



reliable sources at between #00 and 1,000. SIR JOHN FRENCH "At the that his first divi Continued from Page One appeared to be directing his principal effort against our left. I had previously ordered General Alenby with the cavalry, to act vigorously in advance of my left front and endeavor to take the preserve off pressure off.

risht and endeavor to take the pressure off. "About 7.30 in the morning General Allenby received a mes-sage from Sir Charles Ferguson,, commanding the fifth division saying he was. very hard pressed and in urgent need of support. On receipt of this message, General Allenby drew in his cavalry and endeavor-ed to bring direct support to the south division. During the course of this operation General De Lisle of the second cavalry brigade thought he saw a good opportun-ity to paralyze the further advance of the enemy's infantry by mak-ing a mounted attack on his flank. He formed up and advanced for this purpose, but was held up by wire about 500 yards from his ob-jective and the ninth Lancers and the eighteenth Hussars suffered severely in the retirement of the brigade.

brigade. "The nineteenth infantry bri-gade, which had been guarding the line of communications, was brought by rail to Valenciennes on the 22nd, and 23rd. On the morn-ing of the 24th they were moved out to a position south of Quar-ouble to support the left flank of the second corps. With the as-sistance of cavalry Sir Horace smith Dorrien was enabled to ef-fect his retreat to a new position, although having two corps of the enemy on his front and one threa-tening his flank. He suffered great losses in doing so. "At nightfall a position was ocorigade.

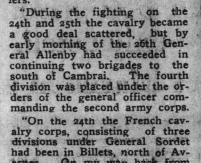
great losses in doing so. "At nightfall a position was oc-cupied by the second corps to the west of Bavay, the first corps to the right. The right was pro-tected by the fortress of Mau-beuge, the left by the nineteenth brigade in position between Jen-lain and Bruay and cavalry on the outer flank. The French were still retiring and I had no support ex-cept such as was afforded by the fortress of Maubeuge, and deter-mined efforts of the enemy to get around my flank, assured me that it was his intention to hem against that place and surround me. "I feit that not a moment must "I felt that not a moment must

"I felt that not a moment must be lost in returning to another position. I had every reason to believe that the enemy's forces were somewhat exhausted and I knew that they had suffered heavy losses. I hoped therefore that his pursuit would not be too vigorous to prevent me effecting my ob-ject. The operation, however, was full of danger and difficulty, not only to the very superior forces in my front, but also to the exhaus-tion of the troops. ion of the troops.

tion of the troops. "The retirement was recommen-menced in the early morning of the 25th to a position in the neigh-borhood of Lecateau and the rear guard were ordered to be clear of Maubeuge and Bavay by 5.30 a.m. Every cavalry brigade with the divisional cavalry of the second corps, covered the movement of the second corps and the remain-der of the cavalry division with the nineteenth brigade, the whole

