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Will Open the Straits to Merchantmen And Mcn-o'-War.

TO GIVE FRIENDLY CONSIDER-ATION TO ARMENIANS.

The Pope Is Informed by the Apos- a session of the council of ministers. tolic Delegate at Constantinople That the Turks May Raze The Holy City.

Rome, May 15.—The Idea Nazionale, the organ of the Nationalist party, prints a report from diplomatic quarters that Turkey has made overtures to Russia through a neutral source for a separate peace on the basis of the complete opening of the straits to Russian navigation, both for war and merchant vessels.

According to this report Turkey also declares herself disposed to give friendly consideration to the Armenian question and suitable recognition to the principle of nationalities.

### Turks May Raze Holy City.

Rome, May 15 .- The Apostolic Delegate at Constantinople has informed the Pope that the Turks have gained the consent of Germany to raze the city of Jerusalem in case there is any danger of the British occupying the Holy City.

The Pope enquired in Berlin and Vienna, and was informed that military reasons might justify the de- Choate, former United States ambasstruction of the Holy City. The Teu-sador to Great Britain, died last that "the allies have announced the purpose to dismember Turkey."

Then the Pope contemplated appealing to the allies to stop their ad- this city of the British and French vance toward Jerusalem. It is fear- war missions, and attended services to-day of such force as to suggest ed is the utmost danger that the last at the Cathedral of St. John the Di- almost a general counter-offensive vestige of the Holy City will be lost, vine with Foreign Minister Balfour for the Turks have long awaited a on Sunday. pretext to wipe it out.

### TERMS OF SETTLEMENT OF IRISH QUESTION

### Are to be Transmitted on Wednesday to the Irish Leaders.

(Special to the Whig.) London, May 15,-Premier Lloyd the North Sea yesterday George will transmit the terms of a according to an official settlement of the Irish question de- ; issued by the Admiralty. vised by the Government to the Irish A despatch to the Star from the leaders to-morrow. Chancellor of east coast says news was received of the Exchequer Bonar Law an- early this morning that the L-22 nounced in the House of Commons was approaching the coast. A squadtoday. What the Government's pro- fron of naval aircraft went in pursuit. posals for settlement are were not. The Zeppelin was attacked by a disclosed by Bonar Law. Those in battleplane, which overhauled it, touch with the situation today said and it was seen to burst into flames. it was by no means certain these Two members of the airship's proposals would be accepted by the crew jumped into the sea, and the French lines on a wide front near ulrish Nationalists, but may lead to others disappeared with the burning further concessions on both sides, Zeppelin. when the Government's plans have been made public.

### A TORPEDO MISSED BY ONLY TWO FEET. +

(Special to the Whig.) \* two days.

Sir Lyman Melvin Jones, Toronto. died leaving an estate of \$1,143,004 to his widow and h's daughter, Mrs. Crawford Brown.

### PETAIN TO COMMAND **ALL FRENCH FORCES**

Foch Becomes Chief of Staff -Nivelle to Command Certain Army Groups.

(Special to the Whig.) Paris, May 15 .- Gen. Petain was to-day named generalissimo of the French armies with supreme command of the forces in the field. Gen. Foch, one of the heroes of the Marne, who commanded the French centre at that memorable battle, was named to succeed Gen. Petain as chief of staff. Gen. Nivelle, who has been in command of the French field forces, will have command of the certain army groups. The sweeping changes in the commands of the French fighting forces were decided upon at

JOSEPH H. CHOATE DEAD

Noted American Ambassador Passes Away Suddenly.



LATE JOSEPH H. CHOATE night. Mr. Choate had been ill only since morning. He had taken a very active part in the entertainment in

### BATTLEPLANE SENDS ZEPPELIN INTO SEA of ground.

### L-22 Attacked While Approaching British Coast, Destroyed With Grew.

London, May 15 .- British naval forces destroyed Zeppelin L-22 in

### NINETY LIVES LOST

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Abosso , Was Torpedced, April 24th.

