

YOU'LL BE SURE TO FIND IT IN "The MAIL and ADVOCATE"

THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

Official Organ of The Fishermen's Protective Union of Newfoundland.

Vol. II. No. 276.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1915.

Price: 1 Cent.

POLITICAL CRISIS NOW REGARDED AS OVER

Asquith's Absence Expected to be Extended For Another Ten Days

SIR FREDERICK SMITH WILL SUCCEED CARSON

Loss of Life at the Dardanelles—Which Number 97,000—Cause a Lot of Uneasiness Amongst the Members

LONDON, Oct. 20.—Asquith's illness has had the effect of producing a greater air of calm in parliamentary circles than ever would have attended the resignation of Sir Edward Carson.

It is quite likely that Asquith's absence will be extended to nine or ten days, and this enforced cessation of political passions is expected to give time for reconciliation of differences.

Many conflicting statements are current concerning the real reason for Sir Edward's resignation. The Daily Mail affirms that it had nothing to do with the question of compulsory service.

Many papers advocate a smaller Cabinet and it is said, that when a successor to Carson is appointed, he probably will no longer hold Cabinet rank.

The uncertainty regarding the Dardanelles operations has been increased by the explanation by Harold J.

OFFICIAL

BRITISH

(To The Governor of Newfoundland.)

LONDON, Oct. 20.—General French reports that enemy attacks between Hulloch and the Quarries were everywhere repulsed.

Russia states that near Riga the Germans made progress. Desperate fighting continues. In the Stry region the Russians retook Chartorzisk.

TRIKISH

CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 20.—The following official statement was issued by the Turkish War Office:

"On the Dardanelles front our reconnoitering parties attacked the enemy Sunday night and threw them back to their main trenches, causing heavy losses. Local artillery and bomb engagements occurred at Avic Burnu and Seddul Bahr.

Central Powers Have Decided to Attack Montenegro

LONDON, Oct. 20.—It is reported from Frankfurt that the Central Powers have decided to undertake still another campaign.

According to this report, 20,000 Austrian and German infantrymen, with artillery, have arrived from Galicia at Sarajevo, in Bosnia, about 60 miles north of the Montenegrin border.

Tennant, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for War, in Parliament yesterday, said that the recently announced figures, showing nearly 97,000 casualties at the Dardanelles, did not include the sick.

Newspapers continue to laugh loud at the appointment of Major General Munro as successor to General Hamilton in the Dardanelles post.

Will Not Weaken Forces On Gallipoli Peninsula

Majority of British People Confident of Campaign Being Successfully Accomplished in the Balkans

ALL IS QUIET ALONG THE WEST

Allies Have Made New Diplomatic With Greece—Intend to Land More Forces at Saloniki

LONDON, Oct. 20.—It is known that the force in Gallipoli have not been weakened for the Balkan campaign, and while the task is difficult the majority of the British public is confident that it will ultimately be accomplished in the Balkans.

Austro-German and Bulgarian armies continue to claim progress against the Serbians, but, except in the north, where the Serbs are being forced back into the mountains, the various reports do not go far toward clarifying the situation.

Italy, which singularly enough, is still technically at peace with Germany, has declared war on Bulgaria.

Russia is expected to follow her example almost immediately. When this formality is completed it is possible that the action which Italy and Russia intend to take in the Balkans will be defined.

The Allies have also made a new diplomatic move with respect to Greece. The British and French Ministers have delivered a Note to Athens, explaining that the Allies do not agree with the Greek Government's interpretation of the Greco-Serbian treaty.

Comparative quiet prevails in the West.

Cabinet Ministers Bombarded by Questions

Not Much Information Given Out—Reprisals For Air Raiders Discussed

LONDON, Oct. 21.—Cabinet Ministers were again bombarded with questions in the Commons to-day, but for the most part they managed to escape the intended frontal attack.

