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# Battle Continues Around Ypres With Undiminished Fury Germans Fail to Turn

## Hand-to-hand Fighting Amidst the Wreckage of Burning Town---Collapsing Church Tower Buries Contending Soldiers

### Germans Say that the Canadians Germans Aim Saved the Allies From Utter Retreat Along Entire Front

London, April 27 .- Troops of the Al- church steeple buried German and lies defending Ypres, are being at- French soldiers as they were fighting tacked by Germans from three direc- in the very shadow of the edifice. tions, north, north-east and north- Lizerne is in possession of the Germore than 25,000 in some despatches per hand, driving the Germans from force their way to Calais. Emperor William is reported to to recapture the town. have reached the Flanders front late. The correspondent, who sent this cent activity. vesterday afternoon. While the Ger- despatch, states that the Germans rout. It has reached Bossinghe about entire Flanders front. The Canadians keep the Allies active. three miles from (north of) Ypres and upset all the German calculations, the is about two miles south-east of Liz- correspondent continues. The Kaiser's Germans on the west bank of the in the quick fall of Ypres and the cap-

Bossinghe has been complete- Canal. Their expectations would have ly destroyed, says a despatch from been fulfilled if the Canadians had not Amsterdam. The ruins are burning, smashed into their advancing line, Not From Wounds but stubborn fighting continues among throwing eleven entire regiments into.

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Attack on Calais

Military Authorities Puzzled

week ago 125 miles from London, is spite repeated attacks by the French region has given rise to the report but this report has not been confirmraging with undiminished fury. De- and Belgian troops. For a short time that they are about to undertake an- ed. spite their heavy losses, estimated at on Sunday the Allies gained the up- other carefully planned attempt to

received here to-day, the Germans are Lizerne back to the Canal, but Ger- Military authorities are cautious, Emergency Call maintaining their terrific offensive. man reinforcements arrived in time however, in accepting this suggestion, as an explanation for the Germans' re-

The magnitude of the forces concenmans are continuing their attack up- themselves declare that had it not trated by the Germans on such a on Ypres, the keystone of the Allies' been for the Canadian troops, the limited front cannot be explained. It position in Flanders, is extending its Allies would be in retreat along the is believed here to be a mere desire to

London, April 28 .- The British War Office, in a statement to-night supplementing its previous charges the Ger- Trawler "Becolo" man in their fighting with using noxious gases, and says medical evidence shows the Canadian soldiers to have lost their lives in the recent fighting, not from wounds, but from poisoning by gases employed by the enemy.

Straits. The French have taken the for the prisoners. fortress of Kum Kale, on the Asiatic side, and captured 500 prisoners.

Asiatic entrance to the Dardanelles.] in the Pacific.

Flank of Allied Army

has been definitely checked.

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### Heavy Damage **Dardanelles Forts**

London, April 28th.—The Daily Otherwise to Explain the Mag- Mail's Athens correspondent says nitude of the Present Attack bombardment of the interior forts of the Dardanelles, which began on Sunsulted in heavy damage to the forts. Paris, April 28.—The offensive as- It is reported the forts on the coast

# For Reinforcements

Base Details and New Arrivals Parade and are Embarked For Churchill Explains

and perhaps still is, their purpose to at the front resulted in an emergency break a large gap in the Allies' line, call for reinforcements on Monday

as is usually the case, but was open subject, he said:-

# Blown Up By Mine

Grimbsy, April 28th.—The trawler "Becolo" was blown up in the North Sea on Monday. Several of the crew

General Ian Hamilton is in com- ly announced that a British warship mand of the Allied Army, and the ad- has captured the German trading vance being made is satisfactory. steamer Elfriede, which was believed

and that notwithstanding an ad- ing N. 73° E. magnetic and the the Storstad to starboard, and the The Death of

Ireland off Father Point was N. vessels having taken a slight starboard in accordance with Ar-

The course of the Storstad are required, according to him, and der (which, according to her fog- in the matter.

Official via St. Pierre

French Report Progress at Ypres and on the Meuse Heights-Some Prisoners Taken and a Lot of War Material Captured

out of Belgium has failed, according ing the night. We have made pris-

He says that, while the battle is still last night's communique apart from raging furiously, the German advance the consolidation and continuation of our progress as well north of Ypres as on the heights of the Meuse.

