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TTAWA, Ont., April 24---Major-General Sam Hughes, this afternoon received the following cable from Lord Brooke, fficer to Sir John French---" Hearty congratulations on magnificient behavior of Canadian troops."

CHRISTIANIA, April 24.—Steamer Salvin on arrival here today reported that she passed a large fleet of German warships in the North Sea, west of eligoland, steaming in battle formation. The Salvin was stopped by a submarine and boarded by an officer, who, after inspecting the papers and cargo, allowed r to proceed.

NT WORK BY CANADIANS

GERMAN REPORTS.

number of prisoners-French, English

the Ypres Canal. The Germans storm-

"In the Champagne region the Ger-

"In the forest of Le Pretre the Ger-

"In the Vosges there were no war

BUSY AT SMYRNA

German Ship Sunk by

French Aviator

"In the eastern war arena there

ed the town of Lizerne.

mans made progress.

change in the situation."

ALLIED AIRMEN

elled at First to Fall Back Before Violent Assault, They Re-formed, Advanced, Recaptured Lost Guns, and Saved the Situation.

LONDON, April 24.—The war office today gave out the fol-

The fight for the ground into which the Germans penetrated een Steenstraate and Langemarck still continues. The loss of part of the line laid bare the left of the Canadian division, which forced to fall back in order to keep in touch with the right of

'In the rear of the latter had been four Canadian 4.7-inch guns ich thus passed into the hands of the enemy. But some hours er the Canadians made a most brilliant and successful advance, re- Shrapnel Shells Contain Pieces ing these guns and taking a considerable number of German ners, including a colonel.

The Canadians had many casualties, but their fination undoubtedly saved the situation. Their conduct has een magnificent thruout."

The 4.7 guns with the Canadian division are part of the heavy artillery brigade. They are 45-pounders from Montreal. Officers of the Heavy Artillery Battery of Montreal are: Major

F.C. Magee, Portland, N.B.; Captain G. E. Hall, Montreal; Lieut. W. A. Irving, Quebec; Lieut. J. A. Ryan, Montreal, and Lieut. W. H.

THE FRENCH REPORT.

The French war department today rave out the following official state- gave out the following official state-

"Supplementary reports furnish fullduring Thursday evening to the north The French and British attacks broke other war under more favorable condiof Ypres, between the Yser Canal and down under the German fire. The tions for Germany.

"Thick yellow smoke emitted from and Belgian-rose to 2,470. The pieces the German trenches and driven by of cannon captured up to the present northerly winds, produced an effect of total 35. In addition a large number troops, which was felt even in our ammunition and other war material second line positions.

"Counter-attacks made yesterday already have enabled us to regain part of the ground lost. Our situation has been completely consolidated and our action is being carried out under good Beausejour the French shelled their conditions with the support of the own trenches with artillery. British and Belgian troops.

"The enemy made an attack at Les Eparges and another at Loweshead, in ejectedthe forest of Apremont, both of which were repulsed.

"A German attack to the south of the forest of Parroy, and further at- operations on acount of the fog and tacks on Reich Ackerkopf, were stop- snow. ped by our fire. The enemy suffered

RUNNING SHORT

Germans Have Trouble in Keeping Their Artillery Supplied

OLD MATERIAL IS USED

of Junk and Old

The German general headquarters "Attempts made by the enemy to re-

Poor Ammunition.

into French and British lines during complete asphyxiation among our of machine guns and rifles and much the past fortnight show a great falling off in the quality of the German pro jectiles as compared with those ex-pended by their three months agowere taken by the Germans, west of This inferiority is especially noted in number of prisoners, including a colregard to German shrapnel. The pure copper driving bands of German shrapnel are now made of a sort of composition or alloy which does not drive the projectile into the rifled mans blasted an enemy trench. Near grooves of the cannon with the same facility or precision as driving bands "Between the Meuse and the Moselle made of pure copper, thereby render-French attacks failed, The enemy who ing former accuracy of fire as well as had entered the German trenches was extent of range impossible.
Useless Explosions-

