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TO-DAY'S Messages.
10.30 A.M.
NEW MINISTER OF WAR MAKES FIRST SPEECH.

PARIS, To-day. General Rogues as Minister of War, made his first speech in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday, since his entry into the Cabinet and spoke in connection with the medical treatment of French Colonial troops at Guadaloupe and Antilles. The new Minister also came to the defence of the French Creole Battalions against the charge made by a previous speaker of Colonialists trying to evade military service. He had served with Creole soldiers and had great affection for them, said General Rogues, with a good deal of warmth. Whatever their rank they were respected by the entire army. He would not allow them to be disparaged. If any partiality was shown against them, the Minister said, he would make a severe example of persons responsible for it. The Minister's speech was loudly applauded in all parts of the Chamber.

THE RESCUE OF PRISONERS FROM SENUSI TRIBESMEN.

LONDON, To-day. The war office last night made public the following official communication: A further report has been received from Egypt, regarding the liberation of 31 prisoners, who were in the hands of Senussi tribesmen. The rescue expedition which was entirely separate from the action on March 14 when the British captured Sollum. It took place on March 17. Nine armoured cars and twenty-six other cars, ten motor ambulances left Sollum at 3 o'clock in the morning, guided by Capt. Royle and two native prisoners for Elmitkin seven miles from Sollum, but the actual distance travelled was about 121 miles. At the approach of the cars, the guards fled, but they were pursued and killed. All the cars returned safely, bringing back the prisoners who are being cared for in hospital. Their condition is reported as being satisfactory. Only two prisoners remain in the hands of the enemy. There is some hope they may be rescued.

KNIGHT OF THE GARTER.

LONDON, To-day. It is announced Baron Hardinge will be appointed Knight of the Garter on his retirement as Viceroy of India. The announcement was made about the middle of January that Baron Chelmsford, former Governor of Queensland and New South Wales, had been appointed Viceroy of India in succession to Baron Hardinge.

RUSSIANS PRESS THE GERMANS ON A 70 MILES LINE.

NEW YORK, To-day. Except on the front near Gommeourt and Bethune La Bassee Road, where the British gained some advantages in fights against the Germans, no infantry engagements have taken place along the line in France and Belgium. Heavy fighting, however, is on between the Germans and the Russians on the eastern front, from the region of Riga southward. The Germans northwest of Verdun are keeping up their violent shelling of Malcourt Sector and have again trained their guns on the French front at Homme Cimetiers, probably preparatory to fresh infantry attacks in the endeavour to break through the line when the moment seems propitious.

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St. Pierre Bulletin.

PARIS (Official), Midnight, 23rd. North of the Aisne a destructive fire was opened up on the German works of Valenciennes. In Argonne we have concentrated our fire on German works, roads and railroad tracks of eastern Argonne and Malancourt wood. West of the Meuse there has been a continuous bombardment of our lines running between Malancourt, Bethincourt, Mort Homme and Cumières. East of the Meuse and in Woëvre artillery action has been renewed in strength. No infantry attack during the day. In the Vosges we shelled German cantonments in the vicinity of Mühlbach. Belgian Official Report:—On the greatest part of the Belgian front the usual artillery activity. Nevertheless on the 23rd, north of Steenstraete, artillery duel became exceedingly heavy and developed a very unusual violence, but our batteries repelled most vigorously to the enemy batteries.

NOON.

NO ADVANTAGE SAYS THE GERMAN.

LONDON, To-day. According to a German official communication, not even the smallest advantage against the unshaken German defence has been obtained anywhere in this great offensive which the Russians have undertaken in north-west Russia. While Berlin declares the Russians ceased their vicious attacks in the neighborhood of Postav and eastward of the railway between Drinsk and Vlna, Russia officially announces fighting there continues, and that southwest of Lake Narocz the Russian troops again advanced under violent bombardment of Austrians, combatting the Russians in Galicia. The Italians along the Austro-Italian frontier appear to be holding the lines without change.

WILL PAY THE GERMANS IN THEIR OWN COIN.

PARIS, To-day. Would fire has been the means by which the Germans gained the portions of trenches mentioned in recent official communication says the Journal Des Debats. The Military Committee of the Chamber of Deputies after inquiring into methods for the Russian use of gas, has concluded that such attacks will use similar weapons in reprisal. One can easily understand, says the newspaper, the superiority of this terrible arm. For the payone, even though it may expose the man who carries it to the danger of death in case that a fragment of gas should strike it. On the other hand it gives an attack a power and cruelty of which our communications are bearing witness. The newspaper adds that France will use every means at their disposal for paying the Germans in their own coin and therefore should pay them.

12.45 P.M.

ROMANIA COMING IN.

LONDON, To-day. The Athens correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphs the following taken from the Athens Press: Rumania is bound to the Allies by special treaty with Russia, the date of her intervention is not settled, but will shortly be decided. The conclusion of negotiations closely related to the Russian preparation for an offensive.

SQUIRE'S DAUGHTER ACCOMPLICE OF SPI.

LONDON, To-day. An astonishing story of an English woman spy who was associated with the German spy was related in the Commons yesterday by Mr. C. P. Trevelyan. While discussing the alleged high-handed acts of the Government, he told about an English squire who returned from partridge shooting to learn that his daughter had been carried off by the police. For a fortnight he was unable to discover her whereabouts. Finally he found that she had been thrown into jail and cross-examined without having any legal aid. She still remains under lock and key. Many members were much impressed by the apparent injustice done to a woman, until Sir F. Smith, the Attorney-General told the other side of the story. This squire's daughter, he said was an intimate friend of a German spy, who had fled from England because he was connected with attempts at assassination last May, said Smith. She went to Switzerland to meet the spy and returned carrying a message to one of his accomplices. When she was arrested, literature was found in her possession, that advocated revolution and murder.

