

### A Letter From The Trenches

The following letter has been received by Mr. A. H. Jackson from Pte. J. B. Farrel, a former Tiverton boy, with whom Mr. Jackson got in touch through the Toronto News Tobacco Fund. The letter follows:

"Received tobacco and cigarettes a few days ago. Thanks very much for them. Yesterday I received your letter and also the Durham and Kincardine papers, and was more than pleased to hear from you. My home town is Tiverton, near Kincardine, probably you will know where it is. I think it is much better for the people to send to the Daily News and send Canadian tobaccos out to the boys. Some of the paper funds purchase their tobacco through a London firm, and get a very inferior grade. The fact of the tobacco coming direct from home seems to make the tobacco and cigarettes smoke much better. We came out of the trenches last night for five days and are in reserve billets. We have to go on working parties either at night or during the day. I have a very comfortable 'bivey', just large enough for two. We have to crawl in and back out. We have plenty of dry straw and it is comfortably warm. I saw a clipping from a Canadian paper of recent date with the account of a scrap we had been in lately. I don't know where they got their news, as we didn't know of it ourselves. I don't know what paper it was from as I only saw the clipping."

### NINETY PER CENT. ARE WITH THE ALLIES

That the United States is with the Allies in sympathy is not to be doubted. A few days ago while replying for the judges in Guild Hall, London, Baron Reading, Lord Chief Justice of England, said that while in America Joseph H. Choate, "that distinguished and famous American", had declared that, whatever the government might be, he was not neutral, and that out of the one hundred million people of the United States, ninety million were for the Allies, "heart and soul."

### SETTING THE LIMIT.

Miss Tonsils—Would you like to hear me sing "All Through the Night?"  
Mr. Lobrough—I'm going to beat it about 10. Better knock off then.

## Hardware

The orders are coming in very fast for "Happy Thought" Stoves and Ranges at The Red Front Hardware Store, in fact so fast that we cannot keep pace with our orders. Did you see the immense shipment we received last Wednesday?

We always keep up with the times and in so doing we have made a great change for the benefit of the public by adding a stock of Electric Goods, such as Toasters, Smoothing Irons, Broilers, Lamps Shades and Globes.

Keep your floors clean by using some of our Door Mats. We have different kinds. Our Flexible Door Mats are worthy of inspection. We also have some cheaper mats.

We have now in stock a good supply of the well known and much talked of Dustbane, so much thought of by the ladies.

W. BLACK

### STATES UP IN THE AIR OVER BRITISH BLOCKADE

American "Stern" Message to England Describes Blockade as Ineffective

The United States in its latest note to Great Britain, made public at Washington, covering exhaustively British interference with American trade since the beginning of the European war, declares that the so-called blockade instituted by the allies against enemy countries on March 11 is "ineffective, illegal and indefensible." Notice is served that the American Government "cannot submit to the curtailment of its neutral rights," and it cannot "with complaisance suffer further subordination of its rights and interests." Ambassador Page, to whom the note was sent by special messenger for delivery to the London Foreign Office, was instructed by Secretary Lansing "to impress most earnestly upon the British Government" that the United States "must insist that the relations between it and his Majesty's Government be governed not by a policy of expediency, but by those established rules of international conduct to which Great Britain in the past has held the United States to account when the latter nation was a belligerent engaged in a struggle for national existence."

**Champions Neutral Rights**  
Declaring the United States "unhesitatingly assumes" the task of championing the integrity of neutral rights, the note proclaims that the American Government will devote its energies to the task, exercising always an impartial attitude. The note, nearly 16,000 words in length, carries with it a voluminous appendix, giving a text of American naval instructions issued in 1862 and a summary and table showing hundreds of vessels detained by British authorities since the beginning of the present war. The note deals with all phases of the contraband question, seizures and detentions, prior to as well as after the so-called blockade was instituted, and announces that a separate communication will be sent soon dealing particularly with the "propriety and rights of the British Government to include in their list of contraband of war certain articles which have been so included."

