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On to Victory.

It is a safe guess that there are light hearts at Allied headquarters today. At every point of contact along the great Western front the armies of the Entente have the upper hand. Progress is slow but certain, slight setbacks at advanced posts here and there being but the little eddies in the washes of the surging tide. The valuable gains in Flanders have been followed by the gradual investment of Lens, successful offensives at St. Quentin and on the Chemin des Dames and a fine victory at Verdun. On the heels of these triumphs comes a more wonderful and greater victory on the Isonzo. North and south of Gorizia the Italians have broken the Austrian defenses with a thoroughness attested by the captures of prisoners and material. North, the formidable Monte Santo has been encircled and cut off; south, the enemy is said to be retreating on the Carso. Not only is Trieste more clearly in sight and nearer grasp than the running of Galicia, the puncturing of the Roumanian front, all the fine prospects in the East, become the emptiest dreams. Italy has her own aims to achieve, but in achieving them she repays with interest the services Bruttini rendered her last year. These victories would be gratifying enough separately and in isolation, but they are doubly encouraging as the result of the close co-operation discernible in them. It is no exaggeration to say that the whole Western front is active, the activity directed and varied by the Allies, and the enemy's wasting reserves rushed hither and thither, checking one advance only to see another threaten elsewhere. Flanders and Verdun are two huge storm centres at either end of the long arc that is contracting into a straight line, while it is significant that St. Quentin, about the middle, is witnessing receded activity of both Allies. There remains nearly three months of good fighting weather before the winter. If the present pace can be maintained during that time it will be strange if some weak spot does not develop in the German defence and his hold on France and Belgium be loosened. He will be shaken almost as much by the fall of Trieste as by defeat at Verdun or Lens.

Parallel Figures.

It is needless to say that the Newfoundland Regiment has been again in action: lengthy casualty lists have already announced it. If, like those that have come before, they are read with sorrow and pride, there will be little pride derived from perusal of the lists that are their true companion and should constantly be placed side by side with them, the recruiting returns. One tells the gaps in the ranks; the other, the only way in which they can be filled. What was the story last week? We have not counted the casualties, but it is plain that they represent many permanent, and many more temporary, vacancies. To fill which there have stepped forward—three men! If we say that this is alarming, it is no answer to point to the reserves at Barry and the Armoury; they are but a reservoir of which the contents depend upon this very comparison of wastage and supply. The logic, the cold arithmetic, of it is inexorable. The fighting that is joined now in France and Flanders will be continuous until winter and ours are too good men to be kept out of it. Unless some vigorous action is taken immediately, we have little hesitation in predicting that the Newfoundland Regiment, as a regiment, will not survive the war! If this prediction becomes a deplorable and disastrous fact, there will be only one cause to blame, and that is the Government. Facts are only beginning to bear out the prediction. The country was ready for sterner measures and was expecting them. The Premier gave a warning on his return from

England which his subsequent silence has shown to have been altogether insincere: "I have not suited 'politics' to give it effect. But it suited politics to imagine that great opposition would be raised by the out-ports. A gross libel on the country, for, if the newspapers are any reflection of popular opinion, there has not merely been little feeling against a selective conscription but very much in favour of it almost everywhere. We have stated that the Government have done nothing in the matter. That is incorrect: they have actually impeded the efforts already being made. We do not, and did not at the time, question the need of a Ministry of Militia nor the excellent fitness of the Minister chosen to fill it, but it is most unfortunate, at least, that the innovation should have interrupted the work that was being done in so many directions. With other directions we are not concerned here, but in that of the fine work of the Recruiting Committee the situation is deplorable. That work is virtually at an end. It has been performed in a rare spirit of self-sacrifice and unflinching industry, and has done all it could reasonably do. In any case, the new order of things brings it automatically to a close, with nothing substituted for it. The final recommendation of the gentlemen composing the Committee brought from the Government nothing but a direct and discourteous snub. The meaning of it all can be read in the recruiting returns of the past few weeks. And so that is the position of the country today, at this height and crisis of the war. Compulsory recruiting is rejected, voluntary recruiting killed, by those responsible to the country and holding its honour in their hands. A fine record for a 'National' Government!

