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THE SITUATION AROUND YPRES GETTING BAD FOR GERMANS

The French And British, Working In Perfect Harmony, Are Doing Remarkable Work---Form An Unbreakable Line.

Strong Strategical Base Established South of Ypres---Germans Have Met Terrible Losses in the Recent Fierce Onslaught---Hacking Through Proves Very Expensive.

North France, May 17.—The situation around Ypres has decidedly taken a turn for the better. Once more the harmonious relations of the French and English staffs have been demonstrated, and the reciprocal support which the two armies have given each other has worked wonders. The French have carried out a successful diversion north of Ypres and relieved the pressure on the British front. It is more than probable that the French advances northeast of Het Sas will mean the saving of Ypres. The enemy had been bombarding the French and English trenches for several days with all their forces of artillery. When the bombardment began to slacken somewhat the French order ed a forward movement during the night of a considerable number of troops, who passed the canal under the cover of darkness. In the morning these forces opened a strong offensive movement from the trenches which they had already captured at Het Sas a few days ago. The Allies also succeeded in outflanking the Germans on the north end and in menacing the rear defence of the bridgehead of Steenstraate, which will doubtless soon fall.

At present, despite heavy shelling, the French continue to cross the canal and are making progress in the direction of Pilkem. This movement is bound to stop any German offensive coming from St. Julien to St. Jean. I understand that south of Ypres we have established our lines on a very strong strategical base, rather similar to the one we occupied in October. This line is absolutely unbreakable. Behind Nieuport and St. Georges the Germans two days ago attempted the offensive, but were repulsed with considerable losses, for which the British ships off the coast heavily contributed. Since yesterday morning the ships, close in shore near Nieuport, began bombarding the German batteries in front of and behind Ramscapelle with great effect. None of the British vessels have suffered so far, despite the heavy fire of the Germans.

Efforts Cost Foe Dearly

Rotterdam, May 17.—Information which has just reached me from across the frontier shows that the Germans during the last three days have made further determined efforts to hack their way into Ypres at all costs; but their losses have been terrible.

The sudden advance of the Allies to the north in the neighborhood of Steenstraate and Het Sas has somewhat relieved the pressure on the St. Julien-Ypres road, where some fierce hand-to-hand fighting took place on Friday on a small section of the front. Here the Germans made another effort to break through on an even more contracted section.

At Ingelmunster troops are still being concentrated and it is said that more forty-two centimetre guns have been sent up near Dixmude. The greatest concentrations have taken place at Courtrai, Tournai, Roulers and Deynze. The last-named is a new centre, mid-way between Ghent and Courtrai, with important railway communications to the north-west and south.

Tremendous energy has also been thrown into the further fortification of Lille and villages lying immediately west of that place. Lille, it is believed, is the objective of the new offensive of the French, and the Germans are determined that if it shall be gained it will be only at a tremendous sacrifice.

Along the line of Lampret, Perenchies, and Lomme—the last-named an important place on the Armentires-Lille road and southward of Honbourdin and Ligny, just behind their line at Aubers, and commanding the Bethune-Lille road, the Germans have been throwing up very formidable earthworks and fortifying them strongly to resist the Allies' advance.

All their efforts are directed at defence in this neighborhood, the only chance of an offensive being the Ypres or Dixmude neighborhood, which may be adopted in the hope of weakening the allied forces needed for the fight around Arras.

Not content with spreading broadcast huge posters announcing their victories in Galicia, the Germans in order to depress the Belgians, this week issued in Brussels a poster announcing the capture of King Albert and forty thousand Belgians. This is the second time such a notice has appeared.

Nobody loves a fat man with a lean pocketbook.

RUSSIAN WOMEN AID ON THE BATTLEFIELD.

A Russian Sister of Mercy who was awarded a medal with the St. George's ribbon for attending wounded in the actual firing line.

OUTRAGE MEANT RECRUITS.

Effect Of Lusitania's Sinking On Liverpool Men.

