

TO INCREASE THE HOSPITAL

Queen's Stationary Hospital to Have 1,030 Beds.

THE REINFORCEMENTS

REQUIRED NUMBER 154 OFFICERS AND MEN.

Lieut.-Col. J. C. Connell To Raise the Necessary Number - Over 200 Nurses Seeking a Chance To Go Overseas.

On Thursday morning, Lieut.-Col. J. C. Connell, Dean of Queen's Medical College, was notified to make Queen's Stationary Hospital at Cairo, Egypt, into a General Hospital, with 7,000 beds instead of 600 as at present, and he was asked to arrange for reinforcements of 154. The reinforcements will include the following:

Captains, 19; nurses, 48; quartermaster, 1; warrant officer, 1; sergeants, 6; rank and file, 79; total, 154.

As the medical students of Queen's are now scattered for the Christmas holidays, it is not likely that the reinforcements will be secured until early in January, but there will be no difficulty in getting more than is required. At present over 200 nurses in this military division are on the official list waiting a chance to go overseas.

Col. Connell will leave on Sunday for New York to spend a few days. He has had very heavy duties to perform during the past six months in connection with Queen's Stationary Hospital and the medical college, and is now called upon to undertake still larger labors in arranging for the reinforcements and the additional equipment that will be required for the enlarged hospital at Cairo.

TEUTONIC FOES WERE INDICTED

For Conspiracies in the United States Against Welland Canal.

New York, Dec. 23.—Paul Koenig, chief of the Hamburg-American line secret service, and declared to be the "brains" of the Teutonic conspiracies, was indicted by the federal grand jury here this afternoon on charges growing out of an alleged plot to blow up the Welland Canal.

Two indictments were returned against Koenig. One charges him with attempting a military expedition against a friendly power in the plot to destroy the canal. The other makes the same charge in connection with the mission on which he is alleged to have sent Justice and Frederick Metzler to Quebec.

There, the indictment charges, they were to spy upon British transports in an effort to determine movements of the Canadian troops being sent to Europe, and, if possible, destroy ships and property. The defendants will not be given a hearing until after the Christmas recess of the court.

War Tidings. The Allies have heavily entrenched for miles outside of Salonika. Germanic troops made no attack recently.

Zurich despatches state Germany is preparing for a new offensive in Alsace to be directed by Gen. Von Mackensen.

Several arrests were made at Berlin in connection with munitions explosion at Munster, Germany, when several hundred persons were killed.

The Teutonic powers are represented as taking full advantage of the withdrawal of British forces from Gallipoli Peninsula and to be attempting to swing Greece and Rumania to their side in the Balkan operations.

VERY HEAVY LOSSES.

(Special to the Whig.) London, Dec. 23.—The British casualties at the Dardanelles to Dec. 11th total 112,021. Under-Secretary for War, Harold Tennant announced this in the Commons this afternoon.

Miss Carrie Stuart, Calgary, Alta., spent the week-end with Miss M. Clayton and left Thursday for her old home in Merrickville.

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A NEW GREEK PREMIER.

Is Likely To Be Named In Short Time.

(Special to the Whig.) Athens, Dec. 23.—M. Gounaris, or one of the other neutrality party leaders in the confidence of King Constantine, probably will be chosen as the new Greek premier to-night, it is reported. M. Sikonoudis, the present premier, has openly expressed a wish to retire in favor of a younger man.

Salonika despatches to-day reported the steady arrival of German and Bulgarian troops in Southern Serbia. The Anglo-French military men believe the invasion of Greece will begin within ten days.

CANNOT BE FORCED.

To Ask For Peace Before Main End Is Attained.

(Special to the Whig.) London, Dec. 23.—Economic reasons will not force the Allies to ask for peace before they have attained the main end, Walter Runciman, president of the Board of Trade, told the House of Commons this afternoon. "We stand together on that point," he said. The Government, the cabinet member asserted, is considering every commercial contingency after the war.

The Kaiser's Illness.

(Special to the Whig.) New York, Dec. 23.—Despatches from Amsterdam and Geneva agree that the Kaiser's illness is much more serious than has been reported from Berlin.

3,000,000 LBS. OF PUDDING

Leaves England For the British Armies.

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CAUSE FOR REPORT.

