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THE SITUATION.

"Russia war worn, mourning but grimly determined," so says a despatch from Colonel Kitching of the Salvation Army.

Through all the long retreats her armies have fought with courage, and it is now hoped that the evacuation of the Warsaw salient has been completed successfully. This withdrawal of over a million men from the Vistula and Bug fronts has given the Grand Duke a reputation in excess of any previously enjoyed.

Unofficially the statement is made that Vilna is to be evacuated, and the Bug-Niemen line given up in the hope of drawing on still further the German hordes who before the snows have fallen on the steppes will yet feel the weight of the Great Bear's paw.

In the west a quiet reigns, a strange portentous calm, which presages in the minds of critics great days of stir and the clashing of new onslaughts that will dwarf even the engagements of the Marne.

In the Dardanelles, despite the official taciturnity, there must be trans-

piring one of the dramas of the war. It is made known that Von Liman, German commander, was superseded, and that the family of Von Der Goltz has left Constantinople for Berlin.

The Austrians have been thrust back from Mount Chiana, a huge peak and when the story of these operations from the Trentino is unfolded there will be fresh laurels for Italy and renewed optimism for the Allies, now undoubtedly struggling to withstand what is to-day the high tide of Prussian success.

COST OF LIVING UNDER THE WAR.

The average change in the retail prices of food in the United Kingdom between May 1st and June 1st was an increase of about 5 per cent., says the Board of Trade "Labour Gazette."

In April increases as compared with the preceding month, were recorded in the price of fourteen articles, the rises being most marked in the prices of pork, rice, mutton, milk and veal.

In Vienna, as compared with the previous month, there was no change during April in the prices of flour, beans and sugar, while eggs and bread showed decreases of 6.5 and 2.4 per cent. respectively.

Compared with April, 1914, all articles were dearer—peas by 189 per

cent., bacon by 150 per cent., lard by 144 per cent., wheat flour by 143 per cent., rice by 125 per cent., eggs by 112 per cent., and beans by 100 per cent.

STREET RAILWAY.

There has been scattering criticism of the six months' statement of the Municipal Street Railway Commissioners for operations ending with July.

The citizens of this community are now the shareholders of that enterprise and the report in detail has been sent to the City Council as representing the ratepayers.

The Eagle Place loop and the recent returns from the line to Mohawk Park—now so greatly improved—were not included in the statement mentioned as they did not come within the scope of the period reported upon.

There is the proposed sale of the Paris to Galt end of the road which will also help. Some people, and the right to criticize is, of course, thoroughly in order, are inclined to question the advisability of the disposal of this part of the property, but the complete details will constitute an efficient explanation.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

The paws of the Russian bear still continue to give the Germans pause.

Don't forget that the further the Russians can draw the Kaiserites into the Czar's territory the more effective will be the round-up when it does come.

That \$20,000 or more machine gun fund! Isn't it a dandy, with more yet to come. If you haven't, there's time yet to do your bit.

The Socialists in the Fatherland are becoming more and more restive with regard to the war, and they form a very large and important body there.

Another Zepp, raid on the British coast with a number of non-combatants killed and wounded is calculated to fill the breast of the Kaiser with more joy.

Sunday is quite often the day for the receipt of important war news. Let's hope that to-morrow will accord something definite regarding the Dardanelles.

OPERATION

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GREAT BAYONET CHARGE

When the shell firing ceased orders for an advance were given. The French and Senegalese holding the left, and the naval division and the Gurkhas the centre and the British forces the right, plunged across the intervening hundred yards, cleared and occupied the first enemy trench.

North of Gaba Tepe the Australians simultaneously charged the trenches at the point of the bayonet. Twelve hours after the new landing the Turks succeeded in bringing up a large force. Another fierce fight followed. Details are not received here.

It is known however, that French troops made good their position and are now seriously threatening the Turkish communication. The allies took 800 prisoners.

The dog warden of Montclair, N.J., has to catch stray felines for cats are tagged there too.

WORLD PRESS ON THE WAR

THEY UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER

Toronto Star:—The outsider may wonder why some apparently easy road to victory is not taken. But we are inclined to believe that all the Allies understand and are satisfied with each other.

LET US PINCH OURSELVES

London Daily Chronicle:—We have delayed too long in facing the burdens which it is duty of the nation to shoulder. Let us pinch ourselves now so that we may be better equipped to face the great struggle that will come when the artificial activity created by the war gives place to the exhaustion that will be the fruit of the war.