> north of Ypres our progress continues and have captured a quantity of mat-

have been completely repulsed. At the day.

down the eastern slopes.

### **Britain's Policy** Towards Captive

### The War in S.W. Africa

# Judge Weatherbee tured by the enemy.

Chief Justice of Nova Scotia to suc- Sunday by the enemy, east of Ypres

# Checked at Ypres

ped, and stopped short. German at- German wireless report that four ing that took place there. He also German army.

Kitchener Characterizes it Inhumanity --- Evidence Coming in From Many Sources Compels Him to Reverse His High Opinion of German Officers

London, April 28th.—Kitchener's have been complained of latterly. erial, including bomb-throwers and which, as a soldier, he said he la-slight improvement in some respects mented that he was convinced was due perhaps to visits of inspection On the front of Les Eparges, St. inhumanity towards British soldiers made from time to time thru the Remy and Colonne, German attacks was the most notable expression of American Ambassador.

one point of the front alone an officer There were however equally strik- before the civilized world as a great estimates the killed at nearly a thou- ing notes from both Houses, notably military nation. She has abundantly sand. We have taken the offensive by Lord Landsdowne, the Leader of proved her military skill and courand have made and are making pro- the Opposition, and Lord Comer, who age, but surely it was also for her expressed the regret of the Lords that to get up a standard of military hon-At Hartmanskilledkopf, after having the British Admiralty had seen fit to or, conduct which would gain the reretaken the summit, we are advanced segregate captured German submar- spect, if not friendship of nations. for a distance of two hundred metres ine crews, and by Premier Asquith, Instead she has stooped to acts which in the Commons, who declared that will surely stain her military history, at the end of the war the British peo- which would vie with the barborous ple would exact reparation.

was agreed on by either House.

dier he hitherto had always held the heartily ashamed of the slur which London, April 27-First Lord of the officers of the Germany army in re- has been thus brought upon the propreparatory to more important under- night when a body of officers and Admiralty Churchill, explained Brit- spect, but constant testimony that fession of arms. Usages of war have men, both from base details and re- ain's policy in the matter of the treat- has come in, not only from our own not only been outraged by infliction cent arrivals, paraded and embarked ment of German sailors captured on escaped prisoners but from French, of cruelties on British prisoners, but for special destination. The depart- board submarines, in the Commons, Russian, Belgium and American but by contrivances which must have ure of these troops was not a secret to-day. Answering a question one the sources has brought it home to all arrested Your Lordship's attention. who have sifted the evidence that the The Germans have the last week in But Poisoning as is usually the case, but was open subject, he said:—

"We cannot admit that the reprisals inhumanity displayed by the German troduced the method of placing their "We cannot admit that the reprisals inhumanity displayed by the German troduced the method of placing their which Germany have taken against authorities toward British prisoners opponents hors de combat by the use numbers of our officers can be allowed especially, is beyond doubt. The Sec- of asphyxiating deleterious gasses. to deflect us from a policy which we retary quoted articles from the Con- They employ these prisoners methods regard as humane and just in itself." vention adopted at the Hague relating to prevail when their attack, accord-With reference to Germany's an- to treatment of prisoners of war, and ing to rules of war might otherwise asserted that they had been disre- have failed. "It is necessary to publicly brand garded flagrantly by German officers, London, April 28.—Speaking in dethis form of warfare and prevent it he added, I think it only fair and bate on the treatment of British pristaking its place among the methods right to say that German hospitals oners in Germany, Premier Asquith open to belligerent nations. No spec- should be exempted from any said: ial conditions had been applied to the charges of deliberate inhumanity. "It is a hornible story from every crews of German submarines,, because There have been indications of la- view point. On of the blackest spots they are such, but only to those en- mentable lack of medical skill and on even German methods of war. My

