TO-DAY'S Messages.

NOON.

STRIKES IN GERMANY.

AMSTERDAM, To-day.

The Berlin Vorwaerts, a copy of which has been received here, says the male and female workers of the Deutsche Waffer and Munitions Fabriken of Berlin decided on Wednesday after three hours debate not to resume work, but to send a deputation to the Imperial Chancellor. The result of the interview with the Chancellor was to have been communicated to a meeting of workers which was fixed for to-day. The Cologne Gazette reports various strikes in Leipzig. It says also that a large meeting was held at Stotterita, Saxony, for discussion of the scarcity of food and that after the meeting the participants marched in procession through the town. The newspaper does not state whether the munition workers took part in the demonstration or whether work was resumed.

TROUBLE ON MEXICAN BORDER.

ELPAZO, To-day.

Snipers who fired at an American sentry stationed at the Viaduct in the suburbs of this city were fired upon in return by a squadron of United States soldiers late to-day. One American was seen to fall after a volley had been fired across the border. When the Mexican Consul Bravo reported the affair to Brigadier General George Bell, Jr., General Bell informed the Consul that the American sentry had been fired upon and had obeyed orders in returning the fire.

GREAT FRENCH PRESSURE CONTINUES.

PARIS, To-day.

The uniform failures of the Germans to resist the steady and methodical pressure of the French is the outstanding feature of the operations to-day in the great offensive on the Aisne and in the Champagne. It is clear that General Nivelle's armies are in no danger of losing the initiative and that gradually but surely all the salients along the Soissons-Auberive front are being crushed. The principal salient to which the enemy had clung formed an angle where the front running south from St. Quentin hinged to the line and running eastward towards Rheims. Caught as in a vise by the troops advancing northwest from Laffaux and northwest from Vailly and Chavonne, the angle collapsed yesterday and Fort Conde was captured. Substantial progress was made in the centre ground being won East and West of Craonne, which is gradually being enveloped. In the Champaigne section on the right strong positions still held by the enemy are falling one by one. All this work could only have been done at a heavy cost in life under former war conditions. It is being carried out with comparatively small loss now thanks to the new tactical methods used by the French.

1.30 P.M.

HUNGARIAN SOCIALISTS PASS STRONG RESOLUTIONS.

BERNE, To-day.

Hungarian Socialists have adopted resolutions at a secret convention deciding that the Central Powers make public their peace conditions. The convention was the first to be held since 1913 and several resolutions of a drastic and even revolutionary character were adopted. The convention called upon the Hungarian Government to abolish all restrictions on public gatherings, to restore the freedom of the press and to furnish genuine proof of the honorableness and sincerity of its desire for peace. The resolutions declare that the peace terms should provide for obligatory reference of all disputes to an international tribunal and the gradual disarmament of nations, means for the free economic national and future development of all peoples and the removal of friction between nations and their Governments.

AN EXAMPLE FOR US.

WASHINGTON, To-day.

Broad Governmental powers to control food production and distribution and possibly even prices were provided in legislation drawn to-day for presentation to Congress. Authority to establish a food distatorship may be asked by the administration as a war measure.

RUSSIA'S LIBERTY LOAN.

PETROGRAD, To-day.

Although the subscription lists to the liberty loan only opened yesterday, the public is already contributing freely.

IMPRESSIVE SERVICE AT ST. PAUL'S.

LONDON, To-day.

The British people and Americans in this country celebrated America's partnership in the world war by a religious service to-day in St. Paul's Cathedral, attended by the official heads of the nation and a great congregation, which included hundreds of Americans and many prominent British men and women. There was a great display of American flags in London and all the other English towns, and a popular demonstration by the crowds of people which surrounded the Cathedral. The Stars and Stripes floated from the highest towers of the Parliament Buildings at Westminster, the first time a foreign flag was ever displayed on that eminence, and flew above all Government buildings in the British capital. The service in the Cathedral was unprecedented in being the commemoration of an act and decision of another nation. The Cathedral was filled to its furthermost recesses and all seats were occupied when King George and Queen Mary entered, followed by the Mayors and Aldermen of twenty-six boroughs of London, who formed a vivid block of color in their scarlet reds of office. The American Embassy and Consular staffs occupied the front seats with representatives of the Pilgrims of the American Society, the American Luncheon Club, and the American Chamber of Commerce. In the diplomatic section were officers in the uniforms of France, Russia, Italy, Belgium, Serbia, Montenegro, Roumania and Japan. In the reserve seats there were a large number of wounded officers and soldiers, including many Canadians and several Americans who are serving with the Dominion forces. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Bonar Law, represented the Cabinet in the absence of Premier Lloyd George, and the Parliamentary delegation was large. The Royal party came from Windsor for the service and drove from the station to the Cathedral in open carriages. The King returned to Buckingham Palace afterwards, crowds along the route cheering him heartily.