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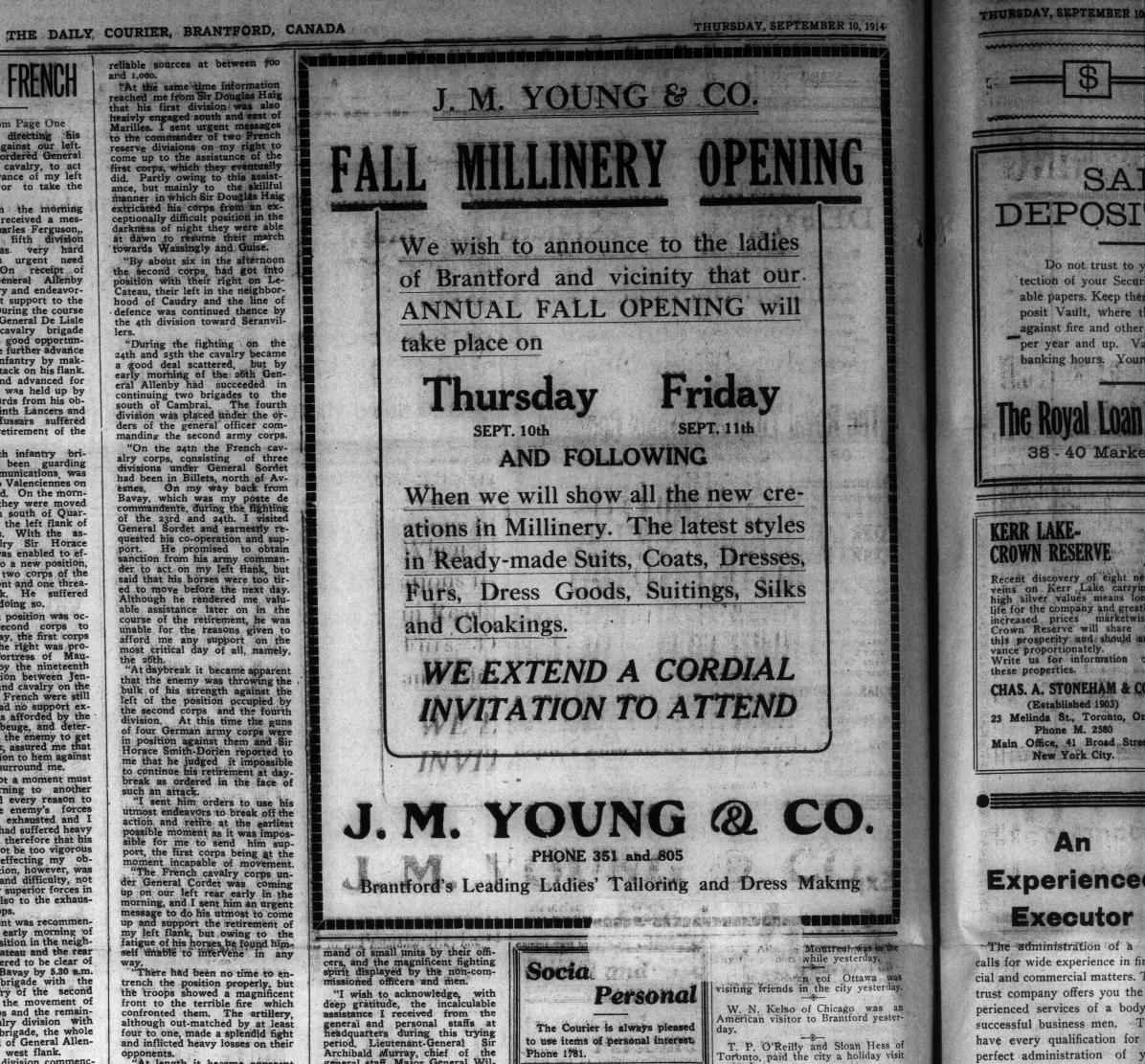
d me from Sir Douglas Haig nis first division was also y engaged south and east of that his first division was also heaivly engaged south and east of Marilles. I sent urgent messages to the commander of two French reserve divisions on my right to come up to the assistance of the first corps, which they eventually did. Partly owing to this assist-ance, but mainly to the skillful manner in which Sir Douglas Haig extricated his corps from an ex-ceptionally difficult position in the darkness of night they were able towards Wassingly and Guise. "By about six in the afternoon the second corps, had got into position with their right on Le-Cateau, their left in the neighbor-hood of Caudry and the line of defence was continued thence by the 4th division toward Seranvil-lers.



