

Probs: Local thunder storms. Saturday fine and warm.

THE LATEST TIDINGS

PRESENTED IN THE BRIEFEST POSSIBLE FORM.

The Whig's Daily Condensation of The News of the World from Telegraph Service and Newspaper Exchanges.

Thousands of people are reported drowned in China.

A commission is expected to settle the Welsh coal strike Friday.

Many Ontario farmers have been swindled by a fake check dealer.

At Alexandria, Ont. the Grand Trunk station and restaurant were destroyed by fire.

Victor McInnes, K.C., Halifax, has been elected president of the Eastern Trust Company in succession to R. E. Harris, K.C., appointed to the Supreme Court Bench.

A magnificent gold nugget valued at \$14,000 has been found at the Elmer mine, Allin, B.C. It is thirty-six inches long, eighteen inches wide, and two inches deep.

John T. Martyn, Port Hope, was presented with the Royal Canadian Humane Society's medal for saving ten-year-old Ben, Boulton from drowning last July.

The late Dr. E. S. Pearson, formerly president of the Brazilian Traction and other Mexican and South American enterprises, and well known to the financiers of Canada, left a fortune of \$50,000,000.

IN MARINE CIRCLES.

Movements of Vessels Reported Along the Harbor.

Steamer Compton arrived from the Welland canal with oats for Richardson's elevator. The steamer Staunsted, which has been discharging oats at this elevator, cleared for the Welland Canal.

Steamer City of Cheyboygan, which went aground near Cobourg, was pulled off, and arrived at the penitentiary wharf with coal from Erie.

Steam-barge Jenka arrived at the cotton mill with coal from Fairhaven.

Schooner Abbie L. Andrews cleared for Fairhaven.

M. T. Co.'s Bulletin: Tug Gyde cleared light for Prescott; steamer arrived from Montreal, light; steamer Windsor due in Montreal today, to discharge coal from Lake Erie.

Steamers Kingston and Caspian down Friday morning.

Steamer Rideau Queen cleared for Rideau Ferry Friday morning.

Steamer Britannic was in port on Friday afternoon, and will clear again for Montreal.

Steamer Belleville, placed on the Quebec-Charlotte route recently, has been taken off. It is uncertain when this steamer will resume her sailings.

Steamer Empton passed down at eight o'clock Friday morning.

Steamer A. E. Ames up 10 p.m. Thursday.

BUYING GRAIN FOR ALLIES.

Over 25 Firms in America Have Work in Hand.

London, July 15.—Inquiry yesterday brought out a definite contradiction of the reports in America that Armour and Company have been entrusted with the task of negotiating for all grain bought by the Allies. It develops that the Armour Company is but one of more than 25 firms handling grain in America that has been supplied to the Allied armies.

Some time ago the British and French Governments made Shipman, Anderson & Co., grain brokers of London, agents through whom grain was to be bought in any country, and since that time nearly all the contracts for grain have passed through their hands. At the offices of Shipman, Anderson & Company today an official said that the firm had been buying immense quantities of grain from America ever since the beginning of the war.

At the start the Armour Company provided a considerable amount of grain, but later on, it is said, that firm practically gave up grain export and now supplies barely any.

HOT SPELL IN ALASKA.

Glaciers Are Shedding Ice at an Unusual Rate.

Juneau, Alaska, July 15.—Extreme heat during the last ten days has caused weather conditions hitherto unknown to the oldest inhabitants of South-eastern Alaska.

The weather bureau thermometer has registered as high as 90 degrees in the shade and the 100-degree mark has been reached by street thermometers. Forest fires are raging along Lynn canal, and the glaciers have been discharging ice at an extraordinary rate.

At this time of the year the sun shines twenty of the twenty-four hours each day, and to absence of the usual south-west winds is attributed the excessive heat. Fruits and vegetables give indications of bumper crops.

SIR E. GREY LOOKS WELL.

Foreign Secretary Found Diplomatic Sport Good.

London, July 15.—Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, attended yesterday his first cabinet meeting since he was ordered to rest by his oculist.

Persons who have seen the Foreign Secretary since his return to London, say he is bronzed and looking well, although he still wears colored glasses. His enforced holiday was spent largely in cycling and fishing. The diplomatic negotiations he conducted between dry flies and Northumberland trout proved highly successful from his point of view.

Cholera Increasing in Austrian Army.

Brescia, via Paris, July 15.—Austrian prisoners say that cholera is daily growing worse among the Austrian troops, especially those who have returned from Galicia, and that there are many fatalities as a result of the disease.

The Italian authorities are submitting all prisoners to a severe medical examination. Men suspected of having the cholera are isolated.

INCREASED ACREAGE

Acres Sown Increase of 26 Per Cent. Over Area Harvested.

