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Opposition Comes From All Classes--- "German Hirelings" is a Common Term of Denunciation---Bolsheviki Leaders Conscious of Failure.

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London, Dec. 26 .- There have been occasional assertions in recent Petrograd despatches that the influence and power of the Bolsheviki was waning, but never with such unanimity as in special despatches dated from the Russian capital Monday and printed to-day. Nearly all make the point in some form or other that the defection from the Workmen's and Soldiers' organization is increasing. Among the causes alleged are a general lack of authority, the increase in drunkenness, reluctance of the population to war and the scarcity of foodstuffs. The main desire of the soldiers is said to be for peace.

The correspondents cite instances of Bolsheviki troops refusing to march, declining to attack the Ukranians and permitting the Cossacks to disarm them without resistance.

The Bolshëviki leaders, says the Petrograd correspondent of the Morning Post, appear to be coming conscious of the hopeless failure, while the correspondent of the Daily News there, says there is tremendous growing opposition to the Bolsheviki among all classes. Men who formerly supported them are turning against them, and "German hirelings" is a common term of denunciation.

To Further Internationalism Propaganda. (Canadian Press Despatch.)

Petrograd, Dec. 26. The Bolsheviki Government has decided to send special representatives to all countries, belligerent as well as neutral, to further the propaganda of internationalism. Two million roubles have been appropriated for this purpose.

Peace Negotiations Further Delayed. (Canadian Press Despatch.)

London, Dec. 26.—The Russo-German negotiations, which were to have been resumed on Monday after postponement to give Germans time to formulate their reply to the Russian terms, were again delayed for one day, an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Petrograd reports. The despatch also says the Germans have asked for a further postponement until Jan. 2nd.

Despatches That Come From? Near A

PRESENTED IN THE BRIEFEST THE CANADIAN FRONT POSSIBLE FORM.

The Whig's Daily Condensation of German Party Dressed in the News of the World From Telegraph Service and Newspaper Ex-

The majority against conscription in Australia is 173,000. reached United States ports. have quadrupled their naval plant guns have been a trifle busier. Poor near Kiel.

Eng., on Saturday. Messages continue to pour in con- with gunfire yesterday. gratulating the Government on en- Taking advantage of the snow on acting prohibition.

on Turkey the desirability of peace, dressed in white. It was dispersed with Great Britain. The Italian deputies have passed

in the Orlando Government.

Two young German deserters were found on a Belgian relief steamer + which arrived at an Atlantic port. Brantford citizens had a com- + parleys on the Russian front + munity Christmas tree, said to be + got a set back.

the first time in the Province of On-Madame Pauline Donalda, famous & drive the Teutons from Asiago Montreal prima donna, has been + plateau positions. granted a divorce in Paris from Paul

Seveillac. A new depot battalion has been + quiet all along the western authorized for the Toronto Military + front. District, with Lieut.-Col. McCausland in command.

lose about twelve million dollars by & on Sunday, doing heavy damstopping the importation and manu- + age. facture of liquor. There has been a serious outbreak . Riots and civil war continue

colia border. More than one hun- + ing many troops to defeat Rudred deaths have already been re- + mania. Lieut, Commander Arthur M. Assuith of the Royal Naval Reserve

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son of ex-Premier Asquith

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has been severely wounded while serving in France.

shaw, formerly member of the legislative assembly, dropped dead. Relatives of British prisoners in Germany have been warned to refrain from using the word Hun in their letters. The Germans do not likes it, and abuse those whose

At Prince Albert, Eask, J. E. Brad

ffiends use it. Rifles were found hidden in the cargo of the Shilka, a Russian freighter, which arrived at a Pacific port. Ites thought they were intended for Industrial Workers of the World or for a raider in the Pacific.

