ays

TICE!
ime to place your
xt winter's coal.
ice for prices.
H COAL YARD
one 345.

Sale!

Down	Mth. Payment Including Interest	Price
00	$12.00	$1350
00	14.00	1650
00	11.00	1300
00	12.00	1350
00	18.00	2700
50	14.00	1900
00	18.00	2400
00	10.00	1350
00	13.00	1650
00	20.00	2800
00	20.00	2900
00	15.00	1500
00	25.00	3300
00	30.00	3600
00	15.00	1650
00	14.00	1350
00	15.00	2450
00	15.00	1700
00	15.00	1000
00	15.00	1650
00	15.00	2000
00	14.00	1550
00	12.00	1350

r gardens, Eagle Place,
nce $5.00 monthly.
y Exchange
E STREET.
Machine Phone 352.

Sale

Price	Cash Down	M'thly Py'mt
$1400	$200	$12.00
$2500	$1000	Mt'ge
$1700	$200	$12.00
$1450	$200	$12.00
$2400	$200	$15.00
$2500	$200	$15.00
$1600	$400	$14.00
$2000	$200	$15.00
$1350	$150	$12.00
$1850	$200	$15.00
$1500	$300	mt'ge
$1800	$200	$15.00
$1350	$100	$12.00

ANY MORE
houses in West
urs on my list?
RSONS
Fire Insurance
Residence 1782
Kerby Block
EVENINGS.

U SEE
L.
ITH
Real Estate?
rties for sale
change.
almost every
eet.
easy terms.
2 acres up.
SMITH
k Chambers
Machine 233

SALE
house on Brock St.
ottage on Albion St.
ottage Terrace Hill
new red brick on
h Street.
St. Paul's Ave.
use on Chatham St.
house, brick, on
reet.
cottage on Murray
farm near Burford.
farm 4½ miles out.
farm, 7 miles out.
n.
es, near Cathcart.
es near Nixon.
es near Fairfield.
s, nine miles south.
res, near Burford.
es near Waterford.
es near Bealton.
es, eight miles out.
AVILAND
, Brantford.
e 1530

NADIAN NORTH
REGULATIONS
family or any male
who was at the com-
mencement of the present war, and has
not been in the service of a British subject
allied or neutral coun-
a quarter-section of
Land in Manitoba,
erta. Applicant must
t Dominion Lands
y for District. Entry
on certain condi-
onths residence upon
and in each of three
a homesteader may
quarter-section as
3.00 per acre. Duties
s in each of three
homestead patent and
ra. May obtain pre-
on as homestead pat-
tions.
ining homestead pat-
secure a pre-emption,
d homestead in cer-
$3.00 per acre. Must
each of three years,
erect a house worth
may count time of
labourers in Canada
idence duties under
ands are advertised
eturned soldiers who
and have been hon-
eceive one day prior-
ntry at local agent's
-Agency) Discharge
ented to Agent.
W. W. CORY,
ter of the Interior.
publication of this
t be paid for.

Jan—Mar

BRANTFORD DAILY COURIER.

FORTY SEVENTH YEAR | THE COURIER, BRANTFORD, CANADA, SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 1918. | TWO CENTS

GERMANS ASTRIDE SOMME TWELVE MILES EAST OF AMIENS

ALLIES MAKING READY TO LAUNCH COUNTER OFFENSIVE

General Foch in Command of Western Front Forces

British Were Yesterday Pressed Back From Mezieres But all Teuton Attempts Against Demuin Failed After Sharp Fighting---German Offensive Gives Numerous Indications of Waning Strength, and Allies Prepare Counter Stroke

London, March 30.—The Germans attacking yesterday at Demuin and Mezieres pressed back the British from Mezieres, the War Office announced. All the enemy's attempts to capture Demuin broke down after sharp fighting which lasted through the afternoon.

The statement follows:

"North of the Somme only local actions have taken place. South of the Somme the enemy's attacks yesterday at Demuin and Mezieres succeeded in pressing back our troops from the latter village. We secured a number of prisoners in our counter-attacks. At Demuin all the enemy's attempts to capture the village broke down after sharp fighting which lasted throughout the afternoon.

