ISH LOSSES WERE

wing List of Officers, Now Indications Would Point to es Being Lighter Than First me of the Local Boys Suffering

fan casualties in the heavy fighting of the past elved today conform to the press despatches s including Canadians on the Ypres salient as As British regiments hold the western end of engaged along with the Canadians, the above

i officers who have fallen the total of all ranks eighborhood of 7,000, but until an official report is the total figures must be more or less conjectural.

his parents are at present residing in England. His wife is also an English girl who came to this country a few

I. W. McKee Slightly Wounded.

According to official advice receive W. E. McKee, of 84 Celebration s by W. E. McKee, of 34 Celebration street on Saturday his only son Pte. Thomas Maxwell McKee, Mounted Rifles, was officially reported as slightly wounded, in the foot and was removed to Edmon-ton Military Hospitas, England, Pte. McKee joined the ranks when he was only seventeen and on Thursday next would have spent his second birthday in the trenches. He left here in the first con-Yuill, to enlistment he was in M. R. A's forord. popular youth. Many friends will hope

Mrs. Annie McElwain, of 82 Brussels street this morning received official word from Ottawa announcing that her brother, Corporal William Arthur Stevenson Mounted Riffes, was officially reported admitted to No. 1 Canadian General Hospital on June 4, slightly wounded. Mrs. McElwain told a Times reporter yesterday that her brother left St. John when he was very young, but at the outbreak of the war his Canadian pluckiness and patriotism manifested itself and he crossed over and joined the colors. Corp. Stevenson was in charge of a bomb section and was considered a valuable man.

Mistake Here?

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Mrs. A. Guilfoyle, of 148 Brussels street has received a telegram from the Adjutant General at Ottawa saying that her brother John T. Lynch was suffering from shell shock and was admitted to a medical hospital in France. Mrs. Guilfoyle says her brother's name was Edward L, and he went across with the A. S. C., and was later transferred to the heavy artillery. The fact that the telegram said "infantryman" conveys the impression that there is a mistake. The name was also incorrect. Mr. Guilfoyle received a letter under the date of May 21 and Pte. Elward Lynch wrote then that he was in the best of health.

Charles Carmichael

Mrs. Julia Carmichael of 40 Westmor-land Road received an official telegram from the authorities at Ottawa yesterday announcing the news that her son, Pte. Charles Carmichael was officially reparticulars would be sent when received.
Pte. Carmichael left here with a New
Brunswick battalion but was later on
transferred to the 18th battalion. He was

32 years of age and was unmarried. Among other brothers is one in a Nova Scotia battalion. Good Word from Major Magee.

The anxiety regarding Major Frank C. The anxiety regarding Major Frank C. Magee, which was aroused by a cable-gram from Lieut.-Col. Dr. Murray Mac-Laren, announcing that he had been wounded in the head and the abdominal wall, was considerably relieved by the receipt of a second message from Dr. MacLaren in which he told the good news that the gallant major is progressing favorably and that they expect to remove him to England as soon as he is able to travel.

Private William Alexander Dick, a St. John soldier, who was mentioned in the despatches for his heroism, being one of three who went out of the trenches under fire and carried back to safety. under fire and carried back to safety Corporal Thomas, who was wounded and had fallen on "No Man's Land," was wounded on June 4 by gun shot in the face and was admitted to No. 1 Canadian General Hospital at Etaples. Word was received to this effect this morning by his wife, 46 Erin street.

Private Dick was wounded once before, on December 10, and did not leave the hospital until February 16. He is

the hospital until February 16. He is in the thirty-third year of his age and was a longshoreman before enlisting. He has two brothers in khaki—Ernest and Roy.

Norman Gough

James W. Gough of Fredericton this morning received word that his son, Primorning received word that his son, Private Norman Gough had been admitted to hospital on June 1 suffering from mock of wounds in thigh. Another son, Percy, was killed in action some weeks ago at time to create any contract of the sufficient of t time, to another son, Emess is

New York, June 12-A despatch from Buenos Ayres to a news agency here to-

has gone day says:
without "Hipolite "Hipolito Irigoyen was chosen pres dent of the Argentine republic today by the electoral college, being the first seas he Radical ever to reach the Argentine presidency. Pelagia Luna was chosen for the vice-presidency.

"The election of Senor Irigoyen follows the bitterest political struggle in the history of the Argentine republic."

