# **BIG WELCOME TO** SANTA CLAUS SHIP

Kitchener Wires Thanks To Dinner Given the United States Officers At Devonport.

Canadian Press.]

PLYMOUTH, Nov. 25 (Via London), 10:20 p.m.-A dinner given to-Her Jason, the Santa Claus ship, closed a day in which the British ence. Foreign Office and the citizens of

States to the unfortunate children in the war zone.

Following the arrival of the Jason

Tollowing the arrival of the Jason at Devonport today, 1,000,000 flags floated over the public buildings in Plymouth and from the mainmasts floated over the public buildings in Plymouth and from the mainmasts of all warships and commercial craft in the harbor until sunset. Hundreds of women visited the Jason at Devonport, two miles direct from Plymouth, after the official reception of the vessel, among them Mrs. Waldorf Astor, who presented Lieutenant Commander C. E. Courtney, U.S.N., in command of the Jason, with a beautiful bouquet of chrysanyard at Devonport was by card only, out thousands of people stood outside

the gates viewing the Christmas ship from a distance. Fifty Covers Laid, Fifty covers were laid for the dinher tonight, which was served in the Royal Hotel. The dining-room was a mass of roses and chrysanthemums. The British army and navy were represented by the commandants of the

Dyke Acland, under-secretary for Of chief interest was the statement charge such a mission as this—a ser-vice which appeals to my heart.

the Jason God-speed." Beauchamp read the following tele-

sh secretary of war: that of the British army, our cordial its arrival is the detonation. So far officers and men beneath the waves. the kind thought of the American this weapon has done no damage." Jason carries will bring pleasure to the homes of many of those whose

Letter From ex-Chancellor In Berlin Paper—Boost For Britishers.

[Canadlan Press.] BERLIN (Via London), Nov. 25 .ter from Prince Von Buelow, the exbelief in the ultimate several times he repeats that victory will be won only with great diffi-

There is also an eulogy of the British troops written by a high Gersomely admits that the British inmong the finest troops in the world, frozen to hospitals. ne writes, and "there must be some-They are all first-class atmosphere aids the aviators to see ighters. The British have quite out- the landscape more freely.

## Pile Remedy Free

Sample of Pyramid Pile Remedy mailed free for trial gives quick relief, stops itching, bleeding or protruding piles, he morrhoids and all rectal troubles, in the privacy of your own home. 50e a box at all druggists. Free sample for trial with booklet mailed free in plain wrapper.

FREE SAMPLE COUPON PYRAMID DRUG COMPANY, 514 Pyramid Bldg., Marshall, Mich. Kindly send me a Free sample of Pyramid Pile Remedy, in plain wrapper.

Men and Women

SHOES THAT WILL KEEP OUT THE DAMP Good, heavy soles on shoes suitable for outdoors

without rubbers. Popular Prices. \$3, \$3.50, \$4.

the famous Dr. Reid Cushlon Sole Shoes. Men's, \$6.00 and First quality at

last year's prices. HOCKEY

**BOOTS** 

Christmas

Ladies' House Slippers, Boudoir Slippers, Dancing Shoes, Men's House

171 DUNDAS ST.

### KING GEORGE SHOWS GREAT MASTERY OF WAR PROGRESS

Increasing Activities Engage Monarch Early and Late -Particular For Comfort of the Soldiers-Consults the Queen.

tivity, and a mastery of detail, such as nothing is too intricate for the King. might alarm even a great financier, The number, qualifications, equipment comprise the present daily routine of and location of the new army are all His Majesty the King.

hight by the Earl of Beauchamp, morning, the King is busy in his study branches of the naval service and he is first commissioner of works in the and by the time his advisers and helpfirst commissioner of works in the British Cabinet, in honor of the officers of the United States naval columns of the dispatches and documents of the early delivery, mastered their contents and perhaps of marginal notes in the made numbers of marginal notes in the dispatches at a moment's notice.

Anxious For Soldiers' Comfort. made numbers of marginal notes in

[Canadian Press.]

LONDON, Nov. 25.—The part which
King George is playing in the war is
pictured in the Daily Express as follows:

| Sanction; but, happily, controversial matters have sunk into oblivion and there are no difficulties of this sort to contend with.

