

NEW KIND OF SHELL EXPLAINS SUCCESS OF RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE

Reports Differ as to Whether It is a Jap Invention or Product of Russian Scientists.

A despatch from London says: A new kind of shell, said by some correspondents to be a Japanese invention, while others assert it is the product of Russian scientists, is generally given the chief credit for the success of the new Russian offensive in despatches from Petrograd. Incredible quantities of this new weapon are being used by General Brusiloff, and its effect is said to surpass everything witnessed in the war thus far.

"Of course, nothing can be said about the nature of this shell," says the Morning Post's correspondent at every kind is likewise evidence of this."

MERCHANTS BANK OF Canada From the Middle West

BETWEEN ONTARIO AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Annual Report Shows Assets Approaching the Hundred Million Mark.

In presenting to the shareholders the 53rd Annual Statement of the Merchants Bank of Canada, the General Manager expressed the policy of the Bank during the War as one of "Safety First," maintaining a very strong position in cash and immediately available resources, ready for any emergency or development in these times of world-wide financial certainty.

A study of the Bank's Annual Statement for the year ending April 29th, 1916, shows how fully this policy has been carried out. Assets which are or can be immediately converted into cash have reached a total of \$10,960,000, an increase of over Seven and Three-Quarter Millions from the remarkably good showing of a year ago.

By this policy of keeping well prepared and entrenched, the Merchants Bank of Canada has favorably impressed the depositing public at home and abroad, and deposits have grown in the twelve months covered by the statement by the considerable sum of Ten Millions, reaching a total of \$72,177,095. These deposits reflect a measure of confidence on the part of the public which has been very gratifying to the proprietors of the Bank.

Total Assets now show a very substantial increase of over Ten Million Dollars, and amount to \$90,301,363.07. This does not include any mortgages, while our deposits and real estate, other than bank premises, total only \$21,150,17, which is about 2 1/2% of one per cent of the total assets. Another year of even solid progress will bring the Merchants Bank of Canada well into the class of a hundred Million Dollars total assets.

Presently there were necessarily requested by the policy of maintaining so high a standard of liquid funds, or assets that could be converted immediately into cash. Current accounts and discounts in Canada have increased a Canadian Bank's profit increased comparatively little from last year, and net profits fell slightly to \$950,043.42.

This, with the balance brought forward from the previous year, enabled the Bank to add six dividend charges, contingent upon to patriotic and Red Cross funds, a sum of \$150,000 to Contingent Fund, and carry forward \$230,984.17.

The meeting of the Directors as expressed at the Annual Meeting is one of quiet and complete confidence in the future prosperity of the Dominion, and a readiness to serve the growing resources of the Merchants Bank of Canada to such an extent and up to

Canadian Losses Small in RECENT COUNTER-ATTACK

Germans Had Failed to Renew Assault Same Day, but Were Foreclosed.

A despatch from London says: It is stated that in response to the urgent representations of Sir Roger Casement's lawyers, he will be removed from the Tower to Brixton jail, where he will occupy a commodious and comfortable cell, pending his trial on June 26. He spends most of his time writing.

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Markets of the World

Breadstuffs

Toronto	June 20—Manitoba wheat—No. 2 do., No. 3 do., No. 4 do., No. 5 do., nominal. \$52c; extra No. 1 feed, \$54c; No. 2 feed, \$55c, on track Bayport, 75c, on track Bay ports; 8c, on track Toronto. Peas—No. 1 commercial, 94 to 95c; according to freight, nominal. Ontario wheat—No. 1 commercial, \$1 to \$1.01; No. 2 do., 95 to 99c; No. 3 do., 92 to 97c, nominal. Peas—No. 2, nominal, \$1.70; according to sample, \$1.80 to \$1.90, according to freight, \$1.65 to \$1.70.
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Country Produce

Potato—Milling barley, 65 to 68c; feed barley, 60 to 62c, according to freight, outside.
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Buckwheat—Nominal, 70 to 74c, according to freights outside.

Rye—No. 1 commercial, 94 to 95c; according to freight, nominal. Manitoba flour—Flour patients, in jute bags, \$6.40; second patients, in jute bags, \$6.20; long bakers', in jute bags, \$6.20.

Ontario flour—Winter, according to sample, \$4.10 to \$4.20, in bags, truck To

bulk, spring shipment, \$4.10 to \$4.20.

Wheat-car lots, delivered Montreal freights bags included—Barley, per ton, \$21; \$21.50, per ton, \$22; \$23 to \$25, middlings, per ton, \$22 to \$24; good feed flour, per bag, \$1.65 to \$1.70.



Georges Carpenter, Famous French Pugilist, and Lieut. Navarre, Who Has Shot Down 16 German Aeroplanes.

Georges Carpenter, the famous French pugilist, and Lieutenant Navarre, the "Fokker Killer," who has just brought down his sixteenth German aeroplane. The airmen are standing in front of Navarre's machine, and it will be noted that the Lieutenant has tied around his neck his talisman, a lady's silk stocking. Lieutenant Navarre is a popular idol and favorite, being downed of sixteen German aeroes, being quite a record for one aviator. He is familiarly known as the "Fokker Killer," the nickname being quite a distinction. Carpenter is now a trained aviator and skillful pilot, and can manage his machine in the air as well as any other pilot

in the flying corps.

