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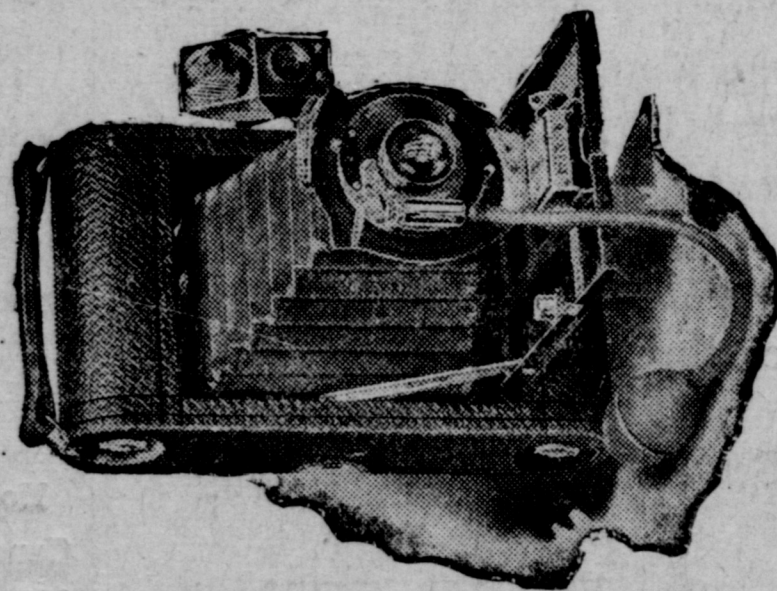


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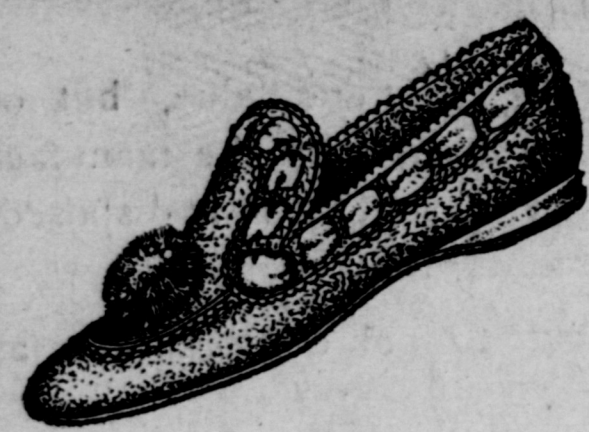
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INTERESTING SITUATION IN TORY RANKS

J. Stanfield, Chief Whip, Has Resigned—Gives up Seat as Protest Against Methods of Railway Minister.

Ottawa, Dec. 18.—John Stanfield M.P., chief whip of the federal Conservative party, has resigned his seat. He has done so as a protest against the administration of the government railways in Nova Scotia by Hon. Frank Cochrane, the minister. At a special meeting of the Conservative Association of Colchester county, held at Truro, he handed his resignation to the chairman, after his brother, Frank Stanfield, M.L.A., had resigned his seat on similar grounds.

The resignation of the chief whip has caused a great political sensation at Ottawa. There is no doubt that his resignation has rendered action of some kind on the part of the prime minister necessary. He has been chief whip since 1911 and was a whip for some years before that. He redeemed Colchester from the Liberals and for some time was the only Conservative from Nova Scotia in parliament.

Mr. Stanfield arrived in Ottawa today and was asked if he had any thing to say regarding his resignation.

"Only this," he said, "I will stand no more from the minister of railways. The situation is unbearable. He refuses to recognize the rights of the people of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and I am finished with him. I have handed my resignation to the executive of the Conservative Association of Colchester county, and I am in their hands. But I may say that they are behind me to a man."

ACTIVITY IN CUSTOMS CIRCLES

Preventive Officers Along Canadian Border—Small Seizures Made at Debec Tuesday Night On Arrival of Train From Houlton.

There is renewed activity among the customs officials along the border. It is said that three officers of the preventive service have been quietly investigating conditions especially as affects towns on the Canadian side contiguous to Houlton.

Merchants have been complaining that goods are being bought on American side and brought in without duty being paid. Tuesday night local officers took a hand on the arrival of the train at Debec from Houlton, and several passengers were politely asked to hand over whatever purchases they had. Goods that were "visible" were taken by the officer and it is understood the parties will, or

IT IS WAR TO THE KNIFE Peace Offer Refused

Lloyd George States Allied Terms—"Stern But Not Gloomy Picture"

The peace flurry is over—it is war to the knife.

Through governmental agencies France and Russia yesterday definitely refused to enter into peace negotiations with Germany on the ground that the chancellor's offer could not be taken seriously.

