# DAY'S FIGHTING FAVORED DIAZ

Mexican Rebel Leader Advanced His Batteries.

#### SHELLING PALACE

White Cross Fired On by the Combatants.

Mexico City, Feb. 17.—General Diaz gained important advantages to-day after another twelve hours of artillery fighting in the heart of a half-runed city. 10-mgnt the rebel commander was seveneing his batteries toward the National rapace, which he has shelled community. The Madero forces have recemen repuises ail along the line of fighang, and may be on the detensive

Hamilton were killed and wonded the storm of lead and iron The tighting was more sangumary than on beamsaay. General maerta again dates a fromas attack on the Chidadeta and was nursed back with neavy losses. Foreral intentrymen were de-stinged by the amazingy accurate ma-cing gan five directed by General Memorycon. General Diaz immediately one on up his advantage by planting batteries in practically all of the strate been occupied for there days by the Maderistas. To night Directs red flag is flying in the Avenida de flum Francusce, the principal approach to the National Palace. The rebels are expected to attack the palace to-morrow

activity of Henry Lane Wilson, the American Ambassador, removed at least 1,000 Americans, including many weemen and children, from the fighting zone. These are quartered in the American camboesy in the Colonia Roma, a mile and a half continuest of Diaz's fortress or in private houses rented last night and this morning by the Ambaesador. Mest Americans are, however, without funds on account of the closing of the

MORR AMERICAN VICTIMS.

There was an unverified report to-ight that few Americans had been then by the explosion of a shell in the McMadisa Church South. So far as can be bearned, only one American was infined. H. M. Meredith, manager of the Madisand Cash Register Company's agong, was seriously hurt when a shell buse in front of the Hotel-Jardin.

The temper of all the foreign residents as at white heat because of the ef all the rules of civilized here of both sides. It is said that the British and German Ministers re-President Madero against Federal bat-teries being posted near their consulates. creased to might because of the presence within the city of Morendo and his guestian. These Zapatistas have been robbing and firing houses to the westward of the Alameda. They are apparently friendly to the Felicistas.

The city is appalled by the imminence of famine and plague. Tederals and rebels are seizing food supplies, and it has become almost impossible to buy at any price the necessaries of life. Bodies lay in the principal streets where they fell two days ago. Red and White cross am-

whet and shell. The National Theatre is hadly damaged. The Colonia station of the Mexican National Railway in the Page de-Reforma was struck by shells and set on fire. Shells burst to-day in the American Club, the Hotels Iturbide and Jardin, the German Club, and numerous after layer buildings. erous other large buildings. Several of the principal streets are choked with the lears of war, and the centre of the city is deserted, save for hungry, weary soldiers, who continue automatically to FORMER PAESIDENT A REFUGEE.

A messenger frem Ambassader Wilson sarived under a flag of time at the cambe office this evening with despectates from Washington. He reported that the Americans quartered two prominent contractors, Ricciardi Possible and has issued a warthat no snews had dropped near that Brancisco de la Barra, the former

previsional President, is said to be a refugee at the British Legation. Senor barra is believed to have incurred the enmity of the President on account of the stand he took on Wednesday night in missing that a compromise be made with General compromise be made with General Dian. Other prominent statesmen and leaders have taken under the suspecide of the Government. Madero is cide of the Government. Madero is said to be distrustful of everybody, of his own generals even. There is wide-prend grambling among the Federal loces. Such a situation as has existed loces. Such a struction as has existed just four days cannot persist

The County have been busy for the days removing women and child-ren to the north of the city, renting houses for them, and making ar-rangements for food and supplies. As many as could be taken care of were quartered in the American Ambassy trick, as far removed as it is from the artherymen, is no longer safe. Yes-terday and to day she is arched over the citadel and barst among the houses

the Colonia Roma.
The other foreign residents took imilar precautions as regards the afety of their countrymen, but at the best conditions were miserable. Busi-

ever obtainable, and what ernment has not taken Diaz has seized. It is now impossible to get fresh vege tables, meat, eggs, and other nececaries. Thousands of foreigners are living on canned stuffs. The large hotels and restaurants in the main part of the city have almost suspended business, partly because of the danger to which they are constantly evered, and partly beare constantly exposed, and partly because of the inability to procure food supplies. The danger of fam ne is becoming graver hourly. Complain s are now being heard from the Government troops who have been put on half ra-tions and who are worn out from the incessant fighting and patrolling.