(Special to the Whig.) London, Dec. 23.—Petrograd official despatches said to-day: "Two Russian torpedo boats pursued a Bulgarian torpedo boat into Varna Bay. They were forced to withdraw by the Bulgarian shore batteries." It is supposed this gave rise to the Athens reports that troops had landed.

HENRY FORD MISSING FROM PEACE PARTY

When It Left For Stockholm To Recruit Delegates for Conference.

(Special to the Whig.) Christiania, Dec. 23.—Henry Ford was missing when the Ford peace party left for Stockholm to recruit delegates for a neutral peace conference.

Mr. Ford and Dean Marquis, Detroit, one of his closest friends disappeared a few hours before the time for departure and their whereabouts were unknown.

Mr. Ford's physician said it was necessary that he detach himself from the party to obtain some rest. Whether he has proceeded the party to Stockholm or intends to follow immediately could not be learned.

SERB GOVERNMENT IN ITALY.

Session Of the Parliament To Be Held at Bari.

Bari, Italy, Dec. 23.—This city probably will be the seat of the Serbian Government on Italian soil. The Parliament is expected to hold a session here within a few days. Many of its members were killed or captured by the Teutons or Bulgarians, but it is believed that enough escaped to take up national affairs.

King Peter is expected to arrive here with his court in a few days. Bari is on the Adriatic coast, 70 miles north of Brindisi.

RUBBER BOOTS FOR TROOPS

Men In Trenches Are To Be Made More Comfortable.

London, Dec. 23.—Canadian soldiers have already received shoals of Christmas presents from Canada and England. The postal services are excellent despite congestion. The trenches are very wet, but the men will be provided with rubber hip boots, keeping them warm and comfortable.

Customs revenue for the month up to December 21st amount to \$6,546,241, as against \$3,559,835 in the corresponding period.



CANADIAN HIGHLANDERS IN FRANCE.

After months of training the Canadian Highland Battalion arrives at one of the British bases in France, and entrains for the trenches.

CANADA'S PREMIER IN NEW YORK.

He Speaks Before the Pilgrim's Society at a Thursday Luncheon.

(Special to the Whig.) New York, Dec. 23.—Sir Robert Borden, the Canadian minister, addressed the Pilgrim's Society of New York at a luncheon here to-day. The relations between the Dominion and the United States, the Premier believed "were never more firmly founded on a true understanding and sincere good will than at present, and as for Canada and the Mother Country, he said they were "never so closely united in ideal, inspiration and effort" as at the present time.

Sir Robert said: "However hard the struggle may be and whatever sacrifices it may entail, the Canadian people will not shrink from the test. They are peace-loving and yet a militarist people, but there conception of the cause for which they are fighting is such as to animate with the sternest resolve to make it triumphant."

300 WERE RESCUED FROM A JAPANESE STEAMER HIT BY SUBMARINE.

A French Warship Was Able to Lend Aid—The Passengers and Crew Were Able to Take to the Boats.

(Special to the Whig.) London, Dec. 23.—Nearly three hundred passengers and crew of the Japanese liner Yasaka Maru, sunk by a submarine in the Mediterranean, were rescued by a French warship and landed at Port Said yesterday. The agents of the line reported the steamer was torpedoed without warning. She remained afloat about an hour they said, enabling the passengers and crew to take to the boats. The financial loss is five million dollars.

Captured A Submarine. Rome, Dec. 23.—The Allies' submarines have captured an Austrian submarine and are towing it to Malta, according to despatches received here to-day.

THE ONE DENIES: THE OTHER AFFIRMS

That the French Have Been Forced From a Strategic Position.

(Special to the Whig.) Paris, Dec. 23.—All the German counter-attacks, in an attempt to retake the positions captured by the French at Hartmann's Weilerkopf have been repulsed the War Office reported this afternoon. The French left wing made further progress in the fight around the peak.

South of Arras, in the region of Beaurains, the French artillery continued the destruction of German works last night. Grenade fighting occurred in the Champagne region, particularly east of Navarin farm and near Hill 192.

Berlin statements to-day say that the German troops have recaptured the summit of Hartmann's Weilerkopf taking twenty-three officers and 1,530 men prisoners. There have been no important developments on the Russian or Balkan fronts in the last twenty-four hours.

Prohibitionists Won. (Special to the Whig.) Toronto, Dec. 23.—Gimli, Manitoba, carried local option. Terrebonne, Que., carried prohibition.

RUSSIANS MAY JOIN BRITISH IN MESOPOTAMIA.

