

EMPEROR OF JAPAN CABLES FRENCH PRESIDENT.

Has Every Confidence in Outcome. Anniversary of United States Entry Into War Celebrated at London. Exchange of Messages With His Majesty. Thirteen German Aeroplanes Downed Saturday.

10.30 A. M.

EMPEROR TO PRESIDENT.

PARIS, To-day. Emperor Yoshihito, of Japan, in a message to President Poincaré, says he is following with the deepest interest the battle now going on in France and praises the valor and spirit which the soldiers of the French army has shown in this terrible struggle. He concludes, "I am glad to assure you once more, that after this war, my confidence in the final triumph of the Allies is deeper than ever." The President replied saying, "The unshaken firmness, with which the Allies are showing the complete confidence in the final success of our army and in the complete realization of our common hopes."

MANSON HOUSE FUND.

OTTAWA, Ont., To-day. Sir Robert Borden has received a cable from the Lord Mayor of London, England, stating that the balance of the Manson House Fund for the relief of the Halifax explosion sufferers has been remitted. The total of this fund amounts to \$616,722.

ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON AND THE KING'S MESSAGE.

LONDON, To-day. On the occasion of the luncheon tendered the United States Ambassador on Saturday, in commemoration of the day the United States entered the war, Charles A. Hanson, the Lord Mayor of London, read to the assembled luncheon a telegram which he had sent to King George, and the latter's reply to it. The Lord Mayor's message which he sent in the name of himself and his guests, said: "I respectfully offer to your gracious Majesty my assurance of deep, sincere esteem and regard, with profound gratitude for all that you have done and are doing in the interests of the Allies to secure victory and a lasting peace to which we look forward with unshaken confidence. The King replied, "The message received from you, my Lord Mayor, and your distinguished guests, assembled to celebrate the entry of the United States into the war, greatly touched me. Forgive me to all, my grateful thanks for their generous sentiments, whereby it gives expression that American troops are daily taking their place in the battle line, and this increases my confidence in the ultimate victory of our united efforts, in defence of the rights and liberties of civilization." Sgd. George R.

LUCKY NUMBER FOR HUNS.

LONDON, To-day. Thirteen German airplanes were brought down in the fighting with British airmen Saturday. Eleven were disabled, and two were shot down by anti-aircraft guns, according to the British aviation report issued this evening. Sixteen British machines which were sent out, have not been accounted for, but many of them are thought possibly to have been forced to make landings inside their own lines, in the prevailing bad weather.

12.30 P. M.

WHICH GOVERNMENT?

STOCKHOLM, April 8. A despatch to the Dagens Nyheter, from Yva, Finland, reports that the "Summer Red Guards, captured by the White Guards representing the Government, aggregate 8,000. The Red Guards lost two thousand men killed, of whom 1,800 were Russians. A woman's battalion participated in the fighting on the side of the Red Guards. Blomberg is reported to be surrounded and, its fall is expected soon. With the White Guards at Toden, to the south of Tampere, and the Germans at Karis, railway communication with Helsingfors is completely cut. The White Guards are reported to have sent additional troops to the Maralin district, where sharp fighting is reported to be proceeding.

EXPLOSION AT BETHELEHEM STEEL PLANT.

BALTIMORE, Md., To-day. A clock this morning, by a terrific explosion at the Bethlehem Steel Company's plant at Sparrow's Point. In the southern section of the city hundreds of persons, aroused by the noise, fled from their homes. The officials of the company refused to divulge the extent of the damage or the cause of the blow.

MORAL AND SPIRITUAL EFFORT.

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BRITISH MAKE SMALL ADVANCE.

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS, 9.35 a.m. To-day.—On the southern bank of the Somme, the British last night made a small advance. It is announced that the statement follows: We advanced our line slightly during the night, on the southern bank of the Somme, east of Vire, Soucy and Corbie. A few prisoners were taken.

SAVINGS BANK IN AN AUTO.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., To-day. Six persons were killed and four others seriously injured, and \$700 in gold was scattered along the Washington railway track, when a passenger train struck an automobile in which ten persons were riding, here to-night. The gold which was strewn along the railway, belonged to one of the victims who would not put his money in a bank and who had placed the \$700 in a can under the rear seat. The police found and collected \$550 of the money.

VIOLENT ARTILLERY ACTIONS.

PARIS, To-day. Violent artillery fighting occurred last night, especially on the left bank of the Oise River, says to-day's official report.

BIGGER EVENTS TO COME.

With the British Armies in France, April 7.—Attacks and counter attacks continue to feature the fighting at various points along the British battle front, and while none of them have seemed large, as compared with the intense conflict waged in the first days of the German offensive, yet all of them are important, in that they represent the foundation work for bigger events to come. Twice last evening, and again this morning, the Germans undertook to advance their lines at points in the sector north of Albert, and each time they failed. At two o'clock this morning, enemy forces advanced for an attack in the vicinity of Bucquoy, north of Albert. The Germans were seen coming while they were still a mile away, and the British artillery and machine guns put down such an intense barrage among them, that the projected assault was stopped. Some time afterwards the enemy reformed his forces, and made another effort, but this was checked without the use of infantry.

