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AUSTRIA'S LOSS AGAINST ITALY HAS BEEN AT LEAST 200,000 CASUALTIES

Hilaire Belloc, Famous Military Critic, Says That When a General Offensive is Started Austrians Will be Weak on Defence.

London, Feb. 23.—Discussing the official account of the results of the operations on the Italian front since the war opened Hilaire Belloc writes: "With regard to the movement of the lines nothing need be said, because in the first place they have been slight-involving not more than the complete security of the Italian plain from invasion, at least with such forces as the Austrians could spare; in the second place, because they are fairly familiar to all those who follow the war at all carefully.

"What is really important in this campaign of attrition is the estimate the Italians make of the Austrian forces between the Trentino and the Adriatic at twelve corps. Opinion most favorable to Italy has not hitherto mentioned anything like this. Dealing with 400,000 men, and considering the excellence of the Italian heavy artillery, the immense rate of munitioning which Italy (to the great increase of her prestige) has successfully maintained and the now notorious precision of Italian fire, we can judge upon the analogy of all other fronts what wastage in Austrian strength these figures mean.

"The Italian front has not cost Austria in the eight months less than 200,000 men dead, probably more. The 200,000 men dead, probably more, it will be no surprise when the official history of the war comes to be written from collated documents, if the total Austrian wastage due to the Italian effort does not

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Hockey Ruling is Sustained by A.A.U.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—On account of a request upon the part of the Aberdeen hockey club of Ottawa for dates at Boston, Secretary George V. Brown of the Boston A.A.U. made inquiry from the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada as to their standing. He was informed by Secretary Crow that the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association was recognized as the governing body for the winter sport, and that, as the Aberdeens were under suspension, they were ineligible for competition where A. A. U. jurisdiction obtains.

Campbellford to Meet Marmorra for Honors

Peterboro, Feb. 23.—In a Trent Valley League game here last night for group honors Campbellford defeated Havelock by 6 to 0. Campbellford will now meet Marmorra for the championship.

Lesueur the Master Goalkeeper

Ottawa Free Press.—In selecting an ex-star goalkeeper, it would be hard to place anyone ahead of Lesueur for all-round efficiency as a cage custodian. None of the same class with him in clearing. He hands the disc to his own men after a shot. It is also a fact very few rebounds come off Lesueur.

Belleville Wins at Oshawa by a Goal

Oshawa, Feb. 23.—The Belleville O.H.A. intermediate champions of Group No. 1 and No. 2, and Oshawa winners of Group No. 3, met here last night in the first of home-and-home games in the semi-finals. Belleville winning in a hard fought contest by 5 to 4. The first and second periods were very strenuous, but both teams played clean and fast hockey. The score at the end of the first period was 1 to 1, and at the end of the second it was 1 to 2 in favor of Belleville. The last period was comparatively slow, Oshawa securing two goals to Belleville's one.

Hamilton Tigers Send One Hundred Men to War

Hamilton, February 23.—The Tiger Football club held its annual meeting last night. Though last season was a lean one, receipts of \$5,833 were reported, and there was a balance of \$1,000, of which \$100 was given towards the purchase of a motor truck for the Sportsmen's Battery. About 100 members have either gone or are going overseas.

O.H.A. Headquarters.

Following their defeat of Warton in the third round of the O. H. A. intermediate series, Port Colborne have now been matched against Sarnia in the fourth round. The first game will take place at Port Colborne on Friday night with the return game at Sarnia on Monday night of next week. The Berlin Union Jacks will play at Collingwood on Monday night of next week, instead of Friday of this week as formerly arranged. The return game will be at Berlin or London next Wednesday night.

Argos Must Win to Stay in the Running

Toronto, Feb. 23.—What is expected to be the deciding game for the honors in the local O.H.A. senior group, will be that at the Arena to-night between Argonauts and Riversides. Despite reports to the contrary, it is expected that Riversides will have both Noble and Smith on their line-up. It has been reported that both these players are on the sick list, but the illness will hardly keep them out of the game. Argonauts will, of course, be without Gilbert, who will replace him, will not weaken the team if he plays up to his form in the last two games. McCamus will be the right wing, and he should add strength to the forward line, especially in the goal-getting department.

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Puckerings.

The Hamilton Rowing Club juniors have been ordered to play home-and-home games with Owen Sound by the Northern League.

