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597 St. John's Men Have Volunteered For Service At The Front Great Britain Has Captured German Shipping Valued At 350,000,000 Dollars Since War Began Berlin In a Panic Over Rapid Approach Of The Russian Army

ST. JOHN'S, PRACTICALLY PATRIOTIC, PROVIDES SIX HUNDRED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP FIGHT THE EMPIRE'S BATTLES

The Regiment of Five Hundred Men Originally Offered to The Home Authorities by the Government of Newfoundland For Service Abroad Has Already Been Raised From the Capital City of the Colony, With Ninety-Seven Men Additional

CITY ALIVE WITH PATRIOTIC ENTHUSIASM AND HUNDREDS VOLUNTEER EACH EVENING

The First Regiment of Newfoundland Volunteers Wholly Composed of Young Men, Averaging Twenty-Three Years of Age and Comprising the Very Best Material Amongst Our Citizens

(Mail and Advocate Special Staff Correspondence from C. L. B. Army)
CITIZENS of all classes were delighted last night when they heard that the five hundred mark had been reached in the enrolment of volunteers for the Newfoundland Regiment.

Saturday night the total was 457, and last night 140 came forward bringing the total up to 597.

Of this number all but twenty five are from St. John's.

Ten days ago fears were entertained by some that the number promised the Home authorities would not be forthcoming, but it is now gratifying to know that the Colony is rallying round the flag in a truly practical and patriotic spirit.

St. John's Does Its Duty Nobly.
St. John's has done its duty nobly. The city has never been backward in works of charity and assistance.

The cry of the needy has never fallen on deaf ears in this city. A few months ago when the Sealing Disaster took over two hundred and fifty of our hard sons leaving hundreds of dependants who were not provided for, everyone came forward and contributed their mite.

Not only the wealthy but the poor men, women and children all subscribed what they could with the result that the aged parents, the widow and orphan will not go cold or hungry.

Now an appeal of a different nature is made, and the result is just what we believed it would be.

The Capital City Sets the Pace.
The powers that be offered 500 men from the whole Colony. The capital set the pace and has of herself offered 572 up to last night.

The Empire is in trouble; the King's majesty, his crown and dignity is in danger, our trade and commerce, our peace and happiness are hung in the balance. That dear old flag which even its enemies admit, will afford greater protection than any other, needs strong and valiant arms to keep it unfurled against the German hordes who would take our heritage from us.

England, Ireland Scotland and Wales are doing all that could be expected of them. But more men are needed. The cry goes out to the colonies, and it is not a cry in vain.

Now is the time to show devotion to the Motherland. The larger Dominions have done well, and Newfoundland feels that she could not be left out in the cold.

Small, But Intensely Loyal.
Our number is small, the five hundred could be lost in the millions now in the conflict, but if our contingent be unable to perform some service which might place it in the line fight above all others the fact of over subscribing the number required will have a good effect on the Empire at large.

When His Gracious Majesty learns today, as we believe he will, that Newfoundland has more volunteers than she offered Britain when that hero of many fights, Lord 'Bobs', knows what the Colony has done, they will be proud of the Ancient Colony.

Let us all be proud of the fact that we are Britishers. Not boastfully but thankfully.

All Volunteers
NOT a single Britisher has been forced into the ranks. Everyone has gone of his own free will, and they have fought as no other soldiers can.

The messages from the front have all shown that the Englishmen are there with the goods. Life has not been sacrificed as is the case with the enemy. The life of every British soldier is of consequence to the British officer.

The British army has won the greatest admiration of the French General France will never forget the heroic conduct of Tommy Atkins, says Commander-in-Chief Joffre, and when the war is over his words will do much to cement the nations together for peace.

The Navy Does its Part.
And then think of the little torpedo boats which stormed the Bight of Heligoland the pages of history contain nothing grander than the details of that early morning fight.

A popular young citizen who is in touch with many of the naval officers remarked to our representative the other day, that the officers of the torpedo flotilla would not only go through the waters of Heligoland but to hades itself if duty called them.

