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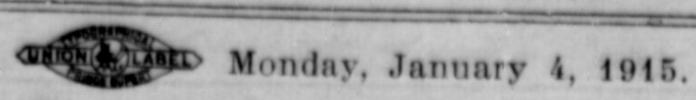
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It is difficult to insure the honest expenditure of public money. The grafter and the unscrupulous contractor are to be found in all party organizations. Many of them are adroit enough to be Liberals when the Liberals are in power and Conservatives when the loaves and fishes are distributed by a Tory government. The most serious feature of this bipartisan rascality is that the unscrupulous contractor, remembering the tricks that he has played in the past to secure a dishonest profit and hoping to practice like knavery in the future, is often in a potition to put in a lower bid than the man who wants to do honest work at a fair price.

From a certain Ontario town there has come to The Globe a letter respecting a public building now in process of construction, which cannot be published in the form in which it was written, because if the allegations contained in it are not provable it would be most improper to give the name of the contractor. It is charged that the contractor in this case. through connivance with the inspectors, has been able. where reinforcing of concrete called for expanding metal, to use instead a rusty old iron fence; that in another case

where 8-inch square timbers for purlines were required in Where weeping tile and tar were to be used to insure free-

Copies of the letter containing these charges, with the names of the contractor and of the writer of the letter have been sent to Sir Robert Borden and Sir Wifrid Laurier. Only by the fullest investigation can the facts be establisher, and nothing short of a public inquiry by competent non-parey of the Dominion could be glements. spent to far better advantage. public works?-Globe.

The first revolver-the earth.



Nanaimo

Victoria

GERMANY HAD **INVADING TROOPS** ON TRANSPORTS

New York, Jan. 2.—Donald Slingluff, of 17 Battle Place, who has large oil interests in Belgium, has returned from a two

"I lost money on a wager I States, says: made with an English friend that the Germans would capture Paris hearts are with the soldiers of jond attempt," Mr. Slingluff said. had the usual Teutonic result of by an invasion of England.

"One of the directors of a big the specifications three 2-inch American oil company which has German affiliations told me just . vania from Liverpool on Decemdom from damp both were ber 5 that he had spent two weeks omitted, and three coats of in Hamburg, and had seen the paint were cut to two. None soldiers with field guns on the of the furnaces used, it is as- transports in the Elbe. They have "There is a growing uneasiness" serted, will come up to the re- been ready since November 1, he quirements of the specification. told me, waiting for the opportunity to start for the English coast. The German government Count von Bernstorff, Dr. Derrhas taken practically everything in the harbor of Hamburg that could carry men and guns, my friend said.

will land in England within the idea. In several influential Gernext few days, but I do not think man newspapers the disposition they will accomplish anything, as is evident to cease the unsuccesstisan investigators will meet Kitchener has at least 500,000 ful courting of the United States the need. If corrupt contrac- trained men on hand. The en- and to let them know that the tors were taught that it does tire coast line is protected with German people are not satisfied not pay to be crooked the mon- trenches and barbed wire entan- with American views of neutrality.

Is it too much to hope that the gravity of the situation, but man-American, who tells his readsome day, under both Liberal the masses do not. They rely on ers that he is not proud of and Conservative administra- the men at the front to beat the America. He accuses the United tion, the people of Canada will Germans and the navy to protect States of praying on Sundays for get an honest dollar's worth the coast. They enjoy the foot- peace and of supplying England for every dollar spent upon ball matches, horse races, and and her allies with war materials music halls just the same, and on other days of the week. This enlistment is very slow. Officers he exclaims, is hypocrisy and Every man has a past, although told me in London that a Zeppe- would be more consistent were HUGE KAMLOOPS TROUT few care to use it in their bus- lin raid might wake the working America to relinquish the 'Star people up. The shelling of the Spangled Banner' and proud motseacoast towns recently may ac- to 'E Pluribus Unum' and supply Big Fellow Weighing 24 Pounds complish something. England herself with a flag inscribed: 'The has been at the zenith too long dollar, no matter how you get it, for the good of the people. Ad- so long as you get it.'

> an army of 150,000 Belgians will the hand that smites it." take the field in March to drive the Germans out of Belgium. He gave an order for 200,000 pairs of shoes to a Boston firm the night Ambassador Puts Quietus on before I left London."

DECLINES TO JOIN LATIN REPUBLICS

and provisions in their ports.

ABUSE OF AMERICANS BY GERMAN PAPERS

Matter How You Get It, So Long as You Get It

London, Jan. 4.—The Daily Express commenting on the German newspaper attacks on the United

"Berlin knows the American before November 14 on their sec- freedom, and the knowledge has "This would have been accom- frantic abuse of the people who plished if the Emperor had not denounce the Belgian atrocities decided to crush the British first and the bombardment of unprotected towns and who irreverently laugh at German 'kulture.'

"Americans decline friendship with the vandals of Rheims and has fawned on their doorsteps now is throwing stones at their

in Germany about the attitude o the United States. It begins to filter through that the efforts o burg, and Prof. Munsterberg have not been crowned with success and intelligent Americans find increasing difficulty in accepting "I believe that the Germans their presentment of the German

"The Cologne Gazette prints an "The educated classes realize article by a Dr. Hexamer, a Ger-

versity would do the nation good. " Dr. Hexamer says he loves Kelowna, Jan. 2. — Mr. A. G. "The people of Belgium are America, but he is just disgusted Bennett, of Okanagan Mission, more hopeful. Capt. Ferdinand with a policy which allows Eng- made a remarkable catch a cou-Pettit, who was the president of land to lead the country by the ple of days ago, about a mile our oil company at Antwerp be- nose and which allows England from the Mission. Trolling with

DENIES ABSURD STORY.

