

CHANCE SHRAPNEL SHELL SPOUTS DEATH OVER RETIRING REGIMENT OF GERMAN SOLDIERS

Sketch Artist Baldrige an Eyewitness at Tragic Moment; Sees Survivors March Doggedly On, Hardly Breaking Step



A CHANGE SHOWS ITS EFFECT—By C. Leroy Baldrige. Near Roulers I met a column of German soldiers retiring from the trenches. Suddenly the English batteries in the distance got their range and a shell burst, screaming, in front of us. The soldier in the foreground was a wounded man who had set down to rest. He was killed instantly by the shot. The men who were not hit trudged wearily on, hardly breaking step to avoid their fallen comrades, and showing not the slightest emotion.

STRENUOUS COMBAT CONTINUES

Paris, Jan. 14.—The French War Office reports: "In Belgium the firing of our artillery was interfered with by the fog. Nevertheless the cannonading yesterday was very spirited. Near Liégeois and Ypres, detachments of Belgian troops blew up southeast of Stuyvenkerke the buildings on a farm which were serving the enemy as a depot for his ammunition. "Between the Lys and the Oise, in the region of Lens, our artillery were successful in dispersing a group of German pioneers on the outskirts of the hamlet of Angres, and we bombarded effectively the German trenches to the southeast of the Chapel of Notre Dame de Lorette. "To the north of Solons there was determined fighting all day yesterday. The engagement was localized to a section of ground situated to the north of Crovy. We held only the first slopes of these hills. On our left our counter-attack made slight progress, but without succeeding in recording a material advance. On the center we retained our positions around the village of Crovy in spite of repeated efforts of the enemy to dislodge us, but on the east, in front of Vregoy we were obliged to yield. "The continued flood stage of the river Aisne has carried away several bridges and the lines of communication for our troops were consequently made uncertain. Under these conditions we established ourselves on the south bank of the river in the region between Crovy and Missy, with bridge heads on the north bank in our possession. "Along the remainder of the front on the River Aisne there was yesterday nothing more than artillery exchanges.

IN POLAND Petroski, Jan. 14.—Furious fighting has been resumed in Russian Poland. The Russian forces in the north, which are pushing toward East Prussia, in the region near Mlansa, have captured several villages. "In the center the Germans have made four violent attacks within the last forty-eight hours. They forced back the Russians and occupied considerable ground. "In Champagne, the region of Perthes, continued to be the scene of local engagements for the past few days. German trenches on the second and third lines of defense. To the north of Beausjour we blew up some of the enemy's positions to make impossible his laying "The Germans, believing they were being attacked, manned their trenches. We then opened a violent artillery and infantry fire on these positions. "There is nothing to report on the rest of the front."

THE BANK OF ENGLAND

Some Events in Memorable Career of Old Lady of Threadneedle Street

More than once in her history the "old lady of Threadneedle Street" has had the fate of the British Empire in her hands. Just recently Britain has had much to thank her for—especially in the way she averted an economic panic at the outbreak of the war. William III had not yet begun to wear mourning for his consort, Mary, when "the most famous and the richest lady in the world," as the late Lord Grosvenor styled the Bank of England, was modestly cradled at the Mercer's Hall one July day in 1694 with that canny Scotchman, William Paterson, for father. She was well dowered as infants go for the merchants of London City and her capital in ten days the comfortable sum of \$8,000,000 for her birth dowry, thus enabling her to begin life as a full-blown millionaire. But the child had not long to wait for her first troubles. When she was only two years old the goldsmiths leagued themselves against the interloper, who was stealing their banking business from them. A few years later the fears of an invasion by the Pretender brought her horde of enemies down on her again, allied with the rival banks of Hoare and Child, and she was saved from disaster only when the Duke of Marlborough hurried to her help with coaches brimming with bags of hoarded guineas. When she left Mercer's Hall—her original nursery—for the more spacious Grosvenor's Hall her staff numbered but fifty-four all told, and when her next migration took her, in 1734, to the nucleus of her present palatial home her capital still fell short of a modest \$50,000,000. Here, in 1750, she was compelled to fight for her life. Newcastle had been sacked by a riotous mob, a large part of the city was in flames and she herself was girdled by fierce thousands bent on her destruction. But she had gallant defenders. Her roof was manned by clerks firing volleys of bullets modelled from the pewter of their inkstands, which they poured into the enemy with such deadly effect that they scattered and fled. Four years later, "Old Pateth," the rough son of an old clothes man, robbed her of \$1,000,000 by means of forged notes, and he had so many imitators that a staff of seventy clerks were kept busy in detecting them. But the old lady's diary is crowded with similar sensational and romantic happenings. When, for instance, in "the 40s" Prince Charlie's rebel army had straggled as far south as Derby, such was the general panic that the bank was mobbed by anxious crowds demanding money for its notes. Payment was not refused, we are told, but the bank engaged a small army of agents to present notes for which they were paid in sixpences, the agents going out of one door with their silver and bringing it back by another, so that bona fide holders of notes could not get near enough to present them.—New York Press.

