

The Unspeakable Turk

If the following extract is true there should be no cessation of the war until the unspeakable Turk is completely subjugated and rendered powerless for similar outrage. — "The horrors of the Mesopotamia failure have not yet ended. With General Townsend there surrendered 2,970 British troops and 6,000 East Indians. A recent report from Asiatic Turkey says that more than half of these have since died. The Turk has always been a brute, and so it is not at all surprising to hear these evil tidings. Ill-treatment, lack of food and medical attention have decimated the ranks of the prisoners terribly. Where European hospitals existed they were destroyed and in one case 37 prisoners died as a result. A German subaltern states that he saw the bodies of 400 Indians who had died of starvation in one of the prison camps, and many similar reports have come from Anatolia during the past six months."

MIRACULOUS CURES REPORTED FROM SHRINE

Four confirmed miraculous cures are recorded at St. Anne de Beaupre, Quebec. The certified miracles are as follows: Mrs. Mary Russell, 96 Beach St. Holyoke, left her crutches at the foot of the statue of the saint cured of chronic lameness; Gregoire Belliveau, Three Rivers Que., left his crutches and now walks without them. Leona, six year old daughter of Leo Picard, Laugzon, Levis, cured of lameness and defective sight; a little Syrian girl from the Maritime Provinces, recovered lost sight.

A sad drowning accident occurred at Tusket Forks Monday morning when Edmund Fitzgerald, aged 14 years, lost his life while bathing. In company with other boys he was bathing in the Little River and was seen to sink. An alarm was given and the body was recovered in about an hour in 18 feet of water. He leaves a mother two brothers and four sisters.

Minaud's Liniment Lumberman's Friend

MAY LAST FOR WEEKS OR MONTHS

PARIS, Aug. 1.—The battle of Flanders has begun and the indications are that it will be the biggest battle of the war. The offensive of the French and British Allies had been expected for some weeks past, for, although the French and British official communications gave no inkling of it, the German reports showed clearly a large scale operation was in preparation. The French public however, did not know that French troops had been dispatched to share in the assault. Originally the front of the North Sea coast to Ypres had been held by the French, in the Nieuport region, then by the Belgians as far as Elverdinghe, and then by the British. The British troops received the French and part of the Belgians along the coast. It is recognized here that the operation is only the beginning of a battle, that will last weeks, perhaps. The first part of the program has been carried out with complete success in a way which augurs well for its accomplishment as a whole. What has been effected fully justifies the German apprehensions and the French jubulations. French military observers say it is not too much to hope that the Germans may soon be cleared out of French and Belgian Flanders if things continue to go as well as they did yesterday.

Captain Bernier Said to be on Way Home

Quebec Aug. 1.—Capt Joseph E. Bernier, veteran Arctic explorer, who started on an expedition in July last year to attempt to rescue Vilhjalmur Stefansson who was reported lost in the Arctic regions, is returning on his ship. The Guide, according to reports reaching here from the north shore of the St. Lawrence.

OTTAWA, Aug. 2—Two new Senators were appointed by the Government yesterday—Messrs. G. Pringle, K. C., and Angus C. MacDonel, M. P. for South Toronto.

WHEN A CHILD LED THEM

The terrific battle in progress for a small French village stopped suddenly. Not a rifle was fired. And the unexpected, uncanny stillness was like that which precedes an attack by infantry—yet neither side left their trenches. The Prussian cavalry officer who was in command of the section lifted his head above the dugout to find the cause of the peculiar silence, and, when he had found it he could not believe his eyes. The sun had risen and the fog of the early morning had disappeared. Between the trenches stretched meadow and these were no delusion—exposed to fire of both sides, crawling about on hands and knees was a little baby. It seemed perfectly happy, chuckling at the long rows of steel helmets cautiously raised above the trench parapet by the amazed soldiers. What follows is told by the Prussian officer, Edgar von Schmidt-Pauli: "Before my weary brain can summon up any convincing reasons how that child got there—whether some poor mother lost it in the panic due to the battle of the night before—a German soldier jumps out of the trench and runs to where the child is crawling out. "Absolute stillness prevails in the trenches, and only to our right from which this extraordinary sight is hidden by a clump of trees is the sound of gunfire heard. "And this spot, which all through the night had been a veritable inferno of shot and shell is now like some peaceful island or a cool, friendly oasis in a burning desert. "Over there in the enemy's trenches, we can see the helmets of the Frenchmen as they peer over the edge. No one is any longer thinking of the enemy, or the war or the danger. All eyes are on the tall soldier and the child which he is approaching. And as he picks up that little frightened, helpless piece of humanity and fondly takes it in his arms, a laugh, a low friendly laugh, passes along our entire column. "The laugh is infectious, and we can feel how it is going along the ranks over yonder. And suddenly—what—are they going to shoot? no, on the contrary, a great wave of applause, with shouts of 'Bravo!' from thousands of French throats, breaks the stillness. Then as the soldier jumps back into our trench with the child safely in his arms our ranks, too, burst into a triumphant shout which passes all along the line. "Even for some time after not a shot is fired. It is as if we felt ashamed of ourselves, and no one touched a gun while that child was in our midst. "When the firing did start again it was rather desultory and indifferent, and there was nothing dangerous about it. The little child had worked a wonderful change in the hearts of both friend and foe that morning."

National registration showed that there are in the United States 90,000 physicians from 22 to fifty-five years of age, and of these 24,000 are to be called up for war service. By October first 12,000 medical officers and 60,000 enlisted men will be needed in the Medical and Sanitary Corps alone. Prospective medical officers are now going into training camps at the rate of 200 a day. An Englishman touring in the highlands of Scotland had the misfortune to lose his way. Noticing a small cottage by the roadside, he went up knocked at the door and when the guide wife came he explained: "I am very sorry to trouble you, madam, but I have lost my bearin's." "Dae ye tell me that?" was the astonished reply. "I hope their mither's wi' them."

