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War News.

Messages Received
Previous to 9 A.M.

OFFICIAL.

LONDON, Feb. 15.

The Governor, Newfoundland:
The French Government reports artillery duels at various points, also engagements in Lorraine and Alsace. Results not yet known.

The Russian Government reports the enemy's attack at Lyck repulsed. Further north the Russian troops are falling back to the fortified line of the Niemen. In the Carpathians the Russians have taken about 2,000 further prisoners.

The Egyptian Government reports about 200 Turkish soldiers surprised near Tor, in the Sinai peninsula. Over one hundred were captured, sixty dead were counted, twenty camels were captured, whilst the enemy camp and stores were destroyed. Our losses were one Gurkha killed and one wounded.

HARCOURT.

THE NAVAL SITUATION.

LONDON, Feb. 15.
Winston Churchill gave an interesting review of the naval situation, in introducing the estimates. He said efficiency was the keynote of the Admiralty's programme, and at the outbreak of the war the supplies of men, ammunition and oil were complete.

Every ship in the Navy, which was fit for service, as well as new ships which were built for foreign governments and armed merchantmen, had been fully manned; in fact the German army was no more fit for an attempted war on a gigantic scale, than was the British fleet for the national defence. After six months of war, with new dangers and difficulties coming into view, we have every right to be content with the results of our labors in making provision for the Navy.

Referring to the naval battles off the Falkland Islands and in the North Sea, he said one or two small cru-

isers and two armed merchantmen remain of all the German preparations to attack our trade routes, and these are in hiding. During six months of the war, the total losses at sea, including all ships, except trawlers, amounted to only sixty-three. It was necessary to be on the lookout for another German attempt to harass British trade routes. All the ocean is a blank as to German cruisers, he said, and we should be able to meet any new attempt with resources incomparably superior to what we had at the beginning of the war.

BRITAIN'S ANSWER TO GERMAN THREATS.

LONDON, Feb. 15.
In a statement in the Commons today, Mr. Churchill intimated that further action would be taken by the Allies to prevent the importation of food stuffs in neutral ships to Germany.

TIGHTENING THE CORDS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.
Britain notified the United States today, through the British Embassy here, that subjects of her enemies, whether crew or passengers of vessels entering principal British Colonial ports, will be liable in future to removal and detention.

THE WILHELMINA'S CARGO.

LONDON, Feb. 15.
The foreign office announced today that if the cargo of the American ship Wilhelmina, should be diverted for the relief of distress in Belgium, the decision to send her cargo to a British prize court would be reconsidered; otherwise her cargo must be submitted to the decision of the court.

THE LODZ ABANDONMENT.

PARIS, Feb. 15.
A Petrograd despatch to the Herald (Paris edition), reiterates the report that the Germans have evacuated Lodz in Poland. It is also reported that they are preparing to abandon Lodz.

RUSSIANS HOLD CZERNOWITZ.

LONDON, Feb. 15.
The Russians are fortifying Czernowitz, the capital of Bukovina, according to a Daily Mail despatch, which adds that the bridges over the Sereth River have been blown up. The Austrians, according to the same despatch, are holding the town of Sereth, 24 miles southeast of Czernowitz.

COPPER WORKS CAPTURED BY RUSSIANS.

LONDON, Feb. 15.
A despatch to the Times from Petrograd, says that the Bourso Gazette Tiflis correspondent declares that the capture by the Russians of Borchka village beyond the River Sherokh, in Asia Minor, which the enemy had converted into an almost impregnable fortress, opens the road to the Zanzil copper smelting works, which the Turks seized at the beginning of the war, and were holding for German engineers and workmen to take possession of. It is a valuable property upon which the Germans had cast longing eyes before the war.

THE AMERICAN NOTES AND THE 'TIMES.'

LONDON, Feb. 15.
Commenting on the American notes regarding shipping, sent to the Government at Berlin and London, the Times says the tone of both is most courteous and friendly. Not the most captious of German critics can detect the slightest want of consideration or good breeding in the remarks addressed to Berlin, but if the protest

against German threats is measured and amicable, it is also very explicit, very grave and very firm. In regard to the note to England, we shall certainly do all that is judged, consistent with our military safety, to meet American wishes and assuage their uneasiness for American ships and lives. We would point out, however, that the danger which Washington apprehends from British use of the American flag could only arise from neglect of German warships to observe the elementary rules that visit and search must precede an attack, except where an effective blockade is enforced. The Times declines to believe that the Germans will be able to interfere with British shipping to any very serious extent, and is confident that the German blockade will prove futile even if the measures which the British Admiralty have in hand, do not immediately and finally bring it to an immediate and humiliating end.

