

A WELCOME ANTIDOTE TO TEUTON SUCCESS

Against the Rumanians--French Victory At Verdun is An Omen of Renewed Allied Pressure Against Kaiser's Lines in West.

(Special to the Whig.) Paris, Oct. 25.—The French victory of yesterday won on terrain that has seen some of the bloodiest fighting of the war, and won despite the maze of fortifications that covers the Verdun front, is a welcome antidote to the Teuton victories against the Rumanians. It is evidence that Mackensen and Falkenhayn can not draw troops from other fronts to battle for Bucharest. It is an omen of renewed Allied pressure against the Kaiser's lines in the west.

With daybreak the French guns began to bathe the German trenches with shell. Recent visitors to French headquarters have reported that the French artillery on this front was firing fifty shots to one for the Germans. The execution of the bombardment did in the enemy's line tends to prove that statement.

Shortly before noon the poilus sprang to the attack. Then began a series of assaults that swept through the first German line and beyond into the Fort of Douaumont and into the village. Meanwhile the right wing was moving toward Vaux, a position as much disputed as Douaumont. Here they reached the outskirts of the village.

On the left wing, nearer the river, the rush was irresistible. It swept through Thiaumont work and farm, lying in low land dominated by ridges to the north, into and beyond the Haudremont quarries, which have been converted into a veritable fortress, and astride the road from Douaumont to Bras.

The Resistance Was Weak.

Thus in a few hours the French have regained positions that it took the Germans months to wrest from them. The resistance they met was comparatively weak. This may have been due to the fact that the Kaiser's generals have withdrawn troops to the Somme front, or it may have been due to the efficiency of the artillery preparation. At any rate, the last fragment of the Crown Prince's dream has been crumbled.

The purpose of the Verdun offensive serves as two-fold. It puts increased pressure on the German forces and so makes the task on other fronts easier. Another end it may ultimately serve is in preparing the way for a new drive for Metz.

The German line is in this sector, it must be remembered, a very sharp salient, with its tip at St. Mihiel. Until this wedge is wiped out a French push eastward is almost impossible. By breaking through the German line north of Verdun the French can flank the enemy's position at St. Mihiel and so force its evacuation.

What the Effect Will Be.

But the immediate effect of the attack on the Meuse will be on the Somme operations. With the Balkan movement in full swing it seems hardly likely that the Kaiser's generals can muster enough men to withstand two great offensives on the western front. When the thrusts for Peronne and Bapaume are resumed this pressure will be at a maximum.

The resumption of the Somme offensive cannot long be delayed, it is believed here. To offset this the Germans are shelling the enemy's lines steadily between the Ancre and the Somme. A formidable counter-offensive was planned, military observers here assert, but the new Verdun attack may interfere seriously with this plan.

The lull on the Somme cannot continue, observers say. Only by pressure against the Teuton at all possible points can the Rumanian situation be relieved. The Verdun offensive is the first move in that direction.

THE C.P.R. STRIKE SETTLED; MEN GAIN THEIR DEMANDS

(Special to the Whig.) Ottawa, Oct. 25.—Word was received from Winnipeg by the Minister of Labor at noon to-day that, as the result of an all-night conference between C. P. R. representatives and its men, all danger of a strike had been averted, and that an agreement between the two parties to the dispute will be signed in a few hours.

This morning the C. P. R. announced it would accept perishable freight at Winnipeg, which indicated that the strike trouble was vanishing.

Official Announced.

(Special to the Whig.) Winnipeg, Oct. 25.—It was officially announced by the trainmen at 12.30 o'clock that the strike has been settled, the men gaining nearly all their demands. This means an increase of an average of two cents per man per hour over the entire system for the 7,500 conductors and switchmen involved. This fight is merely the skirmish of a great contest that is already on the horizon for next year for a fifteen per cent. increase for the employees of the entire system.

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NORWAY IN ARMS OVER SUBMARINE WAR

German U-boat on Sunday Set Fire to Four Norwegian Steamers.