And then we see the British sailor in a different light. He has sunk the German warships, and German sailors are battling for their lives, not in conflict with the British sailors but in the cold and stormy waters of the North Sea, and true to traditions His Majesty's ships lowered boats to rescue them.

GENERAL PAU WINS ANOTHER VICTORY

London, Sept. 1.—An Antwerp despatch to Reuters Telegram Co. says: It is reported here that Genl. Pau has won a brilliant victory over 50,000 Germans near Peronne, in the department of Somme.

GERMANS BUSY LAYING MINES

Use Trawlers Which Are Disguised as Neutral Fishing Boats
London, Aug. 31.—In confirmation of the story that mines are being laid in the North Sea by vessels disguised as neutral fishing boats, a woman who arrived at London from Bergen tells of the sinking of such a mine layer by a British cruiser.

The ship on which she was travelling found herself one morning close to a number of British cruisers, one of which had caught a German trawler flying the Norwegian flag and engaged in laying mines.

According to this woman the British commander gave the crew of the trawler three minutes in which to leave their vessel, and they came tumbling over the side of the passenger ship.

Then, first backing up a bit, the cruiser rammed the offending trawler and at the second attempt cut her in two and she went down.

GERMANS FAIL TO CAUSE ANY DISLOYALTY

Washington, Sept. 1.—At the British Embassy yesterday it was said that no attention is being paid to reports emanating from the German official sources of attempts to rouse disaffection among the Mohammedan subjects of Britain in India, Egypt and elsewhere, where the embassy officials said Germany had long been seeking to enlist the friendship of the Mussulman communities.

Their efforts have not produced any noticeable evidence of disaffection.

FIRST HONORS FOR THE NAVY

London, Aug. 31.—The first decorations from the Government for valor will go to the Navy.

An announcement was made to-day that Rear-Admiral Beatty had sent a list of officers and sailors who distinguished themselves in the victory over the German warships off Heligoland.

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"EVEN GALLANT LITTLE NEWFOUNDLAND HAS PROMISED A REGIMENT," SAYS PAPER.

New York, Aug. 29.—A London cable to the Tribune says: "The Daily Chronicle in an editorial makes an appeal to all able-bodied men to enlist in the fight for freedom and the country's prosperity in the hour of her extreme need. The editorial says:

"The Dominions are already sending us troops in greater numbers per population than our own. Canadian, Australian, and New Zealand forces make imposing figures. Even gallant little Newfoundland has promised a regiment.

"It would be a splendid East Indian policy to bring over East Indians. Nothing would give India a stronger sense of being admitted to the dignity of European brotherhood than for her sons to shed their blood beside ours on the white man's soil.

These are not scares. We venture to think that they are entirely practical, and that the only unpractical person is the man who delays to recognize their urgency."

RUSSIAN ARMY EXPECTS TO ATTACK GERMAN CAPITAL IN THREE WEEKS

St. Petersburg, via Rome, August 29.—That the plans of the Russian army contemplate an attack on Berlin, within three weeks, is officially admitted. At the same time it was stated that not only has the Russian mobilization been completed, but that there are now eight million men under arms.

The troops have been divided into four armies of two million men each. The armies are being placed in the field, from the inland mobilization centres, to operate one behind the other, the rearward one filling the gaps in the ranks of the one in front, after each general engagement.

STILL TOUCHY ON HOME RULE FAIL TO RESCUE BARTLETT'S MEN

'Red Rag' Waved in British House of Commons Causes Little Bit of an Uproar But it Very Soon Subsides

London, Aug. 31.—For a moment this afternoon the Commons tiring from its country's danger reverted to the old controversy over Ireland.

Asquith had announced that on re-assembling Sept. 9th, the Government would proceed with the Home Rule Bill and Welsh Disestablishment Bill. John Redmond, leader of the Nationalists expressed the hope that if the Government's proposals did not meet the approval of the whole House, the Government would not change its intention as regards Home Rule.