### KITCHENER AWAY

Prime Minister as War Minister Temporary—Resignation Denied

Official denial has been made in London of a report that Earl Kitchener, Secretary for War, had resigned. The announcement follows: "During Lord Kitchener's temporary absence on public duty the Prime Minister is carrying on the work at the War Office. There is no truth in the statement that Lord Kitchener has resigned." The Court Circular stated that Earl Kitchener had had an audience with the King, who is still confined as the result of his accident in France. Earl Kitchener was in London at the time of General Joffre's visit to England. Since then no recent report has been received concerning his absence from the War Office. There has been no intimation that he might resign. In fact, the War Secretary, according to the general understanding in London, is to be made a member of the small Cabinet committee which is to be charged with direction of the war.

### Coal Strike Threatens

Welsh Coalfields Likely to be Tied up in Two Weeks' Time

The Rhondda district miners, South Wales, numbering 50,000, have decided to tender a fortnight's notice on Nov. 15 that they will stop work until all the men employed in the collieries join the South Wales Miners' Federation. Official notice has been posted in all coal mines, stating that such a large number of miners have already joined the army that "the supply of coal, which is of vital national interest, is seriously affected," says London. Hereafter coal miners offering themselves as recruits will be accepted only on condition that they continue to work in the mines until called upon. "The miners, one and all, must remember," the notice reads, "that upon their efforts the success of the country depends no less than upon the men who are serving at the front."

### Canadian Philanthropist Dead

Mrs. Lillian Massey Treble, the Toronto philanthropist, died on Wednesday evening last at Santa Barbara, California, where she had gone to improve her health. The only daughter of the late Mr. Hart A. Massey, a gentleman widely known in Canada as the founder of some of its most important industries and institutions, the late Mrs. Treble inherited a large share of her father's energy and ability. She was a Methodist by religion.

### Bulgaria Warns Greece

"The Grecian Government now has been warned that it cannot hold the Bulgarian Government responsible for the consequences of its future attitude." This notification, according to Paris, followed representations made by the Premier to M. Naoum, Greek Minister to Bulgaria.

The latest German super-submarine 250 feet long, has been captured by the British a few hours after she had been launched.

The British transport Tara has been sunk by a German submarine and 34 of her crew are missing.

Mr. Asquith says Kitchener's mission to the East has full approval of Britain's allies.

The Italian steamer Ancona with 212 men has been sunk by a German submarine.

Canadians headed the Lord Mayor's procession in London, Eng.

The censorship of the Press is to be relaxed.

The London "Globe" has been suspended for two weeks.

A German submarine has been sunk by the Russians off Varna.

Several hundred Irishmen tried to escape to America to avoid enlisting. Nish has fallen to the Bulgarians.

### BRITISH REPORTED TO HAVE TAKEN BAGDAD

Great Turkish Stronghold Fallen, Says Rome—Russians Breaking Chain of German Offensive

Commenting on the report that the British have occupied Bagdad, The Rome Tribuna says: "Such an event is, perhaps, the most important of the present war. The occupation of Bagdad will certainly produce an enormous echo in the Moslem world, which considers this the moral capital of Mohammedanism, more than Constantinople or Mecca. The occupation of Bagdad may have serious consequences on the issue of the European war." Bagdad, the capital of the Turkish vilayet of the same name, lies on both sides of the Tigris, in a treeless desert plain about five hundred miles from the Persian Gulf. Bagdad is on the main route between Persia and the west. The population is estimated at 150,000.

### Huge Allied Forces Landing

Huge forces of troops are being hurried to Serbia by the Entente powers. The men are being sent north as fast as they arrive. For the moment the greatest activity is in the south, where it is reported, the French have crossed the Bulgarian frontier and have already captured several villages. An Anglo-Italian force, according to an Athens report, has landed at Avlona, on the Adriatic, for the purpose of forcing a way across Albania to the relief of the Serbs.