Just when the cash runs low the stores are full of bargains—Cincinnati Courier.

BUTTON IN BOY'S EAR MADE HIM INCORRIGIBLE

Boston, Jan. 14.—Removal of a growth from the ear of a boy who was sentenced by a juvenile court to the Middlesex Training School at Chelmsford, as incorrigible three months ago, has transformed him from unmanageable ways to a normal state, so physicians reported. In the growth they found a pearl button which had been in his right ear for six or seven years. His improvement since the operation has been so rapid that the officials say he will soon be released.

Y. M. C. A. BASKET BALL

In the Y. M. C. A. basketball league last evening the team representing France defeated the English aggregation, 37 to 15. In the contest between Belgium and Russia the former won, 25 to 25. Both games were well contested and interesting.

LEAGUE STANDING

Table with 4 columns: Country, Won, Lost, P.C. Belgium: 2, 1, 66.7; France: 2, 1, 66.7; Russia: 1, 2, 33.3; England: 1, 2, 33.3. In the junior league Trenton's team won from Sely's quintette, 14 to 10. The league standing follows: Won Lost P.C. Trenton's 4 2 66.7; Willet 3 3 50.0; Sely 2 3 40.0; Jordan 2 3 40.0; Cairns 2 3 40.0.

WRITTEN SOME YEARS AGO

"If Germany today in general is unloved and is able so easily to become suspected the first and principal reason for this is the provocative activity of the pan-Germans, their vainglory and their mania for treating other powers with mortifying insolence." These few words were not written in the heat of wartime animosity by an anti-German journalist bought as some German-Americans like to insinuate, with English gold. It was written by Herman Ridder, the most influential German editor in the United States, but it was written several years ago. From the Springfield Republican.

GONE TO SUSSEX

Captain Taylor of the Salvation Army left on the noon train today for Sussex where she will take charge of the work of the army there. She has been in St. John for some months and has been popular with associate officers and members while here.

The latest report from the hospital today gives little hope for the life of Isabella Baird, three-year-old child of John Baird, Clarence street, who was badly burned a few days ago while playing with matches. Mrs. White, who stood herself through the left lung is convalescent.

BIRTHS

TAYLOR—On Jan. 14, to the wife of Harold Taylor—a son.

USE THE WANT AD WAY

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RUMOR OF RESIGNATION OF REV. DR. MACVICAR

St. Andrew's Pastor, it is Said, Will Return to Chinese Mission Field

In tones of sincere regret members of his congregation are whispering a rumor that Rev. Dr. J. H. MacVicar, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, is soon to leave St. John to return to a wider field of labor in the Chinese mission field. Active officials of the church today admitted having heard the report but little was said in the matter beyond a hope that it was not true, and that Doctor MacVicar would remain in St. John to continue as pastor of the church. When asked himself, the popular clergyman declined to discuss the rumor. One report was to the effect that Doctor MacVicar would mention the matter at the annual church meeting, while another was that it would not be until a later date. If the pastor decides to engage in the work of foreign missions, best wishes for success will follow him not only from a congregation who hold him in highest esteem here and who will regret his departure, but from a host of friends about the city as well.

THREE FROM ST. JOHN HAVE QUALIFIED AS COURT STENOGRAPHERS

Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 14.—The provincial government will probably finish its meeting this evening. Today G. Percy Leonard, J. R. McCloskey, Mary S. Couple, of St. John, and Miss Mary McCarthy and Miss Blanche Whitehead of Fredericton, were appointed special court stenographers. For some time there have been complaints of depletion of the clam beds of St. John and Charlotte counties by non-resident fishermen and steps are being taken to stop the practice. The government has devoted some attention to the re-arrangement of the system under which a certain portion of the departmental work is being carried on.

