# TO-DAY'S

# Messages.

## 11.00 A.M.

THREATENS SEVERING OF DIPLO-MATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN UNITED STATES AND AUSTRIA.

WASHINGTON, To-Day. The text of the American note to Austria-Hungary, regarding the sinking of the Italian steamer Ancona, made public last night, reveals the formal demand by the United States for the prompt denouncement of the illegal and indefensible act, for the punishment of the submarine commander and for reparation by payment of indemnity for the killing and injuring of innocent American citizens These demands follow a statement informing Austria-Hungary that the good relations of the two countries cording to a Havas despatch from Atmust rest upon a common regard for hens, filed on Saturday, the despatch law and humanity. The note arraigns the shelling and torpedoing of the liner as inhuman, barbarous and wanton slaughter of men, women and children. In official and diplomatic circles the communication is regarded as being the most emphatic declar ation to come from the U.S. Govern ment since the beginning of the Euro pean war. No attempt is made to conceal the fact that unless the demands are quickly complied with diplomatic relations between the two countries will be in grave danger of being sev-

THE DERBY CAMPAIGN TIME EX-TENDED - ENROLMENT OFFI. CERS CANNOT COPE WITH THE RUSH TO THE COLORS.

LONDON, To-Day. The enrolment of volunteers under Lord Derby's plan for the immediate future military service could not be completed yesterday on account of the numbers crowding the enlistment offices throughout the Kingdom at the portant. Despatches from Athens eleventh hour. Therefore the War Ofnews available in London indicate that eleventh hour. Therefore the War Office announced the extension of time until midnight on Sunday, with a possible further extension until midnight of Wednesday, Recruiting continues to-day, and if the numbers of the past two days are kept up, the total enlistment for the last three days will probably equal the total of the preceding three weeks. The process of enlistment is attended by picturesque and enthusiastic proceedings. Bands and orators, both official and voluntary, from military and civil life have been busy. The keynote of the speeches has been that Britons should show the world that free men are able and willing to defend their country without compulsion. After the enrolment is completed the War Office will be greatly delayed in having to use the obliged to segregate those engaged in government work as indispensable to industry. A large proportion of those enrolled may also be barred by medical officers, because the examinations of the past few days have been for the most part superficial, and in many cases dispensed with altogether, medical officers being unable to keep up with the enrolment. There is no information at present regarding the number of new recruits, but the Trade Union leaders last night confidently declared that the Derby campaign was a success. The last census gave the number of men in England, Scotland and Wales between the ages of 18 and 40 as 8,100,000, nearly half cf whom were single. The general understanding is that about three million entered the army before Lord Derby's recruiting began. It is be-Derby's recruiting began. It is believed between 80 and 90 per cent of the Lida, Barono-Vitchi-Roveno railthe remainder have presented themselves for attestation. From this total must be deducted three classes: (1) Those physically unfit; (2) those engaged in munitions work; and (3) those engaged in other necessary callings, such as railroad, mining, shipping and farming, whose numbers cannot be approximately estimated except by officials.

#### SAYS GREEK TROOPS WILL WITH-DRAW FROM SALONIKI.

According to information received here from Athens yesterday, the Greek Government has agreed to withdraw its troops from Saloniki.

### CHANGE OF CENSORSHIP AR

LONDON, To-Day. (Official)—Sir Edward Grey has arranged that from Dec. 20th, 1915, the censorship by the Press Bureau on behalf of the Foreign Office shall be suspended. This will not mean a change in the provisions of the Defence of Realm Act or of the regulations. The denial is contained in a despatch to London from Athens that the Greek Government is seeking to negotiate an advance from the German Government. The

Agency of matter relating to foreign affairs will rest upon the directors of the newspapers or news agency. As regards matter telegraphed abroad from this country, responsibility will rest with the senders of telegrams. The censorship of press telegrams from one foreign country to another over British cables will remain un-

altered, since the senders of such telegrams are not within British jurisdiction and cannot be proceeded against under the Defence of the Realm Act, Nothing in this announcement affects existing arrangements, navel or military matter to which naval or military matter, to which wholly different considerations apply save so far as they relate to foreign

#### BRITISH SITUATION BETTER.

PARIS, To-day. The Havas Agency from Saloniki dated Sunday, says an intense action continues along the Entente Allied fronts, the Bulgarians are attacking in dense mass formation. The Allies' retreat continues methodically. The situation of the British in North Poivan has noticeably improved H. M. S. Airadne, 10 cards 15c. Doivan has noticeably improved, H. M. S. Brilliant, 10 cards 20c. thanks to the arrival of reinforce-H. M. S. Britannica, 12 cards 25c. nanks to the arrival of Feinler H. M. S. Biltannica, hents from Saloniki. Fresh British H. M. S. Colossos, 36 cards 25c. troops are landing daily.

