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#### STEFANSSON SAFE

#### Ottawa Has a Bulletin Stating that the **Canadian** Explorer is Safe

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Nome, Alaska, Sept. 17.-Viljalmur Stefansson, the Arctic explorer, is safe on Banks Land. The schooner Ruby arrived yesterday with despatches from him to the Canadian Government.

#### Ottawa Confirms News

Ottawa, Sept. 17 .- The first definite tidings to the outside world that Com- gell Island, and were later rescued val Departer at here this morning port whence he went to Nome on a natched from Baillie Island on August vivors. 31. Baillie Island is east of the mouth of the MacKen le River towards Banks longitude 127 west. The information cient to show that hopes entertained founded. The message reads:

Baillie Island, Aug. 31., via Nome. land across the Arctic or not, in fact, Alaska, Sept. 16 .- "As unavoidable de- the whole Odyssy of his two years tering Polar Bear high, I purchased his laconicwire received to-day has her and engaged her on terms similar been supplemented by the promised to Karluk. Engaged Hoff, engineer of letter or by further telegrams. schooner Ruby, to take place of Blue west and eighty-two farther north if of his expedition. northerly course is secured.

(Signed) "V. STEFANSSON." has purchased, was a Hudson's Bay survivors of the Karluk.

and many others believed to exist. The for the explorers. Last month vesice broke early in the spring, and on sels arrived at Nome. Alaska, after that account those who had knowledge trading along the Alaskan and Siberof northern conditions, believed Stef- ian shores of the Arctic and reported ansson to have been lost.

Left in June, 1913

he had found refuge on Wrangell Is-The Stefansson expedition left in June, 1913. The Karluk was wrecked | land, where survivors of the Stefansson exploration ship Karluk sought on September 24. Two parties from her were lost, and one party under safety, after that vessel was crushed Captain Bartlett, got ashore on Wran- in the ice eighteen months ago. This be was buoyed up by a circum mander Stefansson of the illfated Arc- after Bartlett succeeded by a long trip tial account received at Nome last tic expedition, is safe, reached the Na- across the ice in getting to a Russian. April to the effect that natives hus ting seal last winter near Icy Cape on from Nome, Alaska, in the form of a whater. Bartlett came back on the the Arctic coast of Alaska, reported ssage from Stefasson himself, des- Wing and Wing, and rescued the sur- that they saw a white man marconed off an ice floe which was drifting in a How Stefansson succeeded with his southwesterly direction toward Wran-

ompanions in weathering the dread. gell Island. This news was brought Land, and lies in latitude 76 north, ful conditions with his supplies lost to Nome by a carrier from Point Barand nothing but his rifle upon which row. The information did not give in the despatch while meagre is suffi- to depend for sustenance, how he later the date on which the native may the reorganized his expedition with the man, but it is presumed to have been for the missing explorer were well Polar Bear, what is the personnel of late in January or early in February the party, whether he really found this year.

found.

When the natives first saw the man he was on a large ice pack separated lays threatened, running cost of char- wanderings will not be known until from them and the shore by a wide stretch of water. The hunters immediately hurried out upon the ice to attempt a rescue but before they reached the lead separating the floe from Stefansson himself said before he of Alaska. Engaged five extra help- left that no man with a rifle need | the shore ice a strong off-shore wind

that no trace of Stefansson had been

. There still remained the hope that

ers for southern parts who have ample | starve in that country, because any sprang up carrying the ice far to sea. outfit for one year and Polar Bear two good shot could supply himself with The ice was moving steadily southyears. Plan continue northern ex- food and clothing. He has always west and unless the wind shifted, plorations to hundred and forty-five had supreme confidence in the success must have touched Wrangell Island, where food caches were left last sum-The Polar Bear which the explorer mer by the party, who reached the

With Stefansson when he left Mai

# THE EUROPEAN WAR

#### Splendid Victory for the Allies-German Army Forced Back at Some Places Two and a Half Miles

gion. The western outski works around it, and Hill hundred prisoners, Fight PARIS Sept. 20m T

were penetrated along a fr siles. Stubborn fightin The official staten

were pierced at several points. General attacks Arras and the energy lin co-operating with the iddle Kerke, on the B

outstanding success.

carried out during the course of the day.

LONDON, Sept. 26-Berlin admits Allied gains. The official reports says paration of great intensity the expected Anglothat "After an artillery French offensive has begun on the Western Front." The report tells of fierce hand-to-hand fighting.

#### Great Rejoicing in London

LONDON, Sept. 26-Great rejoicing attended the announcement in London today of the British and French successes in France. The streets were thronged with people eager for further news and each extra issue of the newspapers was snapped up immediately it appeared.

