

BRITISH AND FRENCH TRY TO OPEN DARDANELLES
SECOND TOLL TAKEN OF NORWAY'S STEAM TRAFFIC"NOTHING FOR GERMAN TO BEAT
HIS WIFE" WOMAN ALLEGES SHE
WAS TOLD BY FORMER LONDONER

Carl Beumer, Until Recently a
Resident of City, Appears
in Divorce Court.

DID HE THREATEN HER?

Wife Alleges He Drew Knife
On Her in Local Grand
Trunk Yards.

RECENTLY LEFT THE CITY

The Advertiser Learns That
Becker Borrowed His
Trunk Before Leaving.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 20.—Testifying
in the hearing of her suit for alimony
from Carl Beumer, the former Londoner,
Canada, lumber buyer, Hattie Beumer,
now residing at 2457 Eastern avenue,
here, said today that he beat her often
while the couple resided at London, Can-
ada, and then told her that it was "nothing
for a German to beat his wife."

Six months after their marriage he
struck her because she would not black-
en his shoes, she stated. The wife de-
clared that Beumer told her that "All
German women polish their husbands'
shoes," and he became angry when she
told him that "American and Canadian
wives don't do that."

Alleges Murder Attempt.

In London, Ontario, Canada, on May
30 last, the wife said she asked Beumer
to take her for a walk. He finally con-
sented, but took her to a London railroad
yard, she alleged, and there he drew a
knife and tried to clutch her throat, she
claimed. She said that she ran and es-
caped him, and then she left him at their
London home. A deposition from Mem-
phis, Tenn., by Emma Weaver, told
of Beumer going through his wife's be-
longings and burning up some pressed
flowers and a lock of hair from the head
of her dead sister. Mrs. Beumer called
him a brute, and he struck her, she de-
posed.

Beumer's Cross Claim.

In her testimony the wife, who is a
very slight woman, declared: "I still
love him, but he treated me like a
brute," she is asking only for alimony.
Beumer, who has a cross petition, ask-
ing for a divorce, claims that his wife
kicked him and threatened him with a
knife. He also says she left him last
June, while living at London, without
cause.

Beumer took the stand before Judge
Kelly today, and denied all of his
wife's statements as regard his brutal-
ity to her at London. The couple
were married there, she says. Beumer
is reported heavily interested in Can-
adian lumber projects.

Beumer resided on Queen's avenue,
this city, until a short time ago. At
the time of his departure The Adver-
tiser stated that he had been giving
expression to strong pro-German sen-
timents. Beumer wrote a letter to this
paper, in which he said he had
given offence to none. The Advertiser
printed his letter, but made no with-
drawals.

Furthermore, it has since come to
the knowledge of The Advertiser that
before Becker, the German-reservist,
left the city he borrowed a trunk from
Beumer.

PLEW BRITISH FLAG

Lusitania Reaches New York Safely
Without Using Stars and Stripes.

(Canadian Press.)

New York, Feb. 20.—The liner Lusitania
reached New York today from Liverpool,
having made the trip without
finding it necessary to hoist the U.
S. flag. On the outward voyage the
liner sailed under the Stars and Stripes
while in the Irish Sea.

Fear of German submarines kept the
big vessel at anchor in the Mersey for
nearly five hours after she left her dock,
until an hour or more after midnight,
according to passengers. The ship's
officers said they were waiting for fa-
vorable tide. The wait lasted from 2:35
o'clock in the afternoon till 7:37 o'clock
in the evening. Then the Lusitania
proceeded at full speed down the Chan-
nel in the darkness.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS

MUTINY IS QUELLED

(Canadian Press.)

Tokio, Feb. 19.—A report received
here from Singapore, Straits Settlement,
says that the mutiny of the Hindu sol-
diers has been quelled. Eleven Eng-
lish men and women were killed in the
fighting, and some Japanese were
wounded.

Marines were landed from Japanese
and French warships to quell the dis-
turbance.

Straight From Heart Come
Good Wishes of Little Girl

THE EIGHTEENTH BATTALION

On Friday, February 19, a number of soldiers
marched past Pond Mills school.

