NO JUST GROUND FOR COMPLAINTS

Britain Informs United States in Note Relating To Cargoes.

SPECIAL CONCESSIONS

All British Officials Have Acted With the Utmost Dispatch.

[Canadian Press.]

WASHINGTON, June 24. — Great Britain, in a memorandum transmitted to the United States and made public here and in London tonight, recites at length its efforts to minimize inconvenience to neutral commerce resulting from the order-in-council against trade with Germany, Austria and Turkey, and asserts that American citizens have no just grounds for complaint on account of the treatment accorded to their cargoes.

No attempt is made to answer the principles asserted in the American note of March 1, protesting against the order-in-council and insisting upon the right of neutrals to carry on legitimate commerce with each other and to trade in non-contraband with civilians in belligerent countries.

In transmitting the memorandum, Ambassador Page said it was "merely an explanation of concrete cases and the regulations under which they are dealt with."

Another Note to Britain.

Another note to Great Britain is now in course of preparation at the State Department, and is expected to be dispatched as soon as the negotiations with Germany over submarine warfare have been cleared up. While this communication probably will make reference to the latest memorandum, it is understood that the manner of enforcing the order-in-council will not be treated as relevant to the question at issue—whether there is any warrant in international law for the powers that Great Britain and her allies have assumed to exercise over the commerce of the world.

In its memorandum, the foreign office emphasizes "the various special concessions made in favor of United States citizens" in setting forth that all British officials have "acted in every case with the utmost dispatch consistent with the object in view and of showing in every case such consideration for neutrals as might be compatible with the object, namely, to prevent vessels from carrying goods for, or coming from, the enemy's territory."

Consideration for Special Cases.

Arrangements for buying American cotton detained and for permitting the passage of goods bought in Germany by Americans before the date of the order-in-council are outlined, and the promise made that consideration will be given to special cases of this kind in the future.

According to a summary of ships detained, there are now 27 vessels which cleared from the United States, now held in ports in the United Kingdom. Of these, eight are said to be unloading cotton which Great Britain has agreed to purchase; seven will be allowed to depart, as items of their cargo placed in a prize court have been discharged, and the other twelve—three of them American ships—are the subject of investigations not yet completed.

Regarding the complaint that undue delay has occurred in the prize court, the memorandum points out that delay is frequently caused by the request for adjournment of cases by counsel for the claimants, and quotes from the records of the prize court one specific instance where the claimants, after pressing for an early hearing, and an early date having been fixed, came into court and asked for a six weeks' adjournment.

Shippers Ask Delay.

Other delays have been occasioned by efforts at amicable settlements out of court. When these failed, the American shippers then asked for adjournment in the prize court, despite the fact that the Crown was ready to proceed.

The memorandum concludes:

"His Majesty's Government are earnestly desirous of removing all causes of avoidable delay in dealing with American cargoes and vessels which may be detained, and any specific inquiries or representations which may be made by the United States Government in regard to particular cases will always receive the most careful consideration, and all information which can be afforded without prejudice to prize court proceedings will be readily communicated; but they can scarcely admit that on the basis of actual facts any substantial grievance on the part of American citizens is justified or can be sustained, and they, therefore, confidently appeal to the opinion of the United States Government as enlightened by this memorandum."

"(Signed) PAGE."

7th CONCESSION CLOSED.

ARVA, June 24. — The 7th concession, leading west from the village, will be closed for some time. A new cement and steel bridge is being erected over the Medway Creek there.

TWO LIEUTENANTS, WINDSOR, GUELPH, AMONG WOUNDED

Seven Western Ontario Boys Are Reported Prisoners.

WOUNDED.

WINDSOR.

Lieut. Ernest Brian Henderson, 3rd Battalion.

GUELPH.

Lieut. A. M. Fisher, 259 Queen street, 13th Battalion (shot in head).

PRISONER

COLLINGWOOD.

Pte. Royal Carmichael, 15th Battalion (formerly of 4th).

BERKLEY.

Pte. Alfred Barkey, 15th Battalion.

MIDLAND.

Pte. Fred Ball, 15th Battalion.

AVON.

