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correspondent on the Belgian from telegraphs: "The Belgian troops succeeded y terday in crossing the Yser ca mear St. Georges in the direction Mannekensvere and establish themselves firmly in spite of a m derous fire. This is an important s and merits, attention. On the oti-parts of the Belgian front progress gradual, but continuous. "Depression has overcome the G man troops on the Yser, who tired of fighting vainly in a cold, y and comfortless land far from th homes. Batches of prisoners have been brought regularly into Fun-every day since the fighting arou Nieuport began again. "There is considerable activity of the whole of the allies' front in north. The British guns near Arm tieres have been booming hard a have reason to believe appreciable a vances have heen made toward cle

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## MR. LLOYD GEORGE **OUOTES PRECEDENT**

He Shows How the French Respected Their Treaty Obligations to Bel-

gium Chough it Meant Ruin

"This was not the only country to "This was not the only country to Balgium and her integrity." Words fail me to express the ad-"This was not the only country to defend Belgium and her integrity. Russia, France, Austria and Prussia —they are all there. Why did they not perform the obligation? It is suggested that when you quote this treaty, it is purely an excuse on our part. It is our low craft and cunning, just to cloak our jealousy of a superior civilization which we are attempting



MR. LLOYD GEORGE Chancellor of the Exchequer

alleged to their charge that they were ever Jingo. What did they do in 1870? ligerent powers to respect that treaty. We called upon France, we called upon Germany. At that time, bear in mind, the greatest danger to Belhad no intention of violating Belgian territory. What was the answer given by Bismarck? He said it was superous to ask Prussia such a question in view of the treaties in force. France gave a similar answer. We received the thanks at that time of the Belgian people for our intervention in a very remarkable document. This is in a document ad-

dressed by the municipality of Brus-sels to Queen Victoria after that inter-

"'The great and noble people over whose destinies you preside have just given a further proof of its benevolent sentiments towards this country. The voice of the English GENERAL FRENCH FIRST SAW DANGER, **BAULKED THE GERMAN CALAIS PLANS** WITH A THIN RED LINE OF HEROES

"No moer arduous task has ever been assigned to British soldiers, and in all their splendid history there is will ring through the Empire Mr. Lloyd George is a speech at the Queen's Hall, London, brought out one point in the case against Ger-many He said: will ring through the Empire, on so magnificently to the desperate calls which of necessity were made in the case against Ger-many He said: will ring through the Empire, on John French tells the story of the fight for Calais. This is the most graphic account of the work done by

graphic account or the work done by the army which we have yet had from the Commander-in-Chief, for the names and deeds of the regiments which have distinguished themselves are allowed to appear, and a long and noble list it is. English, Scottish, Irish, and Indian regiments, Regulars and Territorials, the Army of the Empire is united in sacrifice and glory. "The quality of the whole is sum-med up in the Feld-Marshal's words that the frustration of the Kaiser's dearest hope 'is due entirely to the marvellous fighting power, and the indomitable courage and tenacity of officers, non-commissioned officers and men.' Their leaders demanded it was the held-marshal commanding the Anglo-Indian forces in France who first appreciated the gravity of the German movement in the north, and first took decisive measures to arrest it. It was on his initiative that the army under his command was dexterously withdrawn from the Aime bodily transferred to the north

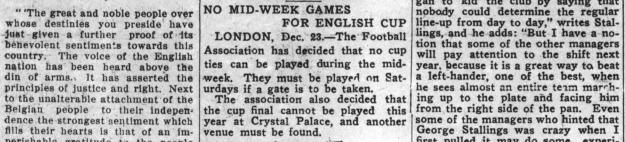
"Reading this glorious chapter of heroism and suffering, how can any man of age and condition to serve en-Aisne, bodily transferred to the north and placed athwart the German line

of advance on Calais. "Will and character dominate every dure to sit inglorious at home? Day other quality in war, and it is first and foremost because Sir John French possesses these qualities in an emin-while the line of battle swayed backent degree, and is not afraid to ask of his troops the impossible, that our in-trepid army in Flanders has added have seen fresh masses of the enemy lorious pages to its immortal his- piled against them, and nerved them-

