FORTY-FOURTH YEAR

Believed That Lyd-

dite Shell Was

Dropped and Ex-

Saddest Feature of

SHEERNESS, Eng., via London, Nov. 27-It is believed here that the explosion of the Bulwark was caused by the fall and burst-

ing of a 12-inch lyddite shell in

men swept out of existence in a

pletely as though she had rever ted. I am told, indeed, that on e of the vessels near not a piece

being lowered from the various war-ships and the rescue boats soon steam-ed up from all directions. They

came, however, on an almost fruitless errand. A warship cleared far action is so closely stripped of woodwork that there is nothing left to

float, and the vast mass of metal that had been a fine battleship a minute

pletely as though she never figured on the navy list. Here and there were

floating a few still living men. The most of these were terribly injured.

These, with a number of mutilated dead bodies, were the only signs of the disaster. As speedily as possible, living and dead were picked up and taken to other warships a little later.

Many eve-witnesses have described to me the terrible moment in which

WORKMEN SEE EXPLOSION

Workmen ashore waiting to be re-lieved after the night shift state that

they were looking casually at the shipping in the harbor, not observing

anything in particular, when a terrific flash shot up in the sky, followed im-

mediately by clouds of smoke. For a few brief minutes a pall hung over

the scene, and then drifted to sea-

ships they had counted before the ex-

SAVED WERE ON LEAVE

At once the harbor was in a com-

ship, and these were returning down

tor ambulances bearing a Red Cross arrived at the new dockyard in re-

sponse to asummons for assistance. Into these the survivors landed here

were placed and sent by road to the Royal Naval Hospital at Chatham. MEN WERE AT BREAKFAST

At the time of the disaster most of the men were below at breakfast, and only a few on deck had the slightest chance of life. A well known thin builder the slightest chance of life.

shipbuilder, who was in his house near Sheerness pier at the time, told me that the whole house reeled under the force of the explosion and every-

the explosion was far more severe than th eoccasional gun fire to which

people in naval ports are acustomed.

first at Sheerness to the explosion, accustomed as it is to heavy gun fire,

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No evil significance was attached at

midway aboard cutter boat No.

the magnificent ship met her doom.

ONLY FOURTEEN SAVED

ploded.

of Lives.

her magazine

moment of time.

EDITION



nd sapping had been carried to

d lines the siege operations :-Parallel to the Russian d 1.000 vards from them, the of where it would not be seen

foot of the fortified eastern r the walls and when these trenches to the attack and the glacis and through the

ssians who would at once

t 203 Metre Hill, a position Japanese desired in order that finders might direct artillery stroy the Russian fleet lying I the very innermost de the city.

thousand five hundred men were wounded in the fighting at this h continued night and day by t and under the rays of the skilipulated searchlights.

taken, the Japanese stationed obon the hill and the range was y means of hyposcopes, teleinstruments which, by a sysirrors and lenses, enable a man hat is before him, as longh he behind an embankment higher head.

in possession of this position, the g. force command' I the entire harbor, and from behind two of hills the great Japanese coast guns, which had been placed les away, sent shells high in the dropped them down through the nd out the bottoms of the Rusships, destroying the entire the harbor.

runs were originally intended for ence in the Straits of Shimonethe Bay of Yezzo, but they sported to Dalny, whence they en by railroad fifteen miles to of the tracks and then hauled over muddy roads to the conndations which had been confor them under the greatest ies. It required 800 men to gun, the rifle alone weighing

angle of sixty degrees elevation e of these mortars was seven t the Japanese were using them vessels only three miles away, is what enabled them to drop ls down through the lecks of f-past four in the afternoon of

1 General Stoessel wrote to Nogi, offering to capitulate. equent meeting of the two genas private, but it is known that imented the other on the conthe operations and particularly ravery of their men.

Stoessel asked General Nogl his white Arabian charger. Japanese expressed his regret th the capitulation all horses. nd other equipment became the v of the Japanese nation, but he his word to the vanquished Rusat the horse would be well taken

Arthur is the greatest siege o history and it has yet to be l in the present war.

be that there is prophecy in ds of David James, written after red the trenches of 203 Metre

id human shambles will not be to this solitary instance. althey may never exceed its greatBRANTFORD, CANADA, FRI DAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1914

FAMOUS LONDON HOTEL PLACARDS BUILDING URGING MENTO ARMS TO UPHOLD COUNTRY'S HONOR



THE PATRIOTISM OF THE CARLION . HOTEL

The Carlton Hotel management of London, in a spirit of patriotism, has placarded their entire building with signs urging the young men of the country cause and uphold the country's honor and liberty. From every floor glaring announcements are displayed on the necessity of every man doing his duty

Capture of 50,000 Was Part of Day's Work-Petrograd Feels that Magnificent Victory Has Been Won, Although News Has Not Been Made

Public.

