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German Movement on Warsaw Still Continues With Unabated Vigor

Gaps in the Lines Filled by Garrison and Second Line Troops—Germans Invade Portuguese East Africa—Men Likely to Take a Vacation on Christmas—Germans in the West Being Reinforced.

VICTORIA CROSS FOR SUBMARINE HERO.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The Victoria Cross has been awarded to Lieut. Hollbrook, the commander of the submarine B-11, which sank the Turkish cruiser Messudieh in the Dardanelles. Lieut. Hollbrook's exploit involved diving under five rows of Turkish mines in the channel.

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AT BELGIANS' EXPENSE.

ROTTERDAM, Dec. 23.—In order to celebrate Christmas, the Germans have ordered Ghent to supply one million cigars, one million cigarettes, and 90,000 pounds of tobacco. They also have taken complete control of every wine cellar in town.

One proprietor was ordered to supply 800 bottles of brandy, but the order, taking his breath away, he asked the soldier if a mistake had not been made. The soldier answered, "Yes" and increased the demand to 1,000 bottles. The Germans have even requisitioned musical instruments.

ADVANCE OF ALLIES GROWS DAILY.

SLUIS, Holland, Dec. 23.—A great movement of German troops in the direction of western Flanders is now in progress, apparently in order to check the advance of the Allies which grows daily more menacing. With this object a portion of the army in Poland has been released and long lines of troops trains have been passing through Liege, Namur and Brussels since Saturday.

CHRISTMAS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT THE FRONT.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—It is believed that although the Pope's plan for an armistice over Christmas has failed, a lull will set in on Christmas Day itself. Christmas sentiment is deep, and notwithstanding their positions on the line of battle, bitter antagonism will not eradicate it from the men's heart. Thousands of Christmas presents have been sent to all the fronts. The distribution and enjoyment of these is another argument for the probable suspension of hostilities wherever this is possible.

NO NEWSPAPERS IN LONDON XMAS DAY.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The London newspapers have decided unanimously not to publish on Christmas Day, and the official press bureau announces it will suspend business from the afternoon of December 24 until the evening of Dec. 25.

GERMANS ATTACK PORTUGUESE.

LISBON, Dec. 23.—The announcement was made that the Germans have again invaded Angola, Portuguese West Africa. The fact was stated in the chamber of deputies by the minister of colonies, who said the Germans had made a fresh attack on the military post at Naulilla, Province of Angola. The commander of the post had only a small force at his disposal, and retreated in order to obtain reinforcements with which to drive out the Germans.

MOVEMENT ON WARSAW CONTINUES.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 23.—Only one of three sides of a position on which the Germans were attacking the Russians a few days ago is being assaulted. This is on the line before Warsaw, where efforts of the enemy to pierce the Russian line of defence continue with uninterrupted vig-

or. The Germans are said to be keeping up a supply of troops wherever needed for filling up gaps. It is now stated that the number of troops on the western front has not been reduced, but that the places in the first line units are being taken by garrison and second line troops.

SEQUEL TO PUBLICITY WAS BOMBARDMENT.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—The following note was appended to the official communique to-night:—"The press is requested to cease publishing articles on preparations for Noel festivities, etc., in the Alsace towns taken by the French, because the open announcement of such fetes recently led to the heavy bombardment of these towns, notably Thann, by the Germans."

GERMAN AVIATOR CLAIMS TO HAVE VISITED DOVER.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—"The German navy aviator, Lieut. Stephen von Prondzynski, flew over Dover, threw bombs and reconnoitred the position of the British fleet," says an official statement issued here to-day.

BOMBS DROPPED ON BRUGES.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 23.—The Tjld reports that an aeroplane using a searchlight dropped three bombs on Bruges last night. Violent explosions followed, but the result is not known.

TO DESTROY ZEPPELINS BY PHOSPHORUS BULLETS.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Dr. Charles Dawson, who discovered the famous Piltdown skull, has offered to the British War Office a new bullet for protection against Zeppelins. The head of the bullet has a cavity which contains phosphorus, some of which is allowed to project beyond the apex of the bullet. When the rifle is fired, the phosphorus is ignited by the discharge. As soon as the bullet hits the envelope or gas bag of a Zeppelin the gas is ignited and the container explodes.