gaged in wantonly killing non-com- individual cases of neglect and indif- object in rising is to say with all embatants, neutrals and women on the ference to suffering on the part of phasis and all deliberation that we high seas. Incidents like the sinking hospital orderlies. On the other hand shall not forget, and we ougt not to of the Oriole at night, without warn- there are statements from prisoners, forget this horrible record of calculing (she was lost early in February who have been released, as incapaci- ated cruelty and crime. We shall at with a crew of twenty men) the sink- tated that their experience in the hos- the end of this war hold it to be our ing of the Falaba with a loss of over pitals did not form any ground for duty to exact such reparation against one hundred lives, and the blowing up special complaint. Treatment of pris- those who are proved to be guilty of fishing vessels, decided the Govern- oners in detention camps in Germany agents in this matter, as it may be. ment, he declared, to place all sub- varies considerably according to lo- possible for us to inflict. I do not marine prisoners taken after Febru- cality. Our men in most cases suf- think we would be doing our duty ary 18th, and so long as this system fered from want of food and have re-either to those brave, unfortunate [Kum Kale is the fortress at the to have been the last German ship free of warfare continued, in a distinct ceived differential treatment, as com- men, or the honor of our country, or He pointed out that the conditions comrades, and many acts of violence should be content with anything less.'

Germany has for many years posed savagery of the Dervishes of the Sou-

cerning treatment of the prisoners I do not think there can be a soldier of any nationality, even amongst Crews of Submarines | Earl Kitchener said that as a sol- the Germans themselves, who is not

day, Generally Confirming For- severe casualties upon the enemy; mer News From the Battle Area

Capetown, April 27.—General Mac- lowing are reported from General

press of Ireland, green to green. General Van Devoefer has captured ment compelled our left flank to face bombardment of the Bosphorus forts Julien. Our line was thus temporar- plosions were caused in one fort. ily weakened, and after gallant re- A desperate battle is proceeding sistance by the Canadians against since April 24th in the direction of superior numbers, St. Julien was cap- Strii.-HARCOURT.

East of Ypres our troops have Halifax, April 27-Sir Robert borne the brunt of repeated heavy at- A Letter From the Front salient. The enemy used asphyxiating gases, but the attack was repuls- now at the front with the Canadian ed and German officers and men cap- Royal Highlanders. This letter is

were repulsed. In the afternoon our the fight,

troops took the offensive, progressing near St. Julien, and west therefrom. Reports Doings The French co-operated and further north retook Hetsas during yesterday. Our airmen have bombed success-

fully stations and junctions at Court-London, April 27 (official)—The fol-The French Government report German attacks on the heights of the Meuse completely defeated. The

dated April 10th, and George, who was During the last three days very O.K. at time of writing, mentioned the heavy casualties have been inflicted fact of the Germans losing very heav-London, April 27.—The Kaiser's on the enemy; our losses also are ily at Neuve Chapelle, and that he had been pretty handy to the actual fight-

# CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY

Against Owners of "Storstad" Goes Against the Latter---Likely to be Allied Forces Effect
Landing at Dardanelles

London, April 28th.—The British
Parliament occupied itself solely today with discussions on the treatment an Appeal---Norwegian Beard of Trade Finds "Empress" to Blame making satisfactory progress. Forces efforts that have been made by the have been landed on both sides of the United States to aemliorate conditions

Montreal, April 27.—The C.P.R. then plotted on the enlarged chart three million suit against the Nor- backwards from the place of colwegian Company owning the lision, and it is pointed out that 'Storstad" collier which rammed the Canadian Commission erred in the C.P.R. liner "Empress of Ire-supposing that the Storstad at land" in the Gulf of St. Lawrence 1.35 a.m. was 4 miles off Metis last May has gone in favor of the Point, the fact being that she was C.P.R. but damages are to be as- only 3 miles distant therefrom.

too long for publication here in er than 14 or 15 knots. Had she minutes. extenso, but the following sum-covered 41/2 miles after setting It is next pointed out that at the To quote the Report: "Both of a large stock of waggons and light north and extend west beyond St. by the Black Sea fleet. Great exmary will enable our readers to the engines in motion her speed moment when the fog came down them have probably deviated a litunderstand the line of argument must have been at least 18 knots, the Empress of Ireland was steer- the from their respective courses,

In the first place, it is pointed mitted reduction of 10 lbs. in the Storstad S. 79° W. magnetic, mak- Empress of Ireland to port, and out that Admiralty chart No. 307 steam pressure. Her speed in the ing only half a point of difference thus is produced the angle of 40° of the St. Lawrence, used at the first 15 minutes is therefore taken on entirely opposite courses, and under which the collision took inquiry, is on too small a scale to at 10 to 14 knots, or an average that under both the crossing and place." examine the course and positions of 12 knots, and later on at 14 to meeting rules it was the duty of The Empress of Ireland is held Weatherbee, ex-Chief Justice, is dead. tacks in an entirely unexpected situaproperly, and for this purpose the 16 knots, or an average of 15 the Empress of Ireland to port to blame for having caused the col Judge Graham has been appointed tion. Attacks were also delivered on Mr. H. E. Cowan had a letter this ment has photographically en- The position of the Empress of is made to the possibility of both her helm and altar her course to ceed Judge Townhend, resigned.