(Special to the Whig.) London, Oct. 25.—German submarines are waging persistent war on Norwegian shipping and all Norway is excited about it. The Norwegian Mercantile Shipping Gazette says that five German submarines established a regular blockade of the Norwegian south coast. The Norwegian bark Athenian arrived at Espersund, reports that on Sunday she saw four Norwegian steamers set on fire by a German submarine.

MANY REJECTIONS ARE UNJUSTIFIED

Sir Sam Hughes Objects to Turning Down of Canadians in France.

(Special to the Whig.) Ottawa, Oct. 25.—Gen. Sir Sam Hughes declares that many rejections from Canadian ranks which have been made after troops reach France are unjustified and based on trivial grounds. He declares that men who have passed the Canadian medical examination and triple examination in England have frequently been rejected by Canadian doctors in France for flat feet, varicose veins and other minor defects which have never interfered with their locomotive power.

"The ridiculous part of the system," he remarked, "is the fact that men have been rejected for flat feet who have walked miles from away up in the Peace River to enlist."

He instanced a case where a Canadian of British birth had been rejected twice in Canada for short-sightedness, had crossed to England to take a position on a railway, had there been conscripted, and was now fighting with a Yorkshire regiment in France.

Chief Made Inspector. Trenton, Oct. 25.—The Town Council passed a by-law appointing Chief, Morden as inspector under the Ontario Temperance Act; also another authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to execute a lease of some eight acres of land to the Canadian National Land.

RETIRE NORTH BEFORE ENEMY

Russo-Rumanians Have Abandoned Cernavoda Before Mackensen's Attacks.

CAPTURE OF BRIDGEHEAD IS A SERIOUS LOSS TO THE RUSSO-RUMANIANS.

Mackensen is Attacking on the Whole Dobruja Front—Berlin Despatches Say That the Vulcan Pass Has Been Captured.

(Special to the Whig.) Petrograd, Oct. 25.—Russo-Rumanian forces have abandoned their position at Cernavoda, the eastern end of the great railway bridge leading into old Rumania, under Mackensen's attacks, it was officially admitted to-day.

The Tasavia Lake positions have also been surrendered to the enemy, whose heavy attacks continue on the whole Dobruja front. The Russo-Rumanians, resisting Mackensen's pressure, are retiring northward.

Cernavoda is the eastern terminus of the great fourteen mile railway bridge crossing the Danube river from Bulgaria into Rumania. Its capture is a very serious loss to the Russo-Rumanian army operating in Dobruja.

Berlin despatches also claim that the Austro-Germans under Von Falkenhayn have taken the famous Vulcan pass with many prisoners.

In Precarious Position. The Russo-Rumanian armies driven northward from the rear, are in a precarious position, the Russian official statement indicates. There are no other bridges across the Danube north of Cernavoda, and it appears probable that unless a large part of the Russo-Rumanian force escaped across the bridge before Cernavoda was evacuated they will be trapped east of the Danube.

The Bulgars have captured fifty officers, 3,200 men, thirty machine guns and 200 railway wagons.

German Counter-attacks Fail. (Special to the Whig.) Paris, Oct. 25.—German counter-attacks in the region of Makurkovo in Macedonia failed, the War Office announced to-day. Elsewhere there was no infantry fighting on the Macedonian front.

Taking Every Possible Step. (Special to the Whig.) London, Oct. 25.—The Allies are taking every possible step to protect Rumania, David Lloyd George, Secretary for War, declared in the House of Commons this afternoon.

