

GERMANY GETS PLAIN ANSWER FROM BRAIN ON BERNSTORFF PROPOSALS

Washington, April 21.—The United States government replied today to the recent memorandum in which Count Bernstorff, the German ambassador, declared that "if the American people desire to observe true neutrality they will find means to stop the exclusive importation of arms to one side, or at least to use this export trade as a means to uphold the legitimate trade with Germany especially the trade in foodstuffs."

The American note, which is signed by Secretary of State Bryan, was drafted at the state department but was finally penned by President Wilson himself. After pointing out that the language used by Count von Bernstorff, "is susceptible of being construed as impugning the good faith of the United States in the performance of its duties as a neutral," the note "takes it for granted that no such implication was intended" and suggests that evidently the German ambassador "is laboring under certain false impressions."

It is then declared that while the relations of the United States with any one of the belligerents "cannot with propriety be made a subject of discussion with a third government," such correspondence between the United States and the Allies, as has been published shows "the steadfast refusal" of the American government "to acknowledge the right of any belligerent to alter the accepted rules of war as set in so far as they affect the rights and interests of neutrals."

THE SALE OF ARMS.

The attitude of the United States on the question of exportation of arms is re-stated—namely, that to place any embargo on arms during the progress of a war would be "a direct violation of the neutrality of the United States." The note refers to the spirit of friendship which the United States desires all ways to manifest toward Germany and its people, and concludes with the declaration that the neutrality of the United States "is founded upon the firm basis of conscience and good will."

The communication was delivered by messenger to Count von Bernstorff late today, and by mutual arrangement with the German embassy, the state department made it public tonight.

OBITUARY

Henry Wilnot Crawford.

"Nor blame I Death because he bore
The use of virtue out of earth;
I know translated human worth
Will bloom to profit, otherwise."

Giving up his life in the service of his country, Henry W. Crawford, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Crawford, of Upper Hamptons (N. B.), passed away on Wednesday morning last, at Rockhead hospital, Halifax, after a short illness of pneumonia. Just a month ago he joined the Canadian Motor Cycle Corps, while at St. John's College, Windsor, and expected to leave at once for foreign service. A severe cold, contracted while in Halifax, settled in pneumonia. Although only in his nineteenth year, physical and intellectual endowments beyond his years, promised for Harry Crawford a brilliant career.

On securing the medal "for highest standing in High school entrance," he entered Gagetown Grammar school, where in two years he completed the entire course, patiently overcoming difficulties that would have taxed an older student. On matriculating with good standing last July, he entered King's College, with the intention of studying for Holy orders in the Church of England. At King's, high scholarship and prominence in studies characterized his career. Above these qualities must be mentioned a character marked by unusual spirituality, high ideals and manliness, a son of whom any parents might well be proud.

When volunteers were needed for the Cycle Corps he at once enlisted in what is considered the most hazardous post in the army. Besides a father and mother who are bravely bearing a great affliction, he leaves one brother, Wallace; two sisters, Ruth and Margaret, and a wide circle of friends by whom he will be sorely missed. The sympathy of the community is with the bereaved family.

The funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon from his late home in Upper Hamptons, and were conducted by Rev. Wm. Smith.

Mrs. Mary E. Barto.
Mrs. Mary E. Barto, an old and highly esteemed resident of Leonardville, Deer Island, passed away, at her home in Winn (Me.), yesterday morning, March 19, in the 72nd year of her age. She had been a widow since 1910, when her husband died quite suddenly at the age of 71. She leaves nine children to mourn her loss, three sons and six daughters. The sons are Arthur G. of Leonardville; William E. and J. Cleveland, of Portland (Me.); and the daughters are Mrs. Edward C. Levesque, of St. John; Mrs. George W. Currie, of St. John; Mrs. Frank Stone, of Yarmouth (Me.); Mrs. J. L. Stone, of North Conway (N. H.); and Mrs. Melvin Edridge and Mrs. Robt. Barry, of Beaver Harbor, New Brunswick.

