

Progress of the War.

London, Feb. 8.—Russia's unexpected adoption of offensive operations in Poland, from which the Germans apparently have been withdrawing some forces both to the north and south, furnishes the most striking feature of the military situation on the European continent. From German sources it is insisted that the plans for the capture of Warsaw are still being pushed. But the Russians claim several minor successes at various points, and declare that the German attack reached its climax several days ago. Another huge segment of the Russian army is continuing its efforts for a firmer foothold in the Carpathians, but it is admitted that the Germans and Austrians have gained some ground. At one point a severe snow storm is said to have aided them in an action, which Vienna states has resulted in heavy losses to the Russian forces in Dukla Pass. From East Prussia there is little news, the Germans claiming to have the situation well in hand, so far as the prevention of a further Russian advance without, the most severe fighting is concerned. In France and Flanders the situation is without change. Both sides are alert for the slightest indication of activity on the part of their opponents. The British and French are undoubtedly taking advantage of every day's delay to throw in reinforcements. Army affairs came up for discussion in the British House of Commons today, and the Prime Minister made the statement that the British casualties from the beginning of the war had reached a total of 104,000. This is an average of 4,000 men weekly, killed, wounded and missing.

London, Feb. 9.—Germany's threatened submarine blockade of the waters around the British Isles and France, and the question of the use of neutral flags by merchant ships belonging to belligerents, continue to occupy the public mind in England and in the neutral countries of Europe. Grace has already replied to the German memo to the effect that she expects Greek ships to be protected by the regulations governing navigation on the high seas and coasts not effectively blockaded, while Holland and the Scandinavian countries are taking steps for joint action. The American steamer Wilhelmina, with grain aboard, for Hamburg, has arrived at Falmouth. It was thought possible that she had been ordered there by one of the British patrol ships, as the British government had announced its intention of presenting her from proceeding to Germany and of submitting the question of her cargo to a prize court. A despatch from Falmouth, however, says that the captain of the Wilhelmina declared he had proceeded to that port of his own free will. Outside of these questions of international law, the chief interest lies in the fighting in the eastern zone, the operations in the west having lapsed into a period of calm, with only a few small engagements on narrow fronts, which can have little effect on the campaign as a whole. In the east, on the other hand, the Germans have been checked in their efforts to break the Russian lines before Warsaw, have transferred many of their troops to East Prussia, to meet the Russian offensive in that region. This offensive has commenced to be a real danger to the Germans, as it threatened to drive a wedge between Tilsit and Insterburg, and so, to turn the fortified position in the extremely difficult country of the Mazurian Lakes.

London, Feb. 10.—Under winter conditions the Russian and Austro-German armies are fighting another series of battles for possession of the Carpathian Passes which will decide whether the Russian troops will commence another invasion of Hungary or be compelled to evacuate part of Galicia, as they have done in Bukovina. The Russians have issued two official reports of the operations, according to which they have thus far had all the better of the fighting. Their right wing has at any rate succeeded in crossing the mountains, for it has been engaged in a battle near Barfield and Svidnik, which on the Hungarian side of the Carpathians and on

the edge of the plains which swept down to Budapest. This army, too, threatens the rear of the Austro-Germans, who, having entered Lupkow Pass to the east, have suffered severe losses in a battle with another Russian force which was waiting for them there. The hardest fighting, however, has occurred on the Galician side of Tulkolka Pass, where on Sunday the Austro-Germans captured the heights in the region of Koziouwka, only to be driven from them after a bayonet fight, which the Russian report describes as being "without precedent in history". The battle is said by correspondents to have been terrific. The Germans brought up their best reinforcements to aid the Austrian army, and themselves led the attack. Backed by heavy artillery they assaulted the Russian position on the Heights of Koziouwka, but found themselves under an enfilading fire from the Russians on parallel hills and were cut off from the main German column. They were then attacked by the Russian infantry who drove them back at the point of the bayonet. Attack followed counter-attack until the Russians had regained their old positions, leaving the slopes, according to their report, "littered with bodies of the dead Germans."

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Local And Other Items

An Antwerp report says that some 8,600 German deserters have fled to the Netherlands, numerous officers included. They had been commanded to go to the Yser.

Twenty-one men employed in a mine of the Pacific Coast Coal Mine Limited, South Wellington 7 miles from Nanaimo B. C., were drowned by a rush of water.

The Academy of Music, Chicago's oldest theatre, was destroyed by fire on the 15th with a loss of \$175,000. It was a four-storey structure erected in 1870, and was the only theatre not ruined in the great fire of 1871.

Hon. Pierre Evariste LeBlanc, K. C., of Montreal, former leader of the Conservative Party in Quebec, and ex-Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, has been appointed Lieutenant-Governor of that Province in succession to the late Sir Francois Langelier.

Several avalanches have fallen in the mountains near Tenia, Italy. One colossal slide near Caldi Tenia, a pass of the Maritime Alps, in the Province of Cuneo, buried a group of workmen. Thus far sixteen bodies have been recovered.