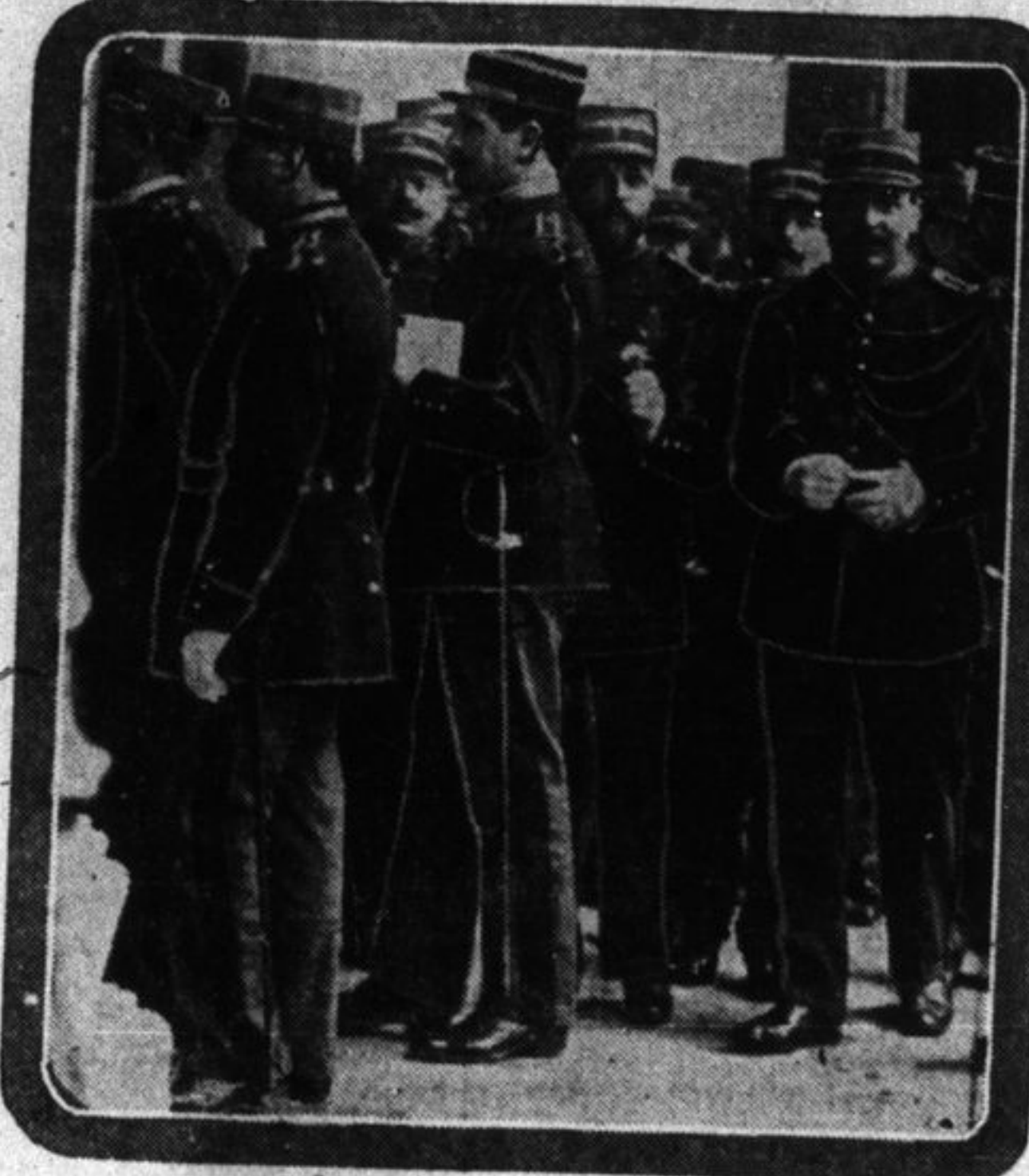
FAILED TO APPEAR. Bondsman for Canadian Soldier Forfeited \$1,000 to U.S. Officials.

New York, Oct. 25.—An Associated Press dispatch from Duluth, Minn., to-day says: "Bondsman for Private E. B. Connell, of the 141st Overseas Battalion of the Canadian Army to-day paid to Federal officials \$1,000 bail forfeited when Connell failed to appear yesterday before a U. S. Commissioner to answer a charge of violating the neutrality law by recruiting men in the United States for the Canadian Service."