> best chilled steel as hitherto, but of cast iron. Owing to this the explo-ded shell cases are often found to have burst in large fragments near the base of the projectile so that the shrapnel bullets intended for the second impulsion, instead of being dis-charged in a solid jet, like the spray of a powerful hose reaching forward to some hundred yards straight in front of the explosions of the shell, are scattered about almost uselessly, doing no more harm than showers of spent balls. In addition to this the contents of the German shrap-nel are frequently found to consist rot of round. solid, leaden bullets as hitherto; but of all kinds of the contents of the fragments of metal something like stray materials of old junk refuse and in some instances shrapnel bullets re-placed by bits of flint resembling chil-dren's marbles. Now and then the German artillery discharged shrapnel of their old model of excellent construction, but this comparatively selor steel of inferior order enters into

technical observations indicate that the tremendous of German ammunition especially for their artillery of every description is beginning to tell on their reserve supplies and seems to make it doubtful whether the Ger-Observations made by aviators, according to the despatch, indicate that make it doubtful whether the Ger-mans a week hence will have those vast stores of first-class ammunition that alone can enable them to oppose future general attacks, these artillery They occupy trenches extending from Vourlah to Smyrna, and are posted on heights commanding the city.
Forts Two Brothers and Rastrati screens or rideaux de fer, that have become of vital necessity in the latest scientific development of this war. On the other hand the Germans have plenty of coal and are believed to be George, has been armed with thirty Germans suffered heavy heavy guns, supposed to have been manufacturing enormous supplies of brought from Constantinople

Four Pieces of Artillery Recaptured, But With Heavy

MAGNIFICENT CONDUCT

Germans Trying to Take Ypres in Order to Reach English Channel

sent battle line was formed is being tack and a determined resistance on the part of the British. It is now apparen and it is suggested in London that attempt to break thru to the English

An official statement from the British war office today says that the British succeeded in forcing our lines back northeast of Ypres (Belgium) failed. knockout result and prepare for an- troops are still fighting for the ground The loss of these positions exposed the Canadian division, which was compelled by an expert of specimens of German projectiles discharged pieces of artillery, but later recaptured them in a counterattack which, altho occasioning heavy losses, is described Allies' Aeroplane Bombs Sink Beautiful Estate Has Been Reas most brilliant and successful. The Canadians also took a considerable onel. The statement concludes: "Their conduct has been magnificent thruout."

FLIGHT DISCLOSED A HEAVY SHORTAGE

W. T. Ott Missing and Phonograph Concern is Shy Twenty Thousand

RAN AGENCY BUSINESS

Bookkeeper's Side Line Suddenly Closed Out Before He Went Away

W. T. Ott. a German-American

book-keeper in the employ of the Columbia Phonograph Company, is missing from the city, and there is a reported shortage in his accounts of \$20,000. A warrant for his arrest has been sworn out. He is supposed to have gone to Cuba. Ott came to Torento from New York a year ago, and in addition to his work with the phonograph concern, he conducted manufacturers' agency in the Foy Building, 32 West Front street, under the name of W. T. Ott & Company. His sudden departure followed an investigation of his affairs by his employers a few days ago. It is understood that he assigned his stock and book debts to Zimmerman Bros., of Tavistock, before leaving the city, and that other creditors have con-siderable claims against him.

GREECE IS READY TO FIGHT

Will Unite With the Allies in the Operations at the Dardanelles If Asked to Do So.

PARIS, April 24, (Bulletin)—Christakis Zographos, foreign minister of Greece, is quoted today, by the information, as declaring that Greece was ready to unite with the allies in the operations at the Dardanelles, if invited to do so. Up to the present time, he said, Greece had not been asked to co-operate with the allies.

The Critical Moment Has Arrived

LONDON, April 24.—Discussing the latest German effort to break thru the British line at Ypres, the military correspondent of The Daily

"The critical moment has arrived. The immediate object of the Ger mans is the capture of Ypres, which they regard as the key to Calais. For this movement picked troops have been transported to the Flanders front, as evidenced by repeated reports from Holland and the elaborate troop movements in Belgium. The British blow at Hill No. 60 was an effort to

strike first.
"If the German report of the capture of four heavy guns is true the

"The Germans still are bringing up large reinforcements, throwing every available man into the gap. They have probably half a million men available, without depleting the eastern front, and many men might be spared from Poland, where the roads render military operations impossible

ALMOST STARVING

Edouard De Reszke, Polish

Basso. Suffers Terrible

Destitution Owing to War

LIVING IN A CELLAR

duced to Ashes - Prince

Shares His Shelter

tee. 14 East Forty-seventh street.