The Semi-Meekly Telegraph & The Aems

RUSSIAN VICTORY OVERWHELMING; ALLIES SOON TO START BIG DRIVE

Petrograd, via London, June 16--The Austrians have evacuated Czernowitiz, capital of Bukowina, according to despatches to the semi-official Petrograd news agency from Bukowina.

NO HALT IN RUSSIAN DRIVE: TOTAL OF 152,416 CAPTURED

Brusiloff Keeps Moving Except in Centre Where Austrians Still Make Show of Resistance

Russians Suffer But Slight Losses in Overpowering Campaign in East, Taking Field Train and Great Quantities of Supplies-Turks Report Reverses to British Force in Mesopotamia-French Capture Trench on Le Mort Homme.

Petrograd, June 15, via London, 7.15 p. m.—The Russian advance along the whole sotuhwestern front continues to develop with a degree of swiftness which has astonished the country. The success of the movement thus far is looked upon as the more remarkable in view of the strong defences which had been erected by the Austrians during the long period of preparation, and their supposed readi

sistance to any manner of assault.

The outstanding features are the steadily morprisoners augmented by the surrender of large Augentirety; the wholesale abandonment of military

Except in the centre of the front which runs from Volhynia to the Roumanian border, the Austrians have been wholly unable to re-

More than 150,000 men have been captured during the offensive movement on the Volhynian and Galician fronts, it was announced

officially today.

The Russian statement of yesterday announced the capture of 120,000 men, 130 cannon and 260 ma It is probable that the difference between those figures and the ones given in today's statement does not represent the captures made in the interval between the issuance of the two statements, but rather that the increases are due to the receipt of more detailed inform

OFFICIAL STATEMENT ENCOURAGING. The following statement was given out:

"Supplementary reports give the exact number of prisoners taken as one general, three commanders, 2,407 officers, five doctors and 150,000 men. We also captured 163 cannon, 266 machine guns, 139 bomb-

"The offensive of General Brusiloff did not stop yesterday. In various regions on the front fresh prisoners were made and more military booty was taken. The enemy continues to deliver counter attacks at several points and elsewhere is busy entrenching himself

"In the Baltic, on the night of May 31-June 1, our torpedo boats attacked a convoy of enemy steamers sailing under escort.
"During the engagement with the escort we sank two steamers

of a small type, and one auxiliary cruiser, whose crew we captured.

"There was no loss of damage on our side. We refrained from pursuing the enemy steamers, because during the engagement they took their course into Swedish territorial waters."

both of these directions is announced in

Vienna issued under date of June 14.

Russian troops in dense formation at tacked the Teutonic lines near Przem

Constantinople, June 15—The text of today's official statement follows:
"Irak front: Near Felahie, during an engagement with a British squadron adengagement with a British squadron ad-

Paris, June 15-The official communication, issued tonight by the war office

course of a spirited attack, captured a German trench on the slopes south of Le Mort Homme. One hundred and thirty prisoners, including three officers, remained in our hands.

"There was intense artillery activity morning German and Austrian-Hungar-

Incre was intense artillery activity in the region of Chattancourt and Hill 304.

"On the right bank the enemy violentially bombarded the sectors of the Thiaunant fortified work and Souville. On the rest of the front the cannonading was intermittent.

"North of Baranovichi yesterday morning German and Austrian-Hungarian troops were exposed to Russian actillery fire of the heaviest character. In the evening the enemy attacked, but was repulsed everywhere, without exception. The enemy's artillery finally fired into the retiring Russian masses.

"Italian front: The situation is uncharacted."

The Belgian communication: "Except for the usual artillery actions here is nothing to report."

Berlin, June 15-(via Sayville wire-

vancing on the right bank of the Tigris, the British were defeated and forced to

"Western front: Aside from artillery duels and patrol engagements there have been no occurrences.

"Eastern front: The army of General Versian forces since the recent Russian defeats, inflicting heavy losses upon the enemy. In the Euphrater sector a detachment of Russian near and north of Przewloka.

"Balkan front: The situation with

"Balkan front: The situation with Austrians Making Stand.