Quartermaster of 247th. Peterboro, Oct. 25.—The appointment of R. J. Soden as quartermaster of the 247th Battalion, for which Peterboro is the headquarters, was officially announced to-day.

Peterboro Red Cross. Peterboro, Oct. 25.—Closing a very active year the local branch of the Red Cross Society yesterday reported receipts of \$17,359.04, of which \$11,542.16 was contributed by monthly subscribers.

FRENCH VETERANS AT MANSION HOUSE.



Stirring scenes were witnessed as the representatives of France's glorious army marched, and tremendous crowds cheered our gallant Allies all the way to the Mansion House, London, from the station. Picture shows them entering Mansion House for dinner with the Lord Mayor.

LARGER LOAN FOR BRITAIN IN STATES

Arrangements Believed Completed and Amount Will Exceed Quarter-Billion

New York, Oct. 25.—The return from abroad of Arthur M. Anderson, head of the bond department of J. P. Morgan & Company, was regarded in financial circles as an indication that arrangements have been completed for a new British Government secured loan of \$250,000,000 floated here last August.

The amount, it is said, may be something more, and that maturity, instead of being two years, is likely to be five, and for that reason it is the opinion of bankers that the rate will in all probability be a shade higher than the last loan. This increase in the rate from 5 per cent. to 6 per cent. would mean a higher price rather than a higher rate on the face of the bonds. At present there is a great demand for short term securities, and the demand for longer maturities is not so large. It is felt that bonds of longer maturities should carry a higher rate. Moreover, the British Government would, in any event arrange its financing in the United States so that the second secured loan should be mature at about the same time as the first.

The collateral behind the new loan will also consist of securities of neutral countries and of American railroad and industrial stocks and bonds that have been mobilized by the British Treasury.

GIRLS TO WORK ON FARMS

Ontario Will Permit Them to Get Academic Standing.

Toronto, Oct. 25.—Girls can work as farmers next year, as boys did this year, and still get their academic standing, according to regulations issued by the Department of Education. These regulations make it clear this year that this work must be done on Ontario farms. During 1916 some boys made the mistake of going to harvest on the plains.

The department has for the school year 1916-17 made some amendment to the regulations of January and March, 1916, which provided for the enlistment of young men who were attending the high and continuation schools and the collegiate institutes in preparation for the examination to the normal schools and the faculties of education, and who desired to enlist for overseas service in the present war.

One important factor is the definite requirement of an examination prior to Easter, 1917. On certain conditions the ministers will, after next Easter, grant candidates exemption from examinations of June, 1917, with the certificates concerned.

TO TAKE A NEW COMMAND

Lt.-Col. P. B. Migneault is Returning to Canada.

London, Oct. 25.—Lieut.-Colonel P. B. Migneault, of Montreal, of the Laval Hospital unit, is leaving shortly for Canada to assume a new military command. Major Decarie, who is second in command of the Laval Hospital, and a member of the Montreal Catholic School Board, will probably succeed Col. Migneault as commanding officer of the unit.

Canadian Medical Changes. London, Oct. 25.—Several changes in the personnel of the Canadian Medical Services are likely to follow the resignation of Surgeon-General Carlsson Jones. Lieut.-Col. Charles A. Peters, of Montreal, commanding the 9th Field Ambulance, now on service in France, will reach London shortly to become assistant director of Medical Services, the post which has been held by Lieut.-Col. Shillington, of Ottawa.

\$60,000 TAXES WOULD BE LOST

To Municipalities If the Ontario Government Does Not Pay.

FOR THE HYDRO-ELECTRIC

NOW THAT SEYMOUR SYSTEM IS TAKEN OVER.

Napanee Alone Would Lose Over \$5,000 by the Change in Ownership—The Municipalities' Case Presented.

Toronto, Oct. 25.—In connection with the visit of the deputation which called on Premier Hearst and the Cabinet yesterday at the Parliament buildings to discuss what could be done with regard to the loss of taxes by the taking over by the Seymour Power Company by the Government, Mayor Mulholland, of Port Hope, introducing the deputation, welcomed the Hydro to the various parts of the province, and stated that the amount of taxes lost to the municipalities would be \$45,000. He asked the Government to pay the taxes to the various municipalities for the part of 1916, and that for 1917 and succeeding years compensation should be arranged to make good the loss to the municipalities.

