

## LONDON SCOTTISH LEADING THE WAY

London, Nov. 11, 10.20 p. m.—The official press bureau issues the following descriptive account, which has been communicated by an eye-witness present with general headquarters, and which continues and supplements the narrative published on November 6, of the movements of the British force, and the French armies in immediate touch with it:

"November 4—Before the chronological record of the course of events is resumed a short description will be given of the part in the battle played on October 31 by the London Scottish. The occasion is not looked upon as a special one, because this battalion acquitted itself well—for that was regarded as a matter of course—nor because it has done better than the regular battalions, who have been doing as much, if not more, for weeks on end.

"It is a special event, because it forms an epoch in the military history of the British empire, and marks the first time that a complete unit of our Territorial army has been thrown into a fight alongside its sister units of the regular army.

Briefly what happened was this: On Saturday (October 31) being ordered to take up a section of the firing line to support some of our cavalry, and having advanced to its position under heavy fire from field guns, howitzers and machine guns, the battalion reached a point where further movement forward was impossible. There it maintained itself until dusk, when it proceeded to entrench.

"From 9 o'clock that night until 2 a. m. Sunday, the Germans made numerous attacks on the Scottish line, all of which were repulsed by rifle fire. At 2 a. m., they made their great effort, and assaulted the front and left of the position in great force. A considerable number succeeded, by a detour, in getting around the flank of the regiment. A large proportion of these were engaged by the companies in support and reserve, while others penetrated between the first and second lines of trenches and assailed our firing line in the rear.

"While the fighting with rifle and bayonet was going on, both in front and immediately behind the firing line, a reserve company still farther behind made repeated bayonet charges against the enemy, who had got around, and so prevented the entire envelopment of the battalion. Behind the firing line the scene of combat was lit up by a blazing house, which the Germans had set.

"At dawn it was discovered that large numbers of the enemy had, according to custom, worked around both flanks with machine guns, and a retirement was carried out. This was effected under a cross-fire from machine guns and rifles.

"Naturally in an encounter of this nature, the battalion suffered a heavy loss, but, though unable to maintain its position, it acquitted itself with gallantry and coolness in a situation of peculiar difficulty, and, following the national motto of 'nemo me impune lacessit' inflicted far more damage on the enemy than it received.

"To turn to the general narrative: On November 1 the full violence of the enemy's attack against us, their main efforts being still directed slightly south of Ypres. Such was the force of the onslaught, and the weight of the artillery supporting it, that our line was temporarily driven back. It was soon re-adjusted, however, and by evening the situation in this quarter was the same as it had been twenty-four hours earlier.

"That night some shells were thrown into Ypres itself. Further to the south the Germans had, during the previous night, re-taken the village of Messines, and had also captured Wytschaete. By 11 a. m. our cavalry, working in co-operation with the French, drove them out of the latter place by a brilliant bayonet charge, but we did not occupy it. A few of the prisoners taken at this place were only 17 years of age, and said that they had had practically no training and little food. Some of them had never fired a rifle before.

"The fact that Messines still remained in hostile hands necessitated a slight adjustment of our front in the centre. But again, from this time, the war was a change in the quarter, the bombardment continuing all day.

"During the action around these two villages the Germans, moving from their front suffered very greatly from the massed fire of our horse artillery at short range, but though they fell heavily in heaps they still came on with admirable determination.

"South of the Lys some of the trenches which had been lost in the previous night were re-occupied by us, otherwise the situation remained as it had been. No attacks were delivered against us, and the enemy contented themselves with bombarding our trenches. A heavy battery was knocked out by our artillery fire.

"One of our prisoners, a Saxon professor, who was captured on the first

## DARKER OUTLOOK WITH LOSS OF DIXMUDE

London, Nov. 11, 9.50 p. m.—The Germans have resumed their attack on the allied line between the coast and the Lys, river, and while the French claim generally to have lost their positions the Germans have succeeded in capturing the town of Dixmude, which has been the centre of some of the fiercest and most sanguinary fighting of the war.

The country between Dixmude and Ypres, where the belligerents have been engaged in violent attacks and counter-attacks, has been the scene of a battle, which has seldom, if ever, been equalled.

Behind Dixmude is the direct road to Dunkirk, one of the French ports on which the Germans have set their hearts, and if they can break through here the Allies will be compelled to fall back to new positions. The invaders have therefore been concentrating their forces at this point, and their success in taking Dixmude, where they claim to have captured 500 prisoners, and positions to the west of Langemark, shows, according to the Berlin report, 2,000 prisoners fell into their hands, where, the statements, so freely made, that they have been sending troops from the west to Poland, are without foundation.

It is considered quite certain that with the enormous forces required for the effort to get through to the coast and to protect their own country from Russian invasion the Germans will not be able to throw any additional troops into the lines which stretch through Northern France and along the Franco-German border.

On the other hand the French, whose army is growing daily, might attempt an offensive against Lorraine or Alsace as a diversion which would relieve the pressure in the west.

The Germans, according to Petrograd despatches, have suffered a more serious defeat on the East Prussian border than the official statements have disclosed. Advice from the Russian capital today states that in the recent fighting there the Russians have captured more than 20,000 prisoners, together with quantities of guns and munitions.