New York, May 18.—Captain F. M. Passow, of the American liner St. Paul, which arrived yesterday from Liverpool, and at one time a midshipman in the British navy, said the sinking of the Lusitania had been the best recruiting stimulant England had had since the war started. So many of the crew lived in Liverpool and had relatives there that the news of their drowning created a rage which sent a rush to the recruiting stations. There was congestion in the Liverpool docks, he said, because of the hundreds of vessels of all sizes and descriptions loading stores for the armies in France.

"It is a mistake for people to think," Captain Passow said, "that the British Navy has lost many valuable ships in the war. The only real loss was the super-dreadnought Audacious, off Lough Swilly, last October. The Hogue, Cressy and Aboukir, which were torpedoed in the North Sea, were obsolete cruisers and the battleship Goliath and Irresistible, lost in the Dardanelles recently, were not of great importance from a navy point of view. Ever since hostilities began the Admiralty has been busy building warships of all classes, from dreadnought to torpedo boat destroyers at its yards on the rivers Medway, Thames, Humber, Clyde, Tyne, Severn and at Belfast, and they have turned out two battleships and a number of smaller vessels. The swarm of shipping entering and leaving Liverpool, London, Hull, Glasgow, Portsmouth, Falmouth, Grimsby, Farlow and other harbors dringing produce, demonstrates daily how little commerce has been affected by the operations of German submarines."

The St. Paul brought back the body of Captain Alfred Gunter, of the American Steamship Gulflight, who died of shock after the ship had been torpedoed off the Scilly Islands.

The trouble with most of the advice is that it has generally been offered at the wrong time.

It is a wise politician who can make his constituents forget the campaign promises.

Some invalids seek every tonic save work.

$4,000,000 OF RELIEF.

Eight Ships Arrive At Rotterdam Week Ended May 15th.

New York, May 18.—Eight relief ships, carrying the flag of the Commission for Relief in Belgium, reported their arrival at Rotterdam during the week ended May 15th. The eight ships represented a tonnage of 44,350 tons, and cargoes valued approximately at $4,000,000.

The Strashbland finished her loading at the Erie elevators Saturday and will probably sail to-day for Rotterdam. The Queen Adelaide, from Galveston, reported at Falmouth, May 12th, and other ships of the commission are, from the last reports, en route with their food cargoes for the Belgians, not expected to reach Rotterdam on schedule time.

GOEBEN HAS HOLE IN HULL.

Forced To Make Port After Brush With Russians.

Petrograd, May 18.—via London—The following statement was issued to-day at the War Office.

"The Goeben, which fired 200 shells at the Russian fleet while it was bombarding the Bosphorus, without scoring a single hit, was herself obliged to return to the Golden Horn, with a hole in her hull, stopped up with collision materials.

"A portion of her main deck was torn away and a funnel was damaged Many of her crew were killed or wounded."

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TO ENCOURAGE SETTLERS.

Immigrants Needed Owing to Falling Off From Europe.

Ottawa, May 18. — Immigration from Europe having greatly diminished since the war, every effort is being made by the Canadian Immigration authorities to encourage that from the United States.

Immigration from the Mother Country and continental Europe has now practically ceased. Between August 1, 1914, and April 30, 1915, the British immigrant arrivals have been 12,000, and the continental arrivals 3,700. Consisting as it does largely of agriculturists, the movement of settlers from the United States to Canada is encouraged by the Canadian Government, it being felt that the greater number engaged in farming operations, the better able will the Dominion be to provide the food supply required by the Empire and its Allies. Since the outbreak of war as a result of these efforts 30,000 settlers from the States have taken up their homes in Canada.

The greatest care has been taken to place no unnecessary barrier between Canada and the United States. There is an immense trade between the Dominion and the neighboring republic which necessitates constant crossing of the International boundary by commercial travellers and other business men, while there is an immense tourist traffic and officials have been instructed to give courteous treatment to the bona fide travelling public as was customary before the outbreak of war. United States citizens need not go to the trouble of securing passports nor will unnaturalized residents of the United States coming to this country for peaceable purposes be in any way interfered with.