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ZAM-BUK

McMurdo's Store News

FRIDAY, April 20th, 1917.

Saniflush can be thoroughly depended on to do the work for which it is designed with a certainty and thoroughness that is praised by every body who has used it. Its purpose is that of cleaning toilet bowls and taps, and its method of working is very simple and very effective. Price (large tin) 35c.

Just arrived: a good stock of Willard's Chocolates in considerable variety. Some of the most popular packages such as the Bungalow, the Connoisseur, the Cosy Corner and others as well known will be found in this shipment.

Patriotic Pageant Planned.

Under Direction of Mr. Murray Anderson.

St. John's is promised a unique event this summer in the form of a great patriotic pageant, to be played out of doors and to be acted by many performers, including a large number of children. The Daughters of Empire had entertained some such project for Empire Day, but the participation of the children, which is necessary, was thought impracticable because of the proximity of the yearly examinations. Mr. Murray Anderson, whose artistic and creative talent is well known here and has won him a good reputation in America, now writes to his father, Hon. John Anderson, that he will probably visit St. John's this summer, and proposes the holding of a patriotic pageant, for the scheme and management of which he would be responsible. The matter is being taken up by the Daughters of the Empire and there is every likelihood that Mr. Anderson's proposal will be enthusiastically supported. The pageant, which will be held late in the summer, will take place in some suitable surroundings, and will depict the history of Newfoundland and its part in the war. The purpose which the promoters have in view is not the raising of a sum of money but the stimulation of patriotism and interest in the war and local history. Since most of the performers are expected to be children, the co-operation of teachers will be valuable, while there is no question of the general interest the affair will create.

Master Clock.

W. & R. English are to-day installing an Astronomical Clock to be used in their nautical business. This clock is one of the most accurate timekeepers made and is one of the same that is used in the observatories of the world.

It is made by a firm who have taken first prizes in the manufacture of Astronomical instruments since 1876. Its rate is less than twelve seconds a year.

The captains of Newfoundland can look forward to receiving a most accurate rate which is so essential in these times when submarines are ever on the alert, besides it has an electrical connection which can supply any number of factories with corrected time at noon.—advt.1i.

Here and There.

Stafford's Liniment cures Rheumatism, Lumbago, Neuralgia and all Aches and Pains.

NOTE OF THANKS.—Mrs. Wm. F. Fry and family desire to express their sincere thanks to all the kind friends who sent wreaths, flowers and letters of condolence; also those who visited and endeavored with their words of kindness to lessen the grief in their sad hour of bereavement.

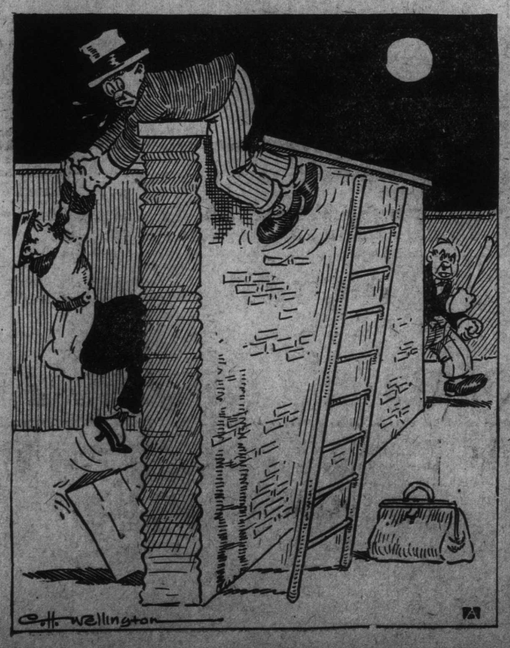
NOTICE.—Owing to the sad news of heavy casualties in our Regiment, The Daughters of Empire "At Home" to Soldiers and Sailors has been indefinitely postponed.—apr20,1i

WORK PROGRESSING RAPIDLY. Work on the new fresh fish plant at the railway station is progressing rapidly. Over 150 men are employed, including masons, machinists and labourers. Excavating for the concrete bases for the walls and supports is being rushed. Several hundred cubic feet of concrete have been laid including a base for an engine which measures 800 cubic feet.

