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THE SITUATION.

The reports on Sunday indicated a somewhat better outlook for the Roumanians. They were said to have rallied strongly and to have resumed the offensive to the extent of driving back Falkenhayn's forces at more than one point. To-day's reports are not so encouraging. Teutonic pressure, it is announced, still continues unabated and at one point King Ferdinand's troops have been driven back well into their own territory.

On the Somme, since Saturday, the Allied forces have smashed ahead in good style. Gen. Haig's troops have won new successes in the Thiepval region. They have commenced to clear the foe from the powerfully defended Sewaben and Stuff redoubts and a direct attack on Bapaume would seem to be imminent. The French are also closing in on the last defences of Peronne. In the two days fighting 1,550 prisoners have been taken.

The Italian troops continue to meet with success in their renewed drive for the important commercial port of Trieste. They have captured still more of the Sobro ridge of mountains southeast of Gorizia and the official report says that the Austrians have lost 28,000 men in the last two days of fighting on the Carso plateau.

On the Macedonian front the Allies are making every effort to break through the Bulgarian lines in time to divert part of the enemy's forces from the drive against Roumania. The French have cut the railroad South of Serres and the Serbs have taken many positions.

RETURN OF THE 215TH

Brantfordites universally will join in very hearty welcome to the officers and the men of the 215th upon their return to this city for the winter. For some months now they have been at Niagara Camp, where they won a very high place, indeed, among the other units, and they return here with all the added advantages of such a sojourn.

Their location here once more should mean a great deal more than satisfaction at their presence. The ranks are not yet full and it is the duty of this city and county to see that the Battalion is at complete strength before the winter is over.

Wastage at the front of late has been out of proportion to recruiting in the Dominion and that is a state of affairs which must be remedied. This section has done splendidly in the past and there must be no let up in that regard for the future. The 215th affords a splendid chance for service on behalf of the Empire for men cannot go to the front under better or more congenial circumstances than with others of their own community.

THE QUASHING OF THE CONVICTIONS

When Judge Galt, sitting as head of a Royal Commission in Winnipeg, summarily sent four newspaper men to jail for alleged contempt of court, it was generally felt that he had taken a most high handed action. After events have also shown that he directly exceeded his powers, Mr. Justice Haggart of the Court of Appeals having since quashed the convictions. Here are some extracts from his finding in so doing:

"The coercive power is for two purposes: (1) to compel the attendance of witnesses, and (2) to compel them to give evidence. There is nothing in the statute giving the extraordinary power of punishing for contempt. The express gift or grant of a limited power shows that there was no intention of granting a wider power. As to three of the witnesses, I gather from the record of the proceedings, their alleged contempt was solely in connection with the publication of newspaper articles. The law is clear, that where there is contempt not in the face of the court, the remedy is by way of attachment. A King's Court Bench Judge sitting in Chambers cannot commit for contempt committed in his presence; the matter has to come before the court by way of attachment. The Commis-

sioner would have no more power to commit summarily for contempt. It is a summary process, and should be used only from a sense of duty and under the pressure of public interest. . . . Commitments for contempt of court by scandalizing the court itself have become obsolete in this country. Court are satisfied to leave to public opinion attacks or comments derogatory or scandalous to them." Meanwhile, Judge Galt will be generally regarded as having done something in a burst of arbitrary temper, not in accordance with the true traditions of the bench.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

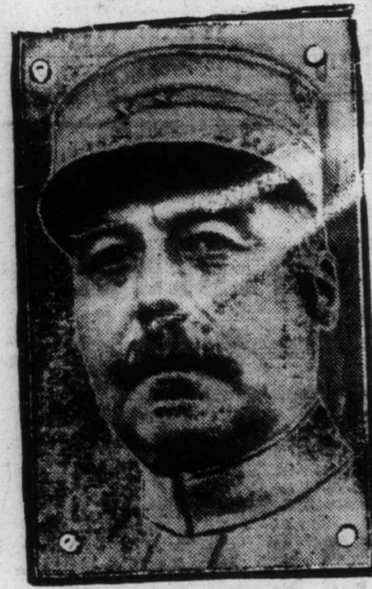
What are shirkers in Canada afraid of? They have shown themselves to possess skins so thick that any German bullet would have a hard job getting through them.