Pte. Archibald McCallum, 15th Battalion.

STRATFORD.

Pte. Charles McConnell, 123 Bay street, 15th Battalion (at Gottingen).

LONDON.

Sergt. George Duguit, 240 Ottaway avenue.

Pte. Alex. McLeod, 954 Ormsby street.

MISSING.

OWEN SOUND.

Pte. Jack Strombeh, Royal Hotel, 15th Battalion (missing between April 24-29).

LONDONER'S NEPHEW KILLED IN ACTION.

STRATHROY, June 24. — Mrs. (Dr.) M. P. Corrigan has received word that her cousin, Lieut. Herchemer Stewart, son of John Stewart of Harrowsmith, and nephew of G. A. Stewart of London, was killed in a recent engagement in France.

PTE. FRANK BINGHAM FIT AGAIN TO FIGHT.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

HARRISTON, June 24.—Pte. Frank Bingham, writing from the British Red Cross Hospital at Methby, England, informs his mother that he expects soon to be able to go to the front again. He has been wounded by a piece of shrapnel about one inch square, which he is sending home as a souvenir. He also states that "there are only three of our company left."

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Johnson, whose son, Pte. Thomas Johnson, was killed in action, have received a letter of sympathy from Lord Kitchener.

PTE. CHAS. M'CONNEL IS SURE A PRISONER.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

STRATFORD, June 24—Official word from the militia department at Ottawa was received today by relatives of Pte. Chas. McConnell of the 48th Highlanders, confirming the report of his being a prisoner of war in Germany. A postal card from Pte. McConnell preceded the message a couple of weeks.

GALT'S WAR HERO HAS AN ACCIDENT.

GALT, June 24.—Galt's military cross hero, Lance-Corpl. William Whitla, is still in a hospital, wounded. It was on April 25 that he was put out of service, a bullet shattering a bone in his foot. He was removed to a hospital and was making good progress towards recovery when he met with a second accident, according to a letter his mother received this week. He had recovered far enough to be allowed out, but had to use crutches, and in walking through some grass he tripped and fell and broke the bone in his foot a second time and is now back in the hospital. Lance-Corpl. Whitla is only 22 years of age and the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Whitla, Water street north. He was born in Newtonards, Ireland, and had been in Galt three years before enlisting.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR MAJOR SMITH.

CHATHAM, June 24.—A memorial service will be held out of respect for the memory of late Major Smith of Chatham, who died fighting for his country on the 15th of June. The service will be held in the First Presbyterian Church on Sunday afternoon at 2:30. Rev. Dr. Dickie will read the address of appreciation, and Rev. Canon Howard, chaplain of the 24th Regiment and president of the Chatham Ministerial Association, will assist in the services. The First Church Quartet will sing. Members of the regiment will attend the service in a body.

FARMERS DANCE FOR RED CROSS.

GODERICH, June 24.—The ladies of Goderich Township held an old-time dance at the farm of Isaac Salkeld tonight. A large platform was erected for dancing and refreshment booths. The affair was largely patronized by town as well as township folk. The proceeds will go towards the Red Cross Society.

Saturday Specials
AT OUR BIG REMOVAL SALE

Although there were hundreds participating in the many bargains our Removal Sale offers, there are still many bargains left.

Below we mention a few of the bargains which await you.

Raincoats

Sizes 32 to 42.

Three shades in fancy tweeds; cemented and stitched. Regular $8.00 values. Sale price $3.95

Serge Dresses

Eleven Dresses; sizes 32, 34 and 36; up to $15 values. Sale price $3.95

White Cotton Skirts

All this season's goods. Regular $1.75 values. Sale price 59c

Other Tweed Skirts, up to $6.50 values, tomorrow, $1.98

Fancy Outing Dresses

Floral, black and white stripes and checked patterns, full skirts. Just arrived. On sale for quick clearance $1.98

Come while this sale lasts; every bargain is genuine; all goods reduced to one-third of their regular values. Only fourteen days left and then we must vacate our present ladies' wear store.

Come for your own satisfaction and convince yourself of the great bargains.

