaw, aged 58 years, born in Ontario, and a resident of Victoria for the past 7 years. He is survived by his widow and 4 children.

MEASHER—On December 12th, at 1221 Denman Street, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Friker, a son.

HUBBARD—On the 11th inst., at the St. Joseph Hospital, Frederick A. Hubbard, aged 18 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Hubbard, of 430 Dalhousie Road. He is survived by his parents, two brothers and one sister.

REDMAN—On 12th inst., at 262 St. John's Avenue, Winnipeg, Man., Betty Baker Mayor Redman, aged 89 years, relict of the late Frederick Redman, Faversham, England, and mother of Mrs. F. F. Forner, of this city.

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VERNON VETERANS WANT ENEMY ALIENS SENT OUT OF CANADA

Vernon, Dec. 12.—At the monthly meeting of the Vernon branch of the Great War Veterans' Association, resolutions were passed urging that all enemy aliens in internment camps be deported to their home countries as soon as possible and urging that punishment be inflicted on the former Kaiser for his crimes against humanity.

GERMAN CENSORSHIP MERELY FORMALITY

Berlin, Dec. 12.—Via London, Dec. 12.—(Associated Press)—The German censorship of telegrams exists now only as a formality. The messages of the Associated Press correspondent are being passed for transmission without having been read by the censor, and on one occasion the censor's stamp was even handed to the correspondent for him to use if the correspondent happened to be absent when the censor was working. Copies of the Associated Press messages as received in Copenhagen in transit and later available for comparison, show no alteration even in messages the tenor of which was not pleasing to the Government.

NO COMMENTS ON MOTHERWELL'S MOVE

Ottawa Ministers Have Nothing to Say Regarding Minister's Retirement

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Federal Ministers are not disposed to make any comment on the retirement of Hon. W. R. Motherwell from the Saskatchewan Government. Hon. J. A. Calder, Minister of Immigration and Colonization, whose land settlement scheme is attacked by the retiring Provincial Minister, is not in the capital. He left on Tuesday for the maritime provinces to confer with the Provincial Ministers there.

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VERNON VETERANS WILL HAVE CANDIDATE IN FIELD FOR MAYOR

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CORRESPONDENT SAYS FOOD CRISIS SEEMS NEAR IN GERMANY

Berlin, Dec. 12.—(By Arno Fleuret)—The spectre of hunger has become visible to every eye. Inquiry in the factory districts, which are the most important, particularly for the maintenance of tranquillity, shows them to be able to keep Germany on their feet for three to five weeks only, owing to the destruction of the old system. If no food comes from the outside to Germany by that time, a practically insurmountable crisis is inevitable.

CHARGE IS MADE CHINESE GAMBLING FREELY IN VANCOUVER

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—That the granting of new licenses to the Chinese clubs in Vancouver through the Department of the Attorney-General, Hon. J. W. de la Farris, after they had been cancelled previously during the war, was a great encouragement to the Chinese to continue gambling and that the nominal fines imposed on them were a mere encouragement was a declaration made at the police investigation here yesterday afternoon in the evidence given to the Commission by Rev. Dr. S. S. Oosterhout, Superintendent of the Oriental Missions of the Methodist Church.

MAY BE A FOOD INQUIRY AT VERNON

Vernon, Dec. 12.—The Vernon City Council has received a request from the local branch of the United Farmers of British Columbia for the appointment by the municipal authorities of a committee to investigate the retail prices of foodstuffs, including beef and bacon. The Council is considering the matter.

STREET CAR RAN WILD IN KANSAS CITY, KILLING TWO

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 12.—Two persons were killed, four persons sustained serious injuries and twelve others were slightly injured when a street car ran wild down the Twelfth Street viaduct here this afternoon, left the tracks on the lower approach to the structure and crashed into the Union Pacific Freight Depot.

NEW YORK, DEC. 12.—Newcomb Carlton, president of the Western Union Telegraph Company, has been placed in charge of all marine cable systems of the United States by Postmaster General Burleson, it was announced at Mr. Carlton's office here today. He has accepted the appointment, which was declined by George G. Ward, vice-president of the Commercial Cable Company.

Judge Instructed to Investigate Loss of Princess Sophia

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—Mr. Justice Martin, of the Court of Appeal and Judge in Admiralty, has been instructed to proceed with an investigation into the wreck of the steamer Princess Sophia. The investigation will be conducted under the Shipping Act. The time and place of the sitting of the court have not yet been determined.

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DUTCH SOCIALIST SAYS WILHELM SHOULD BE SENT TO GERMANY

The Hague, Dec. 12.—Switzerland refused to admit the former German Kaiser when he fled from Germany, and Holland ought to have followed the example of the republic, declared M. Ravenstein, a revolutionary Socialist, in the lower House of the Dutch Parliament today.

ENCOURAGING STUDY

Montreal, Dec. 12.—That no fees shall be required from high school boys who have been overseas and who desire to continue their studies before entering on a university course, was a resolution passed unanimously at a meeting of the Montreal Protestant Board of School Trustees held last night.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK STOCKS IRREGULAR AND LOWER

Prices Fell Away on Light Volume of Trading. New York, Dec. 12.—There was little interest in the stock market here today. Prices advanced slightly during the first hour but then from then on it was a drifting affair with lower quotations all around.

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CONSULATE GENERAL OF FRANCE IN CANADA, Montreal, 19th November, 1918.

Answers to Times Want Ads.

520, 531, 612, 630, 700, 703, 795, 808, 859, 882, 870, 896, 917, 920, 924, 968, 1,000, 1,015, 5,226, 5,298.

POSTAL NOTES TO CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—The public is reminded by the Post Office Department that remittances to members of the Canadian Army Corps now advancing into Germany should be made by means of postal notes, which may be obtained at any post office, and not, as formerly, by means of post office orders, which were cashed at French civil post offices.

DETECTIVES FLOCK ABOUT EX-KAISER TO KEEP ASSASSINS OFF

London, Dec. 12.—Several score of detectives, the pick of former Kaiser Wilhelm's force of detectives at Potsdam, are staying at Amerongen, shadowing every movement of Hohenzollern, according to the Amerongen correspondent of The Express, who claims to have talked with some of these men. Hohenzollern is said to be in constant dread of bomb-throwers and other assassins and always carries a small revolver.

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