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## Serious Losses to The Germans By Artillery Fire of The Allies

### Execution by Heavy Guns -- British War Vessels Again Bombarding Belgian Coast -- News From Russia Continues Favorable

Paris, Nov. 28.—The French War Office gave out an official communication this afternoon as follows:

"In Belgium the artillery exchanges were continued during the day of November 27, without any particular incident. The heavy German artillery showed less activity. There was but one attack of infantry to the south of Ypres, which was repulsed by our troops.

"Toward the evening our artillery brought down a German biplane carrying three aviators. One of them was killed, and the other two were made prisoners.

"In the region of Arras and further to the south, there has been no change. The day passed very quietly in the region of the Aisne. In Champagne our heavy artillery inflicted serious losses on the enemy.

"From the Argonne to the Vosges, there is nothing to report."

#### BRITISH AGAIN BOMBARDING

London, Nov. 28.—A Rotterdam despatch to the Daily Mail says—"Heavy firing was heard on Friday afternoon in the direction of Zeebrugge and allied aeroplanes were seen circling over Flanders. British destroyers continue scouting off the coast.

Amsterdam, via London, Nov. 28.—A telegram to the Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant from Ostburg, Holland, states that sounds of a violent cannonading were again audible on Friday in a southerly direction. The sound, the telegram says, indicates that the British fleet was again bombarding the coast.

#### OUTLOOK FOR GERMAN SERIOUS.

London, Nov. 28.—The Times correspondent telegraphs from Petrograd: Colonel Shumsky, in the Bourse Gazette deems it very probable that the German general staff in the present critical situation, is trying to send units from its strategic reserve in Germany. More than a week will be necessary for the journey to the battle zone, and it is safe to declare that the German reinforcements will arrive only at the close of the hostilities.

"The enemy is suffering severely from frost. The position of the garrison of Przemysl, destitute of warm clothing and obliged to pass days and nights in the trenches, is particularly trying. Deserters say that every morning whole files of soldiers with frost bitten hands or feet arrive at the hospitals.

"The Austrian military authorities are seriously alarmed at the wholesale surrenders of their troops."

#### GERMAN BATTLESHIP GONE?

Paris, Nov. 28.—A Matin despatch from Petrograd states that it is reported there that the German battleship Wilhelm Der Grosse struck a mine and sank in the Baltic. There is no official confirmation.

The battleship Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse, evidently referred to in the Matin despatch, is one of Germany's old battleships, having been built in 1901, and is of 10,790 tons displacement. She carries a crew of 658 men. Her main battery is composed of four 9.4-inch and fourteen 6-inch guns.

#### Two Indian Won Promotion

London, Nov. 28.—How an East Indian soldier won promotion is told as follows: Two Indians were creeping toward a German trench on a scouting expedition one night when a searchlight was thrown upon one of them.

"He was quick-witted enough to realize that no ordinary resource would save his life," says the report. "He immediately rose to his feet and advanced, saluting to the German trench. His occupants ceased to fire, disconcerted."

The Indian by signs indicated that he intended to kill the British, and as a result, spent a luxurious night in the German lines. In the morning, on making signs that he could bring other Indians, he was allowed to return to his own side. He was promoted for this exploit.

## FOUR ST. JOHN BOYS OF U.N.B. GOING TO THE WAR

At least five St. John boys will be with the U. N. B. squad going to the front with the field artillery. They are Thomas Gorman, son of Thomas Gorman, South Wharf merchant; Jack Hipwell, and Harry Holman of the senior class, and Fred Foley of the freshman class. Mr. Foley came home today and the other boys, who are receiving their degrees today, will be home the first of the week. Holman and Hipwell are in the forestry department and the others in engineering.

## PRINCIPAL PORT OF CEYLON HAD A NARROW ESCAPE FROM DES RUCTION BY GERMANS

London, Nov. 29.—Colombo Harbor, the principal seaport of Ceylon, and its shipping had a narrow escape from destruction in the early days of the war, according to mail advices just received here. A German spy set fire to an anchored vessel which contained more than fifty tons of dynamite.

The only means of saving neighboring shipping and harbor works was to sink the burning ship, and this was done by a squad of volunteers at a considerable risk.

## FOR YOUNG MEN

Tomorrow night's meeting in the Imperial Theatre is for young men, not for old men. Elderly gentlemen will therefore confer a favor by giving the young men a chance to get a seat.