WILL BE TRIED TO-MORROW. The two lads, who put the town as well as some of the outports in commotion as a result of their running away with a pile of money belonging to a Water St. business firm, and who are now on remand at the Penitentiary, will be arraigned for trial in the Magistrate's Court to-morrow morning. The money that the culprits paid for a teamster's outfit, suit of clothes, gold watch, chain and sundry other articles have all been recovered by the police.

WILFUL DESTRUCTION.—A number of unscrupulous boys and girls, who congregate along the LeMarchant Road on Sunday nights, act in a most disgraceful manner, using the most violent and immoral language to passers-by. Trees that have been planted at a considerable cost to the city have been uprooted and the paling fence which surrounds the residence of a Water St. business man has not been overlooked by these young scamps who took delight in breaking off their tops. The matter has been reported to the police.

And the Worst is Yet to Come—



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Hogarth's Syrups
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Table Raisins.

California Oranges
California Lemons
Table Apples
Pears
Grape Fruit
Cranberries
Rhubarb

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How Pte Sweeney Was Killed.

Mrs. Sweeney, a sorrowing young widow of Duckworth Street, whose husband, Private Patrick Sweeney, of "Ours," was killed in action recently, has received a letter from Capt. Nangle, C. F., informing her that her husband was killed near an old French chateau by the same shell which killed Lieut. Edgar and Corp. Norman. In his pocket he had the little prayer book given him by the gallant Father Nangle and in the book was a photo of his wife and child. A piece of shell went through the book. Pte. Sweeney's body was recovered and given Christian burial.

W. E. Bearns, the popular grocer, says that his trade on Arbuckle's Breakfast Coffee, is increasing rapidly, that many of his customers prefer this brand to any other.

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FORESTRY BATTALION.—The examination of recruits for the Forestry Battalion began at the C. C. C. Armoury at 11 o'clock this forenoon and will be continued this afternoon.

Received a shipment of Scotch Coopers' Tools. BOWRING BROS., Ltd., Hardware Dept.

City's Finances.

The city's revenue and expenditure for last week, as compared with the same period last year are:—

COLLECTIONS.

1916.

Arrears, etc.	$1,923.24
Customs' Coal Duties	658.25
Customs' Water Rates	47.20
Sundry Revenue	292.19
	$2,920.88

1917.

Arrears	$ 474.44
Water and Sewerage Rates	1,575.80
Customs' Water Rates	4.95
Sundry Revenue	335.17
	$2,390.36

EXPENDITURE.

1916.

Pay Rolls	$1,213.67
Bills	340.04
	$1,563.71

1917.

Pay Rolls	$1,218.64
Bills	544.73
	$1,763.37

Fairbanks Brass Globe and Angle Valves to be had at BOWRING BROS., Ltd., Hardware Dept.—feb6.tf

TO COMMAND THE KITE. — Mr. Joseph Howse, of Greenspond, formerly mate of the S. S. Terra Nova, has been awarded an only mate's certificate of competency. He will assume command of the S. S. Kite.

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Four Thousand Germans Taken by the Canadians

The Victory of Our Troops, in the Battle for Vimy Ridge, is Much More Complete Than the First Reports Indicated—The Canadians Have Also Captured a Large Quantity of War Material.

(By Stewart Lyon.)

Special Correspondent of the Canadian Press.

Canadian Army Headquarters, April 11.—The victory of the Canadians in the battle for Vimy Ridge is much more complete than the first reports indicated. The only point which remains obscure this (Tuesday) morning is the position on Hill 145, for the retention of which the enemy fought with the utmost determination on Monday afternoon. The hill is an eastern fortress of the first importance with many galleries far under ground and concrete machine gun emplacements. The hill is isolated on three sides from the German lines and is being assailed by the concentrated fire of the artillery as well as our eager infantry. The surrender is not in doubt.

Captured 4,000 Germans.

Much war material was left behind by the flying foe, including as yet an unstated number of heavy guns. The yield of prisoners is much larger than the first reports indicated. Already 3,280 men, including sixty officers, have been recorded and many more are to come. The final total may reach 4,000 prisoners to the Canadian troops alone.

To a young Texan, who came to Ontario to enlist, and who is now lying wounded in the hospital, belongs the honor of first carrying the American flag into the battle in the European war, into which the United States as a belligerent has just entered. He went up to the assault at Thelus carrying the Stars and Stripes on his bayonet and fell thus.

