

## FROM ERIN'S GREEN ISLE

NEWS BY MAIL FROM IRELAND'S SHORES.

### Happenings in the Emerald Isle of Interest to Irishmen.

Dr. Keelan, of Dunlea, has tendered his resignation to the Ardee Guardians after thirty-one years' service. The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland recently knighted the Lord Mayor of Belfast, Mr. Crawford McCullagh. A man named James O'Flynn was at Dublin sentenced to 14 days' imprisonment for defacing a recruiting poster.

At Strabane Sessions, Patrick McDonnell, a violinist, was sentenced to prison for two months for discouraging recruiting.

Intelligence has reached Dublin that Mr. C. R. Faussett, the well-known Irish cricketer and athlete, has been killed in action.

The death has occurred in Dublin of Mr. James Mullett, who was indicted in 1883 in connection with the Irish National "Invincibles."

Private Joe Lau, 2nd Royal Irish Rifles, has arrived at the home of his widowed mother, Downpatrick, having lost his right leg in the Aisne.

Mr. Lear McDermott, Dublin, former editor of "Irish Freedom," was arrested at Tuam at a meeting held under the auspices of the Irish Volunteers.

An influential meeting under the presidency of Lord Bandon, Lord Lieutenant of Cork, was held at Cork to protest against the Government's drink proposals.

A tremendous public meeting in furtherance of the recruiting campaign was held outside the Customs House, Dublin, presided over by Mr. S. W. Maddock.

J. J. Walsh, a councillor of Cork Corporation, was arrested at Malinbeg while on his way from Bradford to Cork. He was charged with making anti-recruiting speeches.

A fatal gun accident occurred at River View, Loughlin, County Limerick, when Mr. Patrick Purcell O'Shaughnessy was found dead with a discharged gun lying near him.

The serious illness of His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin is announced. He was seized with a sudden attack of hemorrhage of the brain at the rectory, Bangor, County Down.

Second Lieutenant Cecil J. T. Black, Royal Marines, youngest son of Mr. Wm. Black, J.B., High Sheriff of County Monaghan, has been killed in action in the Dardanelles.

Edward Fitzgerald, of Clonmel, aged 73, a veteran of the Indian Mutiny and Afghan War, has died in a Clonmel hospital and was buried with military honors in St. Patrick's cemetery.

A fierce outbreak of fire occurred in Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, the result of which the Works of A. Armstrong & Co., were totally destroyed, and damage amounting to \$150,000 was caused.

### THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

To Whom It Is Indebted For Its Phenomenal Expansion.

When we look at the map of the world, we understand that the big red splashes represent continents, countries, islands innumerable, which owe allegiance to King George. Who built this great Empire? One of the greatest builders was Captain Cook. Cook was the Yorkshire sailor-man who practically made the Empire a present of Australia, New Zealand, and the thousand and one isles and atolls of the Pacific. Of course, "there were others," as poor Teddy Payne used to say; but Australians look upon Cook as their "only begotten."

It is improbable that King George would to-day be Emperor of India had there never been a Robert Clive, a young fellow who forsook the clerk's desk for the battlefield. When he went to India he found a few trading stations, but he left an Empire.

If we turn to America two names spring to our lips, the founder of Virginia and the conqueror of Canada. For two centuries it was a toss-up which should be top-dog in North America, France or England. If priority of settlement counts, Britain had first call, for Raleigh founded the colony of Virginia in the days of Good Queen Bess, its name being meant as a compliment to that strong-minded woman. But the French were very solidly settled in Canada, it seemed, when Wolfe so brilliantly captured Quebec, the Gibraltar of the St. Lawrence.

There have been many fine men connected with the development of British influence and power in Africa. Egypt was won in an hour's fight at Tel-el-Kebir by Wolsey; we owe the Sudan to Gordon and Kitchener; and the rest of Africa under the British flag, firstly, to that missionary-traveller, Livingstone, and secondly, to that organizing genius and man of business, Cecil Rhodes.

To that little handful of men, then, probably the British Empire is chiefly indebted for its phenomenal expansion.—London Answers.

Exceptions. "Do you believe that all's fair in love and war?" "I used to, but I don't any more." "I suppose the horrors of war have changed your opinion." "No, it isn't that. I lied to my wife and she caught me at it."

## THE DAWN OF YOUNG WOMANHOOD

Girls upon the threshold of womanhood often drift into a decline in spite of all care and attention. Even strong and lively girls become weak, depressed, irritable and listless. It is the dawn of womanhood—a crisis in the life of every girl—and prompt measures should be taken to keep the blood pure and rich with the red tint of health. If the body is not in a healthy condition at this critical stage, grave disorders may result, and future life become a burden. Deadly consumption often follows this crisis in the lives of young women. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have saved thousands of young girls from what might have been life-long invalidism or early death. They are a blood-builder of unequalled merit, strengthening weak nerves and producing a liberal supply of rich, red blood, which every girl needs to sustain her strength.

