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## BRITISH FORCES IN FRANCE DRIVE AHEAD

### DECISIVE BLOW MAY COME SOON ON LINE IN NORTHERN FRANCE

**German Forces Find British Clinging Vigorously to Them As They Fall Back; Their Position Is Full of Uncertainty; Semi-open Warfare Now**

London, April 14.—"The British offensive has developed into a great push in the most literal sense of the word," telegraphs Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters in France.

"The success of the operations which began on Monday has been greater than perhaps we realize, and the Germans are being pushed back along the line from Loos to the southward.

"It takes an army a long time to get away, however skilfully the retirement may have been planned, and with a vigorous offensive clinging to its skirts, in its effort to avoid defeat the German army may be overwhelmed.

"German garrisons sneaked out of some villages during the night, but this slipping away can not be carried very far, and when they are forced back on the line to which they may have hastily withdrawn and without those guns and stores which they were unable to get away, a decisive thing may happen."

War Correspondents' Headquarters with the British Armies in France, April 14.—(By Philip Gibbs).—The position of the enemy now is full of uncertainty for him. It is possible he will try to avoid any disaster by falling back farther to the Drocourt-Queant line and by slipping away farther north. The Hindenburg line is pierced, but the enemy has established switch lines which will enable him to stand until the British guns are ready to make those positions untenable.

The weather, so far, is in the enemy's favor, except that his troops are suffering as much as the British from the cold and wet.

Semi-Open Warfare.

British Headquarters in France, April 14.—(By a Staff Correspondent of the Associated Press). It is not without difficulty that one comes to a realization that semi-open warfare has replaced the old deep trench fighting on the greater part of the British front in France. It is difficult for the fighting men actually to grasp the situation, a situation for which they waited so long.

The Germans possibly feel the change more than anyone else, for above all things they love their underground comfort. The Germans were the first to transfer the fighting to ditches and they are reluctantly giving up this style of warfare.

The deep concrete dugouts and tunnels along the old front were the only protection the Germans had against the ever-increasing British gunfire, and every time they get an opportunity to pause now they immediately begin to dig in. They take cover as if by second nature. The British always have contended that the German dugouts softened the men, who congregated in them always and could be kept only with difficulty in the open trenches. So it was easier to break the British of the trench habit than has been the case with the Germans.

Trained for Open.

Open field tactics have been a part of the training of the new British army ever since its organization began in 1914. There has been some criticism of that system from time to time on the ground that the war would always be fought from trench to trench, but for the last few months the British army in France has been drilled in open tactics almost daily. The results of these training methods have been apparent in the last few days and undoubtedly will prove still more valuable in the wider operations which unquestionably are coming.

### GERMANY DRAWING SPAIN INTO WAR

**Sinking of Spanish Ship Followed by Protest to Berlin**

### BOLIVIA'S EXPLANATION OF HER NEW COURSE

Madrid, April 14.—Foreign Minister Gimeno announced that the protest of Spain to Germany following the sinking of the Spanish steamship San Fulgencio by a German submarine without warning was sent to the Spanish Ambassador in Berlin to-day.

The gravity of the situation is emphasized by all the newspapers. The semi-official Diario Universal says: "The moment is grave for Spain, which no longer can abstract herself from the reverberations of the events transpiring around her."

Bolivia's Action.

La Paz, Bolivia, April 14.—The note of the Bolivian Government to the German Minister announcing the severance of diplomatic relations with Germany denounces the attacks of German submarines on neutral vessels as violations of international law and of the Hague Conventions. The note concludes:

"Your Excellency will understand that although we regret a breach of diplomatic relations between Bolivia and the German Empire, such relations have become insupportable under the existing circumstances. In consequence, Your Excellency will find herewith passports for yourself and the members of your legation."

States Notified.

Washington, April 14.—Official notification that Bolivia had severed diplomatic relations with Germany reached the State Department to-day in a note from Minister Caldeon. The text of the communication may be made public later.

### MOVING TALE OF A BRITISH AIRMAN ON FRENCH FRONT

British Headquarters in France, April 14.—These days are filled with thrills of individual exploits which are difficult to sort from the mass coming in from so wide a battlefield. One of the most remarkable is that of a young airman, who although shot in the eye and the leg in an air battle yesterday, succeeded in bringing down the opposing German machine in his own lines, dragged himself from his aeroplane, made a verbal report on his mission and died a few minutes later.

### SIXTY-EIGHT BAKERIES IN COLOGNE CLOSED

Copenhagen, April 14.—A Cologne dispatch to the Berliner Tageblatt says 68 bakeries there have been closed by the police for violation of the food regulations.

### CANADIANS TELL OF THEIR GREAT FIGHT

**Wounded Now in England Describe Victory at Vimy Ridge**

### CURRIE'S DIVISION TOOK 1,200 PRISONERS

Orpington, Eng., April 14.—Ontario's great hospital here has been honored to receive the first two big batches of the Canadian wounded from Vimy. The first party of 184 arrived amid a snowstorm, and the second party of 184 arrived in the night while it was raining. It was good to see the careful preparation for gentle handling and great care employed. Within an hour after the splendid hospital train had entered Orpington station every cot case had been bathed, dressed and comfortably placed in bed under the care of the Ontario nursing sisters.

No crowds gathered at Orpington station to watch the men's homecoming. None knew of it and the writer was the only spectator. Had London known, thousands would have lined the streets, for every heart here is full of admiration and sympathy for the Canadian forces.

A surprising feature is the unusually large proportion of walking cases, showing that most of the wounds are slight. The train doctors stated that the wounded were a spectacular sight when they reached the coast. They had been hurried down in clothing still mud-covered, with boots and clothes covered with thick masses of mud, telling of the trying weather conditions.

Fair Knockout.

They had been cleaned up before reaching Orpington station, however, and were remarkably cheerful. "We gave Fritz one back this time," they said. "We landed him a fair knockout."

Their reception on their way from the front to England almost overwhelmed the Canadians. French people waited wherever trains paused, offering coffee, chocolate and cigarettes, and cheering them, waving their hands, laughing and shouting words of good courage.

Many individual accounts do not piece out the description of the battle, as it was mainly an artillery contest. The artillery splendidly blazed the way to victory, but much stubborn fighting was left for the infantry.

The Prisoners.

Maj.-Gen. Turner's old division made the greatest score on Monday with 1,800 prisoners. The First Division, commanded by Major-General A. W. Currie, C. B. of Victoria, B. C., took 1,200. The Third Division captured about 600. The Fourth Division had very heavy fighting, the Germans being strongly entrenched, with numerous tunnels which enabled them to emerge unexpectedly. The great triumph therefore was all the more remarkable.

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### APPEAL TO NEW YORK FOR NEEDED RECRUITS

New York, April 14.—A house-to-house canvass to stimulate recruiting for the army and the navy was launched to-day by the woman suffrage party. The women carried 15,000 posters for distribution throughout the city.

### Red Cross Must Have Money "Vimy Ridge Tribute" Asked

The Victoria City and District Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society has been advised by wire this morning from headquarters that the following cable was sent by them to the Red Cross Commissioner in London:

"Owing to heavy casualty lists demands upon our Society must be great; please understand that Canadian Red Cross want every possible assistance rendered that will help the sick and wounded. Money or supplies will be provided upon recommendation of yourself and War Committee. The generosity of the Canadian people justifies us in authorizing you and Committee to assist to the fullest possible extent."

Owing to heavy purchase of material the Victoria Branch has not been able to send any cash to headquarters for the purchase of drugs and such like

### Turks Retreating in Mesopotamia After Defeat by British

London, April 14.—The Turks have sustained another defeat at the hands of the British forces in Mesopotamia. The War Office announces that the Turks are in retreat after a battle in which they suffered heavy losses.

### LINE IN LENS-ARRAS REGION



The line as it existed before the present great offensive was launched by Field-Marshal Haig's forces ran from a point near Givenchy almost straight southward just a short distance in front of Arras.

### BRITISH LOOK FOR GREATER EVENTS IN NORTHERN FRANCE; "HAIG PLAN" IS BRINGING SUCCESS; DRIVE PROCEEDS

London, April 14.—The British forces under Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig have taken a bulldog grip on the whole German line from Loos to the north of St. Quentin and refuse to be shaken off. Under what the newspapers call the "Haig plan," first one section of the Hindenburg line and then another has been subjected to violent bombardment, followed by satisfactory attacks which have badly shaken, if they have not seriously broken, the front on which the Germans have depended for the defence of the industrial districts of France which have been in their hands for more than two years.

The Lens coal mining area around

### HAIG'S MEN MAKE TWO GAPS OF FOUR MILES IN GERMAN FRONT IN THE GREAT DRIVE

### ON THREE-MILE FRONT BETWEEN DOUBLE CRASSIER AND GIVENCHY AND ON MILE FRONT FARTHER NORTH; VILLAGE ONLY ONE MILE FROM ST. QUENTIN TAKEN

London, April 14.—The village of Fayet, one mile northwest of St. Quentin, was captured by British troops last night after a sharp fight, the War Office announced to-day.

The important positions of the Ascension farm and the Grand Priel farm, east of Le Verguier, also were captured. Among the guns captured by the British are four howitzers of eight-inch calibre.

North of the Scarpe, British troops seized the Vimy station, La Chaudiere and enemy positions between Givenchy-en-Gohelle and Angres. Progress also was made north of the Bapaume-Cambrai road.

The text of the report follows:

"The village of Fayet, one mile northwest of St. Quentin, was captured last night after a sharp fight. On the high front east of Le Verguier we captured the important positions of the Ascension farm and the Grand Priel farm. We also made progress north of the Bapaume-Cambrai road in the direction of Quant.

North of the Scarpe our constant pressure compelled the enemy to yield further ground. We seized the Vimy station, La Chaudiere and the enemy's positions at Fosse No. 6 and August Mill, between Givenchy-en-Gohelle and Angres, included in the guns taken from the enemy in these operations are four howitzers of eight inches. The ground gained in our recent operations now links up with the positions wrested from the enemy in the Battle of Loos and includes the Double Crassier.

Enemy troops attempted a raid east of Loos during the night. They were driven off.

Enemy Retreating.

British Headquarters in France, April 14.—(By a Staff Correspondent of the Associated Press).—British troops last night broke the German front for a distance of four miles. The Germans are in retreat.

The gaps in the German defences were made in three places. Positions on a front of three miles between the Double Crassier and Givenchy and another mile on the north flank of the Hindenburg line system were captured. British advance posts were pushed well toward Quant and Pronville, important points in the German defences.

The Germans are fighting as they retire from the line from Loos southward and are being hard pressed. Fires and explosions in the territory to the rear of the German lines, continue.

The weather to-day was favorable for campaigning.

Germans Bombarded.

Paris, April 14.—The following official report was issued this afternoon: "South of St. Quentin our artillery continued to bombard the German positions. There was no infantry fighting during the night between the Somme and the Oise. Two German surprise attacks were broken up by our fire.

"In the Champagne the artillery fighting was very severe. On this part of the front we made numerous reconnaissances, bringing back prisoners. Near La Chapelle a German reconnoitering party attempted to reach our lines after a violent bombardment. It was dispersed and driven back to the German trenches."

German Statement.

Berlin, April 14.—Northeast of Arras and on the Scarpe River there was a pause in the fighting activity yesterday, says a statement issued to-day by the army headquarters staff.

On both banks of the Somme, the statement adds, strong enemy forces again advanced against our St. Quentin position. The attacks failed under heavy losses, the British leaving three officers and more than 200 men in our hands.

Farther south, at Croisilles and Bullecourt, says the announcement, British troops, after violent artillery fire, several times vainly attacked. In a counter-thrust "we inflicted considerable losses on the enemy."

### WOOLWICH ARSENAL SCENE OF A FIRE; DAMAGE IS SLIGHT

London, April 14.—It is officially announced a fire occurred at the Woolwich Arsenal this morning. There was no loss of life and the announcement says only slight damage to a building resulted.

### POINCARÉ GIVES FIELD-MARSHAL'S BATON TO JOFFRÉ

Paris, April 14.—President Poincaré yesterday afternoon presented a marshal's baton to General Joffrè, former commander-in-chief of the French forces. The President signed a decree creating General Joffrè marshal of France last December.

### TOOK FOREIGNERS FROM MOTOR WORKS

Returned Soldiers Raided Russell Motor Company's Plant in Toronto

Toronto, April 14.—A raid was carried out last night by returned soldiers on the plant of the Russell Motor Company here, with the result that about a score of foreigners were taken from the works. No damage was done. About half a hundred veterans participated.

The raid was organized by Lance-Corporal Charles O'Brien, a Flanders and Somme veteran. He told H. D. Scully, manager of the factory, that when he applied for work there a few days ago he was told by a foreigner at the gate to "get to—out of here."

His statement was backed up by two other soldiers.

Lieut.-Colonel H. S. Osborne, Assistant Adjutant-General at the camp here, who arrived on the scene with some of his staff, asked Scully if he would give assurance that returned soldiers would have the preference. Mr. Scully promised to write a letter to this effect. When this advantage was gained O'Brien and the lieutenant-colonel were hoisted shoulder high and loudly cheered. A crowd in Dufferin Street added their voices.

Several city policemen, a squad of military police and a platoon of the Irish Fusiliers, sent unarmed to quell any disorder, and a number of officers, watched the proceedings, but there was no interference with the raiders. The employees of the factory were assured that if they possessed registration papers they would not be molested.

From Camp.

Manager Scully last night denied a statement reported to have been made by a foreman that there were more than 1,400 enemy aliens employed. Mr. Scully stated that only three per cent of the 3,000 employees were foreigners, and that if there were any enemy aliens among them they had been brought down from the Kapuskasing internment camp with the permission of the Government.

Joseph M. Zuber, a German with a pork store in Parkdale, had a visit from the soldiers after midnight, when they climbed over his awning and into his sleeping apartments. He was taken down to his store while the soldiers examined his papers.

From there they went to the store of George Mungler, in Queen Street, West, and raided his restaurant, carrying off all the pies and cakes. Mungler says he is a Swiss, but the soldiers think he is a German.

### APPOINTED RECEIVER.

Boston, April 14.—Thomas J. Boynton, formerly Attorney-General of Massachusetts, was appointed receiver of the Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum by Judge Aldrich to-day.

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### ADMITS BRITISH HAVE MORE ARTILLERY

Salzmann, German Military Critic, Also Admits They Have More Men

Copenhagen, April 14.—The German military critics still are endeavoring to convince their readers that the Battle of Arras is only of tactical, not strategic importance and without effect upon the general situation. Occasionally they are betrayed, however, into making damaging admissions.

Captain von Salzmann, in the *Westliche Hebung*, says the events prove the correctness of Field Marshal von Hindenburg's decision to shorten his line, since nothing can be done against superiority in heavy artillery.

He speaks of the German inferiority in material as well as in numbers—a noteworthy admission, in view of Germany's unprecedented efforts to manufacture munitions under industrial mobilization.

Capitain Salzmann concludes: "Germany can not expect always to go with flying banners from victory to victory, but despite her inferiority in men and material, she has the nerves which will prevent the British from breaking the line."

Major Morant says the British have succeeded in shaking the first line, but that the assault has been stopped by the German supports and main reserves. The latter statement is interesting if it means the strategic reserve which von Hindenburg mentioned recently as being accumulated for a striking force in this year's campaign.

### COST OF LIVING STILL MOUNTING

Statistics Gathered by Dominion Department of Labor Show Increases

Ottawa, April 14.—The cost of living, according to statistics gathered by the Labor Department, again showed an increase for the month of March. Grain, livestock, meats, vegetables and fuel showed increases. Dairy products and eggs began to decline.

In retail prices, the cost of 29 staple foods for a family of five for a week rose to \$10.79, as compared with \$10.46 for February, \$9.36 for March, 1916, and \$7.88 for the same month in 1915. The increase since July, 1914, is about 41 per cent. In the family budget of staple foods, meats and potatoes showed the chief increases, while eggs were considerably lower and dairy butter declined slightly. Rent advanced in Quebec City, in several cities in Ontario and in Edmonton.

In wholesale prices, the Department's index number rose to 220.6, as compared with 217.3 for February and 176.4 for March last year, and 145.4 in the same month in 1915.

Wages continued to advance, according to 23 changes reported to the Department. These were for the most part connected with the transportation industries, metal trades and civil employees. In several instances, reduction in hours accompanied the increase, while in others the working hours were increased.

### BIG GAINS REPORTED BY SIR DOUGLAS HAIG

Enemy Hurdled Back North of Scarpe; British Astride Hindenburg Line

London, April 14.—The following official report from the British front in Northern France was issued last night:

"The area of active operations extended to-day toward the north. East and north of the Vimy ridge our troops pressed back the enemy on our whole front (of 12 miles) from north of the River Scarpe to south of Loos. We have seized the villages of Bailloul, Willerval, Vimy, Petit Vimy, Givenchy-en-Gohelle and Angres, and have gained a footing in the enemy's trenches northeast of Lens. In this area we have captured prisoners and guns."

Astride Hindenburg Line.

"South of the Arras-Cambrai Road we have captured the Wancourt tower, on a spur east of Wancourt village, and advanced astride the Hindenburg line as far as a point seven miles southeast of Arras."

"We also have made further progress on the high ground east of Le Verguler, and in Havrincourt Wood (northwest of St. Quentin)."

"Much useful work was done by our aeroplanes yesterday, although the weather was unfavorable for flying. The only hostile formation encountered was severely handled by one of our patrols, which drove down four enemy machines out of control. One other hostile machine was destroyed by us during the day. Three of our machines are missing."

Over 13,000 Prisoners.

"The number of prisoners taken since the commencement of our operations now exceeds 13,000, including 285 officers. We also have captured 166 guns, including eight 8-inch howitzers, 28 5.9-inch howitzers, 84 trench mortars and 250 machine guns, in addition to a considerable number of guns, trench mortars and machine guns which were demolished or buried by shell fire and cannot be enumerated."

"Many of the captured guns have been turned upon the enemy by us with good effect."

French Report.

Paris, April 14.—The War Office gave out the following report last night:

"The battle continues in front of the positions which our troops captured this morning to the south of St. Quentin; the enemy is offering stubborn resistance."

"Our artillery has violently bombarded German organizations between the Somme and the Oise. To the south of the Oise and to the north of the Ailette we carried out with success some detail operations, in the course of which we brought back about 60 prisoners."

"An artillery struggle is reported in the region of the Aisne and in Champagne."

A Belgian communication said: "The Belgian lines to the south of the Ferryman's house were violently bombarded during the night. Our artillery replied with energy. During the day reciprocal artillery activity was reported."

Germans Kept in Dark.

Berlin, April 14.—The following official report was given out last night: "It is officially reported that there have been no engagements near Arras and only strong firing in the vicinity of Bullecourt."

"Near Auberville, in Champagne, an enemy attack failed."

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### GERMAN WEAPONS AGAINST GERMANS

Canadian Troops Turn Guns They Captured in Opposite Direction

Canadian Headquarters in France, April 13.—Via London, April 14.—(By the Canadian Overseas Correspondent.)

No serious attempt has been made as yet by the enemy to counter-attack the new Canadian front, which hourly grows in strength. If the Germans return in force they will be met with some of their own big guns, as well as their machine guns, which have been found in good condition, and will now be brought into service against their former owners. The subterranean galleries which were hastily abandoned by the Germans continue to yield much material, especially machine guns. One officer who has specialized in exploration found five machine guns, all in good condition.

During the night of Tuesday the enemy sent forward patrols and occasional encounters took place in which distinct advantages were secured by the Canadian troops.

Machine Guns.

It will be interesting to the people at home to know that in machine gun equipment the British army is now greatly superior to the German army, as in artillery also.

After the recent battle I saw motor lorries deliver at the ambulance stations mixed loads of British and German wounded. They were packed in side by side, all stained with mud and blood—men who an hour before were doing their best to kill each other. The wounded Canadians and British waited their turn patiently. If badly hurt, "Frits" was permitted to be ahead in the line, and the Canadians and British seemed to bear no animosity. Their attitude was one of kindly toleration; even while they turned the full resources of the English language loose in vivid description of their exploits.

This consideration has led to curious results. One wet and weary chaplain, with no place to lay his head, was called upon by a wounded officer prisoner to provide him a second blanket because the hospital was cold. Said the chaplain: "I would have been soft enough to give him it if I had a blanket to my name."

Not to Their Level.

When the people in Canada read what appears to be authentic stories about the cruel treatment, even by the German women, of British wounded, it is worth while knowing that the Canadians at the front, no less than the tolerant British Tommy, refuse to descend in their treatment of wounded prisoners to the enemy's level. But Fritz must work and earn his keep, when unwounded, on the roads.

A remarkable incident is recorded as having befallen the official Canadian photographer. He found a body of 40 Germans and two officers in No Man's Land who, while the battle was in progress about them and to their rear, had surrendered. There was no one to conduct them to the rear and they were crouching in a large shell hole to escape the German barrage. There the cinema man photographed them, afterwards sending them on to the Canadian rear "tame as sheep," was his comment.

### THROUGH SOCIALISTS GERMANY IS TRYING TO ARRANGE PEACE

Copenhagen, April 14.—Peace within two months and a half is predicted by the Copenhagen correspondent of the Danish Socialist press, which confirms the reports of unofficial negotiations between German and Russian Socialists as against the diplomatic denials of the Socialist papers here and in Berlin.

The first negotiations, says the correspondent, who is a Socialist member of the Danish Parliament, were broken off, enabling two papers to launch a denial that they were in progress, but they were resumed immediately and are being prosecuted vigorously. The correspondent then enters into a discussion of peace terms in which he appears to take German Socialist expectations and hopes for the German Government's policy.

"I am assured from an absolutely trustworthy source," he says, "that Germany is ready to restore Belgium and Serbia evacuate France and with Turkey agree to an arrangement with Russia over the free navigation of the Danubian. An agreement also is possible on the Polish question, as the Russian Government knows."

Amsterdam, April 14.—The German newspapers say that not only is Philip Scheidemann, leader of the majority Socialists in Germany, on his way to Stockholm, but that he is accompanied by three prominent German Socialists, Adler, Erzberger and Haase. The four men are traveling on special passports and it is believed in Berlin Socialist circles they will meet envoys of the Russian Government, with whom they will proceed to Petrograd.