"Caucasus front: In the Tschorul sector an enemy battalion which had penetrated our advanced positions was ejected by a counter-attack. On the Berlin, by wireless to Sayville—Austrian troops in Bukowina are making a stand north of Czernowitz, capital of the Crown Land, and also are holding the Russians to the east of the city. The repulse of Russian attacks from RUSSIA'S VICTORIOUS GENERAL



KITCHENER CALLED

But Surviyors from Hampshire Unable to Say if Late War Secretary Actually Embarked-Last Seen on Quarter Deck--

the official headquarters' statement from London, June 15-Details of some of the incidents on board the British cruiser Hampshire just before she sank off the Orkneys last week, causing the death of Field Marshal Earl Kitchener, are given in an official statement is loka but were repulsed by General Von Bothmer's troops, it was announced by sued tonight based on statements by the dozen survivors of the cruiser who wer

"From the report of the twelve survivors of the Hampshire," says the state

"As the men were going to their stations, before abandoning the ship, Kitchener, accompanied by a naval officer, appeared. The latter said: Make four military officers were seen there, walking aft on the port side.

"The captain called Lord Kitchener to the forebridge, near where the capain's boat was hoisted. The captain also called Lord Kitchener to enter the boat. It is unknown if Lord Kitchenerentered it, or what happened to any

heavy gale was blowing and seas were breaking over the ship, which necessitated her being partially battened down. Between 7.30 and 7.45 p.m. the vessel struck a mine and began at once to settle by the bows, heeling over to star-

"Orders were given by the captain for all hands to go to their e stations before abandoning the ship. Some of the hatches were opened, and the ship's company went quickly to their stations. Efforts were made, without success, to lower some of the boats. One of them was broken in half and its

"Lange numbers of the crew used life-saving belts and waist coats, which proved effective in keeping them affoat. Three rafts were safely launched, and with about 50 to 70 men on each, got clear. It was daylight up to about eleven. Though rafts, with these large numbers of men, got away, in one case, out of over 70 men aboard the raft, only six survived. The survivors all report that the men gradually dropped off, even died aboard the rafts from exhaustion and exposure to cold. Some of the crew must have perished in trying to land on the plaining exactly what the assem rocky coast after such a long exposure. Some died after landing."

moderator prepare a pastoral le plaining exactly what the assem (Continued on page 8.)

PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY IN **CLOSING STAGES**

Dr. Grant Resigns as Superintendent of Home Missions; New Commission Formed

PREPARATIONS TOWARD CHURCH UNION BEGUN

udge Forbes, of St. John, Appointe a Member of Special Committee Assembly Raises Its Voice Regarding Military Matters

The assembly named a commission, with full powers to consider all home mission problems, including the selection of a new head for the work. This committee will have all the authority of the general assembly in connection with the matter. It consists of the following well known ministers of the denomination: Revs. Dr. Balrd, Winnipeg; Dr. Love, Quebec; Dr. Herridge, Ottawa; Bruce Taylor, Montreal; MacGillivray, Kingston; Pogue, Peterboro; Turnbull, Toronto; Neil, Toronto; Sedgwick, Hamilton; Sinclair, Winnipeg; and McKinnon, Regina, and the following elders: John Lowden, Toronto; Dr. Kelly, Montreal; Prof. Matheson, Kingston; Alex Auld, Toronto; President Falconer, Toronto; Mr. Justice Sutherland, Toronto; J. F. MacKay, Toronto; Prof. Patterson, London; J. A. Allan, Regina; and President Murray. It is expected that this committee will be called together at once.

