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TWELVE PAGES—ONE CENT

British Attack North
Of Scarpe; Make Gains

Fighting Last Night With Haig on Offensive—Germans Launch Forces Against French But Lose Heavily

London, June 6.—The British made an attack last night on the Arras front north of River Scarpe. The war office so announces. Ground was gained in two sectors.

The statement follows: "We attacked last night north of the Scarpe and made further progress on the western slopes of Greenland Hill. We gained ground slightly west of Lens."

"Successful raids were made by us at night north of Armentieres. The enemy's trenches were entered at several places and many casualties were inflicted on his garrison."

ENEMY AGAIN SUFFERS HEAVILY.
Paris, June 6, noon.—Two violent German attacks on French positions at Huerthe and the Chemin des Dames were repulsed last night with heavy losses to the attackers, according to an official statement issued by the French war office this morning.

The French report continues: "On the Belgian front lively actions took place at night. Our pilots engaged in numerous flights with the enemy yesterday. Several German airplanes and one captive balloon were brought down. It is also learned that another German airplane was forced to earth east of Filain on Monday."

GERMANS NERVOUS
London, June 6.—A Central News despatch from Amsterdam says that the German newspapers are exhibiting considerable concern on account of the greatly increased artillery activity in Belgium along the salient between Ypres and Wyszchaeta, which has been mentioned repeatedly in the official communications. In Germany this is believed to be the forerunner of a new and fierce action. The concentration of troops made behind the Entente front puzzles the German press, which speculates as to what will be the next move.

Austrian Front
Vienna, June 5, via London, June 6.—The Austrian front regained positions taken by the Italians south of Jamiano, on the front above Trieste, and captured more than 6,000 Italians. The war office announces this.

Berlin, June 6, via London.—A British attack delivered yesterday succeeded in penetrating the German position at the Bogen railway station, where the fighting continues for small sections of trenches, says today's army headquarters statement. The artillery battle in the Wyszchaeta salient continued with only short interruptions.

In its report on operations along the Macedonian front, the British war office announces that British airmen dropped incendiary bombs on ripening grain fields on the east bank of the Struma.

EVIDENCE IN
LIQUOR CASE

Webber On Stand This Morning—Some Interesting Testimony

A case against Edward Webber, charged with illegally handling liquor under the new act was resumed in the police court this morning. Webber, when cross-examined by John A. Sinclair, who appeared in the interests of the act, admitted that he had been convicted some time ago in Digby for illegally handling liquor in that place.

The defendant said that he lived at 127 Leinster street. On May 25 he was called at his house on invitation about 10.30 o'clock. They had a lunch after which a case of liquor was telephoned for by the witness. When the two men left the house he noticed each had a valise, which had evidently been left in the porch. He did not notice the valises when the men came to the house. He denied having given any liquor to them. He knew nothing whatever about the contents of the valise confiscated at the station by Inspector Crawford. As to the bottles produced in court by the inspector, and which were returned to the house, he said they were of an entirely different brand from that which was contained in the valise. He had bought them on April 25 in this city for his own use.

At the time of the purchase he took them to Isaac Webber's house in Harding street. When he moved to his own house in Leinster street, the witness said, he brought the liquor about May 4. There were eighteen bottles of liquor, nine bottles of Scotch and some brandy. He took six bottles to his father, Digby on April 25. All was for his own personal use.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sinclair, Webber denied that he had sold liquor to Horstin in Halifax or that Horstin had sold any to him. He admitted that he at one time was convicted of illegally selling liquor in Digby, but denied that he had unlawfully sold or handled any in St. John.

The defendant's wife sworn, said that she knew nothing of the visit of the two men to the house on the night in question. She had gone to bed early that evening. She first noticed the liquor in the house on May 4. He said that the liquor had been bought for their own private use.

The case was further postponed until Friday at eleven o'clock. Daniel Mullin, K. C., is appearing for the defendant.

ALL AWAY
All the city commissioners will be in Fredericton tomorrow, when the city bills will be up for consideration. If anything demanding action arises, the committee meeting which ordinarily would be held on Thursday will be called for Friday morning.

THE RAIDING
AIRMEN SOON
DRIVEN AWAY

British Had Warning And Were Prepared For Them—ONE THRILLING SCENE

Crowds on Shore See Enemy Airship Hit and Sink Into The Sea—Pilot Probably Was Drowned

London, June 6.—Persons arriving in London from the area raided last evening by German airplanes, say that ample warning of the approach of the raiders was given and that British airmen were patrolling before the enemy reached the coast. The weather favored the invaders who, flying at a great height tried to penetrate inland under the cover of small cloudbanks. They were quickly located and engaged by airplanes and land batteries, whose defense was so effective that they penetrated only a few miles inland and, after dropping bombs, speeded away.