selves to resist anew while their most trusted leaders and their bravest com-Never, in its noblest days, has the British army covered itself with great-er glory than in this battle, and never have commanders and troops deser-and significant as it was, with the ved better of their country. Even if the German reinforcements, thrust in corps after corps, enabled the enemy to score a few local successes, the

r Jingo. What did they do We called upon the bel-owers to respect that treaty. d upon France, we called where the fighting began, and that d upon france, we called where the fighting began, and that the line began the line began the line where the fighting began the line where the fighting began the line began the began the line began the began t sixteen German army corps, after los-ing 200,000 men, have not been able cord something more than a stubborn in mind, the greatest danger to Bel-gium came from France and not from Germany. We intervened to protect Belgium against France exactly in the same way. We invited both the belligerent powers to state that they had no intention of violating Belgian territory. What was the answer given in the hardships of the stricken field. historic corps. But more is needed. Great is the honor that one and all much more, to reap the fruits of have deserved, and never will the French and British heroism. The mighty deeds of the heroes who Third Book of Sir John French's fought in the great battle of Flanders Iliad should stir the spirit of English be forgotten by their grateful fellow-countrymen."

not approve of my scheme of shifting men, and some of the newspapers be-gan to 'kid' the club by saying that nobody could determine the regular Sport Notes





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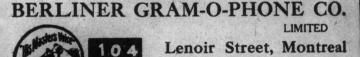
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"That was in 1870. Mark what follows. Three or four days after that document of thanks the French LONDON, Dec. 23.—At a meeting of the Scottish Football Association last night it was decided by 14 votes to 13 not to proceed with the Scottish Cup ties this season. This decision is army was wedged up against the Belgian frontier. Every means of escape shut up by a ring of flame from Prussian cannon. There was one way of in accordance with the recommenda-tion of a deputation which recently in escape. What was that? By violat-ing the neutrality or Belgium. What did they do? The French on that occasion preferred ruin, humiliation to the breaking of their bond.

"The French Emperor, French marshals, 100,000 gallant Frenchmen in arms preferred to be carried captive to the strange land of their enemy rather than dishonor the name of their country. It was the last French army defeat. Had they violated Belfight.

gian neutrality the whole history of that war would have been changed. And yet it was the interest of France to break the treaty. She did not do it.

"It was the interest of Prussia to Champion "It was the interest of Prussia to break the treaty, and she has done it. Well, why? She avowed it with cynical contempt for every principle of justice. She says treaties only bind you when it is to your interest to keen them. "What is a supervised in their hout at New York to keep them. 'What is a treaty?' says the German Chancellor; 'a scrap next Tuesday night. of paper.'

OFFER WHITE, \$10,000 TO BOX WELSH AGAIN. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.-Charley White may get another whack at Champion Freddie Welsh shortly.

Shugrue in their bout at New York

## FRENCH RUNNER KILLED

Jean Bouin, Wonderful Distance Man, Fell in Battle

The news of the death of Jean Bouin, the great French distance run-ner, on the field of battle in France, cast a pall of deep and could and the figure of t cast a pall of deep and genuine sad-ness over all that had had the pleasure

The sover all that had the pleasure of meeting the dashing Frenchman who held the world's amateur record for running one hour. As an athlete Bouin was superb—every inch of him. He had everything—speed, strength, and a type of buildog grit that is sup-posed to be found only in an English-man. No person who saw the 1912 Olympics at Stockholm will ever for-get the superb race that Bouin ran against Hannes Kohlemainen. The distance was three mile's and nearly 200 yards (5,000 metres). At the crack of the gun Bouin bounded away like a sprinter, and ran in the van until within fifty yards from home, where Kohlemainen jumped up beside the Frenchman and beat him to the tape by less than one foot.