Over and over again Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have proved their value to women and girls whose health was failing. Miss Jennie Gereau, St. Jerome, Que., says: "At the age of eighteen my health was completely shattered; I was suffering from anaemia with all its attendant evils. The trouble forced me to leave school. I suffered from headaches, was tired and breathless at the least exertion. I had no appetite, and my face and lips were literally bloodless. A good friend advised the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and thanks to this great medicine I am again enjoying good health, with a good appetite, good color and a spirit of energy."

Every anemic girl can be made well and strong through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

### SWISS GREAT AID TO KAISER.

Factories Furnishing Material Designed for German Use.

That the Germans are utilizing to the fullest every available neutral source for supplies of war equipment is made evident by reports that the leading machinery and electrical houses in eastern Switzerland are working to full capacity in furnishing material destined for German use.

The German-Swiss shops have enjoyed up to the time that Italy entered the war free communication with the outside world, and raw material of all descriptions has freely entered Switzerland by Genoa, and thence reached Zurich over the St. Gothard route. Italy has now blocked exit by way of the St. Gothard and Simplon of all trains carrying equipment which might in any way be of service to the German forces. Furthermore, Italy is commandeering such shipments which might enter into projectile or engine parts. It is understood that for some time the Swiss plants were receiving ore shipments from Spain via Genoa and that much of the ore came from mines in Spain controlled by Krupp steel works on the Rhine are largely fed by ore shipments which come from Spain and navigate the Rhine.

This supply by way of the Rhine has been shut off, and Germany is now dependent upon ore received largely from Austrian sources. The shipments of Swedish ore into Germany is still maintained, it is said, to some extent, and since the occupation of Northern France by German troops the Germans have been able to obtain additional ore shipments from Douai district. The Rhenish coal mines are supplying the German steel works with sufficient coal, and no trouble is being experienced as yet in that direction. The Swiss shops are practically independent of coal, since they have recourse to electric current developed by the water power of the Alps.

Every available machine shop in Germany is being worked, and has been worked for months to full capacity. The majority of the skilled men at the machine tool and locomotive works have not been called into active service with their regiments, but are performing service, instead, at the benches. All these men so detailed in the shops wear their uniforms, and are rated as working for the State.

### GUARD BABY'S HEALTH IN THE SUMMER

The summer months are the most dangerous to children. The complaints of that season, which are cholera infantum, colic, diarrhea and dysentery, come on so quickly that often a little one is beyond aid before the mother realizes he is ill. The mother must be on her guard to prevent these troubles, or if they do come on suddenly, to cure them. No other medicine is of such aid to mothers during hot weather as is Baby's Own Tablets. They regulate the stomach and bowels and are absolutely safe. Sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Black Hand Business. Mrs. Eze—"My husband got a letter to-day saying something dreadful would happen if he didn't send the writer a sum of money."

Mrs. Wye—"My husband gets dunned for his bills, too."

Canals in the United Kingdom if put end to end would reach 4,000 miles.

## HOLLAND WILL ENTER WAR

BRITISH ARMY WILL HELP HER INVADE GERMANY.

Since the Invasion of Belgium Holland Has Made Steady Preparation for War.

In Paris I met an American friend of many years' residence in Holland. He had just come from The Hague. He said: "Dutch anger is red hot. Politicians won't be able to keep the lid on much longer."

An Englishman who had just come with important despatches from London, said: "Watch the Dutch!"

The positiveness of this laconic method of giving no information was getting on my nerves. I devised all sorts of excuses to talk again and again with the Dutch Minister, writes John Martin, an American journalist. In one conversation he incidentally remarked: "Yes, we are stating officially that we have but 250,000 men. It was a long and tedious journey, but it was worth it."

That was enough. I determined to leave for Rotterdam on "personal business" as soon as I could get the forty different types of passports necessary to leave Paris, to cross the Channel, to get into and out of London and to get over to Rotterdam.

It was a long and tedious journey, but it was worth it. Everywhere in Rotterdam I found an air of suppressed feeling and of intense activity. The Beurs Station was packed. The Grotte Barbet was crowded with people and produce.

At Utrecht the old Rhine and the Vecht (the two rivers by means of which the Rhine empties into the sea) and the two great canals were all crowded with commerce. Boats sunk to the waterline.

I met Von Hoorn, who simply remarked: "We are ready."

Holland is a beehive. All the ports, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, The Hague, Leiden, Schiedam, Delft, and Hoorn show an activity never before seen in Dutch cities.

All western Holland is one gigantic storehouse filled with everything necessary for the support of the Dutch people; with a surplus sufficient to meet the needs of an army during a nine months' campaign.

