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Germans All But Broke
Through Lines Near
Dixmude

FARM HOUSE
WAS SEIZED

And the Delay Enabled the
Belgian Line To Be
Reinforced

Northern France, Jan. 19.—A few days ago the Germans, after a careful scouting along the Belgian line by aviators, decided there was a weak point a little west of Dixmude which might be broken. They made preparations to hack a way through, and there were high hopes in the German forces, but they had reckoned without the Belgians. A patrol of eight Belgians with machine guns saw a small column of Germans advancing. Instead of falling back to warn their comrades, they decided on the better plan of attempting to delay their advance long enough for the Belgian line to be reinforced.

A small deserted farm house, battered and lonely, stood beside the road which the Germans must take. The Belgians rushed in and quickly made their preparations for a desperate defence. Given heaps of fall-on bricks and beams, much can be done, and they soon had a machine gun in position. Meanwhile the Germans pressed on in solid formation. They marched along the road, until within two hundred yards of the farm house with its hidden heroes. Suddenly a rifle shot rang out from the lonely farm house that had seemed so silent. A man in the front rank fell. Then a Belgian gun took up the song of death. The Germans pressed on bravely, their officers urging them forward with hoarse cries, but there came a time when this discipline had to bow to death, and the first rush was stayed.

Behind their rough shelter the Belgians fired steadily. The German advance guard outnumbered them by at least 20 to 1, but this fact only put more heart into them. The Germans halted and took such shelter as they could in ditches beside the road. Then began the next phase of the desperate fight. Every helmet that showed itself, every arm that was raised above the ground, was a mark for a Belgian bullet.

Shells for Eight Heroes.

For two hours the unequal fight raged, and still the Belgians picked off individual Germans or melted down any threatening rush with a machine gun spray of flame and death, but the end of the gallant little force in the farm house was near. When it became evident that to storm this mere heap of ricks with its garrison of heroes would cost too dear, the Germans sent word back to a battery. Presently shells began to fall around. The first two went wide, the third burst against the walls and killed one of the gallant Belgians, and then the fourth fell right into their midst. The Germans raised so much of a cheer as they had heart for, and jumped to their feet, but they were too late. The men of the farm house fort had snatched safety for their fellows out of the most critical moments of the past few weeks, and reinforcements had now been rushed to the Belgian position.

As the Germans came on, they were met by a terrible volley, and a party of Belgian infantry greeted them with fixed bayonets. It was a short and desperate struggle, but in a few minutes the German attack was a thing of the past. Their hope of rushing the small body of men against a weak place and making a breach for a bigger force to follow had been shattered. Now there was breathing time, and the Belgians entered the ruined farm house. Three of its brave defenders were dead, and the five who lived were desperately wounded. They were carried back to the Belgian lines, and now lie in the base hospital, all with good chances of striking another blow at the enemy.

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The Casino was filled to overflowing and the various items on the programme was warmly applauded. The C.C.C. band was in attendance and rendered delightful music.

The opening chorus was "From Oberon in Fairyland" under the direction of Mr. Hutton and it was faultlessly rendered.

The solos and duets by Masters S. O'Leary in "She is far from the land," W. Wallace, W. Lawlor and S. O'Leary in "Has sorrow thy young days shaded," F. Foley and F. Gouldby in "Whispering Hope," and the Holy Cross class in the "Dawn of May" were exquisite.

The patriotic recitations, "The Six Hundred," "The Battle of Killcrankie," "Our Folks" and "Mother's Son" were well rendered by Masters Snow, St. Croix, Redmond and Wallace; whilst "Jack" Hearn had no difficulty in bringing down the house.

The first half of the programme closed with an exhibition of club swinging by the boys, under the direction of Mr. H. B. Chafe. The perfection shown by the class amply repaid the instructor and his musical aid, Master J. Hickey.

Part second consisted of a well selected and delightful opera, entitled "Idle Ben." The leading roles were taken by Masters W. Wallace, L. Payne, S. O'Leary, J. Kelly and J. Hearn. The immense audience were enraptured by the delightful treat given by these youthful actors.

The elocution, acting and choruses were of the highest order, and reflect the greatest credit on Prof. Hutton and the Christian Brothers.

The entertainment was brought to a close by the class singing "The Minstrel Boy," "Rule Britannia" and "God Save the King."

Amongst those present were Rt. Rev. Mgr. Roche, Rt. Hon. Sir E. P. Morris, an dmany of the clergy. The business part of the performance were in the hands of Mr. J. C. Pippy, to whom much of the success of the entertainment is due.

From Belgium

Mr. Richard J. Walsh received by last European mail a letter from his nephew, Captain Edward J. Wighton, of the Royal Artillery, Belgium, where for three months he has been in the thickest of the fray, and almost every moment devoted to the guns which have kept the Germans at bay, during the long and weary weeks of warfare.

His brother, Lieut. Wighton is with the Newfoundland regiment at Fort George, and Capt. Wighton is expecting him at the front in due course. They are sons of the late Colonel Wighton.

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Palestine Independent Kingdom?

Now Constitutes Menace to the British In Egypt and Will Be made Neutral

Paris, Jan. 23.—The French newspapers quote the Cairo Arabian daily newspaper Al Watam as saying: "From geographical considerations Palestine is to Egypt what Albania is to Italy or the Netherlands to Great Britain. Current events have proved that Egypt can be one day or another threatened from that quarter.

"Therefore it is absolutely indispensable for Great Britain that this country should become a neutral State or be annexed. But the objection to a British occupation of Palestine is that if the Province opens a door on Egypt it also holds the relation to this country of an exit, and the presence of a British garrison in Palestine would keep the inhabitants of Syria awake. So it is better to solve the problem by neutrality.

The London Globe in this connection resurrects the formation of a new Jewish kingdom. Thus would the prophecies of Moses and other prophets be fulfilled concerning the Jewish renaissance destined to prepare for the coming of Christ.

Diphtheria

A young lady of Monkston Road was taken to the fever hospital on Monday to be observed for diphtheria.

Earlshall Broken Up

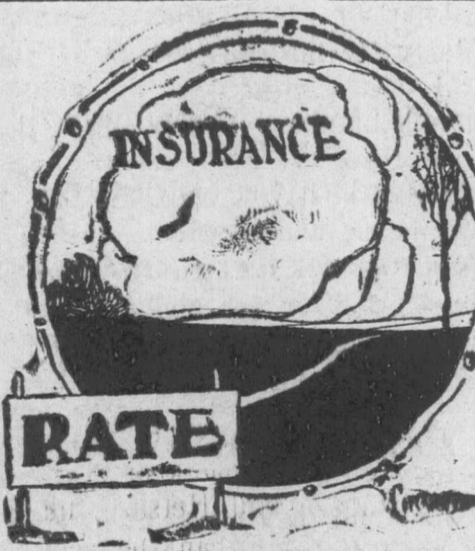
Job's Earlshall, Capt. Coward, which was lost at Shoal Bay, Sunday morning has broken up, and yesterday was reported in small pieces.

Promotions

Michael Vall, who resigned from the police force in this city for the purpose of enlisting in the First Newfoundland Regiment, after leaving here, was promoted to Regimental Police in the Regiment at Port George. We wish the young soldier every success.

Good Attendance At British Hall Dance

The dance at the British Hall Monday night was attended by a large number of ladies and gentlemen. The music was furnished by the T. A. band, was most enjoyable. It was in aid of the Tobacco Fund, and the young ladies in charge are to be congratulated on its success.



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