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CASUALTIES CONFIRMED

Twenty-Three Killed on Amethyst, But Mission Considered Success

dian Press Despatch.

LONDON, March 17 .-- A casualty ist issued by the admiralty tonight, ses that in the fighting in the ardanelles Saturday night the light ruiser Amethyst, which, according c an Athens despatch, made a dash thru the strait as far as Nagara, had men killed and 19 men severely and men slightly wounded.

The battleship Ocean had two mer filed, and the battleship Prince George two men wounded, while two trawlers, between them, had three men cilled and two wounded.

It is presumed here that Vice+Admiral Corden sent the cruiser on this risky mission to unmask any concealed bateries which the Turks might have located along the straits and which the allied fleets had not destroyed when hey bombarded the forts.

Naval experts say that the bows of the Amethyst could be cushioned so that she would receive no damage from coming into contact with mines, and in their opinion her success proves that heavily armored ships could at the present time penetrate the straits as guns which could not sink a light projected cruiser would make little

Mine Sweepers Lost? tantinople sends a report that three British mine sweepers and one directing the operations was

Berlin reports that a special depatch from Constantinople to The Vossische Zeitung says only unimportagainst the Dardanelles forts in the ve the mines at the outer entrance

A despatch to the same newspaper from Athens says no earnest opera-tions against Smyrna have been undertaken for two days.

An Athens despatch to a Milan newspaper asserts that up to March 18 eleven ships of the Anglo-French have been towed to Lemnos

ages by shots from the Dardanelles MEDITERRANEAN IS IN BLOCKADED AREA

"Radius of Activity" to United States.

NOTES MADE PUBLIC

About to Launch One More Protest.

Canadian Press Despatch. WASHINGTON, March 17 .- Six dipmarine attacks on merchant ships, the ing.

The list of casualties among the men sublished as yet, nor relative to the abandonment of sub-

United States Government, realiz-the difficulties of maintaining an One ing the difficulties of maintaining an effective blockade by a close guard of an enemy coast on account of the newly developed activity of submarines. asked that "a radius of activity" be defined. Great Britain and France re-plied with the announcement that the blockade would not be conducted "outside of European waters, including the

Radius of Activity. The definition of a "radius of acti-vity" for the allied fleet in European waters, including the Mediterranean, is Canadian Press Despatch. first intimation of the geographi-

Austrians Reach Limit Of Their Resistance

Indications Are That the Enemy Lacks Measures to Ensure Retreat Before Successful Russians.

Special Cable to The Toronto World. BUCHAREST, March 17.—Sharp fighting took place last night, the object of the Russians being to draw the Austrians in the direction of Bojan. The Russians made effective use of their artillery, including powerful mortars, doing terrible destruction in the ranks of the enemy. It would appear as if the limit of the Austrians' resistance has been reached, and there are indications that the enemy is lacking in measures to ensure retreat.

Will Be Met Satisfactorily by Allies.

German Formations Prevents Deployment.

BY FREDERICK RENNET PETROGRAD, March 17.—Section PETROGRAD, March 17.—Sectional successes at every point of contact from the Niemen to Bukowina are bringing the Bussians great strategic advantage for the spring campaign. The only point where the Germans have attempted a stubborn defence of their lines is across the River Orsyc, below Khorjele, in north Poland. Elsewhere they are resorting to artillery fire with evident economy of ammunition, as the only available method of obstructing the Russian advance without risking their infantry. The bicrest out risking their infantry. The leggest German force in the north has its million, in the direction of the Bobr and Narew Rivers. Moreover, the immediate approach of the March thaws nust shortly drive any force larger than scouting parties from the swamps

in the broad valley of the Bobr. It will doubtless also expel the Gernan column bombarding Ossowetz.

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CANADIAN OFFICER KILLED IN FIGHTING

Battles of Neuve Chapelle and St. Eloi.

CASUALTIES HEAVY

Rank in Official British

Canadian Press Despatch.

LONDON, March 17.-(8.25 p.m.)lomatic notes were made public tonight The British casualty list for the five gained by the French army north of by the state department, constituting days from March 10 to March 14, inthe entire correspondence of the last clusive, during which the battles of crest on the west of a hill on a length few weeks between the United States Neuve Chapelle and St. Eloi were of about half a mile and some ground and Germany, and between the United fought, shows that 112 officers were to the south of it a quarter of a mile States and Great Britain and France, killed or died from wounds, and that

shipment of conditional contraband. The list of casualties among the men and foodstuffs to civilians in a bellihas not been published as yet, nor serent country, the use of neutral flags have any figures been given out, but by belligerent merchantmen, the resome competent critics place it at moval of mines, and the proclamation about two-thirds of those suffered by the allies as ainst Germany.

about two-thirds of those suffered by the Germans, which Field Marshal Sir John French, the British commander communications revealed that in chief, said were between 17,000 and

BUDAPEST MERCHANTS SOUGHT HEAVY GRAFT

plied for Field Uniforms.

cal limits of the blockade. Its limits of the blockade. Its limits of the blockade. Its limits of germans.