Speaking for Great Britain, Premier Lloyd George left no room for doubt that the German note furnished no common meeting ground for peace as showing no evidence that Germany meant to accept the Allied terms as previously enunciated—COMPLETE RESTITUTION, FULL REPARATION AND EFFECTUAL GUARANTEES.

The new premier, in these words, summed up the aims of the Allies and he declared he would put his faith in "our unbroken armies rather than in the broken faith of Germany."

In his momentous speech, Premier Lloyd George made announcement of government policies surpassing in far-reaching importance even his refusal to treat with Germany under present conditions. The whole nation is to be organized on a basis of compulsory national service—civil as well as military. The mobilization of labor for war purposes has been placed under the management of a new official—director-general of national service—and Neville Chamberlain, lord mayor of Birmingham, has already taken the post. Labor and industry are to be placed into two classes, essential and non-essential, with the object of weeding out the latter.

All shipping is to be rationalized under the direction of the shipping controller.

The overseas dominions are to be consulted "more formally" regarding the conduct of the war and an imperial conference called to meet in London at an early date. In a special message to the people of Canada, Premier Lloyd George asks for "every man and every dollar" available.

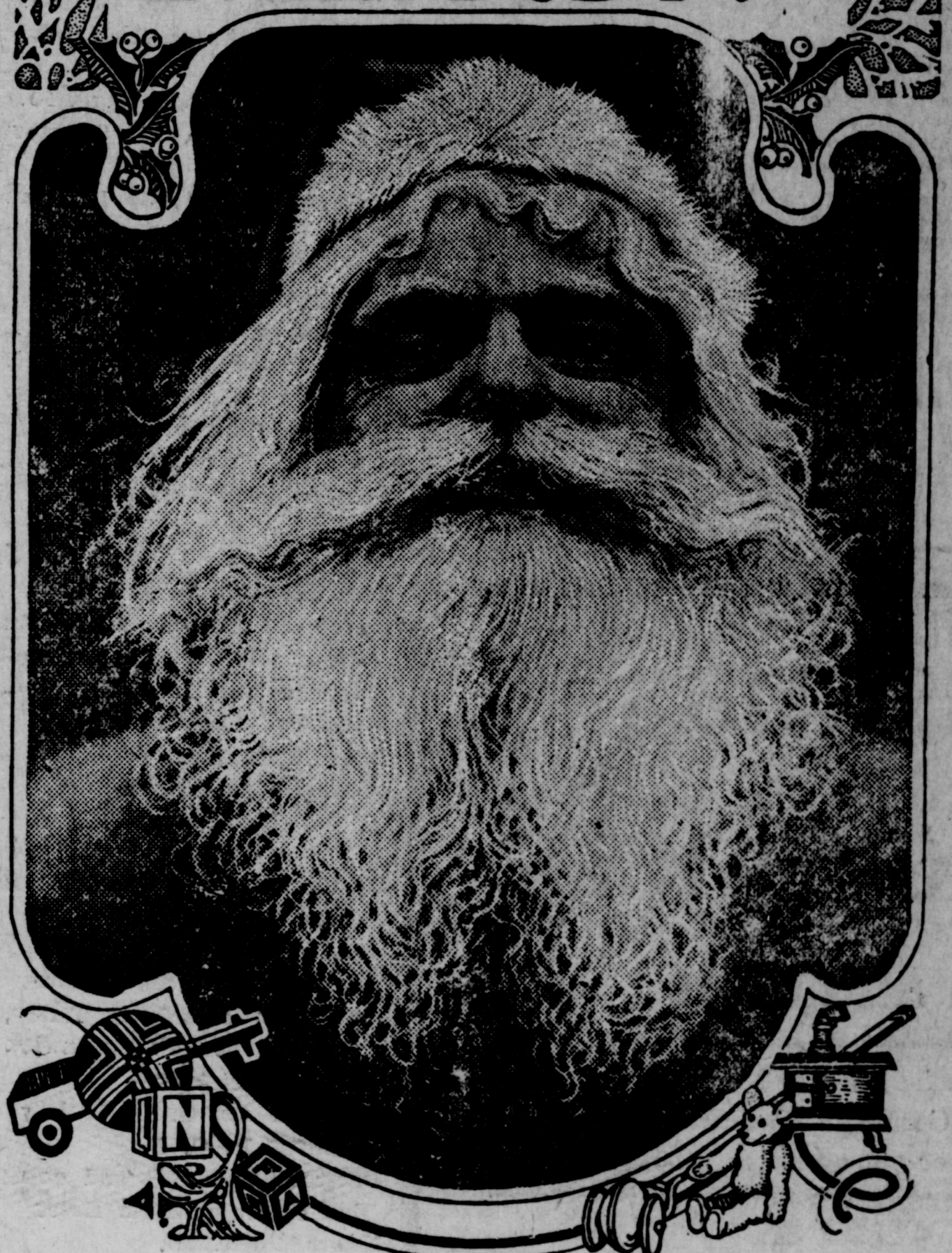
In most impressive words, the new premier declared a season of "national Lent" to endure as long as the war lasts and declared that the food controller would see that no one would starve as long as others persisted in over-indulgence.