H. WOLF & SONS

263 DUNDAS STREET.

KELLY MUST SHOW HIMSELF IN COURT

Royal Commission Has Power To Compel His Attendance.

CONTRACTOR MAY FIGHT

Dr. Montague Likely To Be Examined Further Today.

[Canadian Press.]

WINNIPEG, Man., June 24. — With its authority to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents affirmed and ratified by an order-in-council, issued yesterday, the royal commission on the Parliament Buildings charges will at once have subpoenaes served upon Thomas Kelly and other members of the firm of Kelly & Sons, contractors.

This was made clear at the session this afternoon, C. P. Wilson, senior counsel for the Liberals, recalled the fact that early in May F. H. Phippen, K. C., on behalf of Kelly, questioned the right of the commission to compel the attendance of members. When Kelly withdrew from the commission, and refused to produce documents, the matter was temporarily allowed to rest. Since the powers of the commission have now been more thoroughly established, Mr. Wilson announced that he intended to at once request that subpoenaes be served on Kelly and some of his associates. Mr. Kelly has, on the advice of his lawyers, declared that he will resist the authority of the commission.

The examination of Hon. George R. Coldwell and Hon. J. H. Howden was concluded today, and it is expected that Hon. Dr. Montague will be examined further tomorrow. Through counsel for the late Government, Mr. Montague expressed his readiness to take the stand, but his physical condition is such that if he desires it he will be permitted to give his evidence in the privacy of his hotel apartment in half-day sessions.

Howden's Complete Denial.

Hon. J. H. Howden's evidence consisted in the main of a complete denial of all knowledge of wrongdoing, in connection with the Parliament Buildings. He testified that he did not help to raise the money to keep Salt away, and that he did not hear anything from Horwood about the alleged robbery of M. G. Hook, in Omaha. Mr. Howden told of carrying $1,500 from Dr. R. M. Simpson to a solicitor, who was not named, for the defence of V. W. Horwood. Mr. Howden said that Dr. Simpson had handed him the money at the Adanac Club, and the solicitor called at his office for it. Dr. Simpson, he said, was a personal friend of both Horwood and the solicitor.

Mr. Coldwell denied that he had any knowledge of any central campaign fund. In his campaign in Brandon, he said, he had no assistance from any such fund, if one existed.

It is expected that Sir Rodmond Roblin will take the stand after Dr. Montague has been heard.

FORMER OFFICIALS BEGGED FOR BREAD

German Paints Picture of Lemberg Under Rule of Russians.

SAYS PRICES VERY HIGH

Schools Remained Open and Pupils Were Taught the Russian Language.

[Canadian Press.]

Berlin, June 25—Via London.—The Berlin Tageblatt has received a dispatch from its correspondent at Lemberg, descriptive of the situation in that city, which reads as follows:

"Reviewing the nine months' rule of the Russians in Lemberg, it is found that among the chief sufferers in the Galician capital were certain former government officials, whose salaries could no longer be paid. Prominent iamilies were reduced to begging in the streets and compelled to satisfy their hunger in the kitchens of other people. Well-known men of Lemberg chopped and sold wood, while their wives baked and peddled bread and cakes around the city.

Food Dear.

"The prices of food reached exorbitant figures. Butter cost six crowns ($1.20) per kilogram (2.20 pounds), or equivalent to 55c a pound. The city of Lemberg issued emergency two-crown notes, which, however, had a barter value of only one crown.

"Regular Russian policemen and Cossacks patrolled the city. The schools were permitted to stay open only with the express consent of the military governor. At least five hours every week had to be devoted to the study of the Russian language. Only text books approved for use in Russian schools were permitted in Lemberg.

Some Favored Russians.

"The Russian calendar was introduced. Certain prominent residents favorable to Russia assisted the invaders, and one of these, M. Gluszkiewicz, a well-known Ruthenian leader, was later rewarded by being named mayor of Przemysl.

"All men of military age were taken into custody by the Russian authorities, as were also all pensioned Austrian and Hungarian officers. These included Gen. Ryck, a veteran of Sebastopol, over 80 years of age.