### COTTON CONSUMED IN UNITED STATES

Washington, April 14.—Cotton consumed during March was 602,530 running bales, and for the eight months ended March 31, 4,517,095 bales, the census bureau announced to-day.

### GREETINGS TO STATES SENT BY NIVELLE

On Behalf of French Army; Maj-Gen. Scott Sends Reply

Washington, April 14.—The reunion of the French and American armies is greeted as reviving a military fraternity sealed by Lafayette and Rochambeau in telegrams exchanged between Gen. Nivelle, the French commander-in-chief, and Maj-Gen. L. Scott, Chief of Staff of the United States Army, and made public by the War Department. The messages follow:

"To the Chief of the American General Staff:

"The French army has heard with the deepest emotion the noble and moving words addressed by President Wilson to the American Congress.

"The joy of France is immense on hearing that the American Congress has decided to war with Germany. She recalls the souvenir of military fraternity sealed more than a century ago by Lafayette and Rochambeau on American soil which will be made tighter on the battlefields of Europe.

"She salutes the star-spangled banner, which she will be happy and proud to see floating soon near our flags for the triumph of right and civilization.

"The French General-Commanding-in-Chief sends to the American General-Commanding-in-Chief the expression of his cordial welcome and entire devotion.

"(Signed) NIVELLE."

"Washington.

"Gen. Nivelle, Commander-in-Chief of the French Army, Paris, France.

"It was with profound satisfaction that your cable message of April 3 was read announcing the enthusiastic reception by the French army of news of the acts of the President and Congress of the United States declaring the existence of a state of war with Germany. The memory of Lafayette and Rochambeau forms one of the most cherished traditions of the American people, and the army of the United States is eager to take its place side-by-side with the armies of France and her allies now fighting so nobly for democracy and the liberty of the world.

"The American army sends you its thanks, and fully reciprocates the feeling of fraternity expressed by the

### CANADIAN LISTS FROM BATTLE OF THE RIDGE

Ottawa, April 14.—At military headquarters it is expected that the casualty lists giving the names of the Canadians killed and wounded since the beginning of the assault on the Vimy ridge on Monday last will commence to be received early next week. The casualty branch announced last evening that beginning with Monday two lists would be issued daily, one in the morning and one in the evening. For several weeks past the lists have been comparatively light, and only one list had been issued daily.

An officer who was at the front expressed the opinion that the losses in the week's fighting will be fairly heavy all along the British front where advances have been made. Official statements from the front so far received have been confined to the announcement that the Canadian losses in carrying the Vimy ridge were fewer than 1,500, including 3 officers. Since Monday, however, the Canadian divisions have been fighting steadily, and have made big advances in the face of stiff opposition, so it can be assumed that the losses have been growing from day to day. They are, however, probably smaller than in any previous fighting of a like magnitude, owing to the larger part which artillery plays in present-day fighting.

### GERMANY NOW HAS "A WORLD OF ENEMIES"

Amsterdam, April 14.—The Socialist newspaper *Vorwaerts*, of Berlin, says editorially:

"The German Government must have the courage to tell the German people the whole truth, which is simply that it is impossible to dictate terms of peace to a world of enemies."

## FRECKLE-FACE

Sun and Wind Bring Out Ugly Spots; How to Remove Easily.

Here's a chance, Miss Freckle-face, to try a remedy for freckles that will not cost you a penny unless it removes the freckles; while if it does give you a clear complexion the expense is trifling.

Simply get an ounce of othine—double strength—from any druggist and a few applications should show you how easy it is to rid yourself of the homely freckles and get a beautiful complexion. Rarely is more than one ounce needed for the worst case.

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"I FEEL LIKE A NEW BEING"

"FRUIT-A-TIVES" Brought the Joy of Health After Two Years' Suffering



MADAM LAPLANTE

35 St. Rose St., Montreal, April 4. For over two years I was sick and miserable. I suffered from constant headaches, and had palpitation of the heart so badly that I feared I would die. There seemed to be a lump in my stomach and the constipation was dreadful. I suffered from pain in the back and kidney disease.

"I was treated by a physician for a year and a half and he did me no good at all. I tried 'Fruit-a-tives' as a last resort. After using three boxes I was greatly improved and twelve boxes made me well. Now I can work all day and there are no headaches no palpitation, no heart trouble, no constipation, no pain or kidney trouble and I feel like a new being—and it was 'Fruit-a-tives' that gave me back my health."

"Madam ARTHUR LAPLANTE"

50c a box of 6 for \$2.50, trial size, 25c. At all dealers or sent postpaid by Fruit-a-tives, Limited, Ottawa.

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EDWIN C. SMITH, Treasurer and Collector of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C.

City Hall, Victoria, B. C., 16th March, 1917.

Fire Engine For Sale

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on Monday, April 23, 1917, for 41 Summer uniforms for the Police Department.

Particulars can be obtained from the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed, and marked on outside of envelope "Tender for Police Uniforms." A marked cheque equal to five per cent. of the amount of the tender, made payable to the City Treasurer, must accompany each tender. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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WON'T YOU HELP US

Save the starving and distressed old women, old men, children and babes in Russian Poland by sending a contribution to the Victoria Branch, Russian Polish Jewish Relief Society? Their need is very urgent. Headquarters, Fred Lauderer, 841 Fort St., and I. Waxstock, 1241 Broad St.

CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF SAANICH WEEKLY HALF-HOLIDAY ACT Notice is hereby given that every shop within the Municipal District of Saanich shall be closed for the serving of customers not later than 1 o'clock every Wednesday afternoon after February 1, 1917.

CANADIANS TELL OF THEIR GREAT FIGHT

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The total Canadian casualties, as far as can be judged, were only about double the number of prisoners the Canadians took the first day, most of which are slight wounds. Military experts estimated the probable cost of taking the Vimy ridge beforehand as three times as many.

Feeble Reply. One wounded Canadian soldier said: "Our battalion waited at jumping-off places two hours until 5.30 a. m., when dawn was just breaking. An artilleryman told me the Germans had 250 guns facing us. 'Soon,' he added, 'they'll have less than half.' Sure enough their artillery seemed largely paralyzed during the early fighting. Its feebleness surprised us and we supposed our guns had knocked them out."

"Our barrage opened at 5.30 a. m. upon the first German line, and three minutes later we jumped over the top and the barrage moved on. We found the German front line nothing but a heap of corpses, with almost every trace of the trenches wiped out. The second German trench, like the first, was lined with dead. Fritz made a great stand at the third line. The Prussian Guards stood up under our heavy barrage, even jumping on the parapets to hurl their bombs at us. They fought like heroes. They are big, big, big men, but we went through them. I got three wounds."

"Twenty minutes after the attack began the effect of our artillery fire was indescribable, the German wire entanglements being completely destroyed. We took wire cutters, but did not need them."

In 32 Minutes. Private Black, of an Ontario battalion, who was wounded in the right arm by a bullet, said: "We moved up a little to the left of Thelus and stood about two hours in mud and water to about 900 yards away in 32 minutes. There was nothing left of the first German trenches. Our armor-piercing shells, penetrating 25 feet down, had blown them up."

"Soon we began taking prisoners, and numbers upon numbers of Germans surrendered. They were a fine looking bunch and seemed very well pleased to be taken. 'I was wounded soon after 5 a. m. After my arm had been dressed I grabbed a rifle and escorted eight German prisoners to the rear. I thought they might do mischief if allowed to go alone, so I bunched them in front of me and made them move ahead.'"

Artillery Splendid. Pte. J. Tait, of a Toronto battalion, who was wounded in the right forearm by shrapnel, said:

"We had no opposition whatever at the first, second and third German lines. All we found were two or three old men and boys left to send up shells in order to deceive us, and also some machine gunners and a few snipers. Our losses up to the third line were very small, only a few being wounded. I saw no Canadian dead."

"Our artillery did the trick. It had the work of the artillery in the Somme battles beaten fifty ways. I never saw such gunfire before. When the word came to advance we jumped up silently. There was no shouting or cheering, and there were been, the barrage would have prevented one hearing it."

Ready to Surrender. Corporal Davis, of a Toronto battalion, who was wounded by shrapnel in the arm, said:

"The weather conditions made things pretty rough. There was rain and it was cold during the night while we waited amid the mud, and the rain later turned to snow. Fritz never stood for a bayonet fight. Immediately we got near him he dropped his weapons, threw up his arms and called 'Kamerade.'"

Pte. C. W. Gowers, of London, Ont., had a wonderful escape after his battalion had reached its objective. He, with his chum, volunteered to carry back wounded under the heavy German barrage. A big shell burst near and killed his chum and the stretcher case they were carrying and buried Gowers, injuring his leg.

Terrific Bombardment. "I've never seen anything in the world like it," said Sergeant J. S. Pullen Core, of Kingston, in describing the shell fire. This is a common phrase among the men, who declare no language is capable of conveying an impression of the intensity of the Canadian and British bombardment.

It was the Somme, but on a bigger scale. The Copenhagen naval school ship was vacated on Wednesday on account of an outbreak of the disease among the recruits. There have been 11 cases and three deaths, including a naval lieutenant who died to-day.

RAILWAY ACT. Ottawa, April 14.—After some discussion of its status in view of the fact that its membership is larger than the rules of the House permit, the special committee of the House of Commons which is considering the consolidation of the Railway Act adjourned yesterday until April 23. The press was asked to announce that it is desirable that public bodies desirous of making representations to the committee should submit their views in writing before the committee meets next week.

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WILL GROW RAPIDLY



UNCLE SAM—"You can laugh, but he's a first cousin to that contemptible little British army."

battle line reached there. Col. MacPherson and his staff have been fully occupied. On Wednesday the convoy numbered 136, including 25 Canadians. Many of the latter had been given first treatment at the Australian hospital at Boulogne, where several hundred Germans were treated at the same time.

The new Canadian inmates represent every part of the Dominion. Happily nearly all of them are only slightly wounded, and without exception all are doing well.

The Answer of One. "You'd rather be here than on the Vimy ridge?" asked a medical officer while dressing the wounded arm of one of the Canadians. "You bet," was the brief answer.

The Orpington Hospital's new patients are not disposed to treat this week's ordeal lightly. "If we feel as we do about it, what must it be like for those poor devils who withstood our gunfire for the best part of a week with next to no food or water?" remarked one patient. "This is the general feeling, although the wounded Canadians bring a honest merriment when they remember the utter collapse of the Germans before their onslaught."

At Putney. London, April 13.—The following convalescent Canadians have arrived at Putney: Capt. A. E. Bennett, Kamloops, B. C.; Capt. H. F. Murling, Nelson, B. C.; Capt. D. L. Cameron, Winnipeg; Capt. V. McKenna, Victoria, B. C.; Capt. F. C. McKenny, Edmonton; Capt. J. H. Mitchell, Edmonton; and Capt. G. H. Mogg, Victoria, B. C.

BRITISH SAILOR TOOK GUARD'S POST AT BOSTON

Boston, April 14.—A sailor of the British navy maintained a part of the waterfront patrol here yesterday, carrying the rifle of a National Guardsman who had collapsed at his post. The sailor, a member of the gun crew of a steamship in port, found the Guardsman on the wharf where he had fainted. Taking him into a nearby shanty, the British sailor telephoned for a doctor, then shouldered the Guardsman's rifle and for nearly an hour kept his post in a drizzle of rain until a corporal who encountered him arranged for relief.

TO BE ST. PETERSBURG, GERMAN WRITERS SAY

Amsterdam, April 14.—German correspondents on the Russian and Swedish frontiers report that the Russian Provisional Government intends to change the name of the capital back to St. Petersburg. The Government is said to have decided upon this "because Petrograd recalls to every Russian the saddest time in Russian history."

INFANTILE PARALYSIS CASES IN SWEDEN NOW

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Infantry.

Killed in action—Pte. H. Pemberton, Guelph; Pte. W. Wikstrom, Savona, B. C.; Pte. W. Hepburn, Scotland; Pte. F. Lonedale, England; Pte. W. Blower, England; Pte. A. Lamadine, Ottawa; Pte. A. C. Slack, Muskoka, Ont.; Pte. R. G. Macaulay, Scotland; Pte. W. Smith, Toronto; Pte. R. Haynes, Toronto; Pte. J. A. Mack, Scotland; Pte. S. Broadbent, England; Sergt. C. R. Jones, Wales; Cpl. R. Walsh, Winnipeg; Pte. A. Vanhorn, Winnipeg; Pte. J. Robert, Winnipeg; Pte. T. J. Evans, Winnipeg; Pte. J. Walker, Scotland; Cpl. W. Harrison, England; Pte. G. A. Mitchell, Wapella, Sask.; Pte. R. Marks, Dauphin, Man.; Pte. J. Dunnill, Fort William; Pte. J. Ison, Painesville, Minn.; Pte. G. Rowe, England; Pte. B. Anthony, Pembroke, Ont.; Pte. J. Ben-Ashby, Ireland; Pte. E. Godwin, Montreal; Pte. F. Rockburne, Quebec; Pte. R. Smith, New Westminster, B. C.; Pte. V. Chester, Silverdale, B. C.; Pte. E. Dodd, Greencastle, Ind.; Pte. D. E. Williams, Vancouver; Pte. J. Bradley, Redcliff, Alta.; Pte. A. W. Clark, Medicine Hat; Pte. J. Mathers, Scotland; Pte. G. M. Atkinson, England; Pte. J. Learmonth, Winnipeg; Pte. G. W. Buchan, Winnipeg; Pte. C. Sigrigsson, Glenboro, Man.; Pte. A. Cross, England; Pte. G. Craigie, Vancouver; Pte. E. Greenwell, Vancouver; Pte. A. Roberts, Toronto; Pte. W. Morris, Haysport, Mich.; Sergt. V. Arding, Paris, Ont.; Cpl. D. Laviolette, Rapid River, Mich.; Cpl. C. Hadson, England; Cpl. F. Brown, England; Pte. H. A. Crossley, Winnipeg; Pte. W. H. Crossley, Winnipeg; Pte. T. Hill, England; Pte. D. J. Madden, Winnipeg; Pte. F. Roberts, England; Pte. J. Craigie, Vancouver.

Died of wounds—Pte. A. G. Barley, England; Pte. G. C. Delong, Bethmay, Ont.; Lieut. C. Bovan, Vancouver; Lieut. R. A. Mercer, Edmonton; Pte. R. Silhan, Stratford, Ont.; Pte. F. Hazelwood, Australia; Pte. W. Farquhar, Scotland; Pte. G. Harris, Scotland; Pte. S. B. Marly, New Hamburg, Ont.; Pte. T. Hopkinson, Edmonton.

Died—Pte. W. A. Johnston, Medicine Hat.

Believed killed—Pte. E. Kenney, Winnipeg; Pte. M. Mulroney, Scotland; Pte. A. Glen, Ladysmith, B. C.; Pte. A. J. Patterson, Quebec; Capt. F. T. Spencer, England.

Wounded and missing—Pte. W. J. Popperton, South Vancouver, B. C.; Pte. W. Marshall, Regina.

Seriously ill—Pte. J. C. McIntosh, Pleasant Bay, N. S.; Pte. A. Neysmith, Scotland; Pte. F. Cederborg, Westham Island, B. C.; Pte. N. Binkley, Hanover, Ont.

Wounded—Pte. F. Walley, Galt, Ont.; Pte. H. B. Bailey, Galt, Ont.; Cpl. W. Aylward, Sydney, N. S.; Cpl. C. S. Edge, St. Thomas, Ont.; Pte. G. Lanchashire, Montreal; Pte. F. Tyo, Martintown, Ont.; Pte. A. Dobbie, Victoria, B. C.; Pte. G. Sporra, Sigwood, Ills.; Pte. J. Duggan, Northfield, B. C.; Sgt. G. N. Kearne, England; Pte. I. Nevala, Finland; Pte. L. Jeffries, Grimsby, Ont.; Cpl. A. Allan, Sheridan, Ont.; Cpl. T. Stephens, Montreal; Pte. F. G. Burt, Hamilton; Pte. H. Ferguson, Harmony, Ont.; Pte. G. Hadley, England; Sgt. W. Shaw, England; Sgt. H. Joyce, England; Pte. W. Sloan, Guelph; Pte. F. Wardell, Winnipeg; Pte. F. Kirkby, Carman, Man.; Sgt. G. Collins, Estevan, Sask.; Sgt. J. Dunlop, Ontario; Pte. B. Blanchard, Montreal, Man.; Pte. A. J. Solson, Gilm, Man.; Pte. T. Callan, Preston, Ont.; Cpl. P. McNabb, Cronhill, Man.; Pte. V. S. Palmer, Winnipeg; Pte. J. Anderson, Regina; Pte. G. Bushell, England; Pte. W. Downing, Saskatoon; Pte. E. Keen, Toronto; Pte. J. Garner, Warlock, B. C.; Cpl. W. Browne, England; Pte. S. Shirco, Russia; Pte. J. Huston, Hillyard, Wash.; Pte. J. Hutt, Montreal; Pte. J. Patterson, Simcoe, Ont.; Pte. R. Cameron, Toronto; Pte. E. T. Gedney, England; Cpl. J. S. Thomas, Cornwall, Ont.; Pte. R. O. Muir, Scotland; Pte. C. McKinnon, East York, Ont.; Pte. G. McKinnon, East York, Ont.; Pte. J. McCalden, Toronto; Pte. W. P. Fountain, Montreal; Pte. C. W. Hockley, Uxbridge, Ont.; Pte. A. Robinson, England; Pte. E. H. McCorristen, Quebec; Pte. J. Bashaw, Frankfurt, Ont.; Pte. H. Herrod, Lethbridge, Alta.; Cpl. C. Bryden, Craigville, Alta.; Pte. W. Atkinson, Medicine Hat; Pte. J. W. Harrison, Whittla, Alta.; Pte. C. McNally, Durham, Ont.; Cpl. J. Hobden, Elk Point, Alta.; Cpl. J. Sammon, Pembroke, Ont.; Pte. N. Campbell, Owen Sound, Ont.; Pte. D. Thompson, Calgary; Pte. D. Hurdy, Calgary; Pte. S. McGarry, Chicago; Pte. J. Leitch, Scotland; Pte. G. Cottingham, England; Pte. J. A. West, Simcoe, Ont.; Lieut. A. Hightstone, C. M. St. Paul, Minn.; Capt. W. F. Guild, Kennay, Man.; Major W. A. Dyer, Winnipeg; Pte. W. Ronald, Bright, Ont.; Pte. W. A. Fuller, Kelowna, B. C.; Pte. C. M. Wilcock, Ladner, B. C.; Pte. J. W. Ross, Vancouver; Pte. G. Lockwood, England; Pte. W. J. Coats, Vancouver; Pte. N. Dorsey, Edmonton; Pte. A. C. Kiniston, Point Grey, B. C.; Sgt. W. Brose, England; Pte. R. F. Criece, Athalmer, B. C.; Pte. R. F. Dickson, Vancouver; Pte. L. N. Campbell, Sudbury, Ont.; Pte. J. Atchison, Sapperton, B. C.; Cpl. J. Dunn, England; Pte. H. Doherty, England; Pte. R. Craig, Ottawa; Cpl. H. Ward, Winnipeg; Pte. G. Bell, England; Pte. J. Gardiner, Clearwater, Man.; Pte. W. D. Campbell, Toronto; Pte. W. Maudrick, Russia; Pte. G. F. Macey, Toronto; Pte. J. S. Livingstone, Harrisop, Ont.; Pte. A. Ross, Stratford, Ont.; Pte. W. H. Lockhart, Rochester, N. Y.; Pte. H. W. Collins, Kingsley, Mich.; Pte. E. Piller, Mapleton, Man.; Pte. W. Hickling, Winnipeg; Pte. J. H. Rae, Winnipeg; Pte. W. G. Blakeley, Vancouver; Pte. J. E. Milburn, Coal Creek, B. C.; Pte. F. E. Olson, Tacoma, Wash.; Pte. W. C. Johnston, Calgary; Pte. A. Campbell, Scotland; Pte. S. Parker, England; Pte. E. J. Curry, New Westminster, B. C.; Pte. E. A. House, Grimsby, Ont.; Pte. S. Ddotson, Oshawa, Ont.; Pte. I. E. Mills, Toronto; Pte. A. Annette, Toronto; Pte. W. Collicott, England; Pte. E. C. Barbour, Ridgway, Ont.; Pte. E.

MAKING FOOD PLANS IN UNITED STATES

Washington, April 14.—The activities of the Government in the furtherance of its campaign to stimulate food production in the United States during the war continued unabated to-day. Chief among these activities were: Secretary Houston, of the Department of Agriculture, conferred with Congressional leaders regarding proposed legislation authorizing the Government to regulate and fix food prices if necessary and to license large distributing agencies. President Wilson had under consideration a suggestion, approved by Secretary Houston, that he issue a proclamation calling the public's attention to the need for increased production and economy in the use of foodstuffs.

SHELL IN NEWSPAPER PLANT IN NEW YORK

New York, April 14.—A loaded 2-inch shell weighing 15 pounds, made in the United States, was found in the press room of the New York Globe last night after the last edition had gone to press. According to the police, the shell was leaning against one of the presses in such a position that it would have been exploded had the machinery been started. The discovery was made by an employee of the newspaper. Government agents and detectives are trying to learn who placed it there.

LIEUT. ROBINSON, V. C., KILLED IN FRANCE

London, April 14.—Lieut. William Lee Robinson, V. C., according to a German official statement received here, was shot down on April 5 by a German battle airplane.

The London Evening News on April 10 announced that Lieut. Robinson was missing. He was a popular hero in Britain, because last fall he brought down a zeppelin which was taking part in an attack on London. He was the first British aviator to bring down a zeppelin and was awarded the Victoria Cross for his success.

TO UNITED STATES.

Washington, April 14.—In response to a cablegram from Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, asking that representatives of British labor be sent to the United States with the commission coming to Washington for a war conference, Mr. Lloyd George replied yesterday: "Delighted to comply with your request. Two labor leaders and representatives of the Welfare Department of the Ministry of Munitions will leave for the United States as soon as possible."

KILLED IN ACTION.

Montreal, April 14.—Private advice received here to-day reported the following Montreal officers killed in action in the Battle of Arras: Lieut. George Smythe, Lieut. J. L. Stevenson and Lieut. R. L. Staden. Lieut. Geoffrey Sheffield was reported as having died of wounds. Major N. Maclean, Captain Pearson and Captain Shuldice were among a number of officers reported wounded.

