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ST. ANDREWS, N. B., CANADA.

Saturday, 25th August 1917

PROGRESS OF THE WAR

[August 16 to August 22]

The week under review was marked
by the extreme violence of the hos-
tilities on the Western front and in the
Austro-Italian campaign.

In the Western campaign activity pre-
vailed pretty well over the whole front
from the sea-coast of Belgium to the
border of Switzerland, but the fiercest
fighting was in the sectors centering on
Ypres and Lens, and in the sectors
north of Verdun. It is to be inferred
from the dispatches received that the
attacks and counter attacks were con-
ducted with unexampled ferocity, with
the aid of all arms, the air combats espe-
cially surpassing everything of the kind hith-
erto recorded. The net result was emi-
nently to the advantage of the Entente Allies,
though their casualties, too, were very
high. The Canadians continued to figure
conspicuously in the fierce struggle,
and bore their part with the usual valor
and success. The actual ground gained was
not so very extensive, except in the
Verdun sector; but its importance was
very great. The capture of Lens by the
Entente Allies had not been accomplished,
but its consummation was pretty near at
hand. The Allies took about 10,000
prisoners on this front during the week,
and secured a considerable number of
guns and much war material. The enemy
suffered extremely heavy losses in killed
and wounded.

The week's news of the Eastern cam-
paign was meagre, but indicated that the
Russian retirement was about arrested
at all points, and at some points, espe-
cially at the southern extremity of the battle
front, they and the Rumanians were more
than holding their own.

In the Caucasus region the Russians
were reported to have resumed the
offensive, and with success.

The week furnished no news of the
operations in the Mesopotamian, Egyptian,
and East African campaigns; and very
little progress was reported in the Balkan
campaign, the outstanding feature of
which was the air-raiding of Monastir by
the Bulgars and their Teuton fellow out-
laws.

Perhaps the outstanding feature of the
week was the success of the Italians in
their fierce drive on the Austrians on the
front from Tolmino to the Adriatic. The
reports of the fighting are at variance,
but the Austrian claims are clearly exag-
gerated, and the advantage rested alto-
gether with the Italians, who took more
than 20,000 prisoners, a number of guns,
and great quantities of military supplies.
The ground gained on the upper Isonzo
and on the Carso was both considerable
and important.

On the night of August 21 an unknown
number of German airplanes approached
the Yorkshire coast of England, but were
driven off by anti-aircraft guns. There
were no fatalities, and only slight material
damage resulted. On the morning of
August 22 ten German airplanes raided
the Kentish coast from Margate to Dover.
Three persons were killed and two injur-
ed. Two of the raiding machines were
brought down.

The censor was busy all week keeping
back details of the week's losses in
shipping caused by the continued ruth-
less German submarine campaign; conse-
quently we are unable to print in this
issue the usual details of the disasters
under the heading of "News of the Sea."
The official summary shows that the
losses were slightly in excess of those of
the preceding week.

POLITICAL UNREST

CANADA, following the example of
most other parts of the world, is
now in a state of political unrest, if one
can judge from the utterances of the
party press. Hon. Robert Rogers has
resigned from the Borden Cabinet, and
has stated his reason, - the delay on the
part of the Premier in enacting and en-
forcing the new Military Service Act. If
this is the sole reason for the resignation
Mr. Rogers will find much sympathy, for
a pressing need of the hour is to obtain
more men for overseas service, and these
can only be secured by a selective draft
law such as the Act provides, which ac-
cords the Governor-General's signature
and the Government's enforcement. Pos-
sibly before this appears in print the
signature will be obtained and the en-
forcement begun.

Attempts are being made to form a
coalition government for the further

prosecution of the war, and its consum-
mation—devotion to be wished—does not
seem altogether impossible. The ques-
tion of leadership appears to be the one
most difficult of solution. There is an
apparent inclination on the part of some
to drop the "pilot" who has weathered the
storm, and the names of probable suc-
cessors have been freely mentioned.

Among the names mentioned appears
that of Mr. F. B. Carvell, M. P. for Car-
leton, N. B. It is just possible that the
kind of energy and bent of mind which he
possesses may be those requisite for
leadership in the present crisis, but we
think the evidence on that score is incom-
plete. It is certain that the great need of
the hour is not so much to find a leader
who will strive to compose and adjust
differences that are irreconcilable, but
rather to find one who, in spite of these
irreconcilable differences, is able to initiate
and successfully to conduct a line of
policy and a scheme of administration
that will command the respect and sup-
port of the great mass of the people.
The hour has come, has the man arrived?
As for Mr. Carvell, for whom THE
BEACON certainly holds no brief, it may
be said with truth that he is "without
fear and without reproach," but has he
the other attributes of the Chevalier
Bayard who was "sans peur et sans
reproche"? The biographer of the gal-
lant French knight, of immortal memory,
refers to some of his characteristics as
follows: "Bayard despised riches all his
life, and had little esteem for the rich if
they were not good also. He hated
equally the hypocrite and the boaster,
and punished severely those who left
their flags for the sake of plunder." This
sounds a good deal like some of the most
pronounced characteristics of the Mem-
ber for Carleton.

