

## THE DAILY MAIL

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## COUNTRY'S WELFARE FIRST.

"I do not want to take up too much of your time upon matters which may be discussed more fully in the near future, and particularly in the Legislature. I am here rather for the purpose of meeting and greeting you, of making the acquaintance of those whom I hope will be my new constituents, than entering into a discussion of public affairs at any length. However, there is one point that I wish to make, the government of which I am Premier intends to give the people of this province a business administration. We are not going to place our own personal interests before the welfare of the country. We are going to take up each and every question upon its merits and not place legislation upon the statute books that will be for the benefit of private individuals and contrary to the public good.—Premier Foster at Grand Falls.

## DISCOURAGED RECRUITING.

In addressing his constituents in Victoria-Haliburton a few days ago, Sir Sam Hughes made the rather damaging statement that the Borden government in March, 1916, instructed him not to press recruiting. It will be remembered that a charge of this kind was made in parliament by Mr. J. G. Turfitt, M. P., during the present session, but met with a vehement denial. Sir Sam's allegation will be likely to revive the question, and possibly may cause a change of policy. The Premier issued a New Year's message, in which he pledged Canada to the enlistment of a total of 500,000 men. No attempt has been made by the Militia Department to implement that pledge. It is notorious that, so far as the Government is concerned, recruiting has been left to take care of itself. There has been a great deal of voluntary effort, local and personal, but it has had no apparent support from headquarters. At no time has there been anything resembling the national organized propaganda which was carried on so effectively in the mother country before the adoption of conscription. The magnificent response in Canada in the first year and a half of the war was entirely spontaneous. At first it was so overwhelming that the official machinery could not keep pace with it. Thousands of men eager to enlist were turned away as if they would never be needed. Later, when there was no pretext that the country could not train and equip all who offered, the government remained inactive. Whether it deliberately discouraged recruiting, as Sir Sam alleges, it is certain that it displayed no interest in a problem which exercised patriotic citizens in all parts of the country.

## MARKING TIME.

According to Hon. Charles Marcil, M. P., Parliament is doing little more than mark time pending the return from England of Premier Borden. Writing in the Montreal Herald, Hon. Mr. Marcil says:

"It may be taken for granted that no important action will be taken by Parliament before the return of Premier Borden. The most interesting of all questions to be decided is whether there is to be an extension of the Parliamentary term and whether there is to be or not to be a general election this year. So far, the government has given no indication of preparing for a general election beyond its 'free wheat' measures, which will be one of their main arguments in the west following their great war issue. It is evident that the party in power are very anxious to avoid a general election during the war if at all possible, unless they can put the whole blame on the opposition of forcing an election. By avoiding an election at this time, the rulers, besides securing a longer tenure of office for themselves and their friends, would have the chance of going to the country when the war is over and of claiming that they had won the war. When the Premier returns a decision will have to be made as to whether the extension is to be insisted upon or whether it will be thrown overboard and an appeal made to the country. In the meantime the country need not expect anything very important being done by Parliament.

## GREATER PRODUCTION.

Premier Foster has done well to take the lead in the campaign in New Brunswick for greater production. This is the question of the hour all over the British Empire, and New Brunswick should not lag behind the other provinces of Canada in this time of stress. It is well that the important question should be grappled with ear-

nestly and in a business-like way. It is with this object in view that the Premier and Minister of Agriculture have issued a call to representative men to gather in this city on Friday next to discuss the situation and make plans for an energetic campaign. The farmers are willing to do their part, but they must have more help, and it is the duty of the cities and towns to supply it. Everything that the farms of New Brunswick can produce in the way of food this season will be needed. It is the farmer's opportunity to render a yeoman service to the empire by helping to solve the grave situation that has been created by a threatened shortage of food.

Regina Leader: The budget serves to emphasize the fact that the people of Western Canada cannot afford to make the mistake of dividing their forces in the next parliament. If they are sincere in their demand for lower tariffs, freer trade, wider markets—in a word, for the removal of the great handicaps under which Western industry now labors, and which are retarding the prosperity and development of this country—they must maintain the attitude taken by them some years ago. There must be no weakening in their demands, nor division in their ranks. Saskatchewan, as the largest province of the West, must continue the fight for economic freedom with no slackening of effort until our "bill of rights" is recognized by Ottawa, and the demands contained therein admitted and granted in law.

One of the most eloquent opponents of reciprocity was Mr. Middleboro, Conservative M. P. for North Grey. Listen to this: "Long before the sunset and 'evening star of our twentieth century; long before its twilight and evening bell; yes, long before its noon-tide arrives, we shall, as a nation, have crossed the bar, lulled to sleep and lured to death, through this insidious pact, into commercial, political and national absorption with the United States."

## Through Our Sieve

The snowdrop has the mayflower pushed off the map.

Spring has come again—it seems to "come again" quite often this year.

That retreat of King Winter was only a strategic one.

Any old hen can lay the golden egg these days.

In case we haven't noticed it, the daily papers will tell us it is snowing today.

Early strawberries are all right, but it is the early potato that will get the glad hand.

The snow shovel is not yet willing to abdicate in favor of the garden spade.

When a monarch lets his wife run him and the country in the interest of palace favorites, look out for squalls.

A warning to the nations at war: Ban Johnson says if the war does not end before next spring there will be no American League baseball in 1918.

People who are eating bran bread from choice are snatching the staff of life from the mouth of the patriotic cow.

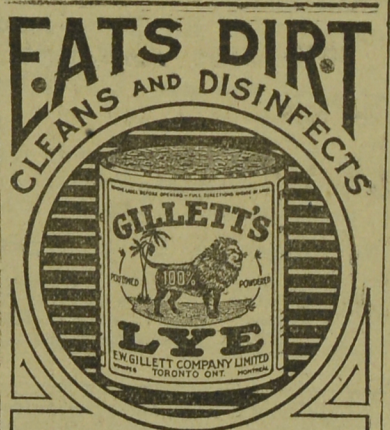
When the call for wire for submarine nets goes forth, nearly all of us will be willing to contribute at least one neighbor's piano.