Yarn That Russia Will Sue for Peace.

Washington, Feb. 2 .- A statement having been sent wide- fact that its spread of jaw was London, Jan. 2. - The British spread through the United ambassador at Washington has States that Russia purposes neinformed the Foreign Office that gotiations for peace with Ger- In addition to the big fellow, he the United States has definitely many independent of her Allies, also caught half a dozen more or declined to join the Latin-Ameri- France and England, and it hav- less big fellows, the largest of can republics in their proposed ing been suggested that Ambas- which weighed fifteen pounds. joint request that European bel- sador Bakhmeteff had knowledge While larger fish than the twenligerents shall withdraw their of such an arrangement, the Rus- ty-four pounder have been capwarships from the coasts of the sian ambassador to the United tured in Okanagan Lake—the rectwo Americas. Despite this action States has not only issued a stateby the United States, the Foreign ment denying such a possibility, pounds—it is doubtful if so many Office understands that the South but has cabled to the foreign of- large ones have been taken at American countries intend to fice at Petrograd and received the make such a request on their own following message from the Rusaccount and presume also to take sian Minister of Foreign Affairs: table one. joint action restricting facilities "Certainly please deny absolutely for belligerents obtaining coal the absurd statement .- (Signed) Sazonoff."

CANADIAN NORTHERN TRACK NEARLY DONE

"The Dollar, No Less Than 100 Miles Remain To Be Completed in British Columbia

Vancouver, Jan. 4 .- Less than 100 miles of track remains to be laid to complete the rBitish Columbia divisions of the C. N. R. it was stated at the chief engineer's office this morning. Practically all the structural work on the steel bridges from the present lend of track, a few miles east of Lytton, to Kamloops has been completed, and the steel-laying gangs are rapidly lessening the gaps on that section. A temporary structure has been built near Walhachin, over the Thompson before I sailed on the Transyl- Louvain, and the Germany that river, to convey material per ling the erection of the permanent bridge to be erected at that cross-

> The line has been laid from Kamloops to bridge 8, near Walhachin, leaving about 58 miles to be laid to connect up the Port Man-Kamloops division. The track has been laid north of Kamloops to Mile 128, where a tunnel is being bored. The passage will be 330 feet long and skirts a narrow canyon colloquially known as Hell's Gate. The waters of the North Thompson river rush madly through the narrow chasm, esets. The line has been advanced from the eastern end of construction 89 miles distant from the Yellowhead Pass. A section of 40 miles remains to be laid to ! link up the two ends of construc-

The completion of the entire British Columbia sections of the C. N. R. is looked for early next year. One estimate a short time ago mentioned February as the probable date of the driving of

CAUGHT IN OKANAGAN

Taken by Hook and

fore the war started, told me that to slap its face and then licks a brass spoon, and using a fourteen-foot rod, he captured a tremendous trout of the variety known as "Kamloops," which weighed a shade under twentyfour pounds, and measured three and a half feet in length by twenty-three inches girth at its largest circumference. The size of its head may be judged from the nine inches. Mr. Bennett is havone time, and in this respect Mr. Bennett's achievement is a no-

> A man may be slow and sure, but it is different with his watch.

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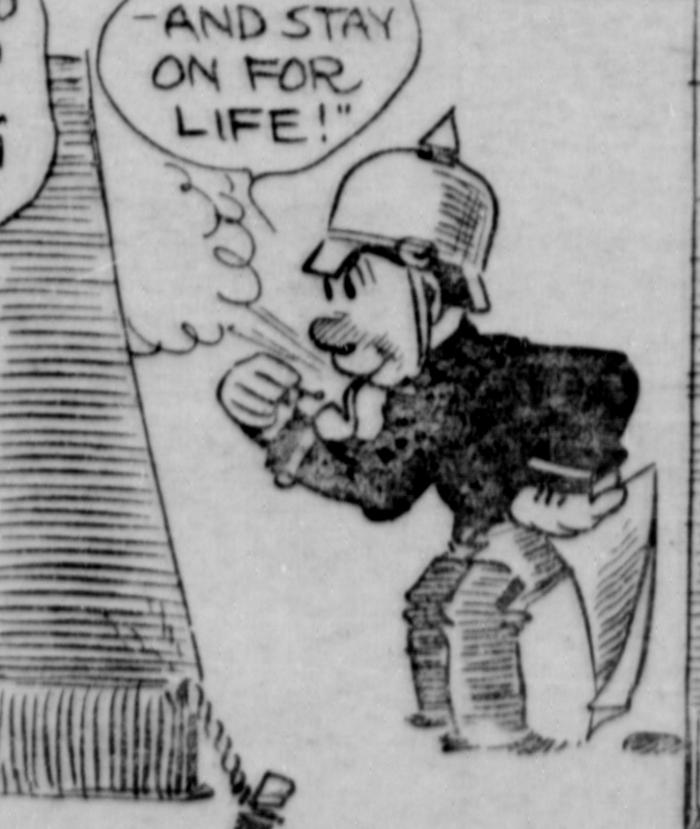
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