AMONG THE MISSING.

Edmonton, April 14.—Lieut. Reginald Frederick Henry, a son of Mayor W. T. Henry, of Edmonton, is among the British aviators listed among the missing as the result of the air attack on German positions in Northern France on Saturday and Sunday last. Lieut. Henry was a third-year student at the University of Alberta at the time of enlistment.

GOETHALS WILL ACT.

Washington, April 14.—Major-General George Goethals will accede to President Wilson's request that he take general charge of the construction of wooden ships planned by the Shipping Board to carry supplies to the Entente countries. While no formal reply from General Goethals has been received, officials have information that he will undertake the work.

HEAD OF COSTA RICA.

Washington, April 14.—American Minister Hale, at San Jose, notified the State Department to-day of the inauguration as President of Costa Rica of Federico Tinoco, who in a two-hour revolution recently ousted the Gonzalez administration and later was elected chief executive.

The Fashion Centre Campbell's The Superiority of a Gossard Corset They Lace in Front IT is not a difficult thing to pick out the women of this city who are regular Gossard wearers. Their Gossards influence their entire apparel to such an extent that you unconsciously say to yourself: "There is a stylish woman." The correct figure foundation is the first essential to every woman. Our experience proves that a Gossard will immediately improve your figure and express more perfectly your own individuality. Our Corsetieres, trained in Gossard fittings, count it a pleasure and a privilege to fit you in a Gossard of your choice at \$2.75 up to \$10.00. Gossard Brassieres 50c to \$1.50 Gossard Brassieres are designed for every type of figure. The name "Gossard" guarantees you their style, workmanship and wearing service. View the new spring models Monday.

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GERMAN LOWER CLASSES ARE SUFFERING KEENLY Copenhagen, April 14.—The results of the statistical investigation into the war cost of living in Germany, which was conducted in April, 1917, now published, show that the cost of the bare necessities of life for families in the lowest wage class materially exceeded their income. This class included families earning from 150 to 200 marks monthly, and their living expenses are put at 222 marks, 5 pfennigs. The deficit, the report remarks, has been covered by either drawing on savings or running into debt. Prices have steadily gone upward, increasing the impossibility of the poorer paid classes (who include persons ranked as in the educated middle classes in Canada and the United States) to make ends meet without public relief. Hudson's Bay "Imperial" Lager Beer, quarts, 3 for 10c.



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SPREADING OUT.

Pressing the advantage gained in the first shattering blow of the Battle of Arras the British army is now forcing back the enemy on a front of twenty miles. From a point southeast of Arras to the south of Loos and northeast of Lens important advances have been recorded. North of the Scarpe River, that is, north of Fampoux, which is east of Arras, six villages have been captured, including Bailleur, Willeval, Vimy, Petit Vimy, Givenchy-en-Gohelle and Angres. South of the Scarpe, between Fampoux and a point seven miles southeast of Arras, another deep bite has been taken out of the once so-called "Hindenburg Line," now the so-called "Siegfried Line."

Although the Battle of Arras began less than a week ago, the British already have gone farther than they advanced in several months' fighting at the Somme. Already the enemy has begun a retreat upon which he did not calculate and which may yet develop into a rout. The long struggle which began at the Somme last summer was fought from ridge to ridge on a watershed to the eastern reaches of which the enemy is still clinging. The Battle of Arras already has passed to comparatively level country southeast of Vimy and is extending towards the plain in front of Douai. More than 13,000 prisoners have been captured, while the material spoil, even more important, includes 166 heavy guns and 250 machine guns, which, however, do not represent the entire enemy loss in this branch, for unquestionably a large number of guns were destroyed. The Germans have suffered a defeat the momentum of which they so far have been unable to stop, and the consequences of which will spread fan-like each following day.

The German front from St. Quentin northward, as it was held a few days ago, is doomed. Whether the enemy's high command can prevent its irremediable ruin is now the great question. That is to say, can it be safely withdrawn to a line near Cambrai, Douai and Lille? It is very doubtful if accommodation has been prepared for it or the enemy would have extended his line of retirement north of Arras before. And if he has not absolutely prepared another line he is going to be kept moving. All his calculations based upon delaying the Anglo-French offensive by his withdrawal from the two big salients

will have been upset, for if the front goes in one important place it must go everywhere. The thing to be remembered is that his abandonment of his positions on the Somme had been methodically anticipated and prepared for. He lost only 1,800 prisoners in the whole operation and very few guns. In the present instance, however, he is being hurled back "hot-foot" from a series of defeats and over ground which offers little advantage for strong rearguard fighting.

The German resistance just south of the Arras-Douai railroad is particularly strong and desperate as might be expected. There the British menace is immediately grave, threatening the hinge in the line. At the other end of the new front, that is, near Lens, the German line has been actually broken and the enemy is retreating from a hot corner with the utmost haste. But it is not only on the front involved in the Battle of Arras that trouble is coming to the enemy in large doses. South of the Bapaume-Cambrai road further substantial advances have been recorded. The capture of Gouzeaucourt means that the Germans are going to lose what they hold of Havrincourt Wood, while farther south, that is, in the immediate environs of St. Quentin, the British have grabbed the village of Fayet, which places them just one mile northwest of the French town. The occupation of St. Quentin, which must follow shortly, will not mean that the German line there has been broken. The town, which is situated on the west side of the canal of the same name, has been untenable for the enemy for a considerable time. More important are the British advance on the north of it and the French progress between the Oise and the Somme, southeast of it. These are actual wedges in the German front.

It will soon be in order for the German press solemnly to assure the German people that the Lens-Arras-St. Quentin-Aisne line is not the "Hindenburg Line" nor even the "Siegfried Line." Strangely enough, their grandiloquent pretensions of a few weeks ago in this relation seem to have been accepted by certain war commentators in Entente countries, notably in London, as credulously as they were in Germany. While it would be folly to under-estimate the enemy it is absurd to take him at his own valuation. He is no masterpiece of creation. He is no wonder worker. He is not a marvel of efficiency. His morale is a dubious quantity, especially when he is losing. As for Hindenburg and Ludendorff, they are outclassed in military ability by the majority of the Anglo-French leaders. Their successes were won through an overwhelming superiority in railroads, equipment and munitions against enemies who not only were deplorably deficient in these essentials but who also fought under the terrible handicap of treachery in their rear. There may be a "Hindenburg Line" and there may not be. None has developed so far, and if the battle on the present front expands into a full war of movement there never may be a "Hindenburg Line," even at the Rhine. And the war of movement does not appear to be far away.

ANOTHER TURK DEFEAT.

The important developments in France of the last few days have completely overshadowed the progress of the campaign against Turkey. That this movement is proceeding successfully is indicated by the War Office announcement to-day that the Ottoman forces are again in retreat as the result of a defeat in which they suffered heavy losses. Up to the time of this writing the locality of the battle has not been given, but it must be either on the railroad to Samara, which follows the Tigris north of Baghdad, or beyond the Diale River, in the region of Kiell Robot northeast of the Mesopotamian capital, where the British and Russian patrols recently effected a junction.

After capturing Baghdad, General Maude divided his pursuing forces into sections. One continued to press the Turks northward along both banks of the Tigris towards Samara. The other proceeded northeastward along the Diale, which flows from the mountains of Persia into the Tigris near Baghdad. The first expedition met with resistance some miles up the Tigris, but succeeded in forcing the enemy back. The object of the second was to link up with the Russians coming down from the Persian border, and if possible to take the retiring Turks in the rear. Von Mackensen, who is believed to be endeavoring to rehabilitate Turkey's military power in Mesopotamia, planned a counter-offensive. An attempt was made to hold the Russians while the British were to be attacked along the Diale. Apparently, however, the two forces effected a junction before the Turkish plan could be developed, for both Khanikla and Kiell Robot are in the hands of the Allies.

Meanwhile the second Russian army operating westward from Persia towards Mosul is making steady progress. There the Turks may be expected to put up their strongest resistance, for Mosul, on the Tigris, 250 miles north

of Bagdad, has become the enemy's base, and if it were captured a large part of the Turkish army would be cut off. That Mosul will fall there can be no doubt, but whether the Russians are in sufficient strength and are well enough supplied to take it before it is menaced by the British is open to question. The Russians in that district, however, are moving in co-ordination with their main army in Armenia, that is, the army holding the front from Trebizond to Lake Van. It is against this force that the Turks have massed the greatest part of their military power, but so far no striking development has been reported from that quarter, with the exception of the landing of a small Russian contingent 120 miles west of Trebizond a week ago.

In Palestine the British have extended their operations in the neighborhood of Gaza, which soon should be in their hands. This would facilitate the advance towards the Jerusalem-Jaffa railroad which is now in contemplation. Additional information of the recent battle south of Gaza shows that the Turks suffered more than 8,000 casualties, which means that an entire division was badly smashed. Evidently the enemy intends to make another strong fight for Gaza, which is a strategic position of prime importance, being actually the key to an advance up the coast.

AN IMPORTANT MOVE.

Should the United States Government divert to trans-Atlantic service any considerable proportion of the American coast and lake shipping pending the development of the big shipbuilding programme now under way, it will have delivered a severe blow to the German submarine campaign. The total tonnage of the republic's coastal shipping in 1914 was 6,852,336. Of course a great part of this would not be suitable or available for ocean service, but sufficient could be diverted to effect a large increase in the fleet now serving the Allies with foodstuffs and munitions. Indeed, in this way the gap between the present tonnage available for transport to Europe and the supply next September when the main programme will begin to materialize could be pretty effectually bridged.

This proposal, reported from Washington yesterday, furnishes further evidence of the folly of the enemy in underestimating the potentialities of the great country which has just entered the war. Captain Peritus, the naval correspondent of the Berliner Tageblatt, has warned the German people against this fatal tendency, reminding them of the terrible lesson the British Empire has taught them in this respect. Bernhardi, Morath, Gaidke and the whole school of Hun military journalism published miles of material to prove that in a military sense the British Empire was altogether negligible not only at the start but for all time. Now they are trying to assure the German people that this negligible factor will not be able to break through the "defensive" line of the "invincible" army which was going to swallow Britain's military contribution with one gulp. When the two hundred American shipbuilding plants and the 25,000 factories which have offered their services to the republic are in full operation the Germans will have a startling eye-opener on the resources of the power which they now profess to hold in such high scorn.

Lafollette, who won the reprobation of his country by his anti-American, pro-German performance in Congress recently, has come out with a suggestion which stamps him as either a fool or a lunatic. He proposes that instead of sending money to the Allies the United States buy Canada for \$10,000,000,000. Whether Canada is for sale or not does not enter into the scheme of this mountebank proponent of Hun political philosophy. He seems to have mingled with the Kaiser's amiable representatives in America so intimately that he has contracted the idea that everything is for sale, including himself, his country and his country's honor. That he should advocate the purchase of Canada is for him the most natural thing in the world.

It is impossible to please some people. Now, there is Dr. McIntosh, one of the Vancouver members who always votes with his junior colleague and the Bowersites against the ruling of the Speaker. He was supposed to be an ardent advocate of a thorough investigation of the Vancouver by-election charges. He wanted a Commission and so forth. Now comes a Commission and his enthusiasm visibly wanes. He is not so sure he likes it. It comes too late. It doesn't come too late. It might not work fast enough. Its powers may be too wide. What does the doctor want anyway? An investigation or a grievance, and does he want a grievance because he could not get a portfolio?

The German Socialist newspaper Vorwaerts advises the German Government to tell the people that Germany cannot dictate terms of peace to the whole world. The German

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people ought to be able to grasp this obvious certainty without being told by the Government. The fact that they cannot do so, in the opinion of Vorwaerts, which knows them best, shows to what extent their capacity for reason has been surrendered to the Kaiser and his gang. In the summer and fall of 1914 the French abandoned Calais, Dunkirk and Boulogne along with Lille and the rest of northern France. The Germans could have had the two important coast bases without a fight. But they had no eyes for any place but Paris. They did not get Paris and when they looked for Calais and Boulogne they lost more than 500,000 men. They could have had both in the first place for the mere formality of garrisoning them. As the great Battle of Arras progresses Germany's terms of peace continue to be unofficially modified. She is now willing to restore Belgium, the ravaged provinces of France and Serbia to their ante-bellum status. The Dardanelles are to be thrown open for the benefit of Russia. However, the Allies will have something to say about all these things. Germany will have nothing whatever to say about the status of the Dardanelles. There are glimmerings of reason in at least one German newspaper. The Vorwaerts admonishes its readers that Germany cannot hope to dictate terms of peace to the whole world. It is not exactly the whole world that is allied against Germany, but it is most of the world. The Allies are receiving fresh accessions almost every day. Bolivia has broken off relations with Germany. In Manitoba members of a government proved to have misappropriated public money were arraigned before the courts after being driven from public life. A public contractor who was a party to the frauds is serving a term in jail. A change of government in British

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COL. THOMPSON ON VISIT OF INSPECTION. States That Hospitals Commission Have Sufficient Accommodation for Moment. Dotted here and there in the vast areas which stretch from Sydney, C.E., to Sidney, B. C. there are seventy-five hospitals, convalescent homes and sanatoria operated by the Military Hospitals Commission under the direct supervision of Colonel Alfred Thompson, the medical superintendent. Talked to The Times Colonel Thompson stated that during the month of March no less than three thousand Canadian soldiers returned to Canada, all of whom required further treatment in the various institutions. At the present rate approximately that same number will be returning to the Dominion during April. In the earlier days of the war beds in England were sufficient to take care of many cases of Canadian casualties for a longer period, but the expansion of the efforts of the Mother Country and that of the Dominion has made it necessary for more of the convalescent period to be spent in Canada. Up to the present time some eighteen thousand casualties have been received by the Commission and of that number about 5,500 are now receiving treatment in the Dominion. The percentage of cures, declared the Colonel, is extremely high. Questioned as to the possibility of further accommodation being secured in the way of the conversion of buildings on the Island, Colonel Thompson authorized the statement that as far

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as the Hospitals' Commission was concerned, the three institutions on the Island would be equal to the demands that would be made upon them for the present. In the natural consequence of things, as well as from the economical standpoint, soldiers originating from the mainland would on their return receive treatment as near as possible to their homes. While the problem changes with the fortunes of war, Colonel Thompson anticipates that as the days go on and Canadian regiments take a more active part in the operations at the front, the number of men coming home month by month will gradually increase. He fully expects that the operations, which are now adding fresh laurels to the achievements of the Canadian Army at Vimy Ridge, will further tax the resources of the hospital under his charge. He is fully satisfied with the inspection he has nearly concluded, and speaks in high terms of the general conduct and smooth working of the many institutions. Colonel Thompson will be in the neighborhood for a few days, during which he will visit Esquimalt, Resthaven and Qualicum. TAKE FRENCH CHILDREN. Topeka, Kas., April 14.—Topeka clubwomen to-day adopted 35 French war orphans following the organization here of a branch of the American Society for the Relief of French War Orphans. The children were adopted by individuals and societies who pledged themselves to contribute funds to pay for their maintenance. AT LAST AUSTRIAN PARLIAMENT TO MEET. Amsterdam, April 14.—A Vienna dispatch says the Austrian Parliament will be summoned to meet in the middle of May. There has been no session of the Austrian Parliament since the beginning of the war. Following the outbreak of the conflict the Government took all authority into its own hands and has persistently refused to now to consult the representatives of the people. Thus the people have been waging war without any direct control of the situation. Austria is the only country in the war which has been in this position. DIED AT PHILADELPHIA. Philadelphia, April 14.—John G. Johnson, the widely known lawyer, died at his home here to-day. Death was due to heart disease. Mr. Johnson has been ill but a few days, although this fact did not become publicly known until after his death. He was 77 years old.

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The first party of Raymond excursionists of the season arrived over from the Sound on the City of Kingston this evening, and registered at the Grand. There are 45 ladies and gentlemen in the party, in charge of Henry Chyons. The party will stay till to-morrow.

Mr. C. D. Ladd, of San Francisco, last evening purchased most of the sealskins now in Victoria at \$12 each. The lot consists of about 3,000 skins. The price is an advance on what had been expected.

The A. O. U. W. convention concluded its sessions in Victoria yesterday, and thus completed the organization of the Grand Lodge for British Columbia. The next meeting will be held at Chilliwack in March, 1893.

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The University Platoon.—This is doubtless the last opportunity for men of education and character to go overseas with a draft carefully recruited under university auspices. Preliminary training at Work Point is offered to nearly all recruits, while their special courses will be taken in England. Those interested should write at once to Lieut. Jordan or Sgt. Eastman at the University of B. C., Vancouver.

## COMING MONDAY



### REV. HUGH ROSS

Of Plymouth Congregational Church, Seattle, and who has just recently entered on his third year's work there, will be the chief speaker at the semi-annual rally of the Christian Endeavor Union to be held on Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the Metropolitan Methodist Church. The subject of Mr. Ross's talk will be "More Than Conquerors."

Rev. Hugh G. Ross, of Plymouth Congregational Church, Seattle, recently entered on his third year's pastorate in that congregation. Mr. Ross is very well-known in Victoria, having addressed ministerial gatherings on several occasions while within recent months he has been heard by the Canadian Club of this city. Mr. Ross will address Semi-Rally of Epworth League at Metropolitan Church Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

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Garbage Cans.—Some time ago the difficulty of securing garbage cans was the subject of reference in the Times. The City Engineer now states that an adequate supply is on hand, and orders for cans can be filled regularly. The city buys the plate, and has it made up by its own workmen.

Surveyors Qualify.—As a result of the examinations recently held by the board of management of the Corporation of B. C. Land Surveyors, Messrs. J. R. Burden and H. W. Hunt were found qualified for commissions as B. C. Land Surveyors; and Messrs. Stanley Bomsal and Maurice J. Evans to be admitted as students under articles.

Street Poles Outside Curbs.—It was decided by City Council yesterday afternoon in Streets Committee to require from public service corporations more detailed plans of pole locations. A rule which has been honored in the past that observance is to be enforced in future, not to allow poles to be placed outside the sidewalk area, except in special circumstances where the sidewalk is narrow.

Ward I. Liberals.—The Liberals of Ward I. will meet on Monday evening in the rooms, Arcade Building, for regular business.

Rotarians at Oak Bay.—The Rotary entertainment to be given at the Oak Bay Theatre this evening, commencing at 8, will be a notable event. It will be of a most varied character, and a full house is assured. All the proceeds go to the Red Cross.

Selling Liquor.—Harry Campbell, of the Clarence Hotel, was this morning charged in the Police Court with having sold liquor out of the hours set by the statute. The case was remanded until the 17th of the month.

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Case Dismissed.—The three Chinese, who were brought before Magistrate Jay this morning on a charge of being found in an opium joint, were dismissed after the evidence had been heard. Sufficient proof of their guilt was not forthcoming.

No Action Taken.—As forecasted yesterday, the high figure for a permanent concrete structure, with steel span, across Rock Bay proved so high that Streets and Sewers Committee of Council decided to defer action till the interested owners have been consulted on the subject. City Engineer Rust estimated that the cost of building a reinforced concrete trestle with a 22-foot roadway surfaced with asphalt, and a five-foot sidewalk, would be \$75,000, plus \$35,000 for a 70-foot span to cross the opening.

A New Weekly.—British Columbia is to have a new weekly paper. The B. C. Weekly News, a B. C. paper for B. C. people, will make its first appearance next week. Its columns will be devoted largely to local events treated in a light and entertaining manner. Agriculture and mining will receive due attention and the ladies will find matters in which they are interested given at length. Politics only will be barred from the pages of the new journal. Temporary offices have been opened at the corner of Broughton and Langley Streets.

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## PATRIOTIC AID SOCIETY.

The following is the financial statement of the Victoria Patriotic Aid Society from September 15, 1914, to March 31, 1917:

Cash Receipts.	
Subscriptions previously published	\$37,209.95
Collections Society March, 1917	74.00
Victoria Patriotic Aid Society	\$1,167.67
Victoria Branch, Canadian Patriotic Fund	372.76
	11,341.43
	\$48,759.28
Disbursements.	
Previously published	\$28,596.92
For March, 1917	428.50
Contributed to Canadian Patriotic Fund Central Fund—By Victoria Patriotic Aid Society	\$12,375.98
By Victoria Patriotic Aid Society	272.76
Canadian Patriotic Fund	372.76
	12,947.71
General Expenses—	
Salaries and wages	284.49
Printing and stationery	115.55
Postage stamps	74.00
War tax stamps	20.00
Sundry expenses	11.00
Office furniture	5.45
	517.50
1917 Campaign Expenses—	
Wages	95.00
Sundries	34.82
	129.82
Balance—	
Petty cash	50.00
Canadian Bank of Commerce	41,319.07
	\$41,369.07
Less balance allowance account	29,713.67
	11,655.40
	\$48,759.28
Allowance Account.	
Advances from Central Fund, Canadian Patriotic Fund	\$61,381.95
Disbursements—under Canadian Patriotic Fund from commencement to February 28	
	\$58,649.38
For March, 1917	29,220.39
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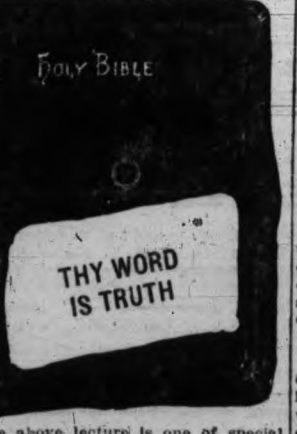
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Alien Labor Order.—Notice is contained in the Canada Gazette of April 7 of the renewal for another six months of the alien exclusion order, as against artisans and laborers, so far as British Columbia is concerned.

Different Man.—Private Joseph Park, of the C. A. M. C., desires it to be known that he is not the Joseph Park who was brought before the magistrate on the 29th of the month on a charge of being found in a disorderly house.

