LLOYD GEORGE BECOMES BRITISH PRIME MINISTER

Mr. Bonar Law, Who Declined to Undertake Formation of a New Ministry, Will-Act in Co-operation With Lloyd George.

A despatch from London says:

Crisis has arisen before to require the Acquith Cabinet and will become the Acquith Cabinet and will become excret, but the inference that the King Covernment will be coalition, like the sld one, but probably without the same measure of harmonions support which attended the formation of the riser departed separately, four inferts condition Government, because its birth has created additional factional differences.

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"SPEED UP" WAR

A despatch from Moncton, N.B., says: At the request of the Military Hospitals Commission several Pullman cars are being converted into hospital cars, to be used in transporting returned wounded soldiers from the port of landing in Canada to interior points.

A despatch from London says:

The release for military service of all Nonesial semi-skilled and skilled men who are now engaged in the manufacture of munitions, has been agreed by the Admiralty, the Ministry of Munitions and the Army Council. despatch from Moncton, N.B.,

GERMAN VISIT

PARIS DEMAND

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Russia Does Not Intend to Allow

Expected in France—

"Knockouts" Busy.

A despatch from Paris says: Following the example of Great Britain changes of moment can be forescen also in France. In fact, the coming to a head of the British situation has only hastened in France developments which were before practically certain. The sccret session of the Chamber of Deputies, at which the demands of the French "knockout" group are being urged, has now almost reached its end. It probably would have lasted several days longer, and there is little reason to doubt that the result would have been the same, but after the British action further discussion has only doubt after the British action further discussion has only doubt after the British action further discussion has only doubt after the British action further discussion has only doubt after the British action further discussion has of the Carpathians, the newspaper and the result would have been the same, but after the British action further discussion has only doubt after the British action further discussion has only doubt after the British action further discussion has only doubt after the British action further discussion has only doubt after the British action further discussion has only doubt after the British action further discussion has of the country for at least five months.

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FRENCH RETAKE LOST TRENCHES IN THE REGION OF VERDUN

Germans Gain Temporary Foothold in French Position in Apremont Forest.

The Steamers Kangaroo and Dacia Were Also Torpedoed and a Number of Sailors Drowned.

A despatch from London says: German submarines visited the Island of Madeira on Sunday and bombarded Funchal, the capital of the island. Fifty shells were fired, 34 persons being killed. The remainder of the population fled, and only returned when the submarine departed under an interest the submarine departed under an int

Nurses Wanted

HE TORONTO HOSPITAL FOR Incurables affiliated with Believue allied Hospitals. New York, offers hree Tears' Course to women wishing enter the Nursing Profession. Applions will be received by the Superindent, Miss Cook, 130 Dunn Avenue.

Markets of the World

Winnipeg Grain.

Winnipeg, Dec. 12. — Wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.882; No. 2 Northern, \$1.882; No. 3 Northern, \$1.762; No. 4, \$1.642; No. 6, \$1.632; Feed, 91c. Oats—No. 2 C.W., 594c; No. 2 C.W., 5cc; extra No. 1 feed, 56c; No. 2 feed, 542c. Marley—No. 5, \$1.11; No. 4, 56c; rejucted, 54c; No. 2 feed, 54c; No. 2 fee

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mont Forest.

A despatch from London says:—
Hill 304, in the Verdun region, and the forest of Apremont, but later were ejected by a counter-attack.

The official communication from British headquarters issued on Friday only reported activity on the western front. Paris claims the Germans were ejected from a section of the our front south of the Ancre and in trenches on Hill 304, but Berlin asserts the troops of the Crown Prince repulsed French attempts to retake the trenches. The Germans, Paris records, succeeded in gaining a foot
GERMAN U-BOATS AT MADEIRA

SINK GUNBOAT AND SHELL CITY

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Toronto. Detc. 12.—Heavy steers, choice, \$8.35 to \$4.75 to \$8.75. to \$8.25. do., good, \$7.50 to \$8.25. do. principlus, \$6.25 to \$8.75. to \$8

RUMORS OF AIRCRAFT TO OUTDO THE ALLIES.

A despatch from Ottawa savs:

THE RUMANIAN CAPITAL IS IN GERMAN HANDS

No Attempt Was Made to Defend Bucharest, The Actions Fought Being Only of a Delaying Nature.

valers the last railroad in the west and gives to them the head of the line running northward to Jassy, where the capital of Rumania is now situ-

ated.

The fall of Ploechti, perhaps, is of the others being Brussels, Belgrade even greater importance than that of and Cettinje.



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announced that the interview had taken place, but said nothing about re-The decision to protest formally

against the treatment of the Belgians followed unsuccessful informal efforts by Charge Grew, under instruction that he say informally to the Berlin Foreign Office that the deportations were having a most unfavorable effect upon neutrals, particularly the United military necessity, and that Germany regarded it as legal.