Surgeon-Majors Collins and Wohlfart who were in charge of the principal field hospital of the second German army corps, to a year's imprisonment for alleged pillage. Nine deaconesses agra statutes with the labels of the attached to the hospital were given personnent to alleged pillage. Nine deaconesses agra statutes with the labels of the attached to the hospital were given personnent to alleged pillage. Nine deaconesses agra statutes with the labels of the attached to the hospital were given personnent to alleged pillage. Nine deaconesses there were found three Tantor alleged pillage. Nine deaconesses there were found three to the hospital were given personnent to alleged pillage. Nine deaconesses there were pieces of three months, and twenty subording the fight, of the past indicates that alleged that in the baggage aroused the suspicion of the French army officials and wohlfart who were in charge of the principal and its search was ordered. In that of Surgeon-Majors Collins, who were in charge of the principal who is subjected to the hospital of the subjected the who were in charge of the principal who is subjected to the hospital of the subjected the principal who is subjected to the hospital of the principal who is subjected to the principal who is subjected to

ward, and to the men's amazement not ing around Lodz in Russian Poland,

a vestige of the great battleship rethe correspondent of The Matin, mained. So utterly staggering was the blow that workmen who had been dazed by the severity of the "One German army corps, which the severity of the "One German army corps, which the severity of the "One German army corps, which the severity of the "One German army corps, which the severity of the "One German army corps, which the severity of the "One German army corps, which the severity of the correspondent of the severity of explosion for a few moments even discredited their own senses and debated surrendered in a body. This repreamongst themselves as to how many sents nearly 50,00 prisoners. Another corps also had been cut off, has now been completely put to rout.

"The Rusians are attacking along the Czenstochowa-Cracow line with redoubled intensity."

motion. On all ships officers and crews rushed on deck, some of them half stunned by the terrible explosion VICTORY IN THE AID LONDON, Nov. 27 .- Hamilton Fyfe, in a despatch from Petrograd The victims were removed in boats to Sheerness pier where motor am-bulances from Chatham were ready to "The Daily Mail" says:

"There is an undercurrent here on to take them to the naval hospital. The living number only fourteen. Over-night leave had been given to a everybody on tiptoe of expectation. number of men from the ill-fated Greatnews has now been made public, but this morning's official despatches were so worded as to arouse high hopes. News from trustworthy 147 to rejoin the Bulwark when the high hopes. News from trustworthy explosion occurred. This liberty boat sources, which is known at the empondent says:

landed the survivors at Sheerness bassies, has been spreading through "Military cr dockyard. Just before noon four mo-

sian staff has out-generaled the Germans, lured them into a trap and then closed in upon them with an ted.

Inditing to the same the Geaconesses claimed had been charge. Eleven other persons congiven them by Carmelite Sisters in appreciation of their kindness to the French wounded. iron grip which cannot be resisted. "The kaiser's hysterical telegrams, alternately imploring and command-

ing his generals to save their country from invasion by hurling back the Russian armies, appear to have flus-tered and worried them so much that they did not stop to form plans, but advanced blindly and put their head into a noose, which the Russians are prisoners, already enormous, must be

part of an army corps to be avoid-

The Times' Petrograd corres-

HOLY WAR PROCLAIMEI

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 27 .- via Sofia and London 12.02 a.m.-The proclamation of a holy war, announced for

the first time some ten days ago, was published here to-day. It is signed by the Sultan and 28 Moslem priests, and calls upon the Mostem world to participate in a holy war against Great Britain, Russia and France, the entente

## GREAT SPIKIT Baggage of Hospital Staff

PARIS, Nov. 27.—The permanent! The hospital was captured by the court-martial yesterday sentenced The bulk of fthe baggage aroused the suspicion of the French army officials who were in charge of the principal and its course was a record. In that from Petrograd regarding the fight- the light of the past, indicates that ates sentences ranging from one silk, carpets, and fine linens,

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RIS, Nov. 27.—The permanent restricted to the hospital was captured by the martial yesterday sentenced restricted to the baggage aroused the support of the baggage aroused the support of the second German corps, to a year's imprisonment leged pillage. Nine deaconesses ed to the hospital were given hospital of the second German corps, to a year's imprisonment cleged pillage. Nine deaconesses ed to the hospital were given hospital of the second German corps, to a year's imprisonment cleged pillage. Nine deaconesses there were found three Tanged, there were found three Tanged that in the baggage of the deaconesses there were pieces of the deaconesses claimed had been to three years on the same the deaconesses claimed had been to the proposed the same that the deaconesses claimed had been to three years on the field, and the valuable co-operatic the field and the valuable co-operatic the field and the valuable co-operatic the field, and the valuable co-operatic the what has happened is that the Rus- month to three years on the same the deaconesses claimed had been

### Hungary's Plains to Budapest Are in Command of the Russians of individuals, totallying nearly 100,000 who had made application for small sums. These, the chancellor, de-

LONDON, Nov. 27—The Petro- entire stores accumulated by Austria grad correspondent of the Morning for the Russian campaign. We heard prisoners, already enormous, must be within a few days, greater still.

