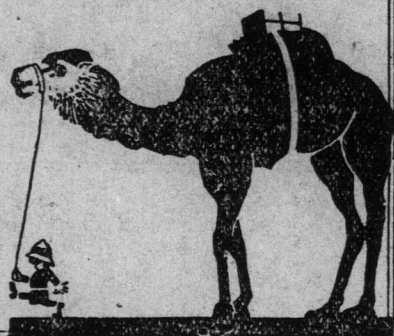


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War News.

Messages Received Previous to 9 A.M.

OFFICIAL.

LONDON, Jan. 2. The Governor, Newfoundland: The French Government reports action chiefly confined to artillery, and a night attack on Metz Station by aeroplane.

The Russian Government reports the German offensive checked at various points, and the enemy suffering heavy losses; also successful operations against the Austrians in Western Galicia.

HARCOURT.

ST. PIERRE BULLETIN.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—(Official.) During the night 31st Dec. to 1st Jan., the enemy attacked on many points of the battlefield, but every attack was repulsed. The district north of the Y was the scene during New Year's Day of an artillery contest, particularly sharp on Neuport Dunes and at Zonnebeke. At St. George's the enemy ceased to counter-attack, and all our gains are maintained. In Arras, Albert and Reims regions were artillery duels. The enemy blew up two of our caissons between Beaumont and Achin-court, but we overthrew the German trenches at Parvillers Boisselle, and silenced the German fire opposite Pri-court. Our artillery was also successful in the Alsace district, silencing the German artillery and dispersing several forces. We also established ourselves on Novroun Plateau in excavations effected by mining explosions. The Germans were unable to reach the position before us, neither were they able to dislodge us; every one of their counter attacks failing. Rheims region was fiercely bombarded. In the Perthes region we captured and held a wood situated two kilometres northeast of Mesnil les Hurles. The enemy failed in a counter attack. In Gurie Woods, Ar-gonne, the slight drawback reported yesterday, was insignificant. We have recaptured nearly all lost ground and have a strong hold on our positions. On the heights of the Meuse was an artillery duel, but not very heavy. In Wevre we have kept the positions gained on 30th Dec., without any

German counter attack, and we have recorded slight advance in Le Petre Wood. In the Vosges we have repulsed a German attack at Premehil situated 3 kilometres northeast of Badonviller and inflicted heavy losses at Steinbach, where our infantry captured yesterday three new lines of houses.

LITTLE DOING.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—(Official.) There are no notable occurrences to report, other than a sustained cannonading against our trenches to the east of Vermilles and in the region to the north of Chantilly; and a German attack to the west of Consenvoye Wood, north of Verdun, which failed.

FIFTY MORE SAVED.

LONDON, Jan. 2. The Admiralty to-day issued a list containing the names of Capt. Oxley and thirty-four other officers of the battleship Formidable, sunk in the English Channel yesterday, who, it says, must be presumed to have been lost in the disaster, as they have not been reported among the saved. Another cutter from the battleship Formidable, reached Lyme Regis, Dorset-shire, with fifty men, making a total of 201 survivors out of a crew of 780. When the cutter left the Formidable she had 60 or more aboard but all but 50 succumbed to exposure, having been in an open boat for some 24 hours in a violent storm. All the survivors were in a state of exhaustion after their terrible experience. They declare there is little hope of any further survivors, as a tremendous sea, which was running at the time, made it impossible for the men to live long enough to be picked up by passing vessels, while many of those clinging to wreckage were undoubtedly killed, when the second explosion occurred. The Admiralty has not issued any statement in reference to the cause of the disaster, or where it occurred.

GERMAN ARMY OFFICERS CAPTURED.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3. German army officers were taken off the outbound steamer Bergensford last night by Government agents on a charge of conspiring to use passports fraudulently.

TREMENDOUS GERMAN LOSSES.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 3. It is officially estimated that 27 German army corps are operating against Russia. Four hundred thousand Germans and Austrians have al-

ready been taken prisoners, and their killed and wounded are four times heavier.

AUSTRIAN PRISONERS.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 3. The Russian Army, under General Dimitrieff, has captured 22,370 Austrians and 45 machine guns during the last fortnight, according to official announcement.

UNITED DAY OF INTERCESSION.

LONDON, Jan. 3. To-day, by request of the King, is being observed as a day of intercession, and special prayers for the success of the Allies arms, and for the soldiers of all nations engaged in the war, will be offered in every church and chapel by all creeds and religions in the Kingdom.

THE SITUATION IN ALBANIA.

LONDON, Jan. 3. The situation in Albania is much worse. Insurgents are said to have occupied Berat and to be marching on Dibra.

CONSCRIPTION POSSIBLE.

LONDON, Jan. 3. A hint that the British Government contemplates the introduction of conscription for increasing the Army and Navy, was dropped by Thomas J. Macnamara, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, while speaking at the Browning Settlement this afternoon. Referring to the fact that there were many thousands of young men in the United Kingdom, without dependants, who had not answered the call to the colors, he said: "If they think they are going to enjoy a life of freedom at the other fellows' expense, they won't enjoy it much longer."

THE TOLL OF THE SEA.

