

CHARGED ON SKIS AT DIZZY SPEED

French Alpine Troops Descend
On and Scatter German
Forces.

CAUGHT BETWEEN FIRES

Enemies Fought Desperately
For Five Miles During
Their Retreat.

St. Die, Department of Vosges, France, Jan. 6.—Via Paris, Jan. 8.—A brilliant exploit by French Alpine troops, who charged on skis down the snow-covered mountain slopes at Bonhomme, a post on the Italian frontier, forced the Germans to retire on Orbey, 8 miles down the Scharf River toward Colmar. The Germans had the railroad from St. Marie to St. Cruz, menacing St. Die, where the French heavy artillery opened fire on January 3. This led the Germans to expect an attack from that direction. At the same time the Alpine troops, leading the way for French infantry, advanced on the German positions at the Dohrhausen, near Bonhomme.

Roads Helped.—A strong detachment with quick-fires held the route, but the winding nature of the road prevented the Germans from firing more than 300 yards along it. The French advanced to within this distance of the Germans, while the Alpine troops began to climb the heights to attack the Germans on their flank.

Progress was slow, and the dark forms of the soldiers, outlined against the snow, made excellent marks for the German sharpshooters. Many of the men rolled down the steep slopes, leaving crimson stains behind.

At Dizzy Speed.—The survivors pushed forward until they gained the shelter of the pines at the summit. Then began an exciting charge on the Germans at Die Dohrhausen. The Alpine soldiers on their skis slid down the mountainside at a dizzy pace, while the infantry in the road below opened fire on the Germans.

Caught between two fires, the Germans gave way, fighting obstinately along the five miles of their retreat.

EX-KHEDIVE HOLDS PESSIMISTIC VIEW

Sees Little Chance of Turkish
Success In Egypt or
of Revolt.

EGYPTIANS VERY WISE

And Any Revolutions at Pres-
ent Would Be Doomed
To Fail.

Paris, Jan. 8.—The Geneva correspondent of the Temps has been asked for an interview given by the ex-Khedive of Egypt to a representative of the Vienna Neue Presse. He said: "The Turkish expedition to Egypt will encounter very great difficulties. Still I hope it will succeed in overcoming them eventually."

"People wonder that Egypt remains quiet, and that it does not make common cause with the Turkish army, and further its task by a general revolt. It must be understood that Egypt is wise, and does not wish to revolt just now, a revolution being, in the present circumstances, futile."

"But if a Turkish army enters Egypt it may be regarded as certain that the Egyptians, faithful to their feeling in favor of the Turks, will join with them to create for Britain a situation full of danger."

GALLANT DEATH OF CONSTANTINO CARIBALDI

After Storming the German
Trenches He Was Aiding
His Comrades.

Paris, Jan. 8.—1:40 a.m.—Constantino Caribaldi, one of the grandsons of the Italian patriot, who died in the fighting in the French campaign, was killed during an attack on a series of three German trenches. The story of how he met his death is told by his brother, Captain Ricciotti Garibaldi.

After mines had been laid and exploded, according to Captain Garibaldi's story, the regiment of Italian volunteers rushed forward shouting: "Viva l'Italia!" They captured the first two trenches without difficulty, but the third trench was a more difficult proposition, being separated from the others by about 100 yards of opening ground, and commanded by a hill.

Notwithstanding this the Garibaldians stormed the trenches, but the Germans delivered a fierce counter-attack, and the position of the Italian volunteers became difficult.

Col. Peppino Garibaldi, the commander, ordered the regiment to fall back, and Constantino, who commanded the reserves in the second trench, went forward to aid his comrades. Almost immediately he was struck in the neck by a bullet, which severed the carotid artery, and he fell within a few yards of his brother Peppino.

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STRUGGLE RAGES FURIOUSLY AROUND THREE VILLAGES

Steinbach, Cernay and Thann
Taken and Retaken at the
Bayonet's Point.

[Canadian Press.]
Geneva, via Paris, Jan. 8.—The fighting in Lower Alsace is daily growing in intensity around Steinbach, Cernay and Thann. Villages, houses and trenches are taken and retaken at the point of the bayonet, and the casualties on both

BRITISH FLEET PLAYS ITS OWN GAME, NOT GERMANS'

Officer Replies Sharply To Criticisms, By Telling of Activi-
ties—The Belgian Refugee Problem Is Worrying
Britain—Rain Not Caused By Guns.

London, Dec. 28.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—The question of handling a certain class of Belgian refugees is becoming a delicate one for Britain. "These people are those who took their all, are unable to obtain work to which they are fitted, and expect to be cared for permanently in England, until repatriated. But, unfortunately, preparations have only been made for their public maintenance until they can be placed in private homes or at some self-maintaining work."