WHITE CROSS FIRED ON. Where Diaz and his 3,000 men in the Cludadela obtain their food is a mystery. Madero's troops command the approaches to the city and the streets leading to the arsenal. It is surmised that on Sunday Diaz tok advantage of the situation to store his fortress with provisions for at least a week. There is a story to-day that his fortress men have been killing and eating their When the Felicistas seized the

arsenal they had at least 306 horses. To the peril of famine is added the graver menace of plague. For two days now bodies of soldiers and citizens have lain in the streets. The Red and White Cross doctors and nurses have labored night and day, but their hands' have been too much occupied with the wounded to give them time for the removal of the dead. All vestige of ordinary government had disappeared and there is no agency to look after the bodies.

The fighting has been so barbarous that shots have been fired at the Red and White Cross Samar tuns, and there is a report that an officer of the Cross Service was killed by a shell. The sanitary arrangements have been neglected utterly. Edth and g r-bage is piled in the principal streets along with the litter of destroyed build-ings. Some streets are almost impas-

### MAXSE GOES FREE

British Commons Was Lenient With Editor.

London Feb. 17 .- The House of Comnons to-day did not send L. J. Maxse, editor of the National Review, to the Clock Tower for his refusal to tell the ommittee investigating the Government wireless agreement the names of the persons who had given him the reports on which he had based allegations of improper conduct against some of the Cabinet Ministers. The House evaded giving a definite decision on the issue raised by agreeing to "do nothing at

present. Premier Asquith pleaded as an excuse the lateness of the session, but it is said in some quarters that the ridicule threatening to overwhelm the House of Commons in the event of its attempt ing coercive action was probably the deciding factor.

#### **WESTERN MURDER**

Norwegian Kills Neighbor's Wife and Escapes.

Unity. Sask., despatch: Mrs. Anton Christianson, wife of a Norwegian farmer living 12 miles southwest of Unity two days ago. Red and White cross am-was yesterday shot and fatally wounded, and her daughter, Annie, brutally beatnext quarter section. Jeanousy was ine-nexted buildings are located, is becoming a refa under the never-ending rain of shed and shell. The National Theatre is followed. The Colonia station. thought, recover.

Peterson is still at large, but the

mounted police are hard on his trail and his capture is expected shortly, es-pecially as he is without money and the entire district is alarmed and on the

ROMAN GRAFT SCANDAL.

Rome, Feb. 17 .- The Parliamentary commission which has been investi-gating suspected cases of graft in connection with the new Palace of Jus tice, which has been twenty years building and has toost \$12,000,000 inand Borelli, and has issued a war-rant for the arrest of crown lawyer Silvestre, who has disappeared.

Charges are also rother prominent persons.

Indianapolis despatch: Charles Ma-jor, the well-known Indiana author, died at his residence in Shelbyville to-day after a lingering illness of cancer of the liver. He had been sick for of the liver. He had been seek for more than a year. He leaves a widow. Mr. Major was born in Indianapolis July 25, 1856. His first novel, and one that caused his immediate recognition. man of talent. Knighthood was in Flower," publish-

Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall. "A Forest Hearth" and other books followed in quick succession, and all added to the fame of the writer.

AN ALPINE PHENOMENON.

quartered in the American Ambassy in the Colonia Roma, the residential districts southwest of the fluidadela, cribes to Prof. Quervain the discovery of a remarkable zone of silence on the

> Blasting for a railway could be heard for thirty miles from parts of the mountain, but in the zone of silence, only fourteen miles away, it could not be heard. The professor is unable to explain this phenomenon.

STEAM PIPE BURST. nees men were unable to get cash, the banks having been closed since the outbreak of hostilities. Food is very scarce, and the prices have increased enormously. The Government has of her main steam pine. the Belfast, Feb. 17.—The Daugh steamer had perished.