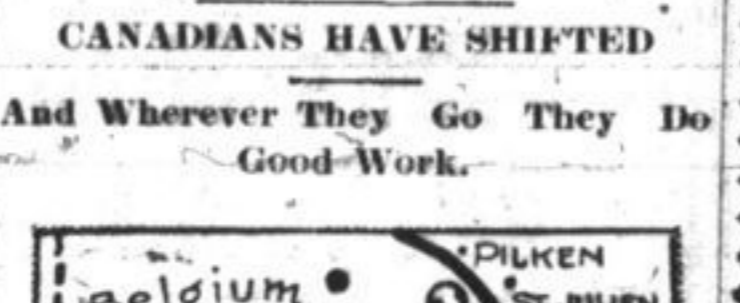
Ottawa, July 16.—A press bulletin on the Census and Statistics Office issued reports finally on the area sown to field crops for the season of 1915 as follows: Wheat, 12,986,400 acres, which is nearly 18 per cent. more than the area sown and 26 per cent. more than the area harvested for 1914; barley, 1,509,350 acres, compared with last year's harvest area of 1,435,600 acres, oats, 11,265,000 acres against 10,001,500; hay and clover, 7,875,000 acres against 7,997,000; buckwheat, 3,43,800 acres against 354,000; flaxseed, 1,009,550 acres against 1,163,000; corn for husking, 253,300 acres against 208,000; corn for fodder, 343,400 acres against 317,000; potatoes, 478,600 acres against 475,900; and turnips, etc., 172,700 acres against 175,900.

In the three north-west provinces the estimated areas sown in wheat are 11,744,700 acres; to barley, 952,000; to oats, 6,290,000; and to flax, 1,094,000, as compared with the harvested areas of last year, viz., wheat, 9,335,400; barley, 936,000; oats, 5,353,000; and flax, 1,157,000 acres.

CANADIANS HAVE SHIFTED

And Wherever They Go They Do Good-Work.

Toward the end of February the Canadian division first took over three miles of trenches at Fleurbaix at point marked (1) on the map. On March 10th it was in reserve at Neuve Chapelle when the famous drive attack was made. Its location at that time is marked (2). In April it was moved north to Ypres salient and following 22nd of that month was engaged in a conflict near St. Julien that reduced its strength by half. When its ranks were brought up to full strength it was put into action opposite Festubert in May. After a month of offensive work here it has been shifted again to near Messines. Wherever they go the Canadians seem to come in for hard fighting.



WAR BULLETINS.

The British War Office announces that the two strongly held Turkish lines defending the Dardanelles have been captured by the Allies on the Gallipoli Peninsula.

The French have made further gains north of Arras, Friday afternoon, and have recaptured much of the territory lost in the Vosges.

The British Admiralty has taken over all the coal reserves and the operators may go to work again Friday.

Secretary of State Lansing and German Ambassador von Bernstorff will confer Friday on the Lusitania affair.

The Allied troops have advanced nearly half a mile along the whole front on the Gallipoli Peninsula.

In Austria, Italy has made a further advance and is mounting artillery along the whole front.

British aviators have destroyed big German ammunition depots in Belgium.

HEAVY ARTILLERY FIRE HEARD 142 MILES AWAY.

"Zone of Silence," However, Exists At Shorter Distances From Scene Of Action.

Interesting light on the question how far heavy artillery fire can be heard is given by Dr. Doerr, a German scientist, writing in the Meteorologische Zeitschrift. From observations made at the Dutch Meteorological Institute, and from other sources of information, this writer shows that the German heavy mortars used in the attack upon Antwerp were heard to a distance of 139 to 142 miles, but that at distances of only forty to sixty miles silence was heard. The "zone of silence" extended to about 100 to 106 miles. Where the detonations could again begin to be heard, however, they were described as especially violent, so much so that the ground seemed to tremble.

The existence of such a "zone of silence" appears not to have been scientifically demonstrated previous to the present war. It is mentioned, for example, that in the wars of 1866 and 1870 German commanders on several occasions received instructions to march to any point where they might hear a cannonade; but they failed to render the expected assistance, and their explanations were discredited when they reported that they had heard nothing, although the guns had been heard by other troops at still more distant points. When Frederick the Great defeated the Austrians near Mollath in 1760 the main body of the Austrian army failed to hear the artillery fire there and did not come to the assistance of their comrades, whereas other Austrian troops much farther removed heard it and began their march toward the scene of action.

BALTIC CARRIES SAND BAGS.

White Star Liner Prepared Against Submarine Gun Attack.

New York, July 15.—As a protection against gun fire from submarines, a shelter of sand-filled bags was piled along the decks of the White Star liner Baltic, which sailed yesterday for Liverpool with 314 passengers and a full cargo.

Unusual precautions were taken by steamship officials to protect the Baltic prior to her sailing. In addition to the usual guards, a cordon of private detectives was thrown around the entire pier and along the bulkheads. No other than known members of the crew and identified passengers were allowed within twenty feet of the ship. As a further precaution, the space between decks was screened with heavy canvas.

CAUGHT IN TORPEDO NET.

Austrian Submarine's Crew Surrendered To Italians.