The funeral service, held in the Christian church at Leonardville, at 2 p.m., March 16, was largely attended, and words of comfort were spoken by Rev. C. A. Brown, acting pastor at Leonardville, Deer Island. The following hymns were very touching rendered by the choir: Asleep in Jesus; Does Jesus Care; We Are Going Down the Valley.

S. B. Gates.
Tuesday, April 20.
Fay C. Gates, manager of the Dufferin Hotel, received word yesterday of the death of his father, S. B. Gates, at his home in Winn (Me.), yesterday morning. The late Mr. Gates was 81 years of age, and a native of Winn. For a number of years he had been engaged in business, but several years ago retired. Besides F. C. Gates, of this city, the survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Phair, of Presque Isle, and Mrs. McKee, of Bangor. F. C. Gates left for Winn last evening, where the funeral of the deceased will take place.

Mrs. Sarah Naves.
Tuesday, April 20.
The death took place yesterday in the city of Mrs. Sarah Naves, wife of Samuel Naves, Sheriff of the county, who was born in the North End, having been known and brought up in the city. Besides the husband there are left to mourn three sons, James, William and Frederick, and one daughter, Mrs. William Bunnell, all of St. John. There are also two sisters, Mrs. H. Lowe and Mrs. Peacock, while William Clarke is a brother.

Mrs. Ellen Harris.
Tuesday, April 20.
Mrs. Ellen Harris, widow of the late Daniel Harris, died after a short illness yesterday, at the home of her brother, Cornelius Keane, 97 Winter street. She

had suffered from pneumonia. She leaves two sons, Walter and Thomas, of the city, two brothers, Cornelius and Patrick Keane, also of St. John and one sister, Mrs. J. H. Doudy. The funeral is to take place tomorrow at 2.30.

Thomas Alexander Glenzie.
Tuesday, April 20.
The death of Thomas Alexander Glenzie, who for more than twenty years has been a valued and popular employee of M. R. A. Ltd., occurred last night at his home, 46 Summer street, after an illness of about two months. He leaves to mourn his wife, two sons and three daughters. He also leaves two sisters, Mrs. J. McEachern, of Fairville, and Mrs. E. Edgely, of Clairmont (N. B.). The funeral is to take place on Thursday.

Patrick Donahoe.
Wednesday, April 21.
Many friends about the city heard yesterday with regret of the death of a well-known resident, Patrick H. Donahoe, which occurred yesterday at his residence, 16 Cliff street. He had been in failing health for some time, but able to be around. Mr. Donahoe, who is survived by his wife and one son, Henry R. Donahoe, of this city, was a native of St. John and had resided here all his life. He was 75 years of age and was respected by all who knew him. In his earlier years he had been engaged in the lumber business, but retired some twenty years ago. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

Mrs. Jane Meating.
Wednesday, April 21.
St. George, April 20.—Mrs. Jane Meating, widow of Nicholas Meating, died this morning. Mrs. Meating was taken ill before Christmas. She was sixty-four years of age and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander McEachern, one brother, George, of Boston, and one sister, Mrs. Henry Meating, of this town, survive her. Mrs. Meating was a consistent member of St. Mark's church. A large circle of relatives and friends will hear of her death with regret.

Isabel E. Smith.
Wednesday, April 21.
The death of Isabel E. Smith occurred last evening at her home in West St. John. Mr. Smith, who was born in Ormoco, Sunbury county, was seventy-five years of age and has resided in West St. John for thirty-one years. He was in the grocery and provision business, was one of the most prominent Liberals of the West Side and was prominent in the Old Fellows, Foresters and Orange Lodge.