FOE WANTS BACK

ALL HIS COLONIES.

A Berlin despatch to Amsterdam says that the war aims of the German Radicals have been set forth by Prof. Karl Doormann, leader of the Radical party in the Reichstag, as follows: "We don't reject annexations if our rulers believe them necessary from a pected to weed them out at once. military or economic point of view We cannot permit the Entente to declare an economic war against us after the present war. We must get back all our colonies. Germany must be as-sured of her right to exist independently and develop as she chooses.

DOCK AT PORT NELSON

Can Accommodate Seagoing Vessels-Joined to Shore by Steel

Trestle. from Wir The Free Press says that a dock capable of accommodating ocean-going vessels has now been completed at Port Nelson, on Hudson's Bay. It is 3,000 feet out from shore, and connected with the mainland by a steel treatle, over which trains will be running next summer to reach the ships.
Grain elevators and warehouses will be located on the new dock.

"THE FOOL OF THE FAMILY."

Prince Henry of Prussia Now Grand Admiral.

The appointment of Prince Henry of Prussia, "the fool of the family," as Grand Admiral of the German and Austrian fleets, has caused dis may among the commanders of the latter, says Reynold's newspaper. Though identified with the navy Though identified with the navy from his boyhood, Prince Henry knows from his boyhood, Prince Henry knows as much about seamanship as he does about shooting. Of his skill as a marksman all that is necessary to say is that he has already wounded three of his friends in mistake for birds.

French Wheat Crop. A despatch from Paris says: The National Millers' Association, after National Millers Association, after exhaustive enquiries, announces that this year's French wheat crop yielded 5,700,000 tons. This amount, with the existing stock, gives a total of 6,400,000 tons. As the annual consumption is 9,200,000 tons, the deficit to be made up by importation amounts to nearly 3,000,000 tons.



ITALY PREPARED

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BE WEEDED OUT LLOYD GEORGE HAILED

Must Revert and Go to the Front British Empire Union Denounces or Come Home and Take Off Uniform.

"What's the matter? Ain't he satisfied with the one his father gave him?" BRITISH EXPORT TRADE

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MADE RETREAT IN GOOD ORDER

All of the Rumanian Armies Escaped the Teuton Pincers.

The Rumanian army at last reports was still falling back all along the line east of Bucharest from the Transylvanian Alps to the Danube. Just where it will stop and face about, and with its Russian allies, make a stand against the Teutonic allies has not yet become apparent. On the Moldavian west frontier and farther north along the Bukowina border the Russian attacks against the Austro-German forces have failed to make any impression. It is officially announced that the Rumanians evacuated Buchthat the Rumanians evacuated Bucharest in good order, saving their army. The Rumanian rearguardwas forced to fight strenuously to cov-

Thursday's Petrograd War Office statement admits the evacuation of Bucharest, and adds that the Rumanian forces to the south of the capital also have retired. In Wallachia the Rumanians are retreating towards the east under hostile pressure, and holding the Teuton forces by rearguard

tered the city without opposition

BY HIS COUNTRYMEN.

Those Urging Peace Negotia-

A despatch from Ottawa says: It is a nanounced from the Militia Department that the number of unemployed Canadian officers in England is to be reduced materially. Officers of higher rank who have not been taken to the front will have to revert to subalter rank to go to the front or come home and take off the uniform, and no distinction will be made between members of Parliament and others. At present there are more than 200 Canadian Lieut. Colonels in England or full pay, and General Turner is expected to weed them out at once.

"That young man is out to make a name for himself."

"What's the matter? Ain't he satisfied with the pen his father gase."

IS AGAIN EXPANDING.

November Shows Increase Over Octo-

A despatch from London says: The The name that stands for of £17,300,000 and increase in exports of \$6,849,000 over the import and export figures of October. The principal increases in imports were food £7, 000.000, and raw material £11,000,000 from Egypt £1,500,000. The principal increase in exports was in manufac-tured articles of which cotton textiles were represented by £2,500,000.

> POTATOLESS BREAD FOR GERMAN PEOPLE SOON.

A despatch from Amsterdam says A despatch from Amsterdam says: The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger quotes M. Stegerwald; one of the Directors of the War Feeding Board, as saying in a speech at Recklinghausen that from January 1st no more potatoes must be used for bread. They will be placed by a more thorough grinding of the by a more thorough grinding of the grain, namely, ninety-three instead of eighty-one per cent. The director said that the situation of the food market was such that available sup-plies would be sufficient for the needs of the country.

GERMANS SEIZE FISH FROM DUTCH TRAWLERS.

A Reuter despatch from Amster-dam to London says that from a num-ber of Dutch steam trawlers towed into Cuxhaven, the German authorities took 35 per cent. of their fish, on the ground of contraband, as that proportion of the total Dutch catch had been assigned to England.