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War News.

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Previous to 9 a. m.

ST. GEORGE'S VILLAGE CAPTURED.

PARIS, via St. Pierre, Dec. 29.—(Official.)
In Belgium, the village of St. George's has been taken by our troops and occupied. From the Lys to the Somme there has been fierce German cannonading of our positions in the Echelle and Staubin districts, and at Lequesnoy-en-Château to the northwest of Roye. Quiet prevails on the front between the Scheldt and Argonne. We have gained some ground in Argonne, in Grutrid Wood and also in Courtechausage woods. On the heights of the Meuse several German counter attacks have been repulsed. In Lebuchot Wood, northeast of Troyon, the enemy, who had taken our trenches near the redoubt of burnt woods, west of Apremont, was compelled to abandon them after three counter attacks. In high Alsace we are investing very closely Steinbach, after a fierce engagement and we have taken possession of the ruins of the castle to the northwest of the village.

AUSTRO-GREEK TROUBLE.

ROME, Dec. 29.
Serious friction between Greek and Austrian officials, is reported to-day from Saloniki. The Austrian Minister warmly protested against Greek port officials permitting French warships to make the headquarters at Grecian ports. He also filed a protest against the alleged action of Greece in permitting munitions, destined for Serbia, to be landed at Saloniki and rushed across Grecian territory into Serbia.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S PROTEST.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.
President Wilson, referring to-day to the American note to Britain, insisting on better treatment of American commerce, declared that large damages would have to be paid by England for the unlawful detention of American cargoes. He pointed out that many protests had been sent in specific cases, and that if the contention of the American Government were correct, as he was firmly convinced it was, plans for indemnification would have to be met by Britain. Supplementary to previous protests, in the note, Wilson explained, reported fully on the position of the States saying that so far as theory was concerned, there was no debate on the point raised, because England herself in previous wars had taken exactly the American position. The President was asked if the communication had been sent to Britain as the result of the recent gathering of pan-American diplomats here. He said it was not, but the position of the States would apply to any neutral and that



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the contention advanced was not peculiar to this country. He contended that the note of protest was not based on any treaty between the States and Britain, but on generally accepted principles of international law. Publication, in substance, of the American note, this morning, created widespread interest in the capital.

WILSON'S APPEAL TO AMERICAN SHIPPERS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.
President Wilson to-day appealed to American shippers of non-contraband goods, such as cotton, not to allow their cargoes to be mixed with contraband articles. The American Government, he announced, could deal confidently with the difficulties which had arisen in the treatment of American commerce by Britain, only if supported by absolutely honest manifestos. This statement followed a discussion by the President with the Cabinet to-day, on the general shipping situation, and of the note despatched yesterday to Britain, protesting at length.

WILSON CALLS CONFERENCE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.
All the Central and South American nations have been invited by the United States Government to send their Ministers of Finance and leading bankers to Washington for a conference with the Treasury Department officials and financiers of this country, on the financial and commercial problems confronting the two Americas as a result of the European war. Acceptances have already been called by several of the countries, and the conference will probably be held early in the spring.

WARSAW NO LONGER MENACED.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 29.
Complete failure has marked the efforts of the Germans to check the Russian advance at half a dozen places along the battlefield. According to General Staff reports, the combined German-Austrian offensive has been turned into a stubborn defence, with Russians pressing wedges into the

dual lines. The positive declaration was again made that not only was Warsaw no longer menaced, but the Austrian right wing was in grave danger of being enveloped and crushed, as the result of a flanking attack, delivered by the army which has been operating against Cracow. Official reports agree that while the chief German positions are still strongly held, there has been checking of their initiative, and indications are reported at a number of points of a general withdrawal to reserve trenches, heretofore constructed well in the rear.

Doctors and Gas Fires

In an article which recently appeared in the London "Evening News," Mr. W. G. Faulkner stated: "In making my inquiries I discovered one significant fact. This was that one company—the Gas Light and Coke Company—had among their consumers 2,500 doctors who had gas fires installed in their houses, some as many as ten of a dozen; that 1,600 of these doctors had become users of gas during the past three years; and that not one had ever given them up."
Professor C. V. Boys, F.R.S., says, in the "Standard": "Sentiment and inertia are the only obstacles against the general adoption of gas fires and cooking appliances. Wonderful strides have been made, in spite of deep-rooted prejudices. A gas fire, burning with a blue, is an admirable agent for heating a room; and, as a scientist, I fail to understand how such a gas fire dries the air in a room more than any other fire."—nov17,14

Bank Fishery Returns.

The following returns showing the number of vessels fitted out for the prosecution of the Bank fishery of Newfoundland during the year 1914, are posted at the Board of Trade Rooms:—

Port	Vels.	Tons	Crew	Qtls.
Burgeo	3	220	52	2291
Marystown	4	232	60	2709
Stone's Cove	6	433	106	3815
St. Jacques	5	426	103	7000
Catalina	1	75	18	527
Ramea	5	286	58	1787
Grand Bank	29	2276	546	35368
Hr. Breton	11	845	205	12240
Fortune	6	407	107	5630
Belleoram	10	826	211	15654
Burin	25	1764	426	31916
Total	105	7790	1892	124067

Average catch (per vessel) 1181 qtls.
Average catch (per man) 66 qtls.
The catch for the previous year was 152,374 quintals or 28,307 more than the year just closed.