Rome, July 15.—An Austrian submarine on Tuesday morning attempted to fire a torpedo into an Italian warship which was protected by a net. The submarine became so badly entangled in the meshes of the net that it was unable to escape. The crew, fearing suffocation, surrendered.

Billion Bushel Wheat Crop.

Washington, July 15.—Prospects for the billion bushel wheat crop continued to grow during the week ended yesterday. Spring wheat had the most favorable week of the season over much of the belt, and the outlook everywhere is most promising. The national weather and crop bulletin announced today that winter wheat, however, had unfavorable weather, and harvesting had been delayed in the important producing sections by rain, much ripe wheat being still uncut. In southern portions of the belt and Pacific coast states harvesting is progressing satisfactorily, and good yields are reported.

German Forces Leave.

Petrograd, July 15.—All enemy troops have been withdrawn from Lemberg, owing to the terrible epidemics of cholera in particular, which are raging there. Refugees are pouring into Russian territory, and among other novel sights at Kiev are cabmen from Lemberg, who are plying for hire.

The population of Galicia is starving because the enemy requisitioned everything, and all who can are escaping through the enemy's lines to Russia.

Mine Sweeping Corps Organized.

Washington, July 15.—Organization of a mine sweeping division of the Atlantic fleet is announced at the Navy Department. It will consist of the cruisers Baltimore and San Francisco and the naval tugs Ontario, Patuxent, Patuxent and Sonoma.

To Go To The Front.

R. Philip Bowden, Leithbridge, has joined the 20th Battery as Lieutenant and is now at Swell training camp. He is a brother of Lieut. George Bowden of the 59th Battalion, and is well known in Kingston.

Napanee

July 17.—The annual picnic of Grace Church Sunday school was held yesterday afternoon under ideal weather conditions in the Napanee Driving Park. Rides and automobiles were provided at the church to convey any who wished to ride to the park. Sports and games were indulged in.

Ida Weese, aged twenty-two, Belleville, arrested with Walter Lasher, who escaped from Belleville jail, was up before Magistrate Rankin yesterday on a charge of vagrancy, and this being her first appearance in a police court, the Magistrate allowed her to go with a warning as to her future conduct, also taking into consideration on a charge of writing an offensive letter to a young girl in Napanee. His father undertaking to look after his future behaviour he was allowed to go on a suspended sentence by paying the costs of the court.

J. Goudry charged with being drunk and disorderly, was fined \$5 or 21 days.

Gananoque

July 16.—The steamship Isabella of the Hibley Line arrived yesterday with coal for the works of the Steel Company of Canada. The steamer Capt. Visger, owned by D. J. Munro of this town, made a trip to Picton for berries this week.

Every 10c Packet of WILSON'S FLY PADS WILL KILL MORE FLIES THAN \$8.00 WORTH OF ANY STICKY FLY CATCHER

DAVIES' SPRING LAMB (Special) STEWING CUTS, 18c Lb. Green Peas, new Carrots, new Beet, Cauliflower. Try our Beef Dripping, takes the place of butter for many purposes. 16c Lb. The Wm. Davies' Co. Limited. Phone 597.

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Jenkins' U SALE On the Move \$12.50 IS THE PRICE The values are remarkable, including Suits at \$18, \$20 and \$22. These are all Spring and Summer Suits that we have decided to sell now, and not carry one over. You will be doing yourself and us a good turn by coming in and seeing them. Next year's prices will be away up, so the present prices are double bargains. E. P. Jenkins' Clothing Co.

SATURDAY A Day of Sensational Value-giving Three very attractive specials at prices that should prove interesting Wash Goods 1,500 yards of the season's most wanted novelties, as Roman stripe, French crepe and plaid Swiss crepe—in beautiful color combinations, heretofore priced at 25c, 35c, 40c and 45c; marked for a quick clearance Saturday 18c Bath Towels 25 dozen imported Bath-Towels, in white and natural colors; size 22x44; special at 30c. Saturday 18c Or 2 for 35c. 35 doz. full bleached Huck Towels, good big size; regular 23c Saturday 15c Or 2 for 25c. Ladies' Jaeger Sweaters 25 dozen, made of fine soft wool, in two toned effects—as Castle Red, Rose, Paddy, Cerise, Maize, Yellow, Tango, Pink, Black, etc., etc. All have a mixture of white—very light weight—soft as a cob-web—regular \$2.50. Saturday \$1.75 "Special Sale" Watch to-morrow's papers for the most sensational tale of savings in the history of Kingston merchandising. It will pay you to watch for it! Steacy's BUILDERS!! Have You Tried GYPSUM WALL PLASTER? It Saves Time P. WALSH, Barrack Street. Special Values! We have some odd sizes left of a few lines of Men's \$5.00 Goodyear Welt Patent Leather and Tan Shoes. While they last \$4.20 See our window for the styles. JACK JOHNSTON'S Shoe Store 70 Brock Street Put this in your memo book. Thousand Islander's 100 mile trip Saturday 2.15 p.m.