

LITTLE ACTIVITY MARKS WEEK-END

Germans Have Resumed Submarine Blockade of the British Coast.

TURKS CLAIM VICTORY

State They Have Caused British Colonial Troops To Retreat.

[Canadian Press.]

LONDON, May 3.—The week-end has been marked by relatively mild activity in the North Sea, and the resumption of the submarine blockade by German craft, which have destroyed or damaged three British vessels off the Heligoland, one of the victims being the American oil tank steamer Gulfport.

No further official announcements have been made concerning fighting in the Dardanelles, but unofficial dispatches agree that the Allies are making good progress in the narrow waterway, and that the Turkish navy is being driven back to the coast of the town of Dardanelles.

Turks Claim Victory.

A late Turkish official announcement claims a victory near Gaba Tepe, in the Gallipoli Peninsula, which is said to have resulted in the retreat of the British troops to the shelter of their warships. This account, however, does not agree with the British official report published Saturday, which declared that the British were assuming the offensive after a stubborn resistance on the part of the Turks.

Uneasy Feeling.

Petrol continues to assert that the advance of German troops in the direction of Riga is only a raid, but an uneasy feeling is growing in London that these invaders are in force sufficiently strong seriously to threaten Russian communications.

Other sections on the eastern front record only minor engagements, while the western battle lines evidently are taking a breathing spell after the strenuous activity of the last fortnight.

CABINET MEETS.

Tokio, May 3.—An extraordinary cabinet council met this morning to consider China's refusal to accede completely to the demands of Japan.

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BRITAIN AWAKENS TO LIQUOR DANGER

Realizes From "White Paper" That Drink Hinders Ship-building.

GREAT INDIGNATION FELT

Proposed Measures To Deal With Problem, However, Prove Unpopular.

[Canadian Press.]

LONDON, May 3.—The "white paper" on the drink question brings home to the nation in an impressive manner the gravity of the situation. What causes the greatest indignation in the newspapers is the fact, not hitherto realized, that drink is hampering the work in the shipbuilding and transport trades.

Judging from the editorial expression in this morning's newspapers, however, serious as the situation is thus depicted, it is not regarded as justifying David Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer, in penalizing the whole nation by an excessive taxation of the liquor industry. It is pointed out in the editorials that the trouble arises from the men earning much larger wages than they have been accustomed to, and the suggestion is made that some means should be found for limiting payment of this excess of earnings until after the war.

Why Surtaxes?

"Anyone reading Mr. Lloyd George's brief," says the Times, in an editorial, "will wonder more than ever what his general prohibitory duties have to do with the matter. Ample grounds are cited for local restriction, but not for the proposed large surtaxes. Most of the morning newspapers take the same view as the Times, although the Liberal papers naturally are less frank in opposing Mr. Lloyd George. The Daily Chronicle, which may be regarded as voicing the Government view, seems to hint that the new surtaxes will be withdrawn or modified.

"We may be sure."

"We may be sure," says the Daily Chronicle, "that no attempt will be made to carry them by force on a party division. Unless the Opposition assent they will be withdrawn, and doubtless large latitude of amendment will be given in order to avoid such a result. The scheme of taxation is not in the least inextricable from the policy of the proposed bill. It would be quite feasible to have one without the other.

Any Compensation?

"Nevertheless, some national form of prohibition or deterrence, in addition to the local forms which the bill contemplates, seem to be very necessary." The Times, in its editorial, is discussing the situation, points out that although new taxes are in practical operation there are many recorded instances of withdrawal, and says that there will be many questions on which Parliament requires light before a final decision is reached. It is pointed out that it is proposed to pay any compensation for loss caused by new taxes.

"Why," asks the Times, "are wines of British manufacture exempt from the new taxes, and how is alcohol, used legitimately in medicine, to escape the increased taxation?"

WILL CROOKS' IDEA.

LONDON, May 3.—Will Crooks, Labor leader in the House of Commons, declares in a newspaper interview that there is less drinking in England than before the war, and that Chancellor Lloyd George is right in his contention that the drink habit is a national evil. Crooks asserts that if less work is being done at private shipyards some other means of drink must be sought, and that this accusation has been spread broadcast by the Government to cover up their own shortcomings. In his interview he says:

have not the slightest hesitation in saying that the Woolwich Arsenal could turn out a third more work than it is doing now. The men have insufficient sleep in the report published by the Government. Moreover, although the war has lasted nine months, no accommodations yet have been provided for the men to get their meals."

CREATED ROW AT HOME

David Mason in Police Court—Out on Suspended Sentence.

David Mason created a row in his residence Saturday, and was arrested by Patrolman Muddaugh, with the result in court today. The Police Magistrate J. C. Judd allowed him to go on suspended sentence, but bound him over for \$25 to keep the peace.

"If you come back here again I will warn you the limit, which is \$50," stated the police magistrate as Mason left the court room.

"I won't be back," responded Mason.

STORY IS DENIED

Belgian Relief Carries Not Held Because of Friction With Germans.

[Canadian Press.]

LONDON, May 3.—The American commission of Belgian relief says there is no truth in the report published by the Daily Mail in a dispatch from Rotterdam to the effect that barges loaded with the commission's supplies are being held at Rotterdam because of friction with the German authorities. These barges have diverted, the commission says, to the coast of Belgium.

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CHILD HAS MENINGITIS

Joseph Johnson Taken to Victoria Hospital Yesterday.

Joseph Johnson, 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Johnson, 44 Queen's avenue, was taken to Victoria Hospital Sunday afternoon, where he is now in a serious condition, suffering from spinal meningitis.

