

Metz Being Evacuated by the Civil Population
Interesting Letter From Lt.-Col Harry Genet
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THREE OF IRISH LEADERS STILL IN IRELAND; MAYBE NOT YET CAUGHT

Other Ring-Leaders are Being Quickly Tried by Court Martials—Sir John Maxwell Issues Severe Orders Against Snipers.

SOLDIERS' BEARING GOOD

DUBLIN, May 3.—Justice has been swift in the case of the leaders of the Sinn Fein rebellion. Three of the ringleaders, signatories of the proclamation of the short-lived Irish republic, paid the supreme sacrifice yesterday.

Others being tried in Ireland the now being tried with great rapidity by the central court martial, while the local courts martial are dealing with minor rebels in various districts.

Further captures of isolated snipers occurred today in the outlying quarters of the capital and orders were issued by Major-General Sir John Maxwell that any rebels found with arms should be severely dealt with.

Organizer Disappears. Everybody is asking what has become of John McNeill, the local organizer of the Sinn Feiners, who appears to have disappeared from Dublin with the firing of the first shot.

Confidence is rapidly returning among the civilian population, and although work has not been generally resumed, many stores have reopened.

ALL PREPARED

Dublin, via London, May 4.—Postage stamps prepared by the short-lived Irish republic, have been found ready for issue.

AMERICAN IMPLICATED

LONDON, May 4, 3.12 p.m.—James M. Sullivan of New York, formerly American minister to Santo Domingo, has been arrested in Dublin on the charge of complicity in the Irish rebellion.

ORDER ISSUED.

TORONTO, May 4.—An order made by Mr. Justice Latchford at Osgoode Hall this morning directed the payment into court of \$64,176.25 in the hands of E. B. Stockdale as receiver of the Grand Valley Railway, into which is absorbed the Brantford Street Railway and the Woodstock, Thames Valley & Ingersoll road.

POSTAL SERVICE.

A provisional postal service has been established in Dublin where letters are now arriving from the provinces and from England, but no outgoing mail has yet been organized and it is impossible to obtain postage stamps.

The authorities have acquired premises in the city to replace the general post office which was destroyed during its occupation as a rebel headquarters.

Broadway, New York, hung up another costly dinner record when L. C. Wallick, proprietor of Wallick's hotel entertained thirty-six at a stag dinner at a cost said to have been about \$50 a plate.

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LT.-COL. HARRY GENET. whose interesting letter from the front appears in this issue.

RICHARD CLAWSEY HAS BEEN KILLED

Word Received To-day From Ottawa Tells Sad News.

Richard Clawsey, 98 West Mill St. has been killed in action, according to a cablegram received to-day by his mother.

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LT.-COLONEL GENET WRITES HOME FROM BATTLE FRONT

In a Most Interesting Letter He Tells of Conditions on the Firing Line—Chaplain Jeakins Now on Hospital Duty and Colonel Acts in His Stead Among Other Duties.

Lt.-Col. Genet, who is in command of the 58th Battalion now at the front, during the course of a very interesting letter to Mr. J. Sanderson, president of the Adams Wagon Company, says:

"You are not far wrong in your estimation of the 58th Battalion. We have a good one and we made very rapid progress to the front. I do not wish you to think that I am at all conceited about it, or that I take any but a very small part of the credit to myself.

"The rest of the family are well, Mrs. Genet is living at Folkestone, 33 Brockman road. Jack is still at Shorncliffe and Harry as far as I know is at Alexandria, Egypt. He has seen quite a lot of the world in the last few months, having been at Tulud Bay, Malta, Sicily, Italy, and now Egypt.

METZ IS BEING EVACUATED BY CIVIL POPULATION; FRENCH MAKE PROGRESS AT VERDUN

German Capital of Lorraine is Evidently Preparing For Trouble—French Increased and Consolidated Gains in District of Dead Man's Hill.

Berlin, May 4, via London, 3.31 p.m.—It is officially announced that the French have obtained a foothold in one of the German advance posts south of Dead Man's Hill.

London, May 4—10 a.m.—Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent telegraphs that information which is regarded as trustworthy has been received there to the effect that Metz is being evacuated by civil population.

Brantford May Have a Daylight Saving Scheme

Motion to Adopt Device Will be Introduced in the Council as Soon as Possible—Opinions of Mayor, Some of the Aldermen, ex-Mayor Spence and Mr. Ham, M.L.A.