The Russians have occupied Kum, and are moving southward with the evident intention of joining the British forces near Bagdad.

WAS SNATCHED FROM GRAVE

The Experience of Dr. R. G. C. Stewart, of Kingston.

HIS INTERMENT BEGUN

WHEN HE WOKE UP AND ASKED MEANING OF IT.

It Was at St. Julien Last April That He Was Wounded—He Was Pronounced Dead Dumb and Blind—But He Is Recovering His Faculties.

St. John, N.B., Dec. 23.—To be shot through the head with a German bullet, to lie on the field of battle all night, then be picked up by the comrades in the morning and be pronounced dead, a grave dug to receive you, and when being placed in it, to awake and ask what the meaning of it all is—this was the startling experience of Dr. R. G. C. Stewart, of Kingston, Ont., formerly of Dalhousie, N.S., who returned on the Allan liner, Friarion, which landed 118 wounded officers and men here this morning.

Dr. Stewart prior to the outbreak of war was practising his profession near Kingston. He had been sergeant-major in the 48th Regiment, of Toronto. With the declaration of war he dropped his rank, gave up his practice, and enlisted in the 15th Royal Highlanders, Montreal, and went to the front.

Helpless Seven Weeks. It was at St. Julien in April that he was wounded. A rifle bullet penetrated the back of his head and came out at the corner of his left eye. "I was bending over a comrade who had just had his arm shattered with a bursting shrapnel shell," he says. "The fight was at its hottest, and I had just finished tying up his wound when I was shot from behind. I am told that for seven weeks I never spoke. I was pronounced by the doctors to be deaf and dumb and blind. I used to write with my finger in the palm of the hand of one of the attendants and thus tell them what I wanted."

Loses Right Eye. "Finally I got the sight of my left eye. The first thing I remembered of seeing was the red cross on the arm of a nurse by my bedside. When I finally got out of the hospital my best friends did not know me, because I had gone down so badly." The right side of Dr. Stewart's head is still paralyzed, and he is blind in the right eye.

Speaking of the Germans, he said: "The Saxons are good sports, but the Prussians are veritable devils. The rapidity with which the enemy discovers the character of the troops opposite is remarkable."

Saxon Humor. "Our regiment had hardly been in the front trenches fifteen minutes when a Saxon opposite shouted across, 'Say, there, you bare-legged devils, aren't you knees cold, but we're going to make yours hot for you in a few minutes.' "Shortly before a charge, a few hours later, he shouted to them, 'Look out now, the bare-legged devils are coming after you,' and we did go after them in good shape, to be sure."

May Restore Sight. Dr. Stewart had not intended to come to Canada, but desired to stay in England and receive treatment that might restore the sight of his right eye, but he was ordered to Canada by the military authorities. He will enter a hospital shortly and undergo an operation to have the nerve in the right side of his head connected up again, so as to restore it to a normal condition. "I want to go back again," he said. "If I am ever able to, and I intend to be able to if the doctors can make that possible."

WAR BULLETINS.

Latest advices from Munster, Germany, say that 300 women were killed in Thursday's munition factory explosion. The town was completely wrecked.

General Bertram, vice-chairman of the Canadian Munitions Board, has resigned.

Berlin reports that arrangements are completed with the Rumanian Government for the exportation of 50,000 carloads of grain to Germany.

The Socialistic party in Germany disagreed and a division resulted.

All the refrigeration compartments of the registered British steamships have been requisitioned by the Government.

Two ships carrying Armenians boarded and most of those on board were drowned. Some were sold at ridiculous prices; mostly to Jews.

THE TOWN OF NAPANEE

DENBIGH MAN CHARGED WITH A SERIOUS OFFENCE.

Officers of "C" Company 80th Battalion Entertained the Men To An Oyster Supper.

Napanee, Dec. 23.—The anniversary services in connection with Grace Methodist Church were a phenomenal success. A large congregation gathered in the church on Sunday morning to hear Capt. G. I. Campbell, Kingston, preach, and in the evening the church was packed to the doors. An overflow meeting was held in the lecture room, and it was full as well. A large number of people could not gain admittance. A. E. Greenlaw, the popular colored singer, sang at both services. On Tuesday night in the body of the church Dr. J. L. Gordon gave a lecture on "Grit, Grace and Greenbacks" to a large audience. The proceeds were in aid of the Ladies' Aid Fund.

