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Evening Telegram

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SATURDAY, April 14th, 1917.

The Plains of Douai.

We have heard the best news since the Battle of the Marne. That was the victory which saw a red France from defeat and Europe and the world from spiritual, if not physical, bondage; this, which may be known to history as the Battle of Arras, is the definite beginning of the defeat of Germany. The great struggle on the Somme was a six-month victory of which the end was foreseen long before it came, and which left other struggles in doubt; this is a sudden, overwhelming triumph of the British army which shows Germany overmatched and, inevitably in the end, utterly vanquished. The since continued progress of our troops, the number of prisoners and the very great quantity of artillery captured and destroyed tell the dreadful havoc of the attack and the completeness of its success. Two days ago there remained a lingering chance that Vimy might be wrested again from us; to-day our forces have surged beyond it and to the north are in clear view of Lens. When the message speaks of the plains of Douai it almost speaks of the end of the war. To have won the heights that dominate all this low-lying country was a fine achievement; to its value is added the nature of that country, with its rich coal and iron mines, which are important of all, the German line is threatened in a manner which we are convinced will from now on keep it in continuous movement and that movement everywhere retrograde. As we write, a short message from Stewart Lyon's pen comes over the wires, containing a most expressive phrase. He calls the victory a change in the balance of the war in the field, and nothing could describe it better. The balance has been steadily against the Allies, and their efforts for the past seven months have been an heroic endeavour to upset it. They have upset it. The words of the Canadian officer are the literal truth—they are the top dogs. They look down upon and no longer up at their enemy. By the combined victories of the Somme and Arras they have broken the German line at its strongest point. They have not pierced it, probably they never will—but the guns they have taken are evidence of the inelastic nature of the trench system, the fatal corollary of its great strength. The Germans are on the run and they will keep on the run. We shall soon see what virtue there is in the lurid warnings of the croakers about Germany's extra million men. As if, forsooth, the Allies had called up their last man and stood still while she recruited them! Let her use them now. Let her throw them into the conflict where she likes: she will not stop the British and the French. We have heard of terrible things that she is going to do to Russia. Wait another month and see what they are. If by mid-June Brusilov's legions are not treading the plains of Hungary we shall recant and be humble. If Germany had half the renewed strength that some claim for her she would never have surrendered Vimy; we should never have heard, until that strength was exhausted, of the Hindenburg line, already broken at some points and pressed at others.

Missionary Anniversary Services.

The members of the Cochrane St. Centennial congregation are reminded of the Missionary Anniversary services to be held to-morrow. At the morning service the Rev. G. Dickie, M.A., of the Presbyterian Church, will be the preacher. The evening service will be presided over by G. W. Gushue, Esq., the chief speaker being the Rev. Dr. Bond, whose experience in missionary work is rare and unique, he having been in the foreign mission field himself and visited many of the missions that our Church in Canada and Newfoundland are interested in. Special singing by the choir. Solos will be given by Misses Taylor and Herder. Collections at both services for the General Missionary Fund. Everybody welcome.

McMurdo's Store News

SATURDAY, April 14, 1917. Student Parsnip is a special strain cultivated by Sutton, and gives a very sweet parsnip, excellent for table use, and keeping well. Price 15c. an ounce. Cream of Lilies Soap is a good Soap of English manufacture, containing no free alkali, and so bland and soothing to the skin. It is an honest-made, well dried soap, and is nicely perfumed. As it is economical in use, it is by no means an expensive soap. Price 20c. a cake, box of 3 cakes 50c.

The Mallard Fund

Amount acknowledged... \$147.85 Hon. Jas. Angel... v. 5.00 Jas. Cash... v. 3.00

MINARD'S LINIMENT RELIEVES NEURALGIA.

Was on Torpedoed Troopship.

Included in the number of Royal Naval Reservists who returned yesterday, is Reservist John Abbott, of Holdsworth Street, who for over two years has been on active service, but is now discharged as medically unfit. On reaching the Old Country he was placed on a trawler doing patrol duty and mine sweeping in the North Sea. After several months at this hazardous work he received a transfer to H. M. Troopship Yorrala, which fell a victim to a Hun sub. on New Year's Day of this year. She had on board at the time upwards of 5,000 soldiers, about 30 of whom with 27 of the ship's crew, were drowned. All the boats available were launched and also rudely constructed rafts to which the shipwrecked soldiers and sailors clung till rescued by trawlers about four hours afterwards. Abbott and a number of the ship's crew were the last to leave the ship, he being the only Newfoundland on board, and as all the boats and rafts were overcrowded they were compelled to swim across to the trawlers to broken pieces of wreckage till they were rescued. In the meantime they suffered terribly from the icy cold water, from the effects of which Reservist Abbott contracted a severe cold, leaving his constitution so weakened that it will be a considerable time before he is again restored to his former health. William Abbott, a brother of his, enlisted about the same time, and when last heard from was doing patrol duty in the North Sea.

Here and There.

Fresh Smelts and Fresh Herring at ELLIS.

WEATHER REPORT.—The weather across country is calm and dull, temperature 32 to 39 above.

AT WESLEY CHURCH.—Mr. Robert Joyce will preside at the evening service at Wesley Church to-morrow.

ETHIE AND GLENCOE.—The Ethie reached Placentia at 4 p.m. yesterday. The Glencoe arrived at Port aux Basques at 1.45 p.m. yesterday.

EXPRESS PASSENGERS.—The following passengers are on the incoming express which left Port aux Basques on this morning: Sergt. E. Boucher, R. Nash, Miss M. McIsaac, John Cameron, L. Calnes, E. Pitt, J. W. Keating, W. McIsaac, A. Peters, W. A. Dorothy, H. Cheney, P. F. Moore, P. J. Shea, R. J. Deveraux, W. D. Quinn, Geo. H. Hall, W. J. Curtin, W. Vatcher.

NO SETTLEMENT YET.—The further hearing of the case preferred against Mrs. Rossley by several members of her troupe was continued in Court to-day. No settlement has yet been reached.

NOTE OF THANKS.—Mr. Herbert Gosse and family wish to thank the following citizens for their contribution to the Women's Association of St. Thomas's Parish, Mrs. Wm. Hood, Mr. W. P. Rogerson, Mr. Lively, etc.

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