Mme. Marcella Sembrich is president

The letter, which was written by

the basso to his brother, Jean De

Reszke, the tenor, stated that Edouard

was suffering frightful destitution as

a result of the war raging in Poland.

"My dear brother," wrote Edouard,

"whether this will ever get thru the

with all this fighting and the continual bombardment on every hand.

"The war broke out with such sud-

denness that it was impossible to es-

cape. I was forced to remain here on

Poland has been reduced to worse than

one is suffering. My beautiful estate

has met the comman fate and been

reduced to ashes. I am now living in

a cellar with a scanty covering. If

a shell should drop in it would afford

of the organization.

FAMOUS SINGER FINNISH STEAMER **SUNK IN BALTIC**

German Submarine Torpedoed Steamer Frack-Crew Believed to Be Safe

TURKS DEFEND SMYRNA

German Steamer and Damage Turkish Fort

LONDON, April 24.—The Finnish Special to The Toronto World. steamer Frack has been sunk in the Baltic Sea by a German submarine, ouard De Reszke, Polish basso, who The crew is believed to have been was for many years a member of the

Aviators of the allies operating over starving in a cellar in Poland was Smyrna report that the Turks are de- learned today in a letter given out by fending the city with 35,000 troops, es-tablished in trenches. A German steamer was sunk and two men in a Turkish fort were killed by bombs ropped from the areoplanes.
The sailing vessel Aysha, manned by

Germans, who escaped when the fam-ous cruiser Emden was sunk in the Indian Ocean last November, is said to have reached the Arabian harbor of Lidd from Hodeida. The Germans made their way inland and succeeded in reaching the railroad, altho attacked by Arabs and suffering severe losses in the three days of fighting.

OFFICERS WILL BE MADE RESIGN

T. V. O'Connor Will Investi- a desert. All is desolate and every gate Fatal Erie Dynamite Explosion

ERIE, Pa., April 24 .- T. V. O'Connor. president of the International 'Longshoremen's Union, arrived here today to investigate the dynamite explosion which caused the death last Wednesday of Michael Leoroff, former secretary of the local union, and the injury of thirteen with Local union, and the injury of thirteen when I could not venture forth. We have been between little boy was playing ball on the side-walk near his home. As the wagon, driven by Elyah Coulding, 165 Paper and the injury of thirteen were days when I could not venture forth. We have been between little boy was playing ball on the side-walk near his home. As the wagon, driven by Elyah Coulding, 165 Paper and the injury of thirteen were days when I could not venture forth. We have been between little boy was playing ball on the side-walk near his home. As the wagon, driven by Elyah Coulding, 165 Paper and the injury of thirteen were days when I could not venture forth. We have been between little boy was playing ball on the side-walk near his home. As the wagon, driven by Elyah Coulding, 165 Paper and the injury of thirteen were days when I could not venture forth. We have been between little boy was playing ball on the side-walk near his home. As the wagon, driven by Elyah Coulding, 165 Paper and the injury of thirteen little boy was playing ball on the side-walk near his home. ocal union, and the injury of thirteen

"All the officers of the Erie Union will have to resign," said O'Connor, "and if they refuse we will find a way to put them out. Russians who belong to Russian societies are barred from our organization, and those who have gained admission here will have to get out."

Twenty-three persons are still held by the police in connection with the explosion.

but my lot is the same as that of my fellow-countrymen here. Everyone is in want; everyone suffering. Many are dead, and many more will die unless aid reaches them soon. Prince Luko-uirski and his wife recently reached here and are sharing my cellar with me. Their own beautiful estate has been destroyed and even the cellar blown to atoms by the shells."