Casualty List.

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Killed in Action August 13.

2712—Corp. Ronald B. McGrath, Harbor Grace.

Died of Wounds at 47th Casualty Clearing Station, August 18.

2100—Private Lyman Stoodley, Grand Bank.

At 5th Station Hospital, Wimereux, Aug. 17, Gunshot Wounds.

3339—Private Daniel Gillis, Grand River, Head, severe.

2310—Private John T. Chancey, 64 Pennywell Road, Chin, severe.

At 2nd General Hospital, Le Treport, Gunshot Wounds.

1631—Private Wm. McKay, Glenwood, Back, mild.

3213—Private Leo F. Constantine, 38 McFarlane St. Left knee, mild.

At Wandsworth.

2238—Private Reginald J. Larner, Burgo, No particulars.

At 22nd Station Hospital, Wimereux, Aug. 18, Gunshot Wounds.

103—Sergeant Edward C. Bradbury, Fleet Street, Left arm.

3132—Private John W. Devereaux, Ferryland, Left shoulder.

At 7th General Hospital, Etaples, Gunshot wounds; All Mild.

1123—Private Philip J. Conway, 29 Cuddihy Street, Confusion right buttock.

2798—Private Henry Buffett, Milltown, Bay d'Espoir, Right leg and left hand.

3024—Private George Rowsell, Pushthrough, Neck.

2294—Private Thomas Dooley, 233/2 Maxx Street, Left arm.

2433—Private Charles Stevens, Burreneed, C.B. Right side.

2238—Private Edward White, Peter's River, Right knee.

At 18th General Hospital, Dannes Camiers, Gunshot Wounds.

1335—L. Corp. Charles Curnew, Petries, Bay of Islands, Right leg.

2495—Private F. W. Stone, Petley, T.B. Back.

At 47th General Hospital, Le Treport, Gunshot Wounds.

131—Corp. John S. Cleary, 9 Carter's Hill, Right hand.

1731—Private Bertram F. Brown, 26 Bevidere St. Left hand.

1172—Private Ronald H. House, Catalina, Left hand.

3419—Private Arthur Pollard, Botwood, Left arm, severe.

Wounded Aug. 18th—No Particulars.

933—Private Walter F. Miles, Bonavista.

2341—Private James Walsh, Goulds, Bay Bulls Road.

3193—Private George Cuff, Bonavista.

1200—Private Michael Power, Port Rexton.

R. A. SQUIRES, Colonial Secretary.

BIG FISHERY.

It is estimated that this year's codfishery will aggregate about a quarter of a million quintals more than the total catch for 1916.

FOR THE LABRADOR.

The Diana has been chartered by the Reid Nfld. Co. to make a couple of trips to the Labrador and will leave the dry dock on Wednesday at 10 a.m. for the usual ports of call. She will take along a mail and a large quantity of freight.

Shocking Motor Tragedy at the Goulds**Mrs. Theodora Chafe and Child Instantly Killed and Another Seriously Injured—Pt. John Parker, Owner of Car, Placed Under Arrest, and Charged With Manslaughter.**

As the result of the most horrible motor tragedy in the history of this country, Mrs. Ethel Chafe, aged 27, wife of Mr. Theodore Chafe, of the Goulds, and little Douglas, her three year old son, are now cold in death, while her other child, a five year old boy, is in a dying condition. Private John Parker, driver and owner of the motor car, has been arrested and charged with manslaughter.