Sir Hamar Greenwood, member of the British House of Commons, who is visiting Canada, says that there are more motor cars being used in Toronto to-day than in all of Great Britain, whose citizens have sent their autos in tens of thousands to the front for service. To which it may be added that we Canadians as a people, do not yet know what war sacrifice means.

Canada still stands the third best customer of the United States. For the past eight months of the calendar year, according to official statistics given out at Washington, we imported articles from our neighbors to the tune of \$473,736,569, or an increase of \$163,000,000 over the same period last year. Without much doubt there will be quite a change after the war.

It is reported from Germany that in the matter of food, the lack of fats is hitting the Teuton stomach the hardest. They shouldn't have leaned so much on the war party.

The latest generous donation of Col. Harry Cockshutt to the Y. M. C. A. for privileges on behalf of the 215th Battalion, and other soldiers, is simply one more evidence of his high spirited citizenship.



CHIEF OF FRENCH STAFF General Dupont has been made chief of the General Staff of the French army. He is a man of energy and has exceptional ability. His appointment is very popular with the French army.

TIN SICKNESS IN GERMANY

New Disease Makes Its Appearance Caused by Canned Goods.

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Oct. 16.—"According to travellers from Germany," says the Exchange Telegraph's Amsterdam correspondent, "a remarkable disease is spreading in many parts of Germany, especially in Berlin, Hamburg, Munich and Cologne, caused by continual feeding from preserved foods. The sickness is described as 'tin sickness.' It is considered a serious form of blood-poison." Thousands of cases are reported in every large city, although the authorities exercise strict control over the tin used for preserving foods.

OLAV CAPTAIN

By Courier Leased Wire. New York, Oct. 16.—In a wireless message from the Danish Steamship Hellig Olav received here to-day by agents of the Scandinavian-American Line, Captain Holst, master of the ship, stated that no submarine had been sighted during the voyage so far. His message dated 8 a.m. Sunday, read: "Have not seen any submarine. Nothing true in the story. (Signed) 'HOLST.'" Observers aboard the White Star Line Steamship Borie on the steamers' arrival here Saturday reported they had seen the periscope of a submarine Friday morning when about 200 miles out and that the submarine was apparently in pursuit of the Hellig Olav, eastward bound. Representatives of the Scandinavian American Line here sent a wireless message to Captain Holst of the Hellig Olav, advising him of the report and asking for details.

NEWS FROM SIMCOE

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OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST.

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"Gee, I'm glad to get away from Long Island for thirty years, even if I have to spend the time in Sing Sing," said Grant Griffiths, of Shelter Island, Long Island, just after County Judge John R. Vank, of Suffolk, had sentenced him to Sing Sing for thirty years and eight months.

PERMANENT MUSCULAR STRENGTH cannot exist where there is no blood strength. Young men giving attention to muscular development should bear this in mind. Hood's Sarsaparilla gives blood strength and builds up the whole system.

were connected with the church. If the present state of affairs continues St. Paul's will require extension.

Apple packing is at its maximum throughout the county this week. The crop is not a failure as is quoted, but owing to the difficulty in spraying due to excessive rains, here will not be the usual percentage of No. 1. The tendency to small fruit on account of the drought has to a degree been offset by insufficient pollination, followed by a natural pruning out of weaker apples during the dry summer with a ripening of larger, if fewer, apples on each tree. Simcoe, Oct. 14.—Pte. James Potts, who escaped from custody with James Leslie McDonald on July 23, is again behind the bars here. Turnkey Isaac McQually was his captor and even the wily James was not a match for the official, who repeatedly assured the reporter that "Jim" would "turn up some day." McQually left town yesterday forenoon to follow what appeared to be a good clue. He took a pair of cuffs of course and knocked at the door of a small shop five miles out of Rodney, at the tea hour. Mrs. Potts answered the knock and advised her caller that Jim was off to Dutton with the horse and "rig," and would probably be home some time. The officer left.