manding the second army corps. "On the 24th the French cav-alry corps, consisting of three divisions under General Sordet had been in Billets, north of Av-esnes. On my way back from Bavay, which was my poste de commandente, during the fighting of the 23rd and 24th. I visited General Sordet and earnestly re-quested his co-operation and sup-port. He promised to obtain sanction from his army comman-der to act on my left flank, but said that his horses were too tir-ed to move before the next day. Although he rendered me valu-able assistance later on in the course of the retirement, he was unable for the reasons given to afford me any support on the

course of the retirement, he was unable for the reasons given to afford me any support on the most critical day of all, namely, the 26th. "At daybreak it became apparent that the enemy was throwing the bulk of his strength against the left of the position occupied by the second corps and the fourth division. At this time the guns of four German army corps were in position against them and Sir Horace Smith-Dorien reported to me that he judged it impossible to continue his retirement at day-break as ordered in the face of such an attack. "I sent him orders to use his utmost endeavors to break off the action and retire at the earliest possible moment as it was impos-sible for me to send him sup-port, the first corps being at the moment incapable of movement. "The French cavalry corps un-der General Cordet was coming up on our left rear early in the morning, and I sent him an urgent message to do his utmost to come up and support the retirement of my left flank, but owing to the fatigue of his horses he found him, self unable to intervene in any way.

"There had been no time to entrench the position properly, but the troops showed a magnificent front to the terrible fire which confronted them. The artillery, although out-matched by at least four to one, made a splendid fight sses on the





Marne: "I came upon the battle at Ma aux with astonishing suddenness. My motor car had just shot up the rise that overhangs the little town, as there it was before our eyes in the little valley, dense white balloon smoke from explod- ing shells, little coveys of shrap- nel bursting in the air, showers of ground, farm houses and hay stacks flaming and a German acroplane cruising overhead. "German shells are falling in the fields just beyond Meaux, but strain our eyes as we may, even through strong glasses, we can	sight with houses wrecked, the bridge blown into a shapeless mass of ruins, aeroplanes over- head and shells still bursting be- yond the town. "The streets are like a city of the dead. Only when the chasse- urs come clamoring through the streets are the shutters cautious- ly opened and the inhabitants peep out. Through these openings it is curious to see women darn- ing socks as though nothing was happening. "I tried to get into the fields, but was warned back by an old. man. The bombardment still con- tinued as I left Meaux."	under command of General Allen- by, covered the west flank. "The fourth division commenc- ed its retirement at Lecateau on Sunday, the 23rd and by the morning of the 25th eleven bat- talions and a brigade if artillery, with the divisional staff were available for service. I ordered General Snow to move out to take up a position with his right south of Solesmes, his left resting on the Cambrai-le-Cateau road south of La Chapriz. In this position the division rendered great help to the effective retirement of the second and first corps to new po- sitions. "Although the troops had been	and inflicted heavy losses on their opponents. "At length it became apparent that if complete annihilation was to be avoided, retirement must be attempted and the order was given to commence it about 3.30 in the afternoon. The movement was covered with most devoted intre- pidity and determination by the artillery which had itself suffered heavily, and the fine work done by the cavalry, in the further re- treat from the position, assisted materially the final completion of this most difficult and dangerous operation. Fortunately the enemy had himself suffered too heavily to
BOTHA IS LOYAL. LONDON, Sept. 10. 5.25 a.m.— A Cape Town despatch to the Ex change Telegraph Company says that General Louis Botha, Premier of the Union of South Africa, delivered an	Nuptial Notes	"Although the troops had been ordered to occupy the Cambrai- le-Chateau-Landreeceis position and ground had during the 25th been partially prepared and en- entrenched, I had grave doubts, owing to information I had ree-	engage in an energetic pursuit. "I cannot close the brief ac- count of this glorious stand of the British troops without putting on record my deep appreciation of the valuable services rendered by Sir Horace Smith-Dorrien, I say without hesitation that the saving

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Union of South Africa, delivered an KEW-HAMMAR

eloquent speech in parliament in which he emphasized South Africa's A nuptial event of interest to Brant fordites was celebrated in St. Joseph' determination to assist in maintaindetermination to assist in maintain-ing the integrity of the empire. Two courses, he said, were open,duty and honor, or dishonor. South Af-rica intended. he declared, to make a rica intended. he declared, to make a substantial give of tobacco and pro- Mr. John Kew, one of Brantford's duce for the use of the imperial sol-diers.