Mrs. Robert Grange has left here to take up residence in Toronto. The officers of "C" Company, 80th Battalion, entertained the company to an oyster supper at the Armouries Tuesday night.

Miss Jean Foster of Whitby Ladies' College, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Foster. Mr. and Mrs. William Rankin are visiting friends in Toronto, and St. Thomas. Clifford Wilson Denbigh, appeared before Magistrate Rankin in the Police Court yesterday charged with a serious offence against a girl under fourteen, and was remanded for eight days.

GERMANS LIVING ON SLENDER RATIONS. New York, Dec. 23.—For the first time it is revealed that every man, woman, and child in Germany is living on slender rations, doled out by weight, determined on after a conference of chemists, scientists, and physicians in Berlin.

The journal which brings the information is Die Neue Zeit, or The New Time, a Socialist publication for the blind, issued in Berlin.

WATERTOWN BOY HOPES TO ENLIST.

Robert H. Burns Plans to Come to Kingston to Study Methods.

Watertown, N.Y., Dec. 23.—Robert H. Burns, of No. 529 Frontenac street, who recently returned to this city from the Canadian Northwest, is contemplating going to Kingston, Ont., for the purpose of studying artillery methods in the military school there. Mr. Burns will probably enlist shortly after the first of the year.

Mr. Burns is much interested in England's part in the European war. He has several relatives who are now actively engaged in fighting in Canadian regiments and if his plans materialize he will soon go to Canada to enlist. A cousin of Mr. Burns, William Gimblett, of Kingston, aged 17 years, was sent last week to England with an overseas contingent.

Mr. Burns returned last week from the eastern part of the province of Saskatchewan, where he went the latter part of last August. On the return trip he stopped at Kingston, where he obtained information regarding enlistment in the artillery forces.

Sarah Bernhardt Recovering. (Special to the Whig.) Anderson, France, Dec. 23.—Sarah Bernhardt's physicians stated to-day that the famous actress had been seriously ill, but is improving rapidly. She expects to go to London early next week.

MEDICAL WORK AT THE FRONT

Lieut.-Col. W. T. Connell Tells About It.

THE BEST EQUIPPED

OF THE HOSPITALS WAS THAT OF QUEEN'S.

British Received Few Bayonet Wounds—Canada Looks After All Her Own Troops and Supplies Five Hospitals For the British.

Lieut.-Col. W. T. Connell, who is on leave of absence from No. 5 Stationary Hospital (Queen's) located at Cairo, Egypt, gave a very interesting address in Sydenham Street Church on Wednesday evening explaining to a large audience the work of the medical units of the Canadian at the front. In part he said:

I wish to give you, ladies and gentlemen, to-night, a few of my experiences and of those of my fellow officers and staff of No. 5 Stationary Hospital, popularly known as Queen's Hospital. Before doing so, however, I would like to speak a few words on the care of the wounded in war.

In the first place every soldier, as part of his equipment, always carries with him a first-aid outfit which consists of a dressing case and bandages. He carries this everywhere. All soldiers receive more or less instruction in the use of these first-aid outfits. In cases of bullet wounds which are clean the bandages keep out infection and this greatly helps them to heal.

In addition to this equipment each regiment has a doctor and stretcher-bearers. The regimental doctor first establishes himself at a first aid post as near as possible to the line of men. In most cases in this war the first aid posts are in the trenches or dug-outs. In these first aid posts a crude operating table. All wounded are brought here first. In these posts treatment is usually only for the setting of fractures or the alleviation of pain. The clearing of these first aid posts depends partly on the stretcher-bearers, but mostly on the field ambulances over one of which Dr. Ross has been in charge.

The clearing stations are sometimes one or two miles back from the firing line and if possible are located in barns or houses, as circumstances warrant. At these clearing stations further treatment is given and all absolutely necessary operations are performed. They also increase the effectiveness of the first-aid posts by replacing the bandages or (Continued on page 3.)

DAILY MEMORANDUM

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Limstone Lodge, No. 91, A.G.U.W. meets to-night 8 o'clock. Election of officers. Members are requested to attend.

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MARRIED.

BREIDEN-JOHNSON—in Watertown, N.Y., at the home of the bride's uncle, Washington street, on December 18th, 1915, by Rev. Francis E. Basson, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, Eugene S. Hagan to Arthur S. Breide, both of Kingston.

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