

CONSPIRED TO BRING ON WAR

It is Fully Proven That Germany And Austria Were Responsible.

REPORTS ARE PUBLISHED

FROM THE BAVARIAN MINISTER AT BERLIN.

And These Confirm the Evidence Already in the Hands of the Entente—Violation of Belgian Neutrality.

(Canadian Press Despatch) London, Nov. 26.—Publication of official reports from the Bavarian minister at Berlin to his home Government confirms the evidence already in the hands of the Entente that Germany and Austria conspired to bring about the war. It was for this reason that the terms of Austria's ultimatum to Serbia were made so drastic that hostilities were bound to follow.

These revelations have been published in Munich after permission had been asked by the Bavarian premier and foreign minister of the German federal Government. They are in the form of a report sent to Munich on July 18th, 1914, by Count von Lerchenfeld, the Bavarian minister at Berlin. On Aug. 4th the Bavarian minister outlined Germany's intention to violate Belgian neutrality, saying: "The chief of the general staff has declared that even British neutrality will be paid for too dearly if the price is respect of Belgium. An attack on France is possible only through Belgium."

HAS QUIT HIS NATIVE LAND

(Canadian Press Despatch) Copenhagen, Nov. 26.—General Ludendorff, reputed to have been long the directing head of Germany's military affairs, has quit German soil, according to the Frankfort Gazette. It says he has left Sassenitz, Prussia, for Sweden. In the German military system he was the first quartermaster-general.

COLD INTENSE ON EAST FRONT

Allies Sleep With Their Machine Guns Rolled in Blankets.

GUNBOATS OF BOLSHIEVIKI

FORCED TO WITHDRAW FROM THE DVINA RIVER

Last They May Be Frozen In—The Freeze Up Makes Possible Flank Attacks by the Enemy.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Archangel, Nov. 26.—Winter has begun in earnest over the whole of the northern Russian front where the Canadian gunners are fighting. All rivers are ice-bound, and the Bolshevist gunboats, which have long menaced the Allied forces on the Dvina, have been forced to withdraw to escape being frozen in. The Bolshevists, however, have mounted big guns along the front, south of the Allied armies. Operations are limited to spasmodic artillery exchanges, but the Bolshevist forces are reported to be receiving heavy reinforcements.

The freeze up increases the danger of the Allied forces, making possible flank attacks by the enemy. The cold is so intense in some sectors of the front that the Allies sleep with their machine guns rolled in blankets with them to prevent the water cooling chambers of the guns from freezing.

Canadian Casualties

Killed in Action—R. Bell, Peterboro; S. A. Mansfield, Smith's Falls; S. J. Mepstead, Kingston; A. Graham, Pembroke. Died—O. Brock, Peterboro; A. Carman Jones, Lynn; J. T. Hutchinson, Belleville; H. J. Tuffy, Cobden. Wounded—C. Ward, Cornwall; T. Cousins, Napanee; L. J. Purcell, Cobden; J. P. Callaghan, Calabogie. Ill—Sister May Stewart, Almonte. Missing—W. Egan, Kingston.

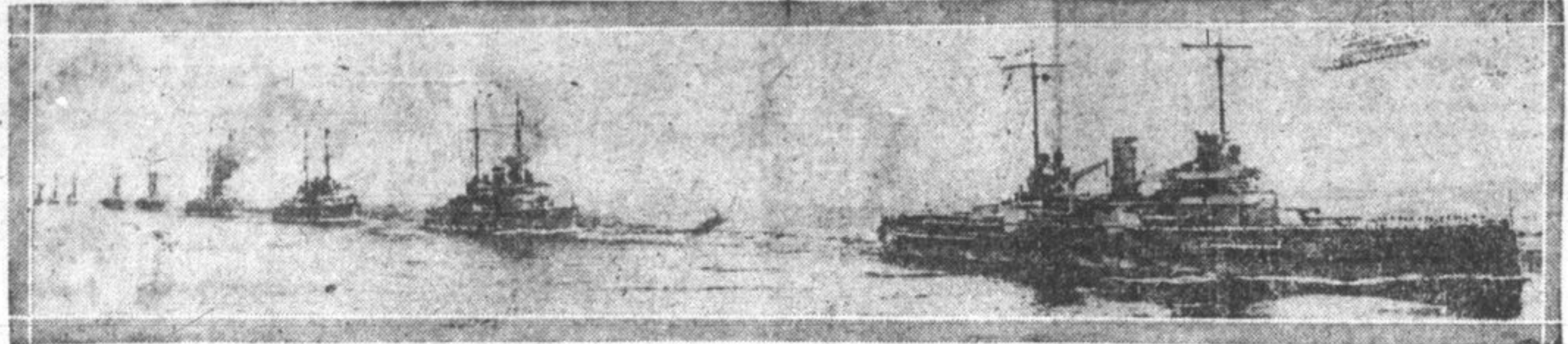
WHIG CONTENTS.