The problems continually arising "A continuous round of increasing ac- anent the war are many and great, but is Majesty the King.

'Often soon after six o'clock in the he follows the furtures of the auxiliary

His Majesty is also extremely readiness for the forthcoming confer-ence.

Formidable Detail.

itous as to the comforts of his fight-ing forces and making continual in-quiries as to the supply of food, clothes Greater Plymouth manifested in every possible manner the heartfelt the numerous dispatch boxes would inmaintenance of their health and spirits. appreciation of the King and the timidate most men. Admiralty, War country for the 6,000,000 Christmas Office, Home Office, and Indian Office— of apparel is accepted and His Majesty's gifts sent by the people of the United all contribute their daily quantum, while invariable reply, when anything outside States to the unfortunate children in from the Government comes a trementhe scope of the Admiralty or War Of-

### NAVY HAS LOST OVER 7,000 MEN **GERMANS' LATEST**

themums in honor of the women of The New Weapon Does No Sixteen Hundred Are Cap-Damage So Far- No Noise of Firing or

LONDON, Nov. 25 .- 4:40 p.m.-Light far during the war the Royal Navy has but interesting touches from the bat- lost 4,327 officers and men killed, and ymouth fortress and the navy yard. tlefront, from the pen of the British 473 wounded, while 968 men are missing, Mayor Baker of Plymouth was among eye-witness, Col. E. D. Swinton, un- interned. der date of Nov. 23, were given out | These figures are contained in a state-Of chief interest was the statement

foreign affairs, responded to the President of the United States. Lieut.-Com. Courtney, replying to a gun, probably of pneumatic equip-toast to "The Christmas Ship," said: The American navy is glad to dis- count says: "In our centre the enemy prisopers, 5; interned, 46. employed a silent gun, which may be pneumatic or worked by some mechani. Thousands of little ones at home wish cal contrivance. There is no report killed were drowned, 1,718 losing their During the dinner the Earl of the discharge, the projectile travels lives in this manner when the cruisers gram from Lord Kitchener, the Brit- through the air without any of the Pathfinder, Aboukir, Cressy and Hogue warning made by an ordinary shell, were sent to the bottom by defined of the Please express on my behalf and and the first notice to be received of Monmouth and Good Hope off Chile

The account speaks of the trenches The welcome freight the of the opponents as being at some division at Antwerp are accountable for the opponents as being at some points only 40 yards apart. The English and Germans talk back and forth. lish and Germans talk back and forth, hold shooting competitions and ex-

come to our men," the account says, "for they at any rate are secure from shell fire, the hostile artillery being unable to shoot in the feer that "There the positions are not unwelwould hit its own infantry. Indeed, for either side, a trench close to the enemy often is a safer spot than any other in the fighting zone." Tacit agreements among the

so situated are often made, the re port says, a notable one being for per mission of the representatives of either The Berliner Tageblatt prints a letter from Prince Von Prints the ser from Prince Von Prints the creating the service of the s "Friend and foe continued to make chancellor, in which he expresses the use of this for days, until for some fear that the war "will prove a very reason the Germans broke the truce forming his belief winds up by afof our men, thereby cutting off the triumph of the German arms, but several times he repeats that victory for good and all."

Hardship of Cold Weather Cold weather has frozen the slush, improving the conditions in the trenches in one sense, the account goes on, man officer at the front. He hand- but the drop in the temperature makes the men so stiff that many have to be antry have done wonders, especial- lifted out of the trenches when rearound Ypres. Their regulars are lieved, and others are sent partly

ing, after all, to say for the Eng- dividuals," Col. Swinton says, "the his decisions not only far from the ishman's love of sport, for nothing change in the weather chiefly has af-but well-trained and particularly fit feeted aerial reconnaissances and depth of the country away from the oung fellows could shape as well as transport. The freezing makes the first and second lines of reserves, the e new troops the English keep roads better, and the clear, crisp

cointed our men in shooting, patrol "The Germans in one place are using work, marching and scouting. They a 42-centimetre howitzer against the are simply marvellous. British left, it is said, and the report tells of the capture on Nov. 21 of a German aeroplane bearing circulars calling on the Hindus to desert. Two ber of the staff. more German aeroplanes were brought down on Nov. 23, one after a running aerial fight, in which a British aviels are at their desks at five o'clock ator was wounded. This German ma- in the morning and go to their quarters chine was captured, but the other suc-

