The War Week by Week.

By OBSERVER.

The past week has been marked by a number of successes for the Allied arms, any one of which would have sufficed to make it notable. The capture of Gorizia alone was an achievement satisfactory enough; to it must be added that of Stanislau and important neighbouring positions by the Russians, and most valuable progress by the French in the Somme. Truly, the combined offensive is beginning to bear abundant fruit.

Turning first to the West front, which is still the most important, we learn of an advance by our French Allies at Maurepas which may have a profound effect upon the position. Following their brilliant capture of Pozieres and Hill 160, the British seem to have taken a short rest, for they have made no further attempts to advance; but the ball has been kept rolling in brilliant fashion by the French. The region of Hardecourt and Curlu was reached by them almost at the beginning of the drive, more than a month ago. It lies west and south of Combles, which may be called the stepping-stone to Peronne and Bapaume. More important than the measure of their advance is the announcement that they have broken through the German third line of trenches, or, more correctly, their third system. If the penetration can be widened and pushed further it will spell at least local disaster to the Germans. We have heard too many reports of a similar nature to expect too much from this one; nor should we attach too much importance to it. But the performance is a fine one; and a striking proof of the strength of the joint assault. We shall look for a renewal of the British offensive immediately to the north of this area, at Guillemont and Longueval; we should hear very soon now of exciting developments.

Perhaps the outstanding feature of a great week is the capture, almost at a blow, of Gorizia by the Italians. We could ask no better proof of the weakness of Austria. That General Cadorna should have seen fit to attack on the Isonzo at all shows that there can be no further danger to be feared in the Trentino; that he should so rapidly and with such apparent ease have taken this well fortified stronghold testifies not only to Austrian weakness but to wonderful Italian efficiency. The first great barrier to Trieste is thus removed. To the south, and near the coast, the Doberdo plateau is also dominated by the Italians. Here and over the whole district of Monfalcone the Austrians will have to oppose their greatest resistance to the attack if they are to save Trieste, for they have lost, and the Italians have gained, a fine pivot in Gorizia. The once triumphant invasion through the Trentino has thus been converted into a disastrous debacle, and Austria must be bitterly repenting having ever undertaken it. East and West she is faced with problems of increasing danger and perplexity. That in the East is itself threatening enough to demand all her energies.

Here things seem to be developing rapidly into the greatest Russian victory of the war. We have before pointed out how dangerously Von Bothmer's army is situated before Tarnopol, menaced as it is on both flanks. The danger has been considerably increased by Letchitsky's fine progress, which has included the capture of Stanislau and Monasterzyska. This has opened the way towards Halicz, which seems doomed, but it is also a great thrust behind Von Bothmer's rear. The last news tells of the reduction, by a frontal attack, of the positions held by him since last winter, so that he is now assailed on three sides. Lemberg is most certainly doomed, unless some miracle happens; but the fate of the great Austrian army is more important. Its retreat is now certain to be attended with great losses, and these losses are more valuable to Russia than the acquisition of much territory. Every day's news seems to discount the rumours of Hindenburg's impending offensive. He has enough to do to look after Kovel and the long line north to Riga. Austria is having a very bad time, and must soon resign herself to the loss of Galicia.

The attack of the Turks upon Suez and their disastrous and brilliant repulse by the British can only be called an interesting episode. Evidently Turkey still clung fondly to the hope of dealing England a vital blow in this quarter, but the illusion must now be thoroughly shattered. The recent activity in the Balkans near Dorian has been too slight and undefined to enable us to determine whether it is intended to lead to something serious. There is most certainly some large and hidden explanation of the mystery that involves this part of the war map, and it may be revealed at any moment. Clearly, the Allies do not think the time is yet ripe for any aggressiveness on General Sarrail's part. A reason which is gaining credence, and may contain some elements of truth, is that they are waiting to be certain of the co-operation not merely of Roumania, but of Greece and it may be of Bulgaria as well! We are not too sanguine of the last part of this theory, though it makes very pleasant reading, and in the Balkans anything may happen. In support of it, we can argue that Roumania's entry would seal Bulgaria's fate, and the latter may foresee in time and forestall the consequences of her treacherous conduct last year; but she is probably too closely wedded to the Teutonic cause and her fortunes too intricately involved in it to permit her withdrawal at this late hour. The whole matter is not of immediate importance and we can only 'wait and see'; but on all the other fronts it is more than clear that the Allies are gaining a daily increasing advantage, and that their star is at last in the ascendant.

