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THE SITUATION

The British forces have scored another success on the Somme front. By a strong attack they have advanced several hundred yards on both sides of Guillemont Road. This serves to bring their lines on an even footing with the French advance.

In the Balkan fighting the Bulgarian offensive has been checked along the whole line. The Serbians on the western wing, who at first lost ground, are now striking back with good results.

The Germans launched a new offensive south of Verdun, near St. Mihiel, and in the first terrific onslaught captured some French trenches. Joffre's men, however, promptly drove them out.

The Grand Duke Nicholas continues to smash the Turks in the Caucasus, and he has the offensive there once more well in hand.

On the Eastern battle front, also, the troops of the Czar continue to hold the initiative.

In German East Africa Gen. Smuts has taken Kilossa. A despatch says that the German people have had their faith in the Kaiser's military leaders considerably shaken, owing to the proof afforded by the Somme struggle that the Fatherland does not possess supreme fighting genius.

WAR AND VITAL STATISTICS.

It is a quite common thing to hear people deplore the present war as likely to deplete the populations of the countries engaged to an extent which will not be repairable for generations. As a matter of fact, since the beginning of war, struggles to the death have occurred with sustained frequency. There is no need to refer to Old Testament or previous remote periods. Take two more modern instances. The "War of the Roses" lasted for many years in England. They were caused by feuds between the Houses of York and Lancaster, a white rose constituting the badge of the former and a red rose of the latter adherents. As a second illustration no one needs to be reminded of the many years of constant fighting during the Napoleonic period. The constant call to arms was heard throughout Europe and the mortality was especially high because of lack of modern methods of treatment of the wounded, and sanitary precautions.

The countries concerned, however, were in no sense wiped out as regards population and the depletion was, in fact, very much less than a casual observer would imagine. The same thing is proving true in connection with the present Titanic struggle. The truth is that Cupid and Mars go very much hand in hand at such periods. Take the experience of England as an illustration. The latest report of the Registrar General shows a marked increase in the marriage rate. It had been going down steadily for years, and the first part of 1914, gave indications of the maintenance of this low average. Along came the war, however, and the rate took a sharp advance, enough in fact to make the tally at the close of twelve months, the highest since 1907. The official figures are not available for 1915, but they will demonstrate even more marked results. The advance is not by any means solely attributable to war weddings, but also to a large extent to the fact that higher all-round earnings for those working at home, has enabled more men to undertake the establishment of homes. Another feature is the number of crippled soldiers who have found wives willing and proud to take them. In a large number of cases even those who have returned from the front in an almost

helpless state have found young women ready to assume the task of veritable helpmates. 'Pity is akin to love' and the maimed, the halt, the blind, and even the disfigured in their country's service, have received a practical illustration of that fact. All of which goes to show that nature always takes a hand in the restoring of equilibrium even with regard to war losses.

SCANDALMONGERS.

Grit papers are long on scandal mongering and mud throwing. They regard any Conservative of prominence as a fair object for their contemptible attacks, and if legitimate ground for criticism does not exist, they simply manufacture some slander, and stick to it, even when same is abundantly disproved. To them, all Tory leaders are either grafters, or incompetents, and as for the rank and file, well, they are simply outcasts. Sir Robert Borden, who in a time of unparalleled stress, has proved himself one of the strongest and best Premiers the Dominion has ever possessed, is constantly described as a "weakling."

Sir Sam Hughes, because he has done things in connection with Canada's share in the war, was made the subject of charges in the House, which if proved, would have properly driven him from public life. After thorough investigation it was shown that not a tittle of evidence could be found to support the insinuations. He emerged with his honor absolutely unimpaired, but the pursuit of him still continues. The latest effort is to attempt to convict Hon. Mr. Rogers, Minister of Public Works, of hoodlaming tactics in connection with the tearing down of some remaining walls after the fire in the Parliament buildings. We are told that their demolition has represented the loss of \$2,000,000, and that the only object was to permit of graft in the rebuilding.

In referring to the matter, the Hamilton Herald (Independent) says: "Even in such a matter as the reconstruction of the parliament buildings at Ottawa the miserable partisan spirit which mars Canadian politics is conspicuous. What remained of the walls of the old building after the fire has been torn down."

