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THE SITUATION.

The British and the French troops in their recent offensive movement towards Lille met with success, the latter to a greater degree than the former, but both to a satisfactory extent.

This murderer—he has been rightly so branded by the jury investigating the Lusitania horror—is very strong on Scripture. He ought to study that passage regarding those who raise the sword perishing by the sword.

The Russians in the Caucasus are handling the Turks in excellent fashion, but have undoubtedly recently met with serious reverses at the hands of the Germans.

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It is very evident from this that the cap of Uncle Sam will not be tossed into the ring. His added sympathy and help for the cause of the Allies may, however, be taken for granted.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Certain Grit papers which were continually bull-baiting the Borden Government with reference to the war have suddenly ceased. There has evidently been some influence at work to call them off—certainly not their own common-sense.

The Kaiser is still using the term "woe to them," just as if he was controller of the universe.

The words Kultur and Vulture rhyme in every sense.

One story is that the Germans burned forty-two British soldiers who were in a hangar. It sounds incredible, but then look at their crimes in Belgium and their gloating over the innocent victims of the Lusitania.

It is stated that President Wilson may address a personal letter to the Kaiser. If so, it may be regarded as booked for the waste-basket route.

The Lusitania murder has given a boost to recruiting in the Old Land. Nothing can quell or cow the British spirit.

In a recent engagement the Turks in hurried retreat are reported to have abandoned their tents. That was because the firing was intense.

EDITOR JACK ROGERS GONE.

Toronto May 11—Latest word from England gives no hope of any more passengers on the Lusitania being saved. E. S. Cowper, private secretary of J. R. Rogers, editor of "Jack Canuck," sent the following cable to Mrs. Rogers yesterday: "Sadly afraid Rogers gone. Last seen a minute before final plunge. Quite unconcerned and with baby in arms."

Rogers has evidently died like a Briton, and whatever may have been his public standing, his most bitter enemy must grant him the honor of a "hero's death." He died as he had lived—"game."

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Children's Hero Not Millionaire Sportsman Now

Queenstown, May 11.—The body of Albert Thompson, of Toronto, brought in by an admiralty trawler last night was found drifting with wreckage near the coast not far from the scene of the Lusitania disaster, which leads to the hope that additional bodies may be found in the vicinity.

A current of from two and one-half to three knots races around Old Head, Kinsale and this has been augmented by a stiff east wind, which at the end of eight or nine days may carry bodies ashore around Cape Clear on the west Irish coast.

The Cunard Steamship Company, after much trouble, has sent a tug to the scene of the disaster with instructions to run into the nearest cove and inform Cunard officials here if even a single body is found.

Mrs. Stanley B. Lines of Toronto, paid a glowing tribute to the gallantry of Alfred Vanderbilt and his valet, Ronald Denver, "People will not talk of Mr. Vanderbilt in the future," said Mrs. Lines, "as a millionaire sportsman and a pleasure-seeker. He will be remembered as 'a children's hero' and men and women will salute his name."

When death was nearing him he showed a gallantry which no words of mine can adequately describe," said Mrs. Lines. "He stood outside the palm saloon on the starboard side, with Ronald Denver by his side. He looked on the scene of horror and despair with pitying eyes. 'Find all the kiddies you can' he said to his valet."

The man rushed off immediately collecting children and as he brought them to Mr. Vanderbilt the latter dashed to the boats with two little ones in his arms at a time. When he could no longer find any children he went to the assistance of the women and placed as many as he could in safety.

In all the work he was gallantly assisted by Ronald Denver, and the two continued their efforts until the very end. I hope the young men of Britain will act the same for the country now as Mr. Vanderbilt did for somebody's little ones."

When the Lusitania was in cooler death throes there was no her group aboard than that composed of Mme. Marie Depage, Herbert S. Stone

London W. Bates, Jr. and Dr. J. T. Houghton. The last named was the only survivor of the party. This little band guided women and children, supplied life belts, bound up the wounds of other passengers and then plunged hopelessly into the sea, having given up their own life preservers.

LOCAL CASUALTY LIST

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this gallant deed was the presentation at the hands of Her Majesty of the V.C. and the privilege to retire and wear the prescribed uniform, and retain his rank of captain. He was a visitor at most regimental or Highland functions in Aberdeenshire.

At the outbreak of the war he offered his services to the War Office and was attached to the base hospital in France, where with his special typing machine, he is playing the best part he can, writing letters for disabled soldiers.

PTE. W. BABCOCK was 36 years of age, and has led an adventurous life, soldiering in many lands under the British flag. He has been in the Egyptian campaign, and was present at Tel Keber, had served through the Boer war, and was in the big fights at Paardeburg and Petermaritzburg. He is unmarried and resided with Mr. Hunter, being employed at the Bixel Brewery.

PTE. CLAUDE CHARLTON employed before enlistment with the G. S. & M. Company, was well known throughout the city. He has served in the United States navy for two years and in the New York National Guard for two years. He resided at 154 Nelson street.

Mrs. Kirby has received the following letter with reference to her son, who left with the first contingent—13 Stationary Hospital, Boulogne, Ward 6. April 24, 1915.

Your son, Tom Kirby, armoured, came into this hospital this morning, suffering from a head wound of a serious nature, but he is so far very fairly well, quite as well as can be expected, and I trust will do well. I will write again. He sends his love. Yours faithfully, May Bradford.

Pte. A. G. Holway is the latest Brantfordite to be reported wounded in the Ypres battle, and according to a letter received yesterday by his mother he was wounded over the left eye and overcome by the asphyxiating gases which the Germans used with temporary success in their advance. He is now in a hospital somewhere in France. No further details are included in the letter, but Pte. Holway expressed grave anxiety for his fellow-soldiers of the 4th Battalion, which lost heavily in the fighting.

PTE. KINSELLA is another of the men who left Brantford with the first contingent to be wounded. He was injured during the Ypres fighting and it is not known how seriously. He is unmarried and had followed farm work as a vocation.

PTE. A. J. BARNES, also on the wounded list, had been an active member of the Dufferin Rifles and when the call came for the first contingent, took prompt action to volunteer. He is an Englishman by birth and was an employe of the Massey-Harris works. He enjoys the regard of a large number of friends.

Dame Rumor Very Busy at Present

Paris, May 11—It is being persistently rumored in Paris that Germany and Austria-Hungary have already declared, or are about to declare war on Italy in anticipation of such action on their part directed against themselves. This report, however, has received no confirmation of any kind.

Another rumor which made its appearance on the Bourse to-day is that the Italian Government has signed an agreement with the allies, Great Britain, France and Russia to take part in the war not later than May 26. This rumor also is without confirmation.

Military writers are presenting the argument that war for Germany and Austria on a third frontier undoubtedly will make the resistance of the central empires on their other fronts more feeble, so much so that with the advent of Italy, victory over Germany is set for the middle of the summer.

THINK! If it Comes Thru Wires or Pipes We do it RIGHT T. A. COWAN THE BLUE FRONT STORE 81 COLBORNE STREET PLUMBING - HEATING - LIGHTING

BUTTER WRAPPERS Since the war in Europe commenced, Butter Wrapper stock has almost doubled in price. THE COURIER

The new principal has been appointed to St. Andrews. The King on the recommendation of the Secretary of Scotland, has approved the appointment of the Rev. John Herkless, D.D., Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the University of St. Andrew, to be Principal of the University in succession to the late Sir James Donaldson.

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LOCAL THE TEMPERATURE Record for the last 24 hours: 31; highest 65. REMOVAL M. H. Robertson and Co. SCHOOL CLOSURES The Armenian night school Congregational church has no services for the summer months.