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The band had previously passed

close behind a Belgian battery, the

surgeon whispered to his fellow-pri-

soners not to call attention to it. The

Made His Escape.

to a ditch, threw himself into it. One

ambulance man and a French prison-

er followed his example, and on all

adventure.

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BELGIAN ARMY SURGEON WAS HORRIFIED WITNESS OF EXECUTION OF WOUNDED

German Major Showed no came the order from the major, and Respect for the Red Cross the wounded man was left holding up supplicating hands after his comrades and Intended Killing the abandoned! Passed a Battery.

Doctor Himself

GERMANS FINALLY LOST THEIR WAY

Germans might have done much dam-And Stumbled on the Allied age, as there were no infantry near As it turned out the battery com-Lines, Where Such of the mander had trained two pieces loaded Prisoners as had not been with shrapnel on the band and was was about to fire when they passed on. **Murdered Were Set Free** The Belgians remained in their

trenches and the Germans pushed on, In Flanders, Nov. 20. (By Mail to falling out of the frying pan into the V. Y. Heraid)-During a dark and fire, for the French troops were bestormy night a company of Germans fore them.

succeeded in passing right through Dixmude after killing, am d dead sil. ence, the mitrailleuse guard at the disorder, lagged behind, and coming

head of the bridge leading to the town. The surgeon in charge of the field iospital was swakened by the sound f the Germans marching past. In the room were two wounded men

le told them to keep quiet, as Gerhans were in the town, and then went the staff to give information. dunteered to bring up reserves, and et off ir the pitch dark with his two

wounded on a stretcher. Stumbled on Germans them the previous day with a flag cf Walking along the dark road unsus truce tod iscuss some question. Anoth pecting, he suddenly ran into the Ger. er prisoner had been killed previously mans, who were in the ditches and and was found later his legs bound "Hait! He thought use were Belgians, and joked, callng out to them for not seeing his Red cross band, and replied to their challenge innocently, "Medecin Belge." prisoner rushed toward the French. "Hands up," brutally enforced. caught up a wounded man's rifle and brought him to his senses. He and hi charged back towards the Germans. stretcher bearers were made to de He was within a yard of the mjor. scend into the ditch, where they found bayonet ready to strike, when the latother prisoners, fifteen in all. ter saw him and turned, his sword Shot Wounded. Two wounded men were killeddrove home; a gurgling shout of and the surgeon would have been shot 'Vorwarts!" came from the stricken

RUTHLESS WAR ON OLD AND YOUNG

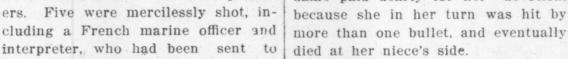
With and Without Pretext, German Troops Burn and . Slay Promiscuously

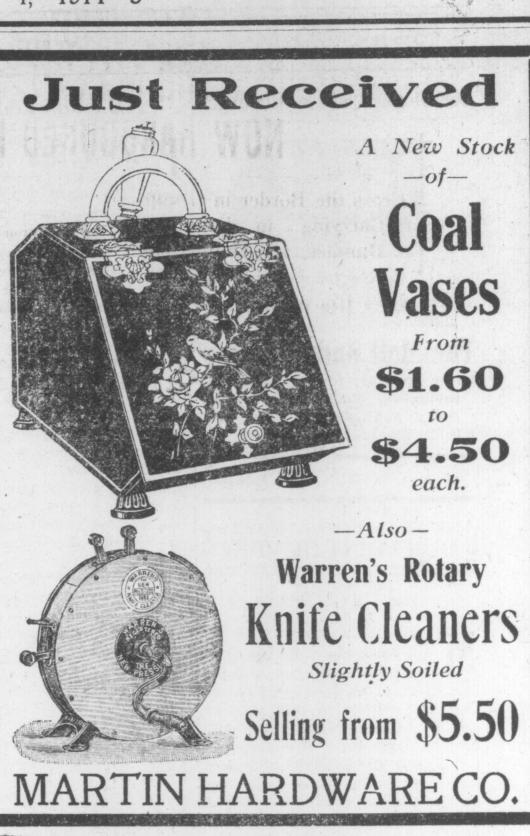
∧ NLY now, it would appear, are full personal details beginning to emerge concerning the ruthless war which the Germans waged upon old people, and upon women and children, in the days when, as they imagined, they were marching straight nto Paris.