Swept Away Enemy's Line.

The ground won in Monday's great battle gives evidence of the terrific effect of the artillery preparation on a scale believed never before to have been attempted. The German tactics in withdrawing from the first line to their deep dugouts when the bombardment began, and leaving only their patrol exposed, is fully explained by the condition of the enemy's line, which is smashed almost beyond recognition at some points. Our barrage and direct fire were so intense that the Germans sought to escape it by advancing. The number of their dead, found well forward in the front lines in such positions as indicate hand-to-hand fighting, and the utter sweeping away of their protective wire, which the enemy believed impregnable, must have had a most depressing effect on them.

Canadian Gunners Good Work.

Their wire was practically no obstacle, so splendidly was the artillery preparation carried out. The cooperation of the British with their heavy guns, with the Canadian gunners, added much to the effectiveness of, and confidence in, our infantry's ability to keep the Germans on the move. This confidence is greatly strengthened by this latest demonstration that the German barb wire is no longer a bar to a carefully prepared advance.

The Spoils of War.

The spoils in war material is large, and it will increase as the remaining unexplored ground is cleared up. A partial list of the guns taken by the Canadian Corps at the front shows two eight inch, seven 5.9, two 4.2, 11 field guns and several nondescripts, including one gun of four-inch calibre, dated 1881. This indicates that the enemy is using everything in the shape of guns at his disposal. Fifty machine guns are already enumerated as taken, and many more may come this (Tuesday) afternoon.

The advance of the Canadian troops has been resumed in the northern part of the front, and further progress is being made, with a number of additional prisoners taken.

Here and There.

Over 30,000 bottles of Stafford's Liniment sold last year.

IS NOW A CONDUCTOR.—Mr. Dell Hibbs, son of Constable Wm. Hibbs, of Portugal Cove, who was rejected for the army, has been given a position as conductor on the street car service.

THE ENGINEERS' REQUEST—The Marine Engineers, who are looking for an increase of wages, are not calling a strike and never intended doing so, we are informed. Some of them, we understand, have left their positions.

STRAITS BLOCKED WITH ICE.—A message to the Marine and Fisheries Department to-day from Flower's Cove stated that an easterly wind prevailed there with snow and that the Belle Isle Straits were blocked with ice.

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WEATHER REPORT. — The weather across country is calm and dull; temperature 28 to 38 above.

"BROTHERLY LOVE."—An assault case between two fishermen of Quidi Vidi, in which evidence of tomahawks, 12 foot sticks and particularly bad language played a prominent part, occupied the attention of Acting Judge Morris in the Magistrate's Court to-day. The parties are brothers and are well up in the sixties. The case is the outcome of a proverbial dispute about land, left by their father. They each wanted to build on it. After some evidence was taken the case was adjourned at 1 p.m.

White organdie with flowered border makes a delightful little party frock for the wee girl.

Decorations of the natives of Northeastern Siberia are just now a source of fashion inspiration.

They are using tatting on the edges of children's collars and cuffs, the tatting often of a contrasting color.

BORN.

At Topsail Road, April 19th, a son to Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Holden.

DIED.

At Placentia, on April 18th, 1917, Mrs. Emma A. Boyle, nee Bradshaw, aged 89 years, relict of the late Capt. D. J. Boyle, of Donegal, Ireland. English and American papers please copy.

At Carbonear, on Wednesday morning, April 18th, Moses Earle.

This morning, April 20, after a short illness, Kate, youngest daughter of Ellen and the late Patrick Fox, aged 32 years, leaving a mother, two sisters and four brothers to mourn their sad loss; funeral will take place on Sunday, at 2 p.m., from her late residence, Outer Cove; friends and acquaintances will please accept this, the only, intimation. Boston and New York papers please copy. 2i

Killed in action, "Somewhere in France," Feb. 27th, 703 Pte. Patrick J. Sweeney, aged 25 years, leaving a wife, 1 child, father, mother, 4 brothers and 1 sister to mourn their sad loss.—R. I. P.

At 11 o'clock this morning, E. J. Blackler, Surveyor, leaving 2 sons and 3 daughters to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Sunday at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence, 10 Brazil's Square.

WANTED—A Good Smart Boy, about 15 years old, for Cash Desk. This is the first step in learning the dry goods business, and a boy desirous of getting ahead has chances of quick promotion. Also Wanted—A Junior Hand for Dry Goods Department. HENRY BLAIR. apr16,eod,tf

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