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Schr. Hiawatha entered yesterday at Burin to load dry codfish from the H. R. Silver Co., for Halifax.

versy. Again the Ministerialists roared "shame" which cry was met with angry counter cheers from the opposition.

There was another angry shout from Ministerialists and Nationalists and the House proceeded with other business.

500,000 TONS GERMAN SHIPPING VALUED AT 350,000,000 DOLLARS ARE CAPTURED BY GREAT BRITAIN

Some of the Ships Captured by the British Carried Very Valuable Cargoes—Belgians Have Also Taken Thirty-Four German Ships

GERMAN PRIZES TOTAL 20,000 TONS

But There Are Still Twenty Million Additional Tons of British Ships Moving Freely About on the High Seas, Says Lloyd George

London, Sept. 1.—An analysis of the attacks on the enemy's shipping since the war began shows that 490 German and 13 Austrian ships have been captured and taken to British ports while 34 German ships have been seized by the Belgians at Antwerp.

The largest of the German ships captured by the British have a combined net tonnage of nearly half a million.

Valuable Cargoes
The captures comprise several very valuable cargoes. The value of ships captured by the British are estimated at \$350,000,000. Of 8,256 replies received in answer to the Government's enquiries as to the proposed extension of the moratorium, 3,653 were for extension and 4,653 against.

These most strong for the extension are bankers and stock brokers generally. London favors extension while the Provinces are against it.

'Few More' at Large
London, Sept. 1.—Continental connections are causing this city to be hardest hit by the recent dislocation of credit.

Lloyd George announced in the House of Commons that German men-of-war on all the seas have captured 20,000 tons of British shipping.

"There remain 20,000,000 tons to be taken," said the Chancellor amid derisive laughter.

OPEN CONCLAVE TO ELECT POPE PARIS PREPARES FOR POSSIBILITY OF GERMAN SIEGE

Secret Session Starts With All Doors Guarded, Telephone Wires Cut and Outside Communication Shut Off Entirely

Rome, Sept. 1.—At 7.30 o'clock last evening Cardinal Della Velle, the Papal Chamberlain, closed the inside door to the Conclave Hall in which the College Cardinals are gathered to elect a successor to the late Pope Pius.

Not until the new Pope has been chosen by ballot will the doors be opened or any intimation of the procedure inside be known.

All telephone wires leading into the edifice have been cut and communication with the outer world severed.

JAP DESTROYER MEETS HER FATE

Tsing Tau, Aug. 31.—A Japanese destroyer went ashore in the fog out of range of the guns of the forts. A German cruiser is reported to have destroyed the boat after the Japanese had abandoned it.

AERIAL FLEETS PLAY THEIR PART

London, Sept. 1.—A Times despatch speaking of the fighting in the North says: "Throughout the fighting of the last few days, swarms of aeroplanes have circled in the sky. The enemy's supply arrangements are reported to have broken down, their men in some cases are subsiding on the flesh of horses.

"The British transports are working admirably and the spirits of the British and French forces are excellent."

BALKAN STATES LIKELY LINE UP WITH THE ALLIES

Rome, Sept. 1.—A message says that the Bulgarian Government has informed Serbia that if Roumania will abandon her neutrality in favor of Russia, Bulgaria will do likewise, so that all the Balkan States, with the exception of Turkey, will side with the Triple Entente.

DUKE'S BUSY DAY AT HALIFAX PORT

Halifax, Sept. 1.—The Duke of Connaught, who arrived here on Sunday night, spent a busy day in Halifax and left at midnight for Ottawa.

He inspected the Royal Canadian Regiment which is about to sail for Bermuda and also inspected the Harbor forts.

S.S. Earl of Devon left La Sclé at daylight.

RUSSIAN ADVANCE ALARMS BERLIN

London, September 1.—The correspondent of The Express, telegraphing from Hayne, says there is the greatest alarm in Berlin over the advance of the Russian troops.

News that the Emperor has left his town quarters and moved to the Russian front has shown the residents of the capital where the immediate peril to their safety lies.