The advisability of adopting the Daylight Saving Scheme in Brantford which device is being tried in many Canadian cities, as well as Holland and Germany, and which was shrewdly discussed in the House of Commons at London, will be laid before the City Council probably at its next session.

The result of the interviews might be summarized as follows: OPPOSED TO SCHEME.

Mayor Bowly. Ald. Pichel, chairman of the Fire and Light committee.

Ald. Mellen, chairman of the Manufacturers' committee. IN FAVOR OF THE SCHEME.

Ald. Dowling, chairman of the Board of Works, who thinks it is worth trying, though admittedly it has disadvantages. A special committee of the council, he thinks, should report on the matter.

Ald. Welsh, chairman of the Buildings and Grounds committee. Mr. J. H. Ham, M.L.A. Ex-Mayor Spence.

Ald. Walter J. Bragg, chairman of the Railway committee could not be located, so his opinion on the matter is not known.

Mr. W. S. Brewster, ex-member of the legislature, is out of town and his opinion, either, could not be obtained.

Liberal Party Wants the Enquiry Widened

Ottawa, Ont., May 4.—A proposal to extend the powers of the Meredith-Duff Royal Commission enquiring into fuse contracts let by the Liberal Party is being considered by the committee on the subject of the order-in-council outlining the duties of the commission, limiting the enquiry to fuse and cartridge case contracts, to question General Bertram, chairman of the committee, on prices charged sub-contractors as compared with the prices allowed by the war office, stated attempts would be made in the House to widen the scope of investigation.

MR. JOHNSTON REBUKED BY SIR WILLIAM

Commissioner Meredith Asked Lawyer to Stop Heckling. GENERAL BERTRAM AGAIN ON STAND

Some Questions Asked by Lawyer Ruled Out of Court.

Ottawa, Ont., May 4.—The connection of General Bertram, who was chairman of the shell committee, which let two fuse contracts to the American Ammunition and the International Fuse companies, the subject of the Meredith-Duff Commission's investigation, with John Bertram and Sons of Dundas, was probed by E. F. B. Johnston, K.C., Liberal counsel, at this morning's session of the enquiry.

Answering Mr Johnston's questions, General Bertram said he held one share in the Dundas concern, which was controlled by the Niles, Bennet Company of the United States. The profits of the Dundas company would go to the American concern.

General Bertram complained that he had explained the make-up of his company yesterday.

Mr. Johnston persisted, however, and asked: "Did you get any profits from the Dundas concern? Is this a sore point with you?"

General Bertram: "No, it hasn't paid a dividend in four years. When I look on this work, I dissociate myself from John Bertram & Sons. I am quite frank and have nothing to hide."

Mr. Johnston: "But the profits going to it amounted to a very considerable sum."

General Bertram: "I have no idea. I have not heard from the company for two years."

SORE POINT FOR LAWYER. Eugene Lafleur, K.S., of counsel for Sir Sam Hughes: "This seems to be a sore point with you, Mr. Johnston."

Mr. Johnston and Sir William Meredith lived up the proceedings at this point by a wrangle. Mr. Johnston had been asking questions about the fixing of prices for shells, which Col. Carnegie and General Bertram arranged for submission to the War Office. Sir William suggested Mr. Johnston was not treating the witness properly.

"You are treating him as if he was the commonest kind of witness, who you think was dishonest," said Sir William.

Mr. Johnston: "I resent such an accusation."

Sir William: "I can't help your resentment. Let us get on."

Mr. Johnston: "If I can't get anything but general evidence from the witness and can only ask polite questions, I might as well not be here."

Sir William: "Please continue."

Mr. Johnston said he wanted to ask the witness about a contract let by the shell committee on October 1, 1914. He wanted to show what price the four manufacturing members of the committee got from the war office and what price was paid to sub-contractors.

RESTRICTS QUESTIONS. Sir William: "You can only ask questions along that line insofar as they refer to the committee's dealings with the four companies being investigated."

Mr. Johnston claimed it was necessary for him to secure testimony on the question of sub-contracts to show whether the members of the committee were contractors or merely agents.

Sir William: "Members can ask in the House of Commons for an enlargement of the powers of the commission. Mr. Carvell can do that. We must confine ourselves to four companies or we shall be here all summer."

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