THE SPARE ROOM.

England's Character Is Wrapped Up In Time-Honored Institution.

Our national individuality has been threatened, with the result that all English institutions are at this moment specially dear to the Englishman," says The London Spectator. "We are prepared to defend them from first to last—from the system of government to the spare bedroom. Indeed, though we may jestingly call the spare bedroom the least among our typically English institutions, it counts for a good deal in our national life. It has been instrumental in the development of the middle-class Englishman, and he, after all, is the typical Englishman

"Among the bourgeoisies of Europe the Englishman alone can have a friend to stay. He regards the power to dispense hospitality as a necessary part of his dignity. On the continent a spare bedroom might almost be said to be an attribute of greatness. Plain people know of no such social luxury.

"Just now English spare bedrooms are full of foreigners, who throw up their hands in amazement at this strange feature of the Englishman's castle. Our ways are not to be understood, they say. We are the only people who understand how to make a good fire, a fire which can take the place of the sun, yet we will keep the windows open. We boast that we alone can make a 'home.' We hate a life lived in public, yet we all aspire to keep open house. We are the shyest nation in the world, so stiff and gauche that all foreigners laugh at us when they have no immediate reason to like us; but we alone have sufficient effrontery to invite third persons to witness our domestic life, and to go and look on at the domesticities of others.

"Have we no feeling for the privacy of the family? The immediate result is a certain ceremonialism, from which perhaps springs some of our stiffness, our high standard of comfort and cleanliness, our less admirable liking for show, and our strong house-pride. We are not unconscious of the witness who sleeps in the spare bedroom, nor of the witnesses who constantly come to tea or dinner. Moreover, we know what a great many other homes are like, and we feel the force of emulation. We all want our home and our habits to be as handsome and refined as those of other Englishmen of our class.

"There is one obvious effect of the presence of the spare bedroom upon the English middle-class soul which may or may not be a good one, according to how you look at it. It does in a measure disintegrate the less close ties of blood. In England we bring our children up to admit outside influences into the very heart of the family. The spare bedroom is the symbol of this legitimatizing of intrusion. We pay a price for it, but not a very heavy one.

"Quite apart from its larger uses, however, we in England could never give up the spare bedroom—whatever may be the final high-water mark of town rents—Because without one we should have nowhere to put those household gods in which we have ceased to believe.

"The spare room is an honorable asylum. It has helped to form our children's characters, perhaps it has had something to do with the founding of the empire. The governing qualities seem to bear some relation to the custom of hospitality. All aristocracies keep the custom. It teaches something about liberty and something about conformity which can hardly be otherwise learned—and no inhospitable nation will ever discover the Englishman's secret of the easy yoke. An Englishman's house is his castle. It is never his prison. It is a haven, not a stronghold guarded by relations. Into it his friends come freely, and out of it he himself goes readily, yet seldom without looking back."

He Was Mistaken.

Miss Ellen Terry, who underwent a successful operation to her eyes recently, is noted for her wit, and she was always the life and soul of the various theatrical companies of which she was a member.

The famous actress was once appearing in a play with a certain actor who was noted for his irritability. He used to complain that Miss Terry continually laughed at him during one of his most important scenes.

At last he wrote her a letter on the subject, in the course of which he said: "I am extremely sorry to tell you that it is impossible for me to make any effect in my scene if you persist in laughing at me on the stage and so spoiling the situation. May I ask you to change your attitude, as the scene is a most trying one?"

To this Miss Terry replied as follows: "You are quite mistaken. I never laugh at you on the stage. I wait till I get home!"

Picking Him Out.

