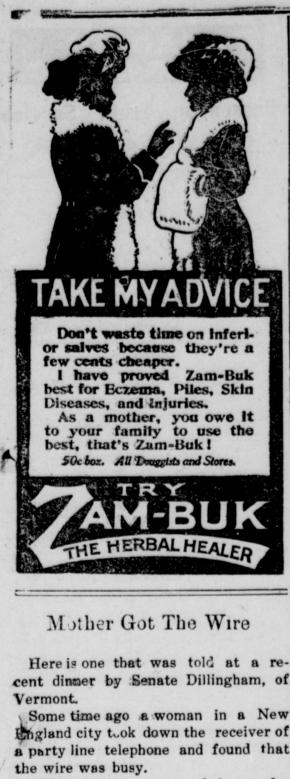
# THE DISPATCE.

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"I just put on a pan of beans for dinner," she heard one woman serenely informing another.

waited for the conversation to end. She took down the receiver again at the end of half an hour, but to her dismay she found that the wire was still busy Again she took it down and yet again, but the complacent conversation flowed sweetly on. Then mother became exasperated.

"Say, madame," she exclaimed, butting in with piercing distinctuess, "I smell your beans burning."

"Why, so they are!" came back the

which naturally will find its way ed in the northern part of the province through Suez. "Be that as it may," he adds, "Suez will still remain the short- | York County. est route from Europe to the Far East,"

Extensive and costly improvements are being made to the Suez Canal to Grand Lake district. It is expected to enable it to compete with Panama The original depth, in 1865, was twenty-six English feet. The present depth is thirty-two feet. The new depth will be thirty-nine feet.

The Suez Canal has no locks and no tides. The waterway remains almost constantly at a uniform depth. The Mediterranean Sea is almost tideless No vessel drawing more than twentynine feet is at present allowed to go through Suez. The canal is I46 feet wide at the narrowest part of its course through the 100 miles of sandy desert that marks the distance between the Red Sea and the Mediteranean. About \$3,000,000 is being spent to minimize the effect of sand storms by extending the breakwater at Port Said by some 2,700 yards.

### Snow and Sleet in Memphis; Tenn

Memphis, Tenn., March 20.-Snowsleet and rain storms, with temperatures about the freezing mark, were reported last night, throughout the central south and southwest, and in some districts the most severe weather of the winter was being experienced. In Memphis snow and sleet fell for several hours yesterday, and Nash-England city took down the receiver of ville reported the heaviest snowfall in years, Eight inches of snow fell in Northern Atkansas. At Harrison, Ark., the electric lighting and telephone systems were disabled by the breaking of po'es and wires. In the Texas panhandle Mother hung up the receiver and a severe blizzard was raging. Wire service is widely interrupted.

TWO TRAINS ARE

The Brown Tail Survey parties to soon cease work,

will now take charge of cleaning up

The parties who have been in the south ern section of the province are now working north and are at present in the close the season's work within a short time, the district from here to the Miramichi remaining to be covered after the two parties have worked their way back to Fredericton again.

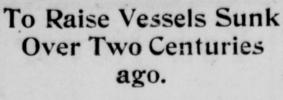
Mr. McLaine has stated that the latest reports from the State of Maine were to the effect that the gypsy moth invasion had not reached as close to New Bruuswick as feared. The gypsy moths were thought to be within thirty miles of the border of this province, but it is now said that they are not east of Bangor.



## To Increase the Area of Holland.

A great deal of Holland is made up of land reclaimed from the sea. In many parts of the country the roads are at a lower level than canals which parallel them, the water being held little Christmas story. in place by dykes. Now a further

Mr. McLaine returned this week from and will sweeten the water in all the



Plans are under way looking to the raising of twelve or thirteen French war ships sunk off Cape La Hogue in 1692. The exact location is known to a certit ude, for on calm days the tops of the masts can be seen above water. These vessels at the time the j were launched were wonders of strength and beauty. They were cf from 1,000 to 1,800 tons displacement and carried from fifty to a hundred guns. Bearing such names as Terrible, Fondroyant, Magnifique, they were the last word in "dreadnoughts" of that ancient day. Puget, the sculptor, carved their prows, while such men as Vanloo, Girardon and Lebrun lent their skill in the decoration of the ships. The vessels were scuttled by heir commanders in order to prevent capture by the British after the disastrous naval battle to which the Cape gave its name.