The lad took sick the latter part of the week, and on showing symptoms of spinal meningitis was removed to the hospital, and is now undergoing serious treatment. Authorities at the institution are hopeful for the youngster's recovery.

NO PROGRESS BY ALLIES, SAY TURKS

Official Statement Says Defenders Are Holding Gallipoli Peninsula.

[Canadian Press.]

Constantinople, May 3.—Via Amsterdam and London—3 p.m.—The Turkish war department today gave out the following official statement:

"In consequence of the attacks proceeding successfully for us, the enemy has not succeeded in improving his position on the coast of the Gallipoli Peninsula. The fire of our batteries directed against the enemy at Seddul Bah shows good results."

The statement claims that the French battleship Henri IV, and the British battleship Vengeance have been damaged by shells from the guns of the Turkish forts, and it says that the Russian Black Sea fleet demonstrated for an hour off the Bosphorus and then retired rapidly in a northerly direction.

BERLIN TURNS ON DOCTOR DERNBURG

Post Says Speech Is Final Proof of Incapacity As Statesman.

[Canadian Press.]

LONDON, May 3.—Dr. Bernhard Dernburg's letter, read at a mass meeting in Berlin, Saturday, April 27, which the former German colonial secretary said that Germany would evacuate the occupied portions of France and Belgium only on condition that the sea be freed, and that Germany be given freedom to expand beyond her frontiers in Europe, has caused considerable discussion in the German newspapers, says a dispatch from Amsterdam to Reuters Telegram Company.

Proved Incapable.

The Post of Berlin says the letter supplies a "full and final proof of Dr. Dernburg's incapacity as a statesman," and the newspaper characterizes his remarks as "a fine piece of political foolery."

Count Ernest Reventlow, writing in the Deutsche Tages Zeitung, said:

"It is impossible that Dr. Dernburg, without direct instructions from the imperial chancellor should publicly announce in the United States that Germany aims, in the event of a party division, to bring about a revolution, and we cannot doubt that the German Government promptly will take all steps to obtain an explanation."

Supporter Doctor.

The Vorwaerts considers that Dr. Dernburg said nothing which was not justified by the imperial chancellor's speech at the beginning of the war. When Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg said that Germany wished to wage only a defensive war.

The Dortmund Arbeiter Zeitung has placed under a preventive censorship for attacking those who favor the annexation of Belgium.

Grain, Per Cwt.

Wheat, per cwt. 1.38 to 1.25

Oats, per cwt. 1.18 to 1.05

Wheat, per bushel, 1.37 to 1.25

Oats, per bushel, 1.18 to 1.05

Vegetables.

Potatoes, per bag, 45 to 45

Beets, per bushel, 40 to 40

Carrots, per bushel, 40 to 40

Celery, each, 3 to 10

Spinach, per bushel, 25 to 25

Onions, per bushel, 25 to 25

Lettuce, per bushel, 5 to 10

Kidney beans, per bushel, 40 to 40

Fruit.

Apples, per bag, 75 to 1.00

Apples, per bushel, 2.00 to 2.00

Hay, per ton, 14.00 to 14.00

Straw, per ton, 5.00 to 5.00

Straw, per ton, 8.00 to 8.00

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STREET CALL FOR CONTINUED SERVICE

Duty of Every Man Who Can To Go To Front, Says Canon Tucker.

[Canadian Press.]

"Why stand ye here idle?" was the text of Rev. Canon Tucker's sermon on Sunday morning at St. Paul's Cathedral, when he made a stirring call for service to the country, declaring that it is the duty of every man who can carry a rifle to go to the front, and for those who could not to back up the boys at the front to the limit.

"Our hearts are stirred with sympathy as we bring into the cathedral at the same time we are stirred to a withering indignation at the unscrupulous tactics of the foe that has invaded Belgium, touched the boats and perpetrated other shameful outrages," he said. "Thousands of homes in Belgium and elsewhere have been darkened because of this war, but not until this week has the sorrow been brought home to Canada. The whole world is against the trouble arising from the atrocities that our own sons have suffered. Our souls revolt at the thought of what has been done, and we must stand today firmly behind the man with the gun."

Where are the Young Men?

"Where are the young men who should be coming forward to fill the gaps caused by the loss of these men?" he asked. "The answer is, 'In the front lines.' He continued that his text might be applied to the fight against evil, in which there were all too many standing idlers, in love with pleasure and selfishness, rather than with the things essential. The speaker referred to the

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

THE LOCAL MARKET

Only a small business was done on the money market on Monday.

Hay sold for \$12.50 to \$14 per ton.

Straw is slightly cheaper on the market, and sells at \$4.50 to \$5.

Oats are slightly cheaper, as usual on the market. The price dropped per lb. per cwt. today.

Wheat remains at \$1.37 per bu., but much is being brought into the market.

Butter also is only on sale in quantities. The large enough to meet the demand.

Eggs are firm at retail prices, with a slight advance in the market.

Quantities were bought by wholesalers on Saturday for 20c and 20c per dozen.

Dressed hams, 11 to 13 lbs., 52c; Saturday. None were on sale today.

Live hogs bring \$8.15 and \$8.25 per cwt.

Live calves bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live sheep bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live goats bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live pigs bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live chickens bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live turkeys bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live ducks bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live geese bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live rabbits bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live cats bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live dogs bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live monkeys bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live parrots bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live canaries bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live goldfish bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live snails bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live crabs bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live lobsters bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live shrimp bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live scallops bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live mussels bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live oysters bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live clams bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

Live squid bring \$15 and \$16 per cwt.

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