ANTIVARI BOMBARDED.

CETTINJE, Montenegro, Feb. 15.
The Austrian fleet on Sunday morning, sortied from the Gulf of Cattaro, and commenced bombardment of the port of Antivari in Montenegro. Members of the royal family of Montenegro were subjected, yesterday, in their residence at Tieke, to a machine gun fire from two Austrian aeroplanes. King Nicholas, the Queen and Princess watched the aerial raiders from the Palace windows. Several bullets fired from aeroplanes fell near them.

LINER'S NARROW ESCAPE.

BOSTON, Feb. 15.
Hemmed in by field drift ice close to the spot where the Titanic went down, the officers of the Bucknall liner Kasenga prepared, last Tuesday, to abandon the vessel and lowered provisions and lifeboats over her side. Until Wednesday morning the Kasenga, with a million dollar cargo of merchandise from the Orient, slowly made her way through heavy ice which threatened constantly to penetrate her steel sides. Toward noon she succeeded in gaining open water.

THE PREMIER AT NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.
Rt. Hon. Sir E. P. Morris, Premier of Newfoundland, announced here today that he would confer with representatives of the State Department with a view to settling amicably the disputes arising out of the fisheries award at the Hague in 1910. He said the expected claims, which aggregate about \$100,000, may be so handled between the governments that no recourse to courts or arbitration will be necessary. Explaining his mission, he said that about fifty fishing firms of Gloucester have filed claims as a result of the Hague fisheries award.

WILL ACT THE GHOUL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.
Germany's intention of sowing mines in waters around British Isles as part of her submarine warfare against belligerent merchant ships, was announced in a note delivered to the State Department today by Count Von Bernstorff.

WHY RUSSIANS RETREATED.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 15.
Forced retirement of the Russian army from East Prussia is expected to result in reversion by Russians to their original plan of conducting a defensive campaign on their own territory. It is pointed out here that this should result in advantage to the Russians in that Germany will be deprived of transportation facilities which she was able to use with great effectiveness during the fighting within her own borders.

Headachy, Costive, Bilious, "Cascarets."

Sick Headache, Bad Breath, Sour Stomach, mean Liver and Bowels are clogged—Cheer up!

Get a 10-cent box.

Sick headache, biliousness, dizziness, coated tongue, foul taste and foul breath—always trace them to torpid liver; delayed, fermenting food in the bowels or sour, gassy stomach.

Poisonous matter clogged in the intestines, instead of being cast out of the system is re-absorbed into the blood. When this poison reaches the delicate brain tissue it causes congestion and that dull, throbbing, sickening headache.

Cascarets immediately cleanse the stomach, remove the sour, undigested food and foul gases, take the excess bile from the liver and carry out all the constipated waste matter and poisons in the bowels.

A Cascaret to-night will surely straighten you out by morning. They work while you sleep—a 10-cent box from your druggist means your head clear, stomach sweet and your liver and bowels regular for months.

The flaring double skirt brings with its logical companion, the tight-fitting bodice.

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DISTEMPER.

This Date In History.

FEBRUARY 16.

Shrove Tuesday.

New Moon—14.

Days Past—46 To Come—318
SIR FRANCIS GALTON born 1822. An eminent scientist and traveller, whose studies in hereditary transmission have been of great service and whose expositions in regard to the markings of finger tips resulted in the adoption of what is known as finger-print identifications in police cases.

LINDLEY MURRAY died 1826, aged 81. An American educationist of Quaker stock who wrote numerous works, including the famous volume which for a long period was the standard grammar of the English language.

FRANCO-GERMAN WAR terminated 1871.

The great end of a good education is to form a reasonable man.

A GAMBLE FOR MILLIONS.

The present war has been a huge gamble on the part of its financial originators to secure money easily; the lost of Europe was the prize. Innumerable millions were the stake played for. Germany has been the burglar breaking into the safe of Europe—the safe in which was the gold gained by the sacrifice of Europe's labour. When the reckoning comes it is to be hoped that not merely the Kaiser and his war party will be the only sufferers. Amongst the most severely handled should be the financial gang that provided them with the means of war, and who used the legions of Germany merely as the tools that were to gain them a thousand per cent. profit on the cash they advanced, and without which the Kaiser and his legions would have been as lifeless as the puppets in a Punch and Judy show without the man who pulled the strings.—Cassell's Magazine.