PROPERTY TRANSFER AND A NEW PARTNERSHIP

The assignment of the lease of property in Waterloo street from Patrick Fitzpatrick to E. J. Fitzpatrick, et al., has been recorded, as well as a co-partnership between P. J. and Philip Fitzpatrick under the name of Fitzpatrick Bros.

SOLDIERS FROM THE WEST

One hundred and fifty soldiers from Quebec, the first men of the second contingent to move east through Moncton, will pass through here on Saturday morning en route to Halifax. They will be followed during the day by 500 western troops, who are on the way east by special train.

PRESENTATION TO SOLDIER

At the residence of Mrs. Ingraham, 55 Winter street, last night a farewell was tendered Thomas Taylor, a member of the 26th Battalion prior to his departure overseas. During the evening he was made the recipient of a handsome signet ring as a token of remembrance. The presentation was made by John Connel in behalf of those present.

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The Pyramid Pile Remedy gives quick relief, stops itching, bleeding or protruding piles, hemorrhoids and all rectal troubles, in the privacy of your own home. Pyramid Pile Remedy is for sale at all drug-gists, 50c. a box. A single box often cures. A trial treatment will be mailed free for the asking. Pyramid Drug Co., 517 Pyramid Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

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LOCAL NEWS

SYNOD COMMITTEE The Board of Church Literature met at 11 o'clock this morning in the Church of England Institute. The secretary, Rev. H. A. Cody, presented a report of the church book-room, showing the excellent work which had been accomplished during the last year, and the gratifying outlook for the future. Don't forget the extra Saturday night band at the Vic.

Ladies' fine rubbers with leather inner heels and counters at Wicze's, Union street.

ST. JOHN RIFLE CLUB All new members of St. John Rifle Club will meet at 8 o'clock this evening at Customs House for drill.

BOYS AND GIRLS Boys and Girls' school boots from 95c. up at the clean sweep sale, 207 Union street, Opera Block. 1-15

Keewatin dancing class postponed until further notice. 1-15

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BARGAIN SALE OF CORSETS AT M. R. A.Y.'S This is an accumulation of odd lines and manufacturers' samples in this season's corsets to be disposed of at attractively low sale prices. The opportunity to secure bargains is so desirable that the usual great rush may be anticipated and intending purchasers should come early. The sale will start promptly at nine o'clock, Friday morning in the Corset Department, second floor.

THE YARMOUTH The steamer Yarmouth, delayed by storm at Digby, had not arrived from Digby at 8 o'clock this afternoon.

IMPERIAL TONIGHT AND TOMORROW The splendid Famous Players production "Clothes" will be concluded at Imperial Theatre tonight. It was very well received last night, and like most others of the Imperial's features, provided excellent entertainment. The Vitaphone comedy introducing that precocious youngster, Bobby Connelly, was an additional success. The Italian duo of maidens, the Marino Sisters, increased their popularity last evening and were repeatedly encoored. Their operatic act is certainly a splendid treat and music-lovers are flocking from all parts of the city to enjoy them.

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Judge McKewen came to the city from Fredericton today.

Miss Lewella Smith, who is now a school teacher in Winnipeg, has been visiting in the city for the last few days, and left last night to spend some time at her old home in Chipman.

A. H. Lindsay, of the advertising staff of the I. C. R. in Moncton, was in the city yesterday.

Miss Edythe Pousley, of Sydney, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Robert D. McKay, Duke street, left last night for New York to resume her studies as nurse at the Manhattan Hospital.

Miss Vera Farris of Fairhaven, Deer Island, who has been enjoying a two weeks' visit to Mrs. F. F. Brown, 91 City Line, left by steamer this morning for home.

Miss Alice Toole, of the West Side, returned home from Fredericton today.

A HOLIDAY WEDDING.

A pretty wedding took place on Wednesday evening, Dec. 28, 1914, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Benson, South Williamstown, N. S., when their daughter, Miss Blanche Maud, youngest daughter of John Lingard, of Middleton, Annapolis County, N. S., was united in marriage to John Akery of West St. John by Rev. Jos. Gaez of Middleton.

At seven thirty o'clock the ceremony took place in the parlor and was soon joined by the bride, leaning on the arm of her sister, Mrs. Akery, who was wearing a beautiful array of evergreen from which a white veil was suspended. The bride was prettyly attired in a gown of white shadow lace over white silk and wore lily of the valley in her hair.