Mr. Smith is survived by his wife, who was Miss Lauretta Currie, formerly of Fredericton, and a sister of Dr. J. Currie and Dr. Willard Currie, of Cambridge (Mass.), and by three daughters.—Mrs. John Emerson, St. John West; Miss Harriet, of the Albert school staff; and Miss Isadore, graduate nurse at Long Island College Hospital, New York; and by one son, W. Bois, maritime manager of the Burroughs Adding Machine Co. All are present when death took place. The late Mr. Smith was a devoted member of A. C. Smith, who represented St. John county in the legislature and was an uncle of B. F. Smith, M. P. He was always of a generous disposition and many will miss his helpfulness.

Mrs. William R. Morgan.
Thursday, April 22.
The death of Rebecca L., wife of William R. Morgan, occurred last night at her home, 80 Vihart street, after an illness of about five weeks. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Hooford and belonged formerly to St. Martin's. Many friends will learn of her passing with sincere regret and the bereaved ones will receive sincere sympathy. She leaves to mourn, besides her husband, one child, her parents, one daughter and two sisters. The funeral is to take place on Friday morning, and the body is to be taken to Brown's Flats for interment there.

John W. Bedell.
Andover, N. B., April 19.—John W. Bedell, one of the oldest residents of Andover, died on the 16th inst. in St. John, and was buried today on the arrival of the St. John train. Four nephews of the deceased acted as pall-bearers and the body was taken to Trinity church, where the rector, Rev. Mr. Hopkins, read the burial service and also officiated at the grave. The deceased leaves his wife, two daughters and two sons, D. W. Pickett, of Hillandale, and Miss Annie Maurice in the west, and Lee, of Andover; also two sisters, Mrs. Marshall Tibbitts and Mrs. Alfred Stevens, and one brother, George Bedell. The deceased was born near Woodstock and fifty years ago removed to Andover and engaged in farming. The Bedell farm, which his son

now occupies, is one of the best in the county. The deceased was a good citizen, kind obliging neighbor, and an active member of Trinity church, and at the ripe age of eighty years he was laid to rest in his cemetery. The mourning friends have the sympathy of the community.

Elizabeth Kathleen Cottes.
Thursday, April 22.
Sympathy of many friends will be extended to Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Cottes, of 16 Orange street, in the loss of their youngest daughter, Elizabeth Kathleen, who passed away yesterday morning after a short illness. She was apparently in good health until Sunday, when she became ill. She was worse on Monday, but better yesterday. Death came at 2.30 o'clock yesterday morning. She was a bright little girl of thirteen years, a pupil at St. Joseph's school. The funeral will be held tomorrow morning. Besides her parents, there survive two sisters, Mrs. F. C. Wesley and Miss Helen Cottes, and five brothers, William J., Howard J., Arthur, Charles and Sergeant Francis L., of the 26th battalion.

Douglas C. Macaulay.
Thursday, April 22.
The numerous friends of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Macaulay will extend to them their sympathy in the death of their son, Douglas Macaulay, which took place last evening at his home, 16 Orange street, after an illness of about two months. He was a native of St. John and had resided here all his life. He was 75 years of age and was respected by all who knew him. In his earlier years he had been engaged in the lumber business, but retired some twenty years ago. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

WEDDINGS

Brown-Joyce.
A quiet wedding was solemnized at Holy Trinity church on Monday evening by Rev. Father Walsh, V.G., of Susie Joyce, daughter of Patrick Joyce of the North End, to George Brown (N. B.), son of Mr. Peter Brown, of Dalhousie (N. B.), who is in the machine gun section of the 26th battalion. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Florence Joyce, and the groom by Edward McManus, of the I. C. R. There were many presents.

Welch-Bowers.
Wednesday, April 21.
A quiet wedding took place last night at the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. F. S. Porter, 31 Queen street, when Freeman Daniel Welch of Westport (N. S.), was united in marriage to Cynthia Sophia Bowers, of the same place. The ceremony was solemnized in the presence of a few relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Welch will leave for their home today, where they will make their home.