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ed retirement of the French on my right, my exposed left flank, the tendency of the enemy's western corps to envelope me and more than all the encausted con-dition of the troops, I deteremin-ed to make a great effort to continue the retreat till I could put some substantial obstacle, such as the Somme or the Oise Rev. Father Brohmam, parish priest of St Joseph's. The bride attired in ivory brocaded satin, wearing wreath and veil, was given away by her father, the attend-ants being Miss Clementine Petrie, and Miss Gertrude Kew, while little Miss Gertrude Hammar made a pretty

flower girl. The groom was assisted by his brother, Mr. Gregory G. Kew, and Mr. Roy Hammar, brother of the bride. The ceremony being performed the The ceremony being performed the bridal party and guests returned to the home of the bride's parents where luncheon was served, after which Mr. and Mrs. Kew left amid showers of good wishes for a brief honeymoon. On their return they will take up residence in their new home, 7 Cayuga street city.

street, city. ATTRIDGE-FRANCIS

A quiet wedding took place yester-

A quiet wedding took place yester-day, when Ruby, the eldest daughter of Mr. Alfred Attridge of Grand St. and Mr. Perry Francis were joined to-gether by the Rev. R. D. Hamilton, at the Wellington St. parsonage. After the ceremony, supper was served at the bride's home, the happy couple then took the 6 o'clock G. T. R. for Toronic for a short honeymoon, get-Toronto for a short honeymoon, get-ing a good send off by the family and a few friends.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

LONDON, Sept. ro, 5.30 a.m.—A despatch to the Central News from Constantinople says that bubonic plague is causing severe ravages among the Turkish troops at Smyrna This loss has been estimated from and other stations.

ordered to occupy the Cambrai-le-Chateau-Landreeceis position and ground had during the 25th been partially prepared and en-entrenched, I had grave doubts, owing to information I had reeceived as to the accumulating strength of the enemy against me, as to the wisdom of standing there to fight. "Having regard to the continued retirement of the Frenech on

such as the Somme or the Oise, between my troops and the en-emy, and afford the former some opportunity for rest and reorgani-

"Orders were, therefore sent to the corps commanders to con-tinue their retreat as soon as they possibly could towards the general line of Vermand,, St. Quentin and Ribemont and the Quentin and Ribemont and the cavalry under Genereal Allenby were ordered to cover the retire-ment. Throughout the 25th and far into the evening the first corps continued to march on Landre-cies following the road along the eastern bordede of the forest of Mormal and arrived at Landre-cies about ten o'clock. I had cies about ten o'clock. I had intended that the corps should come further west so as to fill up the gap between Lecateau and Landrecies, but the men were ex-hausted and could not get further

hausted and could not get further in without rest. "The enem, however, would not allow them this rest and about 9.30 that evening the report was received that the Fourth Guards brigade in Landrecies was heav-ily attacked by troops of the 9th German army corps who were coming through the forest to the north of the town. This brigade fought most gallantly and caused the enemy to suffer a tremendous loss in issuing from the forest in-to the narrow streets of the town, This loss has been estimated from

without hesitation that the saving of the left wing of the army under my command on the morning of the 26th could never have been accomplished unless a commander of rare and unusual coolness, intre-pidity and determination had been present to personally conduct the present to personally conduct the operations. "The retreat was continued far into the night of the 26th, and through the 27th, and the 28th, on which date the troops halted on the line from Noyon, Chauhy and Le Fere, having then thrown off the weight of the enemy's pur-suit. "On the 27th. and 28th. I was much indebted to General Sordet and the French cavalry division, which he commands, for materialand the French cavairy division, which he commands, for material-ly assisting my retirement and successfully driving back some of the enemy on Cambrai. Gen-eral D'Amade also with the 6st and 6ind, reserve division moved down the neighborhood of Arras on the enemy's right flank and took such pressure off the rear of the British forces. "This closed the period cover-ing the heavy fighting which really constituted a four day's battle. At this point, therefore, I propose to close the present de-spate. "I deeply deplore t'e very ser-ious losses which the British forces suffered in this great bat-tle, but they were inevitable, in view of the fact that the British army-only a few days after con-

