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## War News

### Messages Received

Previous to 9 A.M.

### Skirmish Off the Dutch Coast. 4 German Torpedo Boats Sent to the Bottom.

#### FOUR GERMAN DESTROYERS SUNK.

October 18.

Governor:

New light cruiser 'Undaunted,' Captain Fox, with Destroyers 'Lance,' 'Commander Egerton,' 'Lennox,' 'Commander Dale,' 'Legion,' 'Commander Allsop,' 'Loyal,' 'Commander Burges Watson,' engaged and sank four German destroyers off Dutch Coast seventeenth October.

Our casualties, one officer and four men wounded.

Damage to destroyers slight; 31 German survivors prisoners.

HARCOURT.

#### BELGIANS AGAIN IN FIRING LINE.

PARIS, Oct. 18.

The French official statement issued this afternoon, says: In Belgium the Belgian army has vigorously repulsed several attacks directed by the Germans against the crossing of the River Yser. On our left wing the Allied troops have occupied the ground in front of Givarchy and Promelles, and retaken Armentieres, to the north of Arras. Saturday was marked by a perceptible advance on our part between the region of Arras and the Oise. We have made slight progress at certain points at the centre, and on the wing the situation is unchanged.

#### GERMANS BEATEN.

PARIS, Oct. 18.

The French and British forces met a furious attack by the Germans today in Western Belgium and defeated them in a battle for six of the positions commanding the highways to Dunkirk. The enemy was entirely forced back toward Thourout, which appears to be the Kaiser's base of operations in his attempt to seize the forts of the northern coast of France. Vigorous onslaughts have been made by the Allies against the German line near Arras, and the Germans have lost some of their principal defensive positions in this region. The right wing of the French Army has achieved new success in the operations against the forces commanded by the German Crown Prince, which are now in extreme danger at St. Mihiel, through the success of the French in pushing forward east of St. Mihiel toward Etain and in Lorraine toward Metz. Preparations for the investment of the forts of Metz with a large French force have been completed, and this force is now attacking the Germans at the outer right trenches giving approach to the forts.

#### ALLIES PROGRESSING.

PARIS, Oct. 18.

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#### BELGIAN ARMY IN FRANCE.

BORDEAUX, Oct. 18.

The Belgian army, under King Albert, is in France. It will soon take the offensive against the Germans with the Allies.

#### ST. PIERRE BULLETIN.

Oct. 18.—(Official.)

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#### FRENCH SUCCESSES.

PARIS, Oct. 18.

Further successes have been gained by Anglo-French troops in the vicinity of Armentieres, near St. Mihiel, and in the valley of the Meuse. The

French occupy Fleur D'Aix, six miles from Armentieres, and the Germans are reported to have been driven out of Lille. The French are within 12 miles of Metz and are pressing forward. The city of Arras is in ruins.

#### THE GERMAN ARMY.

BERLIN, Oct. 18.

The German army has completed its Belgian campaign, Bruges and Ostend having been taken. The German right wing is receiving reinforcements from Belgium, and will make an energetic offensive movement.

#### REPORTS UNCONFIRMED.

ROME, Oct. 17.

Unconfirmed reports are current



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that the Russians have taken Przemysl, the Austrian stronghold in Galicia.

#### CAPTIVE PRINZ HEINRICH HILL.

TOKIO, Oct. 18.

The Anglo-Japanese troops in a night attack captured Prinz Heinrich Hill, overlooking Tsing-Tao.

#### GERMAN ONSLAUGHT REPULSED.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 18.

A gigantic onslaught by the Germans along the battle lines in Russian Poland, has been repulsed with severe losses to the enemy by the Russians.

#### RIOTING IN LONDON.

LONDON, Oct. 18.

Serious anti-German rioting occurred today in High Street, in the Bedford Borough of London. Shops conducted by Germans were wrecked by the crowds, and one shop was set on fire.

#### LEVY FINE OF \$1,000,000.

LONDON, Oct. 18.

The Germans have levied a fine on Ostend of one million dollars.

#### ANOTHER FACTORY RAIDED.

LONDON, Oct. 18.

A large factory owned by Germans, was raided by the military in Edinburgh last night. The factory which covers a large area, has within it a magnificent concrete foundation so situated as to dominate Edinburgh and a splendid position to enable guns to hit the Forth Bridge.

#### GENERAL HAMILTON DEAD.

FOLKSTONE, Oct. 18.

One of the most pathetic incidents of yesterday was the arrival here of the body of Major-General Hubert L. W. Hamilton. The latest official casualty list, which includes General Hamilton's name, makes no mention of where or how he was killed. General Hamilton was Kitchener's Chief Aid in South Africa and India.

#### INVADERS DEFEATED.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 18.

The German army which is attempting to invade Russia has been signally defeated in attempts to cross the Vistula River.

#### ENEMY DRIVEN BACK.

LONDON, Oct. 19.

The Official Bureau issued the following last night: The British troops have made good progress during the last few days. In the northern area the Allies have driven the enemy back more than thirty miles.