RECRUITS FOR 55TH BATTALION PHYSICALLY GOOD

Medical Examinations Now Being Made—26th Men on the Range.

A medical examination of the latest recruits for the 55th battalion in St. John was conducted yesterday and most of the men were found to be physically good. The recruits were taken from the ranks of the 26th battalion, and will be quartered there.

The 26th battalion spent the day in rifle practice at the range and a day in target shooting at the range. The first day since its mobilization in the city took place yesterday, when Corporal George H. McKee died at his home, 86 Hordless street. He was a Frederickman man, and was married with two children.

John Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Price, of Moncton, received word from Kingston that he had successfully passed examination for a captaincy, and it is expected that Captain Price will be gazetted shortly.

A letter was received this week from Alex. Watling, of Amherst, who is with the Toronto Highlanders, and Mr. Watling writes that he has been in the trenches for some months and took part in the Neuve Chapelle engagement. The late Mr. Watling was a member of the same light with a Montreal regiment.

Salisbury Red Cross Entertainment.
Salisbury, N. B., April 22.—The Salisbury people enjoyed a most interesting and profitable treat on Wednesday evening in the illustrated lecture given for the benefit of the local branch of the Red Cross Society for patriotic work by Rev. T. Porter Drummond, of St. John's Presbyterian church, Moncton. The theme of the lecture, which was so clearly portrayed in both picture and story, was "The Life of Man."

Rev. A. D. McCully gave the speaker splendid support in putting the pictures on the screen.

During the evening a number of well-rendered patriotic selections were given by the Salisbury choir, and a double quartette. After the close of the lecture hearty votes of thanks were tendered the Rev. Mr. Drummond, Rev. McCully and the male chorists. This part of the evening's entertainment closed with the singing of the National Anthem, after which a pleasant social hour was spent, when the energetic president of the society, Mr. E. E. Fries, and her fellow workers in the society served cream and cake. Something over \$30 was realized.

Mr. and Mrs. Drummond were the guests while here of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Barnes. They returned home on the early train Thursday morning. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Triles, who took a leading part in making the entertainment a success, are showing a fine patriotic spirit. Their eldest son, James W. Triles, was among the volunteers who went from New Brunswick to South Africa during the Boer war, and their third son, Stanley Triles, who has recently been promoted in rank, is with the second Canadian contingent now at Shorncliffe, England. The Bedell farm, which his son

HANDING DOWN

(By Harold Begbie, in London Chronicle.)
Soldier, what are you writing?
By the side of your cooling gun?
Sir, since I'm stopped from fighting,
A word to my little son.

Tell me the thing you've written,
For I love the writer's art;
Sir, that to be a Briton
Is worth a broken heart.

Show me so fine a letter
That you write in trench's mud;
Sir, you could read it better
Were it not for the state of blood.

Soldier, tell me your story—
Your eyes grow bright and wide;
Sir, it's a taste of glory
To think of the young one's pride!

Would you like to be a soldier, little Tommy—all my own,
Would you like to tip the Kaiser off his high and mighty throne,
Would you like to be with father in a well-dug trench,
Knocking spots off German generals and saluting General French?

Would I like to be with Tommy, little Tommy—all my own,
Would I give a month of Sundays just to see how he has grown?
Yes! I'd like to be a dushman in the poorest London streets
For the chance of seeing Tommy with a gunball made of sweets.

If you want to be where I am, then I want to be with you,
But I'm here to show a tyrant that a Briton's word is true;
We must stand by little Belgium, we must fight till fighting ends,
We must show the foe of Britain that we don't desert our friends.

Don't you go and think my Tommy, little Tommy—all my own,
That we're squabbling here for nothing, that we're growling for a bone;
We are here for Britain's honor, for our own, for our peace,
And we're also here, my Tommy, that these wicked wars may cease.

Don't you say that I am funky, don't you say that I am sick,
Boy, I'm half afraid to tell you, but I love it when it's thick—
When the shells come screaming, bursting and whistling bullets wall,
God forgive me, but I love it, and I fight with tooth and nail.

