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# Battle of the Aisne Continues In Downpo

FRENCH REPULSED COUNTER ATTACK LAST NIGHT

Fearful Scene of Devastation and Death After Battle of Marne.

PRISONERS SEARCHING

Used By Allies To Find and Bury Their Dead Comrades.

FLOWERS ON THE GRAVES

Peasants Returning To Homes Plant Them and Erect Crosses.

[Canadian Press.]

London, Sept. 19. — Telegraphing from Sezanne, in the department of Marne, 25 miles south of Epernay, the Times correspondent says: "The territory over which the second day's battle of the Marne was fought is now a picture of devastation, abom nation and death almost too awful

and are sleeping their last sleep in the open field and in ditches where stretches across northeastern France, is wounds and other cumulative syidence, they fell, or under hedges where they slewly yielding, indicates that the bat- however, show that the soldiers have crawled after being caught by a rifle the of the Aisne seems likely to follow been engaged in a death grip during bullet or piece of shell, or where the course of the battle of the Marne, which they resorted to their side arms, they sought a shelter from the mad for there it was the German right which and in some cases to their hands. rusnes of the French Tireurs, who first fell back across the river. have never lost their natural dexterity with the knife, and who at close which is scarred with graves of thous-hostilities is the utter prodigality with Burying the Dead.

ng used on the battlefield in searchg for and burying their dead com-Over the greater part of the inge battlefield there have now been buried at least those who died in strain which must last so long as Em- are taken here to refer to the artillery the high roads. The extensive forest strongly entrenched position and so most sanguinary infantry fighting since searched for bodies, although hun- murderous hail of projectiles from the week ago. dreds of both French and Germans hidden batteries of their opponents. must have sought refuge and died Eoth the British and the French realthere. The difficulty in finding bod- ize and admit that it will take almost goes on steadily. German prisoners ies is considerable on account of the a superhuman effort to turn the tide, are being forced to perform this task

earth mark the graves of the victims. patch from the front. Some of these burial trenches are 150 yards long. The dead are placed shoulder to shoulder and often in lay. This gives some idea of the

peasants, who are rapidly coming back to the scene, are marking the grave trenches with crosses and planting flowers above or place ing on them simple bouquets of dahlias, sunflowers and roses Fine Strategic Point.

"Some of the hottest fighting of the prolonged battle took place nd the beautiful old chateau of Mondement on a hill six miles east of Sezanne. The relic of the architectural art of Louis XIV. occu-pied a position which both sides regarded as strategically important To the east it looked down into a great declivity in the shape of an mmense Greek lamp, with the concealed marshes of St. Sond at the bottom. Beyond are the downs and heaths of Epernay, Rheims and Champagne, while the heights of Argonne stand out boldly in the distance. To the west is a rich agricultural country. The possession of the ridge of

Mondement, was vital to either the attackers or defenders. The conflict here was of furious intensity for four days. The Germans drove the French out in a terrific assault, and then the French guns were Paris says: ought to bear, followed by handto-hand fighting on the gardens and lawns of the chateau and even through the breached walls. French again held the building for and barb wire approaches to protect a few hours, only to retire before another determined German attack. Germans out again with shell fire, under which the walls of the chateau, although two feet thick, crumpled

#### THE WEATHER

THE LOCAL TEM PERATURES. Following the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest 84.5, lowest 40.

The official tem peratures for the 12 hours previous to 8 Highest, 62; lowest,

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TOMORROW-FINE AND WARM. Toronto, Sept. 19 .- 8 a.m. Forecasts.

Light winds, fine and warm today Temperatures. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m., today:
Stations. High. Lovictoria ..... 58
Calgary ..... 76
Winning 79 Winnipeg ..... 78
Port Arthur .... 62
Parry Sound ... 76

Clear Cloudy Clear oronto ..... 82 ontreal ..... 74 ebec Ottawa A few scattered showers have occur-red in Alberta and Saskatchewan, other. MAYOR OF COLMAR

[Canadlan Press.] London, Sept. 19-1:10 p.m.-A dispatch received here from Strassburg says that the former mayor of Colmar. in Upper Alsace, is being tried by court martial on the charge of treason The mayor's property has been seized authorities. He was a member ise the weather remains fine generally.

