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Rafts Were Made and Enemy Was Surrounded---Many Guns Were Left on the Field---Features of Situation To-day.

[By Special Wire to the Courier] PARIS, Nov. 19 .- A brilliant attack by British troops and French sailors caused the Germans to evacuate Schoorbakke, Belgium, which is practically sur-rounded by the water from the broken dykes, according to news. reaching here from the battle front. Because of the flood only two roads were open to the town and on one of these the British approached in two armored automobiles. It was a night attack and the Germans in the town im-mediately turned their attention to them. Meanwhile the blue jackets who had made rafts on flatbottomed boats, crossed the water and took the Germans in the rear, forcing them to flee by the one road still left open. The Germans abandoned many guns, ammuni-tion and stores, and their dead

There is some anxiety here as to just what has hapened at Chau-vencourt, a village near St. Mihiel on the Lorraine frontier. On Tuesday, the French official communication reported that the French troops had occupied the

[By Special Wire to the Courier] LONDON, Nov. 19, 12.07 p.m.

The unexpected blow delivered on the Russian centre by General

Von Hindeberg with the German army which had retreated from before Warsaw was the predomin-

ant feature of the news reaching

London to-day from the eastern

No change of importance has

been recorded for some days past

in the western arena, where Flan-

ders is still the scene of heavy

ther conditions and flooded trenches the Germans appear to

be holding their positions, from

which, at intervals, they launch the attacks for which the territory

from the Belgian coast to Arras

The allied warships are still off

the coast, hurling shells inland when opportunity offers. The Belgian army remains in the re-

gion where the floods have been

[By Special Wire to the Courier]

-The following official statement

has been issued by G. F. Pearce, Minister of Defence of the Com-

"The Japanese Government has intimated to the British Government that it is ready to hand over the Marshall and other Ger-

man islands in the Pacific, tem-

porarily occupied by the Japan-ese, to an Australian forc and the British Government has in-

formed the Japanese government

of its intention to act according-ly. A special Australian force

SYDNEY, Australia, Nov. 19.

AUSTRALIAN FORCE

TO TAKE POSSESSION

OF PACIFIC ISLANDS

has become famous.

Unexpected Blow Was

Delivered on Russian

Centre by the Germans

'western part of Chauvincourt and Tuesday's official statement said that this part of the town had been blown up by the Germans who apparently had mined the place before they retired. How severely the French troops suffered by this exploit is not yet known Chauvincourt, which contained vast French military buildings and stores, is on the right bank of the Meuse. It has been occupied by the Germans for some time and is an important link between Argonne and Meltz.

The Belgian army is drawing a supply of new officers in large part from the Belgian civic guard. According to a member of the Belgian war offices at Havre, the civic guard is composed of men who have seen service in the army and are well qualified to become

officers. Figures are not yet available regarding the result of the mobili-zation of the Belgian class of 1915 or regarding the call for volun-teers but it is known that the young men refugees in Holland, England and France are responding with great readiness and en-

the worst, and some despatches say that in certain places they-have been fighting from small

back the Russian advance toward the German frontier of Posen,

General von Hindeberg is the

hero of the hour in Berlin. There

is much criticism in Berlin of the

German retreat from Warsaw,

but if the present marked reversal

of form proves permanent, the

German centre doubtless will re-

Allies retrieved themselves almost

at the gates of Paris. The Ger-

man wedge from Posen would ap-

pear to have driven the Russian centre more than 50 miles back

from the frontier, so that the line

is now about midway between Ger-

man territory and Warsaw. Else-

where along the great eastern front the Russians, where they are

not progressing, seem to be ohld-ing their own.

will be despatched to the islands and will remain in occupation until the termination of the war

when the matter of the ultimate disposal of the islands will be a

question for solution by the pow-

"It will be necessary as the

federal government will have the responsibility for the occupation of the islands, that not only the

military occupation but such mat-ters as trade, food supply, postal and commercial affairs be inves-

tigated and organized. Command-er Pethbridge will accompany the force to make the necessary arrangements."

eve its reputation just as the

TO-DAY IN ST. PAUL'S

Most Impressive Funeral in London Since That of the Duke of Wellington-King Attended the Service at the Cathedral.

IRV Special Wire to the Courier? LONDON, Nov. 19, 12.57 p.m. The body of Field Marshal Lord Roberts, the hero of Great Britain's South African campaign, probably the best known leader of the British army to-day and the idol of the enlisted men, was laid at rest in St. Paul's Cathedral to-

Lord Roberts died in France at the headquarters of the British expeditionary force, the night of November 14 of pneumonia. He was in his 82nd year. His body was returned to England yesterday. Last night there were private services at his home in Ascot. and to-day occurred the public

Lord Roberts rests beside the hero of Waterloo, the Duke of Wellington: Lord Nelson, Lord Napier and other heroes of Great Britain's Indian and African wars with whom he had been associated in his more than half a century of distinguished military service. It is recalled to-day that it was just 62 years ago that the body of the Duke of Wellington was interred in St. Paul's Cathedral.