But it's after-looking round us, missing friends, and finding dead,
It is then the British soldier gets a fussy in his head;
And he swears by God in heaven that the man who starts a war
Should go swimming into judgment down a catarrh of gore.

That's what makes us such great fighters, and I'd have you be the same;
Love your country like a good 'un, hold your head up, play the game.
Be a straight and pleasant neighbor, be a cool, unflinched man,
But when bullets want a thrashing, why you thrash 'em all you can.

While you say your prayers, my Tommy, little Tommy—all my own,
Asking God to save your daddy, I send this one to His Throne—
Save my little lad from slaughter, guard his heart and mind from wrong,
Keep him sweet and kind and gentle, yes, but make him awfully strong.

Good night, my little Tommy, here's your daddy's good-bye kiss,
Don't forget what I have told you and remember also this—
If I don't come back to see you I shall die without a groan,
For it's great to fall for freedom, little Tommy—all my own.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

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right arm. Next of kin, Katherine H. Ross, 1236 Pethick street, North Victoria (B. C.).
PRINCESS PATRICIA LIGHT INFANTRY.
Wounded.
April 18, No. 718, Pte. Thomas Francis. Next of kin, R. E. E. Francis, 1115 Twelfth street, Edmonton.
April 18, No. 2785, Pte. Benjamin Holt. Next of kin, Louisa Holt, 213 Twenty-fifth ave., Calgary.

Amherst Man Wounded.
Ottawa, April 22.—The following casualties among the members of the Canadian Expeditionary Force were announced by the militia department this morning.
PRINCESS PATRICIAS.
Wounded.
Sergeant Ernest John Bevington, April 16. Next of kin, Lt. Col. Bevington, No. 14 Allan Road, Southsea, England.
Pte. John Archibald McLeod, April 16. Next of kin, Mrs. A. B. McLeod, Brereston (Sask.).
Pte. William Young, April 16 (formerly 12th battalion). Next of kin, William H. Young (father), Danville (Ont.).

SEVENTH BATTALION.
Killed in Action.
Lance Sergeant Arthur Sparrow, April 15. Next of kin, Mrs. S. Sparrow, No. 81 Craigdale Road, Romford, Essex (Eng.).
Private Harry Edward Lloyd, April 16. Next of kin, Mrs. F. J. Lloyd, Irvinghoe, Church Lane, Aldershot (Eng.).
Pte. E. Nikitovich, April 15. Next of kin, R. Nikitovich (father), Savanli, Montenegro.

Private William James Bowser, April 15. Next of kin, Frank Bowser (father), Kerrisdale, Port Grey, Vancouver (B. C.).
Wounded.
Pte. Ernest George Bosley, April 17. Next of kin, Maria Bosley (mother), No. 6 City Cottage, Ditching Common, Sussex (Eng.).
Pte. Alfred Hodge, April 17. Next of kin, W. Hodge, care Sir John Jackson, Limited, Westminster, London (Eng.).
Pte. Butler Cumine, April 17. Next of kin, Canon G. G. Cumine (father), Newtownbutler, Fermanagh, Ireland.

Pte. Clare Silas Eames, April 16. Next of kin, Made H. Eames, No. 1814, Kenyon street, Washington (D. C.).
Pte. Roy Hartley Spicer, April 17. Next of kin, R. W. Keegan, East Burnaby (B. C.).
Bugler Andrew Young, April 16. Next of kin, E. W. Faris, No. 827 Seventeenth ave., W. Calgary (Alb.).
Lance Corp. Bertram Cave, April 15. Next of kin, Mrs. Allison Cave (mother), No. 38 Riffel Road, Orickwood, London (Eng.).
Pte. Arthur Leacock, April 15. Next of kin, Mrs. S. Bullen, No. 140 Brown Hill Road, Colford, London (Eng.).
Pte. John Keith, April 15. Next of kin, John Keith, No. 51 High street, Lanark, Scotland.