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NOTES AND COMMENTS

A seat in the Senate seems to be favorable to longevity. Senator Frost of Smith's Falls, has just passed away in his 93rd year. The late Senator Mark was attending the sessions when he was one hundred, and Senator Sir Mackenzie Bowell is still frisking around, although only seven years from the century mark.

In Greece the followers of Venizelos are exemplifying the last part of their leader's name. The German flying machine, the "Fokker," was supposed to be the best ever, but British aeroplanes have already winged twenty-seven of them. Johnny Bull doesn't allow the enemy to remain superior for long at any part of the war game.

Germany is to float her fifth war loan on September 4th. In order the better to secure subscriptions, canvassers are describing it as "the last war loan." More than likely.

Solloquy by Mayow Bowley: If any factory sounds a bell, Or dares to make a hum, I'll clap the clappers in the cells. Who runs this town by gum?

A man in Ohio has fasted for fifty-one days. He is bound to get ahead of the high cost of living, even if it kills him.

American homesteaders are commencing to cross the border into the Canadian West to a greater extent. The war stopped the influx for a while, as some seemed to have the idea of a conscription danger, but that fear has seemingly passed. For the week ending August 12th, there were 343 of them with \$112,324 in cash.

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Duke of Albany, Naval Auxiliary, Torpedoed, Sunk

23 Out of a Crew of 110 Men Were Lost

By Courier, Leased Wire. London, Aug. 26.—3.25 p.m.—The torpedoing in the North Sea of a British naval auxiliary, with the loss of 23 men, was announced officially today. Eighty-seven men were saved. The torpedoed ship was the armored ship Duke of Albany. The British armed boarding steamer Duke of Albany was torpedoed and sunk in the North Sea on Thursday by a submarine. The commander and twenty-two men were lost. Eleven officers and seventy-six men were saved.

JOY RIDERS Taken in Toll

A Prospective Good Time for Motorists Did Not Materialize. Quebec, Aug. 26.—What promised to be an exceptionally "good time," as the group called it, was marred yesterday evening when the police held four young tourists and their chauffeur, who came from Lewiston, Me., Canada. One of the girls, Valeria Nathan, is charged with theft of \$1,500 from her father in Lewiston. Yesterday afternoon shortly before four o'clock, Chief of Police Marvay, of Lewis, Que., received a telephone call from Lewiston asking him to keep a sharp look out for four young tourists, liable to pass Lewis on their joy ride. Guards were set at all the roads, and at the river ferry, and at six last night the car was captured with its occupants. Detective M. Beaulieu of the Lewiston police, came here last night and returned to-day with the fugitives.

L. E. AND N. TIME TABLE.

Table with columns for G. P. and H. Railway and L. E. and N. Railway, listing departure and arrival times for various stations like Leavay, Berlin, Hespeler, etc.

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SUNDAY IN THE LOCAL CHURCHES. Guide to Places of Public Worship—Bright Helpful Services—Special Musical Numbers.

Baptist CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH. Dalhousie St., Opp. Alexandra Park. Rev. W. E. Bowyer will preach. 11 a.m., "The Help of the Lord." 7 p.m., "Reprints from an Old Photograph." Welcome.

First Baptist Church West Street. REV. A. J. VINING of Toronto. Will preach at both services, Sunday, Aug. 27th. Morning Service, 11 a.m.; soloist, Mr. J. Halrod. Evening Service, 7 p.m.; soloists, Miss Halrod and Mr. J. Halrod. Bible School 9.45 a.m. Come and we will make you Welcome.

PARK BAPTIST CHURCH Corner George and Darling Sts. Rev. Wm. H. Wrighton, Pastor. Mr. W. H. Thresher, Choirmaster. Rev. Ellis Fray of Pembroke will preach at both services. Bible School and Bible Classes at 12 o'clock. It is expected that the Pastor will take charge on Sunday, Sept. 3rd. Visitors always welcome.

Methodist BRANT AVE. METHODIST CHURCH. 10 a.m.—Rev. A. A. Bowers. 2.45 p.m.—Sunday School. 7 p.m.—Rev. A. A. Bowers. Morning soloist, Miss Hilda Hurley. Evening soloist, Miss Gladys Garvin. Organist, Mr. Clifford Higgin.

MARLBOROUGH STREET METHODIST CHURCH. Rev. J. E. Peters, Minister. 11 a.m.—Hope—It's Fruits. 2.45 p.m.—S. S. and Bible Class. 7 p.m.—The Lord's Prayer—Hal-lowed be Thy Name. 12 o'clock. Hearty welcome to all to worship with us.

