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ST. ANDREWS, N. B., CANADA.

Saturday, 3rd November 1917

PROGRESS OF THE WAR

[October 25 to October 31.]

THE week under review has proved to be one of the most eventful of the whole war, and a very disastrous one to he Italian arms. The other nations of the Entente Allies gallantly held their own, and something over.

In the Western campaign the Belgians and French captured German positions in Flanders south of Dixmude in what is known as the Merckem Peninsula, on a front of nearly four miles and to an average depth of over one mile. The French and British also made further substantial gains on the Ypres salient. On the Aisne the French held all the ground gained in the preceding week and made a slight additional gain. On the Meuse much activity prevailed, resulting in a slight loss to the French.

Practically no hostilities were reported in the Russian campaign, the most conspicuous feature of which was the retirement of the Germans on the extreme north of their front. Nothing was reported concerning hostilities in the Caucasus.

The week was without news of any important events in the campaigns in Mesopotamia, Palestine, East Africa, and the Balkans.

The event which will make the week a memorable one in the annals of the war was the debacle of the Italians on the Julian front, all their gains of previous months having been lost and their own territory invaded by an overwhelming German and Austro-Hungarian drive. The Italians are said to have lost over 120,000 men as prisoners, besides many guns; the ground taken by the enemy amounting to about 1000 square miles. At the week's close it was not certain that the Teuton advance had been checked, but this seemed to be the case. This disaster to the Italian arms will doubtlessly cause alterations, possibly delays, in the plans of the Entente Allies; but though it is serious enough, it cannot have any effect on the ultimate result of the war.

Very little news transpired of naval and submarine activities during the week. The British official statement for the week ending October 27 announced the sinking by mines and submarines of fourteen British merchantmen over 1,600 tons, and four vessels under that tonnage. No fishing vessels were lost. The daily press has furnished during the week very few of the items we usually print under the heading "News of the Sea," thereby indicating the strictness of the news censorate.

Air raids were a promenent feature of the week. One on England on Tuesday was repelled before damage was inflicted and another was reported to be in progress on Wednesday, but the damage done, if any, had not been announced.

There was much political uprest during the week, both in belligerent and neutral countries. In Italy a new cabinet assumed office; in Spain a new and fusion government was in anticipation; in Germany a new Chancellor assumed office. Political feeling was also said to be getting bitter in France. The long-anticipated declaration of war by Brazil against Germany was made during the week. The number of nations friendly to Germany is steadily diminishing.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

Again we must remind some of our Subscribers that they have overlooked the fact that their subscriptions are in arrears. Statements of subscriptions due and overdue were sent out in the latter half of September, and many subscribers thus reminded made prompt payment; but a number (a large number, we regret to say) have not responded as we hoped and wished. This compels us to repeat the request for payment of arrears. The change in date on the address slip is sufficient acknowledgement of subscriptions received. The slips are corrected to October 30.

DEATH OF GOVERNOR GANONG

IT is no empty form of words to say that the death of His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Gilbert Ganong is a distinct loss to the Province in general, and especially so to the County of Charlotte but to the Town of St. Stephen it is little short of a calamity. During the nearly forty-five years' residence in the Border Town he identified himself in the most helpful way in its steady progress, and came by degrees and real merit to be regarded as the leading citizen. He was a genuine leader in all commercial, social, and educational matters;—a staunch political party-man, without rancour; deeply religious, without cant; grandly generous and charitable, without ostentaion;—his career is an exemplar to the younger generation, and a source of pride and satisfaction to the surviving members of his family and to the community in which he dwelt so long. His tenure of the office of Lieutenant-Governor was very short, but long enough to vindicate the wisdom of his appointment and to demonstrate his especial fitness for the highest office in the Province under the Crown.

DOMINION ELECTIONS

IT is officially announced that the Dominion General Election is to take place on Monday, December 17, and Nomination Day will be Monday 19. These are the exact dates previously surmised, as announced in the BEACON.

The political situation throughout Canada continues to be a complicated one, and the question of candidates seems to be causing much embarrassment. The natural desire of the Union Government and its supporters is to avoid as many election contests as possible; but the difficulty appears to be for the opposing parties in the various constituencies to have joint conventions at which candidates satisfactory to both parties can be selected. This is particularly the case in Charlotte County. A convention should certainly be held, and as soon as possible. St. Stephen is unquestionably the best place in the Country wherein to hold such a joint political gathering at the present time. St. Andrews is more central, but not so accessible in the winter owing to the restricted railway and steamboat service. Then, too, Kennedy's Hotel being closed for the winter, there is also restriction in the hotel accomadation.