QUIET ON CHRISTMAS

White Failed to Deceive the Wary Canadians.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Canadian Army Headquarters, Dec. 26.—The Canadian front was More Canadian wounded have quiet over Christmas. Our patrols recently have been active, while our Berlin reports that the Krupps artillery trench mortars and machine visibility has made aeroplane obser-Felix Moscneles, the famous vation difficult; in fact, three enemy painter, died at Tumbridge, Wells, low-flying machines mistaking our trenches for their own, were swept

the ground a small German party The Moslems of India are urging endeavored to approach our wire by our machine guns.

WAR BULLETINS.

Berlin reports that peace

The Italians continue to

Christmas Day was fairly

A British air squadron bomb-The Dominion Government will + ed Mannheim, a big Rhine city,

of pneumonia along the Shansi-Mon- + in Russia. Germany is mov-

Burglars Ransack Stores, Renfrew, Ont., Dec. 26,-Two burglars entered the store of P. J. Campbell & Co., grocers, on Sunday night and after helping themselves and the workers are back to normal made entrance into the billiard and again. A revision of the count as cigar store next door. There they given out by the different deputy- and leave Harbin. Otherwise, they Praser's gent's. furnishing store jority over his Liberal opponent, Mr. at home could facilitate the task by and had a quantity of wearing ap- Norman Reid, to be now ninety-nine saving tonnage, the Premier declar- It Suggests P.E.I. Premier -parel ready for transfer when they instead of 134, as first announced. were discovered by a policeman and given a chase. They have evaded

capture so far. Coldessro and Monteval Bella, on men, is reported lost north of Cape the Asiago plateau, were recaptured Breton. by the Stallan forces in a counter- At Washington, on Dec. 24th,

"REMEMBER THE KIDDIES!"

The Whig's Fund For Christmas Presents to Soldiers'

Mrs. R. S. Waldron \$150.00 Senator Richardson Steacy's Limited H. C. Nickle Mayor Hughes Royal Military College Cadets British Whig A. Davis & Son 25.00 R.C.H.A. Canteen 25.00N. C. Polson & Co. Macnee & Minnes Dr. J. J. Harty Parcel Post & Letter Carriers Ald, H. W. Newman 10.00 Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Whiting A. B. Cunningham Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Connell Robertson's Ltd. 10.00 Ancient St. John's Lodge, A.F. & A.M. 10.00 10.00 10.00 J. B. Carruthers Cataraqui Lodge No. 29, A.F. & A.M. 10.00 Custom House Col, and Mrs. Perreau F. Atkinson Wray Mr. and Mrs. H. Hitchen Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. W. H. Macnee Mrs. Margaret Dever Mr. and Mrs. Sandford Calvin Great War Veterans' Ass'n. Alan G. Stevenson Capt, John Donnelly Col. and Mrs. G. Hunter Oglivie Capt, and Mrs. Peters Sergeants Mess, Queen's Military Hospital Mrs. H. Staley John Hickey Man, W. Kirkpatrick Midland Shoe Co. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. C. Dobbs Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Stanley, Clinton, N. Y. "Betty" George Masoud F. R. Anglin Lend-a-Hand Circle, King's Daughters' Mite Box, Post Office Major G. L. Starr Mrs. Jéremy Taylor Mrs. M. Easson "Teddie" and "Jack" Archdeacon Dobbs 2.00 Patricia Miss Emily Smythe A. E. Day S. Cohan, Confectionary & Ice Cream Parlor, 168 A Friend ... 1.00 A Friend 1.75 Mrs. Dupuis 1.00 Mrs. A. Mackie 1.00 Mrs. John Hunter A Friend 1.00 1,00 Santa Claus, jr. A Friend Miss Baxter Harold Anglin Murray Airth A Lover of Kiddies Miss Dupuy Mrs. T. W. Mills Rodger and Molly A Friend A Soldier's Wife Another Soldier's Wife

NOTE-The Christmas Tree event for the children of local soldiers will but was not scriously hurt. An in- posts, to snipe patrols and generally bert Ellis shot and killed himself, be held in the Armouries on Friday afternoon. The 1,400 children and their quest was held, and the remains were to make themselves unpleasant, says The affair took place in the evening. is therefore impossible to invite the generous contributors to the Fund, much as one should like to do so. Admission to the Armouries will be by ticket only. The fund must close to-morrow (Thursday) evening and there- covery. He suffered a slight stroke the fact that the country is so hilly Herbert Ellis had been engineer on number of people who have neglected to send to the Whig Office their cheques for the subscription promised. It is earnestly requested that they attend to this matter immediately.