## NOON.

GIEVGELI BOMBARDED.

PARIS, To-day. Gievgeli in Southern Serbia, close to the Greek border is being bombard-ed by Bulgarians and German artillery, their forces having pushed to within four miles of the town, acbeing based on advices received from Saloniki. The occupation of Gievgeli by invaders is deemed imminent The advices declare that on the Doiran front to east of railway line where a violent artillery combat is in progress, the British troops are de-clared to be retiring in good order, following out a plan decided upon by the British and French staffs.

BRITISH REINFORCEMENTS LAND-

A despatch to Reuter's Telegram Co. from Salonika, dated Friday, Dec. 10, says contingents of British troop landed to-day. A fog which is mos nusual here continues to prevail at

GREEK GOVERNMENT MORE AMI-

CABLE.

LONDON, To-day. The Anglo-French troops who last veek began their retirement from Serbia are now approaching, if they have not crossed the Greek frontier and the attitude that Greece will adopt becomes more and more imthe matter which was left to the Greek and Allied military authorities at Salonika was being amicably arranged and that the Allies will be allowed to retire to that city without any interruption on the part of the Greeks and will be permitted to renain. The questions which are serioccupying the Greek Government have to do with the use of the railways which are needed for Greek coops and the damage that might be one them with the object of impeding the Bulgars' pursuit, should the Sofia-Government decide that the British and French are to be followed to the Greek territory. The Greek Government has good evidence of the effective manner in which French enginers destroy railways in the work done along the line north of the Greek So well was this accomplished that the Bulgarians were roads covered with snow, with the result that the French escaped almost unscathed. The British who had adthe northeast of Lake Doiran had more difficult feat to accomplish when the retirement was decided on and suffered more heavily. They were forced by greatly superior forces, according to an official report, issued last night. Their successful withdrawal to a position extending Lake Doiran to the Vardar Valley was largely due to the gallantry of the Rangers, Munster and illers. The British casu-Dul'in Fusiliers alties are estimated at 1,500 while they were forced to leave behind eight field guns, which had been placed in position to cover the retirement and could not be removed. Despatches from Petrograd indicate the Germans are withdrawing their centre to what is known as the Bug River line, which, however, at many places is considerably northeast of that River. This withdrawal is due to their way which was necessary for a successful holding of the advanced positions which they reached after their great drive last summer. They have evacuated Slonim lying to the west of Baron-Vitchi and Kobron, just to the east of Brestlitovsk, which they are making the centre of their new lines, these are being very strongly forti-fied. This suggests the Germans hope

#### from one side or the other. It is generally believed the Germans will make the attempt this time, as they have brought up a large amount of

PARIS. To-Day. artillery. There is no further news from Mesopotamia, while the Galli-

the story of artillery engagements. THE STORY OF THE SUCCESSFUL RANGEMENTS. RETREAT.

LONDON, To-day. Reuters Telegram Co. claims have authentic information that the Allies have decided not to withdraw tions made thereunder. They will be binding as heretofore, but the responsibility for seeing that they are special correspondent of Reuter's Telegram Company with the British Headquarters staff in the Balkans, describes the retreat of the Allies last Agency of matter relating to foreign week. General Serveil was already

to create a stalemate in the east as they did in the west. There has been

increased artillery activity in the western front and the arrival of cold-

er weather may foreshadow attacks

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ailway. Meanwhile the Bulgarians and Germans in constantly increasing strength, began to bear heavily n the point of the junction of the Franco-British lines, especially threatening Strumitza road, which forms the main artery of our position. The Germans soon began to make things hot for the first line. Weather inditions favored them and under over of a mist which prevented our onger ranged field guns registering ccuracy, brought numerous moun ain guns in positions, impracticable for our less mobile pieces and opened a murderous fire at close range. Exposed to this hot gruelling, the threatened flank, owing to the French retirement from positions, soon became untenable. The men of the Irish division were withdrawn to the second ine, prepared a long time in advance. During these engagements fighting was very often at clase quarters, ow-ing to the mist, but the gaflant Con-naught Rangers, Dublin and Munster Fusiliers repeatedly drove the enemy off with the bayonet with heavy loss-