An eye witness says that at one of the raided places the people were entertaining wounded soldiers on trips to sailing boats. The shore was crowded with women and children. The gunfire of the shore batteries caused no great excitement at the outset, it being supposed that they were being used in practice. But suddenly enemy planes came into full view and apparently with the intention of free themselves from the netting of the clouds, and amid a storm of cheering, dropped into the sea. Motor boats and other craft manned by sailors immediately began racing toward the plane. The pilot, who was in his seat apparently unhurt, was seen struggling to free himself from the derelict. When the first boat reached the scene, however, the pilot had disappeared and is supposed to have been drowned.

Doctor and Mrs. Barry were the recipients of a magnificent array of presents, which gave testimony of their popularity. Doctor Barry's father, one brother and two sisters arrived in the city yesterday from Melrose, N. B., and were present at the wedding.

Johnston-Brown.
The Cathedral was the scene of an interesting event this morning at six o'clock when, with nuptial mass, Rev. Harold L. Coughlan united in marriage Dr. and Mrs. Barry.

MR. VICKERS IN
THE CITY TODAY

Going to Halifax to Close Out Some Business Before Leaving Express Company

V. G. R. Vickers, who is resigning as general superintendent of the Dominion Express at the Atlantic Division, passed through the city today en route to Halifax, where he will close out his business prior to entering the service of the Dominion Express at that office. He came here in his official car, and was accompanied by a branch of the Montreal train.

Speaking in a Times' representative he said he could not help feeling disappointed when he learned that he had been elected when he arrived at the city. He said the air from the Bay seems to be a relief to him, and he is glad to see his friends. He recalled many reminiscences of the time, twenty-eight years ago, when he came to St. John to open a branch of the Dominion Express. At that time he had only three assistants and two teams. The growth of business since, he said, had been wonderful.

Mr. Vickers is now superintendent of the Atlantic Division of the C. P. R. for the last twelve years. He is to sever his connection with the service at the end of the month and become affiliated with the Holder Company, of Montreal, who are dealers in railway and marine supplies.

FRENCH STEAMER
SENDS SUBMARINE
TO DESTRUCTION

News of April Fight Now Given Out—Germans Admit Loss of Destroyer

Paris, June 6.—The defeat of a German submarine in a battle with the French steamer Orenouque is reported by the ministry of Marine. The Orenouque, a vessel of 2,872 tons, was attacked in the Atlantic on April 22, while on her way to the West African port.

The submarine was sighted, half submerged, and headed for the steamer, which was running. The steamer's captain immediately beat to the fourth shot and opened fire. After the fourth shot the submarine disappeared. ADMIT LOSS, BUT LIE ABOUT DETAILS

Berlin, June 6, via London.—The loss of the German destroyer S-20 is admitted in an official statement issued by the war office in regard to the attack on the steamer by British ships.

The statement follows: "Enemy monitors shelled Ostend on the morning of the fifth, killing and wounding a great number of Belgian inhabitants and causing some material damage to houses. Strongly superior reconnoitering vessels, attached to the advancing monitors, encountered two of our torpedo boats which were on guard. After fierce fighting the S-20 was sunk, firing to the last moment. A portion of the crew was rescued by us."

The enemy forces received several hits, and retired before the fire of our coast batteries.

TROUBLE IN STOCKHOLM

London, June 6.—Clashes between crowds of workers and the police and soldiers in Stockholm during a debate in the Riksdag, at Killarna's Mills, was burned yesterday with nearly all the contents. Sheriff Killam was attending county court at Dorchester at the time.

BRIDES OF JUNE

Barry-Clarke.
A wedding of interest was solemnized in St. Peter's church at an early hour this morning when Rev. Peter Costello, C. S. R., who was celebrant at nuptial mass, united in marriage Miss Bertha May Beatrice Clarke, daughter of the late Captain Thomas and Margaret Clarke, and Dr. John Malcolm Barry of this city.

The bride, who was given away by Miss Butler, from B. G. Clarke, wore a very pretty costume of same colored broad cloth with shoulder cape of ermine and hat to match, and carried a bouquet of Killarney roses.

Miss Elizabeth Barry, sister of the groom, was bridesmaid. She was becomingly attired in a suit of fawn colored broadcloth with hat to match and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. Dr. Harold S. Clarke, brother of the bride, was groomsmen. James Clarke (O'Neill) and Frank M. Barry officiated as ushers.

During the ceremony there was wedding music by the church organist, P. Delors, and very beautiful solo, Ave Marie, was sung by John O'Neill. As the bride and groom left the church the organist played Mendelssohn's wedding march. The bridal party then repaired to the home of the bride, where a dainty wedding breakfast was served.