BRITISH ADVANCE ON TIGRIS TO WITHIN 200 YARDS OF TURKS

The Town of Sammaya on South Bank Occupied and Hostile Arab Tribe Punished.

A despatch from London says: The British Official Press Bureau on Friday gave out a statement dealing with the operations in Mesopotamia as follows:

"On the north bank of the Tigris, east of Kut-el-Amara, our trenches have been pushed to within 200 yards of the Turks at Sammaya."

"Three of our Tigris barges were sunk by Turkish artillery on June 10. The imaginative Turkish communiqué of Thursday was founded on the above."

BONAR LAW'S STATEMENT PLEASES THE FRENCH TO SUCCEED KITCHENER

A despatch from Paris says: The greatest interest has been aroused here by Bonar Law's statement to Lord Matin that the British Army is completely in accord with the French Headquarters Staff. The statement remains to be settled that the British are indifferent to the French losses before Verdun. The press expresses much satisfaction over Bonar Law's frank statement. From the outset the military authorities here have insisted that it would be playing Germany's game for the British to move before the psychological moment, and they have scouted the anti-British rumors of little or malicious gossip. Bonar Law's statement will go far to reassure them.

TO INVESTIGATE RISE IN PRICES IN BRITAIN

A despatch from London says: The Board of Trade has appointed a committee headed by John MacKinnon Robertson, member for the Tyne-side Division of Northumberland, and including other members of the House of Commons and economists, to investigate the rise in the prices of commodities and recommend remedial measures.

Husband—"You are always making bargains. Was there ever a time when you didn't?" Wife—"Yes, on my wedding day."

WILL PREVENT COLLISIONS IN DARKNESS OR FOG

A despatch from London says: An announcement was made on Wednesday that William Marconi will shortly a new device which should put an end to danger of collisions between ships in darkness or fog. It is described as a small contrivance easily installed, which will be operated from the bridge of a ship.

NO MEAT FOR RUSSIANS FOUR DAYS EACH WEEK

A despatch from London says: The Russian Duma has adopted a

"active on

Wednesday night and

Thursday, but the German artillery

conducted very heavy bombardments

on both banks of the Meuse, against

Chatancourt and Hill 304, on the left

bank, and the Thiaumont farm and

Fort de Souville, on the right bank.

Two attacks were undertaken by

German infantry remained in

the village throughout the night.

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FROM OLD SCOTLAND

NOTES OF INTEREST FROM HER BANKS AND BRANCHES

What Is Going On In the Highlands and Lowlands of Auld Scotia

Several important books have been stolen from the library, Edinburgh. One, "Adventures in London," has been recovered.

Mr. J. B. Robert Scott, head steward at Dundee, has just died after a short illness.

General Sir Archibald Crozier de Gode, sister of the Scottish

Lieut.-Gen. Sir Robert Ridder, recently visited Edinburgh, when he was a Scout at both ends.

The death has occurred of Mr. Alex. Douglas, 60 years was a sheep farmer, Hopspring, Monrose, Scotland, and his wife is discontinuing the publication of prizes on school for the benefit of the poor.

About 40 cottages attached to Lord Wemyss' land are to be let to dry, Lord Wemyss' accommodation is exceeding.

Information has been received from Pipe Thorpe and most people in Cockfield, Durham, that the man, Robert Shire, has informed him that he does not consider payment as a House of Commons.

Lord Eustace, Viscount Beauchamp and company, have a new line of artificial hawks.

Lord Provost of Dundee has received an additional subscription to over \$16,495 toward the construction of a new pavilion for limbless sailors.

Intelligence that the Gordon Highlanders have disbanded their regiment in France of Pte. Montrose.

After having been teaching professor for 30 years, Mr. William Wilson has resigned as headmaster of Artillery public school, which he has held for 30 years.

A representative bodies of ladies has been formed to start the War Hospital Fund which has been appointed trustee.

A steel crew of 400 men, cargo capacity of Glasgow yard, has been procured, and will be fit for service in the Arctic.

A memorandum to the War Office to help to meet the needs of the men in the most intensive sort of work.

Proprietors continue

Dept. of Agriculture, the railway line in more than 4,000 miles of track to be laid, and the amount to be paid to each of the contractors.

The strike of taxi drivers estimated that the cost will be about one-half a cent per mile, and it will be very greatly reduced.

Born, of the former works in the original subject.

NATURE'S HEATING

Natural Hot Water

Borne, the capital of Cork, Ireland, has no water to supply the public buildings and houses.

Water at a temperature of 70 degrees from wells in the Burren mountains of the city, and for two years all has been used for

here are two wells in diameter and feet deep. The natural hot water is pumped into tanks which should be filled with four gallons of water treatment will kill 99.9% of all the larvae in the tanks.

Each person, per pound, is estimated to use 10 pounds of hot water per day.

These hot springs are used by Indians, and they are now a winter resort for the tribes. That is the case.

There's a Reason

for POSTURE

Health Posture Center

Windsor, Ontario