## SOLEMN SERVICE IN MEMORY OF HEROES

St. Paul's Cathedral Packed at Memorial for Lost Explorers.

More News of Expedition--- Details of Awful Troubles of Return Trip.

A London cable: The British ration to-day paid its last sad respects to the niemory of Ciptain Robert F. Scott and his heroic companions, who died in the wilds of the Antarctic, after reaching the South Pole. A great memoria? service was held in the Cathedral of St. Paul's, in the centre of the metropolis and this was attended by people of every walk in life, from King George, in the uniform of an admiral of the fleet, down to the common laborer, who was proud to feel that the men who had met

The King, surrounded by a brilliant ly uniformed staff, occupied a seat be neath the great dome, while the other parts of the cathedral were filled by the general public to the fullest uxtent of the accommodation

Only a few seats land been reserved for the royal party, which comprised re-presentatives of Queen-Mother Alexan-dra and of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, Governor-General of Canada. Premier Asquith, with the whole of the Cabinet Ministers, was present, with many members of the foreign dip-

omatic corps and their attaches.

Hours, before noon, the time set for the singing of the first hymn, "Rock of Ages," the police had regretfully to turn away many thousands, who could not even get within view of the doors of the Cathedral. The service was a simple but solemn one. It included playing of the "Dead March in Saul," in which the great cathedral organ was accompanied by a military band. The service concluded with the hymn "Jesus, Lover of My Soul." In the closing collects the names of the five dead explorers were included.

The whole service was most impresive. Vast crowds remained throughout outside the cathedral and a great number of British bluejackets were present, both inside and outside.

Similar memorial services were held

at Portsmouth, Devouport, Chatham and other naval centres, and in many churches throughout the kingdom. The Union Jack flew at half-mast every

MORE PARTICULARS.

London cable: Commander E. R. G. London cable: Commander F. R. G., Evans sends further particulars in a despatch from Christchurch, N.Z., of the ill-fated British Antarctic expedition. The party, under Captain Scott, after leaving Commander Evans on Jan. 4, 1912, marched an average of 12 miles daily, and reached the pole on Jan. 17. Captain Scott's observations by the theodolite on Jan. 18 fixed the pole within half a mile of Amundsen's observations.

The Scott party had followed Amund

sen's track, and found his can't within three miles of the pole. Several photographs of Scott and his

From the time of reaching th: Pole Petty Officer Evans' condition gave anxiety, but good progress was made on the return journey over he great plateau in medium weather. Before descending the Beardmore glacter, Dr. Wilson and Lieut. Bowers collected a number of fossils on Buckly Giand.

The descent of Beardmore glacier was eccomplished in thick weather, and deep snow greatly delayed the march. Petty Officer Evans fell on the rough ice and sustained concussion of the bra n. His condition caused further delay, and the surplus food was consumed. On Feb. 17 Evans collapsed and was placed on a sledge. He died a few hours after

Captain Oates still further hampered the the party. Sometimes they made only three miles in a day. Then came blizards and head winds, which completed

the disaster.

The searching party, under Dr. Atkinson, found their tent on Nov. 10, half covered with snow. The bodies were identified. A tent was placed over

identified. A tent was placed over them and a large cairn of snow erected. A cross, with a brief record, was placed on the top of this, signed by all the members of the searching party.

Dr. Atkinson is authority for saying that none of the symptoms of scurvy were present on the bodies.

The searching party employed seven mules, which hauled heavier weights and proved generally more efficient.

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than ponies.
ALEXANDRA'S SYMPATHY. Queen Alexandra has addressed the

leston, President of the Royal Geograph ical Society: "Marlborough House, Feb. 12, 1913

Dear Lord Curzon "Queen Alexandra desires me to tel

you how deeply grieved she is to hear this terrible news of the death of Capt Scott and his party in the Antarctic. Her brave explorers and their intrepid leader is an incalculable loss, not only to the nation, but to the great society of which you are president.