# Hungarian Capital May Be Besieged By Russians.

## GERMANS SLOWLY YIELDING AT AWFUL COST TO BOTH

Another pinnacle of fact which stands

mendous losses they have suffered seem

Millions of Starving Men App roaching Complete Exhaustion in Terrific Combat-Germans Stick to Close Form ation.

[.Canadian Press.] London, Sept. 19-1 p.m.-The British frequency of hand to hand fighting Even now many sons of the father- and French assertions that the right which so many military men predictet Along the 150 mile front the rear of out among the varied accounts of the quarters frequently throw away their ands of lives already sacrificed two which the Germans throw forward man armies comprising millions of nerve- after man a tempt to carry a position. stage of exhaustar, and standing trenches deep with water wait an op- not to have changed these tactics. Disportunity to drive a wedge through the patches received from Parls late last opposing line and thus end the terrible night referring to a lull in the struggle open trenches, on the plateaus or on beror William's troops hold their now only, and today perhaps may see the

has hardly been long as the allied forces can face the the start of the battle of the Aisne one the strength of the German position be- behind the allies' line, where thous-"Long lines of newly broken brown ing emphasized in almost every dis- ands of their comrades lay after the

Want to Envelop Von Kluck. Those in London closely following the slaughter that took place in this han right wing under General Von Austrians in Galicia and of the stubkluck, who heretofore has shown him-

self a great strategist.

Was He Guilty of Strategic Blunder?



GENERAL VON KLUCK-He mmander of the German right wing and penetrated so far into France that it is doubtful if he will take his army

Grounds.

Will Be Equal to That

of 1913.

moved out later in the day.

Had European Bookings.

Mr. Hunt said that no figures were

Fears Were Groundless.

Must Bury Comrades. Burial of the dead on the battlefield

French-British advance. News from the eastern theatre continues to be of the same character war base the chief hope of the allies that is to say, further reports of over-

#### whelming Russian victories against the born German pressure on the Russian frontier to the north where the Rus Dismantling Process Goes On Both eyewitnesses and the surgeons sians, however, appear to be holding Apace at Queen's Park

# GERMAN POSITION BRITISH OBJECTS COMMANDING ONE

Dislodging Enemy—Aeroplanes Doing Some Splendid Work.

(Canadian Press.)

London, Sept. 19 .- The correspondent of the Express at Soissons, telegraphthe same as four days ago. The Ger-The mans have prepared elaborate trenches the positions of their heavy guns behind the hill crest. "A British officer said to me today:

> would never be shifted while our ammbnition lasted. We realize the seri- from Rheims to Argonne and this ous task which faces the allies. "The infantry losses must be ex- battle." tremely heavy. The aeroplanes of the allies are doing splendid service. Last night one located a train filled with retreating German soldiers and the

pilot dropped a torch to Indicate the range. Our artillery blew the train to atoms in a few minutes. "We are having frightful weather. Torrents of rain fall almost continually, the trenches are full of water and as a consequence there is something like an epidemic of rheumatism among

the troops. "It is reported that a German force. with a general in command, has been surrounded in the forest near Chateau

"The allies are now massing enormous bodies of troops and everything points to the probability of one of the bloodiest battles of the campaign as a sequel to five days of fighting."

## TRIED FOR TREASON

the authorities. He was a line first legislative chamber

# OF FIERCE ATTACK

Allies Realize Difficulty of Germans Signal Them Out For Their Particular Attention, But All Efforts Are In Vain.

[Canadian Press.] London, Sept. 19 .-- A dispatch to

the Times from Bordeaux, dated Friday says: "Throughout yesterday the ing under date of September 17, via whole front was engaged, the fight "The great artillery duel again being hottest on the left flank, where the turning movement is becoming defined. The enemy made a series of vigorous countre attacks. ference of their exhibits from the to San Francisco from Hoquiam, Wash., several hundred in advance of the highsignalled out for the enemy's particular attention, but their three attempts

"While the fighting is hard on the "If we held the same position we eastern half of their front, the Germans are digging hard in the centre stock were shipped by train or wagon. probably will form the pivot of the

#### ADVERTISER'S **NEW SERIAL**

On Monday, the opening chapter of Lahoma, The Advertiser's latest serial, will appear in this It is a new novel by John Breckenridge Ellis, author of Fran, and is a refreshing story remarkably well told. Anyone who read Fran, that heartful story of the circus girl who wanted to belong to somebody-who wanted to be loved, will see in Lahoma the same tender feeling with which the author recounted the experiences of Fran.