### Three Battles in Serbia

Athens reports that three severe battles have occurred in Babuna Pass, north of Prilip, ending in the final defeat of the Bulgarians. Telegraph wires between Saloniki, Monastir and Nish are still open. There are 20,000 Serbian troops in Albanian territory ready to repress any hostile movement by the natives. News despatches from Saloniki dated November 4 state that a violent bombardment of the advanced forts of Nish, on the Nishava River, was begun on Wednesday by the Bulgarians, who finally captured Nish-Kavola, a village a few miles to the northeast. There was severe fighting at Babuna Pass on Sunday and the situation is improved. French cavalry patrols have appeared at Plevna and British cavalry at Klepa. Turkish officers have been seen fighting with the Bulgarians before Babuna.

### German Attacks Crumble

The Russian offensive around Riga and Dvinsk, as well as on the Styria and in Galicia, is beginning to tell on the enemy. In the Riga region Hindenburg's troops are in a critical position, the German positions coming under the fire of Russian naval guns. In an attack on Platonka, near Dvinsk, the Germans left 1,000 dead on the field when they retired before the Russians. Fierce fighting is reported on the Styria, the Austrians being repulsed with the loss of two guns, three machine guns and 250 prisoners. On other portions of the front the Russians are carrying on the fight with great vigor and success. Germany officially admits that the Russians are on the offensive.

### Air Flights Numerous

The following official communication from Field Marshal Sir John French has been made public in London: "Five air flights have taken place resulting in a German aeroplane being brought down in our line. Since the first of November the weather has been very wet. Mining activity continues on both sides."

### Fall of Goritz Imminent

London states that an Exchange Telegram despatch from Laibach says that at Austrian Headquarters the fall of Goritz is considered inevitable. On the Italian front there has been intense artillery activity. Austrian attacks in the Rienz Valley, in the Valley of the Pontebanna torrent, on the slopes of Mount Cavalvario and on the Carso Plateau have been repulsed. Bad weather prevails in this theatre of operations. There have been heavy snowfalls in the mountains and rains in the lowlands.

### French Re-occupy Veles

French troops, after advancing along the Nish-Saloniki railway north from Krivolak, drove the Bulgarians from the town of Veles and occupied the city on Monday, according to an announcement by the Serbian commander at Guevgeli.

### Lavergne's Twaddle

Canada's Duty to "Disloyalty" is Plain Anyway

"There is conscription in Canada though it is not called into being. The law provides that all can be called out to defend Canada. If England tomorrow finds that she has not enough men for the war, you can be forced to go. In England they are talking of conscription, and it is just, for when a nation is at war all should join in its defence. But we are not at war. We are a colony. I am a British subject but I am not a slave. The duty of Canada was not to defend England but to defend herself. Canada had not been consulted as to the rights of Belgium or Serbia. We are free Canadians, and have the same rights as the English-Canadians, or there is no Canada."—Mr. Lavergne, M.P., at St. Stanislas, Que.

### Greek Cabinet Reforms

M. Skouloudis, commissioned by King Constantine at Athens to form a new Cabinet, has accomplished the task. All the members of the Zaimis Ministry are retained except the Premier himself. The new Prime Minister has taken the portfolio of Foreign Affairs. It is believed in political circles that the Chamber probably will be prorogued in ten days, as it then will have sat for the legal term of three months.

### Toronto's Khaki Rally

Khaki Day, held in memory of the birthday of King Edward VII, showed evidence of Toronto's generosity, when \$34,615 was realized for recruiting purposes. The city has promised to add \$10,000 to this, the Province \$5,000, and the final gathering in of small change will doubtless bring the amount up to \$50,000.