Refugees still continue to arrive, chiefly those who fled to Holland on the heels of the German advance. The dislike of many of the refugees to leave London, where the colony is large and Belgian life is established, in the south quarter, is another difficulty that the British hosts have to contend with. Life in the country towns means banishment from friends and family.

Old Belief Killed.—English scientists have again been compelled to assure the public that neither the smell of powder nor the concussion of gun-fire has the slightest connection with rainfall. From several sources it has been asserted that the heavy and persistent rains recently experienced in Southern England and Northern France were attributed to atmospheric disturbances produced by artillery fire at the front.

Increasing Efficiency.—"We are not out to fight fortresses. We are after their ships. Guns are put into ships so that they can be moved about, and the Germans are not getting the efficiency by remaining under the protection of their forts. We are adding to our efficiency every day, taking every opportunity for the practice of gunnery, the use of torpedoes, and also battle tactics, practicing under every condition of weather. As things stand, the seas are clear for British trade. Let those who say we are doing nothing imagine what would happen if we were really doing nothing. What would become of our island in that event?"

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FRENCH HAVE GIGANTIC BUSINESS PROPOSITION

Civilian Administration of the
Army Truly a Herculean
Task.

Paris, Dec. 22.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—What might be called the civilian administration of the French army is probably the most gigantic business proposition the world has ever seen. It is as though all the railways of the United States with their 1,400,000 employees, all the steel and iron industries with their 200,000 employees and all the quarries, coal mines and metal mines with their 1,000,000 workers, were all under the direction of one officer, and, besides these, over a million more employed in a half-hundred other of the great enterprises in America.

A Tremendous Task.—The French war office, through its civilian administration, must assemble, transport and distribute food for nearly 4,000,000 men. It must supply the men with transportation from one part of the fighting line to another, from the front to the interior and from the interior to the front in their periods of recuperation. It must provide clothing, medical attendance, dentists and every variety of service necessary to keep a man in health.

Besides all this, it must look out for the families of the men at the front, paying their wives with the equivalent of 25 cents a day, and in case of children with the equivalent of 10 cents a day.

All Training Heads.—The smooth working of these immense business transactions is only possible because the work is distributed among the trained railway managers, steamship directors, great corporation officials and businessmen of capacity, who, although they are wearing uniforms, have been trained and prepared by civil life for this sort of work in war time. Some thousands of the most competent business men of France have been organized into this supply side of the war.

Many political leaders, senators, deputies, ex-presidents of the chamber and men prominent in scientific and intellectual life have been called upon to help in this gigantic work.

TWO BANISHED

Chilean Government Orders Out For-
mer Peruvian President and Friend.

[Canadian Press.]
Santiago, Chile, Jan. 8.—The Government today ordered Guillermo Billinghurst, former President of Peru, and Dr. Augusto Durand, leave Chilean territory within eight days.

President Billinghurst was deposed by a brief revolution in February last. It was expected that Dr. Durand would succeed him, but he was arrested and deported. On November 20 last, the Peruvian Government at a quantity of rifles and war stores which, it is alleged, had been collected by Dr. Durand in connection with an attempt to foment a revolution in Peru.

VOLCANO IN ERUPTION

Reflection of Hawaiian Fire Visible at
Ninety Miles.

[Canadian Press.]
San Francisco, Jan. 8.—The steamer Hawaiian, which arrived here yesterday, brought word that the crater of Mokuawewe, on the island of Hawaii, was again in eruption and that the reflection could be seen for more than 90 miles at sea.

Mokuawewe, a crater of the volcano Mauna Kea, according to Hawaiian tradition, spouts fire but once every seven years.

PORT ROWAN, Jan. 7.—Fishing on the ice by auto, the rather novel amusement, which D. L. Brown enjoyed yesterday. He took his car and ran out on the ice on the lake a couple of miles, and in a short time caught a fine lot of perch.

sides have been extremely heavy. It is stated that about 250,000 in all are engaged, and that both sides are using heavy guns. The Germans are continuously hurrying reinforcements from the Rhine forts.

Gen. Pau, it is stated, is in command of the French forces, which have made progress, despite the fierce resistance of the Germans. French aviators from Belfort are assisting the artillery, the booming of which is heard day and night in the neighborhood of the frontier.

for thinking that gun-firing at the front is more violent than it was in the earlier stages of the war. The rain should, therefore, have commenced shortly after the outbreak of the war. As a matter of fact, nothing of the kind took place. In August and September the rainfall was much below the average.