A GENERAL OFFENSIVE.

ROME, To-day. According to information from Saloniki the Bulgarian Commander-in-Chief has arrived at the Macedonian front, preparatory to a general offensive which has been ordered by the German headquarters staff. A simultaneous offensive will be made on all fronts by Germans, Austrians, Turks and Bulgarians against French, British, Italian and Russian, both in European and Asia.

NO CHANGE AROUND VERDUN.

PARIS, To-day. There has been no change in the situation around Verdun since yesterday according to the War Office announcement yesterday afternoon. West of the Meuse the night was calm, East of the River there was intermittent bombardments.

Boys Beat Their Way.

Two boys, aged thirteen years each, stole passages by the outgoing train last evening. They were not apprehended until the train reached Biggles Junction, at which station they were put off by the conductor and put on board the next incoming train this morning under escort. On arrival they were handed over to the police. They were arraigned before Mr. F. J. Morris, K.C., to-day, but were let off with a caution. The Reid Company not wishing to press for punishment.

RINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DYPH. THERIA.

Supreme Court.

Before Full Bench.

In the Case of Ryan Brothers vs. The Mutual Insurance Club.

On motion of Howley, K.C., for Plaintiff, and by consent of Mr. S. J. Foote, for Defendant, this appeal is set down for Monday, April 3rd, at 11 a.m.

In the Case of Thomas Silvey vs. Elizabeth Hickey, and the Case of Elizabeth Hickey vs. Thomas Silvey.

On motion of Howley, K.C., for Plaintiff, and by consent of Mr. B. Dunfield, for Defendant, this appeal is set for Wednesday, 5th day of April, at 11 a.m.

Recruits for the Navy.

The recruits for the Royal Naval Reserve are coming along steadily, over twenty having joined the past week, two more are expected. Their names are: E. J. Lawlor, Horse Cove, St. John's West; J. J. Furlong, St. John's; Geo. W. Druggett, John Compagnon, Shaws; P. Edwards, W. Sheppard, W. J. Druggett, J. M. Yonson, Bay of Islands; C. Picher, Peter Pearcey, Whiterton; W. J. Chapman, J. J. Hobbs, J. M. C. Edwards, A. Verman, Keels, B.B.; L. Cooper, L. G. Hodder, A. Kelly Ireland's Bay, T.P.; W. J. Smith, Marquise, P.B.; John Power, Dunville, P.B.

Burglars Baffle Police.

The police detectives are completely baffled over the numerous burglaries and larcenies committed in the city this winter, especially during the past few weeks. In business houses, including cash registers and safes, have escaped the attention of the crack-down gangsters, who have also visited during the midnight hours many residences in various parts of the city and stole therefrom. In several of the cases reported, there are slight clues, but so far no arrests have been made.

Train Notes.

The express which left here Tuesday reached Port aux Basques shortly after noon to-day. Yesterday's outgoing express left Grand Falls at 11:20 a.m. to-day. The incoming train leaves Port aux Basques this afternoon. The Trepassey train reached town at noon to-day. The train from Carboneau arrived at 1 p.m. to-day.

Reids' Boats.

The Kyle reached Port aux Basques at 2:10 a.m. to-day, and will leave after arrival of train this afternoon. The Meigle left Placentia at 5 a.m. yesterday, going west. The Sagona left St. John's at 7:15 a.m. for Port aux Basques.

Here and There.

WEATHER REPORT.

The weather along the railway line to-day is: N.W. winds, strong and snowing in places, the temperature ranges from 23 to 30 above.

STEPHANO LEAVES.

The s.s. Stephano is back to New York again and is expected to get away from there again on Monday next for this port with a full cargo.

RETURNERS FROM CANADA.

Mr. F. Rioux, who has been visiting Montreal and other points in Canada, is a passenger on the incoming express, after being absent two months.

KYLE'S PASSENGERS.

The following passengers arrived on the s.s. Kyle at 2:10 a.m. to-day: Mr. F. Rioux, R. Moulton, Jno. L. Slattery, C. F. Piercey, F. Smallwood, Miss H. Stanley, Geo. W. Shaw, A. McKin, Geo. F. Grimes, Wm. Johnstone.

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YOUR BOYS AND GIRLS
The habit of commencing dinner with soup which is really digested before it enters the stomach is a good one as it soon enters the blood and refreshes the hungry child in a few moments. The soup introduces at once into the system a small instalment of ready digested food, and saves the short period of time which must be spent by the stomach in digesting some portion of nourishment from solid aliment, as well as indirectly strengthening the organ of digestion itself for its forthcoming duties.
If this applies to an adult, whose digestion is strong, as a rule, how much more should it apply in the nursery and in the feeding of young children. It should explain clearly to every mother why meals for her children should be based so frequently upon a well made soup, containing the constituents of every food needed for the proper development of this child.
All men in Germany between the ages of 18 and 40 years who hitherto have been exempted from the army in consequence of employment in Government work were called to the colours on March 6th.

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fannelette with pipings of blue...
pink, long sleeves and turned...
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day, Saturday and Monday... 21c

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Genuine Hair Switches, strands to each switch, full...
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Just a few dozen of plain White Cotton Pillow Slips; size 21 x 33, wide hem at open end. Reg. 25c. each. Friday, Saturday and Monday...
21 cts.