The Kristianafjord which went ashore near Cape Race is a hopeless wreck.

TREMONT

Aug. 1st, 1917. Mrs. Julia Marshall of Greenwood was the guest of Mrs. Calvin Baker recently. Miss Elizabeth Spinney of Torbrook mines has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bowlby. Mrs. Edson Saunders has been visiting her friend Miss Susie Smith of Middleton. Mrs. Emery Howe and Mrs. Beckford West were recent guests of the Misses Jennie and Mildred Welton. Mr. and Mrs. Pearl McLanlen had a visit from the stork, a daughter being left. Mr. and Mrs. John P. Morse of Melvern Square and Charles Barteaux of Nictaux Falls were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Banks on the 29th ultimo. Messrs Milton and Percy Baker have each bought an auto and others expect to purchase soon. Mrs. R. E. Gullison and family has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Baker for a few days. Mr. Gullison was here on Sunday and delivered a farewell address in the Pines his subject being "Why we are going to India?" He being a former pastor here is always appreciated by our people. The Church services on Sundays are held in the Pine Grove near the Parsonage during the hot weather which is very refreshing and well attended. Among those present we noticed E. O. Wood and family of Windsor, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wood of Woodville, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Short of Digby and a number from Kingston and Melvern Sq. Mr. Freeman Oicle arrived home from U. S. on the 28th ult a Sad but wiser man. He was relieved of quite a large sum of money in Boston by two very friendly persons.

Growing Desire in The West For Formation of National Win-The-War-Government. Ottawa, Aug. 3—A deputation from the "Win the War" convention in Toronto will wait upon the Prime Minister tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock and adopted. Among these it is understood will be one urging the formation of a national government. Sir Robert Borden's efforts during the past three months having been directed toward that end it is believed that he will assure the deputation of his sincere desire to accomplish the object which they have in view. If a national government is formed it is understood that Sir Robert will select as his colleagues, earnest and able war advocates throughout the Dominion without regard to race, creed or party. Those interested in the formation of a national government are confident that their purpose has been practically accomplished. Reports reaching Ottawa from the west indicate a growing desire on the prairie for a war government and the most prominent liberals in western Canada will, it is practically assured take this position at the gathering in Winnipeg on Tuesday. While union government is practically certain of accomplishment there will be no cabinet re-organization until after prorogation although the legislative program yet to be presented to parliament will be made to harmonize with the views of war party to be represented in the new government. The physician to whom the Irishman had applied for relief from a stomach ailment asked on the occasion of his last visit: "Have you been drinking the very hot water an hour before each meal, as I directed? If so, how do you feel now?" "Doc," said the Celt, "I tried hard to do it, but had to quit. I drank for thirty five minutes, and it made me feel like a balloon!"—New York Times.

Hospital Ship Broken in Two.

Halifax August 4—The hospital ship which went ashore at Portuguese Cove on Wednesday is now a complete wreck. She has broken in two just forward of the bridge, the stern and the bow rising partially up from the ledge. A lot of fittings were taken out yesterday and early this morning, tugs are going down from the city in an endeavor to save still more. One life has been lost at the wreck that of a fireman who was asleep when the rest of the crew left the ship. Waking up and finding the steamer over, almost on her beam ends and still settling, the man jumped overboard and was drowned. His body has not been recovered. A representative of the owners arrived on the scene and went into conference on the with Mr. McGregor regarding the possibility of salvaging vessel. It was recognized that to pull the vessel off without having her sealed so that compressed air could be used freely would mean that she would sink in deep water at once. S. M. Brookfield, after an inspection of the wreck stated that at east three days would be necessary for the sealing and had the vessel been together this would have been attempted. Resting as she did on an overhanging edge she could not stand the strain and when the bulkhead broke allowing the great weight of water to rush aft the steamer was doomed. The officials are unanimous in expressing the opinion that Captain McNeil is absolutely without blame in the matter. The entire responsibility for the staggering disaster, they claim rests upon Pilot Walter White. He places a share of the responsibility upon the captain of the pilot boat which he left to take charge of the steamer.

Fitting Memorial to Late M.P. Yarmouth County

In the House of Commons recently, it was suggested by the members for Moose Jaw, Sask., that a memorial tablet be erected in the new Parliament buildings at Ottawa to commemorate the death of the late Mr. Law M. P. for Yarmouth, who lost his life during the burning of the Parliament buildings. Hon. George E. Foster replied that he would have the matter brought to the attention of the erection committee. The project appealed to him personally and although "it was a sad thing to commemorate" yet as there was no other place where the remains of Mr. Law rested it would be fitting that this be done. This town will regret to note the departure today for New York again of Delancey P. Harris whose summer visits here are always beneficent to the place as well as cheerful. His benefactions this year have included not only the \$1,000 to the local Red Cross but \$1,000 to the Yarmouth Red Cross and 1,000 to the New York Red Cross, in addition to a motor ambulance for the front and its maintenance with a chauffeur for a year. His son is with the Harvard unit. The excursion of the Cornwallis Street Baptist Church of Halifax to this town last Thursday proved a highly successful event, with the finest kind of a summer day. The long train pulled direct to the wharf siding shortly after 12 o'clock, having left the city at 6.45, bringing about a thousand visitors with a band, who went to the Fort grounds and enjoyed the afternoon and evening in picnic fashion. The concert at the Bijou Dream Theatre in the evening was to a crowded house and the train left again shortly after 11 p. m. to return.—Spectator.

The German Air Raids on Paris

The German air raids on Paris resulted in a hospital being bombed and doctors and nurses being killed and wounded.

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