

BLOODY ENGAGEMENT FOUGHT IN GALICIA

Five Thousand Austro-Germans Fell in the Battle... Many Were Also Taken Prisoners By the Russians.

There Were Also Other Heavy Losses Along the Battle Front... The Russians Who Quit Przemysl Have Located East of the Fortress in the Direction of Lemberg.

(Special to the Whig.) Petrograd, June 8.—Five thousand Austro-Germans were killed and 720 prisoners taken in an engagement in southeast Galicia, the War Office announced today.

Despatches to the War Office today admitted that the Russians who evacuated Przemysl have withdrawn several miles to the east of the fortress in the direction of Lemberg. The Russian position around Lemberg is described as "satisfactory."

Busy On Western Side. Paris, June 8.—Pressing steadily eastward toward Lens, the French have occupied another group of houses east of Souchez sugar mill by daring bayonet dashes. Everywhere in the region north of Arras the enemy is making desperate attempts to stop the French advance by heavy counter attacks, but without results. An official statement from the War Office this afternoon said that the French made slight progress on the slopes east of Lorette Hills. The Germans counter-attacked three times during the night, but were beaten off with heavy losses.

The fighting around Neuville and "Labyrinth" is piling the ruined trenches with dead and wounded. Artillery fire goes on without cessation and neither side can collect the wounded. In one German trench the French found several Germans, who had been severely, but not fatally wounded, dying from starvation and thirst.

The fighting south of Arras, where the French launched an offensive near Hebuterne, has brought large forces into clash. The French yesterday captured two lines of trenches northeast of Hebuterne.

Likely a Fairy Story. (Special to the Whig.) Constantinople, June 8.—A Berlin and wireless.—The British general offensive on Gallipoli has been reported at all points, according to reports to headquarters here. The casualties of the Allies were extremely heavy, but the British were wounded being left on the retreat. The Turks took many prisoners.

TO MAKE ENQUIRY Into Suspicious Transactions of Government Purchase. (Special to the Whig.) Ottawa, June 8.—Sir Charles Davidson, commissioner appointed to hold an enquiry into war purchases made by the Government, will hold a conference with Hon. C. Doherty, Minister of Justice, this afternoon, to consider the method of procedure and scope of the enquiry. Only in case of suspicious transactions will public enquiries be held and witnesses called.



GEN. VON AUFFENBURG. Former Austrian Minister of War and early in the war commander-in-chief of the Austrian forces, who has been arrested and is being treated as a "serious political criminal." He is deprived of his command owing to his escape to complete an enveloping movement.

Was Wounded In Action At Front

A cablegram from Ottawa announces that Lieut. Hubert Stethem, of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, was wounded in action in France, and is a son-in-law of J. Carson, and a son of G. W. Stethem, Westmount. Lieut. Stethem was in charge of a machine-gun section, having gone to the front as an infantry officer. Mrs. Stethem is on the St. Paul and is expected to arrive in New York on Friday or Saturday. Mr. Carson will meet her there.

POOL CABINET SALARIES

Liberals Said to Have Accepted Unionist Proposal. London, June 8.—The Daily Express says the members of the re-organized Cabinet have decided to pool their salaries and divide the total equally. The plan is entirely voluntary. It was suggested by the Unionists and was worked out by Reginald McKenna. Sir Edward Carson's fees as Attorney-General will not be included in the pool.

BISHOP FALLON ENDORSED.

Buffalo Hears That Pope Benedict Favors Appointment. Buffalo, N.Y., June 8.—A report from Ottawa, Ont., states that Bishop Michael F. Fallon, of London, Ont., has been endorsed by Pope Benedict as the new Bishop of Buffalo, succeeding the late Bishop Colton, but a local Catholic clergyman stated it would be too early yet to know the success.

His at a Secret Treaty.

London, June 8.—The Daily News this morning states that the Vossische Zeitung, recently published in the form of correspondence from an American residing in Berlin, a suggestion that the course of the United States Government in the present crisis might be due to the existence of a secret treaty, concluded with Great Britain by a predecessor of President Wilson, and that it was not difficult to guess who that predecessor was.

OFFERED HOME FOR CONVALESCENT

Hugh Macpherson is Willing That "Elmhurst" Shall be so Used. Hugh Macpherson, is the first Kingstonian, to offer his home to the militia authorities as a convalescent home for soldiers who are invalided home from the front. His beautiful home "Elmhurst," Centre street, would be very desirable. As yet no offers of homes in this district have been accepted as the demand has not warranted it but the authorities are making a list of all buildings offered so that in the event of any being required the most suitable could be quickly made available.