We do not know who is expected to take the initiative in calling a convention, but that duty might fairly devolve upon Mr. T. A. Hartt, who has represented the constituency at Ottawa for six years. Whoever may be the convenor, the convention must be one at which both political parties shall be fairly and equally represented, in which case it ought to be possible to select a candidate who would be returned without opposition. We have heard one or two names mentioned that *might* be accepted by both parties, but until the names are submitted to a Union Convention it is unavailing to discuss them. We can only hope the Convention will be called at once, and that the candidate selected thereat will be elected by acclamation. The two political parties are pretty equally divided in Charlotte County on most questions, but one the question of "Win the War" there is no difference of opinion between the two, whatever.

TWO COMMITTEES IN CABINET

WAR AND RECONSTRUCTION

Ottawa, Oct. 24.—The War Committee of the Cabinet and the Reconstruction and Development Committee, with ten members of each, have been announced as follows:

WAR CABINET—Chairman, Sir Robert Borden.

Vice-Chairman, Hon. N. W. Rowell, president of the Privy Council.

Major-General Mewburn, Minister of Militia and Defence.

Sir Thomas White, Minister of Finance.

Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, Minister of Marine and Fisheries and Naval Service.

Hon. C. J. Doherty, Minister of Justice.

Hon. F. B. Carvell, Minister of Public Works.

Hon. A. L. Sifton, Minister of Customs.

Hon. P. E. Blondin, Postmaster-General.

Sir Edward Kemp, Minister of Overseas Military Forces.

RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE—Chairman, Sir Robert Borden.

Vice-Chairman, Hon. A. K. McLean.

Sir George Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce.

Sir Thomas White, Minister of Finance.

Hon. J. D. Reid, Minister of Railways and Canals.

Hon. J. A. Calder, Minister of Immigration and Colonization.

Hon. Arthur Meighen, Minister of the Interior.

Hon. T. A. Crerar, Minister of Agriculture.

Sir James Lougheed, chairman of the Military Hospitals Commission.

Hon. Senator Robertson, Minister without portfolio.

MARRIED

ELLIOTT-LEAVITT

Miss Clara May Leavitt and Mr. Earl Elliott, of Black's Harbor, were married at St. George's Church, St. George, by Rev. J. W. Holland.

ADAMS-JOHNSON

Miss Annie Johnson, of Grand Manan, and Mr. Jno. Adams, of Black's Harbor, were married on Monday, Oct. 22, at the Rectory, St. George, by Rev. J. W. Spencer, of St. Mark's Church.

THE RED CROSS SOCIETY

At the annual meeting of the Red Cross Society, which was held on Wednesday afternoon in All Saints' Schoolroom, the President, Mrs. G. H. Stickney, in the course of her brief opening address said; "We little thought when Lady Tilley organized a branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society in St. Andrews on August 27, 1914, that on Oct. 31, 1917, we should still be carrying on the work of knitting and sewing for our wounded soldiers who have done and are doing their part so bravely on the fields of France. I hope and pray that it will not be long before this cruel war is at an end and peace is restored, but as long as it lasts I hope God will give us strength to work on and do all that we can to help and encourage our dear, brave men fighting for us at the front and lying wounded in our hospitals.

"The Society is greatly indebted to the Rector and the corporation of All Saints' Church for the use of the Sunday Schoolroom and for the fuel to heat it in the winter months. To Mrs. Shaughnessy the Society is also much indebted, as each one of the garments that have been made by this branch has been cut out by her. We are further indebted to all those who have been so generous in giving us donations of material and money to carry on our good work; and lastly, I personally, wish to thank you all, members of the Society, for your kindness to me as President of the Red Cross Society. You have all helped me so much in this great work, especially the Treasurer and the Secretary, and I am deeply grateful to you all and hope that you will continue on in the good work."

The Treasurer, Mrs. Fred Andrews, gave the following very satisfactory financial report for the year ended Oct. 30, 1917.

	Receipts	
Oct. 25, 1916,	Cash on hand	$22.73
	In the Bank of N. S.	428.31
	Fees	133.95
March, 1917,	Annonymous	116.75
April, "	Miss Kerr from recital	6.50
June 8,	Entertainment by St. Stephen "Y's"	76.84
June 14,	Proceeds of entertainment per Mrs. Elliott	92.10
Aug. 29,	Per Mrs. Joseph	101.75
Sept. 6,	Golf Club	199.50
Sept. 6,	Seven little girls	61.00
Sept. 12,	Chamcook entertainment	61.00
Sept. 16,	Miss S. Sparks	50.00
Oct. 18,	Junior Red Cross Tag Day per Mrs. Elliott	106.57
	Other contributions including monthly payments from the men of the town.	491.70
	Total	1948.70
	Expenditure	
	Canadian Red Cross	$490.00
	British Red Cross Appeal	200.00
	French Red Cross	5.00
	Supplies	625.00
	Telephone, express, etc.,	45
	Paid cash for country yarn	6.00
	Stamps, etc.,	75
	Total	1338.20
	Balance in Bank	610.50
	Received since Oct. 31,	5
	Cash on hand	22.00

The records show that the following articles have been forwarded to headquarters in St. John by this branch during the year ended Oct. 1917.