Were not given more exactly, the allies at Budapest have been arrested, chargcaim, because Germany was equally cd with defrauding the government to possession of an excavation seized by chawa.

Indefinite in proclaiming all the waters the extent of several million crowns the French troops at Carnoy, near Al-

Approaching in East Lloyd George So Informs Conference of Labor Leaders and Factory Owners.

SPRING WILL AID CZAR TO SAVE MEN'S LIVES

Inadequate Quality of New Women Will Be Employed in Certain Capacities Thru Restriction of Union Rules.

> Canadian Press Despatch British Government intends to take over control of the factories in Empland for the production of war materials. This announcement was made today by David Lloyd George, chancellor of the excheduer, at a conference of labor leaders, the representa-

"Recent battles have shown that the rearguard now pressed beyond its own fire recently—the greatest which has frontier below the middle group of lakes. Owing to the strength of the whole war—not only en-sel. Russian offensive and the inadequate quality of his own new formations, the German leader is unable to deploy his troops, which probably number half a troops, which probably number half a troops, which probably number half a troops in the direction of the soldiers who made the attacks.

> Limitation of Profits. "To assist in this, the government has decided to take over the works. In doing so the government proposes impose a limitation on the profits

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NOTABLE SUCCESS FOR FRENCH ARMS

Britain and France Define Three Others Wounded at Military Crest of Hill North of Perthes Captured and Held.

COMMANDS BIG AREA

sturm and Guards Regiments Defeated.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.
PARIS, March 17,—A victory of considerable importance has been Perthes in the Champagne region, in in depth. This success has given the French forces command not only of the height, but of all it overlooks on

extends from Perthes to Maisons. The Germans, the war office says, have grasped the importance of this counter-attack led by a regiment of landsturm, supported by regiments of the Prussian Guard. The close fornation of the German ranks presented an excellent target for the French machine guns, which literally mowed them down. Only a few survivors regained the German trenches under the terrific French fire. The losses of the enemy were several thousands.

in the woods extending between Perthes and Souain. trenches, that were captured from the enemy the preceding night, and they managed to repel without much dif-

Progress was also made in the re-

indefinite in proclaiming all the waters the extent of several million crowns the French troops at Carnoy, near Alby supplying worthless material for pert, but the Germans were driven field uniforms, field

Consul Muller and Others Alleged Tools of Ambassador Bernstorff.

SOUGHT SUBMARINE TIP

Canada's Purchase of Submarines Has Sequel in Four Arrests.

Canadian Press Despatch. SEATTLE, Wash., March 17.—Dr. William Muller, imperial German con-sul at Seattle, and his secretary, B. M. Schulz, were served with notice of arrest today at the consulate. They are charged with conspiracy in attempting to corruptly influence John Murdock, an employe of the Seattle Construction and Drydock Co., by inducing him to sell business secrets of his Consul Muller and his secretary are

accused by the State of Washington of offering Murdock a cash considera-tion to supply them with information bearing out Ambassador Bernstorff's charge that the Seattle Corporation was shipping "knockdown" submar-ines to the British Government via British Columbia.

The information against the Ger-

man representatives, filed by Alfred H. Lundin, county presecuting attor-ney, jointly charged them and Dan Tarnisasky, a free lance detective with conspiracy. Muller Denied Consul Muller denied tonight Canadian Press Despatch.

LONDON, March 17, 1145 p.m.—The
British Government intends to take

papers from the construction com-pany. He declared, that Tarnisasky approached him with a statement that he had information that submarines were being built here for the British navy, but that he had dealt with the ence of labor leaders, the representatives of various industries and the committee of imperial defence.

In an address appealing for an increase in the output of war material the chancellor said:

Manydook and the first as was necessary to detective only so far as was necessary to Murdock and the detective were arrested last night on a joint grand lartremendous concentration of artillery ceny complaint. The warrants for ning, were not in a disputatious mood, fire recently—the greatest which has the arrest of Consul Muller and his without much discussion. They are as

> Was Offered \$1000. In a statement said to have been nade to the prosecuting attorney, Murdock said the negotiations for the delivery of the information said to have been sought by Consul Muller were Still pending when he was arrested. He had originally demanded \$1500, he said, but later agreed to accept \$1000. He asserted that attho he had certain alleged information ready for delivery at a conference, held at the consulate last evening, there was a hitch over money and the conference came to naught.