New York, May 15.—Ninety I ves were lost on April 24th in the tor-+ pedoing of the 7,782-ton British New York, May 15 .- A tor + liner Abosso, off Fastnet, according pedo fired by a German sub- + to stories of passengers here to-day marine at the White Star liner + from Europe. She was armed, but ♦ Baltic on April 19th missed ♦ the submarine was never even sight- mans. the great liner by a bare ten + ed. The ship was torpedoed with-4 feet, according to information 4 out warning. Forty-six passengers French raiding parties successfully obtained to-day from travellers o were lost and 44 of the crew. The cleaned up enemy trenches taking ♦ in New York. This was the se- ♦ Abosso was unable to stop her en- many prisoners. ond attack on the Baltic in o gines after the German torpedo + struck, and she smashed into three + lifeboats, crushing those aboard or \* drown'ng them. She was bound from Nigeria to Liverpool.

> Brant farmers have formed a cooperative society, with two hundred

### HAZARDOUS WORK OF CANADIAN ARTILLERY SIGNALLERS.



The leading man is sticking his head above cover to use binoculars. The second man is using a periscope, a third is using a telephone, and the fourth is probably attending to the wire connections for the telephone. Their job is as near the foe as they can get to watch the effect of their own batteries shells and report back.

And French Fronts Efforts Fail.

ATTACKING WAVES FOLLOW 4 more. GREAT BOMBARDMENT.

British Advanced Posts Forced Back a Short Distance-Looks Like an Enemy Concerted Counter-attack. (Special to the Whig.)

aunched a concerted counter-attack on both the French and British fronts movement. The attacks were repelled for the most part, but both the pelled to relinquish insignificant bits without imports for a year to come, juniform, had secured a free trip to the Hague Tribunal.

Field Marshal Hafg's report detailby attacking waves. There was a short distance." At Ypres British raids took prisoners.

### Attack Against French.

(Special to the Whig) Paris, May 15 .- The German for ces launched an attack against the Bouvelle, following a violent artillery bombardment, the War Office by heavy machine gun fire and failed of his administration of the food to reach the French lines, except at supply.

one small advance trench. launched southeast of Filan, north of Craonne, east of Hill 108, and portheast of Auberive, all of which the War Office said failed, French defenders imprisoning many Ger-

### British Repulse Attacks.

Hindenburg line held by British + is the one branch of the Gov- + now destroyed traffic east and west

counter-attacks on the Hindenburg + people will find themselves + be taken over by the Government. line, which failed completely. Those with a broken down Governat Bullecourt were also repulsed af ment in the midst of the most 4 posts at the northern portion of the village were forced back a short dis- + tory."

### Germans Capture Farm

Berlin, via London, May 15.—German forces stormed and captured St. Berthe farm, east of Fort Malsinaison, near Monchy today, the official statement declared. British attacks around Monchy were broken down in an annihilating fire.

Fort Malimaison, which the Germans declare they have captured, is on the French front, not the British gagement on the middle Isonzo two Jit will be noted that the German enemy machines were brought down official statement is not confirmed by either the British or the French

### PTE. BROWNLEE KILLED

nother Kingston Young Man Pays the Supreme Sacrifice Miss Margaret Brownlee, 258 Prinis increasing, sometimes reaching day that her brother, Ptc. Archibald great intensity.

Brownlee, has been officially reported

our height vantage points near 1915 in the 21st Battalion going into Plava, but were repulsed by an im- No. 3 Company. Saskatchewan wheat is about tion is unchanged." three-fourths sown.

# **+ THE ENORMOUS LOSSES**

With the French Armies in + + the Field, May 15.—Germany + tive. The totals may be much +

## London, May 15.—Germany Seizure of Crops Urged To Prevent Any Internal

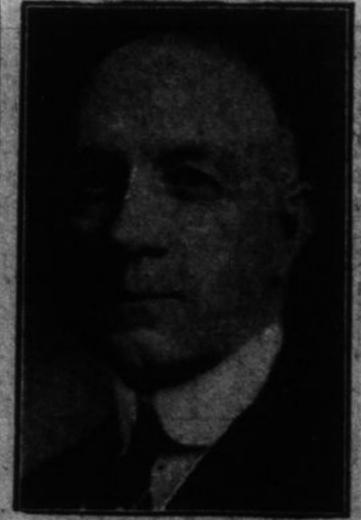
paper, The Haagische Post, dealing with Holland's food situation, says that, so far as strictly necessary food if meats, eggs, butter, cheese, etc., England, but that as soon as they are distributed with rigid economy.

the expense of the State for a whole year. Beans, oats and barley might ter use hay, pulp and prepared fod- be expunged from Hansard. der should be carefully stored by

Other German attacks were been temporarily withheld, the mes- statement of Sir George Foster to the sage adds, it is expected his resig- effect that all companies showing a nation will be shortly announced, bona fide desire to build wooden constituting a severe setback for the ships would receive encouragement Conservative party leaders.