For several days rumors have been persistent that the long-expected offen- son. Both companies are now in dred Bishop, Howard Milner (2), Andsive would start today and "I told you so," is heard now on all sides.

London is anxiously awaiting the developments of the next few day. which, it is expected, will determine the scope of what evidently is a concerted important movement of the British and French armies.

#### Allies Maintain a Fierce Offensive

against both sides of the elbow joint of the German positions in the Western

been checked, with heavy loss, but as the Germans make no claim of having

recovered the ground taken from them, the indications are that the Allied gains

on Saturday and Sunday have been generally maintained, and at some points

#### **RE-INFORCEMENTS FOR THE** PRINCESS PATRICIA'S. C. L. I.

The Universities of Canada have now for some time been working loyally together to reinforce that gallant regiment the Princess Patricias Light Infantry. Three Companies have already gone overses, numbering nearly 900 men and a fourth Company is now under formation at Montreal. The University Companies are now well known throughout the length and breadth of Canada, so that there is a continuous flow of men of the right type to Montreal. Not only do such men find entry to a famous regiment but they are rapidly equipped and trained and sent without delay oversea to England, where they are comfor were made all along the front with good progress made. French batteries are tably billetted in huts at an excellen forces in the bombardment of West Endle and | camp near the sea on the South Coast

of England, Moreover the men secure the great advantage of good comradeship with congenial spirits of similar tastes and antecedents.

The first Company under a notable officer, Captain Gregor Barclay, has seen declared by regular officers of experience, to be second to none compared with any company of any army in the world.

The second company was raised overstrength in seven weeks by Captain G. McDonald and Captain Percy Mol. Francis Banks, George DeLaney, Hil-\* France.

The third company sailed eighty over strength because the newspaper publishers of Canada were good enough to make known, through the columns that the company was being

## **NO 25**

HILL SCHOOL FARM

**Garden** Prizes

PRIZE AWARDS, ROUND

Four divisions in each of two class es. In Class I the pupil might have a part of the general farm garden and use the horse cultivator. In Class II. the pupil had not the advantage of the cultivator.

First Prizes-Willard Bancroft Louis Tupper, George DeLaney, Audrey and Hildred Bishop, Donald Bishop, Georgina Bancroft, John Bancry

Second Prines Olive Balley, Leonard Sanders, Helen Baxter, Howard MEner, Grace Spurt, Cyril Reeks, Marris Robinson, Owen Tupper.

Third Prizes-Thomas Rice, Marguerite Bancroft, Louise Williams and Francis Banks.

Vegetables, Grains, Tomatee (Three Prizes in each division)

First Prizes-Willard Bancroft, 62 prizes), Leonard Saunders, Louise Williams, Thomas Rice (2 prizes). Helen Baxter, Francis Banks, George DeLaney, Howard Milner, Audrey Bishop, Donald Bishop, Georgina Bancroft, John Bancroft (3), Grace Ech-

Second Prizes-Willard Bancroft. Marguerite Bancroft, Willie Baxter. rey Bishop, Donald Bishop, Georgina. Bancroft (2), John Bancroft (5). Third Prizes-Willard Bancroft Of-

ive Bailey (2), Leonard Sanders (2), Louise Tupper (2), Howard Milner (3), Audrey Bishop (2), Georgina Ban-

LONDON, Sept. 26-Field Marshal French reports that the German positions were penetrated on Saturday in some instances 4,000 yards, in the Labassee res of Hulluch, the Village of Loos and the mining 70 were wrested from the Germans. "Seventeer a aut a number of machine guns were captured. nch official statement says that the German lines

at of fifteen miles for a depth at some places at 23 noing on today in the same region. is that an energetic attack was delivered north of

His Story Wonderful One

The message which is the first word from Stefansson himself for many a long day, is startlingly matter of fact in its wording and bears no reference to the dangers and hardships which his wanderings among the northern steamer to Nome. The message is supplies. ice. He is apparently unaware of the dated from Baillie Island, August universal anxiety which his long ab- 31st, 1915. sence and continued silence has occasioned. It is merely a business telling of the purchase of the Polar-

Bear and his plans for further exploration work.

according to the Naval Dervice Department, since Stefansson was heard year and a half. No news of the ex- Bessie Alma Rice of Lequille. from. The last message dated about a year ago last June, announced that he been received since their supporting navy blue cloth and white picture hat, fell into their hands, was starting across the ice, with two party turned back, April 17, 1914, carried a boquet of sweet peas and men in the neighborhood of Herschell Island. His advice to Canada prior to

from Cape Separation, on the north maiden hair ferns. coast of Alaska. At that time he expected to reach the immediate relatives were present. his departure, not to worry if he failed to report for some time, comes back Banks Land on the drifting ice, but They were unattended. He then de- the strong current from the Macken-

clared confidently, that he would not zie River and unfavorable winds drove be lost, and would not starve. He lost thence to the westward. This drift, pal Church, of which she is a member the Karluk, which floated away to sea 'it was hoped by Stefansson's friends. and was ultimately crushed in the ice, would carry the explorer and his comof friends and relatives.

