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BRANT DRAGOONS OFF THIS MORNING---FIRST OF CANADIAN CAVALRY

Despite the Rain a Large Crowd Gave Soldiers a Send Off.

Scenes at the Depot Were of Affecting Nature.

With the heavens pouring down a drenching rain, and amid the good-byes, and cheers of a rain-soaked crowd, the Volunteer contingent from the 25th Brant Dragoons left on the G. T. R. special

This contingent perhaps effects Brantford more directly than any that have yet left, as it was more distinctly a Canadian one.

Early this morning the headquarters on George St. were crowded with the volunteers.

At 9 o'clock Sergeant-Major Roberts lined the men up in the mess and Lt. Wilkes called the roll. All that volunteered answered to their names, none had flunked.

Here a mother was saying farewell to her boy or husband. One girl of eighteen, whose brother was going, cried incessantly. The crowd behind could not see them, they were right at the coach's steps.

At 9.30 sharp, the train pulled out with the band playing patriotic airs. The third group of soldiers from Brantford had departed.

A TERRIBLE SCENE IS ENACTED IN VILLAGE

LONDON, Aug. 20, 5.20 a.m.—despatch to The Times from Brussels says: "The Germans in strong forces, mostly cavalry and artillery, entered Tirllemont early this afternoon (Tuesday)."

Another Honor Roll

- The following is a list of the Brant Dragoons who left this morning: Lieut. Hilton Wilkes. Lieut. Thompson. Lieut. Watson. Corp. Greentree, Paris, married. Pte. L. Lemon, 1 Abel Ave., single, laborer. Pte. H. Miller, 170 West Mill St., single, teamster. Pte. O. Frey, 9 Spring St., single, laborer. Pte. S. Chambers, Dalhousie St., single, plumber. Sergt. H. Foster, Grand View, Stanley Barracks certificate, farmer, single. Sergt. W. Rhodes, Dalhousie St., 11th Hussars, married, Watson's Mills. Corp. W. Bryan, 9 years in Irish Fusiliers, 55 Emily St., laborer, married. Corp. F. Palmer, married, South African veteran, 1st Batt. 44th Essex. Pte. A. Williams, Darling St., single, employed at John Mann's. Pte. E. Johnson, 31 Grey St., single. Pte. F. A. Hurst, 228 Park Ave., single. Pte. W. Creassor, butcher, single, 55 St. Paul's Ave. Pte. C. Webb, 9 Elizabeth St., single. Pte. A. Carter, R.R. No. 2, tin-smith. Pte. L. Shillington, Burford, single, canning factory. Sergt. James Muir, Burford, single, farmer. Pte. Geo. Holmes, Terrace Hill St., single, J. S. Dunlop & Co. Pte. W. Beales, single, painter. Pte. Harry Rogers, 59 Grey St., single, laborer (captain of St. Lue's Boy Knights). Pte. E. Vansickle, 59 Grey St., mechanic, single. Pte. Orval Campbell, Dalhousie St., married. Pte. Herb. Pyke, Oakland, farmer, single. Pte. R. Whitehead, 14 Clarence St., married. Pte. F. C. Clawsy, 98 West Mill St., single, laborer.

though a few may be ordered to Halifax to strengthen the garrison there.

PARIS IN GOOD HEALTH. PARIS, Aug. 20.—The health of Paris is excellent. According to reports of the sanitary authorities, the population of both the city and its suburbs co-operates readily in the measures taken by the health officials so there is no danger of epidemics.

NOTED RUSSIAN REGIMENTS NOW IN THE FIELD FIGHTING GERMANY



THE TSAR WITH THE YSOUERKASKY REGIMENT. PAVLOFF REGIMENT ON THE MARCH. It will be noticed that the Russian infantryman is heavily clad. The splendid physique of these troops enables them to make marches of from thirty to forty kilometres a day without experiencing any great fatigue.

ENTIRE CHANGE OF CAMPAIGN BECAUSE OF GERMAN MOVE

Kaiser's Army Has Penetrated North of Belgium and Forces of Buffer State Must Now Line Up With British and French Troops.

An entire change in the plan of campaign may be brought about by the finding of an opening to the north by the German armies in Belgium. This was admitted in an official communication from Brussels to-day, which said the Germans "had gained ground on both banks of the Meuse and are in contact with the allies." It adds that "the Belgians having done all that they expected by holding the invaders in check for 15 days, their strategy will now be merged into the general plan of the allied armies."

The Latest War Map By the Best Map Builders in the World, Rand, McNally & Co. of Chicago, is Now on Sale at the COURIER OFFICE, 20c for 20c

Daring Young English Girl

DIJON, France, Aug. 20, via Paris.—French gendarmes to-day stopped a young girl who, disguised as a man, had left with a group of Pau aviators for the war. She was wearing a military aviator's uniform and had cut her hair short. It was found that she was an English girl, aged 26. She will be sent back to her parents.

ONE LANDLORD IN BRANTFORD DECLINES RENT

One of the reservists who was called from Brantford to the front this week, left a wife and family in a rented house, or which the rent had not been paid for some time. The wife was frantic and finally appealed to the landlord. "Stay where you are," he assured the woman. Later the landlord telephoned Mayor Spence and said that if the city were to forego taxes due on the house, no rent would be charged the wife of the reservist during such time as the latter was at the front.