All eastern and southern Holland is one great armed camp from the most north-eastern boundaries, opposite Emden in Germany to Bergen-op-Zoom, north of Antwerp.

Ready for War. Holland has imported during the last eight months many times the amount and manufactured materials she usually imports during a similar length of time. It has been supposed in Norway, in Sweden, and in America that this surplus of materials was being secretly sent to Germany.

While it is true that a large quantity of copper, cotton, wheat and medical supplies have found their way down the Scheldt and down the Rhine, yet the portion which has crossed the border into Germany is indeed small compared with the amount that has been placed in storage within Holland itself.

Not only has Holland prepared as far as supplies are concerned, but earthworks and trench fortifications have been constructed along the west bank of the Meuse from Mook to Roermond a distance of fifty miles, and on the east bank of the Meuse from Roermond to Maastricht, a distance of twenty-five miles.

But even Germany is realizing that Holland is conserving within her own limits much of the produce which Germany expected to have passed on to her. It is for this reason that the German Admiralty gave instructions in December to the German-American friends in America to ship supplies to Bremen rather than to Rotterdam and Amsterdam. It is for this same reason that the German Admiralty Office gave orders to its submarines to sink neutral supply ships coming to Holland either from Norway or Sweden or from America.

Germany finally realized that if those products of Norway and Sweden were specially intended for herself they would have been shipped from the various ports in southern Sweden directly to ports in northern Germany, under the convoy of German cruisers controlling the Baltic Sea.

Holland has arranged four great centres of supplies, one for a northern army, one for an eastern army, one for a central army, and one for a southern army. Then there are great general supply centres at Amsterdam, Leiden, Delft, Schiedam and Rotterdam.

And what can Holland do? Can Pierce Germany.

The northern army can move east from Groningen along the railway line toward Oldenburg, Bremen and Hamburg. In this way, any German forces at Emden and Wilhelmshaven will be kept engaged so that they cannot be sent south to interfere with the intended activities of the eastern and central armies.

The southern army can remain entrenched all the way from Bergen-op-Zoom to Eindhoven, while the left wing of this army can move from behind the trenches at Maastricht and descend upon Liège, both by railway and along the Meuse, thus preventing Germany from sending her troops from Belgium to interfere with the action of the central army. In this way the southern army would menace all railway communications between Liège and Germany.

The eastern army, of which a very

large division is stationed at Felden, with great supply quarters at Zwolle, can move along three railway lines into Germany and also by water down the Rhine in the direction of Munster and Wesel and on toward the great Krupp Works at Essen, only a few miles further south and east. The Krupp Works are strongly fortified but it is not necessary to take them. If the lines of communication between Essen and the western army are severed, that is sufficient.

Meanwhile the central army divisions are stationed at Arnhem, at the junction of two railway lines, and on the bank of the Rhine, at Nijmegen and at Venloo, and Roermond. These divisions can move east and south by river and railway, and sever the railway communications between Essen and Aix-la-Chapelle.

### British Army Ready.

While Holland is a small country, it is long and narrow; the eastern frontier bordering Germany is two hundred and thirty-six miles long. The frontier from which an advance can be made into Belgium is over sixty miles long.

The central army can move in two sections, one down the Rhine, past Wesel and Ruhrort, and the other from Arnhem to Crefeld by railroad. Both the Rhine and the railway intersect the German railway between Essen and Aix-la-Chapelle. To the movement of this central army there could be but little opposition. There is not a single German fort along the entire Dutch frontier.

If the Germans attempted to withdraw any portion of their army fighting in Belgium and France, the French, Belgians, and English would have the opportunity they have long been waiting for; and if the German armies were not withdrawn to prevent the Dutch invasion, the Dutch army, in two days, even without forced marches, could cut the four railway lines running from Essen, Cologne and Coblenz to Belgium and Luxembourg and two million German soldiers and thousands of their army, with the exception of those in Alsace-Lorraine, would be cut off from their source of supplies.

The western German army would then find itself with the English, French, and Belgians in front of it and the Dutch behind it. And not only the Dutch behind it, but 700,000 English also. The massing of great numbers of English troops in the east of England during the last few months has not been for the protection of the English coast, but to be ready to aid the Dutch should Holland decide to move. From the east coast quick transportation to Holland is possible, and then—a rapid campaign from Holland's eastern border to Germany and toward Bremen, Hanover, and Berlin.

### WHERE EVERYBODY HELPS.

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### FRENCH FOREIGN LEGION.

Have Lost a Great Number of Men in the War.