Colors For the 36th

Belleville, June 8.—A message was received from E. Gus Porter, M.P., stating that General Hughes has consented to come to this city on Friday, June 11th to present the colors donated by the Belleville Women's Canadian Club to the 36th Battalion Canadian Expeditionary Force. The ceremony will take place in the afternoon on the Armories lawn. General Hughes will also inspect the regiment.

DID FINE WORK

Canadian Artillery at Work in Recent Fighting.

PRIVATE CHAS. COTTON

RECOMMENDED FOR A D. C. M. AND A COMMISSION. Canadian Gunners Showed Exactness in Landing Shells in the German Lines.—The Second Contingent Anxious to Reach the Front.

Folkestone, June 8.—Magnificent work done by the Canadian artillery in the fighting in progress during the last few days very close to the German lines. Our batteries were pouring in shrapnel, and the precision of the gunners made almost invisible to a train to the German lines. Private Charlie Cotton, Montreal Battery, son of the late General Cotton, Toronto, has been recommended for the D. C. M. and a Commission for the fine work done by telephone in directing the fire at the Langermarke fight.

The Canadians at Shoreline and the neighborhood are in splendid condition, and all anxious to cross the Channel to the shores of France, plainly visible from here to-day.

While waiting for a train to London to-night a special from Dover passed bearing Premier Asquith, who has returned from a visit to the army in Flanders.

It is reported that a number of Canadian officers who have been at the front since the First Contingent landed in France, including some still in active service and others invalided home sick or slightly wounded, will be detailed to drill reinforcements in Canada, as their experience of field service is invaluable.

To Soon Come.

(Special to the Whig.) London, June 8.—Questioned in the House of Commons, under Secretary of War Tennant, said he hoped the opportunity would soon come for sending the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery to the front.

A New Postmaster. Campbellford, June 8.—C. L. Owen ex-M. P. has been appointed Postmaster of Campbellford, to succeed J. A. Loucks, whose resignation was accepted by the department.

LABORERS VIEW.

(Special to the Whig.) Washington, June 8.—Labor organizations will protest against the war with Germany, or anybody else, unless United States territory invaded.

The Government has accepted

Laval University offer of one thousand beds for hospitals for wounded soldiers.

The Kirk in Council

Specially Written For the Whig By "Cleric."

The Assembly adjourned to meet again in this place to-morrow morning of which public intimation was given, and this adjournment was closed with the benediction by the Moderator.

In the General Assembly these words are as familiar as the doxology. They are part of the stereotyped phraseology enshrined in the ancient minutes of the Kirk. It would never do to put a word out of order. It would be like a discord in Old Hundred. Or to call an "in-imation," a notice would be as unpardonable as to speak of a session as a committee. Dr. R. Campbell, the clerk, has a melodious voice, and has chanted the above words in exactly the same rich notes, thousands of times. It was a great hit, when in committing the argument, that union will obliterate the Presbyterian Church, Dr. W. J. Clark asked the house to imagine any organization of men trying to obliterate the Kirk. It is indeed one of the treasures of the Kirk.

In looking over the names of the commissioners we find the "Macs" to be a numerous church in themselves. There are 113 of them. Eleven Macdonalds-head the list, and nine MacLeans come second. The total number of Gaelic names is at least 175. The Moderator himself might well, some beautiful morning, open the Assembly by reverting to the "language of Eden" in public worship. It seems to us that a good way to put the magnet on the diverse elements in the Assembly would be to make an argument for Church Union in the Celtic speech and fire. In looking over the Assembly one asks the question, what is the use of coming to us that a good way to put the magnet on the diverse elements in the Assembly would be to make an argument for Church Union in the Celtic speech and fire. In looking over the Assembly one asks the question, what is the use of coming to us that a good way to put the magnet on the diverse elements in the Assembly would be to make an argument for Church Union in the Celtic speech and fire.

Now Over 8,000.

The Canadian Casualty List Has Grown Larger. (Special to the Whig.) Ottawa, June 8.—The Canadian casualty list now exceeds the eight thousand mark, the total up to ten o'clock this morning being 8,008. The killed, now number 1,213; wounded, 4,230 and missing 1,565. From the missing there may now be deducted almost a score of men formerly reported missing who have turned up. The cabled statements that the Canadians are resting in reserve for the past few days probably means that casualty lists will be smaller for a while.