Camosun Chapter.—At the regular monthly meeting of Camosun Chapter, I. O. O. E., the regent, Mrs. Andrew Wright presiding, the chapter donated \$25 to be spent in purchasing field comforts for the men of the "Rainbow" going overseas. The birthday shower to be given for the Queen Mary's Guild on the afternoon of May 11 was announced. Mrs. Wright was appointed a delegate to the annual meeting of the Provincial Chapter to take place in New Westminster on April 19 and 20. Mrs. Quinlan was welcomed as a member. Miss Fell reported receiving 26 pairs socks during the last two weeks, and also read two letters from the front thanking the chapter for contributions of socks. Mrs. Coot reported from the Women's Council, and Mrs. Miles from the Camosun Company of the Girl Guides. Mrs. Croft reported having purchased on behalf of the chapter a boat for the soldiers at Resthaven, Mrs. Wright giving the flag. Contributions of footballs, baseballs, etc., for the men at the front were asked, and note made of the forthcoming commemoration on April 21 of the Battle of Ypres.

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## TO RESIDENTS OF FAIRFIELD

The Fairfield Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society has received permission from Headquarters (owing to the extraordinary demands that are expected to be made on same) to make a canvass of the district for monthly subscriptions, and to this end a committee of business men has been organized which has undertaken to see that a complete canvass is made.

The amount asked for is set within the reach of all, a monthly subscription of from ten cents to one dollar being asked of each and every person residing in the district.

As is well-known, the "GREAT DRIVE" is to commence very soon, with its consequent heavy casualty lists, and as RED CROSS PRODUCTS are mainly wanted at these times of great stress, the Branch hopes that there will be a liberal response to the appeal of the collectors.

As each collector has undertaken to call on about fifty houses, it is urged that when he calls YOU will assist him by coming to his aid with a quick response.

All collectors will be provided with written authority and will leave a subscription card with their receipt on same.

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More Lady Helpers are urgently needed at the rooms of the Branch, and if you are not now working for RED CROSS an offer of help will be gratefully received.

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**Wins Doll and Carriage.**—The doll and carriage, which was raffled in aid of the Patriotic Fund, was won by Marguerite Neiligan, of 18 Boyd Street, James Bay, holder of ticket No. 534.

**Annual Vestry Meeting.**—At the annual vestry meeting of Christ Church, to be held on Monday evening at Christ Church schoolroom, the Very Rev. Dean Quinlan, who will preside over this gathering for the first time, will probably make a declaration as to his policy in connection with the parish. The church-warden's annual report and the election of officers for the ensuing year will constitute part of the evening's business, and women of the congregation for the first time will be privileged to exercise the vote the same as the men. This is the last time that the annual meeting will take place at Easter, as by the new rules coming into effect on May 31, the annual general meeting henceforth will be in January.

## JUVENILES LEAVE

**\* SUPERFLUITIES \$235**  
Clever Young Entertainers' Work Benefits Funds of Patriotic Order

The following statement of the receipts and expenses in connection with the Winnipeg Juvenile entertainers, who made such a tremendous "hit" with their two Victoria audiences, shows that the total takings for the two evenings amounted to \$965.75. Expenses were \$435.75, leaving a balance of \$470, this amount being divided equally between the Returned Soldiers' Association in Winnipeg and "Superfluties" of Victoria. The sum of \$235 will, therefore, be shown in the monthly current account of the latter branch of the Canadian Red Cross, together with nearly \$10 received from the sale of souvenirs. To Mr. Smith and his talented company "Superfluties" expresses its thanks, for beside helping very worthily the Red Cross the greatest pleasure was given to more than two thousand people who attended the performance.

Cash receipts were: Wednesday, \$242; Thursday, \$662.75. Total, \$904.75. The following were the expenses:  
Meals on boat for the children, \$12.00  
Papers for advance agent ..... 8.20  
Hotel expense for same ..... 15.00  
Telegrams ..... 1.50  
Long distance telephone ..... 4.70  
Advertising ..... 60.20  
Total hotel expenses for Juveniles two days in Victoria ..... \$6.85  
Berths on boat ..... 17.50  
Drayage and piano ..... 12.00  
Sundries ..... 4.35  
Theatre ..... 250.00  
Transportation for the Juveniles to Victoria, Ill. ....  
Total ..... \$435.75

## AT THE HOTELS

T. F. Price, of Cardiff, is staying at the Empress Hotel.  
W. H. Dunwood, of Nanaimo, is at the Dominion Hotel.  
J. L. Gates, of Fernie, arrived at the Empress Hotel yesterday.  
Samuel Suter, of Chilliwack, is staying at the Dominion Hotel.  
J. W. Heaslip, of Alberni, is stopping at the Dominion Hotel.  
R. A. Brandon, of Toronto, is a guest at the Empress Hotel.  
Mrs. Riardon, of Penticton, is a guest at the Empress Hotel.  
J. J. Johnson, of Ladner, is registered at the Dominion Hotel.  
W. N. Lynch, of Prince Rupert, is stopping at the Dominion Hotel.  
Dr. L. T. Seavey, of Port Townsend, is a guest of the Dominion Hotel.  
Mrs. F. G. Christmas, of Duncan, is a guest at the Strathcona Hotel.  
Robson Black, of Ottawa, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.  
Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Gabel, of Everett, are staying at the Empress Hotel.  
Wm. Murray is a late arrival at the Strathcona Hotel from James Island.  
William Cowan, of New York, arrived at the Empress Hotel yesterday.  
S. Robinson, of Duncan, is amongst yesterday's arrivals at the Dominion Hotel.  
B. McNeely and I. Christie, of Ladysmith, are guests at the Empress Hotel.  
Mrs. James Smith, of Edmonton, Alberta, is a guest at the Empress Hotel.  
Samuel Meyerwitz, of New York city, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.  
E. Masters and Mrs. Masters, of Vancouver, are guests of the Dominion Hotel.  
Mrs. Lucas and Miss Clarke, are down from Nanaimo and staying at the Dominion.  
Miss H. McLean, is visiting the city, and staying at the Strathcona Hotel from Nanaimo.  
Sgt. A. W. Heather and Mrs. Heather, of Qualicum, are at the Dominion Hotel.  
Mrs. C. W. Cross and daughter, of Edmonton, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.  
Mrs. L. Stokkebye and J. J. McKim, are down from Sidney, and are at the Strathcona Hotel.  
Mrs. W. W. Reynolds and family, of Montreal, are visiting Victoria and staying at the Dominion Hotel.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Rasmussen and U. J. Freeman, of Cobble Hill are new arrivals at the Strathcona Hotel.  
C. Relfel and Mrs. Relfel and Mr. Quinn and Mrs. Quinn, of Nanaimo, are registered at the Dominion Hotel.  
Mrs. C. M. Niven and C. F. Houston, are over from the Mainland, and registered at the Strathcona Hotel.  
A. M. Lellan, A. Link, W. T. Wenhorn, Chas. E. Irvine, W. Depthier

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TO-DAY  
WILLIAM FARNUM in  
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**COLUMBIA THEATRE**  
**MAE MURRAY**  
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**ROYAL VICTORIA**  
To-night Only  
**Mme. Petrova**  
IN  
**"The Scarlet Woman"**

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and A. J. Garrison, of Vancouver, are new arrivals at the Dominion Hotel.

## AT THE THEATRES

**THE COLUMBIA.**  
Miss Murray, the star who is at the Columbia to-night, has shown that she is one of the most versatile of the younger generation of actresses on the screen. In "The Dream Girl" she scored an emphatic success as a whimsical little waif of the streets, and in "The Plover Girl," she more than doubled her popularity. She is scoring even a greater triumph in "On Record." In this wonderful drama she is seen as a young country girl, ambitious to go into business. She goes to New York but just as she secures a position as private secretary, she is arrested by an over-zealous detective and although not sent to jail, has her identification placed on record. An unscrupulous attorney knows of this fact and when she is about to marry the young inventor whom this attorney seeks to

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**ROYAL VICTORIA.**  
Madame Petrova, who is already well-known to Royal Victoria audiences, is the big attraction to-night. Petrova will appear in her latest success, entitled "The Scarlet Woman." The production is out of the ordinary, the play being specially written for this distinguished Russian actress by Aaron Hoffman, the well-known playwright and dramatist. It is a strong, vivid portrayal which this gifted emotional artist gives in this powerful photograph. Her supporting cast includes some of the best known artists in the film world, and the entire production sets a very high mark, special attention being given to the scenic and lighting effects. "The Scarlet Woman," is one of the best Petrova productions.

**PANTAGES THEATRE.**  
The new programme of vaudeville features, which will be seen for the first time Monday afternoon at the Pantages Theatre, and varied attractions and varied novelties.  
The "Unaeda Girls" is the title of a new musical comedy featuring Mark Adams, Harry Young, Madeline Lee and a chorus of beauties; the scene is laid in a grocery store and the surroundings give many opportunities for unrestricted amusement; the comedy is in capable hands, while the singing and dancing by the chorus is much above the average.  
Billy McDermott, commonly known as the only survivor of Coxe's army, will be another big feature of the new bill; McDermott has an unlimited supply of laughing materials; his funny antics as well as his clever burlesques are screamingly amusing.  
The world famous danseuse, La Estrellita, assisted by her dancer, Pagan, will present a dancing treat in four parts. La Estrellita is the foremost of Spanish dancers and her name has been a byword on the lips of many admirers of the light fantastic, for many years, this marvelous dancer has a finish to her work that classes it above other offerings of this character.  
Reed and Hudson will present Broadway Echoes, a neat singing and dancing novelty done in imitable style.  
Jed and Ethel Dooley will offer a combination of a little bit of everything.  
"Pearl of the Army" will be seen in the seventh episode of this great serial which is proving very popular.  
Finest \$5.—William Anderson was fined \$5 in the Police Court this morning for failing to have the tail light burning on his motor while on the street after dark.  
Blue Cross Donation.—The sum of \$25 has been forwarded by W. Farrell, Vancouver, "in recognition of the great value of the work being done by the Blue Cross."  
"Cigar Stand" Raffle.—The raffle of the three pen-and-ink sketches, known as the Returned Soldiers' "Cigar Stand" Raffle, will take place at the Superfluties Shop, Belmont Building, at 11 o'clock on Monday, April 16.

MEMORIES OF OLD VICTORIA

Personal Reminiscences of Edgar Fawcett

No explanation is required for the introduction of an interview with Mr. Edgar Fawcett, than whom none of the pioneers of the city is better known.

It was in 1847, just seventy years ago, that Mr. Fawcett first began the observations of man and nature which have proved the subject of such interesting sketches from his pen in recent years. He was born at Sidney, Australia, although both his father and mother were English born and bred.

Little Edgar was only two years old when his parents decided to migrate to the American continent. Their destination was San Francisco, and the voyage was made in the ship Victoria which put in en route at Honolulu.

During our stay we became acquainted with a wealthy American sugar planter, married to a pretty native lady. They had no family, and she felt in her heart that she and her husband were to have a child.

Mr. Fawcett was not the only child of the family, a brother and sister figuring very largely in his memories of the period. Possessed of a keen inquisitiveness and curiosity about all the doings of the day he amassed a rare knowledge of men and affairs.

The cause of the family's removal to Victoria was rather unfortunate. Mr. Fawcett's father and his partner, put all they had, some ten thousand dollars into a venture which included the purchase of a vessel to be sent in ballast to Albatross and Sooke, there to load with lumber.

Where the Brown Jug now stands was a large orchard, and garden, surrounded by a whitewashed fence. Many an apple have I had from this orchard," comments Mr. Fawcett in his reminiscences.

Join the volunteer fire department of the city. Since its organization he was a member of the British Columbia Pioneer Society, being secretary at the organization meeting at Smith's Hall, Government Street, April 28, 1871.

WILLIAM LEIGH TOWN CLERK

A Reminiscence by Edgar Fawcett.

The subject of this sketch was Victoria's second town clerk and assessor under Victoria's first Mayor, Thomas Harris, in 1852-5.

It was with great pleasure that I last week received Ernest's letter, which will be read with interest by some of the scholars who attended this school during the time I and Mr. Leigh were scholars in 1859, and there are some still with us.

My Dear Edgar, On my return to the city I find your welcome letter of the 9th inst. waiting, and am replying at first opportunity. Answering your questions:

Regarding the old Colonial School, I am not sure in what year it was built, I think 1856. Before they built it they used to hold school in one of the rooms in a building inside the old stockade.

Excuse this garrulous screed and phony script. I have been holding on to the steering wheel of a rather heavy machine for ten days, doing over 750 miles, and haven't got the cramp out of my knuckles yet.

Advance in price. Big Four and Light Six models, May 1st next—delivered until that date account low late to correct advertisements appearing in magazines circulating throughout the month of April.

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Mr. Fawcett served as sergeant in the Old Victoria Rifle Volunteers which were subsequently merged in the Canada militia under Colonel Wolfenden. He was also among the first to

NEWS OF THE MINES

Mining Notes. At a time when money for public expenditures has to be considered most carefully, and the Minister of Mines is deluged with suggestions concerning the best way to develop the mining resources of the Province, my fresh suggestion which would entail expense has to be carefully sifted from the standpoint of public policy.

However an idea, which has been developed elsewhere, mainly through the avenue of schools of mines, might be adopted. It would be a corollary of the evening school instruction in the cities, with grants in aid similar to subventions given for school gardening, technical equipment, etc. It is that of a trained corps of prospectors, who would have the confidence of investors as guaranteed by certificate.

In a few words Premier Hughes, who as Attorney-General was largely responsible for the action, recently told an audience that had been done with this "metal industry" in Australia, to eliminate German influences therefrom.

Allusion was made recently to the by-products utilization in connection with mineral industries in this district. The Portland cement industry is one of those which received considerable attention in the boom, and in connection with that an interesting experiment along this line is reported from Durham, Ontario.

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Insurance Company of Newark, N. J., on the available statistics affecting the various classes of mining, in which he showed the difference in hazard between the two is not so great in the aggregate as figures would indicate. In coal mining in this province during 1915, which included the two terrible accidents in Island mines, the ratio ran as high as 10.42 per thousand persons employed. In metalliferous mines the ratio in 1915 in this province was 4.10 per thousand persons employed.

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SPORTING NEWS

EVERYONE CELEBRATE FOR MEN AT FRONT

Proposal That All Sporting Events on May 24 Aid Red Cross

At the meeting of the Oak Bay Red Cross Committee last night it was decided to ask all the sporting organizations in the city and districts to co-operate with a view to having all the proceeds of events played on May 24 go to the Red Cross funds.

A request has already been sent to the Victoria Golf Club asking them to give a tournament for the Red Cross and it is thought that all the clubs will be unanimous in devoting the proceeds of the one day to the men who are fighting the battles of those who are unable to go.

P. P. Curtis, president of the Oak Bay Committee, was appointed a delegate to get in touch with the various organizations with a view to having them help. Each organization will be asked to turn its funds to the organization it wishes, Oak Bay not being desirous of getting more than her rightful share of the proceeds.

It is the custom for the school children to celebrate on the day previous to the public holiday. They too will be asked to do their bit for the Red Cross on that day.

CHURCH BASKETBALL WILL AID RED CROSS

In view of the fact that the games will benefit the Red Cross Society it is hoped that there will be a large turnout to-night at the Y. M. C. A. to witness the basketball games which are being played by teams of the Sunday School League of the city.

KILLED IN ACTION

Hamilton, Ont., April 14.—One of Hamilton's best known and most popular sportsmen, Lieut. Russell Thompson, has been killed in action in the big drive on the west front.

TRACKS ARE LICENSED

A bill placing a license fee of \$200 a day on racetracks in Kentucky within 20 miles of cities of 200,000, and \$500 a day on all other tracks within the state, excepting those at state and county fairs, has passed the Lower House of the General Assembly in the South.

Do Not Forget the Concert and Playlet At The PRINCESS THEATRE TO-NIGHT SATURDAY, APRIL 14th 8.15 P. M. Under Auspices of the KING'S DAUGHTERS Tickets 25 Cents.

COMING TOURNAMENT HAS FINE CONTESTS

Returned Soldiers' Association Receives Part of Proceeds

The coming heavyweight bout between Pte. Cook, of the 50th Gordon Highlanders, and Russ Leighton, of H. M. C. S. Rainbow, on April 21, for the heavyweight title of the Army and Navy Units of British Columbia should prove an excellent contest.

The coming bout will to a large extent be free from either of these detracting factors. Cook is not known well in Victoria, but from all the records that can be obtained regarding his career as a boxer, it appears that he is made of the material that keeps going right to the end.

The attention of patrons of the fight game is called to the fact that the Returned Soldiers' Association is staging the tournament and will receive the greater part of the proceeds.

Besides the main event there will be a semi-final contest which will be an excellent go-off we may judge it on the merits of what the fighters have done in the past.

CROWDS AT GAMES

One hundred and twenty thousand fans whooped the 1917 baseball season on its way in seven opening games according to gate estimates of attendance. The record follows:

WELSH TOO CLEVER SAYS NATE LEWIS

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BRITISH SPORTSMEN MAKE GOOD SOLDIERS

Spirit of Fair Play Engendered by Participation in Games

The question of sportsmen, athletes and their relationship to the army and service during war is one that is frequently referred to. Throughout the length and breadth of the Empire men are constantly debating whether the seasoned athlete or the puny and pale-faced office youth makes the better soldier.

In an article which was published some weeks ago in these columns the writer drew attention to the fact that the French nation before the war had given practically no thought to athletics. The young men of the country were not accustomed to spend their spare hours in gymnasia or on the cricket or football field, nor could it be said that hunting or fishing occupied any considerable portion of their hours.

The writer then went on to attribute this circumstance to the fact that the French youth was accustomed to irregular living. Not being a trained athlete he was not in the habit of working in stated hours, nor was he required to diet himself and secure a regular period of sleep each night.

This attitude, however, is hardly justified when applied to the forces of the British Empire. Sport among the sons of England and also those of Canada is taken as a matter of course and the ordinary Canadian youth who enjoys a good game of soccer or baseball does not consider it necessary to undergo a systematic training in order that he may enjoy his pastime.

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"White is sure that the way to get his title is to tire him and then finish him. They've all tried that from Abe Attell down. I'm positive that he must be overwhelmed in a short struggle or not at all. If a man stands off and tries to box him into submission he is going to get badly left."

MUNICIPAL BOWLING AT STANLEY PARK

Vancouver Being Asked to Help Finance Establishment of Greens

Prospects for lawn bowling greens in Stanley Park this summer brightened considerably at yesterday's meeting of the Parks Board says the Vancouver News Advertiser when the following recommendation of the works committee was adopted:

"That in consideration of a substantial guarantee being put up by the Stanley Park Bowling Club sufficient funds will be forthcoming from the club to defray the initial cost of construction, of which \$500 shall be paid the first year, this committee recommends to the board the construction of a bowling green at Coal Harbor in accordance with plans prepared by the engineer and approved, provided that the City Council finance the undertaking at an estimated cost of \$2,000.

It will be seen that the lawn-bowlers have the hardest part of their campaign before them in trying to persuade Alderman Kirk of the city finance committee to part with the \$2,000 mentioned as needed for construction, although the money should be paid back in a couple of years.

SOX LEADER NEVER PLAYED IN MAJORS

Clarence Rowland, of Chicago, Only Pilot Without Experience in Big Show

Clarence Rowland, of the Chicago White Sox, is the only present big league manager who never played ball in fast company. Owner Comiskey took Rowland from a minor league two years ago in spite of the fact that, as a team leader, the latter was practically unknown.

Freddie Welsh is a tottering champion, so they say. The wonderfully clever little Welshman is nearing the end of his reign. He knows it. He does not deny it; he only hopes to retire before some youthful conqueror appears.

Two Unbeaten Champions. There have been two champions in the history of pugilism who carried their titles into retirement. Jack McAuliffe retired undefeated in 1893, and Jimmy Barry retired with the bantam title in 1898, suffering but one defeat in his seven-year career—and that was lost on a foul.

THE ANNUAL INDIAN CHAMPIONSHIP SPORTS

Vancouver, April 14.—The annual Indian championship sports will be held at Brockton Point on May 24 as usual. At the meeting of the parks board Mr. Con Jones, the well-known sports promoter, applied for the use of the grounds, and the application was granted on the same small percentage as last year. The sports this season will be held for the benefit of the Returned Soldiers' Fund.

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WELSH WANTS TO RETIRE UNBEATEN

Those Who Quit Game and Attempt "Come Back" Are Always Beaten

NOTED ENGLISH RIDER WINS MILITARY CROSS

In his graphic account of the military operations against the Senussi at Girda, published in the London Daily Telegraph, W. T. Massey writes: Among the car officers in front of the positions during the long night was Lieut. William Griggs, the famous jockey, who has just received the Military Cross from the hands of Sir Archibald Murray.

AMERICAN HENLEY CANCELLED

The American Henley regatta, one of the largest rowing classics in the world, scheduled to be held at Philadelphia on May 12, was officially cancelled yesterday at a special meeting of the regatta board of stewards.

MEASLES EPIDEMIC TO PARENTS, GUARDIANS AND TEACHERS

The City Public Schools open after the Easter recess on Monday, April 16. During the recess, all schools have been cleaned, fumigated, and are now free from infection of measles. In order therefore to as far as possible prevent the infection of measles again entering the schools, parents and guardians are requested to keep all children under their care from attending school in whose homes there are others ill with measles, whether such children have had measles previously or not.

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Where do the ball players come from? Often we hear a certain section of the country mentioned as the cradle of the diamond. The Pacific Coast and the south are famous for the successful players they have sent to the big leagues. However, a glance through minor league archives shows the production to be pretty well distributed. Take your choice:

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M'INTOSH RENEWS ATTACK ON PREMIER

Is Convincingly Answered by the Minister of Agriculture and Given Facts

VANCOUVER'S JUNIOR MEMBER LOSES SPEECH

Declines to Go On, Challenges Division, and Then Finds His Right Exhausted

Legislative Press Gallery, April 13.

The continuation of the debate on the Vancouver election inquiry bill this afternoon brought on some fairly exciting times towards six o'clock.

Dr. J. W. McIntosh, third member for Vancouver, made further imputations against the Premier's good faith in the course of his speech, and endeavored to convey to the House that there had been delay in the appointment of the Royal Commission. Seemingly he thinks that it ought to have been named the moment the Government took office, and that because it was not the Premier is not carrying out in full measure his pledge to have the whole matter thoroughly investigated.

Judges Reluctant.