- 1—Conspired to Bring on War; Advice as to Coal; The World's News; Seeking Purer Water; 2—Meeting of Housewives; Incidents of the Day; 3—Red Cross Donations; 4—Editorial Notes; 5—Value of the Church; Positions Were Fought; 6—Eastern Ontario News; 7—The Forum; 8—Military; 9—Canon of Protestant Home; 10—Smiles For Readers; 11—The Wife; Talking It Over; Wounded Three Times; 12—News From the Countryside; 13—An Sporting Circle; Bringing Up Father.

CANADIAN DELEGATES TO THE PEACE CONFERENCE



Taken at Ottawa as they were leaving. Left to right—Col. O. M. Biggar, Dr. J. W. Robertson, Sir George Foster, Sir Robert Borden, Hon. A. L. Sifton, P. M. Draper.



The German navy sailing forth to meet 'Der Tag.'

PTE. S. J. MEPSTEAD KILLED

HE MET DEATH JUST BEFORE THE ARMISTICE

His Wife and Children Live at 34 Johnson Street—Corporal David Boyce, Harrowsmith, Killed.

Mrs. S. J. Mepstead, 34 Johnson street, has received official notification that her husband, Pte. Stephen J. Mepstead, was killed in action on November 6th. Pte. Mepstead was born in England thirty-eight years ago, and lived in Kingston for six years previous to the outbreak of the war. He was employed in the tankshop at the Canadian Locomotive Works. On the outbreak of the war he enlisted in the 14th P.W.O.R., and later transferred to the 103rd Overseas Battalion. He went overseas with that unit in July, 1915. From England he went to the 75th Toronto Battalion in France, and was wounded and gassed at Passchendaele in October, 1917. On October 3rd of this year he returned to France, and was killed on the 6th of November. He is survived by his widow and three young children.

Harrowsmith Corporal Killed. George Boyce, Harrowsmith, has received word from the director of records, Ottawa, informing him that his son, Corporal David Boyce, who was recently awarded the Military Medal for bravery on the field, was killed in action on Nov. 10th inst. Mr. Boyce has four sons and two sons-in-law at the front. The late Corporal Boyce went overseas in the 146th Battalion and was serving in the machine gun section in the 20th Battalion.

CORPL. S. MURRAY IS NOW IN ENGLAND

Kingston Man Who Was Taken Prisoner at Battle of Langemarck.



CORPL. S. J. MURRAY. Word was received in the city from Ottawa on Tuesday morning that brought good news to a Kingston home that has given much help in the way of man power to win the war. The message stated that Corporal Samuel Murray, who was some time ago repatriated after being a prisoner of war in Germany, and who had been held in Holland since February last, had arrived in England on November 8th. He was taken prisoner at the battle of Langemarck. It is expected that he will be able to reach home in time for Christmas. Corporal Murray is the son of Mrs. J. Murray, 19 Lower Bagot street.

The Cologne Gazette says Germany is not starving, but she must reduce her rations.

ADVISES PEOPLE REGARDING COAL

Conserve Your Hard Coal By Using Coke And Soft Coal With It.

NO PROSPECT AT PRESENT

OF GETTING MORE THAN THE 70 PER CENT. ALLOTMENT.

Fuel Commissioner Horsey Says That Kingston is Not Likely to Receive Any More Than Its Share. E. E. Horsey, city fuel commissioner, referring to the statement that Canada will receive its "full allotment of coal," states:

"It is to be hoped the statement of Arthur Leary, director of distribution at Washington, is correct. It is, however, completely at variance with the pronouncement of Dominion Controller McGrath, given in the Whig of the 23rd inst. While Washington may be inclined to be well disposed towards Canada, yet it is hardly reasonable to believe that we will receive more favorable treatment than their own people. Good intentions will not keep us warm, and in the meantime it will be wise to rigidly continue the saving of fuel, as official advice received from the provincial administrator under date of Nov. 22nd said there was certain to be an anthracite coal shortage in Ontario during the coming winter, and that it was important to emphasize the fact.