### A SLACKER CONGRESS.

+ calamitous war known to his-



HENRY D. REID

emarks Made by Ou'Appelle Membe

THE REMARKS OF MR. THOMP-SON FROM HANSARD.

Bill Introduced to Give G. T. R. Further Powers to Build, Branch Lines in the West-A C.P.R. Financial Bill.

Mr. Thompson of Qu 'Appelle on May

smelled powder they had skipped home, leaving their men behind. ment of the positions his troops have of all grain crops, since the greatest gained on the Hindenburg line and danger to the country lies in imof order as they violated rule 191 and also that rule which forbade re- | tion of the village the British commander- ancial blow would be far heavier flection of dishonor on officers of in-chief frankly stated that British than if one-third of the population the military forces. When the memadvanced posts had been forced back of the Netherlands were to be fed at ber for Qu'Appelle was present, he proposed moving that he be ordered

> Col. Taylor declared that he had the principles of socialist action. military exigencies and removed jority socialist party in France. from him to the charge of a Bri-

gadier. He, with all, had received a specific invitation from the Government

# Hon. Dr. Pugsley preferred to a and a reasonable profit on their en-

formation could be secured from the Imperial Munitions Board. A bill giving the G.T.P. further powers to build branch lines in the New York, May 15 .- Under + west was introduced by Col. Currie, (Special to the Whig.) 

the heading, "A Slacker Con- of Simcoe. Sir Wilfrid Laurier ask- the army, and the tendency of the London, May 15.—Violent German of gress," the New York World to- of Col. Currie if he had considered Russian soldiers to fraternize with attacks against those portions of the + day said editorially: "Congress + the fact that the Government had the enemy.

pulsed last night. Field Marshal & down in the war and falled of & William German, of Welland, had tempted the Russian soldiers by + its duty. It is anything but a + thought that in view of the report offering them vodka and had tried "Early this morning the enemy of the commission which had investigated our positions at is any leadership left in Con-Bullecourt and on the Hindenburg + gress it cannot assert itself too + ed unwise to authorize further having a baneful influence in the and threw two determined soon. Otherwise the American branch lines on a road which might armies, rear, along the railroads and reports had been considered, and tail the ruin of Russia. that an announcement would be made to the House at an early date. Col. Currie declared that, so far as was known, no action was to be taken by the Government, and the company wanted to go ahead. The bill received its first reading.

A Financial Bill. Sir Thomas White, Minister of Finance, introduced a bill to facilitate certain financial arrangements between the Government of the United ter, was to enable the Canadian payable in United States currency to here to Marshal Joffre. se exchanged by the C.P.R. when restock, and other securities which may Canadian and Catholic function, and be acquired in London. The main object was to help the exchange situ-

### O'BRIEN TO RETIRE

monite and Sinn Feiner.

# ASK HINDENBURG

### Junkers' Only Hope of Stopping Reform Wave-Peace Speech Deferred.

The Hague, May 15.—Under the headline "Kaiser, Listen to your Monarchists have issued a strong appeal to Emperor William to stop listening to Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg and give his own old Court friends and his backers [All throughout the country some show. In the next sentence they tell the Emperor that if the Chancellor's agents have him so tied up that he cannot or dare not see any junker representatives, he has only to ask Field Marshal von Hindenburg, and the latter will speedily clear a way for them. This is apparently a direct appeal to Hindenburg to stop the democratic wave of reform by some military coup d'etat.

Simultaneously with this hostile move of the reactionaries, the Chancellor is being told by his supporters that he has got to clear the reactionaries out of his Ministry. His principal organ, the powerful Frankfur- seeking the destruction of free Ruster Zeitung, publishes a list of Prus- sia; also calling for a revolution of sian Ministers and permanent offic- workmen and peasants in Germany ials whom it says Bethmann must and Austria-Hungary, but again voicthrow overboard if he does not want ing a demand for renunciation by the to be thrown overboard himself. . Allies of any policy of conquest, was In the meantime the Socialists are issued by the Workmen's and Sol-

beginning to threaten that unless diers' Council to-day. Bethmann makes up his mind to

### MUST FIX FAULT FOR THE WORLD WAR

### French Socialists Will Only Share in Conference on That Basis.

Paris, May 15 .- L'Humanite says Ottawa, May 15 .- In the House the National Council of the French of Commons yesterday afternoon, Socialist party, to be held May 27th Col. Taylor, of New Westminster, olution demanding the trial of Gerrose to a question of privilege. He man and Austrian Socialists who referred to certain statements made made themselves accomplices of the The Hague, May 15.-A weekly relative to "political colonels," by Governments of the Central Powers, which are held responsible for suddenly precipitating the war in spite 1st. Mr. Thompson had said that of proposals to submit the ques-British and French forces were com- is concerned, the country can do these men had swaggered around in tions at issue to arbitration before ing up.