Living out her young life in a lonely mountain hollow with highwayman, learning to read and cook, sleeping and dressing in one room-that's what Lahoma did. But it wasn't her fault, to be sure. She wanted to be come civilized-and before she was through, she blossomed into the most fascinating of women, but you must read the story to see the unfolding of this engrossing character. It is a western drama, and it is a delightful, ympathetic, and wholesome bit of story telling.

Worked In Blazing Inferno

[Canadian Press.]
London. Sept. 19.—The Times correspondent, near Chantilly, writing of the battle of the Aisne, says:

"Gen. Von Kluck's defence demanded the allies' utmost strength and determination. Smashing attacks have been made and sustained in a manner that will make this battle one of the most momentous of the whole campaign. Is have heard narratives how columns went down again and again to the blazing death in the valley, and how the men worked in this inferno.'

Retail Merchants, Pledged to Kept Down Prices, Unanimous in Reporting Best Selling Week in History -Trade Except ionally Good.

London is today completing the outlook is very favorable. Our cash greatest Fair week in its history. The receipts are bigger every day. Fair itself has been the best even in demand for small goods, hats, collars, the history of the Western that might the business depression that might naturally be expected to follow in the natural natur wake of the war, every merchant re- and Friday of fair week were the best ports an increased business over last days we have had in many years.

These testimonials of better condi- the week as a whole, our business was tions indicate in no uncertain way the fully 20 per cent better than during fair general trend of business to a plane of week of last year. stability that war and rumors of war ONTARIO FURNITURE COMPANYcannot touch. They speak volumes for We did more and better business durindication of the wealth of the city of of-town customers before.

J. P. COOK COMPANY, Limited- THOMAS WILSON (of Wilson &

Our business during fair week was con- Slater, Tallors)-We certainly have siderably better than it was during the same period last year; we had a fair week has been good, although if the sprinkling of out-of-town customers, weather had been a little ANDREWS' TOGGERY-We did remarkably well during fair week, and the

### SCHOOLS ARE TWO SURVIVORS OF WRECK PICKED UP

Schooner Francis H. Leggett Sank Off Columbia River

[Canadian Press.]

Astoria, Ore., Sept. 19 .- Two survivors of the steam schooner Francis H. Leggett were picked up about twenty miles SECRETARY IS SATISFIED cording to a wireless message received here today. The wireless stated that Expects Attendance Record two steamers were standing by the place AN ENROLLMENT OF 7,200 where the schooner went down last

night. The only sign of the vessel was bits of wreckage. FIFTY-SEVEN ON BOARD. [Canadian Press.] Portland, Ore., Sept. 19 .- News of the

It was moving day at Queen's Park today. From midnight last night until fate of the three-masted steam schoonsunrise, workers were busy dismantling er Francis H. Leggett, carrying 37 passengers for San Francisco and a and packing into special cars the tents. crew of twenty was awaited with much shows comprising the Con T. Kennedy following an unsigned and unconfirmed aggregation, and long before noon every wireless message that she had sunk. The message, received last night by two, which are running independently, commission, said: "Leggett sank at population of the city. 3:15 p.m., sixty miles south."

various buildings, and a continual whence she sailed Thursday with a est figures of last year. cargo of lumber.

stream of wagons passed along Dundas which they were taken to the Fair pany's steamer Beaver. One of the a school age. Those in charge of the grounds. Prize animals and other live two vessels left standing by the scene educational welfare of London are conof the wreck is supposed to be a cruis-

> Conflicting Stories. Reports last night said the Leggett

The Kennedy shows open next week in Flint, Michigan, and will have little sank about 60 miles south of the Colopportunity to rest, except on the train umbia. This conflicts with the Beav-Monday. Most of the acts comprising er's message that two survivors had been picked up about twenty miles the grand stand performance go to New south of the Columbia. York. Some of them, but for the war, would have been in Europe by now. One The Leggett carried 37 passengers and a crew of 25. She sailed from troupe had signed contracts involving a Portland September 12, for Hoaquim, round-the-world tour, with an opening Wash., to load lumber for California. early in October in Berlin, but this, of course, had to be cancelled. It still

hopes to carry out part of its program. VANDALS ASSUMING Closing Up Books. Secretary A. M. Hunt and a small ROLE OF PROTECTORS army of clerks were at the grounds during the greater part of the morning Germans Planning to Guard Belgian closing up the books, which were ship-Art Treasures. ped down to the city office of the fair association shortly before noon.