BRUSSELS MAY HAVE FALLEN TO THE ENEMY

Persistent But Unconfirmed Rumor to This Effect Heard. PARIS, Aug. 20, 7.15 a.m.—There is a persistent rumor here that the Germans have occupied Brussels, but it cannot be confirmed.

TOWARDS ANTWERP LONDON, Aug. 20.—The Brussels correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, telegraphing Tuesday night, says: "The Germans seem to be moving in the direction of Antwerp. Any Belgian backward movement in that direction may therefore be explained as strategic, manoeuvring, which points to the early discomfiture of the enemy."

CAVALRY RETIRES PARIS, Aug. 20.—A portion of the Belgian army has begun to retire in the vicinity of Antwerp, according to an official announcement this morning concerning the situation in Belgium. East of Namur the Germans have attained the line between Dinant and Chateau. Large German forces continue to cross the River Meuse between Liege and Namur. German outposts have occupied Dyle. LONDON Aug. 20, 5.50 a.m.—An official communication issued at Paris last night states that very large German forces are crossing the Meuse between Liege and Namur. The statement continues: "The French army is making a rapid advance on the Sambre river and at the end of the day had reached Dalmon on one side of the river and Mohange on the other. A respatch to the Times from Paris says that the first point at which the Germans crossed the French frontier was at Chirey-sur-Vesouse. Since then

IN EAST AFRICA

Small German Force Makes Raid on a British Possession. NAIROBI, British East African Protectorate, via London, Aug. 20, 11.55 a.m.—A small German force crossed the frontier into British territory to-day, raiding the natives' cattle. The British East-African protectorate is a vast area of nearly 250,000 square miles, which is really a colony governed by the Imperial authorities. It has a defence force of 34 white officers and 1,150 men of the King's African rifles and a native force of 1,735 men under 38 English officers. German East Africa is still bigger in area, having 384,000 square miles. It has a military and police force of 261 Germans and 2,472 native levies, but there are about 4,000 German residents.

PONTIFF PASSES TO PEACE

Aged Ruler of the Vatican Succumbs to a Long Illness.

Death Occurred at Early Hour This Morning.

(By Special Wire to the Courier) ROME, Aug. 20.—"Together in one, all things in Christ!" These words, which he adopted as his motto in an encyclical issued on August 10, 1903, six days after he had been elevated to the pontificate, were on the lips of Pope Pius X as he entered the Valley of Death.

The end, which came at 1.20 o'clock this morning, was peaceful. A few moments before he had been roused from a state of semi-consciousness and attempted to bestow a blessing upon those gathered in the chamber, but his strength failed him. After a pause he murmured the scriptural text and did not speak again. The death of the pontiff in the 80th year of his life and the 12th year of his pontificate, while long anticipated because of ailments incident to advanced age, nevertheless came as a shock even to those near him. For several days he had been suffering from gouty catarrh but on Tuesday his physicians declared that he was of no great importance and yesterday morning reassuring reports concerning the patient were current.

Similar attacks had been resisted with the aid of the pope's will power, but depression over the clash of arms in Europe militated against another recovery. At ten o'clock last night the pontiff experienced an attack of coughing that greatly distressed him. He could not move in bed without assistance and the struggle which he made to breathe was painful to witness. As the supreme moment approached, the coughing ceased and the restlessness which the doctors had been unable to relieve, disappeared. The features of the patient, which had given evidence of his pain, resumed a normal expression except for the pallor which increased.

AT THE BEDSIDE The papal secretary of state, Cardinal Merry Del Val, Cardinals Ferrata, Cagiano and Bialelli, the pope's two sisters and physicians, who were at the bedside, recognized the calm preceding eternal rest. Dr. Marchisavia, his hand on the pontiff's pulse, turned toward the papal secretary, who was kneeling and shook his head. Cardinal Merry Del Val understood and covered his face with his hands. Meantime Cardinal Vannutelli, the pope's niece, Gilda Parolin, his major domo, Mgr. Bianchi, Mgr. Misciatelli, and his secretaries Mgr. Bressan and Mgr. Pescini, had joined the group in group in the chamber. The sisters and the pope's secretaries could not restrain their sobs and their voices seemed to bring back the pontiff from the state of coma into which he had lapsed.

FIRE WAS TERRIFIC BUT FLAG WAS WON

(By Special Wire to the Courier.) PARIS, Aug. 20, 8 a.m.—An officer of a French rifle regiment gives to the Petit Toyen, the following account of the capture of the first German flag: "The engagement of the French troops with the 99th brigade of Germans lasted from 9.30 a.m. to 9 at night. The artillery combat was terrible. The French 75 millimeter guns made havoc among the German forces and then reduced the heavy German guns to silence. The gunners were decimated by the French fire and abandoned their pieces which fell into French hands. "The German machine guns from a church steeple continued to ravage the French, but the church was finally demolished. "At nightfall the French charged the enemy's defence works with irresistible energy and took it at the point of the bayonet. They established themselves there for the night. "In this action the fifth company of the first battalion captured a German flag with eight guns, ninety horses and 537 prisoners, including ten officers."