WINS NORTH RENFREW.

The American steamship Tuscar- sand additional unskilled laborers. ora, with her crew of thirty-five

TO PROVIDE HELP.

ed. It had been decided to make greater use of prisoners of war, and he hoped thus to provide thirty thou-

Theodorini as a spy in the employ of The Acadians of Prince Edward Is
Canadian Pacific Railway earnings the Quebec Bridge will be the LC.R.

For Having Spoken Out With Very Peculiar Frankness

GRY, BUT STARVING.

The Press Told Pointedly That Must Curb Its Tongue In Discussion of German Internal Affairs-The Official Reason, of Course, is Otherwise.

Amsterdam, Dec. 26 .- The Berlin suspend publication for three days. Vorwaerts, in a recent article, atthat great masses of German people were not only hungry but were literally starving. It also accused the "war profiteers and millionaires" hoarding great supplies of food.

Warning to German Press.

London, Dec. 26.-The suspension of the Berlin Vorwaerts is considered | federation at the present time." as a warning to the entire German press that it must curb its tongue in LAURIER NOT TO ENTER the discussion of internal German conditions. Although the Vorwaerts for a long time has been in the hands of so-called "Government controlled Socialists," it recently printed an attack on Food Controller von Waldow and also some very outspoken editorials regarding internal conditions in Germany.

The official reason given for the suspension of the newspaper is "that the article denouncing the militaristic party's demands for the annexation of large sections of Russian territory is considered likely to stir up trouble. The indications are that the censors of the Central Powers have been instructed to exercise increased severity in the publication of two classes of articles, first, those that would be likely to hamper the Central Powers in their negotiations with Russia and, second, those giving a gloomy view of internal conditions in the Central Powers, which would be likely to encourage Germany's focs. The Hungarian Premier, in an address before the Diet Saturday, defended the censors for suppressing the war. Meanwhile it cannot articles along the latter line, saying The newspapers must not give the enemy ground for supposing that anarchistic conditions prevail in Hungary. Especially now, with peace negotiations proceeding, the authori-

War Tidings.

German submarines are being sunk almost twice as fast as new ones are being built.

ties will act with the greatest stern-

ness in the interest of peace."

and the vigor of its attacks.

MRS. AMOS HUGHES, SHARP'S CORNERS, FATALLY HURT.

At the Selby Crossing Near Napance -Her Thirteen-Year-Old Son Was Not Seriously Injured.

(From Our Own Correspondent) Napanee, Dec. 26 .- A distressing accident occurred on Monday morning at the Selby crossing. Mrs. Split Up Into Small Bodies charged Herbert Ellis, a Grand and her son Bert were coming to Napanee when their horse became unmanageable just as the train from the north came along. The engilater taken to the bereaved home. Reuter's correspondent (Jerusa- when the unfortunate man placed

daughter, of Toronto, spent Christ- British position the taking of certain years of age and unmarried.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Sherwood are there may be a wider range of devisiting with their daughter in New fence. All these moves have been York. D. B. Wilson, of Govan, successfully carried out." Sask., arrived home for Christmas. Col. Mackie, Unionist, Victor in German Prisoners Are to Till Bri- Mrs. J. T. Brandon and son Jack, of Humboldt, Sask., are home for a few

LIBERAL ORGAN'S CHOICE.

Union Cabinet.

Arsenault be chosen as a member of residence in the area under Chinese messages for the Canadian troops The Argentine public has lost a the Union Cabinet to represent the control.

WILL OF MAJORITY SHOULD BE OBEYED

No Possible Question of Rupture of Confederation, Sir Geo. Garneau Says.