We were delighted to see them.
They were playing the bagpipes while pass-
ing the school, on the way to the woods, where
they had dinner.

They were a happy lot of chaps.

I suppose there was never in the history of
Canada such a lot of soldiers seen at Pond Mills.

After they had dinner, they came back and
gave their horses a drink.

The soldiers have the best wishes of the Pond
Mills school children.

We wish them success and hope they will re-
turn safe.

To the Editor.

By EDITH HILL.

Allied Fleets Bombard
Forts of Dardanelles

British and French Warships Damage Those at Entrance—
Forts on European Side Silenced—Engagement
at Long Range.

(Canadian Press.)
London, Feb. 20.—3:52 p.m.—The British
and French fleets, it was officially
announced here today, bombarded the
forts of the Dardanelles on Friday with
considerable effect.

The bombardment of the Dardanelles
was renewed today, the announcement
added, with seaplanes and aeroplanes
co-operating.

Allied Fleets Open Fire.

"Yesterday morning at 5 o'clock a
British fleet of battleships and battle
cruisers, accompanied by flotillas, and
aided by a strong French squadron, the
whole under the command of Vice-Admiral
Carden, began an attack upon the
forts at the entrance to the Dardanelles.

Forts Damaged.
"The forts at Cape Helles and Kum
Kale were bombarded with a deliberate,
long-range fire. Considerable effect was
made on two of the forts. Two others
were hit, but being open earthworks, it was difficult to estimate
the damage. The forts, being out-
ranged, were unable to reply to our fire.
"At 2:45 o'clock in the afternoon a
portion of the battleship force was or-
dered to close in and engage the forts
at closer range, with their secondary
armament.

Forts Replied.
"The forts on both sides of the en-
trance then opened fire, and were en-
gaged at moderate range by the Vengeur,
ance, Cornwallis, Triumph, Suffren and

never met him before, instinctively
named him "Gen. Joffre." Now it would
seem that the name will stick.

At the officers' smoker held in the
Travelers' Club last evening, "Gen.
Joffre" was the hit of the evening when
he was introduced to the company.
"The lieutenant-colonel bears a striking
resemblance to the famous French com-
mander-in-chief, and when he first ap-
peared on the parade ground at Quebec's
Park the other day, officers who had

against our trenches to the east of
Ypres. After an intense bombardment
of our positions, the Germans attacked
with the bayonet, but were repulsed,
and our artillery held by its fire the
reserves which were to have supported
the first attack. The German losses
were very high.

Battalion Destroyed.

"It is confirmed that the enemy's
losses in the campaign of the last few
days have been considerable. According
to statements of prisoners, a battalion
has been destroyed.

"On the heights of the Meuse, toward
yesterday, the enemy delivered his
fourth counter-attack against the
trenches which we took at Les
Epargnes. This attack was beaten
back, like the three preceding ones, by
our artillery.

"In the Vosges the enemy continued
unsuccessfully his counter-attacks on
Hill 607, south of Lunel. Fighting
continues at this point, where we had
an advanced position. Rain and snow
are falling in the Vosges."

Attacks Repulsed.

"To the north of Verdun a French at-
tack also was repulsed. Near Combrès
preparations for renewed French attacks
were made by violent artillery bombard-
ment.

"Fighting still continues in the Vosges.
The Germans stormed the enemy's main
positions of two kilometres on the
heights to the east of Suizem, and also
on Reichackerkopf to the west of Mu-
enster. A battle for possession of the
height to the north of Muebach is go-
ing on. Metz and Landau have been
occupied by the Germans after a battle.

No Changes.

"In the east of France in the dis-
trict to the northwest of Grodno and to
the north of Suwalki, there has been no
important change.

"To the southeast of Kolno the enemy
has been driven back into his advanced
position of Lomza.

"South of Myzyslaw, northeast of
Przemyśl and east of Haczow, there
have been engagements of a local char-
acter. From the south of the Vistula
there is nothing new to report."

PARIS STATEMENT.

