

# 20,000 PRISONERS CAPTURED SINCE APRIL FIRST

## CANADIAN SOLDIERS HAVE CAPTURED MORE THAN 5,000 PRISONERS SINCE VIMY

### Boys from Dominion Taking Full Share in What History Will Record as One of Greatest Battles of All Time and Accepting Their Losses as Inevitable.

Canadian headquarters in France, May 6.—(By Stewart Lyon, special correspondent of the Canadian Press) —Certain comments in the Canadian press regarding recent operations of the Canadian troops in France, and which especially under-estimate the probable casualties, make it necessary to say that the corps is taking its full share in what history will record as one of the greatest battles of all time, and accepting its losses as part of the inevitable price of victory.

#### Guns at High Pressure.

Yesterday and today I traversed the region behind the battle line from Hapaume to Arras, thence north to Vimy Ridge, a distance of almost thirty miles. Everywhere guns were being operated at high pressure. The enemy's retaliation, as shown by the showers of earth spouting up on the hillside, and by the puffs of bursting shrapnel on the skyline, is far greater than when the battle of Arras began, on April 9th. He has lost many guns and has probably made good his losses only by supreme effort, but that effort has been made, and the testimony of the men in the thick of the battle is that the enemy's artillery and machine services are still the most formidable.

#### Don't Like Bayonet.

His infantry will not face the bayonet, but I am bound to say that the bulk of the men captured on the Canadian front are a husky lot in the main, with an admixture of weedy lads not yet full grown. Over five thousand prisoners have passed through the Canadian corps' cages since the battle of Vimy Ridge, of whom eighteen are officers and 435 are men taken at Fresnoy on Thursday. The total number of prisoners on the western front during April and May to date, is about 20,000.

#### Battle Not Over.

The battle of Arras is not yet over. Many gallant deeds are recorded daily on this front. The cool audacity of nine airmen who, seeing the enemy assembling in the open for assaults on our lines, descended to an altitude ranging from fifty to three hundred

feet above the ground, and dispersed the Germans with machine gun fire, is beyond all praise.

## MR. BALFOUR PREDICTS VICTORY

(Continued from page 1) to be found governing the great security for the future peace of the world. All of the free assemblies now to be found governing the great nations of the earth have been modeled either upon your practice or upon ours, or upon both combined.

#### Great Moment in History.

"Mr. Speaker, the compliment paid to the mission from Great Britain by such an assembly and upon such an occasion is one not one of us is likely to forget; but there is something after all, even deeper and more significant in the circumstances under which I now have the honor to address you than any which arise out of the interchange of courtesy, however sincere between two great and friendly nations. We all, I think, feel instinctively that this is one of the great moments in the history of the world, and that what is now happening on both sides of the Atlantic represents the drawing together of great and free peoples for mutual protection against the aggression of military despotism. I am not one of those, none of you are among those, who are such bad democrats as to say that democracies make no mistakes. All free assemblies have made blunders; sometimes they have committed crimes. Why is it then that we look forward to the



Fritz: "I will never again put up in dis hotel."

spirit of free institutions and especially among our present enemies, as one of the greatest guarantees of the future peace of the world? I will say to you, gentlemen, how it seems to me, it is quite true that the people and the representatives of the people may be betrayed by some momentary surge of passion into a policy which is ultimately deplorable, but it is only a military despotism of the German type that can through generations, if need be, pursue steadily, remorselessly, unscrupulously and appallingly the object of dominating the civilization of mankind, and mark you, this evil, this menace under which we are now suffering, is not one which diminishes with the growth of knowledge and progress of material civilization, but on the other hand, it increases with them.

#### Know Better Now.

"When I was young we used to flatter ourselves that progress inevitably meant peace and that growth of knowledge was always accompanied by its natural fruit, the growth of good will among the nations of the earth. Unhappily we know better now, and we know there is such a thing in the world as a power which can with unvarying persistence focus all the resources of knowledge and of civilization into the one great task of making itself the moral and material master of the world. It is against that danger that we, the free peoples of western civilization, have banded ourselves together.

progress, their civilization, their rivalry, if need be, will be conducted, not on German lines, but in the free and friendly spirit which really befits the age in which we live.

#### CASUALTY LIST

- (Continued from page 1) P. E. Fahy, Milltown, N. B. Accidentally Wounded.— F. C. Sherwood, Norton, N. B. Contusion.— W. R. Callaghan, Halifax. Wounded.— P. Downey, New Glasgow, N. S. Lieut. F. Armstrong, Sussex, N. B. Lieut. A. C. Kelly, Stanley, N. B. H. G. McLean, Amherst, N. S. Sergt. M. J. McRae, Middle River, N. S. L. C. Fowler, Parrsboro, N. S. J. H. Hart, Boylston, N. S. G. Smith, Amherst, N. S. Sergt. L. Woodley, Halifax, Artillery. Died of Wounds.— Gunner H. M. Robertson, Marshfield, P. E. I. Killed in Action.— Gunner C. York, Parrsboro, N. S. Corporal L. S. Gaudet, Charlotte-town, P. E. I. Engineers. Seriously Ill.— Sapper D. E. Stevens, Moncton, N. B. Sunday night's list: Infantry. Killed in action: C. Chisholm, Antigonish, N. S. H. Arsenault, Summerside, P. E. I. Sergt. D. Murray, St. Stephen, N. B. G. L. Kinsman, Halifax. A. Cameron, Pictou, N. S. L. M. Hart, Canoe, N. B. Died of wounds: C. A. Veinotte, Upper Cornwall, N. S. A. E. Powers, Halifax. F. A. Hopkinson, Charlottetown, P. E. I. Lieut. F. Armstrong, Sussex, N. B. Major C. E. Elpitta, Sussex, N. B. Lieut. J. A. Copp, Granville Ferry, N. S. G. McDonald, Yarmouth, N. S. N. Kelly, Avonport, N. S. J. Munro, Tatamagouche, N. S. T. Bereh, St. John, N. B. M. R. West, Liverpool, N. S. Gunner A. Sampson, Halifax. Driver O. S. Baird, Amherst, N. S. St. Michael's Church was renovated and repaired last summer, over seven hundred dollars being expended on this work. A new altar, chancel, vestments, organ and other church properties were installed and the building was painted and remodelled. The church was very pretty and up to date and its loss above insurance will total in the vicinity of three thousand dollars. There had been no fire in the building for several days and no cause can be assigned for the