Next morning, proprietor F. C. MacGregor, of the village inn at Rodney drove Mr. McQually and high constable J. Lundy Nicholas out at grey dawn. A thorough search was made of the house and barn, but James was not in evidence. He then remembered how the pig used to burrow in the straw stack on the old farm in Windham, so he determined to look the stack over. He found his man wrapped up in a blanket, and the game was up.

Potts grew tired waiting for his trial on a charge of deserting from the 133rd. His was one of a dozen cases at least where prisoners were kept over time in custody here. There are at present three other prisoners under sentence here, all of whom have been here for weeks, some for months, awaiting transfer.

Their three children and Mrs. Potts slept on some rugs in the corner of one room. They had an old stove, but no chairs, and no table, practically nothing in the house. Potts in the straw stack with a

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blanket about him was doubtless the most comfortable of all.

In response to a notice for a special meeting called by Mayor Williamson to dispose of the Red Cross matter, and the request of the school board for additional funds for building, there were present Aldermen Cropp and Slater. The mayor had advised the board of education desiring their presence. The board, however, had arranged for a meeting of their own, having decided to go ahead with what funds they have. After waiting for some time for advice that the council was under way, the board passed a resolution authorizing the closing of school for Thursday afternoon next, Fair Day and sent for Mr. R. E. Guitton to confer regarding the immediate commencement of the south ward school.

The heating plant at the public school was put in working order today. Some classes were dismissed this week for lack of heat in the rooms.

Commerce was at a mass meeting of citizens made secretary-treasurer of the British Red Cross subscription at a meeting held last Tuesday evening. Since then Manager Grosz has called on the mayor with an offer from Molson's to handle its subscription. The whole question, however, is still in the air till the council gets together.

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\$1.25 ALL WOOL TARTAN PLAIDS, 75c. YARD. Splendid imported Tartan Plaids, all wool, 40 in. wide, to-day's value, \$1.25 per yard, Piece Goods Sale Price, yard

85c. TWEED DRESS GOODS 49c. YARD. Mixed Tweed Dress Goods, suitable for separate skirts and Children's Dresses, to-day's value, 85c., Special Price, yard

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50c. BROCADE SATIN LININGS, 38c. YARD. Brocade and striped linings, 40 in. wide, Cream, White, Champagne, Grey, Alice and Blacks. A splendid assortment. Special Price 75c., 50c. and

40c. TAILOR'S CANVAS 30c. YARD. We have a complete stock of canvas and tailors' linens in Black, Natural and White. Our prices are 40c., 35c., 30c., 25c. and 20c. yard. To-day's values are fully 10c. a yard higher.

Piece Goods Week Sees Many SILKS and VELVETS Underpriced

\$1.25 POPLIN MOUSELINE, 85c. YARD. Imported French Mousseline Silk for dresses and blouses, 38 inches wide. Colors Rose, Navy, African, Alice, Tan, etc., \$1.25 value. Piece Goods Week Sale Price, yard

\$1.00 FANCY SATIN STRIPE SILKS 50c. YARD. 10 pieces, assorted colors and stripes, pure silk, in lovely colorings, regular value, \$1.00 yard, Piece Goods Sale Price, yard

\$3.50 CHINCHILLA VELVET \$1.75 YARD. Special line for coats in Blue and Grey, and Fawn and Black, regular value \$3.50, Special

\$6.50 BLACK BROCADE VELVET \$4.50 YARD. 2 pieces Black Brocade Velvet for coats, \$6.50 value, yard

\$2.25 CORDUROY VELVETS \$1.50 YARD. Extra Heavy 32 in. Coat Corduroy Velvet, in Rose and Tango, \$2.75 value. Piece Goods Sale, yard