Dr. and Mrs. Barry left on the Boston train for a trip through the southern states. Returning they will reside at 112 Waterloo street. The bride's going away dress was of navy blue with hat to match.

McGourty-Garnett.
In Holy Trinity church this morning at half past five o'clock, with Very Rev. J. J. Walsh, V. G., celebrating nuptial mass, Miss Mary E. Garnett, daughter of Robert Garnett of Paradise Row, became the bride of William J. McGourty, son of Mrs. and the late John McGourty of this city. The bride wore a becoming blue suit of fawn. She was attended by her sister, Miss Ethel Garnett, and Charles R. Magee acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. McGourty were the morning train for Montreal and other upper Canadian cities, where they will spend their honeymoon. Upon their return to St. John they will reside at 202 Waterloo street.

Bowes-Ferguson.
A wedding of interest was solemnized in the Cathedral this morning at nine o'clock when Rev. Miles P. Howland, with nuptial mass, united in marriage Miss Catherine Ferguson, daughter of John Ferguson, to Martin Bowes. Both are of this city. The bride wore a becoming blue suit with hat to match. Miss Geraldine Bowes, niece of the groom, made a pretty bridesmaid in a suit of cream voile. George Quigley supported the groom. After the ceremony a tempting wedding breakfast was partaken of at the bride's former home in Brindley street. Mr. and Mrs. Bowes will reside at 188 Brussels street.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowes were made the recipients of a beautiful leather arm chair by the St. John Power House employees and a handsome picture by Gilmore's staff.

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HARD COAL NOW
IS \$15 A TON

An advance of one dollar in the price of hard coal went into effect this week, making the retail price \$15 a ton in bulk. This was the first important change in the cost of living during the last week and it is one which is likely to make its influence felt next winter.

During the week the price of flour recorded in the price of flour was an increase of fifty cents in Ontario flour, making the wholesale price \$14.00. Molasses also showed an advance of one cent and is now quoted at sixty-two to sixty-three cents wholesale.

New Brunswick cheese is one of the few articles which have declined, and it dropped two cents a pound. Eggs are a trifle dearer than a week ago and butter is quoted at two cents less.

Canned salmon advanced fifty cents a case during the week. Messing lemons and pineapples both have advanced fifty cents a crate. Potatoes continue firm at \$8 a barrel wholesale.

TRUANT CLOSE
TO TWO MONTHS

Fine of \$109 Might Be Imposed On Mother, At \$2 a Day

That cases of truancy are going to be suppressed in St. John was exemplified again this morning when a young boy was before Magistrate Ritchie in the juvenile court for that offence. He was arrested yesterday on a warrant which had been issued by the court on school for fifty-four and one-half days. The magistrate, it is understood, told the mother of the boy that she was liable to a fine of \$109, that is \$2 for each day the boy was absent.

The boy was allowed to go with his mother and will have to report to the court every Saturday with a note from his teacher showing good attendance at school. The mother has to make arrangements to come to court at a set date with some money in part payment of the fine imposed.

WEATHER
REPORT

Issued by Authority of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service

Synopsis.—The depression which was over Kansas yesterday morning is now centred in Iowa, as an independent storm indicating stormy conditions on the Great Lakes. Showers have occurred from Ontario to the maritime provinces, while in the west the weather remains dry.

Ottawa Valley.—Fine today; Thursday strong southeast to southwest winds, showers and local thunder storms.

Generally Fair
Maritime.—Moderate northwest to north winds, generally fair today and on Thursday; not much change in temperature.

New England.—Probably showers tonight and Thursday, moderate variable winds, becoming southwest.

Provincial Budget
Speech Tomorrow

Hon. Mr. Robinson to Speak on Finances—Lobbying For Votes For Women—Public Accounts Matters—Lancaster Bill Agreed to

Fredricton, June 6.—Hon. C. W. Robinson will deliver the budget speech in the legislature tomorrow afternoon. The Women are much in evidence about the corridors of the legislature today and are working hard to secure passage of a bill to give them the right to the franchise. The measure, which was introduced by Hon. Dr. Roberts last week, will come up for a second reading this afternoon.

Public Accounts
The public accounts committee at their meeting this morning dealt with that portion of the auditor-general's report referring to receipts and had Mr. Tibbitts and Colonel Loggie before them to explain matters. The necessity of obtaining an increased revenue was emphasized particularly in view of the fact that the receipts from stampage had fallen off somewhat and there would be no revenue from liquor licenses but, on the contrary, a considerable expenditure in that regard.

Various suggestions were made as to what sources of revenue could afford to bear an additional tax and the matter was left over for further consideration as to what recommendations in this respect should be made by the committee.