view of the fact that the Brtiish army—only a few days after con-centration by rail—was called up-on to withstand the vigorous at-tack of five German army corps. "It is impossible for me to speak to highly of the skill evin-ced by the two general officers commanding army corps, the self sacrificing and devoted exertions of their staffs, the direction of troops by the divisional brigade and regimental leaders, the com-

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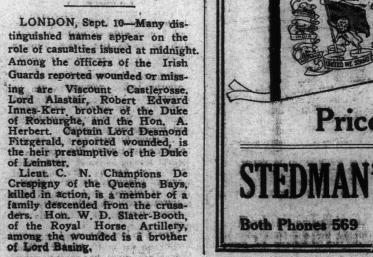
Archibald Murray, chief of the general staff, Major General Wil-son, sub-chief of the general staff and all under them have worked day and night unceasingly with the utmost skill, self-sacrifice and devotion, and the same acknowledgement is due by me to Briga-dier General the Hon W. Lambton, my military secretary and personal staff.

"In such operations as I have described, the work of the quartermaster general is of an ex-tremely onerous nature. Ma-jor General Sir William Robert-son has met with what appeared to be almost insuperable diffulties with characteristic energy, skill and determination, and it is largely owing to his exertions that the hardships and sufferings of the troops—inseparable from such operations—were not much don. greater. "Major-General Sir Nevil Mac-Ready,, the adjutant-general has also been confronted with the

also been confronted with the most onerous and difficult task in conection with disciplinary ar-rangements and preparations of casualty lists. He has been in-defatigable in his exertions to meet the difficult situations which arose. He has not been able to complete the list of officers whose names I desire to bring to your lordship's notice for services rendered during the period under review, and, as I understand it is of importance that this despatch should no longer be delayed. I propose to forward this list sep-arately as soon as I can. I. D. P. FRENCH."



Some of Britain's Most Distinguished Sons Fall in Battle.



visitors in Guelph yesterday. Miss Edith White has returned Misses Kathleen Hogan and Katie Wright spent Labor Day in Guelph. Miss Carson has returned from a from a pleasant vacation spent at Ailsa Craig. Miss Lena Smith, of 577 Colborne Miss Carson has returned from Miss N. Wicket has returned from holiday spent with friends in Lonstreet, has returned from holidays spent in London. Miss Harriet Winegarden is at pre-sent holidaying in Bay City, having been at Detroit and Lansing, Mich. from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Crandell, of Newport, Logan Sutherland and Dean An-Rev. D. T. McClintock returned last night from a short out of town trip. Mr. William Franke of the Bank of Hamilton, has returned to the city after an absence of two months. C. H. Sevens of Montreal paid a holiday visit to the city with friends

yesterday.

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visit yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Preston were paying friends upon William street a

Mr. E. B. Crompton was in Toronto

Col. and Mrs. A. J. Wilkes are in

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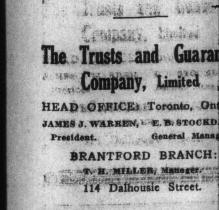
A. W. Colgan of Detroit left this morning for home after a brief visit to friends.

yesterday. C. A. Collins of Buffalo whwo has been visiting the city, left this morn-ing for his home. Gus Cline of Chatham paid old friends in the city a visit Tuesday and left again this morning. Mr. R. G. Brown entertained about forty of his friends to a pleasant lit-the dance given in Mohawk Park last night. Gathering at 8.30, the young people danced the light fantastic toe until nearly midnight, when excellent retreshments were served up and the party in fine spirits departed.



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