CHANGE MADE IN RUSSIAN COMMAND

Petrograd, Aug. 22.—General Letchitzky
has been appointed commander of the
northern front, succeeding General
Klembovsky.

General Letchitzky was the right-hand
man of General Brussiloff in the success-
ful drive of the early summer of this year.
He captured many thousands of Austrian
troops and occupied all of Bukovina.
Last March he was appointed commander
on the central front.

THE WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

August 25.—Thomas Chatterton, the Eng-
lish "boy poet," died, 1770; David Hunt,
Scottish historian and philosopher, died,
1776; James Watt, Scottish engineer, im-
prover of the steam engine, died, 1819;
Bret Harte, American novelist and poet,
born, 1839; Bill Nye, American humorist,
born, 1850; Victoria Bridge, Montreal,
opened by Prince of Wales, 1869; Michael
Faraday, English chemist, electrician,
and natural philosopher, died, 1867.

August 26.—Crey, 1346. Lope de Vega,
Spanish dramatist, died, 1635; Sir Robert
Walpole, English statesman, born, 1676;
Prince Albert, consort of Queen Victoria,
born, 1819; Treaty of Peace between
Great Britain and China, 1842; Prof.
Robert H. Richards, American metallurg-
ist, born, 1844; Haiti proclaimed an Em-
pire, 1849; First petroleum well opened
at Titusville, Pa., 1858; First Treaty be-
tween Great Britain and Japan, 1858.

August 27.—James Thomson, Scottish
poet, died, 1748; Fort Frontenac, Canada,
surrendered to the British under Gen.
Bradstreet, 1758; First hydrogen balloon
ascent, 1783; Judge Thomas C. Haliburton,
Nova Scotian, author of "Sam Slick",
died, 1865; Sir Rowland Hill, advocate of
penny post, died, 1879.

August 28.—St. Augustin, Kasassin,
1882; Heilgoland Bight, 1914. Count
Tolstoy, Russian novelist, born, 1828;
Leigh Hunt, English essayist, died, 1859;
William Lyon Mackenzie, leader in Cana-
dian rebellion of 1837, died, 1877; Monte-
negro became a Kingdom, 1910.

August 29.—Beheading of John the Baptist.
John Locke, English philosopher, born,
1632; Edmund Hoyle, author of a book on
Games, died, 1769; Loss of the *Royal
George*, 1782; Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes,
American scientist and author, born, 1809;
Maurice Maeterlinck, Belgian poet and
dramatist, born, 1862.

August 30.—Plevna, 1877. Cleopatra,
Queen of Egypt, committed suicide, 30 B.
C.; William Paley, English theologian,
born, 1743; Sir John Ross, Arctic explorer,
died, 1856; Volcanic eruption of Mount
Pelée, Martinique, 1902.

August 31.—Kandahar, 1880. King Henry
IV of England died, 1422; Fredericton, N.
B., Cathedral consecrated, 1885; Antonio
Salandra, Premier of Italy, born, 1853;
Yoshihito, Emperor of Japan, born, 1879;
Queen Wilhelmina of The Netherlands
born, 1880.

Up-River Doings

St. Stephen, N. B., Aug. 22.
His Honor the Lieut-Governor and
Mrs. Ganong entertained at luncheon at
Government House last week. Their
guests were Premier and Mrs. Foster,
Judge and Mrs. Grimmer, Mrs. Leonard
Tilly, Mrs. T. Carleton Allen, Frederic-
ton, and Mrs. J. Edwin Ganong, of
Toronto.

Mr. Herbert C. Grant, of New York
City, is the guest of his brother, Mr.

Walter L. Grant, Collector of Customs, St.
Stephen.

Mr. Fred Maxwell and his son, Coburn,
of Montreal, have been recent guests of
Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Moore, in St. Stephen.

Mr. F. P. Lane has returned to Calais,
after sometime spent in Boston taking in-
struction in modern methods of voice cul-
ture.

Mrs. D. H. McKay and two daughters,
Misses Kittie and Phoebe, Madame Kurtz,
and Miss Hazel Smith, as their guests, are
spending a week at Hills Point.

Mr. and Mrs. John Derly have returned
to Boston, travelling in their touring car.
Mr. and Mrs. George E. Eye are visit-
ing friends in Calais.

Miss Bessie Downing, of Boston, is in
Calais to spend several weeks.

Mr. John A. Sears has gone to Madison,
Maine, to visit his grandson, Lieut. Jack
S. Barker, of the United States Army.

Mrs. A. Forbes Conant, of Boston, is
visiting at the summer camp of her sons,
Lester, Dr. and Mrs. George MacNichol, at
the Main River.

The St. Stephen Public Schools begin
the fall and winter term on Monday.