Private Alfred Edward Doyle, April 15. Next of kin, Mrs. E. Doyle (mother), No. 97 Ambleside Drive, Southend-On-Sea, London (Eng.).
EIGHTH BATTALION.
Killed in Action.
Private William Curley, April 15. Next of kin, Mrs. E. Curley (mother), No. 16 Honoria street, Huddersfield (Eng.).
Private Donald Gordon, April 16. Next of kin, G. Gordon, No. 260 Royal avenue, Kildonan (Man.).

Wounded.
Private George Eddy, April 17. Next

ST. JOHN MARKETS

The feature in the local market quotations this week is the uncertainty in the prices of all sugars. During the week the value fluctuated, in some cases there being an increase of ten cents and in others, a decrease. Standard granulated went down twenty cents and it is expected, this decrease will be permanent.

Ontario and Manitoba flour have taken another advance. The former advanced forty cents and the latter twenty. The wholesale prices yesterday were as follows:

COUNTRY MARKET.
Potatoes per bbl. 1.00 to 1.20
Beef, western 0.11 1/2 to 0.12 1/2
Beef, eastern 0.07 1/2 to 0.12
Mutton, per lb. 0.08 to 0.10
Pork, per lb. 0.09 to 0.11 1/2
Veal, per lb. 0.10 to 0.13
Eggs, cases, per doz. 0.21 to 0.22
Tub butter, per lb. 0.23 to 0.27
Creamery butter, per lb. 0.30 to 0.32
Fowls, fresh killed, per lb. 0.25 to 0.31
Spring chickens, per lb. 0.28 to 0.31
Bacon 0.00 to 0.20
Ham 0.18 to 0.20
Turkey 0.80 to 0.82
Cabbage, per lb. 0.08 to 0.09
Squash 0.00 to 0.02 1/2
Turnips, bbl. 0.90 to 1.00
Spinach (bus) 0.00 to 1.00
Rhubarb, lb. 0.00 to 0.15
Cauliflower, per lb. 0.00 to 0.85
Tomatoes 0.00 to 0.30
Cucumbers 0.00 to 0.12
Radishes 0.00 to 0.07
Mushrooms 0.00 to 0.12
New Beets 0.00 to 0.12
Sweet potatoes 0.00 to 0.10

GROCERIES.
Choice seeded raisins, 10.10 1/2 to 0.10 1/2
Fancy, do 0.10 1/2 to 0.11
Currants, cleaned, 18. 0.08 1/2 to 0.09
Cheese, per lb. 0.19 1/2 to 0.20
Cream tartar, pure, box 0.40 to 0.41
Alkali soda, per keg. 2.10 to 2.30
Beans, hand picked 3.45 to 3.50
Beans, yellow eye 3.70 to 3.75
Split peas, bags 6.00 to 6.50
Pot barley, bbls. 6.95 to 7.00
Cornmeal, per bag 1.85 to 1.90
Granulated cornmeal, 5.75 to 5.80
Liverpool salt per sack 1.10 to 1.15
at store

CANNED GOODS.
The following are the wholesale quotations per cases:
Salmon, pink 4.90 to 5.00
Salmon, red spring 7.75 to 8.35
Palm haddies 4.50 to 4.60
Kipper herring 4.40 to 4.50
Clams 4.00 to 4.25
Oysters, 18 1.70 to 1.75
Oysters, 25 2.65 to 2.70
Corned beef, 18 2.75 to 2.80
Peas, 25 1.90 to 2.00
Pineapple, sliced 2.25 to 2.30
Pineapple, grated 1.85 to 1.90
Lemon plums 1.10 to 1.20
Raspberries 0.07 1/2 to 0.10
Corn, per doz. 1.00 to 1.05
Peas 1.00 to 1.05
Strawberries 2.30 to 2.40
Tomatoes 2.00 to 2.10
Pumpkins 0.97 1/2 to 1.00
String beans 1.00 to 1.05
Baked beans, 25 1.00 to 1.05
Baked beans, 18 1.45 to 1.50