After the single ring service was performed, and congratulations offered, about thirty guests sat down to a bounteous repast.

The guests were numerous and useful, including a handsome parlor clock, cut glass, silver, china, linen and money. The groom's present to the bride was a fine set of furs.

After spending a week with the bride's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Akery left for their home in West St. John. The bride's traveling suit was of dark grey serge with purple velvet hat.

ASSEMBLY AND WHIST

An informal assembly and whist was held in Temple Hall, Main street, last evening. The committee in charge was composed of Mrs. Charles Colwell, Mrs. Jarvis Purdy, Mrs. E. Woodworth, and Messrs. Howard J. Cotter, Theodore Shaw and Stewart Henderson. The proceeds are to be donated towards the Red Cross fund. The prize winners at whist were J. A. Gregory, men's first; J. Kincaid, second; Miss Hart, ladies' first; Miss McCluskey, second. A feature of the evening was a prize feature which was won by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunter. Music was furnished by an orchestra.

Commission in Imperial Army.

A. G. Brander, who enlisted with the 1st Regiment volunteers for the first Canadian Contingent, has been gazetted to a commission in the Imperial army. For some weeks past he has been a member of the Officers' Training Corps in England and with a week of passing his final examination he has been gazetted a second lieutenant and expects to go on active service within a short time. Mr. Brander is a son of A. Gordon Brander of Burton.

THE NEW AGENT-GENERAL

The Frederick Gleaner. It is believed that following F. W. Sumner's arrival in London, arrangements will be made for more commodious and better situated offices than those which have been occupied by the representative of New Brunswick in Great Britain. Mr. Sumner will go to London next month.

Runners For Baby Carriages \$1.60 Per Pair. These Runners are very easily adjusted to any Go-Cart or Baby Carriage in a moment's time—any child can do it. Runners are of best tempered steel, and when adjusted to the carriage are very rigid and any amount of rough usage will not dislocate them. Convert your Baby Carriage or Go-Cart into a nice comfortable Sleigh with a pair of our Steel Runners. J. Marcus, 30 Dock St.

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G. N. R. FINANCES

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 14.—It was learned today from an official source that the Canadian Northern Railway has paid off \$150,000,000 of the capital indebtedness in respect of which the government was trustee for the creditors under the legislation passed last session. Two millions are yet unliquidated, being tied up in unfinished works.

The floating indebtedness of the company at the time the agreement was made last year, was \$100,000,000. This, in the opinion of the government, was too large, so it was insisted that by June 1 this be reduced to approximately \$50,000,000.

The company, it appears, started out to liquidate this amount, and made some progress up to the time of the war, but since then nothing has been done. It is intimated here that negotiations now under way for temporary loans in New York may be successful and thus permit of the company fulfilling the letter of its undertaking.

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RECENT DEATHS

Miss Augusta Campbell of Harcourt died on last Monday, aged 78. Five sisters and one brother survive.

Robert Morgan, of Upper Greenwick, Kings county, died on Jan. 10, leaving his wife, two sons, George and Robert, and one daughter, Mary.

In Fredericton, on Wednesday afternoon, after a lingering illness of heart disease, Richard W. George, a well-known and prominent druggist, died. For many years he carried on business in St. Mary's, and for the last few years had been engaged in Fredericton, Sussex and Gagetown. Mr. George, who was forty-nine years of age, is survived by his wife and two daughters, Misses Jennie and Mary George, both at home.

James Jardine, of Alma, aged seventy years, died recently. He leaves his wife, two daughters, Mrs. H. Hafner, of Alma; Mrs. Allan Kinzie, of Germantown, and one son, James, of Cape Breton.

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WHEAT CONTINUES HIGH

Chicago, Jan. 14.—Sky-scraper prices in the wheat market today made the less venturesome dealers cautious, and there was free selling to realize profits. On an early advance, quotations had risen to within 1-8 at 1/4 of the topmost price reached since the war began. Urgent demand from exporters continued, and so, too, did the difficulty of obtaining supplies from first hands. Besides, there were reports of big damage by being in Argentina. After opening 1-4 to 3-4 higher, prices hardened a trifle more and then receded to a little below last night's level.