Lord Kitchener, Secretary for War; Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, Lord Grenfell, Admiral Sir E. H. Seymour, Sir Evelyn Wood and other prominent naval and army officers followed the caisson bearing the flag-draped coffin through the streets of the city. The thoroughfares were lined soldiers and massed with hun-dreds of thousands of Englishmen, who stood with bared heads in a drizzling rain storm as the

body of Great Britain's most beloved military leader passed. King George was not in the

This picture shows Belgian soldiers belping a wounded comrade from the firing line.

rocessi ingham Palace direct to the cathedral, which he reached shortly before the arrival of the funeral cortege. This is the first time England's King has attended the funeral of a national hero since the burial of the Duke of Wellington.

Preceding the caisson was a battery of Indian artillery, given this place of honor because of Lord Roberts' lifelong devotion to the King's Indian troops. His final visit to France was for the purpose of welcoming the Indian contingents and looking after their needs. Tall Sikhs, their turbans wound with khaki and wearing their regulation khaki great coats, which covered their picturesque costumes, led the white mules of their battery burdened with unlimbered guns, and Indian officers, wrapped in their khaki capes, paid silent tribute to their departed friend. Lieut.-General Pole-Carew and eight other officers rode beside the caisson carrying the insignia of the Field Marshal, while a groom walked behind leading the former chieftain's

It required more than an hour for the military escort to pass a given point in the line of march. The funeral party arrived at the Charing Cross station, and the procession, moving to the Victoria Embankment, made its way

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OTTAWA, Nov. 19 .- As a sequel to the Toronto home guard mobilization incident, Major General Sam Hughes to-day issued instructions to the general, divisional and district officers commanding that no further instructions shall be given in mobilization, without people being fully appris-ed in advance. It was under-stood, he says, that this was to be done in Toront o but it must have been overlook i.

'The whole craze has an utterly demoralizing effect on recruiting and on the health and nerves of people, and something must be done to stop the unbalanced excitement," said the minister.

"The people may rest assured that the most careful watch is being kept on every part of the United States border, as well as in Canadian centers, for any threatening marauding raids, but the militia department will not lend itself to intensify any feeling of panic. If mobilization is to be practiced it can be done just as well by having ample notice given to the public that it is only a practice, otherwise it will be the

old cry of "wolf—wolf."
"No call for mobilization should ever be given, unless in case, of real emergency and all practices should be so notified to the pub-

Regarding the purchase of rifles by the City of Toronto, an official statement by the department, says the minister was asked by the board of control to give an opinion on the purchase of several thousand Winchester 30-30. He declined to offer any advice, but warned them that the Winchester 30-30 was not a military rifle. He further suggested that before investing the money of the city, they should consult an expert purchaser and recommended the firm of Rice, Lewis and Company, of Toronto, to be consulted.

GOVERNOR OF METZ LONDON, Nov 19, 4.45 a.m.—General Von Winterfeldt, the governor of Metz, died at Weisbaden after a short illness, according to an Amsterdam despatch to the Reuter's Telegram ompany

SUBSISTING ON CHARIT

Towns and Cities are Ruined-Flanders is Now a Mere Island---Desolation Everywhere---Bridges Blown Up.

THE HAGUE, via London, Nov. 19 .- Advices received from Thielt, Belgium, which were brought by way of Sas Van Ghent by messenger, and are dated Monday, November 16, state that West Flanders, the scene of incessant military operations, remains an island, cut off from the rest of Belgium through the blowing up of most of the bridges leading thereto. Peasants are obliged to make emergency bridges from planks and crawl along these to escape from the danger zone. The Germans have declared the interior west of the railroad running from Antwerp to Brussels and thence to Mons, an official war area, and where nobody, including even Germans, is allowed to travel without a special military passport. brought by way of Sas Van Ghent

(By Special Wire to The Courier)

It is difficult to obtain reliable It is difficult to obtain reliable news of the situation in the war zone, as the bedraggled men and women, who manage to escape, are too miserable, through cold and hunger, to give a connected account of their experiences. Their only definite recollection seems to be the continued cannon fire and the endless procession of wounded filling their villages.

It was learned from some them, however, that Dixmude, the scene of such severe fighting, is entirely ruined. Nieuport also suffered severely. The principal church has lost its tower and its roof and the renaissance cervings in its interior have been demolished. In Ypres, the Cloth Hall, which was one of the few ancient buildings saved from the English siege in the year 1383, is severely damaged by shrapnel fire. In Termonde, the Germans have ordered the schools re-opened, but since the ten thousand inhabited the schools re-opened, but since the ten thousand inhabitants have been reduced to a hundred, there are no pupils, and besides, as four fifths of the town is in ruins, there are no schools. The bridges here are lightly guarded by men of the Bavarian landwehr.

Ghent is deserted by its popu-

landwehr.

Ghent is deserted by its population, but is overflowing with German wounded. Zeebrugge, according to reports, has been made a station for submarines by the Germans. At Alost, the population is beginning to return. The people are establishing themselves in shacks and in the ruins of their old homes.

From the entire province of Flanders, where the roads are full of aimlessly drifting people, come creditable reports of ever-increasing suffering and privation. Food is exceedingly scarce and many persons are suffering from hunger. The peasants are cutting down the old line of trees at the country places for fuel.