A London despatch says the French Foreign Legion has been doing brilliant work in the fighting north of Arras. The casualties in the legion have been very heavy, and a letter received in London from a wounded member states that in his company of 250 men only 60 are left. The letter says:

"The legion had the honor of being chosen to be the first out of the trenches and to take the German lines with the bayonet. This was at a point between Souchez and Carency. Previous to the attack, there was a terrible bombardment of the German position. "French guns of all calibres were firing together for two hours without interruption. It was like an earthquake. Suddenly, punctually at ten o'clock in the morning, the firing ceased, and the trenches were like lightning. It was wonderful. We were like a storm. In ten minutes we had won the first line of German trenches. But there was no stopping us. We kept it up hammer and tongs for an hour and a half, taking three lines of the enemy's trenches and driving the enemy in front of us."

"By this time all the officers of our company were either killed or wounded, so a sergeant took command, and we entrenched ourselves as best we could, but finally had to retire about a hundred yards."

"Here I got two wounds. Four in every five of our men were either killed or wounded in that fierce charge."

### Four Times Three.

"Waiter," he suggested mildly. "I want three eggs, and boil them four minutes."

But the cook, having only one in the pot, boiled it twice minutes. Which proves the value of higher mathematics.

### Monkeys That Roar Like Lions.

There are few countries where there are as many interesting and unusual animals as in the jungles and forests of Panama. The strangest of these are "the black howlers." These are monkeys, and they roar like lions. They frighten hunters away as much as do genuine lions. When there are a half dozen of them or more together the noises they make are almost deafening.

It is they who frequently make a queer, booming and roaring howl that resounds from one end of the jungle to the other. Rivals of these are the noisy parrots that shout in the morning until the jungle fairly rings with their tumult. There are also the grotesque toucans which at times vie with the parrots, the calling of the parakeets and the peculiar chorus-like call of the chachalaca or wild turkey. At night mysterious noises are heard everywhere from unknown sources, but the strangest of these are the strange monkeys.

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## A Nova Scotia Case of Interest to All Women

Halifax Sends Out a Message of Help to Many People.

Halifax, N.S., December 15.—When interviewed at her home at 194 Argyle St., Mrs. Haverstock was quite willing to talk of her peculiarly unfortunate case. "I was always blue" and depressed, felt weak, languid and utterly unfit for any work. My stomach was so disordered that I had no appetite. What I did eat disagreed. I suffered greatly from dizziness and sick headache and feared a nervous breakdown. Upon my druggist's recommendation I used Dr. Hamilton's Pills.

"I felt better at once. Every day I improved. In six weeks I was a well woman, cured completely after different physicians had failed to help me. It is for this reason that I strongly urge sufferers with stomach or digestive troubles to use Dr. Hamilton's Pills."

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### Best Hour for Work.

It is a curious fact in psychology that nobody can stay at the same mental and physical level for twenty-four hours together. In the morning you are more matter-of-fact, for instance, than later in the day. It is in the morning that the best brain work is done—brain work of the sort that requires industry and clear thinking. And it is about eleven in the morning that our body reaches its highest point of energy. In other words, you are stronger, though almost imperceptibly, at eleven in the morning than at three in the afternoon. You reach that highest point twice in the day, for about five in the afternoon the muscular energy has risen again. But from five onward it declines steadily all through the evening, and on till between two and three o'clock in the morning.

Minard's Liniment Cures Gargery in Cows

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### Always Harvest-time.

Not all of us, probably, understood a statement that Britain might soon be expecting cargoes of wheat from the Argentine, because we are so accustomed to our own August harvest-time.

But the harvests of the world are spread practically over every month in the year, and that is why the supply of wheat is continuous. The harvest in Australia, New Zealand, and the Argentine, is reaped in January. Eastern India and Upper Egypt reap theirs in February and March. The German harvest is also ahead of ours being, in favorable conditions, reaped in July.

Not all have realized that part of the far-reaching war plans of the Germans was to declare war when everything had been "safely gathered in," and the laborers free to be called up for another "harvest."

Turkey, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Southern France, and the vast wheat-growing tracts of the United States (Georgia, Louisiana, Alabama, Virginia, Kentucky, Kansas) gather their harvests in June. Other parts are ripe in July. Canada has two harvest months—July in Upper Canada, August in Lower Canada.

Northern Russia's harvest is ready in September, or even as late as October, as is Scotland, Norway, and Sweden. The Burmah harvest is in December; that of South Africa in November. Texas and Florida have May harvests.

Belgium, Holland, Denmark, and important Manitoba, are, like ourselves, August reapers.

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### Unexpected Chicken.

A stranger arriving in a small town hailed a passing resident and inquired, "Can you direct me to a place where they take boarders?" "Hemmedhaws keeps 'em," the man replied.

"Is that a pretty good place?" "Fair to middlin'."

"Have chicken very often for dinner?" "Reg'lar and unexpected."

"What do you mean by regular and unexpected?" "They have chicken reg'lar every Sunday."

"I see."

"And they also have it when an automobile unexpectedly kills one in the road."

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