PROVISIONS.
Pork, Canadian mess, 24.00 to 24.50
Pork, American clear, 25.25 to 25.50
American plate beef, 25.00 to 25.50
Lard, compound, tub. 0.11 to 0.11 1/2
Lard, pure, tub 0.13 to 0.13 1/2
Molasses, fancy Barbadoes 0.39 1/2 to 0.40

SUGAR.
Standard granulated, 6.80 to 6.90
United Empire, gran. 6.70 to 6.80
Bright yellow, 6.70 to 6.80
No. 1 yellow 6.80 to 6.90
Paris lump 7.60 to 7.75

THE KRONPRINZ IS NOW OUT OF DRYDOCK.

Time to Be Allowed Her to Complete Repairs Set, But Will Be Kept Secret by the Authorities.

Newport News, April 22.—The German cruiser Kronprinz, which was damaged by a British submarine, was today being repaired at the shipyard here, after her hull had been painted and repaired. She was towed to an anchorage in the harbor, and tonight the guard ship Port Monroe returned to its post.

New boiler tubes for the Wilhelm arrived today and will be installed by ship. The naval board which surveyed the ship has made its report to Washington with a recommendation as to the time to be allowed for repairs. As in the case of the Prinz Eitel Friedrich, the time within which the Wilhelm must leave America waters or intern for the war will be kept secret.

TRAWLER SHELLED BY GERMAN SUBMARINE; SMALL BOAT ATTACKED.

Aberdeen, via London, April 22.—The trawler Fuschia arrived here today with the crew of the trawler Envoys, and reported that the Envoys had been shelled by a German submarine last night off the east coast. The men on the Envoys reported that in a small boat which they saw, also was shelled by the submarine. No one was injured.

The Envoys' crew drifted about in the small boat for two hours before being picked up. It has not been established whether the Envoys was sunk.

MEBRIDE HINTS HE MAY ENTER FEDERAL ARENA.

London, April 22.—Sir Richard McBride, premier of British Columbia, stated in guarded terms to the Gazette correspondent today that he may exchange the provincial for the federal arena. Having just recovered from an attack of influenza, he apparently had not seen the despatch announcing the likelihood of a dissolution in June. "While one cannot say what may happen," he said, "it is not improbable that I may be indicated" the message said, "by any overtures had been made to him with regard to the high commissionership."

CERTAIN PRICES MAY BE CLOSED.

Washington, April 22.—Consul-General Skinner, at London, called today that the British admiralty had given notice that certain ports of Great Britain must be closed to shipping without notice. "Closing will be indicated," the message said, "by three vertical red lights at night, and three red balls by day. When these signals are displayed, vessels must proceed to examination anchorage, or keep to sea."

Missouri Health Board demands that railways provide free drinking cups on all trains.

SOLDIER WITH EIGHT WOUNDS IN HALIFAX

Private George Wales, of the Lincolnshire Regiment, Saw Much Fighting in the Western Theatre of War—Letter from Prisoner in Austria Village.

Rev. F. H. Wentworth, pastor of Waterloo street, Baptist church, of a cousin who has been made a war prisoner of the Austrians and is now confined to the little Lower Austrian village of Kauzen. He had formerly been in the insurance business in Vienna, and though when war broke out he was allowed freedom he was ordered to intern in November. In a letter to friends, a copy of which has just been sent to Rev. Mr. Wentworth, he writes that there are about thirty-five prisoners in the village, of whom twenty are English and the rest French and Serbian. He cannot leave the village and is a prisoner of the village and he writes, though Mr. Wentworth thinks with some regard to the censor, that "all in all the life is quite tolerable."