ANOTHER "FINAL BLOW" AGAINST THE SERVIANS.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—The Official Press Bureau to-day gave out the following: "A despatch from Budapest says the Austrians are preparing a final blow against the Servians, but gives no intimation of what form it will take."

TURKISH WAR MINISTER REPORTED MISSING.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 23.—A despatch to the Bourse Gazette from Bucharest declares that Enver Pasha, the Turkish Minister of War, has mysteriously disappeared.

He has not, according to the despatch, been seen in Constantinople for several days and his absence at such a moment has caused contradictory reports. According to one, he has gone to the Caucasus to take command of the Turkish army there. Another is that he fears he will be assassinated and that he has fled with his adjutant to a German warship.

There is no doubt that Enver Pasha has been subjected to constant pressure by the Germans, in pursuance of their plans in the war.

BAPTIST XMAS TEA AND CONCERT

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

The scholars of the Baptist Sunday school had their annual Christmas event last evening. Supper was served at 5 o'clock and large quantities of choice victuals were disposed of by the healthy youngsters. Adornment was then made to the spacious auditorium of the church, where an excellent program was presented by the pupils to the delight of a large audience of friends and well-wishers of the kiddies. Mr. P. C. McLaughlin, B. A. presided over the festivities of the evening in a genial manner, and spoke of the splendid support he had received during the past year, as Superintendent of the 700 officers, teachers and scholars, 225 scholars on the roll, and 60 babies on the cradle roll—12 scholars were baptized as a confession of faith in Christ during the year, and \$487.22 was collected for all purposes.

The program was as follows: PROGRAMME Chorus by the intermediate classes. Recitation—Elsie Doolittle. Chorus—Primary department. Recitation—Alma Dempsey. Solo—Olivia Fries. Recitation—Annie Holt. Piano duet—Misses Vera Violet Clarke.

Recitation—Ralph Smith. Solo—Evelyn McKeown. Recitation—Arnold Orr. Trio by Evelyn, Eileen and Jean McLaughlin. Recitation—Isabel Orne. Christmas arithmetic—4 girls of Miss Rowland's class. Piano solo by Jessie Butler. Recitation by Lora Cook. Chorus by "A. P." class. Recitation by Gertie Fisher. Solo by Eileen McLaughlin. Duet by Irene and Nellie Deaton. Duet by Marjorie and Ralph Smith. Recitation by Mary Hess. Duet by Evelyn and Helen Holt. Searf Drill by 12 girls. Solo by May Menzies. Recitation by Rose Barlow. Recitation by Lily Harris. Boys chorus by Primary class. Finger exercises—Beginner's class. Solo—Miss Vera Sharpe. Recitation—Annie Holt. Chorus—Primary department. Recitation—James Whitten. Waud drill—8 boys. Solo—Miss Evelyn McLaughlin. Pity—Pat chorus—8 newest beginners.

Recitation—Martha Whitten. Dumb-bell drill—13 boys—Conductor: Lorne Deaton. Piano solo—Hugh Ferguson. Flanbean drill—by 3 boys—Jack Barlow, Lorne Deaton, Gordon Clute, Pantomime by 6 girls. Secretary's report—Miss Lonsberry. Class offerings—For the poor. Presentation of prizes for attendance as follows: Laura Cook, Walter H. Clarke, Evelyn McLaughlin, Lily Hudson, Helen Cook, Alice Holt, Ella Smith, Mary Hess, Mary Hess, Mary Cook, Dorothy Smith, Arthur and Joe Blackburn, Violet Pelly, Annie Holt, Evelyn Holt, Hazel Rittwage, Edna Blackburn. Benediction by the pastor.