His remark that "The nation is fighting for its life and has a right to the best and highest service of all its sons" was repeated by Lord Curzon in an announcement of the new government's line of policy in the house of lords.

As regards the war situation, Premier Lloyd George called his review a "stern but NOT gloomy picture," and Lord Curzon said that while the Roumanian situation was bad enough it was not as serious as Germany, through desperation, sought to make it appear.

Ex-Premier Asquith, following the new premier in the house, pointed to the significant fact that Germany was shouting peace and declared that his presence on the front opposition bench signified nothing, as "opposition there was none."

"MERRY CHRISTMAS, EVERYBODY!"



ARRESTED ON A SERIOUS CHARGE

William Bell in Custody at Brownville, Me.—George Carter Alleges Bell Enticed Daughter Away From Home—Prisoner Pleads Not Guilty—Always borne Good Reputation.

On complaint of George A. Carter, father of Miss Margaret Carter, formerly of Woodstock, Wm. Bell of Greenville, Me., foreman of the Bangor and Aroostook section department, is under arrest on charges of white slavery. Bell was taken into custody at Brownville Jct., Me., and at a hearing in the court at Dover, Me., was held in \$500 bonds for the Piscataquis Co. grand jury which meets in March next. In default of bonds Bell was committed to jail.

Mr. Carter alleges that Bell enticed his daughter, 22 years of age, from her home in Greenville to Woodstock in August, 1913.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

At the hearing Harry L. Smith at Dover, Bell's counsel, waived the reading of the warrant and Bell entered a plea of not guilty. As far as known the respondent has made no statement as to his whereabouts in the past few years, but it is understood that he does not deny being in Houlton or in Woodstock in that time. He is about 50 yrs. old. For some time he was foreman on the B & A section at Greenville and in the summer of 1913 obtained a three months leave of absence saying that he was to go on the Harveters' excursion to the Canadian northwest.

He left Greenville Aug. 29th of that year, his wife going with him as far as Bangor. When he left Bangor she understood that he was to join the excursion in Woodstock for a three months trip so that nothing was thought of his absence until he failed to return home three months later.

MISS CARTER DISAPPEARS

In the meantime there was considerable stir over the mysterious disappearance of Margaret Carter, then 22 years old, who had also left home on Aug. 29th, going, she said, to visit her brother, James Carter in Guilford. She did not go to the home of the brother and when no trace of her could be found rumors were circulated as to her probable death. Later, however, Greenville people remembered her friendship with Bell and the fact that they left town on the same day was connected. There was a report that both the girl and Bell had been seen in Aroostook county. The girl's father investigated and located his daughter in Woodstock, where she was employed in a boarding house.

Miss Carter, with her two small children, went to Greenville a few days ago with her father. At the same time a Piscataquis county officer went to Houlton with papers for the arrest of Bell who was employed on the Bangor and Aroostook Railway, but found that Bell was working in Brownville where he was taken in custody.

Bell has always had a good reputation and for the past year has sent money regularly to his wife at Greenville. Mrs. Bell and her son have been visiting Mr. Bell since his arrest and it is expected that they will be able to procure bail tomorrow.

MR. GOULD'S SUIT AGAINST PROVINCE

Contractor Wants Nearly Half a Million

Hearing in the arbitration matter A. R. Gould and associates against the Province of New Brunswick and the St. John & Quebec Railway Company was commenced Tuesday afternoon. Chief Justice McKeown is sole arbitrator. The amount involved is \$445,500. Mr. Fred R. Taylor is acting for the province, and Messrs. M. G. Teed and A. J. Gregory, Fredericton, for Mr. Gould and associates.

The town council met Friday night, 15th inst. in special session. Scott Act affairs were discussed. The next meeting will be held Friday, 29th inst. when the matter will be again taken up.

have, settled the matter to the present Government have gone out of office?

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute, will be held Wednesday, December 27th, at 3.30 p. m.

At the Bijou Friday will be shown a big Metro western success "The Quitter." Lionel Barrymore. Saturday General Film Company big program. An Essanay 3 reel feature—a Kelem drama and a comedy.

Monday, Christmas day, big six reel show. Wm. Fox presents the field dressings, rotten boot, bicycle and other war supply scandals? Is Wife's Sacrifice? Special Pathe News and other features.