Economy

GAS COKE yields 44 per cent of radiant heat, whereas coal gives only 19 per cent. under the same conditions.

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GAS COKE lasts longer than coal.

Light the fire with paper and sticks and a little coal. When once burning make it up with Coke, the cheapest solid fuel.

For a limited time only, the St. John's Gas Light Company will deliver in any part of the town at \$6.50 per ton, or \$3.25 per half ton.

Hr. Grace Notes.

The Industrial Society distributed some 2,000 lbs. of twine, to be knit up, on Saturday. So great was the demand for this work that the distribution commenced at 8 o'clock, and by 10 it was all gone; a large number of people being unable to secure the allotted amount of 20 lbs. to be knitted.

Mrs. D. Baird of St. John's is in town on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Geo. Makinson.

The sad intelligence of the death of Rev. G. R. Godden was received with great regret on Saturday forenoon. Mr. Godden was very highly thought of by all classes, and the bereaved family has the sympathy of the whole community.

A very fine thermometer owned by Mr. James Gorman of the telephone office had been placed by the office door on Water Street during the cold snap, and was watched by many people who appreciated Mr. Gorman's kindness in giving them the chance of seeing for themselves the extent of the frost. It was also watched, by some malicious person, for on Saturday night last it was left out as usual and on Sunday morning it was found out in the middle of the street, completely smashed up. It is a pity the police on night duty did not see the perpetrator of this mean, contemptible act and have him punished.

Mr. James Garland, of C. D. Garland & Son, coopers, met with an accident at his business place a couple of weeks ago by falling and dislocating his ankle. His friends are pleased to see him out again to-day, and hope soon to see him getting along as formerly without the aid of a stick.

The last dance for the season is to be held to-night at the C. C. C. Armoury.

CORRESPONDENT.

Harbor Grace, Feb. 15, '15.

Farewell Post Cards.

Of N.F.L.D. Second Contingent, including
Section Groups,

Farewell Dance,
Boys Leaving on Neptune,
On Board s.s. Dominion,
and other interesting pictures, only Five Cents each at PARSONS' ART STORE.

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Bargain Lots IN SHOW-ROOM.

We have some odds and ends in our Showroom that we wish to clear out in the next few days. To do so we have marked them at exceptionally low prices—in many cases at one quarter the original price.

FANCY	BLACK SILK LACES.
COLD PINAFORE GALOON.	(Wide.)
Regular 4c. Now2c. yd.	Regular 16c. Now11c.
Regular 7c. Now4c. yd.	Regular 17c. Now12c.
COLORED LINEN GALOON.	Regular 30c. Now19c.
In Pale Blue, Pink and Cream.	Regular 40c. Now20c.
Regular 9c. Now3c. per yd.	

A LOT CORSETS!

Different makes, broken sizes; mostly 0, 1 and 5. Regular 50c. to \$1.00.
CLEARING OUT AT 30c. PER PAIR.

BLACK LACE YOKES.	MILLINERY HAT MOUNTS.
Regular 25c. Now20c.	Regular 20c. Now10c.
METAL PURSES.	BELTS—BLACK SILK.
Regular 20c. Now15c.	Regular 25c. Now15c.
CHAIN PURSES.	Regular 35c. Now20c.
Regular \$2.00. Now1.00	Regular 50c. Now25c.
LEATHER HAND BAGS.	SILK MOTOR SCARVES.
White Poplin—Reg. 60c. Now . . .30c.	Regular 25c. Now21c.
Leather—Reg. 60c. Now40c.	Regular 45c. Now38c.
Leather—Reg. 70c. Now50c.	Regular \$1.00. Now85c.
Leather—Reg. 80c. Now60c.	Regular \$1.80. Now1.50
Leather—Reg. 1.10. Now70c.	Regular \$2.00. Now1.75

STEER BROTHERS.

Give the Miller His Due, Mrs. Housewife

If he selects his wheat—
Washes, brushes and scours it—
Grinds it **20 times**, so the granules are all alike—

Sifts it **10 times** through silk, so you get only utterly perfect flour—

Then bakes a batch from every lot before it leaves the mill—

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