An American

WHO IS A SOLDIER OF OUR EMPIRE IN THIS WAR.

Lieutenant-Colonel Bullock's Address at Digby on the Occasion of a Flag-Raising Celebration at Digby, Where the 237th Overseas Battalion is Being Mobilized.

Digby, August 6.—The 237th Overseas Battalion, C. E. F., celebrated the second anniversary of the European war with a flag-raising in their new camp at Green Point, here.

A feature of the ceremony was the excellent address delivered by Lieutenant-Colonel C. S. Bullock, O.C., this unit. Lieutenant George W. Banks, of San Francisco, now a resident of Wilmot, Annapolis county, raised the flag. The ceremony was watched by a large number of American tourists.

Colonel Bullock said in part:—

Officers, N. C. O.'s and Men,—The flag which has just been raised is emblematic of democracy and justice to the weak, as against the autocracy and tyranny of our enemy in the present gigantic struggle. The three crosses—the cross of St. George, St. Andrew and St. Patrick, together stands for one of the greatest nations in the world. The cross of St. George belongs to the English race—that great race which stands for equal rights to all and an impartial administration of the law of nations. The cross of St. Andrew is Scotland's. This wonderful race, celebrated the world over for justice. A hardy race, who have contributed greatly to the success of the Allies. The cross of St. Patrick is that of Ireland. Ireland who is famed the world over for her generosity. Victorious in battle, yet generous to her beaten foes, thus, the flag of these three great races—races of whom the larger proportion of the people of the great republic to the south are descendants—stands for the protection of the weak, justice and generosity. We from the great American republic, stand for these same ideals and that is why we who compose this unit are giving our services and perhaps our lives under the great Union Jack.

Two years ago to-day Britain and her allies commenced the greatest struggle in the history of the world, against a relentless and well organized foe. All through the dark days of the initial period of the war—this flag—which has stood the battle and the breeze for over a thousand years—has stood the test.

Comrades, I ask you to give three cheers for His Majesty King Goerge the Fifth.

(Three cheers and a tiger were given.)

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COMING HOME. — Messrs. James Baird, Ltd. received the following message from Mr. A. K. Lumsden, Saturday, from Liverpool: "Passengers sailing on Messanable are Miss Carter, Hon. J. A. Clift, A. Robertson, Capt. Geo. Carty, Lieut. C. B. Carter and self. Reports Lieuts. Nunns, Lumsden, Capt. Ledingham and Private Willie Power well."

SPECIAL TO FORD CAR OWNERS—Just received a shipment of Nathan Detachable Seat Covers and Genuine Mohair one-man Tops for Ford Cars. GENERAL MOTOR SUPPLY CO., Geo. M. Barr.—jly24,tf

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In Loving Memory of Private Edgar C. Whitten who was Killed in Action July 16th.

Now poor Edgar's task is o'er,
Now the battle day is past,
Now upon the farther shore
Lands the hero's soul at last;
Father in Thy gracious keeping,
Leave him now, Thy Edgar sleeping.

There no more the powers of hell
Can prevail to mar their peace,
Christ the Lord shall guard him well,
He who died for their release.
Father, in Thy gracious keeping,
Leave him now Thy Edgar sleeping.

Farewell my dear Edgar,
On earth I shall see you no more,
But in Heaven I hope to meet you
There is no parting there.

From his wife,
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Your Boys and Girls.

No one knows at what early stage a child receives its first impressions, but we would perhaps be surprised if we could see the effect produced on the baby mind by its environment, whether it be cheerful, placid and uplifting, or gloomy, depressing and nerve-exciting. The home in which the little one enters into existence and its atmosphere are the first influences which are brought to bear on a young child and which are often of lasting effect. It behooves every mother to try to keep the atmosphere of the home as peaceful, as happy and cheeful as possible.

When a child grows older and begins to notice objects, even when very young, the pictures in its home, and more especially those in the nursery where it spends most of its time, come in for a large share of this silent influence.

