

been useful to the allies.

Despite the fact that all along the line between Lens and St. Quentin the German resistance has stiffened, General Haig reports today the capture of Villeret, which straightens his line northwest of Lens. Counter-attacks which the Germans have launched at Monchy and the excellence of the staff arrangements, Counter-attacks which the Germans have launched at stoneny and the close co-operation of the neighboring armies and the orderly advance of the the new German line which, according to unofficial accounts, the whole line," adding "the attack of Viny Germans had not had time to complete before the British offensive Ridge by General Horne's army was a masterpiece of modern tactics." was launched.

destruction of the mines and factories of Lens, which might have France over more than a fifty mile front,

The text of the statement reads:

"We captured last night the village of Villeret, southeast of Hargicourt and progressed northwest of Lens. Full particulars of the booty we took at Levin and in the Souchez River are unavailable but the fact is established that our cap ares were exceedingly large, including a long range six inch naval gun, many thousand rounds of ammunition of all calibre up to eight inch, some trench mortars and great quantities of bombs and grenades of all kinds. In addition, truckloads of new tools, many lengths of tram lines with trucks complete and two large engineer dumps have fallen intact into our possession.

"The attack at Monchy Le Preux on the 14th was pressed by the enemy with great determination. The third Bavarian division, which was brought down to resist our offensive during the battle of Loos in 1915 and later on took part in the fighting near High Wood during the Somme hattle in 1916, was again hurried down to reinforce the divisions already in line. It was ordered to retake Monchy Le Preux at all costs. Its losses in this fruitless attack were exceptionally heavy, as has been the case with all the Bavarian troops throughout the whole recent operations. Of the prisoners taken by us since the 9th more than one-third are Bavarians."

MORE BRITISH GAINS.

London, April 16-The British captured last night the village of Vellerst, southeast of Hargicourt, according to an official statement issued by the British war office. They also made progress northwest of Lens.

Large captures of guns and war material were made by the British at Lievin and on the Souches River in the Lens region. The cannon taken include a six inch naval gun of long range. Truckloads of new tools, many thousands of rounds of munitions and quantities of bombs, grenades and engineering equipment also were captured.

FRENCH INTO SECOND LINE

Paris, April 16-The French penetrated the German second line last night One of Largest Carriers of Bulk country. at several points in Alsace. The war office reports that great numbers of German dead were found in the trenches, which had been torn up by the French shell fire.

Prisoners and booty were brought back by the French. Further gains were made by French troops south of the Oise. There was heavy artillery firing during the night in Alsace, Lorraine, the Champagne, in the region of Soissons and Rheims and south of the Oise. Between Soissons and Rheims the shell fire was particularly severe.

The statement follows:

"Between St. Quentin and the Oise we continued to direct a destructive fire at the defenses of the Germans, who re-plied vigorously in the region south of St. Quentin. South of the Oise we

several points. "In the forest of Parroy we found nu-merous German dead in the trenches blown up by our fire. In the Alsatian plain French detachments at six points

reached the second German line and inflicted serious losses on the enemy. Pris-oners and material were brought back." NEWFOUNDLAND HAS

SPAIN'S POSITION

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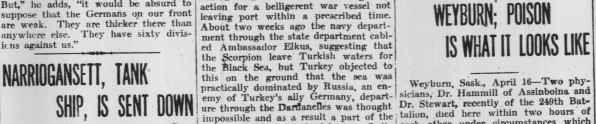
MRS. FRANK SLIPP DEAD

war was a question of life or death with Germany and declares that Spanish com-merce is also a question of life or death to Spain and that the overseas relations cannot be stopped without the immediate ruin of the county.