Plenty of Movement.—"It is surprising to hear the unthinking person imply that we are doing nothing. Herr Beckin, manager of the Hamburg-American Line, says we are lurking in our harbors. Let me say that from the first of August to the middle of November my ship has sailed 17,000 miles, and we have never been very far from the grand fleet. We are playing our own game, not the Germans'. The unthinking ask why we do not go in and attack Kiel, Wilhelmshaven, Cuxhaven and Heligoland. Not much. We have our own plans, and the Germans are certainly not going to lure our splendid fleet into the mine-infested areas and under their fortresses, with the added dangers of submarines."

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CONSTANTINOPLE IN A STATE OF TERROR

Authorities Ready To Flee,
Fearing Attacks and In-
ternal Disorders.

[Canadian Press.]
Sofia, Bulgaria, via London, Jan. 8.—12:34 p.m.—Dispatches reaching here from Constantinople describe the situation in the Turkish capital as increasingly alarming.

The local authorities appear to apprehend not only attacks from the outside, but internal disorders as well. The archives of the state have been packed up ready for removal from the city, and many of them already have been sent away.

Preparations have been completed also for the removal of the treasury, and locomotives are kept constantly under steam in the railroad yards of Stamboul to meet the possible necessity of conveying the officials of the Government to a place of safety at short notice. Preparations have been made at Adrianople for the quartering of the state officials, should eventualities cause them to decide to quit the present capital.

INGERSOLL HOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE

Building Was Doomed Before
Hose Got To Work
On It.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ingersoll, Jan. 7.—Starting from the coal stove, fire which broke out in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wright, Bell street, today, completely destroyed the building. The firemen responded to the alarm with alacrity, but owing to the distance they had to travel, and the fact that it was necessary to lay two thousand feet of hose, the house was doomed to destruction. Willing hands promptly set to work to remove the contents, and the work was marked by much success.

The house was a frame cottage. The loss is partly covered by insurance. Smokestack Blew Down. The high wind today caused the collapse of the large smokestack at the saw works. About twenty-five feet of the stack was blown off. For some time before the crash occurred the smokestack was swaying in a very threatening manner, and many citizens who observed it telephoned the company. Nothing, however, could be done to avert the crash. The damage is estimated at \$200.

Death Today Claimed One of Ingersoll's oldest and best-known citizens in the person of Mrs. McKenzie, relict of the late Edward McKenzie. She had been ill for a week with heart trouble, and took a serious turn Wednesday night. Her husband predeceased her several years ago.

Prayer Service Popular.—The prayer services being held nightly have been largely attended thus far. The services are being held in all the churches and all the ministers are taking part. The choirs are also assisting with the music.

DOLLARS AT PREMIUM.—[Canadian Press.]
Bern, Switzerland, Jan. 8.—10:40 a.m.—The American dollar is now worth 1.05 at Bern. This represents a remarkable rise since the opening of the war, when checks on America yielded only 3 francs 50 centimes (70 cents). The rise in exchange is due to heavy buying of grain in the United States for Switzerland.

January Outpour of Winter Stocks Saturday

The listings for tomorrow will furnish many price surprises, on crisp, new merchandise of the latest style and of the most reliable standard, representing comparatively small surplus stocks, marked for immediate clearance in the various departments at half regular prices in many cases. A careful study of the merchandise offered below will suggest early buying Saturday. **MEN'S UNDERWEAR AND OVERCOATS, BOYS' SUITS AND LADIES' SUITS AND DRESSES** are worthy of special mention at the prices listed for speedy outpour Saturday.

Clearing of Street and Party Dresses About HALF PRICE

30 Dresses, in Serge, Foulard, Charmeuse and Duchess Silk, in Copenhagen, navy, reseda and tan. A group of broken ranges, all odd sizes. Yours may be in this lot; 30 to choose from. Look them over Saturday—\$15.00 to \$55.00 Dresses to be cleared at **\$.85 to \$32.50**

Twelve Party Dresses, \$16.95

These are attractive models, in grey, tan, flame and ivory. The regular prices are \$25.00, \$29.00 and \$32.50. Your choice Saturday for **\$.16.95**

Saturday Clearings At Linen Counter

These items are briefly listed, and besides the lines priced, all Soiled Table Cloths and Odd Napkins will be laid out at tempting reductions for speedy clearance.

5 dozen only Dutch Blue Table Covers 30x30 inch, absolutely fast-washing color. Special, each **29c**

Check Tea Towels, red and blue. Good large size; 15 dozen only. Get your supply early. Each **10c**; dozen, **\$1.10**

About 10 dozen assorted Bath Towels, blue and red assorted. To clear at, each **11c**, 18c and **29c**

25-inch Tea Toweling, red stripe; 150 yards only. Regular 15c quality at, per yard **12 1/2c**

35 only Linen Roller Towels, red borders; 2 1/2 yards to towel. Each **19c**

10 only Scaloped Round Cloths, Damask, in three choice designs; 12x12 inch. To clear at, each **\$3.00**

25 only Supper Cloths, 1 1/4x1 1/4, in assorted designs. All pure linen. Each **85c**

Also final clearing of Soiled Cloths and Odd Napkins at good reductions.