The Grand Trunk Railway has sent from head-quarters in Montreal a warning to all agents in Canada and the States about a plot to dynamite its property. The plot is said to have been hatched in California and the plotters now are on their way east.

Floods now threaten Italy and the streams flow over the banks because of the heavy rain of several days. In the low districts the people are driven from their homes or are prisoners in the upper stories. The River Tiber at Rome is 50 feet out of normal but the weather promises clearing.

Mme. Bechoff will be brought before a court-martial in Paris the end of this month charged with having received army rations which had been appropriated by Army Paymaster Deslaux. She is the wife of a Paris dressmaker. It is charged she knew these military stores were stolen when she received them.

His Lordship, the Bishop officiated at the blessing of the ashes in St. Dunstan's Cathedral, this Ash, Wednesday, morning. He was assisted by Revs. Plus McDonald and Frank McQuaid as deacon and sub-deacon, with Rev. Dr. McLellan as Master of Ceremonies, Rev. Father Herrol was celebrant of the Solemn High Mass that followed, assisted by the same priests as at the blessing.

The Teacher—Why, Jimmy, Jimmy! Have you forgot your pencil again? What would you think of a soldier going to war without his gun? Jimmy—I'd think he was an officer.

DIED.
GREENH—At Sherbrooke, P. E. I. Jan. 26th Owen Greenham, aged 87, a native of County Monaghan Ireland.

MORRISON—At Rosbury, on Feb. 4, 1915, after a few days illness of pneumonia, Mrs. Murdoch Morrison, in the 70th year of her age.

BUNTAIN—At Boston, Mass., Feb. 8, 1915, Robert Buntain, formerly of Rustico, aged 40 years.

SIMPSON—At Bay View on January 8th, Richard H. son of J. Herbert and May Simpson, aged fifteen years.

BEARS—At Belmont, Mass., Feb. 8th, 1915, Joseph Benjamin Bears, of Brooklyn, P. E. I., Island, aged 42 years 11 months.

McDONALD—In this city on Saturday, Feb. 13, 1915, Chas. A. McDonald, aged 72 years, R. I. P.

DODD—On Monday, 15th Feb. May E., relict of the late Dr. Simon W. Dodd.

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Mortgage Sale

To be sold by public auction in front of the Court House in Charlottetown on Thursday the eighteenth day of February, A. D. 1915, at the hour of twelve o'clock noon under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in an indenture of mortgage dated the twenty-first day of December, A. D. 1910, made between John McKinnon of New Haven, La. 3d farmer, and his wife of the first part, and Jane P. McKinnon of the second part, and which mortgage was by indenture of assignment, dated November 15, 1914, duly assigned to the said Jane P. McKinnon to the undersigned, all that tract piece or parcel of land situate lying and being on Township number thirty-one in Queens County aforesaid, described and bounded as follows, to-wit: the residue of release from William Cundall, Robert Longworth and Henry Jones Cundall to Esther Douse dated the third day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five as follows, on the north by the rear boundary line of farms fronting on the North side of the Tryon Road, on the East by the boundary line of lands now or lately in the occupation of Jeremiah Collins and Hector Cameron, on the South by the Tryon Road and the rear line of farms fronting on the West River, and on the West by the side lines of farms now or lately in the occupation of Thomas Kieckham and Owen McKinnon, and also by the prescription of the Western boundary line of the said Owen McKinnon's farm agreeably to a plan thereof on the margin of an indenture of release from Esther Douse to John McKinnon dated the 26th day of March, 1877, containing seventy-one acre according to said deed, but according to a recent survey and plan of P. D. Cox L. S., eighty-eight acres a little more or less.

Synopsis of Canadian North-West Land Regulations

Any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a greater section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

Duties—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section alongside his homestead. Price \$3.00 per acre.

Duties—Must reside upon the homestead or pre-emption six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required homestead patent) and cultivate five acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may enter for a purchase of homestead in certain districts. Price \$3.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$300.00.

W. W. CORY, Deputy Minister of the Interior.

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LEASED TENDERS

addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Coal for Departmental Dredges, Prince Edward Island," will be received at this office until 4 O'Clock P. M., on Monday, March 1st, 1915, for a supply of best quality Coal to be delivered in quantities and at places mentioned on form of tender.

Forms of tender can be obtained at this Department and at the offices of J. K. Blankinson, Esq., Secy. of Dredges, St. John, N. B.; W. E. Hyndman, Esq., District Engineer, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures. Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent (10 p. c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the contract. If the tender is not accepted the cheque will be returned.

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By order, R. C. DESROCHERS, Secretary.

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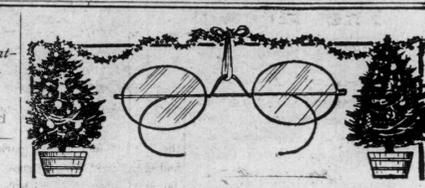
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