Montreal, Dec. 26 .- Sir George Garneau is quoted in Ba Presse as having made the following statement with reference to the notice of motion given in the Quebec Legislature by J. Francoeur, member for Lotbinere, of his intention to bring on a debate on the question of Quebec breaking the Confederation agree-

"I have not had time to think over the matter very much, but I may say GREAT MASSES NOT ONLY HUN- at once that the proposition is, to say the least, inopportune, for there can be no possible question of a rupture of Confederation. The elections are over. The majority of the people have pronounced in favor of a law which we do not like, but as we are under an excellent regime we have but one thing to do, and that is to conform to the will of the apajority. Once the passions that we'll raised

Sir George notes the changed tone in the coming month.

DOMINION MINISTRY

Sir Herbert Ames Learns Government Opposes Invitation to Sir Wilfrid.

Montreal, Dec. 26 .- Sir Herbert a Minister Ames told a gathering of election workers of St. Antoine division at no chance of Sir Wilfrid Laurier being invited to become a member of the Cabinet. "I have been in Ottawa for the past two days," he said, "and have met not only the Premier, but a number of the Cabinet Ministers, and I am in a position to say that there is no chance of Sir Wilfrid Laurier being invited to enter the Cabinet. You cannot mix oil and water, and what the future of the province will be it is impossible for any of us to teil at the present time. The French-Canadians have isolated themselves for the present. but I hope and believe that in time they will do their share to winning expected, nor is it desirable, that they should take part in the government of the country."

LOOK FOR THREE

Lt.-Col. Davey, A.M.C., Hamilton, Regards Allies as Now on Defensive.

Hamilton, Dec. 26 .- Lieut.-Col The head of the Allies' armies at J. E. Davey, M.D., arrived home from Saloniki is Gen. Marie Louis Adol- the front with a large party of rephe Guillaumat. He is one of the turned officers and men yesterday heroes of Verdun, where he com- morning. He had been at the front manded an army corps which was with the Army Medical Corps for mentioned in army orders as having nearly three years, and in an inter-"distinguished itself by the metho- view made the statement that he dical precision of its preparations the meant the people could look for three years more of war. . He re-In a speech to the troops in the gards the Allies as now being on the West the Kaiser admitted Germany defensive because of the withdrawal of the Russians and the Italian defeat, but says they can win if they will put every ounce of energy and resource into the fight. Col. Davey says the Canadian people do not realize the pinch of war as do the people of England and France, and that they should save every particle of food and leave as much as possible for the Allies' use overseas.

TURKS CONDUCT

GUERILLA WAR After Being Driven From

Jerusalem.

London, Dec. 26 .- Since the neer did not see the trouble soon en- Turks were driven out of Jerusalem in an appearance. The court awardough ,and the train caught the cutter. they have been conducting guerilla ed the plaintiff \$2,000 damages. A Mrs. Hughes lived but an hour or two warfare to the north and east of the very damaging letter was produced. after the accident. Her son aged city, splitting up into numerous thirteen, was thrown some distance, small bodies to attack British out- Madawaska on Monday, when Her-

Charles Graham, John street, is "Such tactics," the correspondent and pulled the trigger. The body very ill, with but slight hopes of re- continues, "are greatly facilitated by was taken to Ottawa for interment. and intersected by so many ravines the G.T.R. Ottawa-Madawaska run Harry Dunlop, wife and little and small rivers. To improve the for many years. He was forty-eight ridges has been ordered, so that

Bolsheviki Told to Leave Harbin.

are warned, force would be used. Charlottetown, P.E.I., Dec. 26 .- er at Harbin, is continuing to assist and the British Prime Minister.

1917, \$3,051,000; increase, 72,000. | leaving Quebec, Jan. 6th.

Portfolio of Overseas Minister of Militia Is Likely to be Discontinued

ENTER

SAID TO BE SLATED AS MINISTER OF MARINE.