Mr. Stinson, K.C., Lindsay, secretary of the Midland Municipal Association, of which this delegation is part, said that nine counties have been affected through the taking over of the Seymour Power Company. He argued that the general law of taxation should keep pace with public ownership. The Government should pay taxes for their property the same as every other citizen. "It means that at present the sixty municipalities affected will lose \$60,000 a year, and in many cases it will mean double taxation through the Government coming to the district." In the town of Nipissing the new method will mean that half the payment of their taxes has been wiped out, and that the same in many of the municipalities.

Figures of loss of taxation, as given by the speakers, are as follows: North Bay \$ 455 Napanee 1,225 Deseronto 1,568 Cobourg 739 Hungerford 530 Tweed 239 Madoc 95 Port Hope 1,900 Fenelon Falls 1,900

GERMANS HEAVILY SHELL

The British Front North-east of Courcellette.

(Special to the Whig.) London, Oct. 25.—The Germans shelled the British front north-east of Courcellette, and also along the Pozieres-Bapaume road with great violence last night, as if in preparation for a great counter-attack. General Haig reported this afternoon that heavy rains impeded operations.

War Tidings.

Britain is borrowing three hundred million dollars more in United States, making over one billion dollars in all. A Boston despatch says it is reported from Nova Scotia that the German submarine U-53 was sunk in the Bay of Fundy by the Canadian patrol boat Stanley.

The Austrian Socialists denounce the killing of the Austrian premier. A wireless to Rome says the Teutonic advance in Dobruja has been halted.

BIG FRENCH VICTORY ON VERDUN FRONT

French Capture Douaumont Village And Fort And Other Places, Together With 3,500 Prisoners--German Reinforcements Came Too Late.

(Special to the Whig.) London, Oct. 25.—The French have won a great victory on the Verdun front. They advanced on a front of four miles for a depth of from one to two miles, capturing Douaumont village and fort, Thiaumont farm, Haudremont quarries and other points; with 3,500 prisoners and many machine guns of the Crown Prince's army.

German Reinforcements Too Late. (Special to the Whig.)

Paris, Oct. 25.—German reinforcements are being rushed up to the Verdun front to meet the new French offensive, according to advices from the front to-day. In response to the Crown Prince's appeal for help, the Teutons are shifting regiments back from the Somme to the Verdun front.

German units from the Somme battle field arrived before Verdun yesterday while the French were smashing their way northward, but too late to take part in the day's action.

German Counter-Attacks Fail.

(Special to the Whig.) Paris, Oct. 25.—Two violent German counter-attacks were delivered last night and this morning against the positions on the Haudromont-Damloup line northeast of Verdun, won by the French in yesterday's great assault. Both attacks failed, the French maintaining all their positions, it was officially announced to-day.

The French spent the night cleaning up Fort Douaumont, captured from the Germans yesterday. Among the 3,500 prisoners is the German commander of Fort Douaumont.

ONE OF LAST LETTERS FROM MAJOR MOWAT

It Was Very Optimistic—Writer Told of Immense German Stores.

"Brockville, Ont., Oct. 25.—One of the last letters written by Major J. McDonald Mowat, who was killed in France while leading his men in a counter-attack, came to Hon. G. F. Graham of this town.

Among other matters the gallant officer wrote that he was major in command of a company and had been in the severest of fighting. At that time (Sept. 24), he was back of the lines resting. His description of fighting was very realistic and written in terse style. He described the German trenches out of which they had driven the enemy, and said they found in them a sufficient quantity of stores to establish several wholesale business houses. He spoke of the wonderful fighting of the Canadians and judging from the tone of the letter appeared to be in fine spirits himself.

MADE 225 SUBMARINES

Germany Pays More Attention to Them Than Warships.