CANADIANS BILLETED IN CHURCH in this ancient Roman Catholic Church and the convent beside it, are billeted some of the First Contingent. The Sergeant with this view was addressed from "somewhere in France."

BRITAIN BUILDING SUPER-DREADNOUGHTS

Warships, Each Displacing 27,500 Tons, Carrying Eight 15-Inch Guns, Ready Soon.

Queen Elizabeth in the Fighting Line to Determine Any Defects in the Mountings or Battery Equipment and to Guard Against it in the Construction of the Other New Ships.

New York, June 8.—A Herald special from London says:

The statement of Winston Spencer Churchill that the British Navy has been increasing in strength by leaps and bounds since the beginning of the war is borne out by the known additions to the fleet of superdreadnoughts which were not complete when war was declared. The list of new ships includes such vessels as the Barham, the Malaya, the Ramilies, the Resolution, the Revenge, the Royal Oak, the Royal Sovereign, the Valiant and the Warspite, each displacing 27,500 tons and carrying in the main batteries eight 15-inch guns.

The Queen Elizabeth is one of this group of superdreadnoughts and is the only one of the new sea fighters which has been put forward into the fighting line. The reason for employing the Queen Elizabeth has been to determine any defects in mountings or battery equipment which defects, if they developed, could be taken advantage of, and guarded against in the final inspection work in the newer ships.

Mighty Aeroplane Fleet.

(Special to the Whig.) New York, June 8.—Great Britain has a fleet of more than a thousand

POSITION TAKEN BY WILD CATTLE

How Italians Were Enabled to Gain Montecordo Summit.

Rome, June 8.—Fifty wild cattle materially aided Italian troops in capturing a strong Austrian position of Montecordo, according to the Corriere della Sera. The Austrian garrison had surrounded itself with a high barbed wire entanglement, against which the Italians drove the cattle. Startled by exploding bombs, the animals attacked the entanglements with hoofs and horns, and in a quarter of an hour had swept away the obstacles, so that the Italians were able to gain the summit easily.

The charge of the cattle, for which no previous military experience had prepared them, is said to have stampeded the Austrians.

NEVER SAW THE LIKE OF IT.

What a Coldstream Guardsman Says Of Canadians.

London, June 8.—"It gives us great courage to know that we have such men to rely on," writes Corporal O'Brien, of the Coldstream Guards, of the Canadians. "Only the other day," he says, "they went into an attack just as if they were drilling in Hyde Park. I never saw anything like it, each man keeping at about two paces interval, going at a walking pace, with dozens of Maxim guns on them, besides the field artillery guns and the whole of the German rifle fire for about a mile in front of them. In fact, no better example could be shown by any regiment under the British flag."

ITALY WILL REPLACE REAPERS BY MACHINES

Men Needed For War, So Government Will Reap by Machinery.

Rome, June 8.—The Government and the people engaged in farming are beginning to prepare for harvesting an abundant crop of grain. About 5,000,000 acres are to be harvested, which, under ordinary conditions would require 2,500,000 reapers. This year, however, it is proposed to use 1,000 reaping machines, and as each does the work of 15 people, the number needed for the harvest is thereby reduced by 150,000. The use of the machines also reduces the length of the reaping time from 19 to 12 days, making a further reduction in the number of men required by another 400,000. The 1,500,000 reapers still required will be made up of boys and women and men over military age, while it is absolutely necessary, the Government, it is said, will allow a certain number of peasant soldiers to turn from the front for this work during the necessary 12 or 15 days.

Two desperadoes captured in Owen Sound are wanted in Toronto for serious crimes.

War Tidings

The German Zeppelin wrecked by a British monoplane near Ghent and Brussels fell upon a convent, killing two nuns. Some 2,000 persons, mostly women, assembled in front of the Reichstag building on May 28th in Berlin and shouted for peace. They not only protested against the war but complained of the high cost of food. A squadron of the Allies' aeroplanes raided the German supply station at Valenciennes, doing much damage with bombs.

HELPING THE CAUSE.

Teachers Given \$634,000 by Carnegie Foundation for the advancement of teaching shows a total endowment of \$14,250,000, a surplus of \$1,245,000, an annual income of \$746,000, and an annual expenditure of \$716,000 for the year ending September 30, 1914, according to the ninth annual report made public to-night. Of this amount \$32,000 was spent in administration; \$47,000 in educational inquiry, and \$634,000 in retarding allowances and pensions, says the report. The total expenditure for allowance since the beginning of the foundation is \$3,551,000.