The place of collision is taken 45° W., distant I mile from the sheer, which on such fine courses ticles 18 and 19 of the Registra- The Germans to be a short half mile westwards gas buoy. Her engines were rung might exhibit their opposite side tions. In regard to the Storstad's from the position of the wreck, full speed ahead at 1.20 a.m., and lights. In this connection it is putting her helm aport after the which is N. 26° E., distant 31/8 at 1.35 a.m., after covering a dis-stated that the Storstad's certi-engines had been stopped for miles from Cock Point gas buoy, tance of 3 miles on the course N. ficate regarding the screening of some time, it is said that, under in latitude N. 48° 37' 30", longi- 47° E. magnetic, her course was her side lights was in proper or- the circumstances, it was legiti- third drive for Calais has been stoptude W. 68° 22', the Empress of altered to N. 73° E. magnetic. At der. Ireland, partly by her own speed 1.47 a.m. she had covered another Emphasis is laid on the fact that It is accordingly found that tacks on Ypres have been repulsed, British heavy guns had been captured mention that his regiment had been and partly by the current, having 3 miles, when, according to Cap- if the Empress of Ireland had re- there is no case for taking legal and the Allies have been permitted to is untrue. been carried that distance east- tain Kendall, her engines were mained absolutely stationary at proceedings against the captain, regain considerable of the ground 2.—(dated Tuesday).—Yesterday all led them to understand that they

sessed by Registrar of Admiralty The error is shown to have lain in other 13/4 cables to bring her to a signals, she ought to have done) confined were in every way humane. General French Court. Appeal likely, for the Nor the Commission neglecting to dead stand in the water. It is the Storstad would have passed we have offered to allow a representawegian Board of Trade exonerates make any allowance for the rate pointed out that this leaves 81/4 her on the port side at a distance tive of the United States to visit these "Storstad" and finds "Empress of of the out-going current, which is cables, or practically a short mile of from 1 to 11/2 cables. But it is prisoners, he said, and to make a reto the place of collision. The con- concluded that she had some way port, provided reciprocal facilities are A Summary of Events for Mon- Our artillery several times inflicted We have received from a Nor- It is pointed out also that the clusion is therefore reached that on her and was struck on her star- accorded to us. Wegian correspondent, says the Canadian Commission erred in at- Captain Kendall's assertion that board side as a consequence of

Nautical Magazine, a translation tributing a distance of 41/2 miles the Empress of Ireland was stathe course she steered. of the finding of the Norwegian to the Empress of Ireland in the tionary at the moment of collision Regarding the angle of 40° un-Board of Trade official entrusted first 15 minutes from Father is inconsistent with the facts of der which the collision took place, with the examination of the evi- Point, a distance which is incon- the case. In support of this, the it is noted that the commanders dence before the Canadian Com- sistent with the opinion which reservation on this point express- of both vessels were under the im- Kenzie reports that mounted troops French: mission to determine if any case they express that, from the mo- ed by the Commission is cited and pression that they were passing have reached Aretitis, 75 miles north 1.—(dated Monday)—Severe fight- whole position of Les Esparges reexisted for proceedings against ment when the collision took contrasted with Captain Kendall's one another on opposite sides— of Keetmannshoot, in German South- ing to the north-east of Ypres con- mains in French hands, and the slopes the master and crew of the Nor- place, the maximum speed of the Storstad, red to West Africa, and are still pursuing tinues. The general situation is unegian vessel. The document is vessel can hardly have been great- stationary in the water for 6 red, and in the case of the Em- the enemy northward.

wards before she sank. She the time alleged by her comman- officers and crew of the Storstad lost in the first furious attacks of the German attacks north-east of Ypres would very soon be in the thickest of