Geneva, Oct. 25.—Prince von Buelow, former German Imperial Chancellor, recently informed a neutral newspaperman that since the beginning of the war Germany had constructed 225 submarines, says a despatch from Constance. The German naval authorities, the Prince is reported to have added, are paying more attention to submarines than to battleships, and Austria-Hungary is doing likewise.

KAISER EATS "WAR BREAD."

And as a Result the Chief Hun is Getting Thin.

Amsterdam, Oct. 25.—The Kaiser is becoming thin from the rigorous diet imposed by the war. A despatch received here to-day said that when the Emperor reviewed the German troops at Verdun this week it was noticeable that he bore less flesh than when he was last seen there. The Kaiser goes without meat four days a week, and eats black "war bread."

A GERMAN DREAM.

Berlin Says Russians Have Lost 1,797,522 Since June 1st. (Special to the Whig.)

Berlin, Oct. 25.—The Russians have lost 1,797,522 men in killed, wounded and captured since the Gallian offensive began June 1st, the semi-official News Agency declared to-day.

The greatest number of casualties were among the Siberian corps and the Caucasian cavalry.

Another German Lie Nailed. London, Oct. 25.—A British Admiralty announcement declares there is no truth in the Berlin official statement yesterday that a British destroyer operating off the coast of Flanders was hit on October 21 by a bomb dropped from a German submarine squadron.

CARRIED OFF AS HOSTAGES.

Rumanians Removed Citizens of Captured Towns, Says Berlin.

Berlin via Saville, wireless, Oct. 25.—At the command of the Rumanian Government, Rumanian military forces carried off from Constantza, Medidia and Tulce several prominent citizens, including a vice-consul, as hostages, the semi-official News Agency stated to-day.

DAILY MEMORANDUM

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St. Luke's Christmas Sale and Concert, Wednesday, Nov. 29th.

The King's Daughters' Bazaar Sale, Friday, Oct. 27th, in the Island Market.

THE DAILY BRITISH WHIG

Is on Sale at the Following City Stores:

- Bucknell's News Depot ... 225 King St.
Clarke J. W. & Co. ... 553 Princess
College Book Store ... 143 Princess
Coulter's Grocery ... 200 Princess
Dillen's Grocery, Cor. Princess & Alfred
Frontenac Hotel ... Ontario St.
Gibson's Drug Store ... Market Square
McAulley's Book Store ... 33 Princess
McCall's Cigar Store, Cor. Prin. & King
Mowat's Grocery ... 100 Princess
Medley's Drug Store, 250 University
Paul's Cigar Store ... 78 Princess
Prouse's Drug Store ... 100 Princess
Southco's Grocery ... Portsmouth
Valley's Grocery ... 505 Montreal

MARRIED

PAYNE-HOGAN—On Wednesday morning, Oct. 19th, 1916, at 8.30 o'clock, at the church of the Sacred Heart, Wolfe Island, by the Rev. Father Fleming, Austin Joseph Payne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Payne, to Nora Gertrude Hogan, daughter of Mr. Henry Hogan, both of Wolfe Island.

DEED

HOLIDAY—In Kingston General Hospital on Oct. 24th, 1916, Henry Murray Holiday, aged 53 years, Wolfe Island, from his late residence, Wolfe Island, on Friday morning at 11 o'clock.

GARDNER—At 320 Albert street, Kingston, Ont., on Tuesday, Oct. 24th, 1916, Frank H. Gardner, late of 198 Delaware Ave., Toronto, Interment at Toronto.

SIMPSON—In Liverpool, on Oct. 24th, 1916, George A. son of John Simpson, aged 15 years.

Funeral, Thursday, at 1.30 from Methodist church, to Sand Hill vault.

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Familiar Quotations

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM MANY THINKERS. Once more unto the breach, dear friends, once more, Or close the wall up with our English dead! In peace there's nothing so becomes a man as modest stillness and humility; But when the blast of war blows in our ears, Then imitate the action of the tiger; Stiffen the sinews, summon up the blood.