"Some of the roads behind the enemy's front line in one quarter," Col. Swinton writes, "have, it is believed, become impassable owing party to the weather conditions existing before the recent drop in the temperature, and also to the attentions of the allied infantry. It is possible to render roads impracticable by long-range fire talks over situations by telephone, refrom heavy guns, either by shelling ceives suggestions and gives orders any object that attempts to pass, or which are confirmed and recorded by

itself. "A combination of craters, such as shal Sir John French and Belgian headthose made by a large calibre high- quarters and with Bordeaux and Paris. explosive shell and sea-deep mud forms an obstacle difficult of negotiation by

tives or Interned-Great Loss of Life By

and 1,575 are captives, or have been

Drowning.

ment issued tonight by the admiralty. the marines of the royal naval division captured or interned is given as fol-

Officers: Killed, 220; wounded, 37 sing, 968; interned, 1.524. A great majority of those reported

The operations of the royal naval

# IN VILLAGE SCHUUL

General Joffre, Seventy Miles Behind the Lines, Quietly Does His Business By Wire.

TERS, Nov. 7.—(Correspondence)—"The nerve centre that moves more than two million men is in a village school house seventy miles behind the firing lines. The rare observer who is permitted to learn its whereabouts and approach, finds an absolutel contrast between the tranquility here and the intense action near the trenches. No cannon, ma-chine gun or rifle fire can be heard No cannon, ma-The commander-in-chief co-orhere. "Beyond the hardship inflicted on in- dinates his information and arrives at ports, and the dislocation of civil life quarters, but life is intense here also: twenty-four hour day of study and

acts of judgment. Staff of Young Colonels. "What young colonels you have here," remarked the correspondent to a mem-

"They are the men of the future," he pleasant private dwellings nearby ceeded in landing within the Germans' at ten at night. They are relieved by others and each sort of work goes on throughout the night."

General Joffre has six subordinate nerve centres in the six armies into which the field forces are divided. The six generals commanding these armies. Pau, Foch, Dalstein, Franche d' Esperray, Castelnau, Manoury, each with his general staff are connected by direct telegraph and telephone wires General Joffre often headquarters. merely by dropping a shell on the road telegraph. He is also in direct and frequent communication with Field Mar-

> A Single Sentinel. A single sentinel paces in front of darmes and it is impossible to enter the entrance. Except for a few for-

The Joy of Toys for Girls and Boys

Toy Town is royally fulfilling its function as the annual joymaker for girls and boys. Everything is here. Jack in the Box, trains, horses, bears, drums, horns, etc., and please watch the varied expressions in the Doll row, from the Kewpie to the tall, dignified young lady.

Toy Town-Basement.

### Have Your Upholstering Done Now Before the Holiday Season

We would urge those requiring new covering on their furniture to have it done now, as we are in a position to turn the work out very promptly, which avoids inconveniences at times if you have many pieces away. We are also still supplying English, French and Belgium Tapestries at old prices. We will furnish an estimate on your work, send a man with samples, too, who will give an accurate estimate, for which there is no charge. We also believe that we can supply the best work at the lowest price, and with the Smallman & Ingram guarantee of satisfaction.

At \$1.50 Yard.—A splendid range of Tapestries in blue, brown, green, olive and peacock blue.

At \$1.75 and \$2.00 Per Yard—Fine range of coverings, in the popular colors, extra quality, all 50 inches wide, some very handsome designs.

At \$2.50 and \$3.00 Yard-Heavy quality Tapestry, in new colors and combinations. Will give extra service. See these. At \$3.50 and \$4.00 Yard-An unusual selection of fine Tapestry coverings in some very novel effects, that are hard to equal

for exclusive furnishings. Let Us Estimate on Recovering Your Furniture.

175 Men's Fine

Knitted Mufflers

\$1.00 to \$1.25

Another great special picked for our

customers when gifts are wanted. A

clearing from the maker. Get your

share while they last. Plain grey or

white; also mixed colors, red, blue or

white, with black, and a variety of other

shades. Come early Friday, 69¢ each

Manufacturers

Sample Gloves, 89c

pair

A few dozen still to clear at this price.