As soon as the little one is old enough to understand anything he usually exhibits a fondness for storfes. Even babies will sit spellbound listening to the short tales suited to their comprehension.

The stories told should always be happy ones, especially at bedtime. They should set before the child pleasant mental pictures, and be calculated to instill into his mind an interest in and a love for dumb animals, and to foster his higher instincts—courage, unselfishness, gentlenesss, ambition. Stories form one of the most potent influences in the character of the growing child.

Here and There.

Turkeys, Ducks and Chicken at ELLIS'.

RETURNS TO DIOCESE. — His Lordship Bishop Power, of St. George's, returned to his diocese by yesterday's express.

St. Ivel Cheese, small tins, at ELLIS'.

LADY DAY.—To-morrow, the Feast of Lady Day, masses will be celebrated in all the R. C. Churches the same as on Sundays.

Fresh Irish Hams and Bacon at ELLIS'.

PATIENT FROM BURIN.—By the Portia a young man came from Burin for the hospital. He is suffering from a serious affection of the spine and his condition is very low.

Orders taken for "Belgian Hares" (and killed to order) at ELLIS'.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS—Inquirer. We are sorry to say you are wrong. There is a D.S.M.—the Distinguished Service Medal. It was established in 1914, and is designated for chief petty officers, petty officers, men and boys of all branches of the Royal Navy; to non-commissioned officers and men of the Royal Marine Artillery, also to all other persons holding corresponding positions in His Majesty's Service afloat, for distinguished conduct in war.

Stoker Jumps Overboard

And Meets a Watery Grave — Cause Unknown — Stanley Babstock the Victim—Attempt to Rescue Him by Shipmate is Futile.

A drowning tragedy occurred and a double one was barely averted on Saturday evening, when Stanley Babstock, aged 30 years, and a resident of Wickford Street, this city, jumped overboard from the Red Cross Liner Florizel. The ship was leaving this port at the time for Halifax and New York and had just cleared the entrance to our harbour, when Babstock, who was engaged as a fireman on board the ship, leaped over the side of the ship into the sea. He had not risen to the surface when Patrick Hearn, a fellow shipmate and a fireman as well, ran aft on the ship and without any hesitancy whatever pluckily went overboard in the hope of saving his unfortunate friend, but was unsuccessful, as poor Babstock never came to the surface.

The Florizel was immediately brought to a standstill and a lifeboat lowered, in which Hearn was picked up, exhausted on account of swimming with his clothes on; but there was no sign of Babstock.

Pilot W. Broderick, who had taken out the steamer, was just returning in company with his associate pilots, F. Leary and L. Lewis. They observed the ship stopped. Thinking that something had happened, though not knowing what at the time, they went back to find out. The pilot boat picked up the liftboat which Hearn was in and towed it back to the ship. Hearn was lifted on board again and the Florizel continued on her journey, Captain Martin having satisfied himself that further efforts to try and save Babstock were of no avail, as the poor fellow had sunk to rise no more.

SAD CIRCUMSTANCE.

At the time of the tragedy a flotilla of fishing boats were in the immediate vicinity squidding and in one of the boats was Mr. Babstock, father of the missing man. He did not learn of the sad affair until he returned home late at night.

HOW WAS HE DROWNED?

There are peculiar circumstances surrounding the tragedy and some strange theories are advanced regarding it, but the exact cause of the deceased stoker leaving the ship will not be known until the return of the ship to St. John's when an enquiry will be held. Babstock, it is thought, had just come out of the stokehold in a heat when he jumped overboard and was overcome quickly. He was known to be a powerful swimmer and for that reason the meeting of the two extremes is accountable for the man's instant death, in addition to the height from which he jumped.

CREW DISORDERLY.

Before the ship got away at all, and she did not sail till 6 p.m., though her schedule was 3 p.m., there was a series of fights on board at the Red Cross pier. A fireman named Puddister was almost beaten to death, his face being beyond recognition. Capt. Martin tried several times to make peace, but on each occasion met with a rebuff.

BODY NOT RECOVERED.

The body of the unfortunate fireman is not yet recovered. All yesterday many men were trawling for it, but without success. Deceased was married and leaves to mourn him a wife and two children.

Health Hints.