THE TIME IS APPROACHING—Don't Leave It Too Late—If you intend to economize, and make last winter's overcoat do you this winter, have it sent to us to be renovated, a new velvet or cloth collar and generally repaired. Good work and prompt service our motto. SPURRELL BROS., 365 Water Street, or Phone 574 and we will call. DO IT NOW.—nov5, eod,tf

GERMAN FORCES BLOWN TO ATOMS.

Paris, Dec. 24.—General Joffre, the French Commander-in-Chief, said to Col. Ignatieff and Col. Yarde-Buller, the Russian and British military attaches at the field headquarters of the French army, three or four days ago: "Come with me and you will see something never seen before in war."
The military attaches accompanied the general to a place near the lines not far from Arras. There 600 pieces of heavy artillery were placed in a position so as to bear upon a comparatively short nexus of German entrenchments. The ranges already had been found.
Upon a word from General Joffre, repeated by his aides telephonically, the 600 pieces opened a sustained fire upon the German works and the spaces just behind them.
After a quarter of an hour, the French infantry charged. Not a hostile shot met them. Not a bayonet gleamed over the edge of the works. The trenches actually were torn to pieces as though by gigantic ploughshares.
Dead and wounded men, half buried, littered the line where formerly had been the trenches. The few alive were struggling to free themselves from heaps of earth. Those who had tried to run were caught by the horrible spray of bursting shells in the rear of the German trenches. Probably not a man defending that part of the line escaped.

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The Treasurer begs to acknowledge receipt of the following subscriptions to date:
Amount acknowledged . . . \$8,840.22
Proceeds school concert, at Oterbury, Freshwater . . . 26.00
\$8,866.22
KATHERINE EMERSON,
Hon. Treasurer.

Correction.—The acknowledgment "M. E. Grant \$5," made on Dec. 16th, should read "M. C. Grant, 121 Bond St., \$5."

Big Shipment of Herring.

The following schooners with herring cargoes for the Gorton Pew Co. of Gloucester, left Wood's Island yesterday; the J. R. Bradley with 966 barrels; Essex, 817; Governor Russell 1,400; H. A. Nickerson, 1,425 and Alga 750. The Marjorie E. Backman and Independence taking 1,694 and 1,265 barrels respectively for Cunningham and Thompson, also of Gloucester, and the Hiram Lowell, 1,350 for T. M. Nicholson, Buckport, Maine, and s.s. Seal, 1,350 for Fairbank & Co., of Halifax, also got away. The total amount of the shipments is 11,017 barrels.

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Curling Meeting.

The Curling Club met last night when sixteen applicants for membership were admitted. Mr. J. C. Heburn's motion that the first session of play close at 9.15 p.m. in the series of games during the season was adopted. Charity Day will be held on January 25th. Next week the fixtures for the season will be drawn. President H. W. LeMessurier presided at the meeting which was largely attended. After the meeting closed several promiscuous games were played and proved very exciting. The ice was in excellent condition.

There is a new fad for decorating the back of the corsage with artificial flowers.

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Here and There.

BALEINE LOADING HERRING.—The s.s. Baleine is loading herring at Hall's Bay for Gloucester.

BUSINESS DULL.—Since Christmas Eve there has been a lull in business along Water Street.

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CARD TOURNEY.—Messrs. J. Armstrong and P. Griffin were the winners of the first and second prizes respectively at the card tournament held at the T. A. Club rooms last night. The prizes given were turkeys.

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HELD AT LEWISPORTE.—Notre Dame Bay is blocked with ice and in consequence the Reid Company's coastal steamers Home and Clyde are held at Lewisporte. It is not unlikely that the company will have to send one of their icebreakers to clear them.

USEFUL PRESENTS.—Hon. J. Ayre, of Thornhill, presented a pair of gloves to each of the 24 officials of the street railway as a Christmas gift. The men greatly appreciate Mr. Ayre's kindness and trust that he will be spared to spend many more Christmases.

BIBLE SOCIETY MEETS.—A meeting of the Bible Society was held at the Board of Trade rooms yesterday, and was largely attended. Reports from the sub-committee were received, and arrangements were made for the holding of the annual meeting at an early date.

MISSING WOMAN FOUND.—A woman named Power, who had been living with her sister in the city, was reported to the police as missing on Christmas Day. The police made a diligent search for the woman and at ten o'clock last night Supt. Grimes had word that she had turned up all right. She gave no account of her absence.

B.L.S. CONCERT.—An excellent programme of music is being arranged by the members of the B.L.S. for the concert which will take place in their rooms on New Year's evening. The names of the ladies and gentlemen taking part is a sufficient guarantee that the entertainment will be a success. Tickets are selling fast, and a large attendance is expected. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Davidson, and Rt. Rev. Mgr. Roche, V.G., Administrator, have signified their intention of being present.

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