Save your stamps. The gag about hell being turned upside down and "made in Germany" discovered on the bottom of it is arriving in every mail.

## PERSONAL.

Mr. J. F. McDonald, of Montreal, is a guest at the Barker House.

Mr. A. G. Bishop, of St. John, is in the city.



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BOSTON SCHOOL BOARD  
DISCHARGES TEACHERS

Boston, Mass., May 1.—The Boston School Board yesterday discharged 7 male teachers, a woman kindergarten instructor and a janitor because they were not citizens of the United States. Two of the men are Spaniards, three Canadians, one an Armenian and another a German. The latter informed the board he had tried to obtain naturalization papers, but was refused on the ground that he was now classed as an alien enemy. The janitor and the kindergarten teacher are British subjects.

NORWEGIAN SHIPS  
SUNK BY SUBMARINES

London, May 1.—A Christiania despatch to the Daily Mail says that 23 Norwegian ships, aggregating 36,000 tons, were sunk by submarines last week. This is a record for Norwegian losses. The correspondent says that an experiment is about to be made with two motor ships, the hulls of which are constructed of ferro-concrete, to test the fitness of such vessels for North Sea trade.

The boats will be of 1,000 tons and 600 tons respectively. Ferro-concrete lighters have been used successfully for some time in Swedish coast traffic. The Norwegian boats can be built in four or five months and are cheaper than those of steel or wood.

GERMAN STEAMERS  
FOR ENTENTE ALLIES

Washington May 1.—The Hamburg-American liners Pola and Clara Menning at New York have been turned over by the American government for use of the entente allies. One ship will go to France and the other to Italy.

STRIKES GOING ON  
AMONG STEEL WORKERS

London, May 1.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from The Hague says: "Travellers from Germany announce that strikes have been going on for the past ten days in Westphalia, and the Rhine provinces, especially in the steel industry. The military authorities consequently have forbidden newspapers to be sent out of the country."

## BIG LEAGUE GAMES

National.  
At St. Louis—Chicago 9, St. Louis 0.  
American.  
At Washington—Washington 3, New York 2.  
International.  
At Richmond—Buffalo 16, Rich. 9.

## STOCK MARKET

Quotations by J. M. Robinson & Sons, Bankers and Brokers, Queen St.

## NEW YORK

Beet Sugar.....	94½
C. P. R.....	160½
Crucible steel.....	62½
Erie.....	27½
Erie 1st pfd.....	39 1-2
Marine Pfd.....	83
Union Pac.....	136½
U. S. Steel.....	116½
Air Brake.....	179
Kenn.....	46½
Marine Com.....	29
Reading.....	95
Rubber.....	57
Studebaker.....	88
Bethlehem.....	141
Wool.....	50½

## MONTREAL.

Civic.....	79
Detroit.....	114
Quebec.....	28
Toronto.....	83
Braz.....	83½
Cement.....	60
Iron.....	61½
Steel Co.....	60½
Spanish.....	15½
Shaw.....	122½
Can Cottons.....	52 1-2
Laur. Pulp.....	185
Scotia.....	95

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36 in IVORY CURTAIN NET, specially priced at 19c, 29c and 32c.  
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33½ PER CENT OFF ALL ODD PAIRS OF CURTAINS.  
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6 ONLY COUCH COVERS, Best Quality. "Old Dyes" Regular \$7.50 for \$5.75 each.  
1½ pairs BLUE PORTIERS Regular \$8.65 on sale at \$4.23. 1 pair Do Old Rose regular \$8.50 for \$4.25. 1 pair Green Do regular \$12.50 on sale at \$6.25. 2 pair Blue and Gold regular \$10.50 for \$5.25. These are all "Old Dyes" Before War Prices and HALF PRICE.  
1 PIECE EACH 50in PLAIN RED and GREEN "SUNFAST" PAIR HEAVY LINEN, suitable for Furniture Covering, Portiers, Couch Covers, etc. On Sale only 59c yard. 1 PIECE EACH 50in FIGURED TAPESTRY COVERING, Green or Red. Sale 85c yard. These two lines are specially suitable for upholstering any furniture or make nice portiers and couch covers.  
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As a Special inducement to purchase during these two days we will allow 10 per cent discount off our complete range of CURTAINS, CURTAIN MATERIALS, CRETONNES, FURNITURE COVERINGS, PORTIERS AND COUCH COVERS. As most of these lines have advanced 25 to 30 per cent since we purchased, the extra discount of 10 per cent should prove a big inducement to buy during this sale. Sale Starts at 9 a. m. Tuesday.

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## New Brunswick's Production Campaign

All of those earnestly interested in the movement for increased production in New Brunswick are invited to attend an

### Increased Production Conference

In Fredericton, Friday, May 4, at 2 o'clock,  
In the Normal School Annex

Representatives from agricultural societies, women's institutes, boards of trade, educational institutions, women's organizations and leaders of religious denominations have been invited to attend; and this public announcement is intended also as an invitation to any others who may not have been included in the call of this most important conference.

Representative men, merchants, ministers, teachers, are all urged to lend their aid and assistance.

The need of the Empire for food for the future is the great work of today.

Excursion rates on Government and Canadian Pacific Railways on the Standard certificate plan. Be sure and obtain standard certificate when buying ticket.

Further information can be obtained from Department of Agriculture, Fredericton.

WALTER E. FOSTER, Premier

May 1, 1917

J. F. TWEEDDALE, Minister of Agriculture