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4,500 prisoners, and 240 guns. This probably means the early fall of the fortress itself, between which capture and the Vilna, Warsaw and Petrograd railway there cannot be much delay Another fort northeast from Nove Georgievsk has also fallen, and a cor don is being closed around the fort ress. Other armies from the west and south are advancing toward Brestlite vsk line. There has been continued activity among diplomats in the Balkan capi-tals and among Balkan representa-tives in other capitals. The Serbian Minister who has been a frequent vis-itor at the Foreign Office saw Sir Ed-ward Grey again to-day, while an-other caller was the Roumanian Min-ister. There has been no develop-ments in the situation, however. Italians, according to telegrams from Rome, commenced another gen-eral offensive against the Austrians, but there has been no news of mobut there has been no news of mo ment from any other fronts.

stormed and has taken forts on the southwest front of Kovno, capturing

ISSUES WARNING.

PARIS, Aug. 17. Albert Thomas, Under Secretary r War, has issued a warning to manufacturers working on war ma terials, informing them that the scar city of railroad rolling stock wil make it difficult for delivery of coal unless ordered considerably in advance of the time it actually is needed. He advises the use of waterways for transportation fuel.

AWAITING OFFICIAL NOTIFICA-TION.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17. A decision of the Allies to declare cotton contraband was admitted today in the highest official quarters though a formal statement on the subject is withheld until official no tification is received here from Lon-don and Paris. It will be learned in a day or two is some sort of official statement be forthcoming detailing the reasons of the Allies for declaring cotton contraband.

TO-DAY'S Messages.

10.00 A.M.

MME. POINCAIRE VISITS WOUND. ED CANADIANS.

PARIS, To-Day. Mmme. Poincaire, wife of the Presi dent of France, yesterday visited the Canadian hospital maintained by the Franco-German War, sometimes called the battle of Saint-Privat, which people of Montreal and other cities, talking to the wounded and nurses and making small gifts to the soldiers.

His name is closely connected with the Reform Bill of 1832. He became AUDIENCE WITH GREEK MINIS TER. Prime Minister twice. "He had a character for dauntless courage and confidence among his friends; for GENEVA, To-Day.

The Tribune prints the following from Bucharest: King Ferdinand yes-terday gave a long private audience boundless self-conceit among his ene

Austria, born 1830.

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FRANCIS JOSEPH, Emperor of

BATTLE OF GRAVELOTTE 1870

A village 7 miles west of Metz, in

Alsace-Lorraine, Germany, the scen

of the most sanguinary battle of the

esulted in Bazaine's retreat to Metz. LORD JOHN RUSSELL born 1792.



Narrow Escape in History. A drowning accident was barely

averted on the local fishing grounds last evening. While Messrs. Lewis and Stevenson were about to set a way. herring net their boat was struck by a heavy sea and capsized and both from the northward. men were thrown into the water. They were heavily clad and struggled

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strenuously until they reached the bottom of the upturned boat, hanging on like grim death until two other fishermen named Pearce and Hoskins, who were fishing on the grounds in a dory at the time, came to their aid English mail is extended until noon just in the nick of time as the boat was being carried towards the breako-morrow. ers. Messrs. Lewis and Stevenson

were more than thankful to their rescuers and believed that a few minutes longer it would have been all up with them.

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Here and There. BOWRINGS' SHIPS. The Portia is on her way to Chan

nel from North Sydney, bound this

CRESCENT. To-day the Crescent's big holiday

programme consists of five all fea-ture pictures. "His Dominant Pas-The Prespero is due to-morroy sion"-overcome with grief, he robs his friend; after his release from pris-DURANGO OVERDUE. - The s.s on he learns the stolen treasure is

Durango is now overdue from Hali-fax to this port, being S4 hours out only dross, a Vitagraph drama featuring Wm, Humphrey and Leah Baird. "The Girl at his Side," a Seat noon to-day. She is, no doubt, de-tained by fog. In consequence the lig Society drama. "The Slavery of Foxicus," a Kalem farce comedy. "Beyond Youth's Paradise" is a very fine story adapted from the Munsey Magazine. A great Western comedy