"During the past week our calvary have fought with great gallantry, both mounted and dismounted, and repulsed the enemy, inflicted heavy losses on him in numerous engagements."

THE SITUATION SUMMARIZED.

Fighting on the battle front between the Scarpe and the Oise having diminished greatly except between Albert and Montdidier, Allied forces are being made ready for a counter-blow against the Germans, whose strength has given numerous indications of waning. General Foch, who played a memorable role in stopping the first German rush toward Paris and the channel ports, has been given command of the British, French and American armies in the present operation.

Repulsed in attempts to widen their salient by pressing back the northern and southern wings, the Germans have driven forward in the apex of their wedge toward Amiens and are now astride the Somme about twelve miles east of that important point. Between the Somme and the Avre, the British have retired to a line through Hamel, Marcel Cave and Neuville. Just south of Albert, however, the British hold to the line of the Ancre, which makes a salient into the German line that may prove dangerous to a further enemy advance.

General Foch's appointment to the chief command not only brings all Allied forces under one head, but indicates that the moment for a strong counter-movement probably has arrived. With the Allied reserves and American divisions for a mobile force and the British and French holding the enemy on their flank, General Foch will have full scope for his strategical powers.

The wings of the German salient are its weak points and the Germans failed in their first attempts to strengthen them by capturing Arras and crossing the Oise. As the Germans press forward between Albert and Montdidier without widening their wings simultaneously their position becomes more hazardous. The region about Arras and the line of the Oise offer two positions from which a counter-blow intended to roll up one side of the German wedge can be launched.

The situation is unchanged on the other sectors in France and in Italy. Rather heavy artillery firing continues on the American front northwest of Toul. The activities of the Germans behind lines there are continued, but there have been no indications of pending infantry attacks on a large scale.

Germany's newest war novelty, the long range gun which has been bombarding Paris for a week, has surpassed the bombing airplane in frightfulness. One shell struck a church in the Paris region on the congregation was gathered for a Good Friday observance and 75 persons were killed and 90 injured. Most of the victims were women and children.

Rebel troops in Finland have suffered a serious setback at the hands of the Government forces and are reported to have lost 10,000 prisoners after their defeat at Tammerfors.

ALL WORKING TO WIN WAR IN THE OLD LAND

Capt. W. Bentham Home From Overseas—Escape From Submarine

U-BOAT DESTROYED

"In six months in England I did not see one case of drunkenness among Canadian soldiers. The war is going to make us a better, broad-minded lot of men, it is going to break down the barriers of religious divisions, and unite us instead in bonds of brotherhood."

Such is the conception held by Capt. W. Bentham, 20 Richmond street, who arrived home yesterday after service in England since September last, prior to which time he was paymaster of the 2nd Depot Regiment, C.M.R., at Hamilton.

Capt. Bentham's homeward voyage was signalized by a near-submarine attack, three deaths aboard ship and a drowning. Of the U-boat attack, and its frustration, Capt. Bentham tells a very brief story.

"It happened about half-past eight in the morning, when we were off the coast of Ireland. Most of us were below at breakfast, when we hard the sound of guns. The destroyers which were escorting us dropped two depth bombs, and got the sub. He was only twenty yards from us, but there was a destroyer between."

At Shorncliffe and Witley camps, Capt. Bentham saw a large number of Brantford men, including Lieut.-Col. Cutcliffe, Major McLean, Major Newman, Lieut. Bunnell, Lieut. Oxtaby, and Lieut. Sheppard. He has high praise for the work of the British food controller.

"The ration system is down to a science there," he declares. "Rich and poor are served alike. Civilian rations, when I sailed, were a pound and a quarter of beef a week, one ounce of tea per week and half a pound of sugar. Potatoes and fish are to be had aplenty. In the old land everyone is doing their bit. The thing which struck me most forcibly was the manner in which women are taking up manual labor, and serving as transport drivers, railway porters—it is marvelous the way they have turned in; everyone is working to win the war."