### EYE-WITNESS REPORTS CANADIAN ACTIONS

A Quiet Week at the Front—Gallantry Rewarded—British Airmen Successful

Major-General Sir Sam Hughes at Ottawa has received the following despatch from the Canadian General Representative in France: "The period from October 30 to November 5 has been marked by the fall of heavy rains. Creeks and streams have swollen into small rivers, and low-lying grass has been converted into swamp. The wet weather and conditions generally have resulted in a week almost devoid of unusual incident. At times the enemy artillery has shelled certain sections of our area more or less vigorously, but in most instances prompt retaliation by our artillery has silenced the hostile fire. On October 29 a shell from our artillery exploded a bomb depot in the German front trench. All reports indicate that the enemy's working party has been employed constantly repairing damage to their trench works caused by our artillery fire. On November 4 an enemy aeroplane was brought to earth between the opposing front line trenches. Pursued and attacked by three British airmen while flying over our area and heavily shelled by our anti-aircraft guns, the German machine suddenly capsized, and, turning over three times in the air, crashed to the ground. Lieut. A. W. North of the 28th Western Canada Battalion has been awarded the Military Cross for gallantry on the occasion of the explosion of a German mine on October 5, and Private B. Crompton of the 28th Battalion has been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal in connection with the same affair. Sergt. C. Ryer of the 26th New Brunswick Battalion has been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal for bringing in a wounded man under heavy fire on October 13. Lieut. J. G. Anderson of the 5th Western Canada Battalion has been awarded the Military Cross for useful and daring reconnaissance."

### BERLIN ON HORIZON

Gen. Hughes Says He Will Ride There at Canadians' Head

Gen. Hughes, speaking at Toronto's big recruiting rally, got a rousing reception. Canadian young manhood, he declared, was responding magnificently to the call to the colors, and stated that, although the Premier's announcement of the Government's decision to increase the Canadian forces to 250,000 was but a week old, the official recruiting figures were already close to 200,000. "We cannot arm, uniform and clothe such forces in an hour," said General Hughes, "but we are doing the best we can. I'll back the free-born volunteer citizen soldier against twice his number of machine-trained Germans." Germany, declared Sir Sam, had failed. She had failed to reach Paris, failed to reach Calais, failed to reach London "except in a sneaking sort of way, dropping bombs on women and children, the only way she will now get anywhere." "My heart fills every time I see our gallant boys. My heart now is with the boys at the front. It is my wish—I may say it is my plan—to join them personally, to lead them in the final march to Berlin, and I may say that that march will start sooner than many of you expect. Let me add that there will be a march to Berlin. There will be no peace, no settlement, no compromise even dreamed of until Prussian militarism is crushed, absolutely crushed and annihilated for all time to come."

### Canada's Domestic Loan

Hon. W. T. White intends devoting the next two weeks almost exclusively to preparation for the war loan issue which is to be made late in the month. The loan will be offered in Canada only, and Mr. White has been encouraged to expect the co-operation of all classes. Canada's war expenditure for the next year will be very large. About \$1,000 per man per annum is calculated as the cost of maintaining our troops. Canada's war expenditure next year will aggregate \$250,000,000. Our interest charge in connection with this and past war expenditure will amount to over \$15,000,000 per year.

### London Paper Shut Up

Almost simultaneously with the announcement of Lord Kitchener's proposed visit to the East the authorities seized the printing plant of The London Globe. This is the first action of the kind taken by the authorities since the outbreak of the war against a daily paper in the United Kingdom. The Globe is one of the oldest papers published in the country. The Globe

### The Divine Sarah Returns

Sarah Bernhardt, the famous French actress, received an ovation in Paris at her appearance in a one-act play, "the Cathedrals," written in verse. It was her first appearance on the stage since the amputation of her leg. Flowers rained upon the stage from all parts of the house, and the curtain was drawn up a dozen times to allow the actress to acknowledge the applause.

### Australian Loan Successful

The success of the recent Australian domestic loan floated in the Commonwealth on August 31 last has been beyond expectations. The first issue of \$20,000,000 of the Commonwealth 4 1/2 per cent. ten year war loan bonds issued at par, resulted in a total number of 18,697 applications, and the total amount subscribed was \$67,000,000.

