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## THE REASONS FOR IT

(St. John Telegraph.)

Mr. F. B. Carvell, K.C., M.P., recently addressed several recruiting meetings in Carleton County. The Standard newspaper, whose model is Mr. Flemming continues to make faces at Mr. Carvell and to call him names after the fashion of an ill-mannered schoolboy.

The reason for this exhibition on the part of the Standard is to be found in Mr. Carvell's success in exposing an extensive group of men for whom the Standard speaks and whose private purposes it serves. Mr. Flemming was one of these men. Mr. Carvell convicted him. Others are those who received money for services in connection with the Valley Railway. Most of these kept the money they received. Others didn't.

The Standard continues to assert that Mr. Flemming has challenged Mr. Carvell to run an election in Carleton County. Mr. Flemming is not in a position to challenge anybody. According to the Standard's logic a man convicted of horse-stealing by the Supreme Court might properly challenge the prosecuting attorney to run an election on the issue already settled by the trial.

Mr. Carvell has left his mark upon many Conservative leaders and lieutenants. They will feel the sting of his blows, and their only answer is a shower of meaningless epithets through the editorial columns of such journals as the Standard. The public understands well enough that convicted men of such a stamp cannot be expected to express very high opinion of the prosecuting attorney.

"No rogue ever felt the halter draw With good opinion of the law."

## IN THE WRONG BOX

The discussing of the Boer uprising in South Africa the Transvaal Leader has this to say:

No doubt Andries de Wet, who is the leader of the German Boer commando, was himself misled by German reports of what was happening in the Union. He was one of the irreconcilables who preferred to leave South Africa after the war rather than live under British rule, and it would naturally be impossible for him to understand the great changes of the past ten years, particularly those worked by the grant of self government and the formation of the Union. To us in South Africa, the progress we have made often presents matter for astonishment, it is easy, therefore to understand how impossible it must be to a man of De Wet's mentality, who has had no part in what has happened, to grasp the magnitude of the developments this country has seen. It is fairly certain that he would, perhaps unconsciously, mislead the Germans as much in regard to the attitude of the people here as they would misinform him of the course of events. As a matter of fact, though as Mr. Burton has said, the pro-German propaganda might do a great deal of harm before it was crushed, he was also perfectly right in his assurance that the Germans have come to the wrong people with their treacherous proposals of revolt.

## ON THE SIDE

The Germans are retreating from the vicinity of Lodz. Didn't know it was Lodz.

Germany has fixed the price of potatoes. The murphies of Great Britain are priceless.

Pictures of Belgian soldiers indicate that a man can have military efficiency irrespective of the funny hat he wears.

Italy may have to fight for Tripoli all over again. There's many a trip in Tripoli.

If Russia continues to chase the Sultan's troops, the impulsive Young Turks may suddenly declare peace against the Powers.

If, instead of using its war machines to spread its culture, Germany

had been content to proselytize with its excellent sausages and sauerkraut and philosophy, the world would not have resisted.

Pittsburgh has received war orders amounting to \$1,000,000 and inquiries amounting to \$8,000,000. Mr. Carnegie cannot yet make good as the prophet of peace, but his own town can share in the profits of war.

In a few days the European war will enter upon its fifth month. And the German forces are still a long ways from Paris.

Westminster Gazette.—Canada is said to be willing to increase its contribution of men to 150,000 by next autumn, if that number is required. We need not say that we hope no such call will be required from the colony. We recognize to the full that Canada is with us in this fight to the full extent of its resources, but we shall expect that the recruiting at home will have settled the issue before we have to bring any such number of men from Canada. We have to remember that from Canada is required a double service in this conflict. The Colony will have to be to a large extent the granary of the Empire, and if we are to come successfully through the war the men who are working in the fields of Canada will be doing their share in helping forward our cause almost as effectively as those who are actually at the front.

Philadelphia Record.—December 10 is now given as the date for the German occupation of Calais—unless the allies spoil their plans. In the sixteen weeks that have elapsed since war began so many things have happened that the Kaiser's schedule, or timetable, appears to have become somewhat disarranged. Possibly it provided for the occupation of Calais in December, and trains may then be moving on time again. Christmas will presumably be spent by the German army in England.

The stories of Russia's sudden adoption of prohibition read like those tales of the conversion of whole tribes of pagans to Christianity in a single day. Not infrequently the behavior of these newly made believers left much ground for doubt as to the efficacy of their adoption of a higher and purer faith. If Russia has become sober in a day it will be one of the miracles of the world. We must await the return of peace to see whether the Demon Rum has really been banished for all time from the Czar's domains.

DON'T FORGET THE TREY O'HEARTS AT THE GAIETY THEATRE TONIGHT.