BRITAIN'S STAYING POWER

Boston Transcript:—Staying power as it develops in England is worth rather more to the ounce than it can be in Germany, for at Berlin it has monthly been fed on success, while London has had very little to give it new courage.

A POSER FOR GERMANY

New York World:—The Frye was sunk before the British orders in Council were issued. If the sinking of the Frye was a legitimate act of war, Germany can have no grievance against the British orders in Council, which carry out the principle that Germany defends in the Frye case.

THE CALL OF THE WAR

Canadian Churchman:—This is no mere sectional, or even European struggle, but one that concerns all the nations of the earth, and it is of the first importance that the Allies should be enabled to obtain a victory which shall ensure beyond all present and future question the freedom of the

various races and nationalities whose civil and religious liberty would be endangered, if not rendered impossible, by German supremacy.

"OUR GREATEST CARE."

London Times:—Our greatest care must ever be that the strength and efficiency of the Grand Fleet should be maintained. Victory for the Allies depends upon the continued supremacy of the British Navy, and the struggle for that supremacy has yet to come.

DO BETTER IN CANADA

London Daily Express:—They do so many things better in Canada. The British public is denied, until the last moment, any knowledge of the personal prowess of its soldiers, while Sir Max Aitken, the Canadian "Eye Witness" makes his stories thrilling and dramatic by including the stories of individual bravery and devotion.

AN EVIDENCE OF UNITY

Westminster Gazette:—Canada will rightly be proud that her Prime Minister is thus called into conference with the British Cabinet, but it goes

without saying that the door which is now opened to Sir Robert Borden is also open to the other Dominion Prime Ministers, if and when they can pay us a visit.

VICE-ADMIRAL BAILEY

Vice-Admiral Bailey has been appointed to the position of naval commander on the Irish station, with headquarters and residence at Queenstown, in succession to Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Coke, who at present holds the office.

WELCOMED TO CAMP

Lieut. Col. M. F. Muir, Major Can and Quartermaster's Plummer of the 25th Brantford who accompanied the last co from the regiment to Niagara turned to the city yesterday.

BIG PICNIC

Mohawk Park is once more being its position as one of the attractive grounds in Ontario after the annual picnic of the Horsehoers Association of is taking place there. It is a special affair, and it is expected will be a large crowd, including from Toronto and Hamilton.

Have You Done Your Bit?

THE CAMPAIGN IN BRANTFORD FOR A \$20,000 FUND WITH WHICH TO PURCHASE MACHINE GUNS OR OTHER NECESSARY EQUIPMENT FOR THE CANADIAN TROOPS, IS NOW WELL ADVANCED. A SPLENDID RESPONSE HAS BEEN MET WITH THUS FAR, BUT THE AMOUNT NEEDED IS NOT TO BE SECURED BY A FEW LARGE CONTRIBUTIONS, BUT BY EVERYBODY DOING THEIR PART.

IT IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR EVERY MALE CANADIAN OVER 21 YEARS OF AGE TO GO TO THE WAR, BUT THOSE OF US WHO ARE LEFT BEHIND, ENJOYING IMMUNITY FROM ITS RAVAGES, CAN DO MUCH TO SEND COMFORTS TO THOSE OF OUR COUNTRYMEN WHO ARE ON THE FIGHTING LINE; AND, ABOVE ALL, WE CAN SEE TO IT THAT THEY ARE GIVEN A FIGHTING CHANCE IN THEIR EFFORTS TO STOP THE GERMAN ADVANCE ON CALAIS, AND IN TIME TO DRIVE THE INVADING FOE OUT OF FRANCE AND BELGIUM.

IN THE HARVEST FIELDS OF CANADA THE REAPING MACHINE HAS SUPPLANTED THE HAND-WIELDED SICKLE; ON THE BATTLEFIELDS OF EUROPE THE MACHINE GUN HAS GREATLY SUPPLANTED THE RIFLE.