A suggestion made by Johnson Hicks (Unionist) of the policy of reprisals as a deterrent to Zeppelin raids, was frowned upon by the War Office. Tennant remarking that such a policy had always been subject to considerable controversy.

Bulgarian Forces Held at Vlasina

ATHENS, Oct. 21.—A despatch by the Russian Legation announces that the Bulgarian troops have not taken Vranja, as reported. They are said to have been held up by the formidable defence of Vlasina.

The Serbian Legation denies that the Bulgarians have occupied Zajcar.

Premier Viviani Assures Allies France's Support

Paris, Oct. 20.—The French Premier Viviani has telegraphed Sergius Sazanoff, Sir Edward Grey and Baron Sonnino, respectively foreign ministers of Russia, Britain and Italy.

At the moment of a change in the French Ministry he wished to declare to them that the modification did not involve any modification in the policy which France was pursuing in concert with the Allies.

Zeps. Are Now Engaged in Commerce Defence

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 20.—Zeppelins are being used by Germany for the defence of its commerce against attacks by British and Russian submarines.

According to a despatch from Berlin, it is stated that the steamer Scotia, bound from Sweden to Stettin, with a cargo of ore, was pursued by a British submarine off Bornholm.

Fifty Ambulances Lost When Huns Torpedo Steamer

LONDON, Oct. 21.—Fifty ambulances which the British Relief Fund of Great Britain recently handed over to a representative of the French Government in London has been lost.

Don't forget to-night's Patriotic Concert in the Methodist College Hall for our wounded soldiers and sailors.

The Tragedy of Sir Lionel Carden

Pall Mall Gazette Says he Has Been Sacrificed and That Influence Has Been Worked Against Him

LONDON, Oct. 21.—Under the heading "The Tragedy of Sir Lionel Carden," the "Pall Mall Gazette," commenting on the death of the late British Minister to Mexico, severely criticizes both President Wilson and the British Government for the Huerta incident, 1914, relating how Sir Lionel Carden went to Mexico at the request of Sir Edward Grey.

"This proved to be the rock upon which he split," adds the "Gazette," "intrigues of the Washington administration proving too strong for him, he was not supported by his own government, so he was compelled to return to England, and like Regulus, he kept his oath, going out of Mexico much against his own will; also, like that brave Roman who went back to Carthage to face punishment, Sir Lionel returned home, only to find that influence had undermined his reputation and assailed his appointment."

Will Prevent Able-Bodied Men Leaving England

LONDON, Oct. 21.—Immediate steps will be taken by British authorities, the "Evening News" understands to restrict the rush of able-bodied Britons of military age to the Colonies, Island of Jersey, Guernsey and Ireland, in order to escape military service.

It is perfectly obvious, the newspaper says that grave damage is being caused to the relations between the Mother Country and Dependencies if herds of slackers are allowed to pour into Canada, Australia, and India, which have given their best blood for the Empire.

Bulgars Forced To Spread Forces

PARIS, Oct. 20.—The Salonika correspondent of the Havas Agency sends the following despatch under Tuesday's date:

"French troops having received orders not to pass the Bulgarian frontier, Strumitza has not been occupied by the Allies. The Bulgarians are concentrating troops in haste in Doderudja, supposedly because Roumania appears to be leaning more towards the Entente.

Asquith's Condition Reported as Improved

LONDON, Oct. 20.—The condition of Premier Asquith was described by his physicians at noon to-day as satisfactory. The following bulletin was given out:

Fifty-Two Persons Killed In Explosion

PARIS, Oct. 21.—Fifty-two persons are reported killed in an explosion this afternoon at a factory in Rue de Tolbiac, while one hundred, or more, were injured. Many of the victims are women workers in the factory, which was wrecked, as were other buildings in the vicinity.