Congregational CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH. Cor. George and Wellington Sts. Rev. Wm. J. Thompson, Minister. Sunday school, 10 a.m. Mr. J. L. Dixon, Supt. Bible class for men and women, conducted by Mr. H. P. Hoag. Church services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Morning service: "The Words of Life." Evening sermon: "The Ways of Life." Good music. Special soloist, Miss Butler. You are cordially invited. Come!

Non-Denominational CHRISTADELPHIAN. Special subject, Sunday, 7 p.m., "The Transfiguration and the Kingdom of God," by Mr. Winstanley of Toronto. C. O. F. Hall, 136 Dalhousie St., opp. the market. All welcome. Seats free. No collection.

WELLINGTON STREET. Rev. Geo. W. Henderson, D.D., Pastor. 10 a.m., Class Meeting led by Mr. Cooper. Sunday School at 2.45 p.m. Public services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Brief sermons by the pastor, Mrs. F. Leeming will sing. Miss Annie Crooker will preside at the organ. All welcome.

ALEXANDRA PRESBYTERIAN. Cor. Colborne and Peel Sts. 9.45 a.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class. 11 a.m.—Rev. Prof. T. D. Kilpatrick, D.D., of Knox College, Toronto. Subject, Vital Questions, "What is the Extent of the Great Salvation?" 7 p.m.—Rev. Prof. T. D. Kilpatrick, D.D. Subject, "The Old and New Inhabitant."

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN. Brant Avenue. Rev. J. W. Gordon, B. D., Minister. 11 a.m.—"Unanswered Prayer." 7 p.m.—"How many will be saved." 10 a.m.—Sabbath School.

ZION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Darling St., Opp. Victoria Park. Rev. G. A. Woodside, M.A., Minister. 11 a.m.—Subject, "Arise Ye Dead." 12.15 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class. 7 p.m.—Subject, "The Peerless Christ." Mr. Woodside will preach. The public cordially invited.

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Sub Commander of that Ocean Captain Valentin, is Report. By Courier, Leased Wire. London, Aug. 26.—The Stifts Tidende of Ribe, Denmark, is quoted in a Reuter despatch from Copenhagen to the effect that the commander of the submarine which sank the Lusitania, was Captain Max Valentiner, son of the dean of the Sontorner Cathedral. Captain Valentiner, this newspaper says, has been decorated with a number of orders since the sinking of the liner, including the Iron Cross of the first class and the Hohenzollern House order with swords, a special distinction, which is the personal gift of the German emperor.

BARGAINS IN PRETTY FROCKS AND PALM BEACH SUITS FOR SMART WOMEN. Last Saturday night we held a little sale of a small lot of smart crisp Summer Dresses and several scores of women came and secured a rare bargain. To-night from 7 to 9.30 o'clock we will have on sale another lot at \$2, \$3, \$4 and \$5. Every style is the season's best—in fact nearly all are New York dresses and of the present season's purchasing. It will pay you to secure several of these great bargains. Come to-night. E. B. Crompton and Co., Limited.

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LOCAL NOT THE SAME. The Florence E. Johnston, ed here last week for child de and taken to Hamilton for the not Mrs. E. Johnston, of 194 G WITH 125th. Lance Corporal Barrowell Paris, who was reported in the tally list of Wednesday of this ill, is a member of the 125th talion. HALF HOLIDAY. The grocers and butchers of city have decided to extend the nesday half holiday into the of September, and will observe half day until October. PRESENTATION. Prior to the departure from wawa camp, the men of the 34 tery (Capt. Henderson) were sent with 140 pipes, 140 pe of tobacco and 140 packets of ettes, the gift of Brantford Daughters of the Empire. Henderson was also given a some pipe and pouch.

POWER OFF. Last night the Hydro power off about 8.45, plunging the darkness. The gloom remain till after midnight, except for minutes of light at 9.30. The cause of the trouble w break-down at Dundas. All cipalities, using Hydro pow tween Hamilton and Windsor affected. RECEIVES COMMAND. The appointment of Capt. B. Burgess, of St. Catharines command of the 71st Battery of city, with the rank of major, been announced officially. Th contains a number of Brant men, including Lt. Bertram ous, who was engaged in rec for the battery here a short ago. The 71st is at present agara camp, but is expected move to Petawawa almost dai

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