## OPEN AIR CONCERTS ARE APPRECIATED

Ald. Lemont, who gave much attention to open air band concerts during the past summer, presented an interesting report for the music committee at the monthly meeting of the City Council last evening and at the suggestion of City Clerk McCready, it was ordered to be published in the city 'Blue Book'. The report stated that during the season twenty-two open-air concerts had been given by three bands, who had been paid \$20 for each concert. The concerts were appreciated by all classes of citizens, and the opinion was expressed that a grant of \$500 per year for this purpose would receive the hearty support of the public. The grant should not be considered as a subsidy to the bands but was to be used in payment of services rendered. The committee do not believe that there are sufficient players in the city to form three competent bands, but consider that one organization composed of all the competent musicians in the city would give much better results. Payment should be made after the service had been rendered and no money should be paid out in advance. The committee believe that Sunday afternoon concerts should be held in Wilmot Park once a fortnight and when possible the band should be assisted by a number of vocalists. These concerts should begin at 4.15 o'clock so as not to interfere with Sunday School services.

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## LOCAL NEWS

### REPAIRING THE ROOF.

Carpenters are at work making extensive repairs to the government building on St. John street, formerly Bishopote. The repairs include a new roof of asbestos shingles. Mr. A. C. Flemming is in charge of the work.

### MR. McDADE'S ILLNESS.

Friends of George McDade will regret to learn that he is seriously ill in a Halifax hospital. Mr. McDade, who is a St. John boy, has been attending Dalhousie Law School. He was secretary for the Royal Commission that investigated the Dugal charges.

### THE MARKET.

Considering the mild weather, the mid-week market today was a fairly large one. Prices asked were rather high. Eggs sold from 40 to 42 cents per dozen. Butter was scarce and sold for 30 cents per lb. Potatoes were from 90 cents to \$1 per barrel. Chickens were bringing from 75 cents to \$1.50 per pair. Geese were \$1 each. Pork was plentiful and brought 9 and 10 cents by the quarter. Beef and lamb were plentiful and brought good prices.

### THE COMING BANQUET.

The banquet in honor of Messrs. F. B. Carvell, M. P., and L. A. Dugal, M. P. P., to be held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall here tomorrow evening, promises to be highly successful. Prominent men from all parts of the province, including men who have hitherto not taken an active part in politics, have signified their intention of being present. There will be accommodation for two hundred guests. To accommodate those arriving by evening train the banquet will not begin until 9.00 o'clock. Mr. E. S. Carter, Liberal organizer, is here today completing arrangements for the function and is a guest at the Queen Hotel.

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## SCHOOL TRUSTEES

(Continued from page eight.)

York street school building was erected—and before. The trustees evidently were inclined to meet the wishes of these ladies, but from present appearances they will be unable. Miss Emily J. Thompson of Charlotte street school, has been appointed principal of the new building.

### A NEW TEACHER

Several applications for positions on the city teaching staff were considered yesterday, and after looking up the official records the board appointed Miss Agnes S. Strickland, at present of Millville, in charge of the school at Oak Settlement. Miss Vida Caruthers, who on several occasions has supplied during absence of teachers, was appointed on the staff but not yet assigned to any particular school.

In view of numerous changes necessitated by opening the new building and other causes, Dr. Foster will be asked to report to the Board recommendations as to the best allocation of teachers in the Charlotte street and Smythe street schools. Some months ago, at the request of the chairman, Mr. Fletcher Peacock, of the normal school, submitted particulars to the Board respecting room required and cost of necessary equipment for establishment of a first class Domestic Science department in the present High School building. This has been clearly set forth by Mr. Peacock showing that the establishment may be installed at a cost of about \$790. A committee was appointed composed of Mr. Weddall, Mr. Lemont, and the chairman, who will consult with Mr. Peacock in reference to engagement of a suitable instructor, and other matters affecting such a department, including the location of suitable rooms. This committee has power to act.

The trustees are making arrangements for the early opening of the domestic science department and will immediately after the Christmas vacation have the science department, which is under direction of Mr. J. Thaddeus Hebert located in new quarters; and the Sloyd department, under direction of Miss Jean McFarlane, will also be transferred to a more convenient part of the building. Dr. Foster will be asked to confer with these instructors and afterwards suggest to the Board the location best adapted to these departments.

Mr. Lemont and Mr. Hughes were appointed a committee to provide the necessary furniture for the Smythe street school building. It is intended to supply only two rooms in the building with new furniture. The desks of the York street school will be taken to other rooms.

Under the suggestion of Mrs. Clark all the school buildings under control of the Board will be scrubbed and thoroughly cleaned during the Christmas vacation.

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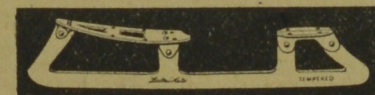
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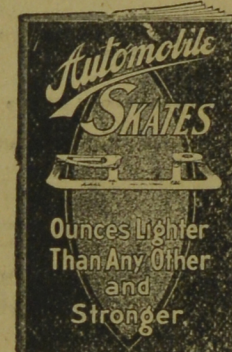
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### THE GAME SEASON.

The open season for big game closed on Monday but sportsmen now in the woods will be allowed ten days in which to bring the game out. Owing to the war the receipts from the sale of licenses will not be as great as last season, although under the circumstances a very good showing will be made. A few German Americans visited the province and were allowed to take out licenses. There were very few, if any, sportsmen from the old country.

New York Herald.—Of course, it may be a sign of lack of "Kultur" on our part, but some way we Americans cannot help feeling that this business of German levies upon the helpless little cities and towns of Belgium smacks mightily of the days of Genghis Khan.

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