LISTOWEL MAN DIED

Robert Campbell of First Battalion Succumbed to Wounds in French Hospital

LISTOWEL, Ont., March 17 .- Word was received today by Alex. Campbell only a few hours after he had received a letter written in the trenches, that his son Robert Campbell had died in the military hospital at St. Omer. France, of wounds on Sunday last. Campbell, who was 24 years old, joined President Wilson Apparently Over Three Hundred Men of Violent Attacks of Land- was in the first battalion. His father is 70 years old.

REAR-ADMIRAL GROGAN IS REPORTED DROWNED

Veteran Sailor Fell Overboard From His Ship, Says Admiralty

Canadian Press Despatch. LONDON, March 18, 3.15 a.m.—Rea Admiral William J. Grogan has fallen overboard from his ship and been orowned, according to an announcement made by the admiralty. The name of the ship is not given. Rear Admiral Grogan went on retired list seven years ago, but re-entered the active service at the com-

RUSSIANS STILL SWEEP TURKS BEFORE THEM

mencement of the war.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Troops Capture Village on Black Sea and Repulse Enemy Elsewhere.

PETROGRAD, March 17, via London, March 17, 9.25 p.m.-The follow-Worthless Materials Were Sup- North of Arras the French sol- ling official report from the Russian BULGARIAN FORCES ARE was made public tonight: "Our troops on the coast have cap-tured the Village of Archawa (on the VENICE, via London, March 17, 9.50 ficulty a third counter-attack of the Black Sea, about 25 miles southwest of Batum), and have occupied the dis-

Canada Calls Recruits For Fourth Contingent

Third, Fourth and Later Contingents May Be Used as Reinforcements for First Two-Militia Department Confident of Hearty Response.

By Staff Reporter. OTTAWA, March 17.—The militia department has issued orders to begin recruiting a fourth Canadian contingent for the war. The first contingent is in the trenches, a portion of the second has been landed in England, and the rest will sail immediately, while the third is recruited to strength and is in training at the various divisional points througt the Dominion. The fourth, it is expected will be recruited just as easily as the three previous.

The third, fourth and future contingents will not likely be sent to the front

as army divisions, but as reinforcements for the first two contingents, which are composed of 25,000 men each, but, of course, this is merely a suggestion of the Canadian militia department, and different arrangements may be made by the Details of recruiting will be issued later by the militia authorities. When the fourth contingent is up to strength over 110,000 Canadians will be under

Four Times Pirate Fired Be

fore Leeuwarden Came

to Stop.

Losses at Hands of

Marauders.

When the captain of the Leeuward-

Bananas, Coffee and Fertilizers Are Included in Revised List.

Mutual Insurance Companies Admiralty Admits Further Escape Patent Medicines Impost Reduced.

By a Staff Reporter.
OTTAWA, March 17.—A slim house discussed some details of the new budget this afternoon and evening, in committee of ways and means. The members who had been kept up until after 3 a.m. for two nights hand runwithout much discussion. They are as announced in the budget speech, except that bananas, fertilizers, cotton en sighted the submarine he put on seed meal, coffee and a few other items full steam and refused to obey signals hereafter mentioned are exepted from to stop. For half an hour the chase

the war duty of 7½ per cent. (5 per cent. British preference).

Taxes Modified.

The special taxes and stamp taxes are modified in some particulars.

Purely mutual insurance companies

The control of the submarine of the submarine's deck, but still the British skipper took no notice. Four times the gun was fired and the captain realizing escape was hopethe captain realizing escape was hopeare exempted from the tax upon net premiums, and the tax upon perfumes and proprietary medicines is reduced dered you" haughly demanded the from 10 p.c. to 4 p.c.

arose as to the propriety of a tax upon the profits of the joint stock compa-OF WOUNDS ON SUNDAY

nies carrying on life insurance business, in which R. B. Bennett (Calgary), W. F. Maclean (South York), and Hon. William Pugsley participat-

List of Exemptions. The house then went into commit-tee of the whole on the tariff resolutions. Finance Minister White announced that the duties of 5 per cent.

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WILL BE POSTPONED

Bill on Receiving Satisfactory Assurances.

By a Staff Reporter. OTTAWA, March 17.-Upon the orders of the day in the house W. F. Maclean (South York) made a brief statement respecting his bill to amend the Rallway art. The bill places the continuation of the war. Act. The bill places the capitalization of Act. The bill places the capitalization of railway companies under the board of railway commissioners and is designed to prevent stock watering and fradulent bond issues. It also provides for municipalities joining with railway companies of the immigration, the operation of the immigration organization would be temporarily suspended. The members

was given its second reading some time ago and referred to the railway committee.

Mr. Maclean stated that as the government did not intend to go ahead with any legislation at this session which did not relate to the prosecution of the war and as the minister of railways had stated that the provisions of his bill would be incorporated in the new railway act to be passed at the next session he would not proceed with the hearing of addresses before the railway committee tomorrow, which had been arranged for, and the bill would be withdrawn.