Brussels is quet. About one-third of the population there is supported by public charity. A similar situation exists in Malines.

Samuel Bonsfield Evidently Mentally Unbalanced Took His Own Life To-day---He Intended Joining Active Service Contingent.

imself at 11.45 and expired at 1.30 away, being in the institution

ame known.

Dr. Phillips arrived and saw that there was little hope. After rendering first

Samuel Bonsfield, an applicant for enlistment at the 25th. Brant Dragons committed suicide in a sensational manner to-day. Bonsfield shot wound had been dressed he passed this afternoon.

The affair took place at the head-quarters of the 25th, Brant Dragoons and caused quite a sensation in that region of George street when it became known.

Away, being in the institution only forty-five minutes. The doctors there found that the discharge from the rejudence of the country forty-five minutes. The doctors there found that the discharge from the rejudence of the country forty-five minutes. The doctors there found that the discharge from the rejudence of the country forty-five minutes. The doctors there for the country for He was not a member of the 25th.

came known.

Standing near a window, with three boys in the vicinity, he is said to have put a revolver to his eye and fired point blank into his head. The wound caused instantaneous unconsciousness, and in this condition he remained until he died. The bullet went clean through the head to the skull at the back and there is, is lodged.

Belek Andrews and Henry Saunders of a bunch who were singing merrily Ralph Andrews and Henry Saunders of a bunch who were singing merrily were standing a few feet away, sing a patriotic air. He had not been in ing It's a long way to Tipperary, when they heard the report, and look who were singing merrily the building more than five minutes, awaiting the arrival of an officer, when the shooting took place. No one known, fall to the floor. It was immediately seen that he was very badly some who thought that it might be injured and a doctor was summoned. In accident. The doctors however,

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Canadians to Attend Funeral of Roberts

SALISBURY PLAIN, Nov. 19.— Lord Roberts. They also stated that the death occurred at Salisbury of heart failure of Douglas Kirkpatrick Benham, a member of the Canadian lected to represent the Canadian exception of the Canadian lected to represent the Canadian exception. Lord Roberts. All are from the battalion commanded by Lieut.-Col. Hill of Niagara (First Battalion First In-

fantry Brigade). Lieut.-Col. Rennie of Toronto, will represent the Queen's Own Rifles, of which Regiment Lord Roberts was honorary colonel.

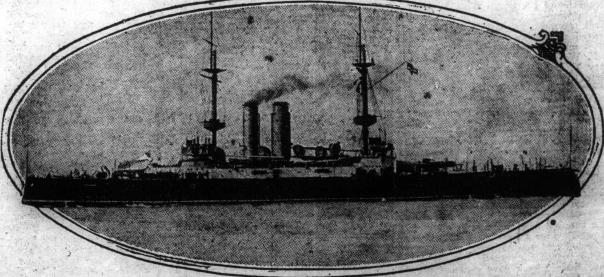
Ready to Hand Over German Islands to Australia.

LONDON, Nov. 19.-A despatch which Regiment Lord Roberts was honorary colonel.

The War Office has ordered the reorganization of the Canadians. The infantry division returns to the eight company (instead of the four double other German islands in the Pacific Companies) set all honor and the arm of the Incompany and Incompany an companies) establishment, and the ar-tillery to the four-gun battery. John Larne, a French-Canadian soldier of Neuville, Portneuf county... Que, died at Bulford Hospital of be decided.

ficers, would attend the funeral of cruiser. Tennessee and the funeral





The British torpedo gunboat Niger was torpedoed by a submarine in the Downs, according to an official an-The United States has asked from aouncement from London. The Niger foundered, but all the officers and crew were saved. Two men were severely day stated that General Alderson. Turkey an explanation of the aciton and two slightly injured. The Niger was built in 1892, displaced 850 tons and carried a complement of eighty-five men. She was 230 feet long and was capable of making a speed of nineteen knots.

Special Wire to the Courier] Violent fighting has been resumed within a two hour motor ride of the gates of Paris. At Tracy-le-Val, where the main battle line from the north swings to the eastward, at the point nearest Paris, a German advance led to a violent encounter. The Germans attempted to recapture the town won by the allies a few days ago, but according to the French war office statement today they were repused with very heavy losses.

In Flanders, the artillery duel, described during the last few days as of furious intensity, has become still more violent, on the part of the Germans at least, but here, as elsewhere, the opposing forces are holding fast to their

An official German communication states that heavy fighting has been resumed in the Argonne

forest, around which some of the most severe encounters of the war have raged from time to time during the last two months. A heavy loss, it is said, was inflicted on the enemy. In a battle between two squadrons of aeroplanes, it is said one airship of the allies and one of the Germans were lost.

Germany's new attack on the Russian army in the centre of the eastern battle line stood out conspicuously to-day as of chief immediate importance in the European war. The sudden assault of the Lermans in Russian Poland, from which territory they were described recently as being driven in disorder, has lent a new aspect to this campaign, which, for Germany, is no less important than the campaign in Flanders. Germany's new attack on the

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