Lined and unlined Mochas, Kids, Rein-

deer, etc. \$1.50 to \$2.00 gloves, 89¢

A Splendid Gift Suggestion.

group of youngish men on his staff,

venient devices for docketing the pa-

Ham sandwich, cream puff, bread and butter and cup

of tea or coffee, 10c.

Roast Chicken Dinner Today, 35c

Sale

7 omorrow

# ROAST CHICKEN SMALLMANS INGRAM SPECIAL SKIRT YOUR CHRISTMAS STORE IS READY is beginning to permeate into every city, village and hamlet.

Within the border lines of this happy, prosperous Canada the spirit of Santa Claus

The flood gates of humanity at its best are opening, and man's generosity to man, in thought and deed, has full sway. This has been turned into the bountiful Christmas store. Bountiful in the richness of its great stocks, happy in its scientific, orderly array for the easiest selection of gifts, highly efficient in its service and the comfort of Christmas shopping.

Every hour of every day from now until Christmas should be a busy one, but you know it has become a truism that morning shopping means greatest satisfaction.

### Wear Gossard Corsets They Lace in Front

Since the model illustrated here at \$2.50 has been introduced the variety of Gossard Corsets is complete, and their selection can be no longer postponed

These corsets are unquestionably alone in their extreme value and distinctive design, and any model you choose will give you perfect satisfaction regardless of the price you pay.

No. 250.—A popular model at a popular price. This corset has a medium bust, straight in outline, lightly boned, and long enough to envelop the entire lower figure, made of Everlast Cloth. As pictured. Sizes 20 to 28. Price, \$2.50

No. 367.—This model combines correct style lines with adaptability to figures of many types. Medium bust; the back and hip line straight, with slight curve at waist line; two elastic sections insure comfort in the closely-fitting skirt. Price ..... \$4.50 No. 651.—A new model, developed in a beautiful

figured batiste. This corset will give the woman with flesh above the waist the greatest degree of comfort. The back is flat and hips straight, with a slight incurve at waist. Elastic sections at middle back and over thigh. Price ...... \$7.00

GOSSARD MODELS FROM \$2.50 to \$12.50. Corseting the young girl—Her future figure depends on her first corset. For girls from 12 to 14

years. This corset is what the young girl needs for back support and to mold her figure in proper lines. Front steels are much softer than used in models for older figures. The importance of absolute freedom of motion, combined with health-giving support, cannot be overestimated. Sizes

# 20 to 26. Price ..... Another Purchase Men's Fur-lined Overcoats

\$45.00 to \$75.00 Coats, \$27.50 On Sale Friday

Only 24 Coats in this lot. A group of sample coats from the manufacturer. They have served their purpose, and we were fortunate enough to be on the spot and secure them at such a ridiculously low price. They would readily bring regular prices, \$45.00 to \$75.00, but we would not be deserving of your confidence to ask it. We are your agents, and you must share to the last dollar the savings on all such special purchases.

This is the lowest price we ever heard of in this or any other city for good Fur-Lined Coats. Fine Beaver and Melton shells with muskrat linings, and Otter, Persian and Marmot collars. A great winter coat for driving, motoring or any other purpose. We wish you to see them even if you do not intend buying, to see that they bear out all we claim for them. Sizes 36 to 44. On sale Friday and Saturday ..... \$27.50



A \$2.50 Gossard

AFTERNOON TEA. Cold Salmon, Bread and Butter and Cup of Tea or Coffee, 3 to 5:30, 15c.

utes.

SMALLMANS NERAM

and Gotha, is fighting for Germany, also has been questioned.

GIVEN FOR BRAVERY Eighteen Awarded Altogether Since the Commencement of the War.

LONDON. Nov. 25.-11:20 p.m. Eight Victoria Crosses have been awarded for conspicuous service in batt'es Five of these were given to privates and three to officers. Three men won their decorations at the battle of Lecateau, one at Mons and the others in later battles.

Altogether eighteen Victoria Crosses the most coveted of all British decorations for valor, have been awarded since the commencement of the war.

duced by excitement, attendant upor witnessing the Essen-Roller wrestling supposed to have been the cause of the

CASSELMAN BROS.' SHOWING OF FALL SHOES AND CHRISTMAS FOOTWEAR PARTICULARLY ATTRACTIVE



171 DUNDAS ST.

CASSELMAN BROS.