"OURS" IN THE WEST END. There will be an entire change is "Sophie Pulls a Big One" produced nictures to-day at the popular little Theatre, all carefully selected to suit Mr. Harvey Collins, Irish Tenor, is Theatre, all carleting scretched will be all patrons. Little Anita will be heard in a charming song. A delight-ful clean, cosy and ventilated house ful clean, cosy and ventilated house



Amusements. 'HIS DOMINANT PASSION" AT THE



ropean powers allied with Britain las been secured. Another significant indication of the declaration forth-coming, was the postponement of a beeting set for to-day, calling and the continuance of the Balkan ne Government to make cotton negotiations, the necessity of achieving something definite in the assault upon the Dardanelles is growing

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ques at 7.30 a.m. to-day. The Meigle leaves Humbermouth

this evening. The Sagona arrived at Grady at 8

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few days, is able to be about again. Mr. W. B. Nicholson, Canadian Trade Commissioner, arrived in the city by yesterday's express from

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coast country. Beaumont, Houstan, Taylor, Temple and other cities in south east Texas are thought to have been hard hit. Last reports from those places tell of unroofed buildings,

received in the city from St. Mary's last night, states that the house of Mrs. Breen was torn up by lightning about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The four occupants of the house who

HOUSE DESTROYED .- A message

a.m. yesterday, going north. Taffeta evening frocks are still were in the kitchen at the time, es-



Canada where he spent a vacation.

The Russells last night delighted the owded house at Rossley's East End Theatre. They are the best perform-ers ever in the city. Jack Russell in his descriptive songs simply received an ovation. He has a splendid voice and puts his songs over in a manner that shows the real artist. He does not claim to be a picture house singer, but all his life has sung on the dramatic and vaudeville stage. He is a very capable actor and he will show many different sketches and the finest songs next week. Olive Russell, lady paritone and double voiced vocalist, will sing. They have a great variety of novecces. Funch and Judy will be presented for the children's matinee, and Don, the trained dog, a little won-der, can do all but talk. The children will go wild over Don. Send the child-ren to see the best show ever seen in the city, and in the safest theatre in No steps or stairs, a straight walk in from the street, a clean show

ive splendid single reels and two "Come Merry Spring" and "Mighty lak' a Rose." She appears at 3.30, 8.30 and 10 and will be accompanied by Professor P. J. McCarthy. ROYAL PUNCH AND JUDY AT

times at the evening performance. The latter starts at 7 o'clock sharp and patrons are advised to go early. The whole show to-day is a creditable one, and being a holiday there will no doubt be large attendances. BRITISH THEATRE. A brilliant audience patronized the

difficulties which Britain is facing. in the war. This conviction, he said, had been burned in by his experience at the front and was shared by nearly all who had been in contact with the realities of the war. We need compulsory national service, he contin-ued, because nothing else can solve ued, because nothing else can solve our difficulties, with regard to men, despatch received there from Buchar

money, munitions and exports. We est says that information arriving a need it to hearten our soldiers serv- the Roumanian capital from Sofia, is ing abroad. The present freedom to to the effect that King Ferdinand has shirk and stay at home, while others dismissed Doctor Groetzel, for twelve give their lives to defend us, and turn a deaf ear to the urgent call of discovered that Groetzel was a Gerone's country, is not what we under-

stand by British freedom. GERMAN SUCCESSES IN THE EAST

BERLIN, Aug. 17.

One of the outlying forts of Kovno between the Niemen River and Gesia, to the south of the main fortification, as been captured by the Germans. Three forts at Novo Georgievsk also have been captured.

RETURN FROM RERMUDA.

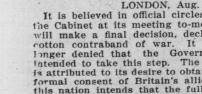
HALIFAX, N.S., Aug. 17. The steamship Caledonia arrived

here from Bermuda with the Royal Canadian Regiment on board. These have been replaced at Bermuda by 38th battalion, and will be landed here and remain for some time be-

fore being sent abroad.

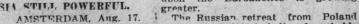
CROWN PRINCE'S PROPHESY.

GENEVA, Aug. 17. A correspondent of the Journal La Suisse of Geneva on the Vosges front, states than an army order, recently ssued by the German Crown Prince, was found on prisoners taken by the



non the Government to make cotton contraband.

RUSSIA STILL POWERFUL.



Warning was telegraphed to Berlin continues, and it is believed probable