Berlin, Sept. 19 .- Via wireless teleavailable yet, but that from all indigraphy by way of Sayville, L.I.-The cations the final analysis would show German governor of Belgium (General an attendance equal to if not greater than that of last year. He was hope-Von Der Goltz) has appointed Privy ful that a good surplus would be upon ways and means to effect the pro- and one of the latest of the public ly. tection of Belgian treasures of art schools, was purchased to accommodate "We have been fortunate," he said. The weather could not have been hetthan satisfied with the results. The accompanied by 2 Belgian art expert Toronto Exhibition did not have as named Orteil, and will take whatever good a year as in 1913, and we were steps to this end that may be neces

afraid we might have to face a similar sary. state of things, but our fear was ab-It is announced here that three aerosolutely groundless. We have had a planes are again over Paris. splendid year from every possible point left Constantinople.

## W. J. WRAY, Jeweler-We have had (Continued on Page Three.) INADEQUATE TO MEET DEMANDS

complaint to make. Our business th

Thursday was not so good, but, taking

London's 23 Public School Buildings All Overcrowded by Pupils.

The Inspector Estimates That There Are That Many Receiving Instructions.

London's 23 public schools, among which is numbered the east end tent stands, animals and equipment of the concern in coast shipping circles today, school, are still inadequate to meet the educational demands of the city. Practically every school out of the 23 is show but two were away. The other way of Asteria by the Port of Portland of a still further increase in the school overcrowded and there are prospects Today Public School Inspector C. B

"Sixty miles south" was taken to Edwards estimated the number of chil-All morning, also, exhibitors were mean south of the Columbia River, dren enrolled in the city schools to be energetically superintending the trans-, which the Leggett would pass en route in the neighborhood of 7,200. This is Every indication points to the neces-The wireless came from the San sity for more schools to take care of to get home upon it have been in street bearing these to the stores from Francisco and Portland steamship com- the city's fast-growing population, of

vinced that it will only be a question of a very short time before a number of new schools are absolutely necessary. New One for East End. The district between the Ealing school, on the south, the Pottersburg school, on the north, and the Chesley avenue school, on the west, practically

demands the construction of another tracks, and a little north of the Chesley avenue school. This district is one of the fastest growing divisions of the increased demand. Quebec street school is woefully progressing but slowly, and unless the deliberations of the Socialist party meter (16.8-inch) siege gun of the Gersomething is immediately done to hurry in the Reichstag on August 3 and 4. man forces appears to have demonstrating made that some temporary ar-

rangements will have to be put into force. Room for 70 and 90 There.

their utmost capacity. DIED AT ST. JOHN, N. B.

[Canadian Press.] St. John, N. B., Sept. 19.-Joseph Bullock, for many years head of the Imsuddenly today, aged 82 years.

# **GERMANS REINFORCE** AND DIG TRENCHES

Preparing To Make Desperate Last Stand On the Aisne River.

(Canadian Press.)

Paris, Sept. 19.—2:49 p.m.—The Germans are strongly, entrenching on the River Aisne, with reinforcements from Lorraine, according to official announcement made in Paris this

"Second, on the centre, the Germans | "Summing up, the two opposing have not moved from the deep trenches armies, strongly entrenched, are deliverconstructed by them. On our right wing the army of the German crown prince front, without it being possible to recontinues its movement of retreat. Our cord any decisive result for one side or the other."

#### COUNTER ATTACK OF ENEMY REPULSED DURING NIGHT

London, Sept. 19.—3:30 p.m.—The official information The bureau today gave out the following statement regarding the the history of the Western, and, despite neckwear, hosiery, etc., is greater than situation in France: "The situation remains unchanged. A counter attack against the first division, delivered during the

"The weather is bad, and it is raining continuously."
ADVANCE SLIGHTLY ON NORTH.

Washington, Sept. 19.—An official Bordeaux dispatch to the French embassy today says: "The battle continues on the whole front from the River Oise to the River Woevre during the solidity of business throughout ing the week of the Western Fair than the 18th, without any important changes in the situation at any point.