"While Kingston has been fortunate in already securing the greater part of the seventy per cent. allotment made to the municipality, there is not at present any prospect of obtaining tonnage in addition to that amount. In fact I have been in communication with Mr. Leary at Washington, and only a few days ago he declined to favorably consider allowing fuel to come forward to local dealers, although authority in that regard could be obtained from the provincial administrator. There is a necessity that all citizens still co-operate in conserving fuel to offset the thirty per cent. shortage existing, and which will possibly continue to exist during the winter."

Reconstruction And Land Settlement Require Unity.

If ever there was a time in Canada when political conflict was unwise and co-operation desirable, it is now, and in the years immediately before us, when we must repair the ravages of war and concentrate all the energies of the nation upon the problems of reconstruction. This war is over, and at least 350,000 men engaged on war contracts or other war services will require other employment. The soldiers returning from Europe will have to be re-established in civil pursuits. If the war had lasted for only six months or twelve months as many hoped when Germany began its red march across Belgium, reconstruction would be a far less onerous undertaking. But it will be very difficult to restore many of those who have been away three or four years to the places which they held at enlistment. Many of them also will have become unfitted for the places which they formerly occupied, or will be reluctant to return to such occupations. There will be a multitude of young men who were taken from the colleges and universities, or who had just begun to fit themselves for some industrial pursuit,

RAIDED A BUTCHER SHOP

ALLEGED THAT THE KEEPER OPERATED WHISKEY STILL.

Inspector McCammon and County Constable Ritchie Took in Charge Sidney Lee in Harrowsmith—Whiskey and Apparatus Seized. As the result of a visit License Inspector William McCammon and County Constable Peter Ritchie paid to the village of Harrowsmith on Monday afternoon, Sidney Lee, of that place, is under arrest, charged with keeping a whiskey still, which the inspector states that he found in operation when he visited the butcher shop kept by Lee. The whiskey still was confiscated by Inspector McCammon, and Lee was taken in charge and brought to Kingston, and will come up for trial before Justice of the Peace George Hunter. The inspector states that he found the still in operation when he made his call, and that he also confiscated three-quarters of a gallon of whiskey.

This is the first raid of the kind pulled off in this district since the "dry" law came into effect, and the seizure and arrest caused a big sensation. It is stated that a room in the rear of Lee's butcher shop was fitted out for the making of the whiskey. Inspector McCammon went out to Harrowsmith early in the afternoon, and the arrest was made about 3.30 o'clock.

Fined \$300 And Costs. Sidney Lee was arraigned before Justices of the Peace Hunter and Allison Tuesday afternoon and pleaded guilty to a charge of having liquor for sale, and was fined \$300 and costs or six months. The accused said he had made very little out of the whiskey.

Inspector McCammon told of visiting Lee's place and finding two bottles of liquor produced in court, and which he declared to be of an intoxicating nature.

Says Government is Sincere. (Canadian Press Despatch) Berlin, via Copenhagen, Nov. 26.—Philip Scheidmann, majority Socialist leader, declares the Government is sincere in its purpose and will call a general national assembly in February.

The Canada Car and Foundry Company is in receipt of new orders from the Canadian Government for railway cars and from the French Government a large contract for steel steamships.

The Vatican correspondent of the Naples Mattino gives details of the preparation of a white book, which is to be issued. It will show the efforts of Pope Pius X. to prevent the outbreak of war.

The Danish steamer Oscar II, searched in Halifax and New York, reported German refugees trying to get into the United States. No report of the search was made public.

Hon. E. H. G. Hay died in Winnipeg on Saturday of heart disease. He was seventy-seven years old, one of Manitoba's pioneer citizens, and a member of its first legislature in 1870.

The Inter-Allied Naval committee will meet in Rome to discuss the naval armistice with Austria. The discussion is not for purpose of changing armistice conditions but as to the best way to carry them out.

The Yukon Territory has established strict quarantine against Spanish influenza. It is known to have developed in the territory, and as only one route commands the entrance to this region it is being watched carefully.

Premier Borden, it is understood, intends extending an invitation to the authorities of Australia and New Zealand for at least one battalion of each army to return home by way of Canada, and to be guests of the Dominion Government. The Medical Association of Hamilton has declared war on the Board of Health, and states that throughout the "flu" epidemic's course in that city there was a very noticeable lack of co-operative effort between the health department and the doctors, and a general clean-up of the department is demanded.

(Continued on Page 6.)

NO OPPRESSION IN FUTURE CANADA

Hon. N. W. Rowell Declares Worker Will Have His Place in Sun.