The resolution adds that only or condition that convocations to the International Convention of Socialists be regularly issued and that the prowill French Socialists accept participation in the international conven

The resolution also says the internationals must declare for the establishment of universal suffrage and Parliamentary demoncracies, and make the German resolution an obbe utilized for fodder, while for win- to withdraw his remarks and they ligation upon all German socialists who pretend to remain faithful to

raised a battalion and had taken it. The fact that this resolution to England. The battalion there had published in L'Humanite indicates been broken up on account of the that it is the programme of the ma-

# **RUSSIAN SOLDIERS**

### General Brussiloff Deplores Agitation for a Premature Peace.

London, May 15,-The Times' Odessa correspondent, telegraphing under date of May 9th, says a great impression has been created by a recent speech of General Alexis Brussterprise. What details, Dr. Pugsley iloff, commander-in-chief of the Russian armies on the south-western front, complaining of the serious shortcomings of the army and deploring the agitation for a premature peace, the relaxation in discipline, the number of desertions from

General Brussiloff, says the corforces around Bullecourt were re- + ernment which has broken + by granting free wheat. respondent, declared that the enemy

### SABBATH CALM DISTURBED

Joffre's Montreal Visit Was an "Ignoring of Protestant Rights" Montreal. May 15 .- The Protestant Ministerial Association at its meeting yesterday passed a resolution protesting strongly against the "violation of the Sabbath rest and the infringement of the rights and Kingdom and the C.P.R. The pur- privileges of the Protestant minority pose of the measure, said the Minis of Montreal" by those who selected the morning and afternoon of Sunday Pacific to issue collateral trust bonds as the times for the civic reception

Rev. Dr. Hanson, Erskine Church said the reception was a Frenchcompletely ignored Protestant rights.

deers London Buildings. London, Ont., May 15 .- The Government has commandeered for the Military Hospitals Commission buildings used by the Western University. While the University owns a large London, May 15.—The impending site for new buildings, which were to retirement from Parliament of Wil- be erected before the war, up to the liam O'Brien, who sits for the city of Cork, is reported in Cork, Should owned by Huron Theological College this occur, Lord Mayor Butterfield, for its first department. These are of Cork, an adherent of John Redof Cork an adherent of John Red- the buildings which the buildings which the mond, and ex-Mayor Meade, a Sinn Commission has decided to convert the charity equal to the prince, will be candidates for the into a soldiers' hospital, there being charity that is charitable.—Anon- charitable.—Anon-

# FOR BIG VICTORY SIKUNU

People," Germany's Junkers and Pointed Out That Cermany Sceks the Destruction of Free Russia.

# FOR A REVOLUTION

OF WORKMEN AND PEASANTS IN TEUTON EMPIRES.

Issued By Workmen's and Soldiers' Council at Petrograd-An Irreparable Catastrophe For the Working Classes of the Entire

World. (Special to the Whig.) Petrograd, May 15 .- A powerful appeal to Russia's soldiers not to be blind to the fact that Germany is

"Do not forget that the Kaiser's meet their demands they may refuse regiments are destroying revoluto vote for the new war credit, tionary Russia, says the proclamawhich comes before the Reichstag tion. It would be an irreparable catastrophe not only for us, but for the working classes of the entire

### War Tidings.

The British Admiralty officially denies the German report that the British cruiser Cordelia was mined between Ireland and Scotland.

Bonar Law said in the British House that it depends upon circumstances whether the Entente would make peace with any of Central powers, as "no blow would be so fatal to Germany as to lose one of her Allies."

Russian reverses on both Caucasian and Mesopotamian fronts were reported Monday.

The Russian situation causes much anxiety. A strong man is needed to save the country from break-Two large British ships were sunk

by submarines with heavy cargoes.

British have now occupied all of Roeux village; fighting is still in It is stated in Rome that Turkey is trying for separate peace.