Miss Isabel Bliss, of Fredericton, who is
to take the position as assistant in the
High School, has arrived in town.

Miss Iva Dakin, of Grand Harbor,
Grand Manan, has been visiting in St.
Stephen.

Mr. John D. Chipman is in St. Stephen
this week for a short visit and is receiving
a most cordial welcome from his num-
erous friends.

Mrs. Gilbert W. Ganong will be home
at Government House, Union Street, St.
Stephen, the first and third Tuesday of
each month during the year, after Septem-
ber 1.

Mrs. LeRoy and children came from
Winchester, Mass., last week to spend the
rest of the summer with her parents, Mr.
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A large advertisement for the Charlotte
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a white canvas, was stretched across the
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this afternoon.

Mrs. George Topping, of St. John, has
been a recent visitor in St. Stephen.

Miss May and Miss Wood, of Boston,
are guests of Miss George Young.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Torrance and Mr.
and Mrs. E. G. Vroom have finished a
pleasant visit with Miss Grace Stevens
and returned to their homes in Montreal.

Miss Kate McWha's friends are pleased
to hear that she is greatly improved from
her long illness.

Misses Margaret and Minnie Bolz, of
Dorchester, Mass., are visiting Calais
friends.

The Sunday School and congregation
of Christ Church are to enjoy a picnic on
Thursday afternoon on the grounds
owned by Mr. Samuel McBride, Sr., War-
den of the Church.

ST. GEORGE, N. B.

Aug. 22.

Mrs. Harry Rowe and young son, Harry,
of Auburn, Me., are guests of Mrs. James
Irving.

Mrs. Jno. C. Allen, who with her mother
was enjoying a few days here at the Vic-
toria, was called home to Fredericton Sat-
urday by the sudden death of her husband.

Mrs. Frank Hibbard and daughter,
Marjorie, spent the week with friends in
St. Stephen.

Miss Edna Brown, of St. John, is en-
joying a vacation at home.

Mr. Jet Stewart entertained a party at
L'Etang this week, including Mr. and
Mrs. Peacock and daughter,
and Mrs. and Mrs. Thomas MacIntyre,
and Mr. and Mrs. James Southard.

Miss Irene Seamount, trained nurse, of
St. John, is spending a few days with her
parents.

Mr. A. Hitchens, his daughter Cath-
erine, of Caribou, Me., with Miss Gertrude
Moore and Miss Blanche Haines, of St.
Stephen, were recent guests of Mrs. Geo.
Meating. The party are on an automobile
tour.

Mr. Will Bowden, of Grand Falls, has
been appointed superintendent of the
lumbering operations by the pulp com-
pany.

Miss Blanche McVicar, of St. John,
spent a few days with her parents, Mr.
and Mrs. R. J. Austin. Mrs. Ben Austin,
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Mrs. A. Budd and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley
Budd, of St. Stephen, were guests this
week at the Victoria.

Mrs. T. R. Kent entertained a week-end
party at Cedar Shade, Lake Umbagog, which
included: Dr. Moore and Mr. Gray, of St.
John; the Misses Smith, of Albert; Wood
and Ethel MacNichol, Miss Lillian Hickie,
and Messrs. Coli, Spear and James Watt.

Miss Steeves and Miss Myrtle Ganong
were here this week giving demonstra-
tions in canning. The meetings were
held in the school house, and attended by
a large number of interested women and
girls.

Miss M. McKay, of St. Stephen, is the
guest of Mrs. Herbert Haney.

The field day picnic at St. Andrews, on
Wednesday, was attended by a number of
ladies and gentlemen, who made the trip
to the shore town by motor boat and auto-
mobile. Mooney's orchestra furnished
music.

Miss Kathleen Lynott returned to
Woodstock on Monday after a pleasant
holiday in town.

Rev. Father McGibney, S. J., is the
guest of Rev. Father Holland. He will
preach a mission at Dipper Harbor begin-
ning Thursday.

Chipman Seelye, of Colorado, who is
enjoying a vacation at home, had the mis-
fortune of breaking his arm while crank-
ing an automobile on Wednesday.

Mrs. Captain Nelson, of Beaver Harbor,
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tery came in from New River on Thursday
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tend church.

T. S. McAdam and his mother were
called to Amherst last week by the serious
illness of their son and brother, David,
who is very low, suffering from consump-
tion.

A whist social and dance was held on
Friday evening in Dragoorian hall and
was liberally patronized. Mrs. George
Murray, Mrs. George Craig and Mrs.
James Jack were the committee in charge.

Messrs. Chas. and Eldridge Craig, Ralph
Doyle and George Anderson motored to
Fredericton on Sunday with Mr. Harry
Eggs.

Miss Nellie Murray spent the week-end
with her brother, Joseph, in St. John.

Mrs. Wm. Little and daughters, of St.
John, are guests of Mrs. French Meating.

Miss Hazel Craig has returned to her
duties in the hospital at Lawrence, Mass.

Miss Irva Gass left on Monday for
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