

## APRIL

During the week serious fighting has again taken place along the Yser, and also in the Vosges district, where the French, after several days' fighting, have succeeded in taking Hartmannsweilerkopf, a commanding position which will be useful for heavy artillery in opening a way to the Rhine. . . . Farther to the eastward a terrific battle has been raging in the Carpathians, midway between Dukla Pass and the Uzkok Pass, and the capital of Bukovina, Czernowitz, has been evacuated by the Austrians. It is said that, owing to the fact that there are thousands of bodies unburied in the mountains, there is grave danger, and soon as spring opens, that an epidemic of cholera may range in the plains and valleys of the Carpathians. . . . From the Dardanelles, at the time of going to press, there is nothing of great moment to report. Under Rear-Admiral Robeck a new plan of attack, mine-sweeping operations are still in progress, and land forces are being landed to co-operate with the fleet, and to oppose the Turkish forces which are concentrating on both sides of the straits. Twenty-six thousand French troops have also been landed on the coast of Asia Minor to attack Smyrna from the land side.

"I don't care for any now," said he, "I'll wait until my next appetite."

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