Toronto, Nov. 26.—One of the greatest problems of the future is democracy, according to the expressions of the Hon. N. W. Rowell, President of the Privy Council, who spoke at the Metropolitan Methodist Church on Sunday evening, and who, in outlining the tasks of the future, declared that the Church must be prepared to play its part in meeting whatever new conditions may arise. The leaders of the religious and political life of Canada, Mr. Rowell declared, are blind if they cannot see that the ferment of democracy cannot be confined to Europe, and they will be equally imprudent if they do not make plans to meet that ferment in our own country. The situation must be met with noble ideals, and the speaker declared that if we cannot have such ideals, there is no hope for our race. Among other needs is that for a great spiritual leadership, and Mr. Rowell stated that the Church would rise to the emergency and supply the leaders. While he would not trust the German type of socialism, the speaker pointed out that the leaders must not be afraid of a more collective action than we have had in the past. Canada is to live out the spirit of the war, no body in the future, Mr. Rowell asserted, can go forward with the aim or object of oppressing any other class of people within our borders, and particularly did this apply to the relations which must exist between industry and labor. To the industrial owners he had the message that if they are wise, they will appreciate the situation brought about by the war, and they will not attempt to oppress the workers.

SEEKING PURER WATER SUPPLY

City Council to Ask Utilities Commission What it Intends Doing.

WHOLE LAKE CONTAMINATED

IT IS TIME THAT THE SUPPLY WAS IMPROVED.

Is the Utilities Commission or the Council Responsible?—Must Stop Pumping Sewage Into the Harbor.

Just before the City Council adjourned last night, Ald. Wright raised the question of Kingston's impure water supply. Was the City Council or the Utilities Commission responsible? Was the council neglecting not to do by the council? The subject was a large one, Ald. Wright said, and had of course been evaded till after the war. In reply to a question, City Clerk Sands said that the Utilities Commission would possibly reply that if the citizens wanted purer water the city sewage must no longer be dumped into the harbor.

Ald. Hewitt pointed out that the new chlorination plant might do for the time being, but sooner or later one of three things would have to be done: The city would have to move its intake pipe further up the harbor, it would have to install a filtration plant, or construct an intercepting sewer and treat its sewage. Ald. Hewitt thought that a pure water supply might be secured above Lake Ontario Park.

The opinion was expressed that the whole lake was contaminated, and that there was no possibility of getting a pure supply of water so long as sewage was dumped into the source of supply.

Ald. Wright wanted to know if the council was going to tackle the question now or wait still longer. It was finally decided, in order to get things moving, to ask the Utilities Commission, through the mayor, what it intended doing in order to try and secure for Kingston a purer supply of water.

MAYOR NAMES COMMITTEE

TO ENQUIRE INTO PRICE OF MILK HERE.

IT WILL BE COMPOSED OF R. E. Burns, Joseph Craig and Marshall Reid.—Richardson Bathing House Becomes Property of City.

At last night's meeting of the City Council, Mayor Hughes announced that in view of a difference of opinion between the milk dealers and the milk inspector as to the price that should be charged for milk, it was advisable to appoint a committee to enquire into the matter. Ald. O'Connor suggested that the mayor name the committee and his worship said that he would appoint R. E. Burns (chairman), Joseph Craig, of the dairy school, and Marshall Reid, the nominee of the Trades and Labor Council. They would prepare a report for the next meeting of council.

The mayor asked the aldermen to consider the appointment of a committee to enquire into and regulate the prices of food in Kingston.

The agreement between the corporation of the city and James A. and Miss Agnes Richardson, with regard to the Richardson memorial bathing house in Macdonald Park, which has been held in abeyance for some months, was again before council, with the addition of a clause providing that the property was to belong to the city. The question of the cost of upkeep, which was to be borne by the city, and the minimum of which cost was to be \$800 a year, was discussed. In reply to Ald. Wright, the mayor said he thought \$500 would cover the maintenance cost. The agreement was then ratified and the by-law passed.

Ald. Wright advocated sending a representative to Ottawa to attend the convention of builders with regard to reconstruction after the war. Ald. O'Connor also urged that Kingston keep in touch with the matter of reconstruction, and suggested that the mayor should attend the convention. The mayor stated that he would.

On the suggestion of Ald. Chown, the mayor said he would, when in Ottawa, take up the question of Kingston being given some war trophies in the shape of captured German guns.

"Anywhere else I can go?" asked the mayor.

"Yes, to Montreal," came from someone around the horseshoe. "Ottawa is dry just now."

On motion of Ald. Cooper, seconded by Ald. O'Connor, the Board of Works was instructed to construct a two-plank walk on Johnson street from Toronto street for a distance of 530 feet westerly, and the Finance Committee was instructed to provide the necessary funds.