The air raid is commencing to wear upon the nerves of the public, according to Capt. Bentham; the novelty has worn off, and people are learning to dread the air attacks. Capt. Bentham was in London during the raid in which the publishing office of John Bull, and the Convent Gardens were struck.

RECOUNT FOR BRANT

Major Sweet Cables Outcome in the Matter.

Mr. W. S. Brewster, K.C., received the following cablegram from Major E. Sweet, who has been looking after the recount of the soldier vote in Brant in the Old Land:

"Recount finished. Harold loses one vote, otherwise no change. Judge held he had no jurisdiction to consider envelopes set aside or wrongly allocated. Judgment lengthy. Mailing copy.

E. SWEET."

A press cablegram from London, with reference to the above matter, states "the recount demanded by Cockshutt against Harold, is withdrawn," but nothing of this is known locally.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Toronto, March 28.—Fair and mild weather prevails over the Dominion.

Forecasts.

Fair and very mild to-day and on Sunday

FORMER LOCAL PASTOR AT WAR CONFERENCE

Major Rev. Dr. G. W. Kerby of Calgary, a former pastor of Brant Avenue church, passed through Brantford Thursday en route to Ottawa and Washington, D.C. Major Kerby goes to Washington as a representative from Western Canada to attend a special conference on "war problems," called by President Wilson. Major Kerby is president of Mount Royal College, Calgary, and was pastor for eight years of Central Church of that city. He was chief recruiting officer of M. D. No. 13, which includes the province of Alberta. When the Military Service Act came into force he was appointed district military representative for M. D. No. 13, which position he held until the Department of Justice took over the work.

Major Kerby's only son, who is a flight commander in the naval air service, has been decorated by the King for distinguished service in aerial work.

Major Kerby will be in Brantford the latter part of April, and will likely take services in the local churches.

RIOT IN QUEBEC

Military Forces Were Called Out to Quell Disturbances

Quebec, March 29.—The military were called out shortly before 11 o'clock to-night to save Quebec from a mob, which, under some directing spirits, put the Upper Town under a sway of riot and terrorism, and capped its acts by wrecking The Chronicle and L'Evenement offices, breaking into the Auditorium building, destroying all the documents in the Registrar's office, and then setting fire to the building.

The soldiers broke through about ten thousand people, half of whom were onlookers, and forming into a square in front of the burning building presented a solid array of bayonets from four sides of the square, before which even the most violent drew back.

The mob began to disperse just before midnight and soldiers were soon left in sole possession of the streets.

The newspaper offices attacked were those of The Chronicle Publishing Company, owned by Major-General David Watson, commanding the Fourth Canadian Division in France, and L'Evenement. Both plants were wrecked during anti-conscription riots last autumn. They were ardent supporters of the Military Service Act.

All the windows of the two newspaper offices were smashed. The crowd picked up the large lumps of ice lying in the streets and heaved tons of it at the buildings.

No serious injuries were inflicted upon anybody by the crowd. Several policemen are reported to have been bruised by flying ice, but they continued on duty.

Up to the time of the arrival of the soldiers Quebec was in the iron grip of a mob that was spreading terror and ruin about it.

The situation to-night is such that anything may happen. Mayor Lavigueur, faced with the absolute breakdown largely due to the indifference or cowardice of some of the police force, was compelled to call on the soldiers to save his city from events which, up to that time, might have gone to the limits.

ATTENDED CONVENTION

Some fifteen or twenty delegates from the Trades and Labor Council, Independent Labor Party and local unions journeyed to Toronto yesterday to attend a meeting under the auspices of the Dominion Trades Congress with a view to forming a new third party in Canada. Labor men, farmers and Socialists were represented on the floor of the meeting. After much discussion, a platform was adopted similar to the British Labor Party in the old land, and the new organization was formed. Mayor MacBride of this city, was placed on a committee with others to prepare by-laws, etc. to be presented to the different organizations for ratification.