"The poet Tennyson," said an English writer, "was often rude. Tennyson was so widely loved it turned his head a little. At any rate, he was often guilty of rudeness. Once he more than met his match. He made a rude and scornful remark about the dress of a certain dandy. Now, dandies can generally take care of themselves, and this one was no exception to the rule. The dandy happening to be in the presence of a crowd of people when the remark was repeated to him by a mutual friend, screwed his glass into his eye and drawled calmly: 'Oh, really! Which Tennyson was it—the dirty one?' Everybody smiled, for of the Tennyson brothers Alfred was undoubtedly the more careless."

The Navy's Motto.

The motto of the British navy, "There is nothing the navy cannot do," originated with Captain Bates of the Actaeon, who was killed in an attack on Canton in 1857.

The motto appears on the walls of the halls of Osborne Training College.

BUY ALBERTA BONDS.

Western Province Floats $4,000,000 Five Per Cent. Issue.

New York, May 17.—Announcement was made by Spencer Trask & Co. and William A. Read & Co. that they had purchased $4,000,000 Province of Alberta, Canada, ten year 5 per cent. gold debentures, which they are offering at 97 and interest, to yield about 5.40 per cent.

Atlantic Refining Co. Dividend.

New York, May 17.—Atlantic Refining Company declared a dividend of $5.00 a share, the same as three months ago. The dividend is payable June 15th to stock of record May 20th.

The April Fire Losses.

New York, May 17.—The losses by fire in the United States and Canada during the month of April, as compiled by the New York Journal of Commerce, aggregate $18,180,350, as compared with $17,700,800 in April last year, and $16,738,250 in April, 1913.

Big Shell Order for Scotia Steel.

Halifax—It is officially announced that Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company has received new shell orders aggregating $3,600,000 from the Imperial Government.

To Be Listed in Montreal.

Montreal, May 17.—Stock of Carriage Factories, Limited, is likely to be listed on the local exchange before mid-summer, if present plans go through. The company suspended its dividends last fall, and is decreasing its bank indebtedness. The plants, which are located at Montreal, and Brockville, Alexandria and Orillia, in Ontario, are doing well with one exception, where orders are slack.

Our Resources Untouched

Montreal, May 17.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy sees nothing in the shape of a financial crisis for Canada. Money is plentiful, he says, and the Dominion is showing pronounced recovery in business.

"We have resources virtually untouched," said Sir Thomas, "and can bear the financial strain of the war, although not indefinitely—as no nation could do that—without feeling that our financial foundations are disrupted."

Duplicate Lusitania Order.

New York, May 17.—The National Conduit and Cable Company's men at Hastings will work overtime replacing the shipment of cable, copper wire and copper plates recently turned out and which went down with the Lusitania.

It is expected the plant will be worked to the limit duplicating the order.

Commercial Notes.

It is now expected that the British Columbia Copper Co. will resume production from its Mother Lode mine by the end of June.

Heavy contracts placed here by the Russian Government for cars and rails are mentioned, with others in sight.

H.G. S. Noble was re-elected president of the New York Stock Exchange.

The demand for nickel has resulted in the International Nickel Company increasing the dividend on the common stock, which has formerly paid 10 per cent. A large number of the employees of the Canadian Copper Company are holders of this stock, a certain number of shares being allotted to each employee yearly, under a plan similar to that in force at the U. S. Steel Company and several other large plants.

The Lackawanna Steel Company has negotiated for the sale of 20,000 tons of steel rails to the Russian Government.

As subject of international concern, the question of Harry Thaw's place of abode has become almost entirely submerged.

In these days of enterprise it is better to get room on the ground floor than at the top.

The man who believes everything that he hears will do well to stop up his ears part of the time.

Humanitarian cult would end all war by love. Better start flirting with the Kaiser.

"You Don't Look Right, Jones"

Errors of living, among which tea or coffee-drinking is one of the most common, has stirred the New York Health Department to prepare a booklet of suggestions for indoor workers, and among other wise bits of advice this booklet says:

"Bracers are harmful. This applies to the use of tea, coffee and alcoholic beverages."

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