Now that Elmira have won their group title in the Northern League senior series they will meet Hamilton Rowing Club in the next round. The dates have not been arranged.

Blockade Under ONE CONTROL

Lord Robert Cecil, with Cabinet Rank, Will Manage It.

DEBATE ON THE SUBJECT

Lord Charles Beresford Makes First Speech in Lords.

London, Feb. 23.—The Government, through the Marquis of Lansdowne, announced in the House of Lords last night that it had decided to turn over all matters connected with the blockade of Germany to one man, who would rank as a full fledged Cabinet Minister. It is understood that the new post will go to Lord Robert Cecil, who, since the formation of the new coalition government, has been Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs. He will retain this post, joining the Cabinet as Blockade Minister.

DERBYITES MAKE GOOD SOLDIERS

Four Months Now Considered Length of Time For Infantry.

London, Feb. 23.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—"The Derbyites are excellent material for soldiers" was the verdict of a prominent general, after an inspection of a large body of the recruits who recently joined the army under the group system named after Lord Derby.

GET IT ON PROPER BASIS.

Baron Sydenham spoke briefly. He was followed by Baron Beresford, who said: "If we had asserted our rights and used our sea power properly the war would be over long ago. Even at present we have only a sort of blockade, carried out by proclamation, orders in Council, agreements and committees. Wars are not won by proclamations, but by fighting, and that is what we should do.

CUTTING OFF SUPPLIES

The Marquis of Lansdowne, Minister without portfolio in the Cabinet, replying on behalf of the government, to Baron Beresford and Baron Sydenham, said: "It is idle to suppose that we can ever completely seal Germany up, but every one of the complaints regarding the failure of the blockade proceed from very great misapprehensions. All the figures and statistics put forward in support of these complaints require most careful scrutiny. Many such figures are certainly open to criticism. Comparisons are frequently made from altogether erroneous data.

"The enemy has undoubtedly received supplies, but I can assure the House of Lords that she is receiving them in a steadily decreasing quantity. We are conducting the blockade on the only proper basis for a great maritime power, in a war with an enemy which has the advantage of the fighting on the inner lines. The Government certainly recognizes that it is of first importance to prevent supplies reaching the enemy, and that this will be done and enforced unsparringly."

A lady's comment—Tastes better—goes farther!

Red Rose Tea "is good tea"

SCOTLAND

(From our own Correspondent.) A few from here attended the wedding of Miss Clara Taylor of Zion on Saturday. Mr. Charles Whitney of Brantford spent one day last week in the village.

KELVIN

(From our own Correspondent.) Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith attended the funeral on Friday of the late Wm. Teeter of Teeterville.

The young people of Kelvin intend giving the play, "The Minister's Bride," in Harley on Monday night. Miss Beulah Brooks has returned to her home here after spending three weeks with friends in Springfield.

Miss Henry Stratford, is visiting her cousins the Misses Arthur. Mrs. T. A. Hilliard underwent an operation in the hospital at Brantford on Thursday. We hope for her early recovery.

The Farmers' Institute held their annual meetings in the hall here on Friday. We are pleased to see Mrs. A. Hyndman around again after her illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baker of Vanessa spent Friday afternoon at Mr. H. Tuttle's of this place. Miss Bertha Hilliard spent a couple of days in Brantford this week.

Mr. Ernest Messacar attended the dance at Mr. John Watson's, Scotland on Tuesday night. Mr. Ed. Byers of Northfield was calling on Mr. Charles Lee on Sunday, calling on Mr. Charles Lee and son Stanley of Bealton, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McCombe.

Mrs. D. Fraser who had the misfortune to fall a short while ago and injure herself quite badly, is recovering. Mr. N. Wingrove's family are all sick at present with very bad colds.

Rev. C. R. Morrow of Hamilton, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cribb one day this week. Mr. Archie Thompson spent over Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Robertson of Brantford.

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THE TEA ROOM. Another large undertaking was the running of a Tea Room for two weeks which succeeded beyond our fondest expectations. It was not only a success financially but in many other ways, bringing us into the work and the harmonious and cheerful way in which the executive and we as members of the Chapter into the work which they assisted and we can never sufficiently thank Mr. Crompton and Mr. Ramsay for the generous way in which they assisted us.

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