LONDON, Jan. 4. The Norwegian barque Maryetta foundered off Tan Isle, one of the Shetlands, on Saturday. Eleven of her crew of 17 were drowned. The Norwegian steamer Bjergoin, from New York for Gothenburg, Sweden, foundered 60 miles north of Rockhall Island, 150 miles west of the Hebrides. The crew were saved.

THE RUBBER EMBARGO.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4. The British Embassy to-night issued its first statement on the shipping situation since the publication of the American note. It cleared up one point on which the States had asked for clarification, by announcing that turpentine and resin shipped from this country before those articles were declared contraband, would be paid for when seized. Negotiations are proceeding in London with a view to the removal of the embargo on rubber, against a pledge not to export similar to that arranged with in regard to German aniline dyes. Negotiations have been retarded by the discovery of shipments of rubber from the States to Europe under disguise.

FORMIDABLE'S CAPTAIN A HERO.

BRIXHAM, Devon, Jan. 4. The survivors of the British battleship Formidable, which went down in the English Channel, after having struck a mine, or having been torpedoed by a German submarine, have been brought ashore here. They relate that the warship was struck abaft of the magazine, and that the explosion was terrific, but that the magazine was not reached. Had this also blown up, the ship would have foundered without there being time to save anybody. As the water rushed in, the men on the Formidable rushed on deck, and found that the vessel already had a heavy list to starboard. The small boats were sent out, but the cutter foundered, and the men on her were drowned. The launch and pinnace succeeded in getting away, but almost all oars were broken in trying to prevent the small boats from being dashed to pieces against the side of the ship by tremendous seas which were running. The captain and his signalman were still on the bridge when the battleship keeled over and went to the bottom.

RIGHT MUST PREVAIL.

LONDON, Jan. 4. The Press Association, in a paragraph declaring that a reply to the American note has not yet been delivered or drawn up, says: "The Government will not be actuated by diplomatic consideration alone, but will be guided largely by naval and military expert opinion, and there is not the remotest question of relinquishing the right which would militate against the interests of the Allies to the advantage of the enemy. The most that can be expected is that every case will be taken to ensure that that right is exercised with the maximum amount of care and with the minimum of hardship and friction."

A BUDGET FROM LONDON.

LONDON, Jan. 4. The extremely rainy winter, the worst Europe has experienced for years, is causing floods in the rivers and valleys on the Continent, as well as those of England, and has prevented any operations on a large scale in

the Western battlefield. It has also seriously interfered with that in the East. There have been heavy artillery engagements from the sea on the Swiss borders, and occasional attacks by the infantry of the opposing armies, which, when not repulsed, have added a few yards of territory to the possession of the attacking force, but have always proved costly to the adventurers. The French have gained a little ground between Albert and Royo, just north of a point where the line turns eastward, and east of Rhelms.

Southwest of Verdun, where attempts have been made to make the German positions at St. Mihiel, on the Meuse, untenable, are proceeding slowly. They have also made some advance in Alsace, but have suffered a repulse to the northwest of Saint-Menehould.

In the East, the Germans captured an important Russian position at Barjimow, but elsewhere they have been unable to make headway against the Russians.

The Austrians claim to have checked Russian advances on Galice on the south of the Galician railway, west of Jaslo, but apparently the battle here has not been concluded. The Russians, on the other hand, have taken an Austrian position near Usok Pass, which should open another entrance for them through the Carpathians into Hungary; while the Austrian retreat in Bukovina is described by the Russians as a rout.

The Turks have crossed the Russian border in Caucasus and, according to their own account, defeated the Russian garrison at Ardahan. They are, however, displaying anxiety for their remaining possessions in Europe by feverishly fortifying the whole coastline. What they fear is not disclosed, for it is considered hardly possible for the Allies to land sufficient forces to prove a menace to them. Possibly they anticipate an invasion from another source. Indications point to the possibility of the Balkan States, which are now neutral, taking a hand in the war.

The Greek Minister of Finance has declared that Greece is making preparations to maintain her new territories which she gained in the Balkan wars from Turkey and Bulgaria, but that she has more to fear from Bulgaria than Turkey. It is not thought Roumania can look on calmly while the Russians are advancing toward Transylvania, and it is expected she will join with Russia and thus secure the much-coveted Eastern Province of Austria-Hungary.

Hockey League

Votes \$50 to Patriotic Fund.

The annual meeting of the Hockey League took place on Saturday night. President W. J. Higgins occupied the chair. Last year's clubs were represented, including the Crescents, Felldians, Victorias and St. Bon's. According to the report submitted for last season the League's finances are in a flourishing condition. Mention in the report was made to a number of last year's hockeyists who are now at Fort George with the First Newfoundland Regiment. The sum of \$50 was voted to the Patriotic Association. Owing to several of their team having volunteered, the Crescents, through their representative, withdrew from the League. The Terra Novas made application and were admitted. This new team will be made up of players who are well known and who, no doubt, will give a good account of themselves this season.

In view of the war, it was decided that no outside team will be invited this year, though there is a probability of having a team from Grand Falls or Bell Island come here to play a series of games in aid of the Patriotic Fund.

The season's fixtures were drawn as follows:—

FIRST ROUND.
Victorias vs. Felldians.
St. Bon's vs. Terra Novas.
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Felldians vs. St. Bon's.

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