## THE FIELD BATTERY.

Almost 100 of the 140 non-commissioned officers and men of the battery of field artillery being mobilized at Fredericton, have already arrived there.

## WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. P. Stuart, part, director of meteorological service.

Fair on Sunday

## MORE THAN A QUARTER MILLION DOLLAR FORTUNE GOES TO L. R. ROSS OF I.C.R.

### LT. COL. MASSIE TO BE COMMANDER

#### He Is Sole Executor and Chief Beneficiary Under Col. Tucker's Will

#### Popular Railway Official Warmly Congratulated Today—Estate Totals Much More Than Half Million—Other Bequests Include 300 Acres on Sandy Point Road For City Park and Sum For Home For Old Men — \$10,000 to Capt. C. W. McLean

The will of Colonel Joseph J. Tucker, of St. John, member of parliament from this constituency from 1896 to 1904, reveals an estate the probate value of which is fixed at \$664,500 of which \$548,700 is personal estate.

The bequests are as follows:—

\$5,000 to the Protestant Orphan Home.

\$1,000 to the Catholic Orphanage.

\$2,900 to Trinity Church for set of chimneys.

Property on Sandy Point Road, consisting of 300 acres with buildings, to City of St. John for a park.

\$10,000 to Major C. W. Weldon McLean, of the British Army, son of Col. H. H. McLean, M. P.

\$500 to Catherine McGill.

\$500 to Mary Henderson.

\$200 and gold watch and chain to Harry Galley.

\$200 to Shorn Hanson.

\$100 to Patrick King.

\$100 to Animal Rescue League.

\$100 and his prize cups to Officers' Club, Grand regiment.

\$5,000 towards founding a home for aged men, providing four other citizens contribute a similar sum, each, within the next three years.

Gold watch, Mrs. W. W. Price, Petticoat.

Gold watch to Captain Connors of the Tokio Maru.

The remainder of his real estate and one half of his personal estate to his second daughter, Miss Caroline Tucker.

One half of his personal estate and all his personal effects to L. R. Ross. Mr. Ross is named as his sole executor.

## WILL IN DETAIL

Colonel Tucker's will was dated March 20, 1912, and was proved today. He gives to the City of Saint John his farm on the Sand Point Road in the City of Saint John, for use as a park, to be called "Tucker Park," to the lieutenant colonel and officers of the 2nd Battalion of Canadian Militia, being the corps which was for some time commanded by the deceased. He also gives to the same prize cups, contained in the friend's case in his sitting room; to his friend Lewden Robert Ross and Edmund George Kaye of 64 Cornhill, London, England, deceased, and he nominates and appoints the said Lewden Robert Ross and Edmund George Kaye of St. John, barrister-at-law, executors.

This will is changed by a codicil dated 6th January, 1913, which recited that whereas by his will he had given the sum of \$500 to the said Catherine McGill, employed with his sister, the late Mrs. Charles Wesley Weldon, he thereby revoked the said bequest and changes it to \$100; and in addition to the legacies given by the said will and not revoked by the codicil he gives and bequeaths to his friend the said Lewden Robert Ross, railway official, one-half of all his personal property and all his personal effects; to Miss Caroline Tucker, deceased, on the death of his mother, Mary Elizabeth O'Dell, 25 shares of the stock of the Bank of New Brunswick and the said Lewden Robert Ross, according to instructions already given him.

The said Edmund George Kaye having predeceased the deceased, and there being reason shown why probate should be granted at once without waiting the usual lapse of fourteen days from the death of the deceased, there being no residuary estate, the probate is now granted to the surviving executor, the said Lewden Robert Ross, who is duly sworn in as such.

The petition presented to the court for probate sets forth that the deceased left no relative nearer than the above named Caroline Tucker.

The real estate consists of a dwelling house on the corner of Prince William and Union streets, valued at \$10,000; property at Brookville, \$1,200; farm on the Sandy Point Road, containing 300 acres, \$3,000; property at Pullett River, Westmorland County, \$800; an 18-acre Pughwash Harbor, Nova Scotia, known as Shaw's Island, \$600, and a lot on Courtenay street, St. John, valued at \$500. Total realty \$15,800. Personal property \$506,700. Total estate \$664,500.