The facts were very clearly put before the House by the Minister of Agriculture, who gave the third member for Vancouver a much-needed advice about making sure of his facts before he spoke. Hon. Mr. Oliver took the House into his confidence and that of the Government, and stated that it had been with some difficulty that the Premier had been able to secure the consent of judges to act, members of the judiciary as a whole in Canada not being very anxious to engage in any inquiry since Mr. Justice Gait's experience.

Obstruction.

Notwithstanding the haste demanded by Dr. McIntosh, the other Vancouver member, the junior member from that city, at half-past five moved the adjournment of the debate. It was pointed out to him by the Premier that there was time for him to speak before six o'clock, but he did not see fit to accept the suggestion and forced a division on the motion.

When the House refused to allow the debate to stop the junior Vancouver member thought he had a right to go on with his speech and was greatly surprised to find that he had lost his right to go on by having moved the adjournment and being defeated on it. He has only himself to blame in the matter, as he could easily have made his speech if he had gone ahead and had not stubbornly forced the House to a division.

The first bit of obstruction from the Opposition this session was seen when W. R. Ross began to read the bill in order to kill time till the clock reached six.

Fulfilled Promise.

Dr. McIntosh (Vancouver) considered it deplorable that conditions which had given rise to the need for this bill should be forced on any party by a relatively small section of it. The Premier had promised to probe the matter to the bottom and he was glad to see that he had, in a measure, fulfilled his promise. For good intent, the honorable gentleman said, he gave credit.

He went on to say that he was disappointed yesterday that the Premier did not state his position towards the holding of an investigation and the length of time that it had taken to bring it about. He was sorry, also, that the Premier had not asked for criticism of the bill and for the submission of amendments. The intent was to make it effective and it was a good bill, but all through there had been procrastination, delay unnecessary and unwarranted. The matter had been delayed so long that there could be no report submitted this session, which was a great pity.

Objects to Personnel.

Dr. McIntosh declared that he was not satisfied with the personnel of the commission, and he thought that the choice of judges should have been left to those pushing this inquiry. He maintained that the Premier had shown great zeal to have the inquiry held and had promised it early. Why, then, had the inquiry not taken place before the by-election? Or else before the session, or begun early in the session so that it could be reported to the House this session. The P.G.E. committee, he remarked, was making reports from time to time.

"Do I understand the honorable gentleman to propose that a committee of this House should have conducted this inquiry?" the Minister of Agriculture asked.

Objects to Scope.

Dr. McIntosh replied that he did not, but he thought there had been great delay. He went on to say that he made strenuous objection to the provision giving the judges power to go outside the Province to take evidence. This was one of the weak points of the bill. One of the chief witnesses was in California, and it was proposed to send a commission down there, or one of its members, to get any story that individual might tell at any price. Scott could be deported if this was asked. The honorable gentleman thought it was a joke to say that the commissioners were to make an "expedition" inquiry when there had been such delay in starting it, and the Government had been so dilatory in acting, although the Premier had promised a prompt in-

quiry. In other regards the honorable gentleman offered criticism of the bill, and, repeated his regret that the commission could not report this session.

Minister Replies.

"The criticism of the third member for Vancouver is scarcely worthy of reply," remarked Hon. John Oliver as he rose. "I would not rise to speak were it not for the fact that he attempted to asperse the good faith of the Premier. The Premier, as he says, was pledged to probe this matter to the very bottom. The honorable gentleman says the bill is to some extent a fulfilment of that promise. To my mind the honorable gentleman has attempted to damn the Premier by faint praise in respect to the submission of this bill. I scarcely think the position taken by him will commend itself to the judgment of this House or the country at large. (Hear, hear.)

"He expresses regret that the Premier has not stated his position, or, in other words, the Premier is to be condemned because he has exercised good ordinary common-sense in not expressing an opinion on a matter which is the subject of investigation. The honorable gentleman might better follow the example of the Premier than the lines he has followed. (Applause.) He has talked of delay. It is a matter of common knowledge that a year ago we had a select committee appointed to take evidence, and while it is against the rules to discuss the conduct of a committee, I cannot refrain from doing so to the extent of contrast with the committee that has been taking evidence at this session. (Hear, hear.)

Utter Impossibility.

"The honorable gentleman would have us believe that the Premier had intimated that he would have the inquiry before the by-elections. Even the slightest reflection would have led the honorable gentleman to realize the utter impossibility of having an inquiry into a matter of this kind in the two or three weeks between the Government taking office and the by-elections. Experience, also, should have taught him that when the new Government took office with a session immediately necessary the by-elections had to be brought on promptly.

"He thinks, then, it should have been held possibly before the session. He seems to be imbued with the idea that it is a criminal offence for the Attorney-General to be here, and that he has a place of honor at all seems to bias the judgment of the honorable gentleman and renders him incapable on any question with which the honorable Attorney-General is even remotely connected. Has the honorable gentleman taken the pains to fortify himself with the facts? Does the honorable gentleman know anything about the history of investigations of this sort?

Judge Insulted.

"Has the honorable gentleman not learned of the fact that in Winnipeg one of the most eminent of our judges was grossly insulted on the bench by a public man? The fact of that disgraceful attack upon one of the judges of Canada has been such that nearly all the members of the judiciary now have very great hesitation in taking any inquiry which has any sort of a political phase. I can assure the House that the Premier has exerted all reasonable dispatch in bringing on this inquiry. I do not think I am violating any confidence when I say that the Premier has had to go to some extremes to get a commission.

"It will become a gentleman elected as a follower and a supporter of the Premier that he, without knowing the facts and the conditions under which we acted, to take the position which that gentleman has taken to-day. (Applause.) I venture to say that after this investigation has been held and every opportunity given to arrive at the truth the Premier will be willing to go to the people of Vancouver as to whether they uphold him or the third member for that city. I think the honorable Leader of the Opposition might be willing to take the verdict of the people at that time as well.

Should Keep in Touch.

"I would suggest to my honorable friend that he would do better to keep in touch with the men pushing this inquiry. If he had done so he would have known that the men pushing this inquiry suggested the names of two out of the three judges (applause). Then he was not content without going on to cast aspersions on the judges. I venture to say that the members of the judiciary of this province occupy as high a position as the third member for Victoria or any other member on the floor of this House (hear, hear). We have members of the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal in whom the public have the utmost confidence.

"The honorable gentleman takes objections to the committee having power to take evidence outside the province. The Leader of the Opposition told the people in the last campaign what he said was done to keep Scott out of the country. He did not tell them that when they had Scott here they allowed him to go back out of the jurisdiction."

Mr. Bowser Responsible.

Mr. Bowser interjected that he had had nothing to do with granting bail to Scott and knew nothing about it until after it had been granted. That bail was fixed by the present Premier. "My honorable friend was Attorney-General at the time," remarked Hon. Mr. Brewster. "I had nothing to do with fixing any bail and I had no power to do so, as he knows."

Mr. Bowser repeated that neither he nor any of his officers had anything to do with the granting of bail. The Premier and the so-called purty brigade in Vancouver were responsible for getting Scott back and not one of his officers knew of it.

Know a Little Law.

"The third member for Victoria objects to the committee going outside the province," continued the Minister of Agriculture. "The honorable gentleman made a statement which would lead the House to infer that he objected to Scott's evidence being taken outside on account, as he said, that he would tell any kind of a story at a price to be offered. He plainly intimated that the intent is to give the

committee power to take purchased evidence for use in the investigation. He makes a sneering reference to me as the lawyer-member. I know a little law, just about as little as my honorable friend the Leader of the Opposition" (Laughter).

"You know very much more than me," said Mr. Bowser with equal good humor.

"The honorable gentleman criticized the drafting of the bill, but surely when I inform the House that the bill was prepared by counsel for the commission, that the Government had nothing to do with it, and that the counsel for the commission, like two out of the three judges, was suggested and nominated by those who are pushing this inquiry as against the Attorney-General, it will be seen how little the honorable gentleman has kept in touch.

Carping Criticism.

"When I make these explanations the members on the floor of this House and the people in the country will realize the amount of attention to be paid to the third member for Vancouver. When two judges and the counsel are nominees of those pushing the inquiry it becomes any opponent of the Government and the Premier, whether an opponent in the guise of a supporter or a member of the open Opposition to utter carping and insincere criticism either of the Premier or the principles of this bill" (cheers).

The junior member for Vancouver moved the adjournment at 5.35, but the Premier declined to let the debate drop then. He reminded the House and especially the Opposition that there was great cry for haste, and if so then the junior member had better utilize the time by making his speech and getting the bill that much further ahead.

The member refused to speak and stuck to his motion to adjourn, which Mr. Bowser seconded. The motion was put and declared lost and a division was demanded. This had the same result but those asking for the division had not the courage to call for the names and therefore they will not appear on the records. Dr. McIntosh and the mover of the motion voted with the Opposition, as did also the Independent Conservatives.

Exhausted Right.

The sixth member for Vancouver rose as soon as the Speaker had declared the motion lost and commenced to speak.

"Surely the honorable gentleman does not think he can speak a second time," Mr. Speaker weariedly observed. "He has exhausted his right to speak by making the motion just defeated." There was a roar of laughter at the honorable gentleman's discomfiture.

Out of Order.

W. R. Ross moved the adjournment of the debate but Hon. Mr. Oliver reminded him that the same motion could not be made twice without intervening business.

"Then I had better go on," said the ex-minister, who proceeded to suggest that he be given time to read the bill over and discuss it on Monday.

The Premier saw no reason why he should not go on to six o'clock and thus save some time.

Mr. Ross became obstructive at this stage. He said he had not read the bill yet, and he proceeded to read it over in a low tone to himself as he stood in his place, presumably continuing his speech. As he was interrupted with requests to speak up he started in again on the preamble of the bill, which he went over from the beginning four times.

Finally the Speaker suggested that as he could not get through before six o'clock he might move the adjournment of the debate. This Mr. Ross did.

Later must come, and wakes to the fact that he is a slave to the drink you think everything will come right. He will fight the habit and you will help him escape it; but he can not do it. Drink has undermined his constitution, inflamed his stomach and nerves until the craving must be satisfied. And after you have hoped and then despaired more times than you can count you realize that he must be helped. The diseased condition of the stomach and nerves must be cured by something that will soothe the inflamed stomach and quiet the shaking nerves, removing all taste for liquor.

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MINING BILL GETS A SECOND READING

Member for Grand Forks Speaks; Work for Public Accounts

Legislative Press Gallery, April 13.

The House listened to an excellent speech this afternoon from J. E. W. Thompson, member for Grand Forks, who spoke on the mining bill with knowledge and experience. The honorable gentleman exploded some of the arguments used by the Leader of the Opposition in the speech which he made yesterday, when he wound up by announcing that he was going to vote against his conscience and support the bill.

The second reading of the bill was carried without any division, although the member for Grand Forks jokingly suggested that there ought to be one in order to give the Leader of the Opposition an opportunity to go on record as opposing his conscience.

Purchase of Lands.

The Minister of Agriculture brought to the attention of the House a matter connected with the purchase of lands, in which the Government Agent at Ashcroft was instructed to return to Andrew Laidlaw some \$3,000 and mark his applications to purchase lands as disallowed, although these had previously been allowed and the money accepted.

The public accounts committee will get a chance to go into this matter as a result of the purchase of the launch Falcon, in which the name of George A. Fraser occurs.

The House will on Monday be asked to enlarge the scope of the reference of the P. G. E. matter to the special committee so as to make it quite clear that it has power to go into the matter of campaign contributions and to compel D'Arcy Tate, K. C., to tell how much he paid to the Conservative or any other funds out of the moneys that the province guaranteed for the construction of the railway.

Confidence of Mining Men.

J. E. W. Thompson congratulated the Minister of Mines on his courage and the province on having, for the first time in its history, a Minister in that Department who had the confidence of mine-owners, prospectors, employers of labor in mining camps and the miners. He was sorry to hear the Leader of the Opposition yesterday say what he did about this bill, for it gave the impression that the interior districts were not satisfied with the measure. Mining men and newspapers of all stripes of politics were commendatory of the bill. Even the opposition extraordinary, the junior member for Vancouver, had made a telling effort in support of the bill. It remained for the Leader of the regular Opposition, with his profound knowledge of mining in the province, to make an attempt to belittle the excellent measure which the Minister of Mines had brought down.

Halo of Joy.

"We on this side of the House should be excited," Mr. Thompson went on "for expecting something very different from the honorable gentleman, that he might have approached the matter in a more amicable spirit, inasmuch as he chose the happy Easter season, with its halo of joy and gladness, as a time in which to prepare for this remarkable effort. But evidently the contentment that this season usually brings did not harmonize so well with the honorable gentleman's state of mind as it likely did one short year ago.

No Suggestion.

"As he gazes at the treasury benches opposite the season is forgotten and its message goes unheeded, and there remains but the bitterness of defeat. On Wednesday the honorable gentleman did not avail himself of the opportunity to spread. Was it due to inherent modesty? Or was it due to lack of knowledge on the subject? Or was it not that he had sent out the S. O. S. signal to his late Minister of Mines and awaited his counsel and advice? Because on Thursday the House was favored with the barren result of their united efforts, in a speech which at no point offered a single constructive suggestion."

Not Usurping.

Discussing the allegation that the mineral survey was usurping the obligation of the Dominion under the terms of union, Mr. Thompson pointed out that to the prospector in the hills the work of the geological survey was of very little value unless followed up as was now proposed by mining engineers of the Department. The diamond drilling arrangements was an eminently fair one to all concerned. There was some objection made to the proposal to go on lands to drill. The engineers were on the spot and would be in a position to put the Minister in possession of all the facts, and the Minister then might act if he saw fit. This whole portion of the Act was of the utmost importance.

Mr. Thompson mentioned that the Minister of Mines was adopting some of the suggestions made by the members for Similkameen (Mr. Shatford) and Nelson (Dr. Rose).

Protection of Workingmen.

The proposals for the protection of the workingman and for the prevention of wild-catting were approved by the member for Grand Forks. The Province was on the eve of great mineral development and it was necessary that investors be protected. The operation of the new Act would be expensive, but this would be justified by the revenue which would be produced and the general revival of business.

The honorable gentleman was heartily applauded and the motion for second reading was carried.

For Public Accounts Committee. Hon. Mr. Oliver moved, seconded by Hon. Dr. King: "That all letters, pa-

pers, vouchers, and documents relating to the payment of \$1,920 to Andrew Laidlaw as a refund of moneys paid on account of lands purchased or sought to be purchased from the Province of British Columbia be referred to the Public Accounts Committee, with instructions to inquire into the whole question of the payment of the moneys above referred to; and with further instructions to report to this House their findings as to the person or persons responsible for the payment before mentioned."

In explanation of this motion Hon. Mr. Oliver stated that one Andrew Laidlaw, following the practice prevalent in the Lands Department for many years, had used the names of other persons in applying for lands, for the purpose of evading the provisions of the Lands Act. By last session's legislation, the Soldiers' Homestead Act, it was provided that purchasers who did not complete their payments and did not apply for a proportionate allotment of land had their lands revert to the Crown and the payment made forfeited.

Favored Individual.

Apparently Laidlaw was a favored individual, because he had been allowed to make a large number of applications to purchase lands, on which he had paid to the treasury something over \$5,000 which, at fifty cents an acre, covered some 13,000 acres. The Minister said his information was that under the administration of the present member for Fort George (Mr. Ross), five of the applications were disallowed, but the balance were allowed. A few days prior to the general election Government Agent Christie, at Ashcroft, was instructed to repay the moneys advanced to Laidlaw on account of his applications to purchase, and these moneys were refunded about September 7.

Without Authority.

The result was a disputed account between the Audit Office and the Government Agent's office of about \$8,000. The money had been ordered paid out without authority, and contrary to the laws of the Province. What were the influences at work which enabled these thousands to be handed back in defiance of law and on the eve of an election?

This was sufficient reason for the reference of the matter to the Public Accounts Committee, but when to this he added the fact that some time after the Government Agent had been instructed to refund the moneys the letter was added to by the addenda that all the claims allowed before were to be marked "disallowed," it would be seen that inquiry must be made. To this extent the public records were to be falsified for the purpose of covering up this matter.

W. R. Ross was unable to discuss the matter off-hand and adjourned the debate until Monday.

Presented Report.

J. W. deB. Farris, chairman of the P. G. E. Committee, presented a report dealing with the refusal of D'Arcy Tate, K. C., to answer questions, but

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Another Mining Bill.

The Minister of Mines brought in a bill amending last year's act aiding the French's Complex Ore Process, carrying out a request made by the company that the act should state that the bank is to take the net profits in repayment of the guaranteed securities. As the act read it might have been taken as gross profits, and the bank desired the company to secure an elucidation of the point.

Order for Supply.

The Premier to-day placed on the order paper the formal motion for the granting of a Supply to His Majesty, and just as formally Tuesday was set for the House to resolve itself into committee of supply.

The Faloma.

G. G. McGeer (Richmond) intends to move that the papers and accounts in the matter of the payment of \$10,000 to the Pacific Marine Brokerage Company for the gasoline launch Faloma be referred to the public accounts committee. This is the transaction in which there were first two cheques issued, each for \$5,000, to George A. Fraser and Frank De Grey, these being cancelled and one cheque for the full amount being paid to the Brokerage Co.



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## DISMASTED SHIP IS LABELED FOR SALVAGE

### Master and Crew of Sumner Claim \$10,000 for Recovery of Harriet G.

The dismantled and abandoned American brigantine Harriet G. has been labeled for \$10,000 by Capt. Martin Rolie and the crew of the fishing schooner Sumner for the salvage of the deserted vessel which was picked up forty miles southwest of Cape Flattery. The Harriet G. was towed to Seattle on Tuesday by the Sumner and an action was immediately begun to claim salvage.

The dismantled craft is owned by the State Navigation Company, and was bound from Port Ludlow for Hilo, Hawaii, when she was badly damaged in a heavy gale off the coast. Both the owner and crew of the Sumner will share in the salvage money, if any is allowed by the American courts, and there was never a clearer case of salvage. The starboard bulwarks of the Harriet G. were carried away for a distance of sixty feet when the deck load of lumber shifted in the storm and the cabin is a total wreck. About 40,000 feet of the deck load of lumber and 180,000 feet of lumber in the hold was saved. This cargo was included in the label filed by the owner and crew of the Sumner.

Capt. C. A. Darling and the members of the crew of the Harriet G., who abandoned the vessel after she had become dismantled and water-logged, and subsequently reached Sechart whaling station in a lifeboat, are due to arrive here at 4 o'clock this afternoon aboard the C.P.R. steamer Tees.

Capt. Darling, who is part owner of the Harriet G., formerly practiced dentistry at Bellingham and was a prominent Puget Sound yachtsman.

## PRINCE RUPERT WAS ALMOST PUT AFLOAT

### Another Attempt Was Made to Salvage G. T. P. Steamer on Wednesday

Yet another attempt was made to float the G. T. P. steamer Prince Rupert on Wednesday, and, according to word from Capt. C. H. Nicholson, the attempt almost succeeded. The tide, however, was not quite high enough, but sufficient progress was made to justify Capt. Nicholson in expressing the view that the steamer will be floated on April 20 or 21.

The Prince Rupert went ashore on Gunn Island on March 23 in a heavy snowstorm and the salvors made an attempt to float her on April 9 and 10, but these attempts failed. However, by April 20 the tides will reach the height which prevailed when the vessel drove ashore.

## MANILA MARU AWAY

### O. S. K. Liner Cleared for Hongkong Last Night With Full Hold.

The Manila Maru, of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, left port last evening on her return voyage to the Orient. Four first class Japanese passengers and fourteen steerage embarked here for Yokohama. The rest of the cabin space was taken up by passengers who boarded the ship at Seattle. The cargo amounted to 10,000 tons and included a large consignment of ship-building steel.

## GOVERNOR BOUND SOUTH.

The Pacific Steamship Company's steamer Governor, Capt. N. E. Cousins, left the Outer Docks at 5.30 p. m. yesterday on her southbound voyage to San Francisco and southern California ports. Her passenger list was unusually light, this being the slack season for southbound travel. About 25 persons boarded the steamer at this port.

## HUNDREDS OF EXILES RETURNING TO RUSSIA

### Agents of Various Steamship Lines Deluged With Applications for Accommodation

Now that amnesty has been granted to those exiled by the late Government of the Romanoff's, thousands of political refugees are now hurrying back to the land of their birth from all corners of the earth. There is no doubt but that the larger proportion of the Russian exiles have been domiciled in the United States for many years past, this fact being emphasized by the heavy movement now taking place from this continent to the country which has been freed of the political tyranny and despotic rule by the comparatively recent revolutionary upheaval. The first batch of Russian political refugees to leave the United States for Russia to enjoy the privileges extended under the new regime, sailed from this port yesterday aboard the Canadian Pacific Ocean Services steamship Empress of Russia.

Several hundred more are clamoring for accommodation on vessels of the various trans-Pacific lines, and the next few weeks will witness a general exodus of these people from the United States and Canada. It was learned today that application has been made for stowage space aboard the outbound Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Tamba Maru for the accommodation of approximately 200 Russians and Russian Jews.

Although nothing like this amount of space can be guaranteed, there is every indication that the Tamba Maru and other vessels of the N. Y. K. fleet will have a large proportion of Russian refugees in the steerage accommodation. The Osaka Shosen Kaisha agents have also had numerous enquiries regarding available space for this class of travel.

The Russians returning home from this continent will disembark at Yokohama or Kobe, where they will tranship to Vladivostok, and from the Siberian terminal return to their former homes via the trans-Siberian railroad.

## SEWARD FETCHED HUGE SUM EARLY THIS YEAR

### American Steamer Since Destroyed by Submarine Was Sold for \$1,500,000

The American steamship Seward, sunk recently in the Mediterranean by an enemy submarine, was sold early in the present year for \$1,500,000. Less than a year ago she was sold by the Alaska Steamship Company to M. H. Tracey & Co., of New York for \$800,000. She cost the Alaska Steamship Company \$250,000 in 1907, when she was launched at the Moran shipyards at Seattle. The rise in her value gives some idea of the effect of the world war on the value of shipping, indicating also that the price of tonnage may still go higher.

When the Seward was sold for \$800,000 last year it was believed that she had almost reached her limit in value, that no traffic could justify a heavier investment. Early in 1916 the Alaska Steamship Company was offered \$650,000 for the vessel, but this bid was declined, although it represented a jump of \$400,000 compared to her cost in 1907. The Seward will always have a place in Alaska history. The Alaska Steamship Company had her built especially for the northern trade.