"It may be some slight consolation to know that their purpose has been achieved, and Her Majesty is certain that their splendid, successful undertaking in the cause of science and discovery will be forever gratefully remem bered by the people of this country.
"Her Majesty has read the pathetic

touching message which Captain Scott left behind, and is confident that it will not pass unbecded

andra's intense feeling of serrow at this disaster, and to say how full her heart of sympathy for Mrs. Scott and the relatives of those who perished in the performance of their duties.

"Breare me, yours sincerely, "Henry Streatfield.

# of such warfare. The centre of the city, where the hardsomest streets and most orna. The large streets and most orna. The large streets and most orna. The large streets and most orna. Two bullets took affect in the cause. Two bullets took affect in the cause. Two bullets took affect in the cause.

Scott's Party Died of Starvation Alone.

Expedition Next Summer to Recover Bodies.

London, Feb. 17 .- A despatch from Christchurch to the Daily Mail gives further details of the death of Scott and the other members of his party. The correspondent says that every ounce of food had been used long before death came to Scott, Wilson and Bow ers and only a small quantity of tea was found in the tent. The doctor found no evidence that scurvy had attacked any of the party. The relieving force found the bodies in three positions: Captain Scott was in a sitting posture with his back to the tent pole. Be tween his head and the pole he had placed his diary, with the apparent in-tention of using easier support than the pole itself. Wilson and Bowers were ly in their sleeping bags. If possible an expedition will go to

the Antarctic next summer to recover the bodies.

The members of the expedition in interviews here indicate that there is a possibility that disappointment over the fact that Capt. Amundsen had reached the Pole ahead of them had taken the backbone out of Captain Scott's party

on the return journey. SILENT ON FUEL SUPPLY.

Wellington, New Zealand, Feb. 17 .-Commander Evans, of the Terra Nova. in reply to questions again to day as to the shortage of the fuel supply re-ferred to by Captain Scott in his message to the public said he had now nothing to say concerning the expedition, and he hoved that the nearle would not insist on being further informed in the subject. The not like tion of harrowing details, he said to a first as he could the distress of

A man show make his wife . . Princeton Students' Welcome to Suffrage Hikers.

Princton, N. J., Feb. 17 .- The stac ato yell of Princeton University, with the appendage "Votes for women, votes for women, votes for women," greeted the "army" of suffragettes who are marching to Washington when they arrived here at 7 o'clock to-night. Th women, 13 strong, had covered 27-miles in eight hours of active walking and several of them were on the point of xhaustion when the lights of the uniersity town twinkled a welcome.

"General" Rosalie Jones, commande of the expedition, and veteran of the arch to Albany, declared that for real ordship to-day's walk exceeded any hing she had experienced, "Corporal Martha Klatschen, who is less than five feet tall, had to be supported during the last four miles of the march. She staggered into the village an hour af-ter the arrival of the vanguard, pluck ily refusing offers of a lift from passing

utomobiles.

The scheduled twenty miles between Metuchen, N.J., the day's starting point, and this village was stretched into 27 as the result of the women taking the wrong road. This took them over stretch of rough marching before they found the main highway again. Three women dropped out en route, leaving 13 "regulars" to-night.

HEROIC ACT KILLED HIM.

Kingston despatch: Edward M., son of Edward Hays, of Deseronto, died at the General Hospital here to-day. At his home town, late last fall, his brother fell into the river. He could not swim and would have been drowned but for the heroism of Edward.

The latter could swim and succeeded in cetting his brother out, but the cold dip led to his fatal illness. He had been troubled with rheumatism, and this ag-gravated it, and he suffered a great deal

MILITIA ORDERS

Regulations Ureate Keserve of Active Force.

Ottawa, Feb. 13.-Two important announcements appeal in minute general orders. The first provides officially for the reserve formation of the active mili-tia. This is to be divided into two cate-goines. One is to be the reserve of others borne on the general list, as at present. In addition there are to be corps reserves, which are to consist of:

"I. Qualined others," not above the rank of major, who are permitted to withdraw from the training establishment and be carried on the reserve list of their unit. Such officers are not to

of their unit. Such officers are not to exceed in number those authorized for the training establishment. "2. Warrant officers, non-commission-ed officers and men of the active militial who have completed not less than three annual trainings and who desire to transfer to enlist or re-engage in a re-

The second commencement creates the appointment of an officer to be known

as "commanding divisional artillery."