Lancaster Bill Agreed to
The municipalities committee agreed to a bill to authorize the town of Chatham to issue debentures for the improvement of the electric light service in the town and also to a bill to amend the act relating to permanent sidewalks in the parish of Lancaster.

The corporations committee considered a bill relating to the Moncton hospital and a bill relating to the St. John River Hydro Electric Company, both of which were stood over for further consideration.

Votes For Women
Fredricton, N. B., June 6.—Woman suffrage has the floor at the House of Assembly today. A large delegation of both men and women, many of them from St. John, arrived this morning. The delegation waited upon the provincial government in the executive council chamber, but the number of delegates was so great that adjournment was made to the assembly chamber, where addresses were made. Hon. W. F. Roberts, M.D., whose bill providing for equal suffrage will be up for second reading this afternoon, introduced the delegation.

Miss Clara McGivern, president of the Women Suffrage Association of St. John, opened the argument with an excellent address. She was followed by Mrs. Richard Hooper of the Local Council of Women, St. John, and A. M. Beiding of St. John, representing the Social Service Council of New Brunswick, also was heard. The Women's Christian Temperance Union was represented by Mrs. Alfreda Wallace. Rev. H. A. Cady was the last speaker.

Premier Foster, who presided, replied to the delegation that the delegation had appeared. He could assure its members that the fullest consideration would be given to the arguments which had been advanced. With the canvass of the members of the legislature and the voluminous literature which had been circulated, it was his opinion that the bill came up "This is so sudden."

Unfortunately he was not in a position in which he could announce his own future action or that of the government. The members of the house were seated in the galleries of the chamber, the delegation seated at the members' desks and about the chamber. Before the delegation was heard a thorough canvass of the members was made by those forming the delegation. Some of the members of the house expressed themselves as favorable to the passage of Hon. Dr. Roberts' bill, and other were opposed.

CHARGE OF WIFE BEATING
Arrest in Brussels Street House In The Early Morn

One lone prisoner occupied the prisoner's bench in the police court this morning. This was the first arrest for some time. The prisoner was John Phelan, taken on charge of beating his wife Phelan, taken at 278 Brussels street. His arrest was made by Detective McAish and Policeman Coughlan. The evidence of the police went to show that he had been called there twice last night and early this morning. Detective McAish said that he went there about 2.30 o'clock. Furniture in the house was smashed and had beaten his wife so badly that she was black and blue about the arms. The detective said that he had attempted to throw her over the banister. Liquor was found in the house and one bottle half full of liquor was placed in evidence. There were two other men in the house, said the detective, at the time and both were under the influence of drink. The prisoner is said to be boarder. The prisoner, as his wife did not appear in court this morning the case was set over until she can come.

DETERMINED
ON CHURCH UNION
AFTER THE WAR

Moderator of Presbyterian Assembly Gives Interview
MEETING IN MONTREAL

First Session Tonight—Rev. Dr. John Neil of Toronto Likely to be New Presiding Officer—Sessions Until Next Wednesday

Montreal, Que., June 6.—"Some people who call themselves the Presbyterian Church Association are meeting here in Montreal to protest against the union of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational churches, but we will show them by an overwhelming majority that we are determined to carry out our decision made last year in Winnipeg, union after the war," said Rev. A. B. Baird, moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly, in an interview this morning.

"We have now had church union under consideration for twelve years. It is not a consistent with our self-respect or courtesy to the other churches involved to refuse any longer to indicate a definite policy on the matter. I do not expect the debate on church union will start until Monday or Tuesday."

"The west is emphatic for union and the surprising thing about it is the very large percentage of congregations from the older and more conservative east who are in favor of union."

The opening meeting of the general assembly will be held tonight at 8 o'clock with an attendance of between 500 and 600 commissioners from all over the dominion.

After a devotional service and a sermon by the retiring moderator a new moderator will be elected. So many Presbyteries have already indicated their decision that it is practically certain that Rev. John Neil, D.D., of Westminster church, Toronto, will be elected. The assembly will probably come to a close on Wednesday night or Thursday of next week.

SO FAR THIRTY-SIX
Thirty-six citizens of the United States have so far registered at the local United States consulate and others are expected to register within the next few days.

More Murders By Huns in North Sea

London, June 6.—At a conference of members of the Seamen's and Firemen's Union yesterday indignation was aroused by the recital of two recent instances of German ruthlessness in the North Sea. In one case a British ship was sunk and eleven members of the crew were killed by shell fire. In the second case, after torpedoing the ship, the German fired a surface torpedo through a small boat which was carrying the crew to a rescuing steamer and killed all on board.