### 325 GERMAN SUBMARINES Are in Operation According to an

marines have been lighter.

Amsterdam Report. (Special to the Whig) London, May 15 .- An Amsterdam despatch says the Germans have already 325 submarines in operation, and 39 of the newest type carry crews of 56 men each. According to the Amsterdam Telegraaf from eighty to one hundred submarines have been lost through British nets alone Each submarine gets wireless in LED TO DESERT ARMY structions every morning from Heli-

goland, the story says.

10,000 Milkmaids Wanted. London, May 15 .- The British Government is campaigning to obtain 10,000 milkmaids. The girls will be given free training and be maintained during instruction and terms of unemployment, and will be paid \$4.50 a week, or the district wage where it is higher.

Hon. A. J. Balfour will come to Canada about the middle of next week, visiting Niagara Falls, Ottawa, Toronto and Montreal.

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BROWNLEE - Killed in action, or April 23rd, somewhere in France, Pte. Archibald Brownlee, aged 23 years, son of the late Archibald

JACKSON-in Kingston, Monday, May 14th, 1917, Margaret Ellen Jackson, daughter of the late Joseph Jackfiam Street West, Wednesday af-ternoon at 3.00 o'clock. invited to attend.

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# **Familiar Quotations**

# OFFICIAL WAR STATEMENTS

Italian. rols. Enemy detachments were re- intact and a quantity of ammunipulsed in the Travignolo Valley and tion. in the San Pellegrino Valley. "On the Julian front the artillery

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was increasingly active. Rome, May 14 .- "On the Trentino tillery heavily engaged the batteries front yesterday there were artillery, and trenches and important centres duels on the Asiago plateau," says in the enemy lines. Fires were reto-day's War Office report. "Enemy ported in the rear of the enemy accoplanes made repeated attempts positions. South-east of Gorizia patto reconnoitre in the Sugana Valley | rol raids resulted in the capture of They were hindered by our air pat- thirty prisoners, two machine guns

"The aerial activity also increased. A hostle squadron droppe bombs in the Aquileja area, damaging the Basilica and the Archaeological Museum. In a brilliant enby our airmen."

### Austrian.

Vienna, May 14,-Monday's War Office report/ reads:—
"Italian theatre—On the Isonzo front the artillery battle continues uninterruptedly. The enemy's fire cess street, received word on Tues-

"Italian infantry tried to carry killed in action on April 23rd. Pte. out an attack in force against one or Brownlee enlisted in February of mediate counter-thrust. "In the other theatres the situa-

♦ lost 200,000 men in killed. ﴿ wounded and captured in the + period from April 16th to May 4 4 1st on the French front alone. 4 + In the two weeks since May 1st. + it was estimated to-day, her ad- + ditional losses have been pro-• portionally greater even than • • this staggering mortality. The • 1 + figures on which these estimates + \* are based are those of head-• quarters. They are conserva- •

### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* HOLLAND CAN FOREGO IMPORTS FOR A YEAR

Complications.

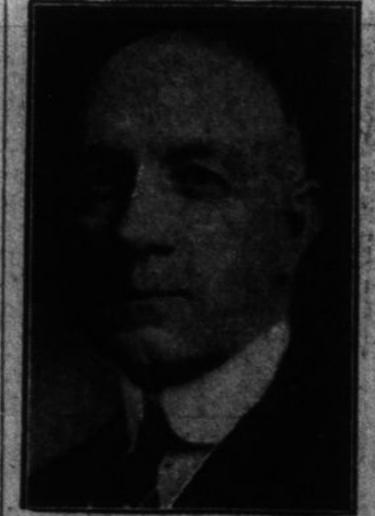
ed a tremendous German bombard- mediate seizure by the Government particularly at Bullecourt, followed ports and exports, which may cause sulting. They were also doubly out heavy fighting. In the northern part the eleventh hour," It says, "the fin-

the farmers during the summer."

Foe's Food Lord to Resign. Amsterdam, May 15 .- Adolph von Batocki, President of the Food Regannounced to-day. Heavy fighting at ulation Board in Germany, has askvarious other sections of the front ed permission to resign, according was also reported. In the Bouvelle to a Berlin telegram, owing to severe public duties.

## \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Sir George Foster said that all in-

(Special to the Whig.)



Vice-president and treasurer of the Reid-Newfoundland Co., St. John's dry