It will be seen by the above will and codicil that Mr. Ross is entitled to one-half of nearly all the property, but by his petition he sets forth that the deceased made to him a verbal bequest, not in writing, that he should pay certain sums and that he intended to carry out deceased's wishes, as follows:

To Major C. W. Weldon McLean, son of Col. H. H. McLean, M. P., \$10,000; to the Home for Incurables, \$5,000; to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, \$1,000; to the Catholic Orphan Asylum,

## CANADIAN KILLED IN BATTLE IN BELGIUM

London, Ont., Nov. 28.—Relatives here just received word that Alfred Adams, one of the first reservists to answer the call, was killed in Belgium. He was bugler in the Highland Light Infantry.

## MR. CLINCH INSPECTS NO. 10TON RESERVOIR

Moncton, Nov. 28.—Peter Clinch, secretary of the N. B. Board of Fire Underwriters, who is in Moncton on official business, this morning visited the new reservoir, accompanied by several aldermen and city officials.

## HON. MR. COCHRANE BACK TO OTTAWA FROM HALIFAX

Moncton, N. B., Nov. 28.—Hon. Frank Cochrane, minister of railways and canals, arrived here about one o'clock in a special train from Halifax. The special left Moncton at 8:30 for Ottawa via the North Shore.

## TRINITY CHIMES

It is understood that the bequest of Colonel Tucker to Trinity church for the chimes is towards the cost of their renovation which is now in progress and which will cost more than the amount of the bequest. The machinery has been in England for repairs and returns for a considerable time and the work would have been completed and the works returned to St. John by this time but for the outbreak of the war, which caused the shops to shut down.

## REAL ESTATE NEWS

The transfer of a property in the Sandy Point Road from Mrs. Helen M. Dixon to Mrs. Isabel Dixon is announced.

## BANTAM REGIMENT OF BRITISH FOR FRONT

London, Nov. 28.—Manchester men wishing to enlist in the "Bantams" Regiment are murmuring because the same chest measurement is required as for the regulars, but under five feet three inches in height, have been selected.

The Lord Mayor of Manchester, addressing the men at their swearing-in, suggested that if they objected to the appellation of "bantams," they might call themselves the "lightning cocks battalion."

The British Medical Journal in congratulating the War Office on the relaxation of the height standard, points out that short men occupy less room in the transports, find cover more easily, offer smaller targets for bullets, and require shorter trousers.

## HARBORMASTER TAKEN ILL

Captain R. H. Fleming, harbor master, was taken ill this morning and it is feared that the illness may be of a serious nature. He was in the office of Commissioner Russell at 8:30 o'clock when he was taken ill. The commissioner rendered what aid he could, then summoned his son, A. E. Fleming, of the E. S. Corporation and Dr. Stewart Skinner. About 10:30 the harbor master had recovered sufficiently to allow him to be removed to his home in Pagan Place.

## ANOTHER 40 SIGN

This Morning Good One In Recruiting in City BATTALION ASSURED

St. John Will Have Furnished One Half of New Brunswick Force — Emerson and Fisher's Roll of Honor — Organizing a Bugle Corps

Doubt no longer remains as to the formation of a New Brunswick battalion for overseas service. The impetus given recruiting during the last few days has swelled the lists of the 26th Infantry Battalion to such an extent that not only will the desired number of men be available but there will be a certain weeding out of some who in the early stages of recruiting were taken on but who have proved since that they were not the class desired as being representative of the flower of the youth of the province. The matters of sobriety, moral character, physical fitness and general manliness enter into the consideration of the officers in charge of the recruiting, and thus a truly representative body will be sent forward, one of which New Brunswick may well feel proud.

More than forty men joined the colors this morning, almost every one giving his residence as St. John. Thus the slogan "Fifty Men A Day" has been more than lived up to, for by tonight there will be many more than that number on the rolls. Yesterday ninety nine men were enlisted, just one short of the daily augmentation aimed at. Besides this some thirty men were enlisted in St. John. Stephen and some twenty-five or more from other districts. St. John has shown up well. Of the volunteers enrolled here from given outside 475, according to the figures up to noon today, and more are waiting to pass the examinations for final enrollment, so that easily half the battalion will be composed of St. John boys.