We retired to our second line and the killed in battle and who have died of abandoned the bridge at Grabel and of one member of the royal family, Hill No. 516. The importance of the six peers, sixteen baronets, six the S. S. R. A. Gordon at that place stand in these positions is difficult to knights, seven members of Commons, yesterday morning, his death exaggerate, because had the Bulgars 164 companions of vertous orders, presumably due to his falling exaggerate, because had the Bulgars 164 companions nain body of the French forces as well as the British, and would probably have inflicted grave reverses Since Tuesday the pressure of the Bulgars' offensive has relaxed and

### our new positions are very strong. 1.00 P.M.

EVACUATING DORIAN AND GIEV-

LONDON. To-day. The Salonika correspondent of Reuer's Telegram Co., in a despatch dated Sunday, relative to the fighting in southeastern Serbia, says: Evacuation of Dorian and Gievgeli was completed to-day, and the Bulgarians are reported to be within five miles of the Greek frontier, following very slowly in the wake of the Allies.

BULGARIAN REGIMENT EXTER-MINATED. SALONIKA, To-day. In the defile of the Demir Kapu



A Beautiful Photograph

defeat by stratagem. The enemy was made to believe that the French were in retreat through the defile. They attempted to pursue the French and when their troops were well in defile vo French regiments with a battery i machine guns cleverly hidden, suddenly opened a murderous fire. The eleventh Bulgarian regiment was exterminated. The remainder of the Bulgarian force broke and fled panic

during the Anglo-French retirement the Bulgarians suffered a crushing

# 1.50 P. M.

BULGARIANS REPULSED WITH HEAVY LOSSES.

LONDON, To-day. The Salonika correspondent of the Pimes sends the following: Two of the most formidable assaults yet delivered by Bulgarians were made on Saturday against the British front north of Lake Dorian and were repulsed. The enemy's losses were terrific, his masseed battalions being nowed down by our machine guns as Convenor packing and shipping con

#### RUSSIANS DEFEAT PERSIAN REB-

LONDON, To-day. The Russian troops have defeated the Persian rebel forces at Aven and Private Autograph Cards from that the plot to assasinate the Persian Minister of the Interior has been dis-

LONDON, To-day.

A Delhi correspondent of Reuter's states that Aga Farukh Shah, a cous-in of the spiritual head of the Mohamnedans in India, East Africa and Central Asia, Prince Ara Kahn, has in Kerman, Persia. According to a report received in Delhi from Kerman, it is stated that Farukh Shah was travelling in Persia on a spiritual mission.

C. Phillips is sworn and examined by Fenelon. Court adjourns until 2.30 this afternoon.

TROUBLE WITH GREECE NEARLY

PARIS, To-day. definite tete Powers has been nearly reached. Colonel Phallis (of the Greek army) after an interview with General Sar-The Entente Allies' retreat is promy following too closely.

HONOR.

LONDON, To-day.

The new issue of the Debretts Peerage, the official annual record of Britsh titles, strikingly illustrates how The superiority of numbers of the aristocracy has suffered through the enemy and his mountain guns, the war. A roll of honor of some however, in the long run prevailed, eight hundred names is given of those French having in the meanwhile wounds. The list contains the names succeeded in pushing through they 95 sons of peers, 82 sons of baronets would have cut off the retreat of the and 84 sons of knights. Changes in sons of peers, 82 sons of baronets

> HUNS TALKING PEACE. LONDON, To-day.

titles have been caused.

according to a Copenhagen despatch

# Latest Messages.

CONCERNING THE ST. KILDA, WRECKED NEAR LANGLEY.

On Saturday evening last The Evening Telegram received the following message concerning the wreck of the St. Kilda, from Mr. G. H. Frecker, St.

British steamer Saint Kilda, coal den, stranded at Miquelon Island, ported in hopeless position. Captain nd crew saved; one man, Lecornu FRECKER.

Yesterday the Deputy Minister of istoms received a message from Cus- at 2 a.m. yesterday. oms Officer Paul, of Burin, saying hat the schr. Myrtle, Capt. Goddard, had arrived home and reported that while passing Longlade Beach the previous night he saw a two-masted steamer ashore there. Later signal rockets were seen coming from the amer. Craft could not reach there A. A. TELEGRAPH CO.

We are indebted to Mr. H. A. Saun ders, Supt. of the Anglo-American Telegraph Co., for a copy of the following messages received by him from TO SAUNDERS.

The tug left for wreck at 5 a.m., weather fine, moderate breeze. Cape Breton also arrived at wreck, did not enter port.

WHITE, St. Pierre. TO SAUNDERS Chief engineer, second officer and 11 men arrived in ship's boat in tow pilot boat; report rescue ships not arrived

a.m.; local tug standing by, eared total wreck, but ship not broken Captain and remainder of crew ar ived at St. Pierre at noon by local

d at 10 a.m. COLDS. &a

## W. P. A.

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Little River-17 prs. socks, 6 prs.