SCOTTISH CUP TIES menting with it." ARE ABANDONED AT LITTLE JAP ASKS CHANCE WAR OFFICE REQUEST AT THE BIG WRESTLERS

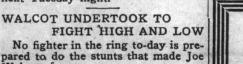
> Martin Julian takes exception to the claim of Tarro Mipake as jiu jitsu champion, Says he: "An expert in the famous Japanese sport by the name of Yamato Taka, whom I manage, is the champion.

first pulled it may do some experi

terviewed the War Office authorities. Taka has just arrived in this country M'COY SHADED THE SOLDIER from South America. He has been touring the world for the last two NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Middle-weight Champion Al. McCoy was shaded by Soldier Bartfield in a ten-rounded bout at the Broadway A. C. Gotch, Zbyszko, Hackenschmidt or in Brooklyn last night. It was a poor any of the great big fellows, at jin

jitsu, of course. He only weighs about 160 pounds and it would be a novel sight for the public to see him tos: these fellows who weigh many pounds more than he does. Taka will also wrestle and guarantee to throw any wrestler his weight at catch-as-catch-can."

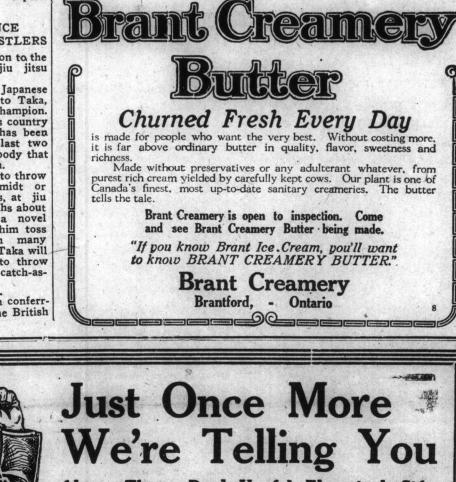
A Victoria Cross has been conferr ed upon Lieut. Holbrook, the British hero of the Dardanelles.



Walcott famous. Joe met fighters of all weights. He

prime. He knocked out Joe Choynski in seven rounds when Joe had to his credit a drawn battle with Jeffries.

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Biacksmith Used His Hammer A company of British dragoons, called unexpectedly into action, were accompanied by their farrier, who trimed only with a sledge hammer, tare a good acount of himself.
The Hobon prohibition amendment was defeated in the United States after a full day's debate, properties.
SHIFTS HIS OUTFIELD George Stallings is convinced that much of the success of the Braves due to the double outfield system. The idea of using a right-handed or left-handed trio of batters, as the pitching situation might require, came to Stallings early last year. At that time he did not have outfielders enough of both persuasions to put the scheme into practice. Later, by trading Perdue, he secured ache and Whitted, two right-handed hitters, and was able to put the shift in operation.



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[By Special Wire to the Courier] DUNKIRK, France, via Lon Dec. 24 .-- A resident of Rheims, has survived all the successive b bardments of that city advises again taking to the cellar in case of bo bardment.

Two of the Rheims hotel sw blown into rubbish while I was sh ing in them, he says. "In each ing in them, he says. In each stance, most of the people in hotels took refuge in the cellars came to losing their lives when by and mortar came tumbling in on of them. If your house is blown the ruins most certainly will bl you in your cellar and you st every chance of coming to an timely end by asphysiation. timely end by asphysiation. "I had calculated correctly that part of the city where I was liv would come under fire from the no



A Whole Army Was the V tim of a Servian Success.

LONDON, Dec. 23 .- An of communication issued in gives the result of inquiries mad a high military officer into the d of the Austrians by the Servians follows:

"After he had gained successes chief in command of the B forces intended to complete th feat of the enemy, but did not Bad weather made the condition the few roads which lead across barren country worse, so that it impossible to supply the army the necessary provisions and arm tion. At the same time, the en-collected fresh forces and opene attack, the offensive had been

up. "It was thought prudent not t fer decisive battle under these u orable circumstances. Forced by verse conditions, our troops retr from Servia, but they are not d ed. That we suffered severe loss men and war material is inevi

The state of the s