#### GERMAN ATTACKS REPULSED.

PARIS, Oct. 19.

An official communication issued by the French War Office last night says: During the course of last night two violent attacks were attempted by the Germans to the north and east of St. Die. These were repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy. No other reports of any importance were received on the operations of the day.

#### GETTING REINFORCEMENTS.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 19.

The Russian General Headquarters makes the following announcement: On the front in East Prussia on the Vistula there is nothing new to report. Austrian attempts to cross the Sauer River have failed. South of Przemysl fighting continues. At several points there were bayonet attacks, in which we captured 15 Austrian officers and more than a thousand men. Austrian reinforcements are reported in the passes of the Carpathians.

#### BRITISH CASUALTY LIST.

LONDON, Oct. 19.

The official report from General French, Commanding the British Expeditionary Force, gives the total British killed, wounded and missing, from Sept. 12th to Oct. 18th, as 561 officers and 12,980 men. The War Office issued last night another casualty list received from headquarters under date Sept. 19th. It gives 51 non-commissioned officers and men as having been killed, 149 men wounded, 555 men missing. Those of the killed belonged entirely to the Royal Scots, Royal Irish and East Surrey. The King's Own, Scottish Borderers and Somerset Light Infantry figure largely in missing. Of commissioned officers the list gives 4 killed and 5 wounded.

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**Intrecessory Services.**

The Day of Interecession was duly celebrated by all the Protestant Churches in the city yesterday, but owing to the Roman Catholic Church being in mourning, no special services of an Interecessory nature were held, as the death of His Grace caused the postponement of the special service until a later date.

In the Church of England special services were conducted in the morning and evening, the different preachers delivering patriotic sermons appropriate to the occasion. Special emphasis was laid on the righteousness of Britain's cause in all the churches, and the services were of a most inspiring character.

At Gower Street Methodist Church a special Prayer Service was conducted, the united congregations of the four city Methodist Churches being represented.

Rev. Dr. Curtis, the Chairman, opened the meeting at 8.15 p.m., and after referring to the death of Archbishop Howley, delivered an interesting and inspiring address on the war situation. Prayer was led by prominent laymen and clergymen and special hymns of intercession were sung.

**Star of the Sea Association.**

A special meeting of the Star of the Sea Association was held yesterday afternoon, the President, Mr. E. M. Jackman occupying the chair.

In opening the meeting the President referred at length to the life work of the late Archbishop, and to the loss sustained by the Society of the Church by the death of her esteemed Prelate. He reviewed the Archbishop's work as a churchman, patriot and friend, and dwelt upon the many noble traits that marked the character of Newfoundland's most gifted son. Through his zeal and energy many ecclesiastical buildings were erected, and these will stand as enduring monuments to his memory. The following resolutions were then read:—

**RESOLUTIONS.**

WHEREAS, by the death of His Grace the Most Reverend Michael Francis Howley, D.D., Archbishop of St. John's, Terra Nova mourns a great patriot who enriched her literature, inspired her people with noble ideas of citizenship, and was always a sturdy champion of her territorial and maritime rights;

AND WHEREAS, during the episcopacy of this great churchman and ecclesiastical statesman his master mind grasped the spiritual and temporal needs of present and future generations, and under the quickening influence of his vigorous and progressive leadership, churches, colleges, schools, convents, charitable and social institutions sprung into existence and are monuments of his zeal for his church and people;

AND WHEREAS, our beloved Patron always took a keen interest in the Star of the Sea Association, its lectures, its work and its members;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Society tender to the Rt. Rev. Monsignor Roche, V.G., an expression of our profound sympathy in the loss that the Church has sustained by the death of our beloved Archbishop;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as a mark of respect we adjourn this meeting, and meet again on Wednesday next at 8 p.m. to nominate officers for the ensuing year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of these Resolutions be sent to the immediate relatives of the deceased Archbishop and to the Press.

D. M. JACKMAN,  
Pres. Star of the Sea As.  
WM. F. GRAHAM,  
Sec. Star of the Sea As.

Mr. J. J. Lacey moved the adoption of the resolutions which were supported by Messrs. Thomas Melvin and P. Hanley. After their unanimous adoption the meeting adjourned until 8 p.m. Wednesday next.

**Prospero Returns.**

The Bowring coaster Prospero, Capt. A. Kean, returned from Northern ports Saturday night, after a stormy trip. Going north the weather was boisterous and occasional snow showers were experienced. Coming south, however, conditions were much better. Capt. Kean reports that all the Labrador fleet have reached their respective home ports and with good fares on the whole. Within the past week a number of fishermen at Twillingate visited the grounds daily but only secured small catches.

**Licensing Board.**

The annual meeting of the Licensing Board set down for Saturday was postponed till this afternoon, owing to the absence of two members of the Board. Judge Knight, Jas. P. Blackwood and H. A. Winter were present. The applications for renewals of retail licenses were read by Judge Knight. Applications from persons under changed names in the city along with an application from a Gambro resident, will be considered at today's meeting.

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