"At the left in the battle of the Oise we occupy Menar-W. T. STRONG, Druggist-Business Following are what some of the has been excellent all week. It has been queglise, Carlepont and Cuts. On the heights to the north of downtown merchants, men who have the best fair week that we have ever the River Aisne, we have advanced slightly in a few places. pledged themselves to keep down prices known. I was very much surprised, and and to push the sale of Canadian goods, am more than pleased at the volume of Three attacks attempted by the Germans against the English say of the business during the past business done in the city during the army have been checked at Troyon, between Soissone and Craonne. From Craonne to Rheims we have repulsed the counter attack executed uring the night. The enemy tried but has not succeeded in taking the offensive against Rheims.

"At the centre from Rheims to the Argonne Mountains the and altogether were very agreeably sur- would have been better. Things are cer- enemy is reinforcing his situation by important fortifications and taking an attitude merely defensive. On the east of the Argonne and in the Woevre Valley the situation is unchanged.

"At the right in Lorraine and Vosges the enemy occupy positions defensively organized close to the frontier."

# BRITISH BORE BRUNT OF GERMAN COUNTER ATTACKS

Conducted Themselves Brillia ntly at Aisne Battle, Says a Paris Account-Heavy Rains Spoil the Enemy's Defences and Add to Suffering of Wounded.

[Canadian Press.]

Paris, Sept. 19.—Fragments of news been nearly filled water, diminishing from the front confirm the serious greatly the advantage of the defence of the combat on the Aisne. Some of those wounded on Thursday, who have arrived here, declare that ferings of the wounded.

After a four days' constant ham- Daily Mail comes back today. mering, the German artillery slack- Government, however will probably

the fighting was even more violent than on the Marne and say the losses the return to Paris of many who took on both sides must be heavier. The refuge in Bordeaux and other pro-British, as on the Marne, are bearing the brunt of the counter attacks Germans. Some of the newspapers, and are conducting themselves bril- temporarily at Bordeaux, are getting

ened its fire last evening during a remain until the war is practically heavy downpour of rain, which lasted ended.

#### SOCIALISTS SPLIT FORTRESSES NO ON WAR QUESTION LONGER ANY USE

The German Party Did Not Present War Shows That They Unanimously Agree to War Credits — Violent Opposition.

[Canadian Press.]

London, Sept. 19.-The Daily News school, south of the Grand Trunk says that Dr. Carl Liebknecht, the the Associated Press).-It is still too well-known Socialist member of the early to attempt to base general predic-German Reichstag, has sent to the tions concerning war in the future upon the city and the present schools will Burger Zeitung, the Socialist organ of what the engagements of the present soon be absolutely too small to handle Bremen, a letter in which he says: "I great war have shown. One prediction, understand that several members of the however, does seem fairly justified alvercrowded. The new Boyle Memorial school, which is to take its place, is of things to the press with regard to resses has passed. The new 42-centi-

in our party in regard to the political situation, and our own position and de- testimony to the power of this new The new Cheapside school, formerly cision to assent to war credit are al-Councillor Dr. Von Falecke to decide the old St. Nicholas separate school, leged to have been arrived at unimous- ished walls of reinforced cement and "In order to prevent the dissemina-

against burglary and pillage. Dr. Von 70 pupils. There are now more than tion of an inadmissable legend, I feel Falcke is now making a tour of Lou90 in attendance. This is but an exit to be my duty to put on record the prise of the war. It has been repeatedly liberations.

unanimously.'

Can Be Easily Demolished - Siege Guns

all night. The trenches must have

works prepared by the Germans and

at the same time adding to the suf-

Returning confidence is shown in

ready to publish in Paris again. The

[Canadian Press.]

Surprise.

Berlin, Sept. 4 .- (Correspondence of "According to these reports there ed its ability to demolish the strongest were no serious differences of opinion fortifications ever made. Pictures of the demolition at Liege bear striking steel, ripped open steel towers and piled

the mass upon the fort's defenders.

ter for the Fair, and we are all more vain, Namur, Huy, Nivelles and Liege. ample of how the schools are taxed to fact that the issues involved gave rise asserted that no nation has any military to diametrically opposite views within secrets that are not in possession of all our parliamentary party, and these op- other important nations, but events posing views found expression with a have proved not only that the existence violence hitherto unknown in our de- of this terrible weapon was not known to foreign nations, but that only a lim-"It is also entirely untrue to say that ited number of ligh German army offi-The British naval commission has perial Oil Company's branch here, died assent to the war creaits was given cials themselves had so much as heard