At four o'clock yesterday afternoon Private Parker, his chauffeur W. Baker, Sgt. Major Gardner and Privates Curran and Hogan left town for a spin countrywards. On reaching Waterford Hall, Privates Curran and Hogan, who have been invalided home, left the party, while the others continued on, proceeding along the Bay Bulls' Road. After driving some distance in the country the return to the city was made, and at 5:45 o'clock, while the car was proceeding up the slight grade near the C. of E. Church, the fatal tragedy occurred. It happened that Mrs. Chafe had sent one of the daughters of the house on an errand, and the girl not returning within reasonable time, Mrs. Chafe took her two small children, aged 3 and 5 years, holding them by the hands, and went to hurry along the messenger. She had only gone about ten yards and was unconscious of the approaching car, which dashed into her and her children from behind. So forcible was the blow that one of the wheels broke loose from the car and was afterwards found covered with blood; it is supposed to have passed over the body of the mother. A few screams were heard which attracted the relatives of the deceased, who live close by. Rushing to the scene they observed the lifeless form of Mrs. Chafe on the side of the road and the two children still alive but unconscious. There was some excitement, but eventually the services of Drs. Fraser, Brehm and Anderson were procured, who reached the scene in a motor car which travelled at top speed out the Goulds' Road. Their services however were of no avail to the poor mother, who had died almost instantly, but they did whatever was possible for the unfortunate children. The Inspector of the police, Mr. Tait, immediately notified of the sad affair and accompanied by Dr. Tait and Detective Byrne, drove to the scene. Dr. Tait in examining the body of the dead woman, found that her neck, lower jaw and right leg were broken, the latter being severed. Her hip was badly fractured and some awful flesh wounds inflicted on the body. Little Douglas, the younger lad, had his left leg broken and several ugly body wounds. The other boy received some cuts, and both were unconscious. The services of a trained nurse were procured from the hospital to attend to the injured children, but shortly before midnight death overtook them. The body of Douglas was released, the body of the other child did not regain consciousness till nearly 1 o'clock this morning. The scene as witnessed by those who ran to the assistance of the victims can be better imagined than described. It was known to them that

Mrs. Chafe was in a delicate state of health and was shortly to become a mother. After a preliminary inquiry into the whole affair Inspector General Sullivan found the owner of the car at a house some distance away, where he had proceeded shortly after the accident occurred. He was placed under arrest and taken to the Police Station by the Inspector General, where he was charged with manslaughter and placed in a cell for the night. The police did not question the accused at the time. Mr. Sullivan on his return to the city instructed Undertaker S. G. Collier to proceed to the scene to bring in the remains of Mrs. Chafe, and while there the little boy passed away. Both were brought to the city and placed in the morgue at ten o'clock this morning.

POST MORTEM HELD.

At the morgue an examination was held this morning on the bodies. Dr. Tait, who examined the body of the woman, pronounced that she was killed by an automobile. Dr. Anderson examined the child and found death to be due to shock and a fractured leg.

PARKER ADMITTED TO BAIL.

The accused was arraigned before Judge Morris this forenoon and charged with manslaughter. His Honour intimating that the prisoner was not asked to plead, as a preliminary enquiry had yet to be conducted into the tragic affair. Deputy Minister of Justice Hutchings, K.C., on behalf of the prosecution stated that the Crown was not ready to proceed and asked for the usual remand for eight days. Mr. Higgins, B.L., acting for the accused, asked for bail. Mr. Hutchings said that the question of bail was certainly one for His Honour to consider and that the bail would be a heavy one. Judge Morris intimated that nothing had been submitted to him to the surrounding circumstances of the occurrence and as a citizen, he only became aware of the fact through the press. However, he said, there was no reason why he should refuse the application for bail. The bonds were made \$20,000, the prisoner in his own recognizance of \$10,000 and two other sureties in \$5,000 each. Mr. Jas. Power, of the firm of Parker & Monaghan, stood his trial in the Magistrate's Court to-day. The prisoner was released.

WAS WELL KNOWN.