Don't Think About Death.
The Halifax Chronicle has the following:

"Death is about the last thing we think of at the front," said Private George Wales, of the Second Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment, lately invalided from France, to a Morning Chronicle reporter yesterday afternoon. "We try to go where we are ordered as quickly as possible. That is what we are there for."

Private Wales has no less than eight wounds to testify to the part that he has taken in the fighting and describes his experiences modestly but well. He received all his wounds in a charge which his battalion was making on German positions to the southwest of Ypres last during those forty-eight hours, but in an hour," said he. "The enemy were eight to one against us but our plan was to dispose of as many of them as possible with little loss to ourselves, and that was what we did. We would charge and then hurriedly retreat, giving the Germans the impression that we were broken. They then come on in massed formation and our rifle and machine gun fire mowed them down. By this means we reduced their strength."

"It was in one of those charges that I was wounded. Two bullets struck me in the thigh and one in the ankle, and one in the foot, and in a hand-to-hand encounter, I was twice bayoneted, the last time in the forehead. Then I fell and for forty-eight hours lay between the hands of the enemy. I was conscious all the time and a chunk of mine who was wounded in the leg stood by me until relief came. I cannot very well describe what my feelings were during those forty-eight hours, but I suffered pretty severely. There was not much rifle fire and we were not in great danger for the time, but shells were constantly screaming over our heads and the first we knew they would land near us, it was a bit of an ordeal. My friend might have crawled back to safety, but he preferred to stay with me. At the end of the forty-eight hours our troops advanced and as they steadily gained ground, the stretcher bearers followed, and I was picked up and taken to the rear and sent to hospital at Boulogne. There I spent six weeks, then crossed to England when sufficiently convalescent for the passage and after some time there, was given my discharge and here I am."

Saturday by the steamer Mississauga from Liverpool and leaves today for Bermuda, his home. He is a British reservist and when the war broke out he reported his regiment to the Lincolnshires, then stationed at Bermuda. He came with the regiment to Halifax. The Lincolnshires sailed from Halifax in September, 1914, for Canada, and arrived in the Canadian contingent at sea. They remained in England less than a month, landing in France on November 4. They trained to Arrmentieres, saw fighting there, then to La Bassee, where they fought. They were in Lille before that city was evacuated and retreated, and took part in the formation of the attack on Ypres. From the 11th to the 17th of November they were fought continually and were on very short rations. They were eighteen days in the trenches and then had a three days' rest. Afterwards they were moved to the front, and fought and fought near Neuve Chapelle, and there Private Wales left. He lost his company and platoon commanders. He has a list of those of his officers who were killed or wounded. The list includes the following: Lieut.-Col. G. B. McAndrew, officer commanding; Major J. J. Howley, D. S. O., second in command; Lieut. F. D. Montague; Lieut. C. G. W. Peake; and Lieut. C. H. Deffe; Captain C. W. Wellesley; Lieut. A. W. Wylie; Lieut. H. S. Gagar; Captain E. P. Lloyd; Captain E. F. O. Richards, and Lieut. W. P. G. Wiseman.

All these officers were with the regiment when it was in Halifax last year. Private Wales speaks most enthusiastically of the fighting qualities of the Indian troops. He fought with the Gurkhas and says they are very keen. He saw the Indian Lancers in a splendid charge and says the Sikhs are splendid fighters.

"With us it is our officers that lead the troops and lead the officers," said Private Wales. "In all the charges that I have seen the German officers with loaded revolvers followed their men and should they waver, threatened to shoot them. On the whole, though, you have to give the German soldier credit for his bravery under fire."

AUSTRIAN AEROPLANE OVER ITALIAN COASTS.

Rome, April 22, via Paris, 6.15 p.m.—Word has been received from Ancona that an Austrian aeroplane was seen last night scouting the Italian coast, about the Adriatic Sea. The aeroplane was equipped with strong searchlights. The authorities are attempting to identify