Second Floor.

About One- Third Off Ladies' Fine Winter Under- wear

THREE LINES FOR
SPEEDY CLEAR-
ANCE SATURDAY

Ladies' Silk and Mer-
cerized Vests, high
neck, long sleeves.
Sizes 34 and 36. Regular
\$1.75 and \$1.25.
To clear at **98c**

Pure Silk Combina-
tions, lace yoke, low
neck, no sleeves, tight
knee; three only. Sizes
38 and 40. Regular
\$7.00. To clear **\$4.75**

Cotton Combinations,
natural or white; high
neck, long sleeves,
ankle length. Size 34
only. Regular \$1.00.
To clear **69c**

Main floor.

ANOTHER MILL CLEARING OF MEN'S UNDERWEAR

\$2.25 Elastic Rib Shirts and Drawers, 98c Each

We have secured another 25 dozen shipment—a stock clearing from the mill—300 garments of standard quality, which sell regularly for \$2.25 per garment, \$4.50 a suit. We are most fortunate in securing this lot at this time of the season. They are overmakes, and not seconds—perfect goods—but the quantity is limited. Only 25 dozen, and all sizes for early buyers, 34 to 44, but limited quantities in some sizes. All should be cleared in the forenoon at this very low price—less than half price for best Canadian-made Underwear—per garment **98c**

\$3.00 Combination Underwear, \$1.50 Suit

60 Suits, fine elastic rib, same as above line. Closed crotch style. Sizes 34 to 44. A mill-clearing of \$3.00 goods. Saturday, while they last, per suit **\$1.50**

\$5.00 Combinations for \$2.50

75 Suits, extra fine Combinations, silk and wool, in cream shade, closed crotch style, in sizes 34 to 44. A rare opportunity to get such goods at half price in season, sizes 34 to 44. All \$5.00 quality. Saturday, per suit **\$2.50**

A Clearing of Men's \$28 to \$35 Overcoats \$18.50

Two Pairs of Bloomers With Each

30 Brown Tweed Suits, three-piece, coat and two pairs of bloomer knickers. These Suits have not been known at this price before, and if you have had these two pairs of Knicker Suits, you will know that it gives you practically the wear of two suits, for the coat will always wear out two pair of knickers. These are splendid Suits for school wear, made of good, strong brown tweed, in sizes from 25 to 33. Bring the boys early Saturday, and make sure of your choice **\$4.95**

sizes. All one price.

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Chicken Salad, Bread and Butter and Cup of Tea or Coffee, 15c. Restaurant, 3 to 5:30.

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Prices Reduced One-Half On These Suits

These Suits are amongst the most to be desired of the mid-winter styles. Newest models, in black, navy, taupe, brown and mahogany, of which we will not take space for detail descriptions, further than to give an accurate list of the sizes and prices. Sizes—3-34, 5-36, 1-38, 2-40, 3-42, 4-44, and one each, 37, 41 and 43.

REGULAR PRICES
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SATURDAY, HALF PRICE **\$6.25, \$7.50, \$9.25, \$10.00 and \$12.50**

Saturday morning for your choice.

Grouping of House Dresses Up to \$2, Sat- urday, \$1.39

These merit your early attention Saturday morning.

A table of odd lines in House Dresses, in Gingham, Prints and Percales, in light and dark, with stripes, dots and checks. Worth from \$1.50 to \$2.00. SPECIAL **\$1.39**

LONG KIMONOS, \$1.39 and \$1.50.

Second floor.

A neat style in a Warm Flannelette Kimono, empire effect with sailor collar, in colors, black with heliotrope; navy with white with pipings to harmonize. Sizes 34 to 46. Five dozen only. SPECIAL **\$1.39**

A Dainty Flannelette Kimono, three-quarter length sleeve, V-shaped neck, banding to harmonize around neck, down front and at sleeve. This banding harmonizes with the predominating color in garment. Colors, navy, heliotrope, tan, Copenhagen or grey. Sizes 34 to 44. SPECIAL **\$1.50**

At Toilet Counter.

Peroxide Bath Soap. An extra large square cake of pure vegetable soap. Two large cakes for **25c**

Fairy Soap. Everyone who has used it knows the excellent quality of Fairy Soap. SPECIAL SATURDAY **6 for 25c**

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