Paris, Feb. 20, via London, 2:45 p.m.—
The official statement issued this after-
noon by the French war department
says:

"In Belgium the enemy bombarded
Newport and the dunes. His batteries
were effectively countered by ours. The
Germans appeared to have employed im-
portant forces in yesterday's attack

ANOTHER NORWEGIAN STEAMER VICTIM
OF FLOATING MINE; HER CREW SAVED

Gallant Commander of 18th,
Lt.-Col. Wigle on His Charger



Yesterday Colonel Wigle cheered the hearts of his men when he told them
that as far as possible leave would be granted to Britishers when they reached
England in order to allow them to see their relatives.

OUR FLAG

(Written for The Advertiser by Fred Young, A. M. C., 18th Battalion,
and dedicated to his comrades of the battalion.)

Our flag, on which for many a year the sun has never set,
Still floats, a bulwark for the weak, despite the German threat.
On British warships, green and grey, that guard the Seven Seas,
It meets with equal fearlessness the battle or the breeze.
From Southern Cross to Northern Lights, from East to farthest West,
Armed millions rally 'neath its folds, in this the hour of test.
Let the Germans call us Tommies, and in 'kultur' say we lack,
But we're ready, eye to eye to die, for the British Union Jack.

The homestead in lonely shack on prairie broad and wide,
At sunrise flings it to the breeze, breast swelled with honest pride,
The British-born it aye protects wherever they may go,
In armed camp, our meter flag, breathes challenge to the foe.

Though thousands yet may have to fall to save it from disgrace,
Unnumbered thousands still will spring to take their comrades' place,
The Kaiser and his knaves may threaten till dawn of doom shall crack,
We'll still sing, "Rule, Britannia!" and defend the Union Jack.

MISSED GERMAN
INTELLIGENCE MAN

Dominion Secret Service Agents Traced Spy From U. S.
Border Here—Almost Caught Him in G. T. R.
Station Last Night.

After shadowing a man from the
United States border to this city, a
man they believe to be connected with
the German intelligence system, Do-
minion secret service detectives missed
capturing him in a telephone
booth in the Grand Trunk depot about
7 o'clock last night.

The secret service officers, after
showing their badges and giving a de-
scription of the man they were search-
ing for to a group of Grand Trunk
employees, went around to the side of
the station to check their grips. While
gone a railway employee noticed a man
answering the description of the man
wanted walk hurriedly into the tele-
phone booth in the men's waiting-room.
While the man was in the act of using
the phone, the railway man ran out to
get the detectives.

Scented Trouble.

But the man using the phone evi-
dently scented trouble, for when the
detectives and railway employee re-
turned to the waiting-room he was
gone. Running out on to York street,
one detective thought he saw his man
running east on that street. He gave
chase, but was eluded. He returned to
the station and went into the express
office, where he telephoned his assist-
ant.

According to railwaymen the de-
tectives believe that the man they are
searching for was sent to this city
in order to secure information for the
German intelligence system, regarding
the movement of troops in this part
of Ontario.

Lookout for Aliens.

The local detective department,
while they have not been communi-
cated with by the Dominion secret
service authorities, are keeping a look-
out for aliens who might, if they had
an opportunity, communicate with the
German military agents, a number of
whom are said to be in the border
cities.

Late today Grand Trunk employees
stated that one of the secret service
men had left for the east following a
rumor that the man they were search-
ing for was seen to get on a train at
one detective thought he saw his man

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chase, but was eluded. He returned to
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Bjaraka, Laden With Coal, Sunk at Ther-
baum—Second Disaster to Vessel of
This Nationality Since Blockade Began

(Canadian Press.)

Nankso, Denmark, Feb. 20.—Via London, 1:50
p.m.—The Norwegian steamer Bjaraka struck a mine at
Therbaum and sank. Her crew was saved.

This is the second disaster to Norwegian vessels since
the German blockade took effect. The Bjaraka, laden with
coal, was on her way from Leith to Nankso.

NO AMERICAN WARSHIPS
TO BE USED AS CONVOYS

(Canadian Press.)