The Russian municipal officials began leaving the city the latter part of May, and all had disappeared before Lemberg fell. Emperor Nicholas paid one visit to the Galician capital while it was under Russian control. Ruthenian books were destroyed by the Russian authorities, and the exchange of telegrams and letters in the Ruthenian language was prohibited.

HAND TORN BY SAW.

GODERICH, June 24.—Wm. Lumby, an employee of the Paget Grain Door afternoon while working on a double cut-off saw. The centre finger of his left hand was cut off at the second joint, and two other fingers were badly cut.

INGERSOLL POSTOFFICE SOON READY.

INGERSOLL, June 24. — The allotment of boxes for the new postoffice will take place on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday. There has been much speculation for some time as to when the new building would be occupied. The indications at present point to its occupancy at an early date.

NORTHCLIFFE IN PESSIMISTIC VEIN

Pleads That Nation Be "Told Truth About the War."

PROSPECTS VERY BLACK

Tries To Show Little Chance of Progress For Months.

[Canadian Press.]

London, June 25.—A demand that the nation be "told the truth about the war" is voiced by the Times in an editorial. The paper declares there is no immediate prospect of being able to compel the Germans to withdraw within their own frontiers; that it will take months to provide the British forces with the big guns, high explosives and machine guns which are necessary.

"The country has got to set its teeth," says the Times, "disregard confusing bulletins and face the probability of a prolonged and unprogressive campaign in the west, while Gen. Von Mackensen's successful march probably has postponed a resumption of the Russian offensive for several months, until they also are provided with guns and shells.

"To put it briefly, the Allies on both fronts are being held with no prospect of an early change. Moreover the outlook in the Dardanelles, of which the less said the better, long ago ceased to offer prospects of a swift and easy diversion in the middle east."

The London Times is one of Lord Northcliffe's papers, which has waged an energetic campaign for greater publicity in connection with the war. His attacks upon the British Government are credited with being largely responsible for the formation of the new coalition ministry, and the appointment of David Lloyd George as minister of munitions.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

FIRST BATTALION.

WOUNDED.—Pte. A. W. W. Dine, England. Pte. J. B. Pratt, Virginia, Minn.

SECOND BATTALION.

WOUNDED—Pte. C. Barnhart, Shannonville, Ont.

THIRD BATTALION.

PRISONER IN GERMANY—(Formerly Reported Missing)—Sergt. A. F. Piquet, England.

SERIOUSLY ILL—Pte. W. Grounds, England.

UNOFFICIALLY REPORTED PRISONER OF WAR AT GIESSEN—Pte. R. B. Welch, Toronto.

PRISONER OF WAR—Corpl. F. F. Phillip, Toronto.

WOUNDED — Lieut. Ernest Brian Henderson, Windsor.

PRISONER OF WAR (Previously Reported Missing)—Corpl. V. A. Jeffries, Toronto.

FIFTH BATTALION.

PRISONER AT PADERBORN. (Previously Reported Wounded and Missing)—Pte. S. J. VanMill, England. Pte. J. H. Leach, England. Pte. H. Brown, England. Pte. L. Collison, England. Pte. C. W. Webster, England.

PRISONER OF WAR AT PADERBORN—Pte. N. M. Cowan, Yorkton, Sask.

SEVENTH BATTALION.

PRISONER OF WAR—Pte. W. J. Bailey, Ireland. Pte. D. Smith, Sacramento, Cal.

PRISONER AT BISCHOFSWIRDA—Corpl. G. A. Davidson, Nanaimo, B. C. Pte. P. Sedore, Neche, N. D.

PRISONER OF WAR AT BISCHOFSWIRDA—Pte. G. D. Scott.

PRISONER AT GIESSEN—Pte. P. C. Janes, Vancouver Island.

EIGHTH BATTALION.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, NOW REPORTED NOT WOUNDED—Pte. W. V. Caistor, Winnipeg.

WOUNDED AND PRISONER OF WAR AT MAGDEBURG—Corp. J. V. Austmann, Winnipeg.

TENTH BATTALION.

WOUNDED—Pte. J. R. Scott, Grandvital, Man. Corpl. C. W. Hodges, Calgary.

