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TWO CENTS

THE FRENCH SCORE TREMENDOUS SUCCESS AT VERDUN The Threatened Strike on the Canadian Pacific Railway is Averted

SWEEPING OFFENSIVE LAUNCHED BY FRENCH UPON SOMME FRONT

Forces of General Petain Take Douaumont and Other Positions, and Capture 3,500 German Prisoners

Dreams of Crown Prince Destroyed, and Kaiser Hastens to Spot Where His Troops are Fast Weakening

London, Oct. 25.—Verdun, where the German Crown Prince sacrificed half a million men in vain, is now the scene of a powerful French offensive.

Smashing through a front of four miles, General Petain's troops have captured portions on the right bank of the Meuse for a depth of two miles. The village and fort of Douaumont, which have changed hands many times since the German drive began in February, the Thiaumont work and farm, strongholds of the Teuton advanced line, and the Hautromont quarries, north of Thiaumont, have fallen before the French onslaught.

The Germans captured Douaumont on February 25, and held it until May 22, when the French recaptured part of the fort. The Germans again occupied Fort Douaumont on May 24 after a violent struggle.

Germans Completely Surprised.

More than 3,500 prisoners have already been passed back by the French troops, and the action is still in progress. Large quantities were captured in the charge, for the suddenness

NEWS FROM PARIS

Talk of a Switch for the Lake Erie and Northern.

Paris, Oct. 25.—(From our own correspondent.—We understand that officials of the C.P.R. were in town yesterday interviewing the members of the Council, Board of Trade and the manufacturers in connection with the providing of a switch and goods yard for the Lake Erie and Northern Railway. It would seem that the proposed route will enter Paris along the river road into the town under the Grand Trunk bridge and cross the head gates at the raceway on the flats, in all probability taking along Elm street, would enter the Fair Grounds, a portion of which would be used for their freight sheds. It is also said that the railway people expect the manufacturers to provide the site for switching and other purposes. The Fair Grounds is the only place left in Paris where any games or recreation can be held and it is to be hoped that as little ground as possible of the only breathing space left to the people will be taken by the company.

The annual Fall meeting of St. James A.Y.P.A. was held in the Parish Hall last evening, and the

STRIKE IS OFF PERCY MARTIN FACES CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER AT WINTER ASSIZES

By Courier Leased Wire.

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 25.—There will be no strike on C.P.R., according to advices received by the Labor Department this afternoon, the two sides have come to an agreement which is promised to be executed in a few hours. This, of course, will avert the strike which was timed for 4 o'clock this afternoon.

The Department has received no particulars of the settlement.

Winnipeg, Oct. 25.—The strike is off.

THE FUNERAL Of the Murdered Premier of Austria.

By Courier Leased Wire.

Vienna, Oct. 24.—via London. Oct. 25.—The funeral of Count Karl Stuerghk, the late Austrian premier, was held at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the Cathedral of St. Stephen. Archbishop Piffl officiated. Emperor Francis Joseph was represented by Archduke Leopold Salvator. Tonight the body will be taken to Halbenrain, the premier's former home, for burial in the family tomb.

NO DIVIDENDS.

By Courier Leased Wire. New York, Oct. 25.—The Sun this morning has the following dispatch

EXPLOSION OF BOMB

At a Subway Station in New York.

By Courier Leased Wire.

New York, Oct. 25.—Explosion of a bomb or dynamite at the 110th street station of the Lenox avenue subway line early to-day, did considerable damage to that station, smashed the ticket agent's booth, injured four persons slightly, broke the electric lamps and windows in the kiosks, tore off a portion of the sidewalk overhead and broke the windows in some of the apartment houses nearby. There was no train at the station or near it at the moment. Traffic in the subway was suspended for half an hour or more as the result of the blast.

FLOUR REACHES HIGHEST POINT.

By Courier Leased Wire.

Chicago, Oct. 25.—The wholesale price of high-grade family flour was advanced to \$10 a barrel today, the highest point since the civil war. This is an increase of thirty cents within two days.

Young Indian Appears Before Mr. Justice Sutherland, Charged With Causing the Death of James Powless Hearing For the Prosecution Opens This Morning—Subjected to Severe Cross-Examination by Defence

Before Hon. Mr. Justice Sutherland, and in the presence of a large throng of both Indians and whites, Percy Martin, the alleged slayer of James Powless, went on trial for manslaughter this morning in the winter assizes, with Mr. Somerville of Toronto, prosecuting for the Crown, and the defence in the hands of W. S. Brewster, K.C. Interest in the case runs high throughout the city and indeed the whole of the county, and long ere the hour fixed for the opening of the trial this morning, following upon the Grand Jury's return of a true bill, eager spectators had commenced to gather in the court room. All classes were equally represented in the throng—Indians, and whites, men and women.

The Accused.

At the hour of 9.20, Percy Martin, the accused man, entered the court in the custody of County Constable Taylor. Martin, of course the centre of interest in the trial, became at once the cynosure of all eyes. His bearing is characterized still by the same stoic calm and inscrutability peculiar to his race, which he has assumed throughout the course of the case; yet this morning it was apparent to the close observer that his outward calmness was in some

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