Many Boats Torpedoed By Germans

London, June 8.—Captain Wirthe, his wife and daughter and thirteen men of the crew of the Belgian steamer Menapier, torpedoed by a German submarine in the North Sea, were drowned, according to despatches received here to-day. Only five members of the crew were rescued. Three Norwegian vessels have been sunk by submarines in British waters in the last twenty-four hours, according to other despatches. They are the Bergen steamer "Trydvang," of 1,040 tons, the Christiania, steamer Glitterind, of 650 tons, and the Christiansand bark Superb.

DAIRY MEMORANDUM.

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DIED.

HERCHMER.—In Collins Bay, on June 7th, 1915, Mary Irene, youngest daughter of the late Lawrence Herchner. Funeral from Joseph Losen's residence, 130 p.m., Wednesday, to Caltaraqui cemetery. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend.

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PRESIDENT WILSON COMPLETES MESSAGE

Secretary Bryan Is Not in Accord And He Is Seeking TO Secure Modifications.

(Special to the Whig.) Washington, D. C., June 8.—President Wilson caused an announcement at 1:50 o'clock this afternoon that the German note was complete. Through Secretary Tumulty he let it be known that he hoped that it would go forward to-morrow. But his Cabinet was not unanimous in its approval of the document, and the man whose name it will bear, if the President's plans are completed, Secretary Bryan, left the Cabinet meeting determined to fight for modification right up to the very minute that the note is placed on the cables.

Bryan believed the United States is on record for arbitration so as to make it a mockery to send to Germany a document which he considers savors of an ultimatum. And although the majority of the Cabinet was against him, to-day, he carried his persuasive powers from the

Cabinet meeting to the University Club where he and his fellow members had lunch. It was understood that Secretary Bryan carried to the Cabinet meeting a memorandum which he had prepared in which he justified his views that the proposed note was not of a character that the United States should send to Germany. He took the proposition that the United States in executing arbitration treaties with the great majority of the countries of the world, has taken a direct position against war.

Secretary Bryan is understood to have urged that the United States could stand firmly for its rights and not close its doors to any explanation that Germany might make. Although Secretary Bryan will continue his efforts to secure a modification of the note, persons close to the President insisted this afternoon that they will prove unavailing.

PAUSING TO THINK OF FALLEN COMRADES

British Army Headquarters, France, June 8.—Addressing the Canadian troops recently, General Alderson said: "Before we go any further let us pause and give thought to those brave comrades of ours who have fallen. My faith in the Almighty is such that I am perfectly sure He takes to Himself and looks after men like them (whatever their past lives may have been), who, doing their duty nobly, have died fighting for their country and empire. Let us leave them at that. We could not leave them better."

"Since May 16th our line, that is, our first line, has advanced on the front just over three miles; the whole hostile front has been captured on the front of 3,200 yards, and on the remaining portion the first and second line trenches have been captured and nearly 800 prisoners have been taken, twenty-two machine guns captured or destroyed, and a considerable quantity of material and equipment taken. "The G. O. C. of the first army desires me to express his satisfaction to all ranks on their achievements."

PITH OF THE NEWS.

Condensed Items by Telegraph and From Exchanges.

The Suez Canal Company has taken steps to oust a German from its employ of the concern.

War orders for 8,000,000 pairs of shoes have been placed with New England shoe companies.

William Andrew Merritt, electrician at the Canada Caribic Company's plant, was instantly killed.

Lieut. Lander, son of Harry Lander, the Scotch comedian, has been wounded in the fighting in France.

The work of the British submarine in the Sea of Marmora has immobilized the Turkish transport service.

SPLendid ACHIEVEMENT.

"Great Britain is Proud of You," Wired King.

(Special to the Whig.) London, June 8.—The Victoria Cross was to-day conferred on Reginald A. J. Warnford, the young Canadian aviator who yesterday attacked and destroyed a German Zeppelin in a thrilling air battle in Belgium. King George sent a personal telegram of congratulation to Warnford.

"Four acts of destroying the Zeppelin single-handed was a splendid achievement," wired the King.

"Great Britain is proud of you."

The Canadian Government has agreed to settle for \$100,000 its account for \$400,000 against the count.

Lingua for sinking the steamer Montaguery below Quebec last September.