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MINISTER STRUCK BY A HORSE

Rev. H. S. Osborne Fortunately Worried Coat Which Protected Him

The Rev. H. S. Osborne, pastor of Bridge Street Methodist Church, met with an accident at the corner of Bridge and Front streets about six o'clock last evening. While crossing the roadway when a lively horse attached to a cutter turned the corner at a sharp gait and ran into him. He was struck by the end of a shaft which fortunately did not injure Mr. Osborne very much except to the fact that he was wearing a heavy fur-lined coat. The shaft tore the coat badly and the minister was dragged a considerable distance. Fortunately the coat did not allow him to fall beneath the horse. Ultimately the horse was stopped and Mr. Osborne released from his perilous position. This morning he was able to be out. Fortunately he was not cut, although he experienced a considerable shock as a result of being struck.

GENEROUS GIFT TO HOCKEY TEAMS

Mr. J. L. R. Gorman is manifesting his interest in hockey affairs of this season and has given orders to the managers of the Belleville Juniors and Intermediates for one dozen of the best hockey sticks for each of the two teams.

Larry Whitehead, the trainer for the Belleville teams, will arrive here at the week-end and will remain until the end of the Belleville season. Mr. Whitehead is an expert hockeyist and referee and will make the best use of the good material which is lined up with the teams.

MAJ. WALLBRIDGE HAS ARRIVED

Major C. M. Wallbridge is in the city, having returned from Salisbury Plain. He is looking exceedingly well. He was an attached officer of the 49th Regiment with First Canadian contingent.

LETTER FROM SALISBURY PLAIN

Milton Vandervoort Writes Home Giving His Impressions of Southampton

Mr. A. Vandervoort, deputy registrar of the County of Hastings and Mrs. Vandervoort have received an interesting letter from their son Milton who is with the Fifteenth Regiment boys in the First Canadian Contingent at Salisbury. The following extracts relate to conditions in camp and to a trip to Southampton:

"Dear Mother—The Y.M.C.A. tent blew down last night and many of our tents so I am writing on a pad worth 6d half penny. I received all your letters and recognize the goodness of your remarks about discipline. I know the truth of it myself by seeing some of my comrades catch it from the Colonel, etc. Melville Clark, a few friends and myself had leave the other day to take a bath, etc. We landed in Salisbury, had a good Turkish bath and viewed the famous old Cathedral and hired a big green taxi cab and motored to Southampton, a distance of about 40 miles. It only cost the five of us 10 shillings each, going and return. The ride through the country was something you could not understand unless you saw it yourself. The hedges, English cottages and villages were very pretty and when the many people watched our party of Canadians speed by in a green taxi cab they waved their hands with much laughing. Southampton is a depot of the wounded and we had even our car stopped in the main street by Indian troops and London Scottish and welcomed by them. Canadian in Southampton are rare as they nearly all go to London on leave. They all want a badge and I have even had them out a Canadian button off my serge. There are many old arches in the city which were long ago a gateway to the city.

"We moved yesterday out of our old camp as the mud was about a foot deep. We will move shortly into huts and that will be welcomed as it is windy and raining every day, but you need not worry about that as I am pretty well toughened and am still well and in good spirits.

"We are shooting long distance now and I am doing pretty good although Melville is the best shot. Excuse this awkward howling as I am writing in a tent of howling soldiers etc.

"Your loving son, Milton."

DR. GARRATT DIES

Prominent Physician Succumbs After Short Illness.

The death of Dr. Alton H. Garratt, who for many years has been connected with the Simcoe Street Free Dispensary, and who was well known in the medical field in Toronto, occurred at his residence, 53 College street, on Monday, at the age of forty-nine. The late doctor was born on a farm near Wellington, Prince Edward County, in 1865, receiving his education at Trinity University. In 1888, the year in which he graduated, he commenced his profession in Queensborough, Hastings County. About a year after he returned to Toronto, where he married Miss Mina Fletcher and established a practice. Later on he became interested in the free dispensary movement, of which he was one of the organizers, and joined the staffs of the General and St. Michael's Hospitals, being made a Fellow of the College of Physicians and Surgeons. He was a member of the Lonic Lodge, the Masonic order, and of the Holy Trinity Church. The funeral service was held at his late residence Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 23rd, after which the body will be taken to Wellington for burial. His widow and one son survive.

