

To Conserve Canada's Food

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co. has played an important part in the interests of Canada in the world war in a great many ways, and has again been honored by the recent appointment of Mr. W. A. Cooper, one of its prominent officials, to the Food Conservation Committee. Mr. Cooper has had considerable experience in dealing with foods, having been connected with the dining cars of the Canadian Pacific for twenty years, and his wide knowledge will be of much value to the Committee in the conservation of Canada's food stuffs. On this committee Mr. Cooper is associated with Judge Rose, Toronto; Mr. W. Wright, Toronto; and Miss Watson of the Guelph College. Mr. Cooper was born in 1871. After leaving school he commenced work with the Grand Trunk Railway as a junior clerk under the late William Wainwright, for whom later he acted as Private Secretary. Leaving that company in 1891 he joined the Canadian Pacific Railway service as Chief Clerk to the General Superintendent of the Eastern Division and subsequently assumed the duties of Inspector of



W. A. COOPER.

Sleeping and Dining Cars, from which he graduated in 1897 to Assistant General Superintendent, and in 1905 was appointed Superintendent. In 1910 Mr. Cooper was promoted to General Superintendent, and during the past four years has been Manager of the Dining, Sleeping, and Parlor Cars, operating also the station restaurants, and train news service. For the years 1908, 09, and 10, Mr. Cooper filled the position of President of the American Association of Dining Car Superintendents.

RUSSIAN DESTROYER LOST IN BALTIC ON STRIKING MINE.

PETROGRAD Aug. 17.—The Russian torpedo boat destroyer, Lieut. Bourakoff, has been sunk by a German mine in the Baltic Sea the Aland Archipelago.

It was following a squadron of destroyers on one of which was Lieut. Lebedoeff, minister of marine.

The official Russian statement of yesterday announced the loss of a torpedo boat by striking a mine in the Baltic.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria

Desperate Fighting at Lens.

(By Stewart Lyon, Special Correspondent of the Canadian Press.

Canadian Headquarters in France, via London, Aug. 24.—The operations about Lens assume, more and more, the characteristics of a siege. The city is not encircled by our troops, but the result of the continuous fighting of the past ten days the Germans in the environs have been driven in upon the thickly built central portion of Lens, which now forms a wedge-shaped intrusion in our battle front, with the point of the wedge al-

most due west of the cathedral.

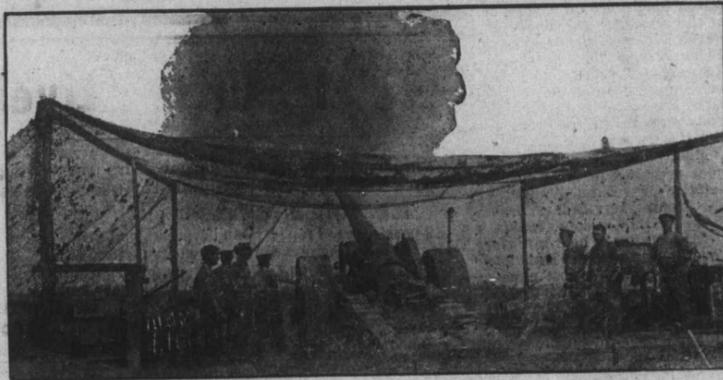
The enemy is seeking, by the most desperate fighting, to secure more room in the open to the north and south of the wedge, because at the present time thousands of men who form the garrison of Lens are forced to remain in cellars, mine galleries and wrecked houses, where life is one long horror. This we know from prisoners, who have described the conditions under which the Germans in Lens are now living. Night and day they are in imminent peril from huge shells that go into the city in a never-ending stream. These shells are frequently projectiles from super-howitzers of twelve and fifteen inch calibre. The rending power of the high explosives in such shells is terrific, and even the deepest dugouts, reinforced with concrete, cannot indefinitely resist impact.

Enemy's Great Losses.

An officer, recently captured, states that a single company of a battalion which was sent to strengthen the garrison lost thirty-five men on their first day in the city through a wall falling in on them during the bombardment. The gas peril is scarcely less a menace than of the high explosive. Gas in large volume is thrown into the city from projectors, and being heavier than air, seeks the lowest places, in which it remains a long time and retains its deadly nature. In recently issued instructions to enemy troops regarding the wearing of gas masks it is stated that in these projectors the British possess a very effective means of projecting upon our trenches large quantities of highly poisonous and dangerously concentrated gas.

Athens Aug. 24.—A second fire is burning in Saloniki where great damage was done last Saturday by the conflagration, which destroyed a considerable part of the city, making sixty thousand persons homeless. Thus far a thousand homes have been destroyed.

EUROPEAN WAR PICTURES



On the British Western Front in France.—Firing a long range gun.

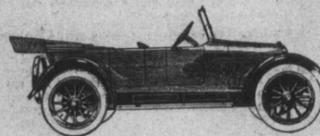


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