The late Mrs. Chafe was the second wife of Mr. Theodore Chafe, and was well liked and highly respected by the people of the Goulds. Mr. Chafe is a son of the late Emmanuel Chafe, Esq., for many years Postmaster at the Goulds. Mr. Chafe is, like his father, a well known figure in the community, and has been a great number of people in St. John's, and the United States, where he lived for several years, who will learn with deep regret of the terrible tragedy that has happened. To the grief-stricken husband and father the Telegram offers deepest sympathy.

Hospital Report.

London, Aug. 25, 1917.

Colonial Secretary, St. John's: Association Visiting Committee report condition of following men in hospital:

Progressing Favorably: 1327 Bennett, 1332 Drake, 3023 Scott, 1407 Gormey, 999 Cullen, 3308 Duffett, 20 Dewling, 3128 Green, 159 Ireland, 3175 King, 2758 Kennedy, 438 Parsons, Improving: 3399 Jewer, 3131 March, 2339 Molloy, 3252 Randall, 2809 Torraville, 2799 Walsh.

Slight Improvement: 1954 Brown, REEVE.

McMurdo's Store News

MONDAY, Aug. 27, 1917. Our Perspiration Deodorant only needs to be mentioned to remind many people of something really indispensable to them in this hot weather—a preparation that without any fuss, or leaving in its place any odor whatever, will completely deodorize perspiration. A little is rubbed on the sweaty parts and the thing is done. Price 25c. a pot. Mothersill's Sassaek Remedy is sold in two sizes—50c. and \$1.; the smaller size is sufficient for a single person. It is effective to prevent or cure seasickness, and rarely fails of its object. In capsule form and quite easy to take.

From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram.

CAPE RACE, To-day.

Wind northwest, light, weather dull fog off shore. Bar. 29.50; Ther. 72.

WOUNDED BY CANADIANS.

In a recent Canadian Casualty List appearing in the Halifax Record of Aug. 21st there appears the names of two Newfoundlanders who have been wounded, viz. J. J. Rowe and Corp. W. Thornhill. The names of their former homes were not given.

ENSURE PERFECTION

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Windsor Patent**FLOUR****Rainbow Flour****"Get it from your Grocer."****Bakes Beautiful Bread****The Runaway Man From Upper Gullies.**

Nathaniel Scott, better known locally as "The Runaway Man from Upper Gullies," who was arrested last week for deserting his wife and seven helpless children, and whose escape has been already told in the Evening Telegram, stood his trial in the Magistrate's Court to-day. The prisoner was released.

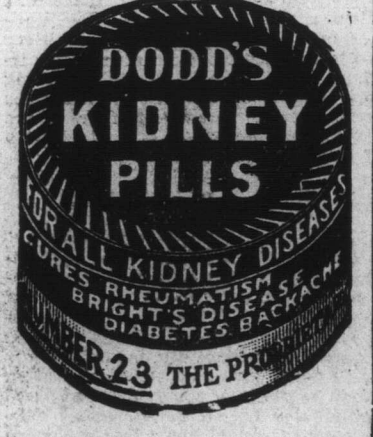
Here and There.

SLEUP IN RECRUITING.—Last week's records show only six enlistments, three for either service, of which three were accepted. Two of the latter came from St. John's and one from Trinity. With the present lengthy enlistment coming in on the one hand and almost no volunteers offering on the other, the prospects of the Regiment are none too bright.

SUFFERING FROM SHELL SHOCK

Mrs. Ryan, of Mackay Street, has received a letter from her husband, Private Francis Joseph Ryan, written from a Y.M.C.A. home in France. He is in a Canadian regiment and evidently participated in some of the fiercest fighting the boys from the Dominion have been engaged in. He writes that two of his companions were killed at his side, while he himself was badly shocked. His friends here, however, will be glad to know that he is recovering.

Cold boiled rice, onion and pimiento, all shredded, make an excellent salad with mayonnaise dressing.

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