Stefansson, with two men, started panions toward the Siberian coast from the mainland, across the ice in a Ip this belief trading schooners and search for land, far to the north, which whalers plying the Arctic in summer from the nature of ocean currents, he were asked to keep a sharp lookout with them

Can Sell You

**His Marvellous Journey** 

Seattle, Sept. 17 .-- The receipt at

whater engaged in taking supplies to the north and apparently he has met tin Point late in March, 1914, were Ole Anderson and Storker Storkerson, her in the far northern locality. men said to be as strong and resource-Baillie Island is in lattitude 170. a ful as Stefansson himself. They had little northeast of the mouth of the

Mackenzie River, and the message rifles, a sledge that could be used as a the explorer must have undergone in has probably been brought thence by boat; abundance of food and other

SEPTEMBER WEDDING

WILLIAMS-RICE A quiet but pretty wedding took

Ottawa to-day of a message from the place at Lequille at the home of Mr Vilhjalmer Stefansson exceedition, by William Mailman, brother-in-law o attack, which may persist in week way of Nome, Alaska, was the first the bride. The principals being Mr. direct tidings of the explorer for a George Stewart Williams and Miss plorer and his two companions had The bride wore a travelling suit of extent by the German claims that nearly seven thousand French and British

The Rev. H. Howe officiated. Only heavy losses, and that the Germans, already two million strong from the coast

The bride for a number of years to the Swiss frontier, may throw reinforcement into the line for a struggle, the was organist of the Lequille Episco- hke of which this bloody war has not yet seen. and will be much missed by a number

guns and comparatively few men to hold the front line, which means that a The happy couple have taken a trip throughout the Valley, but will reside in Round Hill. May all good wishes

difficult task is before the Allies. mile front in order to-fill the gaps in the West.

The Bulgarian situation remains obscure, resting, as it did last week, on the oft-repeated assurance of Solia that the country merely intends to maintain an armed neutrality.

#### WAR BRIEFS

A Hungarian statistician gives the losses in the Austro-Hungarian army as 2,500,000 and those of the Italians 104,000, up to Ang. 1.

Dr. Joseph Leidy, surgeon, has been delegated by the French Red Cross from Capt. A. S. Eve, 382 Sherbrooke to make 10,000 artificial limbs for the army. The French Government has ap- St., West, the headquarters of the sucpropriated 1,500,000 frames for this purpose.

Bruce County Council, Ontario has agreed to give \$4,000 monthly to the Patriotic Fund, as long as the war last.

Letters coming from the United States to Toronto are now liable to pass who cannot himself go to the Front through the hands of the censor.

The report has been circulated that during the Spanish American war, the United States Goyernment asked Germany not to furnish munitions of war to Spain and that Germany complie I. Mr. Lansing, Secretary of State, has replied to a correspondent that the United States never made the request of Germany.

Rev. R. J. Campbell, City Temple, London, lately returned from France says he met a Canadian there who told him he had seen two Canadians crucified the Bridgetown Machine Gun? Only King's College, Windsor, who took for by the Germans. Mr. Campbell replied "perhaps they were dead when this \$360.00 have been contributed thus far his text, Gen. XXXII., v. 28, "As a have known they were not dead."

Lord Kitchener, addressing the House of Lords said, that from a humane point of view the methods of warfare pursued by the Turks in Gallipoli are see the total and the turks in Gallipoli are greatly superior to these of their German masters.

Mr. Chas, Watson, Hants, England, a former railway servant, has given to the fund for the sick and wounded soldier a check for \$1140. This represents his entire savings. He is content to live upon a small pension and annuity,

formed. This resulted in such a rush croft (3), Grace Echlin.

LONDON, Sept. 27-The great offensive of the French and British forces of recruits that it was necessary to General List-Pressed Plants, See apply to the Militia Council of Ottawa Collections, Drawing, Writing, etc. front has not slackened, but General Joffre's afternoon bulletin report no new | for a special authority to increase the First Prizes-Willard Bancroft, strength from 250 to 330 men. Each Leonard Sanders, Willie Baxter, Helman before embarkment writes to a en Baxter (2), Francis Banks (2), The British official statement told briefly of heavy losses inflicted on the friend who is a likely recruit and tells Hildred Bishop, Audrey Bishop, Don-Germans northwest of Hulluch, where heavy German counter-attacks were him of the advantages of the Univerald Bishop, Georgina Bancroft, John sities Company, so that even before Bancroft, Henry Reeks, Margaret Berlin maintains that by means of counter-attacks the Allies' drives have the men have disembarked a fresh Spurr, Aiden Reeks, Kathleen Bancompany is assembling on the McGill croft (3), Beverly Robinson, Miriam Campus at Montreal. Bancroft (3), Cyril Reeks, Phyllis