Moncton, May 4.—The returned soldiers' aid commission for the province met here this afternoon and evening and discussed matters in connection with looking after returned men. There were present Thomas Bell, St. John; chairman, ex-Attorney-General Baxter, Dr. Walker, Charles Robinson, St. John; Mr. Peacock, Fredericton; D. A. Stewart, Campbellton; J. D. Creaghan, Newcastle; Mayor Masters and Dr. Bourque, Moncton.

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## SUSSEX.

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## SHIPPING NEWS

### MINIATURE ALMANAC.

May—Phases of the Moon.

Full Moon, 6th	10h. 43m. p.m.
Last Quarter, 13th	9h. 49m. p.m.
New Moon, 20th	6h. 49m. p.m.
First Quarter, 28th	1h. 33m. p.m.

Date.	Do of W.	Sea Rise.	Sea Sack.	Water a.m.	Water p.m.
7 Mon	5.10	7.31	11.51	1.11	5.43
8 Tue	5.08	7.33	11.51	1.11	5.43
9 Wed	5.06	7.35	11.51	1.11	5.43

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## WESTFIELD

Westfield, May 4.—Mr. and Mrs. J. Leonard McGregor of St. John spent the week-end at their summer home here.

Mr. Johnson of Clarendon is visiting at the home of Mrs. W. Rathburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Parker Currier of Gagetown were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ethelbert Cosman.

Mr. and Mrs. Cross of St. John spent Sunday with friends at Westfield.

Mrs. C. Worden of Kingston spent a few days this week on a Capt. and Mrs. J. A. McBeth, Ononette.

For the week-end Mr. H. Galay of Montreal was guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Galay, Hillside.

Mrs. W. J. Stephenson, who has been visiting in St. John, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Purcell and children returned to their homes in Fairville on Monday after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Waters, Limbury.

Master Dunrae Caulfield of Grand Bay is visiting his aunt, Miss Porter, during the absence of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Caulfield, who are enjoying a trip to Vancouver, B. C.

New York, May 6.—The Government's \$2,000,000,000 War Loan has

## What's in a name?

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## Bringing Up Father

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## BRILLIANT SUCCESS OF ARMY OF FRANCE

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"German columns, observed near Chemilly and were caught by the fire of batteries and dispersed.

"In the region of the O. Dames our infantry occupied the plateau from east of Laonville to east of Craonne the resistance and counter-attacks of the enemy and have reached which dominate the Allied south of Arras.

"The number of prisoners during the course of the day 4,300 which may be added to the thousands taken yesterday.

"Eastern theatre: There were artillery activity a whole front. Patrol engagements in the Italian sector. depot at Costovo was bombed by British airplanes.

Sunday's Statement

Paris, May 6.—Every gain the French in yesterday's advance northeast of Soissons, gained against numerous German attacks last night, the announced. Consolidation ground has made them a most of the ridge crown Chemin-Des-Dames along more than 18 miles.

The prisoners taken have a total of 5,800 and several have been captured.

A violent artillery action in progress northwest of the Champagne there has been a terrific duel of big guns in this region a fortified position near Mont Haut was captured by the French and held against attacks.

The Official Statement

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To sum all the operations out on May 4 and 5 in cooperation with the British, our soldiers on the major ridge marked by Chemilly up a front of 30 kilometers number of prisoners captured has reached 5,800 of which officers, among them several commanders. We captured cannon of which several are called.

"Violent artillery action northwest of Rheims and in the region of Mont Car captured a fortified position and repulsed after five two German attacks upon in the region of Mont Haut.

"An enemy surprise attack in the direction of Matons De was likewise stopped.

"On the remainder of there was no important report."

Amsterdam, May 4, via The Maasbod, of Maestricht serious revolts occurred in week. According to the mob became so menacing the guns were used against it, is not confirmed from source.

Copenhagen, May 4, via So far as can be learned from man newspapers which have permitted to reach here, the movement in Germany in the fall. The papers in fact, that strikes took place. One report declares in the war factories process in general, and that place only in the individual factories.

The opposition papers and Socialist and union leaders assistance of Field Marshal denburg and General Gro the situation well in hand the workmen at their tasks.

Toronto, May 4.—A meeting of the McIntyre M held tomorrow and the strike that a dividend of 5 per cent declared. Yesterday there were that the directors across the dividend and p but this theory was sound well informed circles. Consider that the directors well to pay 5 per cent. in prevailing conditions at McIntyre sold up to \$1.70 at \$1.70.