THIRTEENTH BATTALION.

KILLED IN ACTION—Pte. W. Christie, Scotland. Lance-Corpl. J. B. Adams, Three Rivers, Que. Pte. A. Gray, Granton, N. S.

WOUNDED—Lieut. A. M. Fisher, 259 Queen street, Guelph.

PRISONER AT MAGDEBURG—Major D. R. McCuaig, England.

FOURTEENTH BATTALION.

REPORTED MISSING—Pte. E. J. Pike, England.

MISSING—Pte. T. Valandry, Montreal.

PRISONER—Pte. V. Regan, Boston, Mass. Lance-Corp. P. C. Chambers, Montreal.

REJOINED REGIMENT—(Previously reported died of wounds.) — Pte. S. Sasseville, Roxton Falls, Que.

FIFTEENTH BATTALION.

PRISONER AT GOTTINGEN—Pte. A. McDonald, Gananoque, Ont. Pte. J. R. Miller, Toronto. Pte. J. H. Jollicliffe, Toronto. Pte. H. O. Lamb, Haileybury, Ont. Pte. A. McDonald, Toronto. Pte. R. Simmons, Toronto. Pte. A. Yetman, Toronto. Pte. J. C. McNeill, Torotno. Pte. A. McClusky, Ont.

WOUNDED AND PRISONER IN GERMANY—Pte. C. R. P. Fothergill, Magog, Que.

PRISONER—Sergt. M. J. Gillespie. Toronto. Pte. Royal Carmichael (formerly 4th Battalion), Collingwood, Ont. Pte. Alfred Barkey, Berkaley, Ont. Pte. A. Hunter, Toronto. Sergt. H. E. Ashling, Toronto. Sergt. C. V. Ashling, Toronto. Pte. R. B. Adamson, Toronto. Pte. E. O. Callighan, Toronto. Pte. R. O. Brown, Toronto. Pte. Fred Ball, Midland, Ont. Pte. G. J. Adams, Toronto. Pte. Frank Haley, Toronto. Pte. Walter Balmer, Toronto. Pte. J. A. Everitt, Toronto. Pte. C. Robertson, Toronto. Pte. J. T. Cameron, Toronto.

WOUNDED AND PRISONER AT PADERBORN—Corp. Chas. Lunn, Toronto.

PRISONER AT PADERBORN; SUFFERING FROM GAS—Pte. H. McArthur, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.

PRISONERS AT COTTINGEN—Pte. J. Milne, Scotland. Pte. W. Parker, England. Pte. G. Ruddock, England. Pte. T. Spalding, England. Pte. W. Thorn, England. Pte. J. Twells, England. Pte. G. F. White, England. Pte. W. J. Wheland, Ireland. Pte. W. Webster, England Pte. F. Wilson, England. Pte. Archibald McCallum, Avon, Ont. Pte. G. B. Duguid, 240 Ottaway avenue, London, Ont. Pte. B. W. Hannan, Sturgeon Falls, Ont. Pte. J. Strachan, Toronto. Pte. H. S. McNeil, Westville, N.S. Pte. Roy Stamps, Toronto.

WOUNDED AND PRISONER AT PADERBORN—Pte. W. Sutherland, Toronto.

PRISONER IN GERMANY—Pte. T. J. Noon, Toronto. Pte. Alex McLeod, 954 Ormsby street, London, Ont. Sergt. E. McCormick, Arnprior, Ont. Pte. R. G. Blackburn, Regina, Sask. Pte. W. Hopkins, Peterboro, Ont. Lance-Corpl. J. R. Hill, Killaloe, Ont. Pte. V. Hannam, Toronto. Pte. P. O. Nicholson, Toronto.

MISSING BETWEEN APRIL 24 and 29—Pte. W. McMillan, Carleton, Ont. Pte. Jack Strombeh, Royal Hotel, Owen Sound, Ont.

DIED BETWEEN APRIL 22 and 24—Lieut. G. B. Taylor, Toronto.

PRISONER AT GOTTINGEN—Pte. J. A. Johnston, Weston, Ont. Pte. E. M. Paxton, England. Pte. T. R. Quinn, Toronto Pte. Chas. McConnell, 123 Bay street, Stratford, Ont.

