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PARIS HEARS OF DECISIVE BRITISH VICTORY IN BELGIUM

GERMANS REPULSED ON WHOLE FRONT

CAMPAIGN IN NORTH NEAR ITS END

PARIS, Dec. 11.—Reports reaching here this evening tell of a decisive British victory in Belgium. While details are lacking, it is said that the Germans have been repulsed for a considerable distance, losing heavily. Military circles say that if this is true it will probably prove the turning point of the campaign in the north.

PREPARATIONS MADE TO MOVE CANADIANS TO FIRING LINE

GERMAN FORCES DEFEATED 15 MILES FROM WARSAW

CANADIANS SOON WILL BE MOVED TO FIRING LINE

STEEL MEN WON, VIADUCT WORK TO BEGIN IN MONTH

G.T. OPERATOR FAALLY SHOT WHILE ON DUTY

RUSSIANS CHECKED POLAND'S INVADERS IN HARD FIGHTING

Seven Hundred Men of the Engineers' Corps Will Be Sent to France or Belgium Next Week To Prepare a Hospital Base and Make All Preparations For the Arrival of the Contingent.

Some Members of Council Still Were Unconvinced, But Voted. HARRIS MADE A SPEECH Told Why He Liked Steel - Concrete Expert Was Also Heard.

The Christmas Outlook The war is not over nor is a near-end of it in sight at this moment. But it looks better. And as it improves in outlook so ought our business to mend.

Whitby Stirred by Midnight Murder, Supposedly Deed of Two Tramps. POLICE HOLD SUSPECTS Victim Had Just Time to Telephone Alarm for Police Before Dying.

Three of Five Austro-German Columns Converging on Warsaw Repulsed With Enormous Losses—Seven Attacks on Russian Trenches Ended Disastrously.

SALISBURY, Eng., Dec. 11.—Preparations are being made to move the Canadian contingent to the firing line in France or Belgium. It is expected that the Canadian Engineers, consisting of about 700 men, will leave next week to build a base hospital and otherwise prepare for the arrival of the contingent.

Toronto City Council by a vote of 14 to 2 last evening decided to construct the floor street section of the big Don viaduct of steel. After discussing the question all afternoon, the vote to adopt the board of control's report showed only Ald. McBride and Rowland opposing, with Dr. Wicklett, the other pro-concrete men, absent.

The United States is friendly to us, but with much of her business and markets disturbed by the war. She is rich in production, but suffering from bad financing in her railways and trusts. Once she comes these she will have a marvelous revival in business and we will participate in it.

In the pockets of Cecil Connor several revolver cartridges were found by the detectives, and the pair are being held on a nominal charge of vagrancy.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 11.—The following statement from the general staff of the Russian commander-in-chief was issued tonight: "In the direction of Mlawa, the Germans, on Dec. 10, kept up a strong offensive throughout the day and night, but we succeeded in repulsing them.

PACIFIC IS SAFE SAYS CHURCHILL Japanese Fleet's Operations Contributed to Sturdee's Great Victory.

WOMAN MAY DIE AUTO STRUCK HER Prominent Business Man Had Misunderstanding With Foot Passenger.

REJECTED LOVER KILLING WOMAN SHOOT HIMSELF Baby Pounded on Panels of Door While Fatal Shots Were Fired.

COAST BOMBARDMENT IS AGAIN RESUMED British Cruisers Throwing Shells "With the Intention of Stopping German Advance."

BOARDERS TOO LATE Mrs. Edith McFarland is Dead and Guy Argle Dying in Hospital.

RUSSIANS SOUTH OF CRACOW ARE FORCING GERMANS BACK Enemy Approached to Within Fifteen Miles of Warsaw Before Meeting Severe Check—Whole German Campaign May Fall to Pieces.

Return of German Power There Will Be Difficult Task. Canadian Press Despatch. LONDON, Dec. 11.—10.55 p.m.—Reporting to his congratulations on the victory of the British squadron over the Germans of the Falkland Islands, Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, today cabled the Japanese minister of marine as follows: "With the sinking of the Scharnhorst, Goebenau, Leipzig and Nürnberg, the whole German squadron which had its base at Tsingtau at the break of the war has been destroyed and the base itself reduced and captured.

Offered to Give Himself Up—Victim Miss Elizabeth Kivell. Miss Elizabeth Kivell, 159 East Gerrard street, is in St. Michael's Hospital with a fractured skull as a result of being struck by a motor car at the corner of Wilton avenue and Mutual street last night.

GOVERNMENT GRANT TO GERMAN CHURCH Ten Acres of Land at Mellowdale, Alberta, Given. By a Staff Reporter. OTTAWA, Dec. 11.—An interesting announcement appears in The Canada Gazette by which the government has granted ten acres of land at Mellowdale, Alberta, for church purposes to the German Evangelical Lutheran Christian Church there, which is affiliated with the Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio and other states.

Without question the most genuine hat value offered to the men of Toronto during 1914 is the \$3 hats for \$1.55 at Dineen's, 146 Yonge street. These are up-to-the-minute in style and include soft and stiff hats. The soft shapes are extra smart and are shown in gays, browns, greys, browns and blues. The stiff hats are in three heights, and all styles. Don't overlook this real bargain opportunity if you can't find one in your own territory.

That the Germans laid great stress on the success of their attack here is shown by the fact that during the two days they faced the Russian trenches seven times and were driven back by an effective fire. The other column which has suffered is that composed of German and Austrian troops which has been trying to outflank the Russian left south of Cracow. In this case it was the Russians who assumed the offensive and they claim that after a tenacious resistance they defeated the Germans, taking several guns and 2000 prisoners.

A check or repulse of any one of the columns must, however, in the opinion of military critics, affect the whole German plan, which was a formidable converging movement that had for its objectives the capture of Warsaw and the relief of Cracow. For this large reinforcement were sent from the west and operations were pushed with great resolution against a determined opposition. It will probably take some days to determine, however, whether the checks have upset this plan. The Germans place the utmost importance, it is said, in securing a decisive result in the east before the Russians are able to make their numbers, which military men believe must already be superior, so overwhelming that the battery means of transportation possessed by the Germans will be arrested.



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