A report was received concerning the work done in Kingston by the Sisters of Service during the recent epidemic. These figures were given: Visits made, 1,255; patients attended, 600; families, 200; work done, 155; cars volunteered, 25. On motion of Ald. Wright, the council thanked the members of the S.O.S. for their splendid work.

Finance Report. These recommendations of ice (Continued on Page 5.)

ALLIES TO SINK SURRENDERED SHIPS

(Canadian Press Despatch) London, Nov. 26.—Inspection of the German-surrendered warships shows them to be in a deplorable condition for the want of care. After a thorough inspection, it is now stated that the Entente will sink all the ships. Another destroyer is demanded for the one sunk in transit to the surrender point.

C.E.F. to Siberia? Ottawa, Nov. 26.—"We are waiting word from the War Office as to whether or not to send forward the Canadian Expedition to Siberia," said a high military authority today. "The idea was of Imperial origin and we will abide by instructions from London as to what further to do. No reply has been received."

The situation is that an advance party has gone to Russia, but the rest, awaiting orders, are held in Vancouver.

Count Reventlow says Germany stands in awe at what England has achieved, and that it would be well for her in future to be on good terms with powerful England.

The Vatican correspondent of the Naples Mattino gives details of the preparation of a white book, which is to be issued. It will show the efforts of Pope Pius X. to prevent the outbreak of war.

The Danish steamer Oscar II, searched in Halifax and New York, reported German refugees trying to get into the United States. No report of the search was made public.

Hon. E. H. G. Hay died in Winnipeg on Saturday of heart disease. He was seventy-seven years old, one of Manitoba's pioneer citizens, and a member of its first legislature in 1870.

The Inter-Allied Naval committee will meet in Rome to discuss the naval armistice with Austria. The discussion is not for purpose of changing armistice conditions but as to the best way to carry them out.

The Yukon Territory has established strict quarantine against Spanish influenza. It is known to have developed in the territory, and as only one route commands the entrance to this region it is being watched carefully.

Premier Borden, it is understood, intends extending an invitation to the authorities of Australia and New Zealand for at least one battalion of each army to return home by way of Canada, and to be guests of the Dominion Government.

The Medical Association of Hamilton has declared war on the Board of Health, and states that throughout the "flu" epidemic's course in that city there was a very noticeable lack of co-operative effort between the health department and the doctors, and a general clean-up of the department is demanded.

It is said that parliament will not meet before February.

THE LATEST NEWS BRIEFLY GIVEN

Despatches That Come From Near and Distant Places.

LOOKING FOR RELATIVES OF A DEAD SOLDIER

Believed That Pte. J. G. Monds Was a Resident of This City.

Where are the relatives of Pte. J. G. Monds, who gave up his life for his country? It is believed that they reside in Kingston, and Chief of Police Nesbitt has received a letter from the Department of Militia and Defence at Ottawa asking him to locate the relatives, but at present he had no information as to their whereabouts.

The department is looking for Glensboro Monds, Mrs. Mahala Monds, Mrs. Annie Hogan, Miss Mary Monds and Ellen Monds. These people are respectively father, mother and sisters of the deceased soldier, and it is necessary that the department get into touch with them in regard to the distribution of his estate.

The American naval establishment in European ports and waters is being reduced rapidly since the armistice.

It is thought the lists of Canadian casualties are nearly all in, though no positive information can be secured.

Rugeles from northern France to the number of 150,000 are returning to their homes from Brussels, mostly on foot.

Among the German submarines surrendered at Harwich Friday was one that had operated off the American coast.

The new government of Metz has wired President Poincare their gratitude at once again being under French authority.

All restrictions on the manufacture of furniture in the United States are withdrawn and takes effect Dec. 1st.

Four people were killed and two seriously injured by being struck by a Grand Trunk train in Brampton on Saturday evening.

The German mission, which will take part in the peace negotiations, will not be quartered in Paris, but in the immediate vicinity of the city.

Count Reventlow says Germany stands in awe at what England has achieved, and that it would be well for her in future to be on good terms with powerful England.

The Vatican correspondent of the Naples Mattino gives details of the preparation of a white book, which is to be issued. It will show the efforts of Pope Pius X. to prevent the outbreak of war.

The Danish steamer Oscar II, searched in Halifax and New York, reported German refugees trying to get into the United States. No report of the search was made public.

Hon. E. H. G. Hay died in Winnipeg on Saturday of heart disease. He was seventy-seven years old, one of Manitoba's pioneer citizens, and a member of its first legislature in 1870.