RUBBERS

**Suggestions** 

Slippers, Walking Boots, The best hockey Evening Shoes, Chil-Boots Made. dren's Slippers, School Come in and see Shoes, Skating Boots, this line. Prices, Skates. Rubbers to fit \$1.50 to \$4.00 any shoe.

office. It looks, inside, very much like the little drawing rooms attached to steamer cabins. A writing desk lets down at one end. Two divans are along the sides and there are convenient devices for deference.

ester guards, there are no soldiers in General Joffre's village except his Submarine Sinks British Steamer

ty thousand officers of France. The HAVRE (Via Paris), Nov. 26. roads of approach are watched by gen--The British steamer Melachite has been sunk by a German submarine a few miles northwest of Cape La Heve, which is about er by the chief of General Joffre's staff, three miles from Havre.

The Melachite, a steamer of or by one of the few persons in the military administration authorized to sign about 2,000 tons, belonging to the

Cunard Company, was bound from Liverpool to Havre. She The headquarters of a commanding general used to be distinguished by the orderlies and horses in front, and his was stopped by the submarine and the crew was given ten minrank could be pretty well determined utes to get into the ship's boats. by their numbers. Now it is the num-After this was done the subber of motor cars. Some fifteen or marine sank the Melachite and twenty, long, high-powered runners, are then closed her own hatches and usually lined up in the playground of the school house. There is no tooting dove down beneath the sea, leav-ing the crew of the steamer to of horns. The cars come and go quietly and swiftly. The representative of the British war office, Colonel Yarde-Ruller make their way to Havre. They arrived safely a few hours after their boat had been sunk. Buller, arrives, or the Russian military agent, or an officer from the immedi ate front, or a delegate from the Government, but, for the most part, there is little coming and going. The vast business of the drama is transacted by

Gives French Army business of the drama is transacted by wire. The meaning and significance of it all can only be determined by events remote from here.

An Automobile Office.

General Joffre, when he goes to the headquarters of one of the armies has with him an automobile fitted as an office. It looks inside very much like Million Pairs Shees

Russian Grand Dake

PARIS, Nov. 25.—4:26 p.m.—Grand Duke Michael, of Russia, has presented to the army 1,000,000 pairs of shoes which had been ordered from Webster, Mass., at an average price of \$3 per pair. Some enormous orders for shoes for the Russian army also have been placed in America.

**BRITISH ANNUITIES** TO ROYAL ENEMIES

LONDON, Nov. 25.—The question EIGHT MORE V.C.'S whether the payment of big annuities was being made to certain relations of the reigning royal family, when members of their families were fighting for Germany against Great Britain was raised in the House of Commons today by William Young, member of Parliament for Perthshire.

Mr. Young asked Premier Asquith whether he was aware that Prince Al- in France. bert of Schleswig Holstein, son of Princess Christian of Schleswig-Holstein, a daughter of the late Queen Victoria, and aunt of King George, was engaged as a combatant with the German army; whether the prince was in this country at the outbreak of the war, and whether any effort had been made to detain him.
Family Gets \$30,000 Annuity.

Mr. Asquith replied curtly that he had been informed that Prince Albert was serving in a military capacity in Germany," but that he had no knowledge when he left England. Mr. Young then suggested that the status of the were German citizens, should be inquired into, and asked the Premier whether he considered it "just and expedient that the British taxpayer should be called upon to pay \$30,000 per annum for the upkeep of this fam-

To this Mr. Asquith made no re-

FATAL EXCITEMENT. [Canadian Press.]
Montreal, Nov. 26.—Heart failure, in prince's family, who, he said, evidently a particularly exciting phase of the ex-

To this Mr. Asquith made no response.

The propriety of continuing a similar pension to the Duchess of Albany, widow of a son of Queen Victoria,

his seat and died in less than two min

\$35,000 FIRE IN BELLEVILLE.

BELLEVILLE, Nov. 25.—The Bal

ant and Amodeo & Co.'s fruit store

moral Hotel Block, Black's Restaur-

ire. The loss will exceed \$35,000.