The Cabinet is Likely to be Radically Changed in Its Make-up-A Militia Council With a Very Strong Head is Now Said to be Introduced. Ottawa, Dec. 26 .- Important cabinet changes are predicted for the

during the campaign are calmed New Year. The Government as at Socialist newspaper Vorwacrts has down I am sure that there are en-present constituted is more or less been obliged by the Government to ough well-disposed people in all the of a temporary character, and will be provinces to appease these prejudices | radically changed in its make-up withtacked the system of the German food of the articles appearing in all the Two important portfolios are at controller, von Waldow, declaring serious newspapers in Ontario, and present engaging attention. It is he states that he has received let- not believed here that Sir Edward

ters from citizens of the Province of Kemp will long remain Overseas Ontario who took an active part in Minister of Militia. In fact it is not the Banne Entente movement, and believed that the portfolio itself will that their one care at present is to long exist. It will probably be abolsuccessfully finish "that very evcel- ished in favor of a Militia Council, lent movement." He concludes as with a president responsible to the follows: "As a matter of fact I do Minister of Militia here. That the not think there is much wisdom in president will have to be a man discussing the rupture of the Con- courageous enough to sweep aside existing red tape and to clear the service of patronage and favoritism with a view toward granting preferment to men who have seen actual service. The Government is said to be looke ing for such a man.

Another important portfolio engaging attention is that of the Postmaster-General.

The defeat of Hon, P. E. Blondin has now left the department; without It is stated here that Hon. C. C.

Ballantyne may become Postmaster-264 St. Martin street that there is General and that Premier Brewster of British Columbia may be taken in as Minister of Marine and Fisheries.

SIR WM. HEARST PLEASED. Provincial Prohibition a Success Be-

yond Doubt Toronto, Dec. 26.-Sir William Hearst, Premier of Ontario, has issuch the following statement in re-

gard to the Government's prohibition policy: "Fifteen months' experience of the Ontario Temperance Act has established beyond doubt that prohibition to the extent of provincial jurisdiction is a success and adds much to the financial strength of the province, as well as to the comfort and happiness of its people.

"The great difficulty experienced in the enforcement of the act has been the facility with which liquor could be imported into the province YEARS' WAR YET for ilegal purposes. I, therefore, note, with peculiar pleasure and satisfaction the important action the Federal Government proposes to take with this matter, as outlined in the announcement contained in Sat-

"The measure proposed will greatly assist in the enforcement of the law in this and other provinces, where prohibitory measures are in force, remove abuses beyond the power of provincial legislatures to correct, and will, I am sure, increase the good results already being feit in this province from the measure re-

ferred to. "The action of the Dominion Government will undoubtedly add greatly to the financial strength and fighting powers generally of the nation. The Union Government is to be congratulated on this exhibition of its determination to conserve the whole resources of the Dominion for the struggle in which we are engaged."

A SUIT AND A TRAGEDY.

The Man Found Out-Then He Took His Lafe.

Pembroke, Dec. 26 .- At the high court here Thomas Power, formerly Trunk locomotive engineer, of Madawaska, with alienating his wife's affections and wrecking his home. and sued for unstated damages. The

All But One Lost Deposit.

Ottawa, Dec. 26 .-- Hon. Arthur Meighen, who came here yesterday from the west, stated that in Mani-Pembroke, Dec. 24.—Election excitement hereabouts has cooled down George on Friday in addressing a decitement hereabouts has cooled down George on Friday in addressing a denec. Mr. and Mrs. Hibam Cline and delivered an ultimatum to the Bolclean delivered an ultimatum to the Bol-

> The Chinese are continuing to Nova Era, the last German paper strengthen their military forces at in Costa Rica, has been seized by Harbin. Lieutenant-General Hor- the Government on account of libelvath, the Russian military command- ous articles against President Wilson The Patriot, chief Liberal organ of the Chinese. Because of the exist- The Prime Minister sent to Gen this province, suggests that Premier ing conditions, he has taken up his Currie and to Gen. Turner Christmas

attack Tuesday, but it was found im- Senator Newlands of Nevada died of Count Luxburg, former German land are well represented at the for week ending December 21st, local train from Quebec to Montreal,