The appointment shall be tenable for a period of four years, and may carry with it promotion, by selection, to the rank of colonel. It is limited to divisions in which there are not less than three promotions find artillery brigades, which organized field artillery brigades, which organized field artiflery origides, which train and practice annually, and is confined to officers who have commanded a brigade of field or of heavy artiflery. The officer commanding divisional artiflery is under the divisional commander, esponsible for the command and trainresponsible for the command and training of the artillery of the division. He, is also responsible for the command and training of other artillery units of the field army statione d within the divi-

An officer to be graded as a brigade major will be appointed to the staff of the divisional artillery commander.

H. R. H. AT KINGSTON

Duke Gets Honorary Degree at Queen's.

Kingston, Ont., despatch: The Duke of Connaught spent to-day in the Limestone City. His-Royal Highness arrived from Ottawa at Sa.m. over the C. P. R., and at 9 o'clock he was met by the Mayor and City Clerk, who accompanied him to the City Hall, where a civic address of welcome was read, to which the Duke made a happy reply. Afterwards His Royal Highness paid a visit to the Royal Military College, which, he first saw in December, 1911. At 10.45 o'clock he inspected the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery and other permanent corps, as well as district veterans, in the armories His Highness lined at Tete de Pont Barracks.' At 3 c'clock in the afterno the Duke attended a special convocation at Queen's University, where the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred upon the royal visitor by Sin Sandford Fleming, the aged Chancellor, The Duke was presented for the degree by Principal Gordon. The engineering rps of the university acted as a guard honor to His Highness while he was Queen's. At the request of the Duke there was no guard of honor for the civic reception. His Highness left this afternoon for Toronto.

FOUND FORTUNE IN JEWELS.

Washington, Feb. 17 .- Under a guard at police headquarters to-day is a small, flat, tan-colored leather casket. sman, hat, threedored leather casket, containing a fortine in pearl jewelry, and detectives are thing its owner. It was picked up yes reday in the middle of a street in the fashionable section of the capital by W. B. Dirox, driver of a delivery wagon. Dixon promptly turn-ed the jewels over to the police. The col-lection includes two bracelets, several pins and brooches, a number of rings-and pearl clain. More than 100 pearls form the settings. In addition to the pearl jewelry one of the brooches is set | reported the result of a confer with turquoises. thich gives any clue to the owner.

\$50,000 MONTREAL BLAZE.

A Montreal despatch: Spreading with great rapidity through the factory of the Canadian Rubber Company to-day the Canadian Rubber Company to-day a fire did damage to the extent of \$50. 000, and endangered the lives of two employees. One man, James Saunders, was burned about the legs and arms, while R. Kennedy was eaged in the cle-vator, which stuck between two floors and was rescued by several companions who went back for him with a ladder. An auto fire truck collided with a street car on the way to the blaze, and a fight threatened to break out between the firemen and the ear's crew, until turopean art centres. In less the former decided that after they had two hours forty-two paintings put out the fire was the time to quarrel.

WILL HONOR BRYCE.

New York, Feb. 17 .- Cergymen test to the esteem in which they hold James Bryce, the retiring British Am bassador, at a farewell dinner in his honor by the clerical conference of the New York Federation of Churches here next Monday. According to announcement, Roman, Russian and Greek Catholic Churches and the Jewish faith will be represented, togethe with the Protestants. Joseph H Choate, former Ambassador to Great Britain, will be a special guest of honor with Mr. Bryce.

FATAL OTTAWA FIRE.

An Ottawa despatch: Fire which broke out in the annex to the scholasticate of the Oblate Pathers, Ottawa East early this morning, totally destroyed HOG CHOLERA OUTBREAK.

Amhersthurg despatch: The first hog choice outleast in this section in the roast three wicks occurred vesterday, where allowed the building. Sister Ste Simone, a nun was burned to death while twelve others had narrow escapes by the firement of the health of animals in toward, a fire escape by the other in the fire is the firement of Agriculture in the reason to the hogs on the fire is any been unable to reach the windows. The origin of the fire is any account of the fire is a second of the back of

# NEWS OF THE DAY IN BRIEF

Indian Woman Dead Aged 108 Years.