Recruits are examined locally by an Robinson (2), Henry Reeks, Fred improved, and the fighting has reached the stage of vicious attack and counter. | Army Medical Officer and are attested | Reeks. by a magistrate in the nearest city, at- Second Prizes-Willard Bancroft,

It is announced that the prisoners captured by the Allies during the rush transportation, which is speedily fur- cis Banks (3), Hildred Bishop (2), ter which an application is made for Thomas Rice, Willie Baxter (2), Franwill reach a total of more than twenty-three thousand, but it is offset, to some nished from Montreal. Donald Bishop (2), Georgina Bancroft

This system is effective and rapid. (2), Frank Baxter, Ina Echlin (2), and free from the red tape. There are Grace Echlin, Miriam Bancroft (2). Denied further news of the great battle, England is awaiting developments in nearly every city, representatives | Cyril Reeks (2), Ruth Baxter, Olive with an eagerness not equalled since the critical days when the Germans fell of the various universities who are Sander's, Joyce Hervey.

Third Prizes-Willard Bancroft (2), back from the gates of Paris. In the meantime the public is warued to expect always ready to help forward the good work, and to give information to men | Audrey Bishop, John Bancroft, Nettie Cress, John Hubley (2), Aiden Reeks, inxious to enlist. Henry Reeks, Beverley Robinson.

The Regulations respecting enlist-Optimists are also reminded that the Germans are likely to put the most are precisely the same as those for dependence on their second and third line defences, replying upon machine other Canadian troops.

#### **Domestic Science**

First Prizes-Olive Bailey, Marguerite Bancroft (2), Frances Banks (2).

At Montreal, the University lends Kathleen Bancroft (2), Miriam Banbuildings for barracks, and the Camp- | croft (3). Ruth Baxter (3), Joyce The fighting in the Eastern theatre has brought no important change, but us for drill ground. Affiliation with Hervey (3), Marion Spurr, Morris England regards the position of the Russian arms as improving daily, which the McGill Officers Training Corps is Robinson

strengthens the hope here that Germany dare not weaken her seven hundred a great benefit, and interesting tacti- Second Prizes-Marguerite Bancroft cal work is garried out on the slope (2), Helen Baxter (2), Frances Banks (3), Hildred Bishop, Joyce Hersey. of Mount Royal. There is competent instruction in Marion Spurr.

Third Prizes-Helen Baxter, Miriam tactics, musketry, bayonet fighting and trench making. The C. P. R. is kind Bancroft, Phyllis Robinson ,Ruth Baxenough to lend their gallery for shoot- ter (2), Olive Sanders, Marion Spurr. ing practice. A machine gun is avail- Edith Reeks.

able and signalling, now of immense HARVEST FESTIVAL, ST. MARY'S. importance, is also taught. All information can be obtained

cessive companies.

The newspapers have proved themselves to be the most efficient means of raising recruits, and every reader can help in the present struggle by calling the attention of his friends to this opportunity.

Following the custom of many years the annual Harvest Festival Service in St. Mary's, Belleisle, was held last Sunday afternoon-the last in September. The church was very tastefully decorated with flowers, fruit, corn and vegetables. The Font having a

BELLEISLE

most effective decoration of wheat (made by Mrs. Abner Troop) and white flowers. Owing to the unpropitious weather, the congregation was

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It is stated that the Maritime Prov- | small but the service was of the usual inces will contribute a total of at bright and hearty character. The least 250 machine guns. What about preacher was Mr. L. C. Williams of was done." The Canadian answered "if you had seer, their faces you would | and the fund has now been open some | prince hast thou power with God and eight weeks. with men, and hast prevailed."

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Sir Edward Grey says that during the negotiations of 1912, Germany would only consent to limit her navy on condition that Great Britian would guarantee to remain neutral in the event of a European war.

The Russian Foreign Minister tells a correspondent that Germany has been endeavoring by "every subtle, specious, malicious method possible, to circulate rumors intended to demoralize the Russian Army."

A Petrograd Official statement affirms that Germans have been sending chocolate boxes, photographic papers, card board boxes to Russia to persuade the people they must seek peace or perish:

All these methods show that Germany is feeling the need of peace, and wants to make a special treaty with Russia. But. the official statement adds, "From the Neva's mouth to Moscow's gates of gold one cry is heard. We will fight on till the last invader is driven from Russian soil.

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