

The Silent War.

The present world-racking struggle in Europe will go down into history as the silent war. In that it will be unique. In past times, when armies met in conflict, the ubiquitous war correspondent was as much a part of the army equipment as the commissariat wagons. Stories of personal daring and mighty deeds of arms were not difficult to obtain even within a very short time after they happened. But today the battlefields of Europe are shrouded in a mystery deep and almost impenetrable.

In the exciting days of the outset of the campaign when the earth was pregnant with possibilities of Agamemnon, newspapers and news agencies, with unlimited resources at their command, sent their best men to "cover" the happenings. They might as well have remained at home for, except for despatches from the places far away from the contending armies, these correspondents were unable to accomplish anything. What is true of the actual fighting is also true of the preparations for the war. In the capitals of Europe the most rigorous censorship has been maintained.

A Canadian, recently returned from London, saw a fine regiment march into an armory. He made enquiries and was informed that they would be there for several days. Having a friend, an officer in the regiment, he called at the armory the following morning and was surprised to find it deserted. In the watches of the night the fighting force had melted away. And this is one of many similar incidents.

Not long ago the passengers returning from Great Britain told of great numbers of Russian troops landing in Scotland from Archangel and passing through Britain en route to France and Belgium. An American writer of reputation and credibility saw them and recognized them. Other men perfectly trustworthy told the same story. Then, after several days had elapsed, the British official press bureau announced with all the weight of officialdom that the report was untrue. The news papers, however, are inclined to pin their faith to the original stories which are supported by much circumstantial evidence.

formed on entirely credible authority, that train loads of the soldiers of the czar—Cossacks figure largely—have thundered past from Aberdeen, Leith and Hull bound for points of embarkation on the southeast and channel coasts of England.

British newspapers seem to have maintained a discreet silence on the subject, but in the circumstance too much stress cannot be placed on this reticence. From time to time denials have been made, but never in such absolute terms as to be necessarily accepted as conclusive. But again the guarded character of these denials cannot be taken as even inferential evidence that the movement in question has actually occurred.

There is no doubt that the great editors of England know more of the whereabouts of the British troops and the British fleet than they have printed or said anything about, and while there has been some criticism that the excessive silence has had a detrimental effect upon the recruiting, the British press and the British people uncomplainingly accept the situation.

Mr. W. J. Spears, of London, England whose knowledge of Western Canada dates back to 1880, has just completed a tour over the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway between Winnipeg and Prince Rupert. Mr. Spears made this journey with a view to obtaining for those interested in England the latest data on the natural resources of the territory opened up by the new transcontinental railway as it passes through British Columbia.

"In their scenic beauty alone," said Mr. Spears, "these regions have a wonderful asset. There is not a monotonous moment on the trip. Scene after scene unfolds itself—lake, mountain, wooded glen and glacier. The valleys are wide allowing the full majesty of the peaks to be realized. In these valleys are areas of gentle sloping land of a soil admirably suited for agriculture. In their richness they reminded me of the valley of the Nile. Dairying and mixed farming have a bright future there and I feel convinced that British Columbia's greatest centres of population will eventually be situated along the lines of this Railway.

completed on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway at the rate of one each week. Twenty stations have been erected recently on the main line of the Transcontinental in the Province of British Columbia. Development has been very rapid in this territory, settlers coming in as soon as the steel was laid. These new station buildings which are modern in every respect, include Longworth, Dewey, Lindup, Aleze Lake, Hansard, Uring Hutton, Nowlands, Guildford, Foreman, Crescent Island, Legrand, Giscome, Bend, Rooney, Rainbow, Willow River, Knole and Sholley.

Good progress is being made with the construction of the big Grand Trunk Pacific Dry Dock at Prince Rupert. This dock, costing \$3,000,000 will have an important national value, as it will be able to handle the largest vessels either naval or mercantile, afloat on the Pacific Ocean.