"It seems impossible from the information available at present for the Russians are at the time vague reports about this item of rich booty captured in Galicia, but private messages now explain the tradden highway of conquest, known affair in more detail. When the Australian respectively. formation available at present, for to Russian forces for at least half a trians fled the Rusisans captured the northern half of the German force century. The wide, convenient pass over twenty miles of carts, almost to join up again with the southern at Dulka has no fewer than five high the northern half of the southern at Dulka has no fewer than five high entirely later with the southern at Dulka has no fewer than five high entirely later with their horses, half, or for the capture of the best roads converging there, and its caphable which had been taken to assist in the ture is tantamount to giving Russia which had been taken to assist in the part of an army corps to be avoid-

Post telegraphs: "The Russians are at the time vague reports about this ful command of the plains of Run-flight, and the rest had sorry beasts gary up to Budapest, 15 miles away still harnessed, but powerless to move on the road to Vienna.

"I hear that the field hospital supfurnished not merely the field hosa step. The quantity of supplies taken

the city.

"The policy of the Russian headquarters staff has been always to understate their success until they are able to announce them complete, but of the Russian strength."

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"I hear that the field hospital supplies of the Russians, about which they say was marked by excessive confidence in its gining of the war owing to the suddent supplies of the Russians, about which they are given as some anxiety at the base hospital with certain materials which formerly had been imported, and want of which, until the short, thanks to the capture of the Russian factories got going again, short, thanks to the capture of the entire stoppage of imports, were never short, thanks to the capture of the apprehension to the authorities."

# FRENCH

PARIS, Nov. 27, 2.47 p.m.-The French War Office gave out an official announcement this afternoon as follows:

"The slacking of the artillery fire of the enemy was noted all along the line during the day of November 26. Two infantry attacks directed against the heads of bridges, which had been thrown down on the right bank of the Yser to the south of Dixmida, were easily repulsed.

"There was no other engage-ment on the rest of the front in Belgium and as far as the Oise, nor was there any action on the Aisne, or in Champagne. Never-theless Rheims was rather violently bombarded during the time that a number of journalists from neutral countries were making a

Kitchener Makes Announcement in House of Lords.

### Confirms the News of Important Russian Victory.

LONDON, Nov. 27-"The Ruy

DICATV army corps were attacking the ish position. At this, critical potthe Eighth Division was despect

were enabled to enjoy a partial view earned rest."

Several battalions of territorials, the Secretary of War announced, had joined the British forces, and had made themselves felt.

HEAVIEST LOSS OF WAR.

Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd-

George anounced in the House to-day

thousand million sterling (\$5,000,000,-

ooo), "but we could do no business,"

ment had undertaken respons

Dealing with the steps taken to as

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been greatly over-subscribed

that the war loan of \$1,750,000,000 had Refering to the latest phase on the conflict raging in Russian Poland, Lord Kitchener said: "After a hotly-contested battle, the reinforced Russian troops in this neighborhood have been able to check and to defeat the Germans, with, I believe, heavier losses than they ever sustained before." The Chancellor gave no figures. He said, however, that a feature or clared would receive the first allot-In the course of a statement con-

fore."
Lord Kitchener also briefly toucher In the course of a statement concerning financial conditions in the country, the Chancellor stated that the financial deadlock, which followed the outbreak of war was due to inability to collect outstanding debts abroad.

As an instance, Mr Lloyd-George referred to the United States, which, he said owed Great Britain about a he said owed Great Britain about a Turkish force thirty miles to the east Turkish force thirty miles to the east

of the Suez canal.

Lord Kitchener paid a tribute to the gallantry of the Belgian army and to the King of the Belgians, who, he declared, had no intention of quitting. sist commerce during the war, Mr. Lloyd-George said that the govern-

Belgian teritory.

He said the losses of the allies

ment had undertaken responsibilities which no government ever had been called upon to assume before.

"We had not merely our own business to run," the chancellor of the exchequer, continued, "but we were an essential part of a machine that ran the international trade of the world. We carried half the produce and provided the capital that moved this produce from one part of the world to another, not merely for ourselves, but for other countries."

Giving instances he referred to the cotton trade and said that all the movements from the plantations to the ultimate destination of the cotton were represented by paper signed either at London Manchester or Liverpool. When the United States bought cotton, or silk, or tea in China, payment was made through London by means of these documents.

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Belgian teritory.

He said the losses of the allies were great, but at the same time were great, but

Boys' overcoats at \$2.95 and See them at Whitlock & Co's.

## Kaiser Offered to Cede Tsing-tau If Japan Would Fight the Russians OFFICIAL

ious reference by Right Hon. A. J. accept the proposal, and added: thing seemed to rattle. The whole of Sheerness was shaken, and people ran into the streets to inquire what was the matter, as the roar and shock of the explosion was far more severe sheep the streets by Right The Right The day when the last foothold of the Guildhall banquet in London on November 10 to "one of the most impudent messages ever addressed by one monarch to another." The Rettle of the Mikado concluded by telling

PETROGRAD, Nov 27-The Retch | tion, namely, that Japan should atprints an explanation of the myster- tack Russia. The Mikado declined to

says that on the eve of the fall of The Mikado concluded by telling Tsing-tau, the Kaiser sent a message the Kaiser that he had deceived himto the Mikado in which he proposed to conclude peace with Japan by accepting all conditions which the Mikado might be pleased to fix. But the German mperor exacted one condi-