The Seward was operated in the Seattle-Alaska service until the end of 1915, when she was chartered by Frank Waterhouse & Co. for a round trip in the Oriental trade. She carried a full cargo to Vladivostok. On her return from this voyage she was returned to her owners and simultaneously the company got an offer for her charter at \$1,000 a day from Eastern interests. The offer was declined although the figures were staggeringly high at the time. Later followed the sale to the Tracy Company for \$800,000.

## BURMA MARU HERE ON HER MAIDEN TRIP FROM ORIENT

Completing her maiden voyage, the Japanese freighter Burma Maru arrived in port this afternoon from Hongkong with a general Oriental cargo for the Osaka Shosen Kaisha. She is a sister ship to the steamer Siam Maru, which touched here last November.

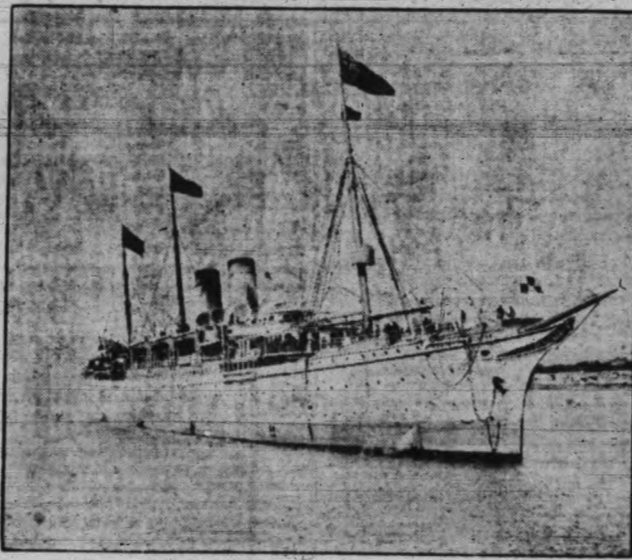
The Burma Maru sailed from Hongkong on March 22 and touched at Muroran for coal en route. She is one of the latest products of the Japanese shipbuilding yards, being of 4,578 gross tons and 2,815 net. Her dead-weight carrying capacity is 7,571 tons. On her trials she averaged eleven knots.

The Burma has approximately 1,000 tons of freight, composed chiefly of rice, for discharge at this port.

## 1,300 MEN JOINED NAVY OF STATES ON FRIDAY, 13TH

Washington, April 14.—Friday, the 13th, produced a net gain of about 1,300 men for the American navy. Should a similar recruiting percentage be maintained—and naval officers said today they were confident it would—thirteen days more would attain the navy's maximum authorized strength of 87,000 men.

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## EXCITING RESCUE OFF DALLAS CLIFFS

### Ernest Groucher and Chas. Espley Taken From Disabled Launch by Galliano Men

Ernest H. Groucher and Charles Espley were picked up last night by a naval crew from the Government patrol steamer Galliano after an exciting experience in a storm-tossed launch off the Dallas Road front. The alarm was raised by David Nairne, of 642 Battery Street, who heard the shouts of the men aboard the 30-ft. power craft, the engine of which had gone out of commission at a critical moment. Mr. Nairne drove down to the edge of the cliffs in his automobile and swung the headlights of his car around in this manner he was enabled to locate the position of the launch and her occupants.

The launch appeared to be fast drifting ashore and the two men were shouting and signalling frantically to attract help. The local police were notified by telephone and they in turn notified the wireless station at Gonzales Hill.

Officials of the Marine Department, on learning of the vessel's plight, asked the Naval Department to send out the steamer Galliano and this was immediately done. Prior to the arrival of the Galliano on the scene, Robert Armstrong, of Kingston Street, set out in a small boat in an effort to reach the launch, but he was forced to put back by the heavy sea running. By this time the Galliano was almost alongside and she put over the side one of her power boats manned by four sailors. Groucher and Espley were taken off and put on board the Galliano and the launch was taken in tow to Esquimalt.

The flashing searchlights attracted to the scene a large crowd who interestedly watched the work of rescue.

## NUMBER OF VESSELS COMING FROM ORIENT

### Inbound Tonnage Includes Kamakura, Chicago, Empress of Japan and Protesilaus

There are a number of inbound ships plying in the trans-Pacific service which are shortly due to reach this port. Among the largest of these is the British steamship Protesilaus, Captain Braithwaite, of the Blue Funnel fleet. But a small percentage of the liner's freight is routed to the United States on this voyage as she is one of the carriers of which 75 per cent. of the cargo space has been commandeered by the Imperial authorities. The Canadian Pacific Ocean Services liner Empress of Japan, Capt. W. Dixon Hopcraft, R. N. R., is also coming on from the Orient.

The Empress of Japan has been laid up at Hongkong for a month undergoing a complete overhauling, nearly three months having elapsed since she was last on this coast.

The annual refit of the C. P. O. S. trans-Pacific fleet has now been completed, and from this time forward the ships will maintain regular schedules. The liner Kamakura Maru, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, will arrive early in the week after a fast run from Yokohama. The Kamakura has 816 tons of Oriental freight for Victoria and she also disembark 25 passengers here. She carried 119 cabin and steerage passengers for Seattle as well as 4,000 tons of cargo.

Following the Kamakura Maru will be the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Chicago Maru, coming on from Hongkong and Yokohama.

The Chicago Maru is bringing in 188 passengers all told, 49 of whom are destined for this port. The steamship has a full cargo for Victoria, Vancouver, Seattle and Tacoma. Outbound sailings include the Blue Funnel liner Talihybbi and the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Tamba Maru. Hudson's Bay "Imperial" Lager Beer, pints, 3 for 25c.

## MILITARY Y.M.C.A. HELPS MEN AT FRONT

### Nearly All Letters Home Bear Scarlet Triangle; Description of Work

Thousands of Canadians every day are anxiously watching for letters from the boys at the front and in training camp. We wonder if it is known where they are written, but probably it is because so many of the letters bear the Scarlet Triangle. A captain recently returned from the front states that were it not for this service thousands of letter would never be written, because it is impossible for the soldiers to keep paper dry and envelopes from sticking together.

Varied Activities. This is only one item in the vast Y. M. C. A. programme that adds cheer to the men's lives and contributes the "spirit" referred to in dispatches. Other activities are arranging concerts in camps; supplying equipment and expert supervision for football, baseball, boxing, etc.; providing moving pictures in camp and at the front; conducting lending libraries; supplying entertainments by gramophones, in many cases to isolated units, distributing tons of magazines; discharging innumerable personal commissions; conducting sing-songs, Bible groups, and religious services. There are instances where the Y. M. C. A. front line canteen saved many lives by distributing free all provisions in stock because rations were temporarily cut off during a drive.

Right at Front. In the Ypres salient there were 43 branches of the Canadian Y. M. C. A., and very soon after the Canadians were moved to the Somme 23 branches were running to full capacity. There

## FRENCH BLUEJACKETS SEEN IN WASHINGTON

Washington, April 14.—French blue-jackets in uniform attracted much attention in the streets of Washington today. Groups of them walking around were "observed" by pedestrians. Some had pinned little American flags on the fronts of their blouses while others carried flags removed from automobiles and presented by their owners.

## HOLLAND OCCUPIES A LONELY POSITION, SAYS HER PREMIER

The Hague, April 14.—Premier Cort van der Linden, speaking in the First Chamber, said:

"The longer the war lasts the more difficult becomes the situation, while the limits of international law grow continually narrower. We suffer from the submarine war and blockade policy, but we do not deviate from our policy of strict neutrality and readiness to defend our soil." "We become more lonely," said the Premier of the Netherlands, "and by what we do we win the affection of neither party. But in any case we shall retain their respect."

## BRITISH AND FRENCH LABOR DEPUTATIONS ARRIVE IN PETROGRAD

Petrograd, April 14.—British and French labor deputations sent to extend fraternal greetings to the New Russian Government arrived in Petrograd at midnight last night.

The delegations were welcomed by huge crowds carrying red banners inscribed "unity" which were waved while the bands played the Marseillaise.

## FIGHTING THE TUMOR.

Philadelphia, April 14.—The knowledge of the cause of tumors and the discovery of a counter-active serum was foreshadowed at the meeting last night of the American Philosophical Society, Edwin F. Smith, of the Bureau of Plant Industry of the United States Department of Agriculture, gave details of experiments made to determine the cause and possible cure of the malignant growth.

From analysis of parasites known to cause plant tumors, Mr. Smith declared, it was discovered they contained large quantities of ammonia, acetic acid and other chemicals which when inducted into a plant would cause a tumorous growth. He asserted that by a continuance of these experiments it is hoped the cause of tumors in man may be learned and a serum to combat the growths may be developed.

## SIR H. EGAN APPOINTED.

Ottawa, April 14.—At a meeting of the Cabinet yesterday, Sir Henry Egan was appointed chairman of the Ottawa Improvement Commission. He succeeds the late Sir Henry Bate, who was chairman of the Commission, which has charge of the Dominion Government driveway and parks system since its inception in 1897.

## PERU'S ATTITUDE.

Lima, Peru, April 14.—The reply of the Peruvian Government to the note from the United States, announcing the existence of a state of war with Germany, says that Peru deplores the fact that the United States was compelled to take such a course and expresses the hope of a speedy ending of the war. No reference is made to the neutrality of Peru.

## AMERICANS IN BERLIN.

Copenhagen, April 14.—Charles Worlein, a representative of the Chicago Western Electric Company, who has arrived here from Berlin, says there has been no molestation of Americans in the German capital. They are not even subjected to the usual rule requiring enemy nationals to report daily to the police.

## BRITISH GENERAL KILLED.

London, April 14.—According to the Daily Express, Brig.-Gen. Charles Bulkeley-Johnson, a famous cavalry leader, was killed during the brilliant cavalry charge which contributed to the capture of Monchy-le-Preux. Gen. Bulkeley-Johnson was an aide-de-camp to King George.



Sketch designed to give a faint idea of the distribution of Y. M. C. A. huts on the Western front.

are now more than 50 branches in the Lens salient, where the Canadians are stationed. Wherever the soldiers are, in Canada, on trains, on transports, in England, at the front, in the hospitals or when returning to Canada wounded, the Y. M. C. A. is engaged in making them happier and better men.

Over 500 persons are employed in the service, of whom 84, including 32 in France, are overseas with the rank of honorary captain. Six special secretaries have been appointed as conducting officers, and will be aboard transports or accompanying returning invalids continually. It is the intention of the Y. M. C. A. to have a secretary with every ship bearing wounded soldiers, eventually.

## Dirty But Useful.

The following is an extract from a letter from Capt. (Dr.) A. P. MacKinnon to the officers and members of the Portage Lodge No. 11, I. O. O. F.: "At the risk of being tiresome I want to tell you men about the Y. M. C. A., because you may have a chance to help them. As one approaches the firing line the civilian shops become fewer and poorer and finally disappear. Somewhere behind the zone of shell fire the Government has established canteens where one can buy things almost at cost, but our boys, when at work, have no business back there, and the sentries see that they never get back. Further up, and as near as reasonably safe, are the splendidly managed Y. M. C. A. canteens, with reading-room, writing table and such luxuries as a good fire and a rain-proof roof. Of course they are dirty and the air is thick with tobacco smoke, and the talking is loud and sometimes profane, but they are a great blessing to our boys between hours off duty on the front line."

"Then up forward on the zone of shell fire, where are our field gins, which Fritz's coal boxes are always searching for, is the Y. M. C. A. coffee stand. It is the last evidence of humanity, as our boys go forward to their grim jobs in the trenches, the last sign that anybody cares. There they get their last hot drink for maybe days and first hot drink when they come out. The work of the Y. M. C. A. further back on the lines of communications and in the training camps in France and England, not to say Canada, are only second to this. If you ever get a chance to give the Y. M. C. A. a boost don't pass it up."

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## SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINES

## RUSSIANS DISPERSED AUSTRIANS CARRYING PARCELS IN HANDS

Petrograd, April 14.—Reporting military operations on the western (Russian) front, a statement issued today by the War Department says:

"Western front—On all fronts there were scouting reconnaissances and reciprocal firing. The enemy bombarded freely and some civilians were killed. "In various sectors Austrians with paper parcels in their hands came out of their trenches, and making signals with flags endeavored to entice our troops to approach them. They were dispersed by our artillery with shrapnel fire."

## KING CONGRATULATES CANADIANS IN THEIR VICTORY IN FRANCE

London, April 14.—The King, Queen and Princess Mary motored through Windsor Park and visited the camp of the Canadian forestry battalions. His Majesty, conversing with some of the officers and men, took occasion to congratulate them on the achievements of their comrades at the Vimy ridge.

## BRESHKOVSKAYA SENDS GREETINGS TO STATES

Boston, Mass., April 14.—Greetings from Mme. Catherine Breshkovskaya, "Grandmother of the Russian Revolution," who returned to Petrograd from Siberia after being in exile 44 years, were received today by Miss Alice Stone Blackwell, editor of the Woman's Journal. In a cable message sent by her in reply to one from Miss Blackwell expressing the happiness of American friends over her liberation, Mme. Breshkovskaya said: "Greetings from free Russia to the people of the United States of America. Am enjoying happiness with all the city and Russia and Siberia."

## GERMANS' NERVES ARE GIVING WAY

Amsterdam, April 14.—The military critic of the Vossische Zeitung, of Berlin, writes that he has received many letters which prove that "the nerves of many readers are beginning to give way." He dwells on the "unfounded" excitement which he states is spreading among those at home, and warns the public not to judge the situation from single events, but to take events as a whole into consideration.

## VANCOUVER WOMAN FINED.

Seattle, April 13.—Entering a plea of guilty to a charge of violating the United States drug laws, Mrs. Marie Reid, of Vancouver, B. C., who was arrested two months ago for trying to smuggle twenty-one five-cent tins of opium, was fined \$750 by Federal Judge Neterer yesterday.

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## ARCHIE ROOSEVELT MARRIES.

Boston, April 11.—Archibald B. Roosevelt, a son of Colonel and Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, and Miss Grace S. Lockwood, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Lockwood, of this city, were married at noon today in Emmanuel Episcopal Church.

## AN HONORARY AIDE.

Ottawa, April 14.—Captain E. H. Martin, C.M.G., has been appointed an honorary aide to the Duke of Devonshire, the Governor-General.

# BOARD DISCUSSES SHIPBUILDING ACT

M. Pauline Thought Resolution Should Be Carefully Weighed

SUBJECT PROVOKED LIVELY DISCUSSION

Meeting Endorses Motion Urging Government to Continue Financial Assistance

"That it is most important that the Provincial Government shall continue its financial support to shipbuilding in British Columbia." The foregoing was a resolution proposed by J. J. Shallcross, seconded by J. O. Cameron, and carried with one dissenter at the annual meeting of the Victoria Board of Trade yesterday afternoon. The "nay" was that of F. A. Pauline, M.P.P. The lateness of the hour, much as he would like to have done, was the mover's reason for not dilating on the subject in which he believed all members present would be in accord.

J. O. Cameron Speaks. In seconding the resolution J. O. Cameron declared that he felt compelled to offer a few observations on the matter, since he believed it was one of the most, if not the most, vital issues which confronted not only the people of Victoria, but the people of the province at large. "This seems a fit time and occasion," he declared, "to say something on the subject of shipbuilding. It is now some twenty months since members of this Board of Trade commenced their agitation for the establishment of shipbuilding yards in British Columbia and in particular in the City of Victoria.

Encouragement Moderate. Mr. Cameron described the assistance provided by the late Government to the Act as "moderate encouragement" for the building and operation of ships. He averred that the loan of eighty per cent. of the cost of the ship would be more in keeping with encouragement commensurate with the importance of the industry. He and many others had urged the Government to make this extension, which he contended would still leave a good deal of financing to be done by the builder. "The encouragement offered the establishment of

shipyards and shipbuilding under the said Act is not great," continued Mr. Cameron. "Were it so, instead of there being two yards engaged on the construction of nine ships, there would be twenty-five wooden ships in yards at several points. As it is, those vessels under way are all being built for the Western Canada Navigation Company, Limited."

Greater Means Necessary. The speaker dwelt on the provisions of the Act and cited the clauses dealing with the assured earnings, passing on to a declaration that the banks have not been disposed to recognize the shipbuilding industry as an entitled to liberal credit. "If we are to see the shipbuilding industry make progress, it is my judgment that the Government will have to offer a greater means of assistance than is provided for under the present Act. The 55 per cent. provided to be loaned by the province," proceeded Mr. Cameron, "leaves 45 per cent. to be financed by the builder or owner, while the whole cost must be provided by the latter before he can get anything from the loan."

Build 100 Ships. In Mr. Cameron's opinion there could be nothing calculated to go so far in assuring the permanent prosperity of British Columbia as the building of one hundred ships during the next three years. "Four hundred million feet of lumber could be carried to market, with the value at the mill of such an amount placed at least at six million dollars. The freight earnings of the ships," he said, "would be not less than eight million dollars and practically the whole of that wealth would be brought to the province annually."

Optimism in Millions. Approximating the cost of the ships at a quarter of a million apiece on the supposition that each would be equipped with steam or gas engines, Mr. Cameron sought to show that at least one hundred and fifty thousand dollars of the cost of each ship would go in labor and materials supplied within the province, with the balance for machinery. Lumber and freight earning of the hundred ships he placed at approximately fourteen million dollars per annum. Concluding with this line of argument, he insisted that of the capital outlay of twenty-five million dollars, less than half of which would be sent out of the country, there would be returnable revenue, every two years, in excess of the original cost of construction of the hundred ships.

Last Twenty Years. "In view of these conclusions and having regard for the fact that wooden ships built with our fir wood are good for a life of twenty years, it does not seem to me to be a matter open for argument, but that the Dominion or Provincial Government, or both acting in conjunction, should immediately offer the encouragement necessary to procure the building of one hundred wooden ships."

The Soft Pedal. "It is a great pity," observed F. A.

Pauline, M. P. P., before the question was put, "that a subject of this magnitude should be permissible of introduction at the 'tag end' of the annual meeting of this Board, which is supposed to be for the express purpose of the election of officers, the presentation of the annual report, and the pleasure of an address from a Minister of the Crown. The fact that it is a matter of such vast import in itself should be sufficient for it to ensure at least the fullest possible discussion by all the members of the Board, before so important a resolution, the terms of which are now before us, is passed. I am in accord with the rest of the members in their desire for the shipbuilding industry of British Columbia to be assisted by the Government as far as may be possible with the means at their disposal, for the Government, after all are merely the trustees of the people."

Weigh Resolutions Seriously. Mr. Pauline said that the Government in the speech from the Throne had declared that the matter of the shipbuilding industry would be taken into serious consideration. "It must not be forgotten," continued the speaker, "that the Victoria Board of Trade is a corporate body and a body of considerable substance. It is only natural to suppose that when it makes representations to the Government it naturally expects that Government on behalf of the people of British Columbia to give due and ample consideration to matters submitted. With that knowledge in mind, and with a keen appreciation of this particular subject, I say again, that it is a pity that more time cannot be given to its discussion, for it behooves the Board to weigh very seriously any resolution it passes."

Sharing Unequal. The member for Saanich agreed with Mr. Cameron that a greater percentage than 55 per cent. might be loaned to the shipbuilders on the provision of proper security, and in that respect a change in the Act might prove an additional assistance to the shipbuilding industry. He referred to section 53 of the Act, under whose provisions the ships were now being built, and declared that the present guarantee of earning power should date from the time the ship is completed, and not from the declaration of peace, as set forth in the section referred to. "It is only reasonable," Mr. Pauline proceeded, "that any risk in the operation of those ships should be shared equally between the owners and the Government as the representatives of the people."

Fat and Lean. "There is no earthly reason, nor is it equitable, to allocate the 'fat' earning period when freight rates are abnormal, for the sole benefit of the owners, while it is scarcely a business proposition to reserve the 'lean' period only to be shared by the people," Mr. Pauline again desired to impress upon the members, who were then remaining in the room, that it was a thousand pities that so important a subject should have been tabled for discussion at the

annual meeting of the Board at so late an hour.

H. B. Thompson Replies. H. B. Thompson, in reply to Mr. Pauline, took the stand that the object of building the ships was to take care of the situation now and after the war, and to see to it that British Columbia was in a position to carry her own products to the markets of the world. He stated that the United States were including in their shipbuilding programme the provision that those vessels were to carry only United States goods. He was therefore desirous of seeing that British Columbia was not handicapped in her trade expansion from a scarcity of bottoms.

One "No." J. J. Shallcross suggested a modification of the terms of the resolution quoted at the commencement hereof, the seconder, however, was averse to any change and the meeting carried it, Mr. Pauline firmly calling "No."



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### THE WRONG SHOP.

To the Editor.—I notice with not a little amusement that Messrs. Bowser and Ross are the recipients of two bouquets of roses as an appreciation of their efforts on behalf of woman suffrage. The following, culled from a Vancouver paper, may interest those ladies who so thoughtfully arranged the surprise party:

"Legislative Press Gallery, May 17, 1916. "The motion for the second reading of the Woman Suffrage Bill was defeated by a vote of 1 to 24, the division being as follows: For—Brewster, Macdonald, Place, Forster, Williams, Price, Ellison. Against—Bowser, Pooley, Ross, etc." The joke is too good to be overlooked. WALTER FOSTER. April 13, 1917.

### THE VETERANS' CLUB.

To the Editor.—What is the matter with ex-Private H. W. Hart that he rains hell on every body and all the institutions that have the best interests of our soldiers and sailors at heart, snapping like an ungrateful dog at each one in turn? At one time it is the city officials whom he attacks, and yet all know that these very officials, many of whom have near relatives at the front, are doing their best in the most patriotic manner to aid the returning soldiers and those still at the front.

At another it is the Secretary of the Returned Soldiers' Employment Committee, through whose kindly offices he himself obtained a highly paid post in the government offices, whom he abuses in the press. He would do far better to express his thanks for benefits received or confine his attention to the work which he is paid to do instead of passing his time in writing contentious letters to the newspapers, letters which are only calculated to injure the cause of the returned soldiers, all of whom he, so foolishly, claims to represent, whereas the most casual inquiry among them will show that the great majority of our brave soldiers are "fed up" with him and his endeavors to stir up strife in every direction.