BRIGHT YOUNG BOY DEAD

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

The body of the late Arthur Arnot, aged 15 years, will arrive by train this evening from Toronto and be taken to the home of his sister, Mrs. James Kerby, corner of Brasse and Starling streets. The death took place on Monday night at ten o'clock after one week's illness with brain abscess. Deceased was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Arnot and was born in Belleville, but had resided with his parents in Toronto for the past nine years. In religion he was a Presbyterian.

DEATH OF WM. MECK

William Meek, a former part proprietor of the Chronicle in Belleville and of the Kingston Daily News, died suddenly recently in London, Ont. He was one of the most expert printers in the province of Ontario. His brother is Mr. Robert Meek of Kingston, well known to Oddfellows in Belleville.

The Honorable Mr. Justice Clute is visiting in the city the guest of his sister, Mrs. John Williams.

Mr. R. S. Bell of Kingston was in the city attending the observance of his sister, the late Mrs. John London.

HASTING MAN WOUNDED AT YPRES

Fred Bagnell Writes From Hospital of British Capture of Position

Mr. Fred Bagnell formerly of Hastings, who left to join his regiment in England at the outbreak of the war, was wounded on Nov. 21 by a shell, and when a physician was called to attend him the latter told him that he had had pneumonia for several days. He was sent to two different hospitals in France, and finally to England, where he is now recovering.

In writing to his wife at Hastings he gives a description of what life in the trenches is like. He left England on November 8 for active service, and by the 10th was in the trenches at Ypres with his regiment, the King's Royal Rifles. There were thirty-five casualties the first day, mainly from German shrapnel. They had five days of this in the trenches, partly in the water, with their number growing least all the time, and finally it was decided to take the German trenches. A charge was made at dusk over the 150 yards which divided them, and German trenches were carried, killing about 100 of the enemy and losing 70 men. They spent the night burying their own and German dead, and sending the wounded to the rear. It was then that Bagnell was taken sick. He, however, heroically kept his place, as he expected that they would be relieved, until he was wounded.

INDUCTION AT MELROSE

The Presbytery of Kingston yesterday inducted the Rev. W. W. Conrad, M.A. into the pastoral charge of Melrose, Shannonville and Lonsdale. The service took place in the church at Melrose at 2.30 p.m., with Rev. A. S. Kerr, the interim moderator, presiding. After the usual announcements by the clerk, Rev. W. T. Wilkins, of Trenton, public worship was conducted by the Rev. J. T. Hall of Stirling. The moderator, then proposed the usual questions and the induction service proper took place. Following this the Rev. E. C. Currie of John St. Church delivered the charge to the minister and Rev. Jas. Barratt of Tweed, addressed the people. The people of the united churches are in good heart and this induction bids fair to mark a new epoch in the history of this worthy old congregation.

TABERNACLE HELD XMAS TREE

(From a Suspenseful Story) A delightful Christmas entertainment was that given last evening in the Sunday School rooms of the Tabernacle Methodist Church. The chairman of the evening was the superintendent, Mr. J. E. Wainwright. There were two Xmas trees on which countless gifts hung for the children and Mr. Harry Moorman acted as Santa Claus. There were twenty numbers on the program, including songs, choruses, recitations, and drill by boys under direction of Major Barragar, drill by 18 young ladies, exercises by the Junior League, and a drill by Mr. C. A. Macfarlane's class. Thirty-seven scholars of the school had the Golden Texts perfect for every Sunday in the year except on a day when a scholar was not present owing to illness. The large audience was much pleased with the entertainment.

COMPLAINT ABOUT STANDING TRAIN

Complaints have been heard recently about a freight train standing in the morning on the C.T.R. track which crosses St. Charles St. One resident states that the train causes a delay to pedestrians and the driving public, as it is not "cut" at the crossing.

ACCEPTS CALL TO TABERNACLE

Rev. S. C. Moore, B.A., B.D., of King Street Methodist Church, Oshawa, has received and accepted a unanimous invitation to the pastorate of the Tabernacle Methodist Church, Belleville, as successor to the Rev. W. G. Clarke, B.A., B.D.

CHILD PASSED AWAY

John Redmond Matthews, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Matthews, Bay street, died last night after an illness of three weeks.