\$2.00 WIDE SUITING VELVET \$1.25 Extra good quality, silk finished Velvet for suits and dresses in Navy, Soldier Blue, Moss, Saxe, Brown, Black, etc., to-days value \$2, yard. Special Piece Goods Sale, yard

\$2.00 GEORGETTE CREPES \$1.50 YARD. Fine pure silk Georgette Crepe, and Crepe de Chine in all the new shades, to-day's value \$2. Our Special Sale Price, yard

\$2.50 BLACK DUCHESSE SATIN \$1.50 YARD. Heavy weight lustrous finish, Black Duchesse Satin, full 36 in. wide, to-day's value, \$2.00 yard. Our Special Piece Goods Sale Price, yard

Almost Like a Clearance Sale the Price of These STAPLE GOODS

20c. STRIPE FLANNELETTE 15c. YARD. 25 pieces assorted Stripe Flannelette, 36 inches wide, to-day's price 20c. yard. Piece Goods Sale Price, yard

22c. White Saxony Flannelette, full 36 inches wide. Our Special Piece Goods Sale Price, yard

22c. Heavy Imported Stripe Flannelette, 36 in. wide. Piece Goods Sale Price, yard

45c. CEYLON FLANNELS 28c. YARD. 8 pieces, 36 in. Ceylon Flannel. Special for men's pyjamas, etc., regular 45c. yard

35c. KIMONA FLANNELS 25c. 13 pieces beautiful designs, regular 35c. for, yard

50c. EIDERETTE FLANNELS 35c. YARD. 15 pieces reversible Eiderette, lovely, soft, warm material. Our Special Piece Goods Sale, yard

28c. WHITE LONGCLOTH COTTON 12 1/2c. YARD. 500 yards fine White Longcloth, full 36 in. in. wide, to-day's value 28c. yard. Piece Goods Sale Price, yard

30c. NAINSOOKS, 20c. YARD. 10 pieces Fine White Nainsook, 42 inches wide to-day's value 30c. yard. Piece Goods Sale Price, yard

40c. SHEETINGS 29c. YARD. Two yard wide Unbleached Sheetting, to-day's value 40c. Our Piece Goods Sale Price, yard

65c. DAMASK TRAY CLOTH 45c. EACH. 5 dozen Linen Tray Cloths, regular 65c. for, each

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LOCAL NEWS

MILITARY INVITED. Manager Whittaker of the Grand Opera House has extended an invitation to the officers and men of the 215th Battalion to attend the opening play to-night of the Royal Alexandra rink players, who will be here all week.

AT HOME. Mr. and Mrs. Woodside will be at home at "The Manse," 112 Darling street, to the congregation and other friends on Tuesday afternoon and evening, and not on Thursday, as was previously reported.

MAGAZINES. Welcome donations of magazines were received over the week-end at the depot of the 215th, from Mrs. Pequehart, 164 Chatham St., Mrs. P. N. Humble, 148 Wellington St., and Mrs. J. McDonald, 325 Chatham St.

GOLF NOTES. On Saturday afternoon the qualifying round for the Cocksbut Cup was played off, the following qualified and are drawn to play off in this order: McKay vs. Webling, Jones vs. Champion, Flitton vs. Neill and Thomas vs. Large. First round to be played off by 21st inst.

A REMARKABLE PLAY. The Daughters of the Empire, Brant Chapter, are preparing for the production of a novel play with the remarkable name "The Metaphysical White Cat." This will be presented at the Grand on the 27th and 28th of October. Miss Bertha Adams, of Toronto, who is producing the play, will be supported by a large cast of Brantford people.

ALEXANDRA CHURCH. Splendid services were held at Alexandra Church yesterday and exceptionally interesting sermons were preached by the Rev. D. T. McClintock. A solo was pleasingly sung by Miss Josephine Waldron at the morning service. A bright song service was held prior to the regular



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