Great satisfaction is felt with the re-establishment of contact with President Falconer, of the University of Toronto, as convenor, to consider all matters in connection with the union of the Presbyterian church with the Methodist and Congregational churches. It was explained that this committee would have two chief functions. In the first place it would secure legal advice and prepare legislation which in time will be required. In the second place it will confer with like committees from the other churches in discussions of various undertakings in which there was cooperation. It was obvious that as a result of the voter on union this committee which has now ceased to be. The committee is made up of the following President Falconer, Dr. Baird, Dr. Jack, Dr. Foster, Rev. McCartney Wilson, Rev. R. W. Ross, Rev. C. A. Sutherland, Rev. J. A. McKenzie, Dr. Forrest, Dr. W. J. Clark, Dr. Hanson, Dr. Herridge, Dr. J. H. Turnbull, Dr. Wallace, Dr. Gandier, Dr. Dr. Dr. Herridge, Dr. J. H. Turnbull, Dr. Wallace, Dr. Gandier, Dr. Dr. Dr. Herridge, Dr. J. H. A. McKenzie, Dr. Wallace, Dr. Gandier, Dr. Dr. Dr. Herridge, Dr. J. H. A. McKenzie, Dr. Wallace, Dr. Gandier, Dr. Dr. Dr. Herridge, Dr. J. H. A. McKenzie, Dr. Wallace, Dr. Gandier, Dr. Dr. Hanson, Dr. Herridge, Dr. J. H. A. McKenzie, Dr. Rev. R. D. Frazer, Dr. M. A. McKenzie, Dr. Wallace, Dr. Candier, Dr. Dr. Markenzie, Dr. Wallace, Dr. Candier, Dr. Dr. Markenzie, Dr. Wallace, Dr. Candier, Dr. Dr. Hanson, Dr. Herridge, Dr. J. H. A. McKenzie, Dr. Wallace, Dr. Gandier, Dr. Dr. McKenzie, Dr. Wallace, Dr. Candier, Dr. Dr. Hanson, Dr. Herridge, Dr. J. A. McKenzie, Dr. Rev. R. D. Frazer, Dr. M. A. McKenzie, Dr. Rev. R. D. Frazer, Dr. M. A. McKenzie, Dr. Rev. R. D. Frazer, Dr. M. A. McKenzie, Dr. Rev. R. D. Frazer, Dr. M. A. McKenzie, Dr. Dr. Herridge, Dr. J. A. McKenzie, Dr. Rev. R. D. Frazer, Dr. M. A. McKenzie, Dr. Dr. Herridge, Dr. J. A. McKenzie, Dr. Dr. Herridge, Dr. J. M. McKenzie, Dr. Dr. Herridge, Dr. J. M. McKenzie, Dr. Dr. Herridge, Dr. J. M. McKenzie, Dr. Dr. Herri

GERMANY FAILING AS ALLIES BEGIN **GREAT OFFENSIVE**

This Forecast Given to British Public and Emphasized By Leading Educationalist of Old Country

End of War Next Year, However, Best to be Hoped For-Recent Naval Battle Now Has Tremendous Effect, Depriving Germany of Means of Checking Russian Drive in East—Half of Austrian Effectives in Use Against Russians Have Been Wiped Out.

London, June 15 Significance is attached to a sentence embodied in a semi-official French communication received in London today, in-asmuch as it seems to draw the attention of the public to what is con-sidered the serious failure of Germany's recent strategy.

"It seems, since the Vaux affair," the sentence reads, "that the

This statement is generally interpreted, in the light of public expectation, that the time is rapidly approaching for an important En-

FIGHTING UNTIL NEXT YEAR.

Professor Albert F Pollard, of the chair of English history in the University of London, lecturing here today on the progress of th war, said he anticipated a great offensive by the Allies on the western front before long, but that the people must not expect the war to end before next year. The utmost to be hoped for this year he said. was the defeat of Austria, a virtual settlement of the Balkan difficulty, and the driving back of the Germans a considerable distance on the western front. The final defeat of Germany could only come some time next year, the speaker added, after a winter of discontent such as Germany had never known, and after another naval battle.

Professor Pollard's anticipations reflect the prevalent ideas in London. The view is held here that Germany made a serious mistake in strategy when she permitted Austria to withdraw half of her effectives from the Russian front for the operations against Italy, after having brought her own resources from the Russian front to Verdun. which apparently has had the result of enabling Russia to make a surprisingly successful drive in Galicia and Volhynia. It is further considered that the recent naval battle deprived Germany, temporarily, of the means for prosecuting a combined military and naval offensive in the Riga region and thus countering the Russian drive, which it is now expected is likely to go on to fresh successes, as it is believe it will be extremely difficult to reinforce the Teutonic allies on the Russian front.

RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE GREATER THAN CLAIMED

London, June 15-Confidence prevails among Russian observers of the offensive along the southern section of the battle line that the catalogue of the successes won by Generals Brusilloff and Letchitsky is by no means complete, telegraphs Reuter's Petrograd correspondent. It is estimated that the Tetuon losses along the front from the Pripet to the Roumanian border now total 300,000, or nearly half the original effectives.

Great satisfaction is felt with the re-establishment of contact

NAMED BY ACCLAMATION

St. Louis, June 15—President Wilson and Vice-President Marshall were nominated unanimously as the standard-bearers of the Democratic party in the November elections in an all-night session of the national convention here to-