Bareneed—36 prs. socks. British Harbor—29 prs. socks, I Pilley's Islands—43 prs. socks.
A. H. HAYWARD,

#### Supreme Court.

Court met at 11 a.m. to-day. Prethe Persian rebel forces at Aveh and are now nearing Hamaden, according to a Teheran-Persia correspondent of Reuters. The correspondent states the Palatine Insurance Company Ltd. -This is an aition for \$1,000 and under a policy of insurance. Howley, covered. He says it was instigated K.C., for Plaintiff; J. J. Fenelon for by refguees at Koum, who were hostile to the Entente Allies.

LEADING MOHAMMEDANS MURDERED.

Called and sworn as follows: William Carnell, Thomas McCarthy,
Archibald Gibb, Samuel O. Steele,
Thomas Bates, James J. Tobin, Philip Cleary, Joseph Stick, William J. Pike. Howley, K.C., states the Plaintiff's case to the jury. The evidence of the Plaintiff taken under commission was put in and read. This closed the Plaintiff's case. J. J. Fenelon states murdered by a Persian assassin C. Phillips is sworn and examined by the Defendants' case to the jury. John

#### To Night's Lecture.

An interesting and instructive leg ture will be delivered in the Methodist College Hall, at 8.45 this evening, by A despatch to the Havas Agency from Athens dated Sunday, says:

According to semi-official sources, a John's at the invitation of Gower St. solution of the questions Meth. Church Missionary Committee pending betweeen Greece and the En-tete Powers has been nearly reached. effect to a large and appreciative audience. The subject of the lecture to-night must appeal to all at such a rail (Commander of the French army in the Orient), declared that negotiations were proceeding satisfactorily.

time as this in our Empire: "England in Egypt, or John Bull on the Banks of the Nile." The lecturer will trace the Nile." The lecturer will trace England's relation to the Suez Canal, seeding slowly but normally and in the expeditions under Wolsley; Consecurity. The French and British quest of the Soudan by Kitchener; are taking time to destroy tunnels and bridges in order to prevent the enelecture will be illustrated by 80 views. The time is set at 8.45 to allow those SOO ARISTOCRATS ON ROLL OF in shops an opportunity of attending. The proceeds of the Lecture are to be donated to Missions.

### Workman Killed

at Clar. nville.

Mark Baker, 26 years old, section man with the Reid Nfld. Co. at Clarenville, was found dead in the hold of the deck on Saturday night last while gathering up the torches used while discharging the ship's cargo. The last seen of the unfortunate man was at 11 p.m. Saturday when he was taking down the torches at the pier. The body is being brought to the city by to-day's express for a post mortem ex-An important War Council over which the German Emperor is presiding, is now talking peace at German Headquarters on the eastern front, gram extends sincere sympathy.

The Argyle arrived at Marystown at 6 p.m. yesterday, going west. The Clyde left Three Arms at 5.30 p.m. Saturday, going north The Dundee left Greenspond at 9.15 a.m. yesterday, outward. The Ethie arrived at Clarenville at 8.15 p.m. yesterday; sailing again to-

day.

The Glencoe sails from Placentia this afternoon The Home left Humbermouth at 8.30

a.m. vesterday. The Petrel left Leewisporte at 7.20 a.m. vesterday for south. The Kyle arrived at Port aux Bas ques at 9 a.m. vesterday. The Meigle arrived in port at 9.15 p.m. vesterday. The Sagona left Port aux Basques

## Here and There.

EXPRESS DUE .- The Kyle express

WEATHER.-A light north west owing to heavy sea running. Shortly after the tug St. Pierre was met going to the wreck to render aid.

wind prevails along the line of rail-way to-day with the temperature ranging from 23 to 42 above.

POLICE COURT.—(Before Mr. Morris, J. P.)—A loose and disorderly man was sent down for four months. One drunk was discharged and another was fined \$2.

TRAIN BLOCKED .- On Saturday night last the train on the Bay de Verde Branch was held up for several hours by a heavy fall of snow which completely blocked the track.

Just arrived from England: a very pretty line of Wristlet Watches, all good makes and serviceable. Prices from \$4.00 to \$48.00, at Trapnell's. dec13.tf

At 1.30 p.m. Sunday, Anastatia, be

loved wife of Patrick Broderick, aged Rescue steamers had not arriv-62 years; funeral on Tuesday, at 2.30 p.m., from her late residence, 69 Lime MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES Street. R. I. P. Boston and Baltimore papers please copy.

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