The principal venom of this misguided individual, coupled with the grossest statements, would appear to be reserved for the Veterans' Club of British Columbia, an institution of which H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught is the patron and His Excellency the Duke of Devonshire the vice-patron, and which the former served on August 9, 1916, at considerable length to support, at the same time deprecating all divisions between different bodies formed for the comfort and welfare of the soldiers and sailors of the Empire.

The Veterans' Club of British Columbia is an affiliated branch of the Veterans' Club of London, England, of which some seven thousand members have been or are at the front, and where many of our British Columbia boys with other Canadian soldiers are constantly being retained and given a restplace when in London.

Like the parent establishment, the local one was formed for all serving or who had served in either the army or navy or the Legion of Frontiersmen, this latter a patriotic body largely composed of returned soldiers of former wars, and of whom nearly six hundred joined the Princess Patricia's Light Infantry upon the formation of that splendid corps.

A large number of the Legion of Frontiersmen from Vancouver were the first to fall in Belgium, while a battalion formed entirely from men of the Legion in Great Britain has men of the most distinguished in the heaviest fighting in East Africa.

The local members of the Legion of Frontiersmen, who anxiously desired to aid their comrades who had been overseas, were the means of starting the Veterans' Club of British Columbia, giving the use of their rooms, money donations and freely their personal services to clean the premises and light fires, while voluntarily taking it in turns to attend at the club every night for a week at a time to look after the needs of returning men who joined the club, and striving to assist them in every way in their power. The members of the Legion were naturally, therefore, those from whom the first committee was formed.



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diers' Association, which he now represents as secretary.

In this capacity ex-Private Hart has now taken it upon himself to state in Toronto and in the press of Victoria that the Veterans' Club has been "exploiting" the returned soldier.

This is absolutely untrue. The sole desire of the members of the club is now, as it has ever been, to help all their comrades who have served or who are still serving.

The Veterans' Club of British Columbia has now stated its case in full and does not intend to be drawn into further controversy.

ROBERT A. WICKS, Secretary.

April 12.

### FAVORS GOLF LINKS

Development League Discusses Plans for the Coming Summer.

The matter of the establishment of a municipal golf links at Elk Lake on the city's property was discussed, by the attraction committee of the Vic-

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toria and Island Development Committee at a meeting which was held yesterday afternoon. The land proposed for the course is on the East Saanich Road, and it is planned to have an 18-hole course.

The following letter was received from Mayor Todd in connection with the scheme: "I understand that one of the subjects that may be taken up is the proposed park and municipal golf links at Elk Lake. This matter has my strong support, providing that the utilization for this purpose of that area does not in any way prejudice the rights of the city of Victoria to the area for watershed purposes."

The matter is being taken up with the city authorities and it will be again discussed at a meeting which will be held in the Development rooms next Tuesday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

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VACANT LOT CULTIVATION Preliminary Work Has Almost Finished, and Planting of Land Is Now in Full Swing

This week sees the winding up of the campaign inaugurated by the city authorities to encourage people to cultivate their back gardens and to take neighboring lots for improvement. Now it is "up" to the energetic citizens who have taken the lead to carry the work to fruition during the long hours of summer.

The following is an opinion on the reasons for efficient management of such organizations: "This work can be most successfully done through an organized body such as Civic League. The size of the organization is not so important as is the fact that the work of direction should be in the hands of competent people."

Very considerable planting was done during the Easter holidays, still with the weather continuing cool, little growth has occurred hitherto in the ground. The estimate in The Times this week that a hundred acres are being planted in the city limits this spring owing to the encouragement given by the vacant lot movement is certainly satisfactory to the promoters.

Church Services - ANGLICAN - Christ Church Cathedral, Sunday, April 15. Holy communion, 8 and 9.30. Choral service, 10.30. Archdeacon, matins, 11.30. Evening prayer, 7.30. Preacher, the Rev. C. F. Chadwick, M. A., will be the preacher.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP - NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, as "John P. Matthews and Candy Company," in the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

NOTICE - Estate of Vincent Cleeves, late of South Saanich, B. C., Deceased. All persons having any claims against the estate of the late Vincent Cleeves, who was killed in action on or about the 24th April, 1915, and whose will has been proved in the Supreme Court of British Columbia by Lindley Crease, K. C., as executor for Frederick Cleeves, the executor named, are required to present particulars of their claims, duly verified, to the undersigned, on or before 22nd May, 1917, after which date the said Lindley Crease, as administrator of the said estate, will distribute the assets, having regard only to the claims of which he has notice.

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LOST AND FOUND

LOST - English bull pup, two months old, white, with black mark on ear; strayed on King's Road, Hayward, 222 Blanshard Street.

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## SPLENDID WORK ACCOMPLISHED HERE BY MILITARY HOSPITALS COMMISSION

### Report on Achievements in This Province Prepared by Secretary Hill for Inclusion in General Report Being Prepared at Ottawa for Presentation to Parliament

Legislative Press Gallery, April 14.

The public is sometimes inclined to question the value of the work being done for returned soldiers, and to doubt whether enough is being done, but this is the result of lack of knowledge of what is being done and what has been accomplished.

In a report which has just been prepared by James H. Hill, secretary of the British Columbia Provincial Returned Soldiers Commission, there is told in brief form what has been accomplished in this province, and it will surprise even those who have followed the operations of the provincial commission to discover that so much has been done.

The occasion of the preparation of this report is the drafting of a larger report by the Military Hospitals Commission at headquarters in Ottawa for presentation to Parliament when it re-assembles. This will deal with the work being done all over Canada, and in it there is no doubt that the achievements of British Columbia will stand well in relief.

In order to secure uniformity in the provincial reports, the Military Hospitals Commission sent out to each of a list of ten short questions, the answers to which will epitomize the activities of the returned soldiers commissions from end to end of the Dominion.

A good deal of the report is tabular in form, but there are three of the questions which stand out from the routine of the procedure regarding the return of soldiers, the prospects of employment for the future, and the methods employed for obtaining publicity and enlisting the sympathetic co-operation of employers and others. The replies which Mr. Hill has written to these are most interesting.

Method Employed.

As to prospects of employment for the future, the eighth question, Mr. Hill says:

"In the matter of future employment there must be taken into consideration the general readjustment of the economic situation of the country as a whole.

"As the mobilization of the C. E. F. was a matter in which the individual provinces took their place as a part of the whole, so the matter of demobilization, with its attendant feature of re-employment, must be regarded as one affecting the whole and not confined to any one part.

"The method suggested for dealing with the problem of providing employment upon demobilization is that the Federal Government keep the returned men on pay and utilize their services in building a national highway across Canada.

Transmitting Information.

"The Commission receives from the Discharge Depot, Quebec, a telegram advising names and addresses of men returning to the province. This information is immediately transmitted to the secretaries of the sub-committees nearest to the men's home addresses by telegram, or by letter if necessary. The names of the parties to whom the returning men wish advice of their coming are also supplied to the sub-committees, which are then notified by letter of the information.

"The men are met at their several destinations by representatives of the sub-committees and welcome committees, and every attention is paid them on their arrival.

Duty of People.

"It is urged upon the committees that they should regard it as their duty to create and maintain a strong patriotic sentiment in favor of the men who have suffered in the defence of our national liberties.

"The Commission wants to know that the interests of the men returning to the various districts throughout the province will be in the hands of a responsible body and to be sure that the men will be looked after and given assistance in meeting their needs.

National Highway.

"While it is probable that circumstances may warrant or necessitate the provision of employment in some form or other, it appears, to us that the labor required to carry out the national highway scheme could be turned to better advantage if the men retained on pay by the Federal Government were distributed among the provinces and their services used for the development of natural resources and such public works as might be deemed advisable and expedient by the different provincial Governments. An equitable distribution could be made on the basis of enlistments.

Co-operation.

"In view of the fact that the development of the natural resources of the country, with the consequent development of present and establishment of new industries, would prove of incal-

## WRIT IS SERVED IN RIOT PROCEEDINGS

### Representative of Vancouver Legal Firm Seeks Official to Accept Document

In order to keep the action alive within the necessary period, a writ was served on the Mayor to-day by a representative of Davis, Marshall, Muenell & Pugh, of Vancouver, in the suit of the Victoria Phoenix Brewery Company against the city, claiming \$2,500 damages, for the injury done on building and stock on May 9 during the anti-German riots in this city.

Three cases were filed in the local Supreme Court Registry, and the above one in the Vancouver Registry last year, but nothing has been heard further of the local cases—Schaper & Glass, tailors, for damage to store, property and stock, 721 Fort Street; Western Lands, Limited, damage to buildings at 721 and 719 Fort Street, and Carl Loewenbarg & Co., damage to stock at Wharf Street premises.

In every case the City has repudiated liability, the Council contenting itself with receiving and filing the communications. The onus of responsibility for maintaining law and order is cast on municipalities by section 418 of the Municipal Act, and upon the interpretation of that clause the suits will doubtless hinge.

There was some difficulty in securing an official of the City upon whom to serve the writ to-day. The City Solicitor declined to accept it, and in the absence of the City Clerk, the representative of the plaintiffs refused to "try" it with the Assistant Clerk. Eventually the document was served on His Worship, as head of the City administration.



### BLUE AMBEROLA RECORDS FOR APRIL HAVE JUST ARRIVED

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 No. 3121—What do You Want to Make Those Eyes at Me for.  
 No. 3129—Kawalka Waltz. Instrumental Duet.  
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### CANADIANS FEELING THEIR WAY FORWARD

East of Vimy Ridge; More Than 4,000 Prisoners Taken

Canadian Army Headquarters in France, April 4.—(By the Canadian Overseas Correspondent)—Like the bursting of ice in the St. Lawrence in Spring, the German defence on the front about Lens has given way. Canadian patrols have been feeling their way forward into the plain to the east of the Vimy ridge. The enemy's retreat has been hastened by the steady rain of shells upon him, not only from the heavy guns on the western side of the ridge, but also from guns which, by great exertion have been hauled across the ruined area, pitted with shell holes. As the troops advance farther into the enemy's country they find that the going is easier.

Arlieux is burning.

In the region between Fabis and Arlieux the enemy has been forced to abandon much artillery. Heavy guns were left in good condition by the German gunners because they were ringed about by the fire of the pursuing forces. They have been turned upon the fleeing foe. Most of the captured guns are in action already and others will be utilized as soon as gun crews can be sent up.

Absolutely Isolated.

Perhaps the best illustration of why the enemy has hastily abandoned many of his big guns is that furnished by a nest of batteries in a certain location. These guns were so absolutely isolated yesterday by a concentration of the Canadian fire on them that they were left unharmed when the German flag.

The total number of guns taken by the Canadians during the week is more than 60, many of them being ones which are now in the Canadian service. This total will be increased greatly when the territory now under fire is explored.

To the north of the Canadian line Lens still is burning. British troops there are reported to have occupied La Coulette, a mining village southeast of Lens, and are pushing on.

In the abandoned enemy trenches east of Givenchy were found two wounded British aviators, who had been forced to remain there for five days without medical aid. One had a fractured leg.

The first enemy prisoners secured in the Givenchy district were two found in a dugout by a brigadier who had gone forward to observe the position in the region to the east of the scene of last Wednesday's battle for the last part of the Vimy ridge.

On Way to Front.

Hundreds of enemy dead have been seen who were victims of the Canadian artillery and machine gun fire while en route to reinforce their hard-pressed companions in the front trenches. On this part of the field the enemy dead are most numerous.

The number of prisoners taken by the Canadians during the week now totals more than 4,900.

The commander of the Canadian Corps is very proud of the splendid work of his men and of the prizes bestowed upon them from all quarters. It must not be forgotten that the Battle of Vimy and the pursuit of the enemy was but one phase, though a very important one of a series of titanic conflicts extending all along the western front where the combatants number at least 1,500,000.

The British troops are maintaining their most glorious traditions.

### GOVERNMENT ENDS A FINANCIAL SCANDAL

Overpaid Sewerage Board in Vancouver is Reorganized; Salaries Cut in Half

As has been expected for some time, the Government has taken action to end what has been a financial scandal in the administration of the Vancouver and District Joint Sewerage and Drainage Board.

This body was created by an Act passed at the session of 1914, the object being to initiate and carry out a general drainage scheme for that large area which lies between Burrard Inlet and the Fraser River and New Westminster on the south; an area which at population and which is bound to contain many thousands of people in time.

The board consists of a chairman appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council and a representative appointed by each of the municipalities in the peninsula. There is also a secretary appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council. The salaries of all of these are fixed by the provincial authority. The board's funds are obtained by borrowing at the charge of the municipalities, the limit being \$10,000,000, of which \$5,000,000 could be borrowed as soon as the board saw fit and \$5,000,000 not sooner than three years after the passing of the Act.

As chairman of the board the Government appointed Frank Bowser, the brother of the then Attorney-General and present leader of the Opposition, who had been chief landing water in the customs service at Vancouver, and getting not more than one hundred dollars a month. His salary was fixed at five thousand dollars a year. As secretary there was appointed Mr. Phipps of Point Grey, an active Bowser worker, at three thousand dollars a year.

At first the salaries of the municipal representatives were fixed at fifty dollars each a month, but there was considerable murmuring because of the vast difference, and the suggestion was made that the chairman should be cut down considerably. As this would not do the salaries of the other members of the board were doubled, and have stood at \$1,200 a year since. On the whole the expenditures of the board have been out of all proportion to the services rendered.

Notice was served on the chairman in Vancouver to-day that his services have been dispensed with and to-morrow James Stables, Vancouver, will take charge. The salary has been cut in two, and Mr. Stables will be well remunerated at \$2,500 a year. The salary of the secretary has also been cut in half, to \$1,500, and the municipal representatives on the board will receive \$500 a year instead of the \$1,200 they had been getting, or the original \$600 that their salaries were fixed at.

### AT SEA 118 HOURS IN AN OPEN BOAT

Norwegian Sailors' Experience; Vessels Sent Down by Teuton Submarines

London, April 14.—A Christiania dispatch to the Morning Post says the captain and eight men of the Norwegian sailing vessel Fremad, sunk by a German submarine, were landed on Wednesday by a steamship which rescued them after they had been 118 hours in an open boat. The captain of the Fremad, says the dispatch, says the German submarine took all the provisions off his boat, including those for the lifeboats.

The Fremad's second boat, with the remainder of the crew, is missing.

Washington, April 14.—The American schooner Edwin R. Hunt, of New York, was abandoned by her crew under shell fire from a submarine near Cape Gata, Spain, in the Mediterranean, on April 7, according to the following dispatch to the State Department from Consul Gasset, at Malaga.

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### COMMISSION FROM STATES TO RUSSIA TO CONSIDER AID

Washington, April 14.—Official confirmation of the report that the United States is considering sending a commission to Russia to see in what way this country can be of aid to the new Government was given to-day at the State Department. It was stated that while no final decision had been reached, the commission would cover all phases of Russo-American cooperation in the war.

Haynes Repairs Jewelry satisfactorily and responsibly.

### MINERS AND MANAGERS AGREE AT CALGARY

Calgary, April 14.—The dispute between the miners and the managers of the coal properties in District No. 13 has been settled at least so far as the sub-committees are concerned. Early next week the agreement reached between the sub-committees will be presented to the union miners of the district for an expression of approval by ballot, and if this is favorable to the settlement reached by the committee men, the mines will enter into another period of peaceful operation which should last for two years.

The wage increase agreed upon approximately 15 per cent. The eight-hour day was agreed upon, demanded by the men in the original presentation of claims, has been compromised, the terms providing for a nine-hour day for most of the outside mine. The present outside day is of 10 hours' duration.

There also was a compromise on the question of overtime, both operators and men conceding some points. The agreement includes the possibility of further demands being made before the expiration of the working agreement, but only in case of extraordinary conditions with relation to the war or the cost of living.

### TO-DAY'S TRADING ON THE WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, April 14.—The market closed strong to-day, with May wheat up 3 cents, July up 2 and October up 1. Oats gained 1 in May and July and 1 in October. Barley was up 1/2. Flax gained 7 in May and 7 in July. The market was a repetition of the others during the week. Wheat touched new high points early in the day and reacted little from them. The scarcity of offerings created a professional buying, but there was little good demand. Towards the close wheat showed every sign of strength. Flax sold for the highest prices on the continent when Winnipeg July touched 81, and Duluth went to 82.50. The flax situation is very strong, with the American crushers confined to the continent for their supplies and bidding keenly against each other. The cash demands for wheat was good, with offerings light and the spreads from unchanged to 1 better. Oats was offered, with a fairly good demand. The offerings very moderate.

Wheat—Open Close  
May 215 215  
July 210 210  
Oct. 174 174

Oats—  
May 69 69  
July 67 67  
Oct. 60 60

Barley—  
May 114 114

Flax—  
July 81 81  
Oct. 80 80

Cash prices: Wheat—No. 1, 209; No. 2, 208; No. 3, 207; No. 4, 206; No. 5, 205; No. 6, 204; No. 7, 203; No. 8, 202; No. 9, 201; No. 10, 200; No. 11, 199; No. 12, 198; No. 13, 197; No. 14, 196; No. 15, 195; No. 16, 194; No. 17, 193; No. 18, 192; No. 19, 191; No. 20, 190; No. 21, 189; No. 22, 188; No. 23, 187; No. 24, 186; No. 25, 185; No. 26, 184; No. 27, 183; No. 28, 182; No. 29, 181; No. 30, 180; No. 31, 179; No. 32, 178; No. 33, 177; No. 34, 176; No. 35, 175; No. 36, 174; No. 37, 173; No. 38, 172; No. 39, 171; No. 40, 170; No. 41, 169; No. 42, 168; No. 43, 167; No. 44, 166; No. 45, 165; No. 46, 164; No. 47, 163; No. 48, 162; No. 49, 161; No. 50, 160; No. 51, 159; No. 52, 158; No. 53, 157; No. 54, 156; No. 55, 155; No. 56, 154; No. 57, 153; No. 58, 152; No. 59, 151; No. 60, 150; No. 61, 149; No. 62, 148; No. 63, 147; No. 64, 146; No. 65, 145; No. 66, 144; No. 67, 143; No. 68, 142; No. 69, 141; No. 70, 140; No. 71, 139; No. 72, 138; No. 73, 137; No. 74, 136; No. 75, 135; No. 76, 134; No. 77, 133; 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PRESENTATION MADE TO SUFFRAGE LEADER

Friends and Co-Workers of Mrs. Gordon Grant Show Their Appreciation

Members of the now dissolved Political Equality League and friends and colleagues of Mrs. Gordon Grant in the long campaign which she and others waged for equal suffrage legislation in the Province of British Columbia met last night at the Victoria Club, Campbell building, to make a presentation which would in some measure express appreciation for the part which she had played in this up-hill work.

The following address, read by Mrs. Baer, president of the Educational League, and Mrs. Goby, president of the Victoria Club, made the presentation. The other signatory to the address was Mrs. A. E. Mitchell, president of the Central W.C.T.U.:

The Address.

"To Mrs. Gordon Grant, Pioneer Leader of the Women's Suffrage Movement in British Columbia:

"Dear Mrs. Grant,—The women of

British Columbia are now celebrating the act of their enfranchisement so royally accorded by both the men and Government of this Province, and your women friends and co-workers feel they cannot let this auspicious occasion pass without expressing to you their recognition and appreciation of your faithful work and service in women's behalf.

"We feel that there has been summed up in your personality and life qualities which have radiated a beneficent influence and power. Your large faith in womanhood and your vision of the practical possibilities of woman power; these in themselves are splendid, but they have been backed by consistent and unremitting labor for the realization of your ideals and your indefatigable efforts to obtain woman's political recognition, extending over a period of thirty years, are now crowned with success.

"Some of us have faith, but the feebleness of our effort causes it to dwindle. Some of us have vision, but we magnify the obstacles in our pathway and are afraid to go forward. But you have demonstrated to us the one use of obstacles; they are meant to be overcome. And the courage and determination with which you have met the difficulties daily confronting you in the carrying out of your self-appointed work in all its different branches has won our admiration and respect. And we take this occasion to express our esteem not only in words, but to offer you the accompanying gift in token of the warm regard of those who understand and appreciate both the sym-

PETROVA AT THE ROYAL VICTORIA



Famous actress who is always popular at the movies.

pathy and sacrifice as well as the faith and confidence expressed in your work.

"Signed on behalf of your friends and co-workers:

- "ELIZABETH A. MITCHELL. "ELSIE BAER. "AGNES G. GOLBY."

The gift, a beautiful gold bracelet wrist watch suitably inscribed, was accompanied by a lovely bouquet of white carnations and pink roses, also tied with the purple, green, and white of the league.

Returns Thanks. After thanking her friends for their touching appreciation, Mrs. Grant spoke of the anticipation with which she had looked forward to this evening. She referred to the recent great victory of the referendum.

"While watching the returns reported at the time of the election last September, I felt like St. John when he said: 'Whether in the body or out of the body I cannot tell.' It took three days to come back to mother earth. A dream of thirty years had come true. When the full returns were in, showing a majority of 21,000 in favor of woman suffrage, I said: 'God bless the men of British Columbia.'"

The speaker emphasized the responsibility which came to women with the privilege of citizenship. She referred to the claims made: 'A Toronto paper announced that Mrs. A. De B. Farris had won the vote for the women of British Columbia; a Vancouver paper gave the credit to Mrs. McConkey; a lady from the Mainland had proudly stated that the vote was won by those who had stepped out and had refused to work for the referendum; still others said it was the Liberal party that did it.

Factors That Won. "But my own opinion is that the vote was won by three things: 1, women proved their efficiency, co-operation with and loyalty to the Empire; 2, the fact that an election was being held was a big factor in deciding the question; 3, both parties generously opened their platform to the suffrage speakers so that the public could be reached with reasons and arguments favoring women's vote."

The speaker acknowledged that the Liberals had woman suffrage in their platform for many years. But Mr. Bowser had given them the referendum. The women had not wanted it, but they were now glad, as it had shown how very strongly the men of the Province favored the change.

"The fact that the Liberal Government has dealt with the question so early in the season and has made it possible for the women to vote at those places where there will be by-elections very shortly is greatly appreciated by the women of our Province and is an incentive to them to register early," concluded Mrs. Grant amid very hearty applause.