Have you ever noticed a bread waggon with the doors wide open and the dust and dirt from the street blowing in over the bread? Just stop **and think** of the **dirt,** and you will always ask your Grocer for Lynch's Bread wrapped and sealed by machinery in a dust and germ-proof wrapper.—jy18,tf

Portia Here From West.

BRINGS POOR FISHERY NEWS.

The s.s. Portia, Capt. Joe Kean, arrived back from Western ports at 11 p.m. Saturday, bringing a large freight and these passengers in saloon: Messrs. J. B. Ryan, D. Bungay, J. O'Driscoll, Capt. Kendrick, Capt. Kennedy, E. Hutchings, D. Thistle, R. Richards, T. Mahoney, V. Dimmer, F. Hann, R. Hogan, M. Vail, R. Maher, W. Martin, D. Neal, M. Martin; Mrs. Bungay; Misses Pike, Anderson, Bartlett, Tremblett, Neal, Skeans and 35 steerage. Beautiful weather was had practically all the time and passengers greatly enjoyed the round trip.

Codfish and squid are scarce along the S. W. coast at present. There has been very poor fishing lately, except for a few, on the Grand Banks. Most of the banking fleet are ready to leave for the Labrador on their finishing-up trip.

Some of the new brocades have metal-run backgrounds and patterns in silk.

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GIANT JUNIOR SAFETY RAZOR.—Be sure and get 7 blades with your Giant Junior Safety when you buy it. Price 50 cents with 7 blades—ju24,tf

VISITORS LEAVE.—Sir Genhoime Falconbridge and Judge Morson, who were spending a vacation in this country, left on last evening's express for Toronto.

Enjoy your meals by taking a teaspoonful of Stafford's Prescription "A" before eating. Price 25c. and 50c. Postage 5 and 10c. extra.—jly22,tf

FOR SUPPLIES. — The banking schr. Marion Mosher reached port yesterday from the Grand Banks. She is owned at Lunenburg, and after taking supplies at Job Bros. & Co., will resume the voyage on the banks.

Stafford's Phoratone Cough Cure is the best preparation for all kinds of Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis and various Lung Troubles. Price 25c. Postage 5c. extra.—jly22,tf

Here and There.

OUR VOLUNTEERS.—The volunteers, numbering 250, attended church parade yesterday at their respective churches. A bathing parade was held at Long Pond in the afternoon. One new recruit enrolled named Robert Haines, of Grand Falls.

RAIDED HOP BEER SHOPS.—A couple of police officers were busy yesterday visiting hop beer shops. Samples of the beer being sold were taken to be analyzed to determine whether or not they were 'overproof'—2 per cent.

Fresh Native Strawberries and Cream, also Choice Ice Cream, at WOOD'S CANDY STORES.—jly25,tf

OFFICERS LEAVING AGAIN. — Some of our officers recently returned here from France on brief furlough and to do regimental duty at recruiting headquarters, will be leaving here again about the latter part of this month.

COX'S GELATINE. — Mark the brand. The housewife's choice and the old favorite that stands every test. For sale at all first-class grocers. Insist on getting Cox's.—june24,tf

BAD VOYAGE NORTH.—The trap-fishery north has been one of the worst on record, by the reports of people who have just reached town from that section. Practically all twine has been taken out of the water and jigging will be engaged in by all for the remainder of the season.

Here and There.

REACHED BAHIA.—The schooner Success arrived at Bahia on Saturday.

GOODYEAR TIRES. — In stock the following sizes non-skid: 28 x 3, 29 x 3½, 30 x 3½, 31 x 4, 35 x 4½, 33 x 4, 700 x 80, 650 x 65. GENERAL MOTOR SUPPLY CO., LTD., Geo. M. Barr.—jly24,tf

SUSU REACHES PORT.—The s.s. Susu, Capt. Roberts, arrived from the north yesterday with several passengers and a large freight. The trip was made under favorable weather conditions no ports being missed. The fishery in the Fogo district is much the same as last trip; only small catches were reported last week.

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BOY BROKE LEG.—A little boy named Michael Power, aged 3 years, broke his leg by falling from a ladder at his home in Barron Street, last evening. A physician, who was summoned, ordered the patient to the hospital for treatment whither he was taken in the ambulance.

Some of the French designers are using the medieval lines in their separate coats.