PRISONER OF WAR—Pte. H. E. Smith, Climatts Falls, Oregon. Pte. A. E. Pay, Toronto. Pte. S. W. Barret, Toronto. Pte. T. Gallamore, Fernie, B.C. Pte. A. P. Campbell, Ottawa.

SIXTEENTH BATTALION.

KILLED IN ACTION—(April 22.)—Pte. C. W. Sarel, North Vancouver, B.C.

WOUNDED—Pte. A. McKean, Piapot, Sask.

NO. 2 COMPANY FIELD ENGINEERS

DANGEROUS ILL—Sapper E. P. Griffiths, South Wales.

FIRST FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

DANGEROUSLY WOUNDED—Gunner W. King, Peterboro, Ont.

FIRST CANADIAN STATIONARY HOSPITAL.

SUFFERING FROM MENINGITIS—Pte. J. Haire, Carlyle, Sask.

CALLED FROM GODERICH.

STRATFORD, June 24.—The Baptist congregation have extended a call as assistant pastor to Rev. W. H. Wrighton of Goderich, who, if he accepts, will take charge of the new Baptist mission, now in process of erection in the south end of the city.

The new mission is well under way and will be opened towards the end of July and will supply a much fielt need.

Here's the Book That Tells You How

LOOK IT OVER CAREFULLY—IF NOT SATISFIED, RETURN IT AND GET YOUR MONEY—$1.50—IT WILL SAVE YOU MANY TIMES ITS PRICE IN A SINGLE SEASON—THERE IS NO BOOK OF ITS KIND IN ALL THIS WORLD AT ANY PRICE SO COMPLETE.

To The London Advertiser Readers

Here is a thought for the man who is tired of the city's grind and the rattle and bang of things—the man who is nearing fifty and knows that his productive years as a "salary man" are coming to an end. To lose his position might mean going away off among strangers to hide the fight with poverty and old age. But why go "away off"? Take a ride on any of the suburban lines and see the hundreds and thousands of acres of idle land lying close in—held for speculation—not farmed—not used for anything—and all within a half hour's ride of your lifetime associates. What is the matter with a few cows that you can own? Ten acres which you can lease? What is the matter with a neat bungalow and garden; and, if necessary, a man to help you do the work? Ten cows are a living for a good-sized family and their own up-keep. Chickens thrive where cows thrive, and what with milk, butter, eggs, chickens and garden truck—all you can use and plenty to sell—the prospect of living just outside of the din is anything but disheartening. Our book tells you just what to do about these things.

THOMAS E. HILL.
DONALD G. FRENCH.

See certificate containing offer on another page. Illustration is exact size of book.

Circulation Department, The London Advertiser

OVER 100 LIVES LOST WHEN PIER GIVES WAY

Disaster in European Russia Fatal To Many Holiday-Makers.

[Canadian Press.]

Petrograd, June 25, via London.—A dispatch received from Kazan, in European Russia, east of Moscow, says that upwards of 100 lives have been lost in the collapse of a river pier at one of the local pleasure gardens.

The last steamer returning to the city was scheduled to leave the island garden at midnight. A crowd of holiday-makers—men, women and children—were forcing their way in the darkness to the boat over the flimsy pier. The structure collapsed under their weight, and virtually everybody was thrown into the water. The members of the steamer crew did their best at rescue, but only a few persons were saved.

RUSSIA'S WHEAT YIELD PROMISES TO BE BIG

Total Crop May Be Less Than Last Year, With Fewer Acres.

[Canadian Press.]

Washington, June 25.—Russia's wheat yield this year probably will be 10 per cent greater than last, Henry D. Baker, American commercial attache at Petrograd, cables the department of commerce. The net yield is likely to be less, however, he said, because of the large reduction in acreage, due to labor shortage and war conditions.

HELP FOR POLES.

[Canadian Press.]

Chicago, Ill., June 25.—Three hundred thousand pounds of meat was shipped to the war sufferers in Poland today by the Polish central committee, an organization representing all Polish societies in America.