The French vessels were sent to sea in fight double their number in British and Dutch ships in the belief that a Jacobite conspiracy in the British fleet would give them the victory. Later on it was learned that the conspiracy had been exposed and it was then sought to recall the French fleet but word could notbe got to the commander in time Had wirelsss telegraphy been developed before that date the fleet would have been recalled, and in that event Britain would have had one naval victory the less to her credit.

# Post Office Incident Amused Spectator

#### (London Daily Mail.)

A passenger in the Hammersmith tube yesterday was telling a touching

"I saw something to beat the pan Fredericton, March 21st:-That two dyking enterprise is under contempla tomime last night," he said. "I was miles above Grand Falls is the further- tion by means of which the Zuyder Zee in the post office getting a withdrawal set point north in New Brunswick reach is to cease to exist. Eight hundred and form, and an old girl comes in with and the old girl nearly cries and says she ed by the Brown Tail Moth invasion and fifteen square miles of land will be re the supper beer in one hand and some will have to open the letter and get the that the pest has not yet visited the claimed, and the remaining five hundred thing wrapped up in a bit of news district east of Sussex in the southerly and fifty seven square miles of the sea paper in the other. So she puts the portion of the province are two of the will be converted into a fresh water jug down on the counter and says to developments of the surveys which have lake. The lake, which will be protected the young lady, 'Excuse me miss, but been going on this winter under the dir- from the inflowing waters of the North do you keep stamps here?" "So the young lady asks her how will provide a reservoir of fresh water many she wants, and she says, she wants one to go on a Christmas card for Egypt. 'Here it is,' she says, and she unwraps the bit of paper and pulls out a letter. 'It's for my son,' she says, he's at Egypt with his regiment. and he'll be looking for a Christmas card from his mother.' So she asks how much it would be, and the young lady says only a penny, and passes her the stamp. "Then she says she'd like to put a postal order for a shilling in with the card if he could get the money for it in Egypt, and the young lady says most certainly he could and hands her the order and shows her where to fill it in with his name. So she takes the letter and the order over to a desk to do this, but leaves the jug on the counter where she had been standing. "Well, as she goes away up comes that big red headed bloke that works at the butcher's, along with his mis sus, and buys stamps for some let ters, and then has his usual bit (f a blarney. 'Here, miss,'' he says, 'I haven't been brought up to lick all these stamps, so kindly pass me the stamp wetter or I'll complain to the King and then you'll be sorry,' he says. Naturally, the young lady's had some of his before and gets netttled a bit, so that the damper's there in front of his nose if he will kind ly look for it. "So, of course, he looks around and sees the jug of beer, and you ought **Build Concrete Barns** to have had seen his face. He nudges his missus and says. "Well: I declare, and so it is standing there all the time, YOU will find that they are best and to think I never even smelt it. 'Excuse me lady,' he says, 'but can't l at first and cheapest in the end. use it? I'm not depriving you of it, 1 Concrete buildings cannot burn and many dol hope?" "It's for public use," she savs, very sharp, without looking up. lars are saved in lower insurance rates. They need practically no repairs and never need Well,' he says, 'that's what I call pro gress. That's something like stamp Concrete barnyards make the best kind moistener.' "So he takes up the jug by the handle and looks at it. 'You know Gwenny,' he says to his wife, 'this Government means well. They are willing to learn.





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"Well, just as he is putting the as you find him, and all I say is good old 'Erbert, and here's his jolly health.' And with that he lowers the three half pints and his wife nearly has a laughing fit.

"Well, just as he is putting the jug down the old girl comes back with her letter and catches him and you ought to have seen the pantomime. He swears the young lady invited him to have it. and she threatens him with a policeman

gaspy cry, as the telephone closed.