France over more than a fifty mile front, and says: "We have not hitherto attempted to and savs: fight a great offensive battle with more. than one or, at most, two of our armies

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NINETY HOURS

IN AN OPEN BOAT

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Local medical men were called on Saturday to the Royal Hotel, where Dr. the Danish consulate in Bergen that the The Scorpion is a converted yacht Hammill was found in a precarious con-and has been stationed at Constanti- dition. He lived only a short time after-



MATTER OF FUTURE OF Moncton, April 16 .- The Methodist DAMAGED AT MANILA

Boston, Mass., April 16-Supreme offiwere two resolutions of sympathy for ers of the Royal Arcanum held a con- the words of the speaker, who elicited were two resolutions of sympathy for the bereaved family, one from the town council of Sunny Brae and the other from the citizens of Sunny Brae. Brief addresses were delivered by Rev. James Crisp, pastor of the Sunny Brae Metho-dist church, Rev. C. O. Howlett and Rev. R. M. Bynon. Bantist clergemen

REPORT Crisp, pastor of the C. O. Howlett and dist church, Rev. C. O. Howlett and Rev. R. M. Bynon, Baptist clergymen. Bandmaster Jones of the Silver Band, played the last post. FOR GOD'S BLESSING ON BC FOR GOD'S BLESSING ON BOND

Christiania, Norway, April 15 .- Seamen saved from the torpedoed Danish

ships were sunk forty-two miles from

land and outside the blockade zone.

The Saxo was a Danish steamer o

THE NEWS PRINT SITUATION

Sergt. Whitehouse was wounded in the with the No. 7 Siege Battery. He was

with the No. 7 Siege Battery. He was later appointed recruiting sergeant and was in charge of the recruiting office in Prince William street for some time prior to proceeding overseas. His per-sonality counted high in his success as a recruiting officer and it was through him that the battery secured many a St. John boy of sterling qualities such as he himself possessed.

IS WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE NEUTRAL VESSELS SUNK RALPH CONNOR OUTSIDE U BOAT ZONE

AROUSES GREAT **ENTHUSIASM**

Major Gordon, in New York 711 tons gross, built in 1907 and owned Church, Speaks on Why Canada Entered War

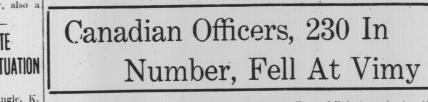
shipping record. There are no recent records of the movement of either of New York, April 16-Alternating be-tween cheers and tears, an immense audience which filled every seat and every inch of space in the Madison Avenue Baptist church, listened last night to an address by Major Charles W. Gordon (Ralph Connor), who spoke on "Why Canada Entered the War." The stirring THE ROYAL ARCANUM deeds of the Canadian soldiers on the European battlefields, which are being prominently chronicled in the news-papers of New York, lent emphasis to

phasized the heroism and fortitude of the women of Canada and those of Great Britain and France and predicted that, "when the American nation is really in the war, American women will thrust OF BRITAIN AND UNITED STATES their men into the army as did those of Canada."

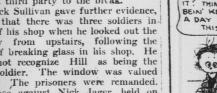
FOR STREET BEGGING

LEWISVILLE AFIRE Manchester, April 16—A special serv-ice will be held in Manchester Cathedral on next Friday "to invoke a divine bene-in the strengthened ties between Day Deskman Corner on charge of beg-

when the case did not come on at the time arranged for, Mr. Ryan asked for the dismissal of the prisoner, as the police, for whose convenience the hour was fixed, failed to appear. He said the man was held only on suspicion and he burgesed that he discharged low area

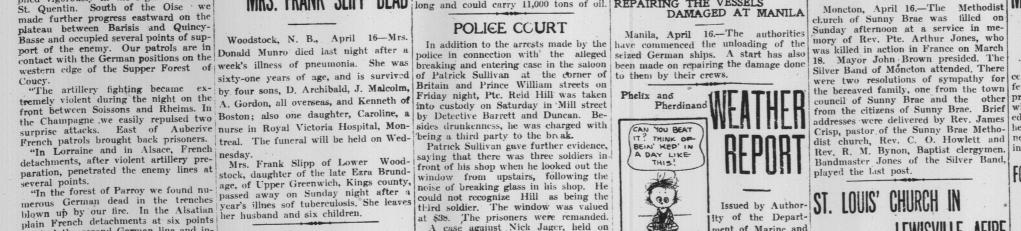


Ottawa, April 16 .- Two hundred and thirty officers fell last week in the



suspicion of stealing a watch, was to come up this morning. William M.

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at \$38. The prisoners were remanded. A case against Nick Jager, held on

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