### New York Bomb Scare

A bomb was exploded recently in the building next to the Italian Consulate in New York. Buildings in the neighborhood were rocked by the explosion. One arrest was made. The man, an Italian, was taken to headquarters.

### Honor Roll

- NO. 1, NORMANBY.  
Sr. IV—J. Maidment.  
Sr. IV—J. Burns, W. Kerr, C. McAlister, E. Morice.  
Sr. III—A. Marshall, R. Carson, C. McNaughton.  
Sr. III—E. Petty.  
Sr. II—N. Carson, M. Mountain, M. Marshall.  
Sr. II—C. Webber, K. Kerr, A. McAlister, R. Mountain, A. Petty, M. Berr, J. Marshall, H. Watson, J. Marshall.  
A—N. Marshall, M. Morice, R. Smith, J. Horsburgh, C. Smith.  
B—M. Watson, M. Webber, F. Carson, B. Smallman, J. Marshall, Jessie Marshall.  
Average attendance, 28.  
—A. C. Clark, Teacher.
- NO. 5, GLENELG.  
Sr. IV—E. Cook, K. Edwards, R. Peart.  
Sr. IV—J. McGillivray, E. McClocklin, W. Jackson.  
Sr. III—W. Gray, C. Cook, M. Greenwood.  
Sr. III—E. Cook, H. Firth, J. Beaton.

- Sr. II—M. Beaton, E. McRae.  
Sr. II—W. Edwards, W. Anderson, C. Robson.  
Sr. I—C. Greenwood, B. Beaton, M. Haley.  
Sr. Pr.—C. Anderson, C. Robson, M. E. Anderson.  
Sr. Pr.—I. Beaton, G. Timmins.  
Present every day, 6.  
—W. R. Wallace, Teacher.
- NO. 3, GLENELG.  
Sr. IV—C. Paylor.  
Sr. IV—J. Ritchie.  
Sr. III—H. Ritchie.  
Sr. III—M. Glencross, M. Boyd, J. Boyd, W. Morrison, T. Morrison.  
Sr. II—M. Anderson, E. Ritchie, E. Anderson, V. Paylor.  
Sr. Pr.—R. Glencross, W. Greenwood, M. Anderson, M. Morrison.  
Sr. Pr.—M. Ritchie, F. Staples, G. Firth, A. Paylor, J. Morrison.  
—M. Mortley, Teacher.

### NO. 2, EGREMONT.

- Sr. IV—E. Woods, J. Kerr.  
Sr. IV—I. Barbour, R. McMeeken.  
Sr. III—I. Meade, W. Marshall, R. Barbour and E. Noble, A. Noble, D. Kerr.  
Sr. III—E. Wilson, C. McMeeken, B. McMeeken, M. Pollock.  
I—K. Allan.  
A—S. Noble, J. Marshall.  
B—M. Lennox, V. Kerr, A. Lennox.  
C—R. Wilson.  
—J. P. Ross, Teacher.

### SILENCED.

"Their batteries have been silenced."  
"Whose?"  
"The amateur strategists who said the war couldn't last a year."

### FIVE DOLLARS REWARD.

Taken from the premises of the undersigned, a thoroughbred African Gander, black billed, with knob on bill. Reward of \$5 will be paid anyone giving information that will lead to recovery.  
GEO. MILLER, Aberdeen.

### MARRIED.

McCRIE—BRITTON. — At Moose Jaw, Sask., on November 5, by Rev. G. T. Bayne, Mr. William J. McCrie, of Saskatchewan Landing, to Miss Irene Britton, of Kincaid, Sask.

### DIED.

BYERS.—At Tisdale, Sask., Thursday, October 28, Melba Caroline, beloved daughter of John and Martha Byers, aged 1 year, 3 weeks, 3 days.

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