One of the attacks last evening was delivered southwest of Albert, where the enemy had been battling so determinedly to get a strong hold on the Albert-Amiens railway. Under cover of a heavy machine gun barrage the German infantry surged forward and the British line, but was met with such a withering rifle and machine gun fire that it was compelled to retire. The other onslaught was attempted near Serre, south of Hebuterne, where two short but intense periods of barrage fire were put down on the British defences. At 7.30 o'clock the German infantry rushed forward in heavy force, as the Germans advanced they were caught in a tornado of British artillery fire which ploughed mercilessly through their ranks and completely smashed them. Further fighting occurred to-day at Sangard Wood, which has been the scene of much cruel fighting in the last few days. The British in the early hours delivered counter attacks by which they forced the enemy back somewhat and took a few prisoners. According to the latest reports the British are holding on to the western edge of this wood.

In this connection it is interesting to note that German prisoners have stated that the enemy planned a strong attack at Hangard Wood to-day. The German efforts to-day at Bucquoy, and yesterday near Serre, were continuations of their strenuous attempts to get themselves out of a nasty position in which they find themselves in this region, and in which they have been since the big

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Supreme Court.

(Present: Full Bench.)
Stephen Mason vs. Laurence Timmons
On motion of Mr. L. E. Carter, and by consent of Mr. W. J. Higgins, the hearing is set for Friday, the 12th inst.

'THE BLACK FLAG.'

Reserved Seat Tickets for that celebrated melodrama, "The Black Flag," which will be presented by the B. I. S. Dramatic Company on Monday and Tuesday nights of next week, will be placed on sale at the Atlantic Bookstore on Wednesday morning.—apr8,11

Here and There.

When you want Steaks, Chops, Cutlets and Collops, try ELLIS.

DR. A. F. PERKINS' Dental Surgery will be closed for a few weeks.—apr8,31

LEFT FOR U.S.—Hon. A. E. and Mrs. Hickman left by yesterday's express for the United States.

Any desired shape or quality of Wedding Ring made on short notice at TRAPNELL'S.—apr8,11

SEALERS LEAVE.—Members of the crews of the Terra Nova and Thetis left for their homes in Conception Bay this morning.

When you want Roast Beef, Roast Veal, Roast Mutton, Roast Pork, try ELLIS.

CAPE RACE, To-day.

Wind E.N.E. blowing a gale, weather dull and showery; nothing sighted, no ice in sight. Bar. 29.98; ther. 55.

When you want something in a hurry for tea, go to ELLIS.—Head Cheese, Ox Tongue, Boiled Ham, Cooked Corned Beef, Bologna Sausage.

ST. THOMAS'S ANNUAL.—The St. Thomas's Parishioners will hold their annual Easter meeting, on Thursday night at 8 o'clock, in Canon Wood Hall.

When you want Sausages, why get ELLIS'; they're the best.

Here and There.

Dance to the music of the C. L. B. Band in the British Hall, Thursday, April 11th. Tickets can be had from Miss Miller at The Royal Stores' Office.—11

EXPRESS PASSENGERS.—The following first class passengers are on the incoming express: W. J. Whall, D. Domet, Mrs. E. Baker, Mrs. E. LeGrow, D. and Mrs. Feeder.

Are you contemplating marriage? Get your Wedding Ring at TRAPNELL'S, where you get a good assortment of absolutely Reliable Rings to select from.—apr8,11

THANKS.—The Hon. Secretary of the Church of England Orphanage gratefully acknowledges the gift to the girls in the Institution of a gramophone and 41 records, from Mrs. John Windsor, Monkstown Road.

Help swell the funds of the W.P.A. Red Cross by attending the Dance in the British Hall, Thursday, April 11th. Supper Served. Music by the C. L. B. Band.—apr8,11

The crew of the S. S. Kite made \$33.00. Up to press hour particulars of her turn out was not received in town.

Stafford's Prescription "A" for Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Catarrh of the Stomach and Nervous Dyspepsia. Price 30c. and 60c. bottle. Postage 5 and 10c. extra.—apr8,11

Here and There.

WEATHER REPORT.—The weather across country is light N. E. wind and dull; temperature 17 to 24 above.

TRAIN MOVEMENTS.

Yesterday's outgoing express left Bishop's Falls at 7.50 a.m. to-day. The incoming express is due about 10 a.m. to-morrow.

A Children's Party will be held in the O'Donel Wing on Thursday, April 11th. Tickets 50c., for sale at the door. Mrs. P. J. Shea, Mrs. J. P. Kelly, Mrs. F. Callanan.—apr8,31

A CORRECTION.—In our news item on Saturday concerning "that milk question" the date of the new milk regulations coming into effect should have read June 1st and not June 30th.

JUST A REMINDER, LEST YOU FORGET.—The Annual Dance of the T. A. Band eve of Empire Day, May 23rd, 1918. Particulars later. M. G. HART-ERY, Pres.; R. J. GROUCHY, Sec'y.—apr8,11

C.M.B.C.—Yesterday afternoon, Rev. J. Brinton delivered a very interesting and instructive address to the members of the C.M.B.C., taking as his subject "The Resurrection of Jesus in relation to human life." The address was greatly enjoyed by the large number present.

IN AID OF ST. JOSEPH'S—Grand Dance in T. A. Armoury, April 15th. Music by Myron & O'Grady. Tickets—Double, 70c.; Gent's Single, 50c.; Ladies' Single, 40c.—apr8,11

New American COSTUMES.

We have just opened a charming line of new model American Costumes, in such fashionable materials as Gaberdine, Whipcord, Panama Cloth, Wool Serge and Taffeta Silk. Many of them are beautifully lined with broadcloth silk with large colored floral designs.

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