BEING CONCENTRATED

Cable to The Toronto World. ATHENS, March 17.-A concentra-tion of Bulgarian forces is noticeable in Bulgarian Thrace, troops having been sent to Kanthi, Gumuldjina and Dedeagatch, These forces are to be used as development of the Bulgarian

On Other Bank of River for First Time in Six

Over a Length of Six

SOME TAX EXEMPTIONS THREE OTHER VICTIMS since March 12 the Belgians have crossed the Yser between Dixformer occupants, as a result of the particularly efficient fire of the Belgian artillery. The mere fact that the Belgian infantry suc-Special Catal The regards World.

ROTTERDAM, Wednesday, March
17.—The English steamer Leeuwarder,
bound from London to Harlingen, was
sunk by the German submarine U28 this afternoon, five mies off Maas Lightship. The crew of 17 were picked up by the Maas pilot boat and landed at the Hook of Holland. en sighted the submarine he put on less, surrendered.

"Why did you not stop when I or- Naturally this roadmaking has When the special taxes were taken up for consideration some discussion up for consideration some discussion crew to get into their boats. In five minutes they did so, and the submarine fired four shots into the vessel, sinking her. The submarine towed the boats toward the lightship. Two Cork steamers, the Avocot and Lesstris arrived at the Hook this afternoon a little pathway made of hurdles, Two accomplished, and at this moment and reported having been chased for several miles by U-28. The ships steamed at full speed and safely reached Durch territorial waters.

The ships from the former Belgian advance lines to the German trenches. The Leeuwarden was a cross-chan-

HOME MISSION WORK

W. F. Maclean, M.P., Withdraws Falling Off in Contributions to Presbyterian Board Causes Retrenchment in Some Branches

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It is expected that some retrenchment tained with relatively small loss of

cipalities joining with railway companies in the construction of bridges. The bill was given its second reading some time ago and referred to the railway committee. again when immigration resumes.

The board devoted most of yesterday to passing claims that had been sent in by the various presbyteries of the church. The work to be carried on during the coming year will be decided upon at today's vession.

day's session. The placing of student missionaries for the coming season will also be taken up today. NOVA SCOTIAN SCHOONER ASHORE ON CUBAN COAST

Canadian Press Despatch.

NEW ORLEGARDS, AMARCH 17.—The three-masted British schooner Laura I. is ashore near Cape San Antonio on the wes ern tip of Cuba, and probably will be lost, according to a wireless message received here today. The crew was saved. The vessel is 249 tons burden, is owned by Lemuel Creaser of Nova Scotia, and was bound to Philadelphia from St. Andrews with cocoanuts.

Months.

MAKE GOOD HEADWAY

Advanced Hundred Yards Miles.

cial Cable to The Toronto World. NORTH OF FRANCE, March 6.—Important events that have been happening at Neuve Chapelle ought not to blind us to the magnificent achievements of the Belgian army during the last few days. The Belgians are making distinct and continuous headway against the Germans. In particular, they scored quite a remark. able success between Nieuport and Dixmude. One of the latest communiques informed us in the usual laconic style of ground that had been gained at Shoerbakke Village, on the main stream of the Yser, halfway between Nieuport and Dixmude. As a matter of fact, mude and St. Georges and have established themselves in German trenches, abandoned by their cedded in occupying the German first line trenches on the Yser is a very remarkable military fact, especially so when one considers that these trenches are situated in the midst of floods. The whole region is cut up by innumerable channels, either secondary streams or the many branches of the Yser. or ditches or small drainage canals. To reach the German trenches, therefore, it was necessary to build roads yard by yard for the troops to march along. been very dangerous for those en-Nevertheless, by sheer perseverlines to the German trenches, which have just been taken. At a number of points the enemy retired of its own accord without resistance, and at other points the bayonet had to be called into play. This general advance of some hundred yards over a length of five or six miles had a splendid effect on the morale of the Belgian troops, who for the first time since the end of October set foot on Belgian soil on the other side of the Yser. This success is the more encouraging as it was ob-

Potash and Perimutter. This morning seats go on sale at the Princess Theatre for next week's engagement of the tremendous succomes to the Princess for eight per-formances only, beginning Monday evening. As all indications point to capacity business, seats should be ob-

Of Interest to Most All Ladies and Men. There is a wonderfully

howing of articles likely to interest



represented is of "Dineen quality"

—a standard of excellence second named below call for your inspection now-the extraordinary end-ofthe-season fur values more particu-larly. Here they are—men's hats and

caps by the most celebrated makers, men's spring overcoats and raincoats, suit cases leather hat cases and umbrellas: for sadies and men: millinery, new spring styles; ladies rain-coats, auto coats, suit cases and um-brellas. A visit will analy repay you.