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Sudden Advance Launched by the Enemy Soon Was

HARD FIGHTING COMING

Battle Now Proceeding is the Most Violent Since October

LONDON, April 24.-Over an arclike front in Belgian Flanders, which is roughly ten miles long, from the reion of Dixschoote in the north to St. Eloi in the south, French, British and Belgian troops are locked with the Germans today in a series of engagements which recall the fighting of last

Driven from Hill 60 to the south of Ypres, and failing to retake it by a counter-attack, the Germans launelled sudden advance northeast of the own, and after stupefying and killing men in the first trenches with deadly gases, according to British official reports, they drove a wedge of infantry forward, forcing the French and Belgians back toward, and at some points apparently across, the Yser (Ypres) Canal, a manoeuvre which at the same time compelled the British line north of Ypres to fall back to conform with

of Ypres to fall back to conform with
the French.

Some Ground Retaken.

Altho the advance of the Germans
was considerable, extending, according
to Berlin despatches, over a front of
five miles, French, Belgian and Britsh
forces—the French occupying the
centre, te Belgians the left and the
British the right of the line—immediately instated a counter attack, the
result of which was—to compel the
Germans to give up some of the ground northeasterly direction toward Lange marck, from which place the attack

Metropolitan Opera Co., is almost day characterize this German rush as another attempt to break thru to Calais, and some estimates say they have 500,000 men available for this efthe American Polish Relief Commit-

By this time the British are presumably well strengthened and have consolidated their position on hill No. 60. The hardest fighting consequently is expected north of Ypres.

Just as the Germans have been battering the Ypres Salient held by the allies, so the French continue their pressure at St. Mihiel with some suc-

lines and reach you, I do not know; I INFANT CRUSHED am sure no man could get thru alive. BY HEAVY WAGON

my estate in Garnesk. This part of Stepped Backward Off Pape Avenue Curb and Was Killed

The wheel of a wagon heavily loaded with gravel passed over the body of Cornclius Nash. 3 years, 305 1-2 Papa "So fierce has been the fighting here avenue, killing the child instantly at and rain I have had but poor shelter, avenue, came along, he stepped or fell but my lot is the same as that of my hackward directly between front and

in or fancy, silver-plan. Regularly \$1.50 po each 9c. s, teapot, cream jug an r-plated. Regularly 7. WRIST WATCHES.

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CELONA TEA, 620 Cellona Tea, of unifo

CREW OF GERMAN WARSHIP ESCAPED

Meeting With Many Adven- Several Soldiers Killed and tures and Casualties-Attacked by Arabs

BERLIN, via London, April 24.—The PARIS, April 24.—Allied aeroplanes new of the German warship Aysha, are showing great activity over dom. It also is noticed that cast imposed of men who escaped when Smyrna, says a special despatch from composed of men who escaped when Smyrna, says a special despatch from composition of heavier German protectives Emden was sunk by an Saloniki. A French aviator recently jectiles, greatly reducing their effect.

Australian warship in the Indian Ocean, dropped two bombs on Fort Kastro, Australian warship in the Indian Ocean, dropped two bombs on Fort Kastro, Nov. 10, have escaped again from al- killing several soldiers; another sank led patrol ships and arrived at the a German ship lying in port, and a Arabian harbor of Lidd on March 27. third struck the railroad station. They covered by sea the 300 miles from

After reaching the coast the sailors the Turkish forces assigned for the attempted to continue their journey defence of Smyrna number 35,000. everland, but were attacked by Arabs, osedly at the instigation of the nglish. After three days' stubborn shting the attacks were repulsed and have been repaired. A new fortificareached the road to Hodaches, tion, built above the farm of St. ere the railway was open. The ad-

lron

PARIS, April 24.—Diplomatic fermentation now observed in almost every capital of the European continent is regarded in Paris as on the carried on by a relentless German atwhole favorable for the cause of the allies, but each and every suggestion having in view premature peace, is that the Germans have brought up traced in its origin to Berlin. It is not- heavy reinforcements for this attack. ed that the determination of Frenchmen of every description to fight this their immediate objective is the capwar to a finish, has attained the pro- ture of Ypres, preliminary to another portions of a national faith or religion. All are aware that German diplomacy is merely seeking breathing time to r particulars of the way the Germans conquer lost terrain to the north and enable Prussian militarism to avoid a

Moreover, it is found that the new German shrapnel are made, not of the