WAR NOTES

The Austrian Emperor has accepted the resignation of Count Leopold von Berchthold, who as Austrian minister of foreign affairs, was regarded as largely responsible for the war. His successor will be Baron Stephen Burian von Rapce, a Hungarian.

Russia has secured a loan of \$12,000,000 from J. P. Morgan Co. and a group of New York bankers.

Correspondence by the Associated Press reports General French spent three days at home in London recently, but was in constant touch with the front by telegraph.

WANTS A COMPARISON

Editor Times: Sir—Will it be asking too much of the mayor, who is chairman of the finances of the city, to give the public a brief statement, viz.: What was the financial standing of the city, say three years before the commission form of government went into effect. First, of the bonded debt of the city for 1908; what was the assessment for that year; what permanent pavement was done; also for the years 1909 and 1910? To offset this, kindly give the assessment for 1911, 1912 and 1913, and the permanent work done.

I don't want to go into columns of figures, but simply ask for a brief statement. It might clear the vision of a quite a few—myself included—how much we have been benefitted by the present form of government.

I am, yours truly, CHAS. T. JONES, 126 Pond St.

WALL STREET NOTES

(By Wire to J. M. Robinson & Sons) New York, Jan. 14.—Bank of England financial unchanged at 5 per cent. Governors of Stock Exchange vote to restore joint account arbitrage.

Reserve Banks at Cleveland and Dallas apply for 4 1/2 per cent. re-discount rate, now in force at most centres. Secretary Redfield says that indications are that United States trade balance in January will overshadow that of December, which was \$110,000,000.

Directors of H. B. Claffin corporation organize to take over business of H. B. Claffin Co. announced. Sir Edward Holden announces that the London city and Midland bank holds \$40,000,000 gold. Italy deposits \$4,000,000 here for war purposes. Twelve industrials advanced .03; twenty active rails down .20.

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McPHERSON-MAZERALL

The marriage of Miss Alice E. Mazerall, of St. Louis, N. B., to Thomas H. McPherson, I. C. R. roadmaster, of Moncton, took place in St. Louis, on January 11. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Nadau.

SMITH-COLPITTS

John F. Smith, of River Glade, and Miss Harriet M., daughter of Joseph Colpitts, of Colpitts, A. Co., were united in marriage recently by Rev. A. D. McCull.

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ARRESTS IN MONTREAL

TO ATTEND UPON THE PRESENTATION OF PLAY

Montreal, Jan. 14.—Warrants were issued today, returnable on Saturday, for the arrest of Manager Edwards of His Majesty's Theatre, and Del. S. Lawrence, head of the local company which is presenting the play "Three Weeks" in the local playhouse.

Action was taken in the instance of John H. Roberts, representing the Canadian Vigilance Association, on the ground that the performance is immoral. The performance will go on as usual pending the hearing of the case.

DID WELL FOR RED CROSS

The sum of \$18.57 was secured last night in a concert which afforded delight to a large gathering in the school room of Colberg street church. Mrs. D. L. McRoberts presided. An entertaining programme was given in which those taking part were S. C. Hurley, Miss Jeannet Craig, Mrs. Trearntin, Mrs. Downie, Miss Kathleen Cook, Miss Tiley Ross, Mr. DeWolfe, Miss Alice McKnight, Mrs. Floyd, Miss Robertson, and a chorus by fourteen young women dressed as Red Cross nurses. E. N. Stockford gave an address, as did D. L. McRoberts who spoke on the history of an old cannon which was exhibited on the platform and which had seen active service. Arthur Laskey, gave a talk on "First Aid to the Injured." The collection was taken up by Misses Stubbis, Barbour, Keith and McLeese.

CAPTAIN LAMBLIN NOW

James B. Lambkin, formerly passenger agent of the I. C. R. is now a captain in the Army Service Corps, being transportation officer with headquarters at Ottawa. A daughter, Miss Kathleen Lambkin, is now nursing wounded soldiers in a hospital in England.

CALVIN CLAYTON

In Syracuse, N. Y., Miss Laura B., only daughter of S. and Mrs. D. A. Clayton, of Auburn, Me., formerly of Fredericton, and Jos. M. Calvin, now of Syracuse and formerly of Grand Bay, N. B., were married recently.

POTTS

We take this opportunity just to remind you that now is the time to send furniture for our next sale. R. F. POTTS, Auctioneer. Phone 973. Office: 96 German