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A HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL IS WISH OF THE TIMES

Canadians To Front Next Month

Late In January Is The Report

COL. WILLIAMS WOUNDED

Ottawa Man in Trenches Three Days and Shot Three Germans—Col. Turner Hurt in Auto Accident—Fine Message From Jellicoe

Salisbury Plain, Dec. 24—Lieut. Colonel Victor Williams, of Ottawa, is back from the front, where he spent three weeks with the British and French armies' line. He is now lecturing to the Canadian officers by request of General Jellicoe.

Colonel R. E. W. Turner, V. C., D. S. O., the officer commanding the Highland Brigade, was seriously injured in an automobile accident near Salisbury on Wednesday. His collar bone and several ribs were fractured.

Colonel Mercer of Toronto, commanding the Ontario brigade, has received the following from Admiral Jellicoe: "The officers and men of the grand British fleet, with our gallant comrades of the Canadian contingent every success."

OTAWA DOES NOT NOW OF FRICTION

Ottawa, Dec. 24—There is nothing now here of a report that General Alderson is resigning the command of the Canadian force at Salisbury owing to friction with Major General Hughes.

ST. JOHN GREETINGS TO FIGHTING MEN ON SALISBURY PLAIN

The greetings of the people of St. John to the New Brunswick soldiers at Salisbury Plains were conveyed today by cablegrams from Mayor Frink as follows:

Major F. C. Magee, Third Field Artillery, and Divisional Ammunition Column, Salisbury Plains:

Lieut. Col. H. F. McLeod, 12th Infantry Battalion, Salisbury Plains:

Phelix and Pherdmand WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Snow Tomorrow Maritime—Winds, becoming variable, dr and decidedly cold today. Friday bit snow in most localities.

Belgians Fight Their Way Across The Yser

General Progress Also All Along The Line and Russian Report is Good—Austrian Companies Annihilated in Sortie From Przemysl

London, Dec. 24—The Times' correspondent on the Belgian frontier telegraphs: "The Belgian troops yesterday succeeded in crossing the Yser Canal near St. George in the direction of Mannekenvere, and establishing themselves firmly in spite of a murderous fire. This is an important step and merits attention."

OFFICIAL RUSSIAN STATEMENT GOOD

Petrograd, Dec. 24—A statement issued by the official press bureau today, regarding the fighting along the Russian front says:

FRENCH BATTLESHIP HIT BY TORPEDO; LITTLE DAMAGE

London, Dec. 24—(2:17 p.m.)—An official statement in Paris today says that an Austrian submarine torpedoed a French battleship in the Gulf of Otranto. The battleship was damaged only slightly. No one was injured.

JOFFRE SEEKING OPENING IN LINE

London, Dec. 24—Christmas finds little change in the underground warfare in the western war theatre. General Joffre still appears to be cautiously feeling for an opening in the strongly entrenched German line across France and Belgium.

MUST FIGHT UNTIL GERMANY BEATEN

Rome, Dec. 24—In reference to reports that Count Sergius Witte, an eminent Russian statesman, was leading a peace party at the Russian court, the court has telegraphed to this city as follows:

German Airships

New York, Dec. 24—A London Daily Express despatch dated "On the Belgian frontier, Wednesday," to the Herald, says:

NORTH END FIRE

POPULAR "BARRY" THOMPSON IS DEAD

Many Friends Everywhere Will Learn News With Deep Regret

A host of friends today mourn the death of LeBaron R. Thompson, traveling passenger agent for the Eastern Steamship Corporation. The news came as a shock to all, for he had been sick only a short time, having been attacked with a paralytic stroke just a few days ago.

William Apartments. His wife survives, with two sisters, Mrs. Harper, of West Superior, Minn.; Mrs. Robert McVey, of Seattle; and two brothers, Tyler and Harry Thompson of Missoula, Mo.

When a young man, Mr. Thompson came to St. John from his home in Woodstock, and entered the service of the International Steamship Co. He had since remained in this business, a tribute in itself to the esteem in which he was held by the directors of that and later of the Eastern S. S. Co.

CITY TO HAVE MEN OF 26TH AS GUESTS AT NEW YEAR'S

The Mayor and Corporation of the City of St. John will tender a supper to the men of the 26th Battalion at the army on New Year's evening. It is not until the 26th of the year that the men will be present, but the commissioners are prepared to act as hosts to the entire battalion of more than 1,100 men.

THE FUNDS

The following contributions to the Canadian Patriotic Fund are acknowledged: Lewis Clark, \$2.00; No. 7 Hose Co. and No. 2 Hook and Ladder, West End, \$31.00; Friend, per O'Neill, 15c; Friend, per O'Neill, 5c; M.O.M., \$2; Pupils P. D. Chene School, per Alice K. Barry, \$10; Non-Com. officers of the 62nd St. John Fusiliers, \$78.66; total, \$118.66.

WAR NOTES

Field Marshal Paul Von Hindenburg, is the idol of the Germans at the moment. Streets are being named after him and the Silesian town of Zabrze has changed its name to Hindenburg.

LOCAL HOCKEY

OPERATION ON BOY

OPEN HOUSE

NO TIMES TOMORROW

GERMAN AEROPLANE DROPS BOMB INTO DOVER

London, Dec. 24—The official press bureau reports: "An aeroplane of the enemy dropped a bomb while passing over Dover this morning. The missile fell in a garden and exploded, but no damage was done."

WAR A HELP TO THE FISH TRADE

Portugal Cuts Off Import Duty of 25 to 35 Per Cent

CANADA TO BENEFIT

Newfoundland is Also Favorably Affected—The Discrimination Arose Out of the Naming of Certain Wines as "Port"

St. John, Nfld., Dec. 24—A curious effect of the war is its bearing on the future of the fish trade of Newfoundland and certain Canada. This was revived the ancient alliance between Great Britain and Portugal, and a result has been that a discrimination by Portugal for many years against fish from Newfoundland and the Canadian maritime provinces, has been removed.

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OFFICIAL REPORT TELLS OF FURTHER ADVANCES BY ALLES

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