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MONTREAL SERGEANT

w. H. Scott, who left with the first contingent as a sergeant of the 5th Royal Highlanders, and has recently been given a commission as lieuten-ant in the famous Black Watch. Mr. Scott was an assistant sporting editor of The Montreal Daily Star.

French Woman

GETS COMMISSION

TWELVE PAGES-ONE CENT

OPEN, INTIMATES HUGHES

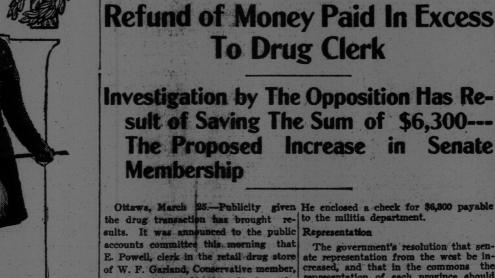
## **French and Germans** In Alsace Locked In The Grip of Battle

Victory For Joffre's Men But at Great Cost—Night Attacks the Regular Order of Events in Flanders — British in Artillery Duel With Enemy, 600 Cannon Engaged

Paris, March 25.—In the eastern foothills of the Vosges Mountains, near Hartmannsweiler, in Alsace, French and German troops are once again locked in the grip of battle.

In the grip of battle. The scene of the hardest fighting is around an eminence known as Hart-mannsweiler Kopf, to the west of Hartmannsweiler. The French have been able to take several lines of German trenches, but the victory has cost them dearly, for the attacking forces had to charge up a hillside under the direct fire of well trained infantrymen and rapid fire guns. French forces concentrated near Hartmannsweiler Kopf, which lies be-tween Thann and Gebweiler, are trying to cut through to the railway line which runs into Muelhausen from the north and serves as the chief line of com-muniteation for Muelhausen. At the same time, such a feat would put the French in possession of a considerable portion of the Senheim-Colmar-Strass-burg line. The French forces taking part in this enterprise, are part of the army that took Thann and Senheim from the German defenders some time are.

## GREAT DUEL AT LABASSEE



sult of Saving The Sum of \$6,300---The Proposed Increase in Senate

It Is Paid Back

Ottawa, March 25.—Publicity given He enclosed a check for \$6,800 payable to the drug transaction has brought re-sults. It was announced to the public accounts committee this morning that The government's resolution that sen-

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bill was in terms which the senate had objection. Sir Wilfrid Laurier thought that it was only fair that the commons repre-sentation of P. E. Island should not be s-less than the senate representation. As for the representation of the west in the of senate, he agreed it should be increased He understood that the senate believe this, and that last year they had on mastern representation

General Says That This is Probable--**Twenty-five Hundred Applications** For Places as Nurses-A Tribute to Canadian Women

SECOND CON

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Ottawa, March 25.—In parliament yesterday, Mr. MacMillan of Glen-gatry enquired as to the government's intentions with regard to the mobiliza-tion of troops now enrolled for active service. General Hughes said that the officers had been calling for mobilization and the localities for detail.

the localities for detail. Mr. Marcil asked if they would be mobilized at Valcartier camp. General Hughes said that there was two feet of snow at present at Val-cartier. "The second contingent," he said, "will probably go before the Val-cartier camp is ready, or the St. Lawre nce route is open." Answering a further question by Mr. Marcil, the minister said that 2,500 women had volunteered for service as nurses. As many as the British govern-ment asked for had been accepted, that to deneral Hughes declared that the women of the country had proved the text execution agents during the orderent war.

General Hughes declared that the women of the country had proved the best recruiting agents during the present war. Mr. F. B. Carvell asked why it was that the 12th Battalion of New Bruns-wick had been left behind in England, as details. Premier Borden said that complaints had been received in regard to all the regiments left behind. The complaints did credit to the officers and men, who desired to serve. The matter, however, was in the hands of the War Office.