SEVENTY FIVE KILLED WHEN SHELL HIT CHURCH

Long Range Bombardment of Paris Continues; Huns Desecrate Places of Worship—Swiss Counsellor Among Those Killed.

Paris, March 29.—Seventy-five persons were killed and ninety wounded, most of them women and children, when a shell fired by a German long-range gun fell on a church in the region of Paris while Good Friday services were being held, according to an official communication issued this evening.

Among those killed was H. Stroehlin, Counsellor of the Swiss Legation in Paris.

This same church was struck by a shell during the celebration of High Mass last Sunday and many casualties resulted.

The killing of the women and children who were praying in the church, has caused a feeling of horror and intense indignation in aPris. The German explosive missile fell amid a gathering of peace-loving people who were beseeching Heaven to send an enduring peace on the day they were commemorating the greatest sacrifice ever offered that peace should reign on earth.

Feeling runs high in Paris tonight. It is no peace crowd that walks the streets or congregates in the cafes, theatres and churches. The stern resolution to conduct the war to a successful termination, is written on the face of everyone. The American Red Cross once more distinguished itself in rescuing injured persons from the edifice.

M. Gresseau in the Chamber of Deputies late to-night, referring to the disaster, said:

"The barbarian enemy resumed his bombardment on Good Friday and his victims are numerous. It is with extreme sorrow and intense indignation that I note most of them were assembled in churches. We must not forget that justice and right shall have the last word before God and before man."

Jean Bon, Socialist leader, said: "At the moment when women, children and the aged were imploring Heaven to end this horrible butchery, the roof of the church, shattered by steel, responded with blood to their prayers.

"We add our indignant protest to those of the faithful against the crimes of false believers who mix blood with prayers. In France, England and America there will be another conception of justice."

Reception by W.C.T.U.

Collection Made For Silver Thimble and Trinket Fund Was on Exhibition

There was a large turnout at the Y.M.C.A. Thursday night last when the ladies of the W.C.T.U. held a reception for the people who had so kindly donated the large display of trinkets and silverware for the soldiers' free drinks. Many articles were sold at an advance of the price they would bring when remelted, and on Monday there will be an auction of some articles that would not bring much when melted over. A very pleasing program was given by the following: Piano solo, Miss Fuller; chairman's address by Rev. Mr. Martin; solo, Mr. Passmore. Then followed an address by Rev. Mr. Lavell, lately returned from the front. He spoke of the good work of the Y.M.C.A. and also how the W.C.T.U. had so generously been furnishing free hot drinks through their three representatives among the Y.M.C.A. workers. The boys were very appreciative and realized they were being helped both physically and spiritually—and the need was very great. Next came a piano solo by Miss Eloise Beard, followed by a recitation by Master Leslie Brown, and a violin solo by Miss Fuller. Rewards were then given to the successful competitors in the drawings that have been displayed in store windows. This was done by Mr. Adam Shultis. The first prize was to Miss Wrightman, second to Miss Foster, third to Miss Eleanor Porter, fourth to Miss Cossie Laborde. The full amount of money raised will be given out after the Schubert Choir concert, which will be for the benefit of this fund, and due notice will be given as to the date.

MERCHANTS CORNER

If everybody knew all about your goods, what they were like and why they were good, they would still require advertising.

An increase of 100 per cent. in volume of business in less than two years' time is some record—and all due to advertising. The Stanley works had been manufacturing hardware for seventy-four years. Two years ago they started to advertise. As a result the total business for 1916 was three times that of 1915, and the business for 1917, up to May 1st has shown an increase of 2½ times that of 1916!

Say Bourassa Deserves Trial By Court Martial

By Courier Leased Wire

Montreal, March 30—L'Evenement of Quebec, whose offices were wrecked last night, yesterday published a communication which stated that if Henri Bourassa were in France he would be sent before a court-martial on account of his seditious articles. "His articles are directed against the Allies and especially against England, which he constantly represents under the worst possible colors. His articles are of the most criminal and seditious character and have done an irrepairable wrong to the French-Canadians and the Province of Quebec, a great many of our people being influenced by his crazy doctrines.