After the predictions that the war could not be ended within three years, the British prime minister, Mr. Asquith, in a statement in the House of Commons today that he did not believe it would last so long as was originally expected, struck rather a cheerful note. While some continue to believe that the war will be one of years, there is an increasing number who think that the great offensive campaign by the Allies in the spring when England's new army of 1,000,000 men can take the field and Russia and France will be stronger than ever, will bring the conflict to an end, exhaustion also playing its part.

When Premier Asquith was asked how many more men would be required, he would not risk a reply. Mr. Asquith further intimated that a vote of credit of considerable dimensions would be asked by the government, and that there would be another vote for men. This indicates that the government intends to go beyond the million men asked for by Earl Kitchener, secretary of state for war, and that the recruiting will continue until the war is concluded.

Mr. Asquith announced that the responsibility for the sending of a naval brigade of marines to Antwerp to assist in the defence of that city while it was being besieged, for which Winston Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, has been criticized, rested with the government as a whole. The premier said that Earl Kitchener had been consulted, and approved the step.



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## N. B. AND P. E. I. S. S. CONVENTION

Sussex, N. B., Nov. 10.—(Special)—The New Brunswick and P. E. Island Sunday School Association opened its first annual convention at Sussex today, the gathering being held at the United Baptist church, and were full of enthusiasm. The number of delegates was unusually large. The morning session was presided over by Rev. G. A. Lawson, Moncton, and was addressed by John A. Alexander, Chicago, international superintendent of the secondary divisions on Fundamental Principles. He also led a conference on "Teen Age Training."

In the afternoon Rev. W. A. Ross, general secretary, spoke of the formation of a new advisory committee in connection with boys' work in the province, and Mr. Alexander spoke on leadership.

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Our work is developing along new lines. The boys' conference held in conjunction with the Y. M. C. A. last spring in St. John, was a splendid success. A community training school of 100 members was conducted in St. John last winter, with the president, Rev. Mr. Anderson as principal and the school is re-organizing again this year with splendid prospects, and Moncton has also organized for a training school.

A movement of great significance is the effort to bring together the various denominational brotherhoods and adult organizations covering the whole continent. As to the future let us take as our motto the injunction of the British business world "Business as usual" and with calm confidence in the God of our fathers let us go forward.

Mr. Alexander in his address on the "Teen Age Field," said that the Bible is just the same as it used to be, despite

what critics may say about it, but we must remember that the boy and girl come ahead of the Bible because God has given the book to teach boys and girls, who are immortal beings, how to live for ever. Boys and girls should be helped to plan for themselves and not have hard and fast rules laid down for them by their elders. Make them partners. This is the church's day and if any other organization comes in and does the church's work it is a loss to the church. The church's part in this work is to catch the vision of Jesus Christ and to work through the boy and girl.

The report of the adult division shows that twenty-one new classes are enrolled with a membership of 351 making in all 122 classes with a total enrollment of 4,014.

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(By G. H. Pettis, Special Cable to Daily Telegraph and Montreal Gazette.)

Paris, Tuesday.—A citizen of Lille who left that town last Thursday and got through to the coast with great difficulty, said the town was captured by the British troops on October 28 but could not be held. The Germans re-entered on October 23 and since then the city has been repeatedly lost and captured in the course of successive bombardments.

There has been great destruction in the St. Saviour quarter, situated between the passenger and goods stations, and the city hall, in the oldest and most populous part of the town, was entirely destroyed.

Altogether 1,200 houses have been destroyed by the cannonade or fire. KAISER CENSURED CAMPAIGN LEADERS.

On the North Belgian Frontier, Nov. 10.—(Despatch to the London Morning Post).—A trustworthy friend who has just left Brussels, assures me that Emperor William was there last Monday on the way back from western headquarters. The fact of his presence was not generally known and he remained a few hours only.

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## CANADIAN MEDICAL CORPS GOING TO FRONT

London, Nov. 10.—(Montreal Gazette Cable)—Some sections of the Medical services which accompanied the Canadian contingent to England will soon leave for the front. Today, under special orders, No. 2 General Hospital, Salisbury Plain, paraded for inspection and made preparation to be ready at any hour to carry out departure orders for an unknown destination. The senior officers include: Lt.-Col. J. W. Bridges, Lt.-Col. R. D. Rudolph, Lt.-Col. W. A. Scott and Major W. A. Gorrell.

No. 1 General Hospital is being erected at Salisbury Plain, where the ambulances were found insufficient, although the number of sick are said not to be abnormal, notwithstanding the bad weather for the past two weeks.

No. 1 Stationary Hospital is being established at Hamstead Heath, North London, where the Mount Vernon Hospital has been secured. It will be opened in a few days, and will be in charge of Lt.-Col. Lorne Drum, of Ottawa.

No. 2 Stationary Hospital accompanied the Canadian nurses to France last week.

Lt.-Col. Hodgkett, of Ottawa, has established the headquarters of the Canadian Red Cross at 16 Cockspur street, Trafalgar square, in rooms placed at his disposal by the Lawrence Jones Co., British Red Cross, the chairman of which is Arthur Stanley, who has received him most cordially, and given him the privilege of attending the officers' meetings.

The Canadian War Contingent Association has received two hundred offers of private residences for convalescent homes, and are making selection of some, as they find it necessary to relieve the pressure on Shorncliffe Hospital by drafting the non-serious cases elsewhere.

Among the recent subscriptions is \$500 from American friends, through Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Satter. The total is now nearly \$100,000, the amount originally fixed, but this estimate has been found too small.

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