What Ralph Connor Says: "What, then, is the immediate duty of Canadians? To raise large sums of money? Not so much. Old John Bull may be safely trusted to look after the financing of this war. But for Canada two things lie to her hand. Listen to the insistent iteration of Lloyd-George: 'Munitions and machine guns, munitions and machine guns.' Let every Canadian workman and workwoman that can get to a munition factory or gun factory get there, and with all speed. Shells and more shells. Machine guns and more machine guns. WHERE BRITISH SOLDIERS HAVE TWO MACHINE GUNS, GERMANS HAVE FORTY. SHELLS WASTED MEAN BATTALIONS SAVED. WE HAVE TRIED FIGHTING MACHINE GUNS WITH MEN AND HAVE LEARNED OUR BITTER LESSON: CANADIAN SHELLS AND CANADIAN MACHINE GUNS MEAN THE SAVING OF CANADIAN MEN."

Save Canadian Lives by Providing Machine Guns and other items of necessity in connection with this great war which means so much to the Empire and all of us. (Image of a flag)

What Sir John French Says: "Sir John French reports that on Friday last the British, in a counter-attack, re-captured a portion of the trenches lost earlier in the day west of the village. On Saturday night the Germans made two further infantry attacks, which were successfully repulsed. There was no renewal of the action on Sunday. Details of the fighting at Hooge on Friday indicate that THE MOMENT THE GERMANS CAPTURED THE BRITISH TRENCHES THEY RUSHED UP A LOT OF MACHINE GUNS AND MOUNTED THEM, SO THAT BY A CROSS FIRE THEY SWEEPED THE WHOLE FRONT OF THE NEWLY-WON POSITION AND MADE AN EFFECTIVE COUNTER-ATTACK IMPOSSIBLE. The British gained and held the Zouave Wood, but no progress was made in the open. In the face of such experiences of the wonderful efficiency of machine guns in stopping a charge it is startling to learn that the offer of a manufacturer to supply 20,000 Colt machine guns to the British army at the rate of 2,000 a month was turned down in November by General Von Donop, the British Master of Ordnance. He would give his eye teeth to have them now."

NOW, THEN, ALTOGETHER AND NO LET-UP. THE MOVEMENT IS NOMINALLY UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE BOARD OF TRADE, BUT IN ITS ENTIRE ASPECT IT IS A COMMUNITY DUTY. YOU ARE GOING TO DO YOUR SHARE—NO DOUBT AT ALL ABOUT THAT—THEN DO IT QUICKLY. BOTH LOCAL PAPERS WILL BE GLAD TO RECEIVE AND ANNOUNCE SUBSCRIPTIONS. THIS IS A CLARION EMPIRE CALL AT A TIME OF EMPIRE NEED, AND WHEREVER THAT GLORIOUS EMBLEM OF FREEDOM, THE BRITISH FLAG, FLOATS, IT IS A CASE OF SHOULDER TO SHOULDER FOR KING AND COUNTRY.

LOCAL ON EXHIBITION. An enlarged portrait of Pte. Artur Prowse of 262 St. is reported back again in the trenches, his wounds having healed. A fine portrait of Pte. P. Art Co's window. It is a reproduction in colours of one taken over. NAMED IN LIST. In the list of successful candidates at the recent Canadian Training Corps' examinations by the Department of Militia and Defence at the University of Toronto, the name of Lieut. H. S. B. is included. Each of the successful candidates will obtain a certificate which is equivalent to a subaltern's certificate. WELCOMED TO CAMP. Lieut. Col. M. F. Muir, Major Can and Quartermaster's Plummer of the 25th Brantford who accompanied the last co from the regiment to Niagara turned to the city yesterday. Muir stated that the boys received a right royal welcome and been given the best camping in the place. The contingent form a unit in the newly formed under Lieut. Colonel Stewart. BIG PICNIC. Mohawk Park is once more being its position as one of the attractive grounds in Ontario after the annual picnic of the Horsehoers Association of is taking place there. It is a special affair, and it is expected will be a large crowd, including from Toronto and Hamilton. Among the officers who will be present are: T. R. De Geery, of Provincial President; McD. Peterborough, vice-president; slop, Hamilton, second vice; E. T. Hicks of Paris, secretary of the association. The be a program of sports.

The next time you see a friend holding a book or paper close to his face and strain his eyes to read, do it a favor. Tell him to see me. If you can't see yourself doing the same thing—come to me for glasses. (Image of glasses) JARVIS Look for this Sign. Chas. A. Jarvis Optometrist. Manufacturing Optician. 52 MARKET STREET. Just North of Dalhousie. Both phones for appointment. Open Tuesday and Saturday. Closed Wednesday after during June, July and August.

NEILL'S BARO SAT. Men's Grey leather sole, sizes 5 to 7. Women's new last, Empire Saturday. Neill