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Local And Other Items

A trolley car was run down by a freight train near Memphis Tenn. Thursday night.

Six were killed and fifteen badly hurt, when a train derailed near Livingston, Alabama, on Friday.

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Latest War News.

Yesterday was the tenth day of continuous fighting in the terrible battle of the Aisne, and the latest despatches last night, while describing the intensity of the combat and the fighting for every inch of ground show that the position of the contending armies is practically unchanged.

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We Want Your WOOL
We will pay the highest price, cash or trade, offered by anybody in P. E. Island.
Bring in any amount you like—nothing too large and nothing too small for us to handle.
MOORE & McLEOD
119-121 Queen Street
Charlottetown.
May 27th, 1914-16.

Mail Contract
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Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of tender may be obtained at the Post Office of Kensington, Indian River, Pictou, and at the office of the Post Office Inspector.
JOHN F. WHEAR, Post Office Inspector, Charlottetown, 11th, Sept. 1914. Sept. 16, 1914-31

LET US MAKE Your New Suit
When it comes to the question of buying clothes, there are several things to be considered.
You want good material, you want perfect fitting qualities, and you want your clothes to be made fashionable and stylish, and then you want to get them at a reasonable price.
This store is noted for the excellent quality of the goods carried in stock, and nothing but the very best in trimmings of every kind allowed to go into a suit.
We guarantee to fit you perfectly, and all our clothes have that smooth, stylish well tailored appearance, which is approved by all good dressers.
If you have had trouble getting clothes to suit you, give us a trial. We will please you.
MacLellan Bros.
TAILORS AND FURNISHERS,
153 Queen Street.

Mortgage Sale
TO BE Sold by public auction in front of the Law Courts Building in Charlottetown on Thursday the Fifteenth day of October A.D. 1914 at the hour of twelve o'clock noon —
ALL THAT tract piece or parcel of land situate lying and being in Lot or Township number thirty-one at North Wilshire in Queen's Country and bounded as follows, that is to say: Commencing at the North-east side of the Drive or North Wilshire Road and on the North-west side of farm number thirty it runs from thence North thirty-eight degrees west eighty-three chains and thirty-three links from thence North fifty-two degrees west nine chains from thence South thirty-eight degrees west to the road and from thence along the road to the place of commencement being farm number thirty-one and containing Seventy-five acres of land a little more or less.
The above sale is made under and virtue of a power of sale contained in an Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the Twentieth day of March A.D. 1891 and made between Alfred Matthew of North Wilshire aforesaid and Louis Matthew his wife of the one part and Edward Bayfield of Charlottetown of the other part and which said Mortgage has been duly assigned to the undersigned.
For particulars apply to the office of Mathieson, MacDonald & Stewart Charlottetown.
Dates this Fifteenth day of Sept. A. D. 1914.
WILLIAM ROBERT CLARK, Assignee of Mortgage. Sept. 16, 1914-41.

STEWART & CAMPBELL, Barristers, Solicitors, etc.
Offices in Desrivay Block, Corner Queen and Grafton Streets, Charlottetown, P. E. Island.
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W. S. STEWART, K. C. — J. A. CAMPBELL.
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PLANT LINE
AUTUMN EXCURSIONS IN EFFECT SEPTEMBER 11TH.
Charlottetown to Boston and return \$13.00. Tickets good for return within 30 days from date of issue.
The new twin screw steamer "Evangeline" sails from Charlottetown for Boston every Friday at noon. For folders and full information apply to JAS. CARRAGHER, Agent, Charlottetown, Sept. 9, 1914—16

Invictus--- the Best Good Shoes for Men
We are showing now a nice line of Invictus—the best boots for men.
These are shown in gum metal, patents, tan and black, laced and buttoned styles. Some of the new features are the new style tongue attached to uppers, wearproof lining and many other new ideas that dressy men should see.
Prices range from \$5.00 to \$7.00.
Alley & Co.
135 Queen Street.

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