### Fight For Repeal Of Toll Exemptions

WASHINGTON. March 25-Final preparations for the actual opening of the fight for the repeal of the tolls exemption provision of the Panama Janal Act were taken to-day by leaders of the contending factions in the House. According to agreement, the assue will be formerly presented at noon to-morrow, and, under a special rule voted by the Rules Committee, for submission to the House to-day, debate would be limited to fifteen hours.

Democrats, Republicians and Progressives, alleged on both sides of the controversy were agreed that the contest would be most spirited of any staged in Congress in recent years. The repeal advocates reiterated their predictions of success for the Sims repeal bill by a large majority.

## The Real Battle In Great Britain.

#### (Maritime Baptist.)

Affairs in Great Britain are rapidly approaching a crisis on the Home Rule question. Not so much in Ireland as in England do the belligerent feelings seem to be in evidence, for it would seem that political schemers have instigated the Protestants ef Ulster to enter into covenant and to get ready to do battle to prevent Home Rule. The concession offered by the Premier of a temperory exclusion of Ulster if desired by their own vote has been refused. and the Hon. Winston Churchill has warned those who are planning to take up arms against the Home Rule Bill when passed that the first shot fired against the constituted authority of Britain as represented by soldier or coast guard will call for such action as may shake the Empire to its foundation We take this to mean that the real Battle is between the Lords, who see their power passing from them in Home Rule and Disestablishment and kindred egislation, and the people who are just now coming into their own.

### Will Deepen Suez Canal To Complete With Panama

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PARIS, March 7.-M. Jounart, the chief executive of the Suez Canal, informs the shareholders that they will be benefited rather than harmed by the opening of the Panama Canal. He predicts that the opening up of re-

ection of Mr. L. S. McLaine, chief ento" Sea by a great dam eighteen miles long, mologist in charge of the work.

the northern sections of the province, canals. The sea fisheries of the Zuyder the parties having gone as far north as Zee will be destroyed but the Govern St. Leonard's, it being the practice to ment are providing in their Bill for com cover a territory 15 miles around the pensation of the fishermen, who expect point at which the last nests are found. | ed to buy new vessels and take up fish The survey party who have been engag- ing in the North Ses.

shilling out again for shehas got no more money and daren't go home without the supper beer, and then at last he smooths her over and he and his missus take her over to the Maltshovel to fill up that jug again.

"I tell you it was as good as anything you'd see at the pictures."

#### SPOKE FROM AMBULANCE.

Sylvia Pankhurst, worn and haggard made a speech in London from an ambulance, where she was attended by curses with stimulants. Great enthusiasm was shown in response to her brief address.

#### WHERE TAFT CAME IN.

There was a contested election case down in Muskogee, Oklahoma. A negro election judge was testifying.

"How many votes-in round numbers -did the Republicans get in your district?' asked the attorney for the con testant.

"About a hundred an' fo'ty five," the witness replied.

"How many did the Democratic can didate for county treasurer receive?" "About a hundred an' seven."

"How many did Taft get!"

"I don't know as I knows him."

"Taft! William H. Taft!" screamed the attorney.

"Well, suh," said the witness atter reflection, "I don't b'lieve he was run nin!"

"The witness has answered the ques tion correctly," smiled the judge.

## Strengthening a Noble Tradition

When the Monroe was rammed off the American coast on Jan. 30th., Frederick Kuehn, the wireless operator of the doomed ship, stuck to his post until the vessel was sinking under his feet. Then seeing a woman passenger without a life belt, he quietly placed his own upon her and went down with his ship.

The other day in New York the wireless operators of ships in port assembled at a Y. M. C. A. hall to join in a service commemorative of the dead man's heroism. It was a happy inspiration that gave rise to the holding of such a service. The position of wireless operator at sea is only of yesterday but already a tradition of loyalty to duty and self sacrific has sprung up in connection therewith which is not surpassed by anything in "She never looks at him, but tells him the history of the sea. The service ry icily that Mr. Herbert Samuel is recently held in New York will help to

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#### gions in East Asia by the American canal will create a traffic, some of

the Postmaster General.

now?'

This the greatest public improvement

I can remember in all the years since

I've been using the post office.' 'So all

still holding the jug in his hand, he says

to the young lady: 'Excuse me, miss,

but who is the boss at the post office