SIR EDWARD CARSON EXPLAINS RESIGNATION

Found Himself at Complete Variance With Cabinet Over Near Eastern Question—Thought it Best to Resign

PAYS WARM TRIBUTE TO LATE COLLEAGUES

Owing to Premier's Absence From House Carson Makes Briefer Explanation Than he Had Intended Doing

LONDON, Oct. 21.—Carson announced in the Commons to-day that his resignation from the Attorney-Generalship was due to divergency of views with regard to Near Eastern affairs.

LONDON, Oct. 21.—Coming direct from Buckingham Palace, where he handed King George the seals of his office on his resignation from the Cabinet, Sir Edward Carson appeared in the Commons this afternoon and set at rest all conjectures regarding the reasons for his retirement.

Rising from his old seat in the front Opposition bench, the former Attorney-General, in a few words, made the House conversant with the cause of the present Ministerial crisis which he said was due entirely to the fact that he found himself at complete variance with the Cabinet on the question of Near Eastern policy.

After expressing his regret at the absence of Premier Asquith, and stating for this reason he would give a briefer explanation than he intended doing, Sir Edward Carson said:

"I am well aware of the difficulties under existing circumstances, of making any full statement, or of saying anything that might be taken hold of as showing any signs of weakness or divergence from the main object we all have in view—the carrying on of the war, at all sacrifices, to a final and conclusive issue. I need hardly say that upon that issue there is not, and never has been, either in the Cabinet, in the House, or in the country, any disagreement or divergence of opinion thereat."

Result South African Election Yet Uncertain

Nationalists Make Poor Showing—Labour Party Has Been Rent in Twain—Rowell Leader Defeated

UNIONISTS PROVE UNEXPECTEDLY STRONG

Smuts, Minister of Interior and Defense, Re-elected Over Nationalist and Labor Candidate

CAPE TOWN, Oct. 21.—General Smuts, Minister of Interior and Defence of the Union of South Africa, has been re-elected to Parliament by Pretoria constituency over the Nationalist and Labor candidates.

The Unionists are proving unexpectedly strong, having already returned 30 members, which was total conceded party before polling began; the strong showing of Unionists just far is accounted for by the fact that returns from cities of Cape Province have been received before those of country districts, where South African and Nationalist parties dominate.

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 20.—In addition to the four German steamers reported yesterday as having been torpedoed in the Baltic, four other German steamers were sent to the bottom by British submarines outside the southern Stockholm Archipelago during the last 24 hours.

FIRST Nfld. REGIMENT OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST

October 21, 1915. 1177—Private Thomas Crawford Gowans, 6 Carnell Street. Wounded dangerously, October 16. J. R. BENNETT, Colonial Secretary.

and I entirely deny that fact, that though holding divergent views as to the best policy and methods to adopt in the various war theatres in order to bring it to a successful conclusion, is in any sense an element of dishonour.

I have seen criticisms of myself and reasons for my resignation of a very petty and malicious character, attributing my motives to be of a party political nature. I do not desire to deal here with these ridiculous assertions, except to say now, in the presence of my late colleagues, that ever since I entered the Cabinet, I never heard a word of discussion or dispute on those party questions which divided us before the war. In every Cabinet meeting I attended, we all devoted our energies wholly and solely to the discussing questions which arose with reference to the prosecution of the war. I also desire to say that during the whole time I have been in the Cabinet I never had any personal difference either with the Prime Minister, whose unwavering courtesy I desire to acknowledge, or with any one of my late colleagues. May I also add that no one realises more than I the great difficulties under which we labor, owing to the fact that our policy methods must at all times be adopted in concert and co-ordination with our various Allies and must also very frequently be framed with a view to consulting the sentiments and feelings of these neutral countries, with whom we remain on friendly terms. This often has been lost sight of by critics of our actions who cannot possibly know the difficulties which arise from time to time."

WANTED IMMEDIATELY SCHOONERS To freight Lumber from Botwood and Norris Arm to St. John's. Quick dispatch at both points. Apply The Empire Wood Working Co., Limited.