Nominate Commissioners. Others who spoke during the evening, congratulating Mrs. Grant on the gratifying termination of the thirty-years' fight for suffrage and her part therein, were D. O. Lewis, Mrs. McLauchlin, of Saanich; Mrs. Power, Mrs. Seymour and Mrs. Mitchell.

Before the meeting adjourned some business matters were disposed of. D. O. Lewis handed in a report as treasurer of the now defunct Political Equality League, showing that the funds of the society had permitted the payment of considerable expenses in connection with the woman suffrage campaign at the recent election. All debts had been paid, either through private or club subscription. The following were nominated for Commissioners: Messdames Seymour (Victoria), McLauchlin (Saanich), Grant (Victoria), Parsell (West Saanich), Lawrie (Keatings P. O.), Livingstone (Colquhoun), Goby (Victoria), Hobbs (Cudborough Bay), Watson (Gordon Head), and Ledingham (Victoria).

To Receive Deputation.—Departing from the usual rule, since the butchers cannot come during business hours, the City Council has set a meeting on Monday, at 8.15 o'clock, to hear the deputation of city butchers with regard to the allegation of cold storage meat being sold in the City Market, and of allowing the meat stalls to remain open after 1 o'clock on Saturdays in the Market.

Will Receive Indemnity.—Lieut. Frank J. A. Mackenzie, M. P. P. for Delta, who is absent on active service and therefore cannot be here to attend to his legislative duties, is to receive his seasonal indemnity for this session. Notice of the necessary motion in the case has been given by the Premier.

force these obligations with the least possible delay.

The last clause of the above resolution is the only variation from that passed by the Board some two months ago. It was carried yesterday with very little discussion.

Trading Figures.

The report handed in dealt fully with the many matters of moment handled by the Board during the past twelve months. Practically the whole of those activities are now well-known to the public, while pressure of space does not permit any more than the briefest reference to what, admittedly, is an important document, worthy of special mention. However, are the city's trading figures for 1916 and the comparison with last year, which are quoted hereunder:

Table with 2 columns: 1917, 1916. Rows include Import, Exports, Customs collections, Inland revenues, Bank clearings.

These figures are explained in the report as follows: "The volume of business for export originating locally was greater than in the previous year, but, in consequence of tonnage being not available, shipments were made by rail to the Atlantic Coast, with the result that credit for this business will appear in the returns of those ports.

ALTERNATIVE PLANS FOR FIRE PROTECTION

Saanich Deputation Meets City Fire Wardens To-day; Difficulties of Situation

While not establishing clearly the exact policy to be adopted with regard to fire protection in Saanich, the conference between the City and Saanich authorities this morning at the City Hall helped to clear up some of the difficulties which have engaged attention for a long time.

The meeting was attended by Mayor Todd, Alderman Fullerton, chairman, and Alderman Cameron, members of the Fire Wardens Committee, Chief Davis, and for Saanich, Reeve Burden, Councillors Digson and Henderson, and Municipal Clerk Cowper.

There were three proposals before the committee, which formed the subject of discussion. First, that of Alderman Fullerton to take advantage of the motorizing recently of the Fernwood fire hall, by which the apparatus there could be applied to fill in at Dunedin Street hall while the men from that hall were attending a Saanich fire, leaving No. 2 hall (Cameron Street) to cover Fernwood meanwhile.

To this Chief Davis dissented, on the ground that it would leave Fernwood district, and more particularly Okanadas, a working class district, scantily supplied with telephone, inadequately protected, and said if any course of this character was adopted he would have to recast the whole system of filling in at different halls during fire.

Secondly, that offered by Saanich, to store a piece of apparatus at Dunedin Street hall, to be manned by Victoria firemen, under such terms as might be arranged. The councillors favored this course as serving to cover the four principal arteries of travel from the city into the country.

To this proposal Chief Davis raised the objection that, unfortunately, the hall was not large enough to accommodate another piece of apparatus.

Thirdly the Chief himself suggested that the Saanich authorities, having acquired a car second hand, should fit it out as a combination hose and chemical wagon, and store it at the Central Hall. He would provide two men necessary to man it.

Saanich representatives did not think that plan would work well, and suggested alternatively, if the City authorities would give a general undertaking to send out apparatus to a conflagration, either in being or prospective of spreading, they would meanwhile establish a reel company in the district for individual fires.

The City representatives are willing to take this latter course, provided some suitable arrangement can be made with the Vancouver Island Fire Underwriters' Association.

Reeve Burden made a guarantee that if the City gave this assurance the department would not be called upon needlessly, and it would only be for emergency cases.

On the understanding that the Saanich Council would further discuss the subject, the meeting then adjourned.

The Reeve stated later that the probability is that a hose reel depot

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JAMES FORMAN NEW PERSIDENT OF BOARD

Annual Meeting of Board of Trade Selects H. B. Thomson as Vice

A new year for the Victoria Board of Trade commenced yesterday. The report of its activities for the past twelvemonth was received, taken as read, and passed on to the new councilmen. James Forman, well-known in the city as an energetic man of business and a warm supporter of everything that tends to the welfare of the community and the province as a whole, is the new President by acclamation, on the retirement of C. H. Lugin. H. B. Thomson, at the conclusion of a close and interesting contest, was elected to the position of Vice-President for the ensuing term.

Members of the 1917 council were elected as follows: Messrs. E. B. Andros, J. L. Beckwith, Beaumont Boggs, H. F. Bullen, A. C. Burdick, J. O. Cameron, C. T. Cross, A. C. Flumerfelt, Griffith R. Hughes, Joshua Kingham, F. A. Pauline, R. W. Perry, J. J. Shusteross, W. J. Shortt and Dr. S. F. Toimie.

The new councillors are Messrs. Andros, Bullen, Flumerfelt, Hughes and Perry. Historic Body. The board of arbitration will be composed as follows: Messrs. E. B. Andros, Beaumont Boggs, H. F. Bullen, F. L. Crawford, Lindley Crease, R. S. Day, Richard Hall, Joshua Kingham, J. C. Pendray, H. H. Rowley, Dr. S. F. Toimie, J. O. Cameron. The board of arbitration is vested with legal authority to settle trade disputes without the necessity of taking them through the more costly process of law court inquiry. It has been in session only once in the past twenty-five years, but a number of members who had been nominated for membership in the body requested that their names be taken from the lists as they doubted whether they could spare the time to attend the meetings.

For the twenty-seventh time F. Elworthy was elected secretary by acclamation. Close Contest. Five nominations for the post of vice-president were before the meeting when balloting commenced, the first ballot resulting as follows: J. L. Beckwith, 10; Dr. S. F. Toimie, 11; H. B. Thomson, 15; J. O. Cameron, 4; W. J. Shortt, 4. The two last named withdrew to simplify the voting.

The voting on the second ballot, necessary as requiring the elected man to secure fifty per cent. majority, resulted as follows: Thompson, 22; Beckwith, 17; Toimie, 16. The third ballot gave Mr. Thompson 21 votes, Dr. Toimie getting 12 and Mr. Beckwith 10, while in the fourth and final count Mr. Thompson secured 25, while the other two had 10 and 7 respectively.

Each of the three elected officers thanked the members for electing them and promised their best services during the ensuing term. New Members. The secretary-treasurer's report stated that the Board of Trade now claimed 262 members, as against 230 at the corresponding time last year. The following new members were formally accepted during the meeting: Messrs. J. Shanks, F. J. Stacpole, K. C. A. B. Wolfenden, W. H. Bullock-Webster, W. T. Andrews, A. H. Mitchell, W. E. Adams, W. W. Ballard, George Bell, M. P. P.; Reeve R. N. Borden, C. W. Bradshaw, A. MacCorkindale, Robert Dinsdale, J. W. Gates, T. J. Groth, H. C. Hall, M. P. P.; Gideon Hicks, Wm. Ivel, Fred. P. Jeune, James Maynard, Hyton Morris and M. S. Sands.

National Service. "Whereas, on the 12th of January last, this Board resolved that Canada should render every assistance possible in the prosecution of the war and that all the resources of the Dominion should be at the disposal of the Government for this purpose; that there is an obligation on everyone to serve, when called upon, whether in the military or naval forces or in production work, and that this obligation should be defined by law.

"Be it further resolved that the Dominion Government be urged to enforce these obligations with the least possible delay.

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### NOTICE

To Bernard Van Armin, of Berlin, Germany, Registered Owner of Lot 6, of Section 28, Esquimalt District, Map 424.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register Samuel James Martin as the owner in fee simple of the above Lot under Tax Sale deed from the Collector of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, and you are required to contest the claim of the Tax Purchaser within thirty (30) days from the first publication hereof.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, at Victoria, B. C., this 9th day of February 1917.

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### Two Special Sermons

First Presbyterian Church

Preacher,

Rev. John Gibson Inkster

B.A.

Subjects: II a. m.—

"Does Sunday Have Any Divine Authority?"

7.30 p. m.—

"Will Votes for Women Kill Their Religion?"

Strangers and visitors specially invited.

the support of her allies, began to take stock of her sources of munitionment. She found that her stocks were lamentably low. Orders were placed in the United States. The manufacturing facilities of the republic to the south were taxed to their utmost. Dollars rolled into the States and munitions of all descriptions were sent across the Atlantic in a never ending stream. Steel, copper, zinc and the allied metals jumped in price. New factories went up. Additions were built to those in existence. Abandoned mines were re-opened. New prospects were made to produce. The fever in mining circles did not miss this province.

**Solid Development.**  
"But when I say fever I do not refer to any hectic fever, it being my firm belief that the war has only hastened British Columbia's development of her mineral wealth. I believe that the movement now apparent on every hand is a good healthy form of activity and that, while what has and is happening may have come sooner than otherwise would have been the case, it will continue after peace has been declared, until the province has made great progress as an industrial country."

**Aiding the Prospector.**  
"In referring to the Mineral Survey and Development Bill, which now lies before the Legislature and which I, as Minister of Mines, had the honor of introducing, I notice that it is pointed out that the object of the measure is to 'aid the prospectors by appointing mining engineers to report on their properties' as well as to assist the property owners by drilling and furnishing them with such reliable information that, if the property is proved to be of economic value the owners will have no difficulty in securing the capital necessary to put the holdings on a producing basis. This, in your annual report, is such a well put explanation of it that I hoped the bill will accomplish."

**Too Much for Granted.**  
"We have taken too much for granted," continued the speaker, "we have neglected our mineral possibilities, believing that British Columbia would 'muddle through.' There frequently have been general statements made that there were millions of tons of iron ore available within reach of tidewater in this province and a good deal of it not far from Victoria. But these asseverations, while probably quite true, have been unconfirmed. Incidentally, I may say that I have been criticized because, it is asserted, the geological survey of the province was a matter undertaken by the Dominion Government by the terms of Confederation. It is true that such an agreement exists, it also is true that each year representatives of the Dominion Government have come to British Columbia on this work and that reports have been issued from time to time, but many years have passed and comparatively little has been accomplished."

**The "Wildcatter."**  
Mr. Sloan surveyed the general principles of the bill which he had brought before the Legislature and explained the scope of the duties of the resident engineers and the benefits the prospector would derive from expert advice on the spot. Such provisions he averred had met with general approval. The protection of the wage earner, as well as the protection of the investor, were points in the bill of considerable importance. In reference to the latter, Mr. Sloan admitted it was something of an innovation in Western Canadian legislation.

**Many Bitten.**  
"It has been termed the 'Blue Sky part of the bill' be proceeded. 'The aim is to eliminate the possibility of having our mining operations given a "black-eye" at the outset by the irresponsible "wildcatter." Many of us, I have no doubt, have been bitten. I am free to admit that I have not always been immune. This individual gets hold of some property of little consequence, floats a company, issues stock, and by virtue of extravagant advertising, sells it at a high figure wherever he can find a buyer. He always appears on the scene when there is increased activity and general interest. He stops at nothing in his statements, painting beautiful pictures of quickly made fortunes, and eventually leaves the unfortunate public badly floored. This is the person we are after."

**Mr. Sloan heartily thanked the Mining Committee of the Board of Trade for the many suggestions submitted from time to time.**  
**Magnette.**  
"An agitation recently has been directed more particularly towards the development of our iron and steel possibilities. The Government is sensible of the importance of this question. It is the intention to obtain, at the earliest possible moment, as much reliable data as can be secured. The magnette of the British Columbia coast is known to be exceptionally good. I was interested recently in seeing that the Dominion Conservation Commission had suggested the sending of a representative to Sweden for the purpose of investigating and reporting on the advanced methods adopted by that country in the handling of its magnettes. I believe that all the information we can obtain on this point the better for British Columbia."

**Benefits of Proper Methods.**  
"To my mind the basis of all industrial enterprise is iron. While it may not be possible for us to secure the same support in the realization of our wealth in that mineral as has been vouchsafed the centres of the Atlantic seaboard, where upwards of \$15,000,000 has been granted by way of bonuses, I believe that there are methods of lending such legitimate encouragement as will result in the development of these magnettes and other ores; cause the establishment of rolling mills; and finally place our shipbuilding and other industrial enterprise on a permanent and flourishing footing."

**Mineral and Lumber.**  
The development of British Columbia's mineral and lumber, said the Minister, must go forward hand in

hand. They were more or less interdependent. He hoped to see ere long a reciprocal arrangement whereby B. C.'s lumber products would be given preferential treatment in the markets of Australia and the other self-governing nations of the British Empire. Mr. Sloan referred in terms of gratification to the progress British Columbia had made last year in her mineral production, contrasting it with the previous twelve months. An increase of over thirteen million dollars told its own story. British Columbia took second place in point of extent to her increase in this regard, Ontario leading.

**Coal.**  
The coal industry the Minister alluded to as one of which he had particular and especial interest. It was gratifying to him to be able to announce to that meeting that production was indeed on the increase. While the figures were not official, 1916 production, including that made into coke, was 2,795,400 short tons as compared with 2,209,290 tons in 1915. Mr. Sloan declared that the increase would be permanent. Describing it as an economic crime the speaker deplored the tremendous wastage entailed in the absence of any effort to recover the by-products of coke. "The recovery of these properties would mean much to British Columbia in the industrial sense," he declared. No time should be lost, he said, in setting out to remedy this condition.

**Depression Stage Passed.**  
The time had arrived, in the opinion of the Minister, when British Columbia could look forward to an immediate future with the assurance of marked improvement. It would mean a whole-hearted co-operation and common endeavor. In setting out on that line it was always necessary to bear in mind the paramount duty of every British Columbian: the successful prosecution of the war. He welcomed the entry of the United States as a powerful factor in the earlier consummation of a peace crystallizing the victory of democracy over autocracy. The drawing closer together of the peoples of the Empire would eventually win for British Columbia a place of no secondary importance in the world's history. It would require men with breadth of vision to cope with the new conditions he had foreshadowed. He predicted the rehabilitation of Esquimalt as a naval base of the first class, restoring the historic memories of that former centre of British Pacific naval activity to British Columbia.

**Minister Thanked.**  
Both Colonel Prior, in moving, and James Forman, in tendering, the vote of thanks to Hon. Mr. Sloan, expressed their sense of keen gratification at the speaker. He had eloquently and with such substantial foundation, infused into his address so inspiring an atmosphere of cheery optimism, which they declared had done every member of the Board of Trade a vast amount of good.

### BARONESS D'ANETHAN

#### LECTURES ON BELGIUM

#### Over \$100 Taken for Belgian Relief Fund Last Night

As the result of the lecture given last evening at the Empress Hotel by the Baroness d'Anethan, the Belgium Relief Fund, in behalf of which the address was given, will benefit to the extent of about \$100. The chair was taken by J. J. Shalleron, who referred to the work of the Belgium Relief Fund, which had sent away \$10,000, besides several cartons of food and clothing since the war. Mrs. Macdonald Fahey had charge of a very nice programme of songs, beginning with the Belgian National Anthem, "La Brabanconne," composed by the actor Jeneval. An English translation by the Baroness was recited for the benefit of the audience afterwards. The hall was effectively decorated with flags of Belgium and the Allies, J. G. Brown assisting W. S. Terry, the Belgian Consul, in placing these in position. Mrs. McMicking, Mr. Beckwith and Mr. Terry had charge of the door. The programmes were very kindly printed free of cost by Messrs. Sweeney-McConnell.

**Once Beautiful and Prosperous.**  
"As some of you may know, what was once beautiful and prosperous Belgium, now scattered and laid low and devastated by the ruthless foe, is my country of adoption. It is my late husband's motherland, and many of the happiest years of my life were spent there with him," began the lecturer.

The Baroness told how for generations the family of d'Anethan had been associated with Belgium. Her husband's uncle, Baron Jules d'Anethan, was for many years Prime Minister, and in the early seventies was at the head of the Catholic Cabinet. Under him the Reform Bill was carried introducing the privilege of the franchise large masses of the Catholic lower orders. Baron Henri d'Anethan, her husband's father, was for many years secretary to King Leopold I, and in the same capacity to Leopold II, died in 1882.

"My husband himself served Belgium in a diplomatic capacity for over forty years till in 1910 he passed away at his post, in Japan, which he had filled for 16 years," added the speaker.

**The Outrage.**  
Very briefly reference was made to the outrage committed against the little country by Germany. Belgium might be beaten, she might be crushed,

but, as her King had said, never would she be enslaved!

Since 1830, when Belgium became independent, the arts flourished. The Royal Academy of Science, Literature and Art, had its seat in Brussels. Music and painting were cultivated in Belgium, at the Musical Conservatory at Brussels the instruction being particularly gratuitous. The Archives of Belgium contained a vast amount of ancient and valuable documents connected with the history of the country, and the magnificent library at Louvain, now destroyed, was one of the richest in the world. Belgium abounded with artistic and delicate architectural buildings such as the Cathedral of St. Gudule in Brussels, the Hotel de Ville and Maison du Roi also in that city, the belfry of Bruges, the grand church of St. Pierre and Hotel de Ville in Louvain. Famous artists and painters (among the latter Rubens) had been given birth and hospitality in that country. The country enjoyed prosperity, financial and commercial success, artistic beauty unmeasured.

**Varying Fortunes.**  
"Belgium, or the Netherlands as it was formerly called, has suffered many bitter vicissitudes," continued the lecturer, and she traced the many historical changes that have taken place. "During two hundred years the barbaric armies of most of the nations of Europe came to fight in the sunny plains of the Netherlands. But when flag after flag of foreign power floated over the walls of her conquered cities the sentiment of patriotism remained," said the lecturer.

Her union with Holland, after the fall of Napoleon, was not a happy one. But in spite of these drawbacks Belgium prospered remarkably under the King of the Netherlands. Antwerp became a city of vast commercial importance, education made great strides, the University of Liege was built and opened.

Finally two opposed parties, the Catholic Altramontani and the French Liberals united to overthrow the Government. In 1830 the news of the French Revolution reached Brussels. A spark ignited the smouldering discontent of Belgium. This was a patriotic play called "La Muette." The audience at the fall of the curtain rushed out into the streets crying "Imtons les Parisiens!" The people were exasperated that no heed was given their request for a separate Government. On September 24 King William's army occupied Brussels. Patriots rallied to the defence of their capital, and singing the "Brabanconne," the national air just composed by their favorite actor Jeneval, fought furiously for three days until Prince Frederic, commanding the Dutch troops, ordered a retreat.

**National Congress.**  
On November 10 the National Congress assembled in Brussels. Two hundred deputies from different provinces decided for the independence of Belgium, a constitutional hereditary monarch, and the perpetual exclusion of the Orange Nassau family. On December 20 the Conference of London, consisting of five Great Powers, proclaimed the dissolution of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. In January, 1831, the Congress proceeded to the election of a King. Finally Prince Leopold of Saxe-Coburg, widower of Princess Charlotte of England, accepted the conditions and was crowned amidst scenes of great enthusiasm at Brussels on July 21, 1831.

All was not yet order. The Dutch did not readily renounce their claim. A conference of the Powers in London meanwhile prepared the treaty for the separation of the states of Belgium and Holland, a treaty which made Belgium an independent and perfectly neutral state.

"This agreement was ratified by the Belgian and French sovereigns, the British, the Austrian and Prussian sovereigns, and Russia. We have seen by recent events how Germany has kept her word!" said the Baroness.

**Happy Prosperity.**  
In conclusion the lecturer told something of the happy prosperity of the free and independent country under Leopold I, "a true model of a constitutional King." Under Leopold II, his son, "doubtless a great King, wonderfully astute and calculating, gifted as a financier," and the present King, "our noble King Albert." Something of the late Queen of Belgium, Marie Henriette, with whom she enjoyed a close friendship, occupied a part of the lecture, the concluding paragraphs being taken up with a review of the progress which the nation had made under these three peaceful reigns.

Very hearty vote of thanks was moved before the meeting broke up by the singing of the Marseillaise and National Anthem.

**Demonstration Tuesday.**—From the B. C. Telephone Company's office in this city on Tuesday afternoon next at 2.30 friends resident here of the good people in Nelson and other Kootenay points, will be afforded the pleasure of conducting a conversation over the line which has been recently established. This extension of the company's system is in keeping with the gradual linking up of the province foreshadowed some time ago.

**Ask for Continued Grant.**—A deputation from the city of Vancouver today saw the Executive Council in regard to the continuance of the grant formerly made to the Vancouver Exhibition Association as aid towards the holding of an annual agricultural show in that city. In the deputation were H. S. Rolston, secretary of the association; Nicol Thompson, president of the Board of Trade, and other citizens. They represented that the holding of a fair there was of great value in the encouragement of agriculture in all its branches in the Fraser Valley, and that even in hard times it would be money well spent if the Government renewed the grant. Consideration will be given to the request.



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For the ladies who are interested in Art Embroidery a class will be held on Tuesday afternoon in each week from 2.30 till 5 o'clock; also for children on Saturday morning from 9.30 till 11.30. Bring your work, whether started or not, and our expert embroiderer will be pleased to assist you.

### Latest Novelties in Summer Dress Fabrics to Be Seen in the Wash Goods Section

Monday we shall show an unique collection of dainty fabrics, in many exclusive and original designs and colorings. These are the newest and latest products from the European and American markets. We invite you to visit this display.

- Etamine Voile**—This is a new and very smart fabric, self colored ground, in season's colors, with allover designs in a contrasting color; 35-40 ins. wide. Per yard ..... 45¢
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