POLICE FORCE APPRECIATED

Chief Newton has received from Mr. Henry Smyd on behalf of the Merchant Bank a cheque for \$10.46 as a Christmas box for you and your force during the past year. The letter conveys Christmas and New Year's greetings.

The best tea in the world comes from the hill-top gardens of Ceylon and India. The best products of these gardens are in turn selected for Salada. It contains no cheapening dross, stems or coarse leaves.

FORMER LOCAL LAWYER LOSES

J. Leonard Tauger Unsuccessful Appellant Against Decision in MacMahon Estate.

The Appellate Division is unanimous in dismissing the appeal of J. L. Tauger, a San Francisco lawyer, from the decision of Mr. Justice Kelly, who held that an agreement between Tauger and Mrs. Stella MacMahon, whereby the lawyer was to have one-quarter of any part of the estate of the late Mr. Justice MacMahon which Mrs. MacMahon might receive, was invalid and not binding upon her. The share claimed by Tauger was in the neighborhood of \$7,500.

Tauger is a native of Belleville and studied law in this city. Mr. Justice MacMahon left his \$80,000 Ontario estate to his son, D'Arcy, to go on D'Arcy's death to the widow of another son, Mr. Stella MacMahon, if she survived him. If Mrs. MacMahon did not survive D'Arcy, the estate was to go to a niece of the judge, Ella MacMahon.

TO SECURE BENEFIT

Mrs. MacMahon engaged Tauger, who had been called to the bar in Ontario, to endeavor to secure some payment from D'Arcy instead of her possible interest in the estate. He stipulated that he should receive one-half of whatever she was able to secure. She thought that this would be too much if D'Arcy should die, so the fee was reduced to one-quarter. Chief Justice McCreith comments as follows on the claim that was set forward and the circumstances leading up to it.

"It might well have happened, and in fact did actually happen, that after the writing of a few letters it would be ascertained that no agreement could be come to with D'Arcy MacMahon, and all that in the event of that happening the appellant (Tauger) had to do was to sit down and wait until his client or D'Arcy MacMahon died, when if his client outlived D'Arcy MacMahon the appellant would step into the enjoyment of one-fourth of the estate, or if his client died first he would get no compensation for his services. The plaintiff's letters and the small expenditure he might have incurred. But even if an agreement had been come to with D'Arcy MacMahon, the compensation for the plaintiff's services was set out in all letters that he would be called upon to render."

NO LAWYER WOULD ADVISE SO

His Lordship remarks that no lawyer except one with whom she was making such a bargain would have advised Mrs. MacMahon to enter into the agreement.

ICE CUTTERS MUST PAY

That the rights of ice-cutters are subject to the safety of human life and limb which are paramount is the decision of the Appellate Division, in dismissing an appeal from the decision of the County Court of Hastings of the 9th of June 1914, in the action of Little vs. Smith. The plaintiff recovered judgment for damages for the drowning of a horse that ran away while drawing a sleigh loaded with milk cans on the frozen surface of the Bay of Quinte. The horse ran away and crashed through another ice over a hole cut by the defendants. The defendants unsuccessfully contended that because the hole was so far from the travelled road, they did not need to guard it.

LARGE ATTENDANCE

(From Wednesday's Daily.) Another good sized crowd witnessed the fine vaudeville and picture performance at Griffin's last evening. The two Russells in their knife throwing act performed many daring and dangerous feats, proving that they are past masters in their chosen profession. As usual the many beautiful pictures shown were highly entertaining. Griffin's big special Xmas Matinee will be given on Friday afternoon at 2.45 instead of 2.30, enabling all late diners to witness this performance.

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, The Great Henry, in his greatest of all novelty acts, will give his wonderful performance at this Theater. The Great Henry comes to this city direct from the Colonial Theater, New York City where he has been performing for the past three months. Another attraction of special mention will be the presentation of the big rip-roaring comedy picture in three big parts "This is the Life." The picture that kept the Maritime Theater, Toronto, audience laughing for a week. No advance in price. Always the same. Ten Cents to All.

Miss Estell Manley has returned from Loretta Ladies' college, Toronto, to spend the holidays with her parents.

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