In a letter to her parents a lady who was amongst the sufferers at the hands of the Kaiser's troops describes how the invaders behaved as soon as they entered her village. At once she says, the Germans began to set houses ablaze everywhere, on the apsolutely groundless pretext that civilians had fired upon the troops. As it was impossible to escape by means of the street, which was full of soldiers, the lady, with her little daughter in her arms, took to the The surgeon seeing a chance in the

fields, accompanied by her aunt. They were just discussing whether it was safe to venture any farther when she was struck by a bullet and fell bleeding to the ground.

fours they crawled fifty yards and Though shell and rifle fire was playthen witnessed the final phase of the ing heavily all round, the aunt declined to leave her and did her best Finding themselves trapped the Ger- to protect the child. But the old mans commenced to kill their prison- dame paid dearly for her devotion,







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words and stern orders. The Germans lost their way For Sale! **Motor Boat Good Morning!** We Are Introducing F.P.U. American Silk American Cashmere Built for R. H. Silver, Esq., at their premises, They have stood the test.

shot also, only the officers interceded officer, and all his brutalities had for him with the major. They had a been paid for. wounded German officer with them The French took the rest of the

Sorely Perplexed.

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German

bridge.

out a single word.

and asked if he would tend him. He ompany prisoners and wanted to said "Yes," and tended the wounded shoot them all. They would have been justified in doing so, but only

The major asked him if he knew any the four were shot who had been thing of the position of the troops, marked out as the most brutal. and he replied that he had been in

The Awful Scene hospital all day. Finally they advanc-They met their fate in a very dif aolong the road, but it was soon eviferent manner from the major. One dent that it was no good going any trumpeter, an elderly man, was deeper into the Allies' lines. The Gerfrankly half made with terror. He mans then boldly placed their wounded in a Belgian ambulance cart and held out supplicating arms and screamed about his family, his wife sent it straight back to the town and children. His cries for mercy

and shrieks of appeal were cut short by the sound of a volley from the fir-

One can imagine the surgeon's pering party, obedient to the fall of the plexity. Was the town wholly Gerofficer's sword, and the unfortunate man? Otherwise it seemed too daring an act. The Germans decided to atwretch just shuddered into nondescript at the foot of the wall tempt to reach their own lines by a Another met death proudly, his roundabout route. Over ditches, hedghead erect, his eyes defiant. He also es, etc., they went straight ahead. Reshuddered down the wall into death. markable discipline was manifested.

A third sprang to meet his fate with The men waded deep into water witha cry of "Hoch!" for his Kaiser. The fourth man had received every Over the roughest country went the one of the bullets in the neck, showlaring band, prisoners in advance ing excellent markmanship. All the without any sound having whispered three refused to be blindfolded, and so in the morning glow they passed.

The Red Cross cart with the awn was coming up, and they stumb wounded German, which had attempted on the Belgian trenches. Rifles ed to pass back through the town and ran out, a German soldier fell. The over the bridge was held up. "Halte surgeon rushed to help him, seeing lso a way of escape, but "Vorwarts! la!" The guttural reply came:

'Rouge Croix!" Down they all were rought and disarmed. The surgeon was able to put in a kindly word for those who had been good to him.

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with wire, and ten bullets in his completely burned down, and a few valuables which she brought away in Met His Fate. a satchel when she took to the fields were stolen from her whilst she lay The brutal major met his fate. A

unconscious on the ground. The Germans, she states, shot no fewer than eighty-six civilians in the town, men, women, and children, her father-in-law among the number

still raised in command. The bayonet ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

After lying for hours the lady was

picked up with other wounded people

and taken to Luneville. Her house

at Gerberviller, she adds, has been



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