## BRIDE'S RECEPTION

Many friends called on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Nelson A. Withers (nee Hopkins), when she received for the first time since her marriage. She wore pale blue charmuse with shadow lace overdress and pearl ornaments. Her sister-in-law, Mrs. John Irving, who assisted her in receiving, wore grey silk with shadow lace. Mrs. S. B. Hopkins presided at the tea table; Mrs. A. E. Simpson served the refreshments; Mrs. J. B. Hopkins ushered, and Misses Jessie Withers, Dorothy Hopkins, and Grace Irving were waitresses in the dining room. The parlor was neatly decorated with smilax and chrysanthemums. On the dining table were a silver basket containing white and yellow daisies. Mrs. Withers will be at home to her friends on the second and fourth Thursdays.

## A HEARTY CALL FOR KING AND COUNTRY

The Sussex Record has as a striking display advertisement on its front page, under the heading: "Eighty Hussars, Your King and Country Need You," the following:—

An Open Letter.

Sussex, N. B., Nov. 21, 1914.

As I am going in command of the men who will enlist in the 26th Battalion from this section, I hope that a number of our boys as ever have been with me in the 8th Hussars in camp will make an effort to join us in helping out our country in this hour of need.

Major L. R. Murray and H. H. Arnold are also going with us and other officers well known to you. We need all the good men we can get. You will not probably have such a chance to show your loyalty to your country as now. Come with us.

Yours very truly,  
G. S. KINNEAR, Major.  
Major G. S. Kinneer is recruiting officer at Sussex.

## THE BOYS CLUB

It was an inspiring sight at the St. John Boys' Club last evening when Sergeant James Sullivan in uniform gave assembly boys as ever an address on the floor over an hour of military drill. The boys stood at ease, came to attention, turned to right and left, formed fours and marched with a precision which showed the benefit of last winter's training. They will be given drill of this sort at least twice a week, besides physical drill by Harry Keim and Superintendent Howard. This morning Superintendent Howard took a group of the boys for another Saturday hike to Rockwood Park, where scout games were enjoyed until noon.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Friends of R. P. Sweetman, formerly manager of the Slater Shoe Shop, this city, will be pleased to learn that he has received an excellent position in Toronto in charge of the big new Walk-Over store in Yonge street. He will leave for Toronto on tomorrow evening's train. During the time that he has been in the city he has made many friends, who will wish him every success in the new position which his knowledge of the business has won for him.

## LECTURE LAST NIGHT

In the Edith avenue Mission, East St. John, last night, W. C. Cross gave his lecture on "London and Paris When War Was Declared." A large gathering fully appreciated its many fine points. Rev. Dr. Crowl presided, and at the close tendered Mr. Cross a hearty vote of thanks in appreciation of his interesting discourse. Several song numbers added to the entertaining program. The proceeds were in aid of the church.

## BURIED TODAY

The funeral of Mrs. Frank D. Cameron took place today from her late residence, Hampstead, Queens county. Her death occurred after an illness of only a few hours and the news came as a shock to her friends. She is survived by her husband, five sons, four children, four sisters, three brothers and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Raymond of Digby, N. S.

## TEN BABIES

Seven marriages and ten births, five boys and five girls, were reported at the office of Registrar J. B. Jones this week.

## BURIED TODAY

The funeral of Terence Joseph Cochrane was held this morning from his late residence, in Richmond street, to the cemetery, where high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. William Duke. Interment was in the new Catholic cemetery.

## NOVA SCOTIA HAS 908

A Halifax despatch says:—"Nine hundred and eight men are now quartered at the armories for the 26th Nova Scotia Battalion, and undoubtedly before many days have passed the battalion will have been recruited up to strength. Tomorrow the battalion will have a church parade.

Well Done, North Shore.

Newcastle, N. B., Nov. 28.—As a result of last night's recruiting meeting there are twenty volunteers for the second contingent, fifteen of whom are from the Garrison. The Northumberland volunteers now number more than seventy.

From Digby.

Digby, N. S., Nov. 28.—Nearly every boat and train for either Halifax or St. John carries some one en route to the front. The following will leave Digby today—Raymond J. Corbin and Burdett Bartlett of Weymouth, H. R. Griffin of Weymouth North, and Corporal Parker-Warne of Smith Cove, while two chuffeurs for the Army Service Corps, Edward Webber and General Merkle, (Continued on page 2, third column.)