BRANTFORD LED ALL CITIES

In Bank Clearings Last Week

Gain in This City Was Over Fifty Per Cent.

Toronto, March 28.—A general improvement in trade conditions is reflected in the substantial increases made in the majority of Canadian cities reporting bank clearances for the week ending Thursday. There were three cities that showed a falling off as compared with the same seven-day period in 1917, but in the three instances the decreases were not heavy ones. The greatest increase of all the Canadian cities reporting was made by Brantford, with the week's total at $1,020,543. The gain amounted to $452,830, or 42.89 per cent. Vancouver was second, with clearings at $9,123,085, the increase being $2,881,529, or 46.01 per cent.

Total clearings for all cities reporting amounted to $173,136,786, an increase of $21,309,894, or 14.31 per cent., over the same week in 1917.

CAR PLUNGED OVER BRIDGE; BOY DROWNED

Motoring Fatality Occurred In East Ward on Thursday Night.

DRIVER IS INJURED

Plunging over the Murray street bridge shortly after nine o'clock Thursday night, a Ford car carried nine year old Charlie Ellison to his death in the waters of the canal, while Andrew Ellison, the driver of the car, is lying seriously injured in the hospital. Thomas C. Ellison, the father of the boy, escaped with minor injuries, as did also Cecil Robinson, a companion.

Lost Control of Car

The fatality, which is one of the saddest in Brantford's history, is intensified by the fact that Mr. T. C. Ellison, 14 Webling street, the owner of the car, made the last payment on it only Thursday afternoon, and was on his way home when the accident occurred. With him in the car were his brother, Andrew Ellison, who was driving, his son Charles Ellison and Cecil Robinson, a friend of the latter's. The party were nearing the Murray street bridge, travelling quietly, when the car, with the result that it plunged head foremost into the canal, precipitating all the occupants into the water with the exception of the Robinson boy, who was thrown clear of danger.

Boy Caught In Car

Edward Nichol of 34 Eagle ave., and electrician at the Brantford and Hamilton power house nearby, was the first to hear the noise of the accident, and to raise the alarm. A crowd was not long in gathering, and by the time the fire department arrived upon the scene, the canal banks were thronged. The two Ellisons had been rescued from the water, Thomas with only minor injuries, including a chill and a sprained thumb, and Andrew, more severely hurt. Of little Charles Ellison, no trace could be found, and spectators informed the firemen, after the latter had put in some time working chest-deep in the water, that all of the party in the car had been accounted for. On hearing this, the firemen made preparations to return to the station to don dry clothes, when Fred Unger, city overseer, with the aid of a pocket torch light, descried a limp white hand protruding from the folded bonnet of the car. The firemen once more returned to their work, and were finally successful in removing the body of the boy, which had become so entangled in the top of the car that it was necessary to tear this away. The body of the boy was tenderly conveyed to the undertaking establishment of Reid and Brown. Andrew Ellison had meanwhile been removed to the hospital, where he was attended by Dr. Faris, and Thomas Ellison removed to his home.

Many Rumors

The usual vague and distorted rumors spread throughout the city immediately following the accident. One version reported that at least one man had been killed, in addition to the drowning of the boy; another, that two men and two women were pinned beneath the wreckage of the car at the bottom of the canal; another gained circulation yesterday to the effect that Mr. Andrew Ell-

(Continued on page four)

Conservatives Attention!

A meeting by wards of the Liberal - Conservative Association will be held on Friday and Saturday evenings, March 29th and 30th, at the rooms, corner of King and Dalhousie Sts., Brantford, for the purpose of electing Ward Chairmen for 1918, as follows:

SATURDAY EVENING
Ward Three at 8 p.m.
Ward Four at 8.30 p.m.
Ward Five at 9 p.m.

F. J. CALBECK,
President.
R. R. LONG,
Secretary