## M. LEPINE TO RETIRE

Lords Reject Welsh Disestablishment Bill.

Constable McCall, Toronto, with a broken arm, stepped a runaway horse.

Mr. John Penman was honored by K.

Vegetable-greyers around Toronto will pay \$40,000 more for seeds year than last.

Matilda La France, an Indian we who died at Brampton, was said to be 108 years of age.

Dugald McBane, of St. Thomas, ded suddenly to-day at Rainy River, where he was visiting his son, Dr. McBana. A Bruce county deputation acked for

a subsidy for a steamer line between Southampton and Sault Ste. Marie. The Kaiser's daughter and her fiere made a State entry into Berlin.

Scott fixed location of South Pole Lat a mile from where Amundsen photed Members of the Ontario Vegetalle

being robbed by Canadian seed mer chapts.

Lepine, the Paris Prefect of Peise, intends to take a well-earned rest, and will retire on March 23rd. Richard Mitchell died in Guelpin the house in which he was born eights one years ago, and in which he ast al

ways lived. N. E. Rubel, member of a firm of ac ountants, fell to his death down an elevator shaft from the nineteenth from of the McCormick building, Chicago.

After having been in progress for the last three years, commenced as it was in 1919, the general enquiry into telegraph tells in Canada concluded at Ottawa.

Sylvestre Smith, who gave his home as Toronto, engaged in a running gum fight with the Montreal police, but was finally cornered and overawed by sever-al police with drawn revolvers in their

Fireman McCann, of the T. and N. . Railway, was severely injured in the collision of two yard engines at Cochrage McCann's left leg was crushed and his right leg was broken at the ankle.

Dennis Delay, an old man who lived at 24 Blackfriars street, West London was found by neighbors in his home half starved and in a very serious condi-tion. He was taken to Victoria Hospital, but his case is a critical one. The House of Lords rejected the Welsh

Disestablishment Bill, 252 to 51. Thus its fate is identical with that of the Home Rule Bill; it must be passed by two succeeding sessions of the Horo of Commons before it can become 'a v. The death occurred at Welland County Hospital of Wm. Sandy, from the effects of a fall at the steel plant, Port

#### **NEW UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS.**

Montreal despatch: At a meeting of the corporation of McGill University, held yesterday, it was decided to estab lish a double course in arts and dentistry

The dean of the faculty of medicine There is nothing about | between the representatives of the McGill cither the jewelry or the casket itself and Toronto Medical Schools, which are now before the medical faculties of the two universities for consideration. The important recommendations are that physics and chemistry be made comput-sory for matriculation; a scheme for the grouping of subjects for examination, examiners by each university.

VALUABLE PAINTING SOL

New York, Feb. 17. - Many notable of the estate of the late M. C. D. Bot den, of this city, were sold last night to private art lovers and professional dealers from many cities in this count try and from London, Paris and other European art centres. In less than disposed of, for prices aggregating \$797,050, which is declared to be some \$6,000 more than the total realized at the best previous sale of its kind in

this city. . . . Among the canvasses that brought great prices were the dembrandt, "Lucretia Stabbing Herself" for \$130, 600; the Turner "Regatts," \$10,000; a Romney, \$100,000, and a Croam,

BAD FIRE AT LINDSAY.

7-	A Lindsay despatch: With a bitter
r l.	cold wind, about two websit this
	morning fire was discovered trying
t	in the back premises of special
f	Killen's large feed, and pro-
	in York street her . The building which
	totally destroyed, together with its com
e	tents, which consisted of produce of all
e	kinds, including \$2,000 worth of flour
t.	The rear parts of the stores of
d	J. Carter, J. Walsh, and sorth 200
n	Killen were badly searched while in
e	the upstair apartment, quanto of hy Dr
	Neclards, dentist, and the Missis Pat
	on the smoke and water country some
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6	Fand dollars.
	- Maria Con O'S.

Ostmeal rubbed on it wonderfully.