99 Hospital shirts
111 Sheets
2 Pillow slips
34 Wash cloths
1 Personal property bag
190 Bandages (15 doz. and 10)
6 Crutch Pads
800 Gauze sponges
1015 Mouth wipes
4 Prs. bed socks
1 Pr. kneecaps
2 Prs. mitts
2 Scarves
684 Prs. socks
8 Prs. Wristlets
845 Knitted sponges (70 doz. and 5)
12 Trench caps
10 Kit bags
381 Xmas Stockings
2 Sleeveless sweaters
4209 Articles in all.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:

President Mrs. G. H. Stickney
1st. Vice Mrs. George Elliott
2nd. " Mrs. M. N. Cockburn
3rd. " Mrs. George Hibbard
4th. " Mrs. George Babbitt
Treasurer, replacing Mrs. Fred Andrews, who will be out of town during the winter, Mrs. Vernon Lamb
Secretary Miss Katie Broad

The meetings of the Society will be held in future on Friday afternoons from 3 to 4 o'clock in All Saints' Schoolroom at the same time that the Parish Library will be open This new arrangement is made in order to save fuel during the winter. In the early part of the new year the Society intends holding a card party to raise more money to meet its heavy expenses.

Mrs. Fred Andrews, retiring treasurer, was thanked most heartily for the splendid way in which she had filled the post which she vacates.

Mrs. G. H. Stickney was re-elected president by the unanimous vote of all present in token of the appreciation by all members of her steadfast endeavors on behalf of this branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society.

Up-River Doings

St. Stephen, N. B., Oct. 31.

Miss Margaret Murchie left last week for Manchester, Mass., to visit Misses Vera and Lelia Murchie.

Miss Amelia Kennedy, who visited St. Stephen last week, has returned to her home in St. Andrews.

Mrs. W. L. Dixon, of Calais, is disposing of her millinery stock this week, so that she can go to California with her sister, Mrs. E. A. Jackson, to spend the winter.

Mr. Charles F. Pray has purchased the well-known garage of Mr. Charles E. Phinney, on Main Street, Calais, and will continue the business there.

Mrs. John Black has returned from a visit in Woodland, Me.

Mrs. G. Durell Grimmer was in St. Stephen last week for a brief visit.

Mrs. Louis Abbot has returned from a short visit in Boston.

On Thursday evening the ladies of the Oak Bay church are to give a concert and pie supper in Forester's Hall, to mark the ninth anniversary of the rectors, Rev. W. D. Blackall's, charge of St. David's Parish

Dr. H. T. Bradish, who has been visiting relatives in Calais, has returned to his home in New York City.

Mrs. Edgar G. Beer, who has been in New York City for the past few weeks, has arrived home.

The engagement of Miss Effie Williams, of St. Stephen, to Mr. Stearns A. Worrell, of Calais, is announced.

Mr. Hazen Moulton, C. E., has been visiting in St. Stephen during the past week.

Mr. J. Edwin Ganong arrived from Toronto at noon to-day, called here by the death of his uncle, Lieut.-Governor Ganong.

Mr. Frank T. Bixby arrived from Halifax to-day.

Mrs. Helen M. Kelley has been visiting her friend, Mrs. Ellen Coney, in Calais.

Mrs. George A. Curran has returned from a visit in Winchester, Mass, with her brother, Mr. Charles W. Young.

Mrs. W. B. King has gone to Springfield, Mass., to spend the winter with relatives.

Mr. S. A. McBride has returned from a vacation of three weeks spent in Nova Scotia.

Mr. A. E. Forsythe has been in Veasey, Me., during the past week, called there by the death of his aunt, Mrs. Sarah McNutt.

Mrs. Charles T. Waite left on Monday for Portland, Me., where she will spend part of the winter.

Mrs. C. A. Lindow leaves at an early date for Presque Isle, where her husband is employed.

Mrs. B. S. Shorten left on Saturday for Boston for an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Skiffington Murchie celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage on Friday evening, with a very pleasant party at their home, on Hinckley Hill, Calais. Mrs. Murchie was presented with a sum of money in gold, and other golden gifts. Dainty refreshments were served at the close of the evening. The floral decorations were roses and yellow chrysanthemums.

The violent storm of Tuesday night was felt very severely both in Calais and St. Stephen. Trees were uprooted and severely broken, chimneys were blown off houses, and much damage done in other ways.

The Hallowe'en party given in the Methodist vestry, on Tuesday evening, was a great success, and was well attended in spite of the storm. The money realized if for the Methodist Mission Circle.

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