Berlin, Feb. 20, via London.—The
Berlin newspapers, with the exception
of the Kreuz Zeitung, publish, without
comment, a Washington dispatch re-
ceived by way of Amsterdam, in which
Secretary Daniels, of the United States
navy, is quoted as saying that no
American warships would be used to
convoy American merchantmen.

Refuses Responsibility.
The Kreuz Zeitung says: "If this re-
port is correct, and Secretary Daniels'
declaration expresses the attitude of
the Cabinet, the responsibility rests on
America for all the accidents which we
should like to avoid, and for the avoid-
ance of which we gave into the hands
of the United States the only possible
remedy."

Subways, Please!

All Richmond street traffic
was tied up at the Grand Trunk
crossing for twenty minutes to-
day.

Freight trains, passenger
trains, shunting engines, were
not able to clear the crossing.
The gates did not go up once
from 12:02 until 12:23 o'clock.
The street car conductor, as
usual, got the worst of it.

MOTHERS SAD
WHEN SONS GO

Recent Going of Local Corps
to Battlefront Meant
Sorrow to Many.

BOYS WERE GAY, THOUGH

Kept Stiff Upper Lips and
Gave Strong Handclaps
as Train Pulled Out.

One day not so very long ago word
was sent from Ottawa that a London
corps was to entrain immediately for
Quebec. The corps was only 20 strong,
but was composed of young men, well
and favorably known in London.
There were bankers and embryo doctors,
and the other members came from good
families. The press, as usual, was for-
getting to make any mention of their
going, and only immediate relatives and
friends were cognizant of the order.

Many of these were sons of men who
had been goldsmiths and safe return. The
several members of the corps were
noteworthy. One, a son of a lieutenant-
colonel, and not more than 18 years of
age, kept a stiffer upper lip than his
dad. His mother went all to pieces.

Be Careful of Yourself.

"Now you be sure and mind what I
told you," she reiterated and reiterated.
"Keep yourself dry and warm. Don't
sleep in the open, and if your feet get
wet, change your socks and socks at
once. And don't forget to write me often.
And when you send your clothes home
to be mended, mind you clean your
pockets."

"You surely don't expect me to send
any money in them," was the laughing
rejoinder of the youth. He glanced
glancingly at his mother, who was
answered yes to all his mother charged
him with.

A strong grip of the hand, and "Hope
to see you in France myself soon, old
man," was the best the father could do.

Married Man Jovial.

One young chap, not long married, was
the most jovial in the crowd. He was
a friend, also a member of the corps,
with him, and, like the other, was a
benedict. He was having a hard time
of it. The little wife was in a flood of
tears. He hated to trust himself to
words, yet wanted to make conversation.

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SON OF WEALTHY
TORONTONIAN IN
LOCAL POLICE DOCK

Harry Murray, disinherited son of a
wealthy Toronto lawyer, who has been
bell-hopping in a local hotel for the
past few weeks, was arrested last night
while in the act of running up and
down a flight of steps in front of a
Richmond street warehouse, but was
discharged when he appeared before
Police Magistrate J. C. Judd on a drunk
charge today.

Murray had drunk too much, and
while walking past a Richmond street
warehouse, he thought he heard a
call bell ring. He immediately com-
menced running up and down a flight
of steps. Patrolman Joe Middaugh
came along about midnight and when
he attempted to stop the young man,
he was abused and told to watch how
boys carry ice water, etc. Murray
was taken to police headquarters.

In police court today, Murray pre-
sented a deep contrast to the other
drunks who were in the prisoner's
dock. He was dressed in latest style
and looked altogether out of place
among the rest of the prisoners. The
prisoner stated that he had had a fall
years ago and had not been home
since.

Police Magistrate J. C. Judd, in dis-
charging Murray, told him that bell-
hopping was no position for a young
man of his stamp, and that the best
thing he could do was to make up
with his parents and his himself to
Toronto on the first train leaving for
the Queen City.

MAIL FOR BRITAIN.

The next British mail closes Tues-
day, February 23, at 10 a.m.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following are the highest and lowest
temperatures recorded in London during
the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last
night: Highest, 29 below 18.

The official temperatures for the 12
hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:
Highest, 30; lowest, 18.

TOMORROW—RAIN.

Forecast.