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W. W. COREY, C. M. G.,
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The Crown Prince Forced Back From Hill 304 on the Left of the Meuse, Is Sending Huge Masses of Men in an Assault on the Right Bank and Terrific Frontal Attacks Are Under Way.

London, June 1.—Once more the German assault on Verdun has shifted. Forced back at Hill 304, on the left bank of the Meuse, by the spirited counter thrusts of Joffre's troops, the crown prince's masses have resumed the onslaught around Fort Douaumont on the right bank of the river.

For this new attempt the Germans have concentrated enormous numbers of men. To the Kaiser's men, who, for more than one hundred days, have been added several thousand Austrian troops. In spite of the offensive against Italy the Kaiser has insisted that his Ally divide his effectives to help crumble the Verdun defences. That alone seems to argue the German determination to carry this gigantic operation to a successful conclusion.

All day the Teutons attacked the French positions from the Thiamont farm southwest of Douaumont as far as Vaux. After many furious efforts had been beaten back they penetrated trenches of the first line between Fort Douaumont and Vaux. Paris admitting this loss, says that everywhere else the assaults were hurled back with heavy loss.

The attack on the left bank of the Meuse were all aimed at one end, to clear the French positions from which enfilading fire prevented the Germans from advancing on the right bank of the river. With the capture of Cumieres and positions around Hill 304 and Dead Man Hill the German commanders apparently concluded that this had been accomplished and the time had come for the resumption of frontal assaults on Verdun. That seems to be the significance of the shifting of the attack to the right bank.

Meantime the French, whose hold on Dead Man Hill was imperilled, are fighting valiantly to set themselves back on the surrounding slopes. Berlin admits that southeast of the heights the enemy obtained a foothold in their first line trenches, over a four hundred metre front. This counter drive may in turn imperil the new German effort to force a path through to Vaux.

—A. S. Draper in Herald.

All-Canadian Flying Corps May Be Formed.

London—Canadian aviators with the Royal Flying Corps are advocating the formation of an all-Canadian flying corps. They say that over sixty would join at once, and that the strength of the corps would be largely increased from the graduates of the aviation schools in Canada and the United States, where a large proportion of the pupils are Canadians training for war service.

6,000,000 BRITONS BY JUNE.

Manchester Man Gives Estimate of New Army.

"Great Britain has 3,000,000 troops actually in the field at the present moment. She has 2,000,000 others under training at home. By June the army will reach a total of 6,000,000."

"Then the grand offensive will begin."

Prof. John Duxbury of Manchester, England, made this statement the other day. He arrived on the American liner New York.

Paper is so scarce and dear in some parts of England that butchers are asking their customers to bring platters on which to carry home their purchases; and in some parts of Prussia the authorities urge men to wear unstarched shirts, so that the potatoes from which starch is made may be used for foods.

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The Last Resort.

Little Ruth had never felt the weight of the rod during her six years of life; she had been ruled by moral suasion alone. Of late, however, she evinced a disposition to disobedience, and one morning she achieved that end three times in ten minutes. Her mother felt that more vigorous means should be taken in regard to moulding the child's character, and she accordingly took an ivory paper cutter from the writing-table and struck her smartly on her bare little legs. Ruth's surprise was equal to indignation. She pondered deeply for a moment. Then, turning toward the door with an angry, disapproving countenance, she pealed forth: "I'm going to my room to tell God about that paper-cutter. And then I shall tell Jesus. And if that doesn't do, I shall put flannel on my legs!"

Hoter Elsewhere.

At a dinner quite recently in Dublin there were two sisters present. One had just emerged from her widow's weeds, and the other was not long married, but her husband was in India. A young barrister who was present was chosen to take the young widow into dinner. Unfortunately he was under the impression that his partner was the lady whose husband was in India. The conversation commenced by the lady observing how hot it was.

"Yes, it is very hot," replied the barrister, "but not so hot as where your husband is!"

What He Would Do

A British officer inspecting sentries guarding the line in Flanders came across a raw-looking yeoman.

"What are you here for?" he asked.

"To report anything unusual, sir."

"What would you call unusual?"

"I dunno, exactly, sir."

"What would you do if you saw five battleships steaming across the field?"

"Sing the pledge, sir."

Not Enough for Two.

Young Harold was late in attendance for Sunday school, and the minister enquired the cause.

"I was going fishing, but father wouldn't let me," announced the lad.

"That's the right kind of father to have!" replied the reverend gentleman. "Did he explain the reason why he would not let you go?"

"Yes, sir. He said there wasn't bait enough for two."

What She Would Say

The Governor (closing the door): "Now my boy, I am told by friends who know that the other night you were seen in a popular restaurant given a supper to some girls. Is this true?"

The Son—"Yes sir."

Governor—"Well, what do you suppose your mother would say, sir, if she knew this?"

Son—"She would probably ask me, sir, not to let you know who they were."

The Husband's Sacrifice

Smith's wife said to him one evening anxiously: "I know, John, dear, this high cost of living is terrible; but do you really think we can get along without a servant?"

"We'll have to," Smith answered, "unless I get a rise."

Why, hang it! if the worst comes to the worst you can do the cooking for yourself, and I can get my meals at a restaurant."

Similar Condition

Mrs. Hiram Offen—Supposing Bridget, I should deduct from your wages the cost of all the dishes you broke?

Bridget—Shure, mum, in that case, it's meself 'd be like the dishes.

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