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THE WAR NEWS

British people everywhere would rejoice if the statement attributed to Sir John French in a London cable to the New York Herald were confirmed. The British commander is credited with having said that while there is still hard fighting to be done the danger is over. If he made such a statement, however, it was probably in relation to the German attempt to break through to Calais. We must not forget that the Germans are still in France and Belgium, and there is to be a long and severe struggle before they are driven back into their own country, and a still more severe struggle on the road to Berlin.

A great victory was gained, however, for the Allies when they hurled back the German advance toward Calais, and it is no doubt true that so far as the capture of the French channel ports is concerned the danger has passed.

The great battle in Poland is still undecided. Its importance to Germany is indicated by the fact that the Kaiser is, or has been, at the headquarters of the armies of Von Hindenburg, who has been created a field marshal. The reports from Petrograd and Berlin are contradictory, but the correspondents of London newspapers are convinced that the advantage has been with Russia, and that unless heavy reinforcements are received at once by the Germans they must suffer a decisive defeat.

In view of the fact, however, that Russian official announcements continue to be of a meagre and somewhat cautious nature, it would not be well to assume too much. There appears to be no doubt that very heavy losses have been inflicted upon the Germans, and the reports of the next forty-eight hours will be awaited with a very keen interest. Today's news is decidedly favorable to Russia.

In the west the German offensive has slackened, and all the reports indicate that the British and French are doing a little more than holding their own, and that the general condition of the troops is excellent. A British observer declares with regard to the British troops in the field that "it is probably not saying too much to assert that no other soldiers in the field had ever been so well fed."

The visit of King George to the front will be hailed by the men with great enthusiasm. The keen interest which both the King and Queen are taking in the welfare of the troops, and in all that pertains to a successful prosecution of the war, will endear them more and more to the hearts of the British people.

A report comes from Copenhagen that the German fleet is preparing to strike a blow at Russian ports in the Baltic, but it is probably no more reliable than previous reports suggesting a probable naval attack upon Great Britain.

If it be true that Germany is exacting an enormous monthly war tribute from the starving people of Belgium, another grave count is added to the indictment against her, and it will make much greater the price she will have to pay when the Allied armies have marched to Berlin.

The corps of the St. John Standard are extremely sensitive, but in the public interest they must be squeezed now and then.

Twenty students of the University of New Brunswick have enlisted for foreign service. That is a splendid record for the provincial university.

The Borden Club decided last night to send a message of thanks and congratulation to Hon. J. D. Hazen, Hon. J. K. Fleming appears in some way to have been overlooked.

Mr. F. W. Sumner of Moncton is to be congratulated on his offer of automobiles with his own services and those of two chauffeurs to the Canadian Transport Department.

The Vancouver Sun is of the opinion that if Premier Fleming attempts to hold on to office he should be impeached, and declares that "the story of New Brunswick's infamy is a shock to Canadians."

Yesterday an Ottawa despatch appeared to defend the wet canteen at Salisbury Plains. A despatch from London, Ontario, quoting a letter from Sergeant Major Campbell Galbraith, declares that every tragedy among the Canadian troops to date has been caused directly by drink.

The Chatham World wants to know what Lieut.-Gov. Wood proposes to do in the case of Premier Fleming. The World also intimates that there are dissatisfied Conservatives who would be glad to attend a conference of friends of good government, in the hope of bringing to a termination a conglomeration of affairs in New Brunswick politics that is very bad for the province.

The return to Canada of thirty-eight aliens who went with the Canadian forces to Salisbury Plains shows how carefully the British authorities guard against the possible enlistment of German spies. Perhaps not one of the men rejected could be classed as an enemy.

In that case they will suffer the

keenest disappointment. It is nevertheless better that many should be disappointed than that one enemy should find a place in the ranks of our soldiers.

"To sum up, our material and moral situation from the sea to the Lys is very good," says the French official report, and it adds that conditions are equally satisfactory along the whole line to the Vosges.

The alleged discovery of a floating mine six miles west of Fire Island Light, in the pathway of vessels entering New York harbor, raises an interesting question. By whom was it placed there and for what purpose?

Germany is still protesting that she was forced to fight. She will have some difficulty, however, in convincing the world that she was forced to violate a solemn treaty, or to commit the atrocities which have been proved against her soldiers.

Major-General Hughes was to have visited St. John last week. It was next announced that he would be here this week. It is now announced that he will probably be here next week. The announcements concerning his movements are almost as unsatisfactory as some of the news concerning the movements of the Allied armies.

The Times has received from one Albert A. Strauss, a New York reporter for German newspapers, a large pamphlet entitled "The Absolute Truth in regard to the Causes of the European World War." To make the pamphlet more attractive the author has placed upon the front cover an American flag. As might be expected, Mr. Strauss finds "England chiefly to blame for the European world war." A very determined effort is being made by Germans in the United States and to create a prejudice against the British. Newspaper articles, pamphlets and public addresses are all utilized for this purpose, in the hope no doubt that when the day of settlement comes the United States may be induced to exert its influence to secure the most favorable terms for those who are really responsible for the deluge of blood. Rushed Belgium is the answer to all these German writers and speakers may say, and their appeal for sympathy in the United States is made in vain.

President Wilson of the United States is not worried about precedent. "This week's issue of Bradstreet's says:—Among the items of news coming from Washington is one to the effect that President Wilson contemplates sitting with the senate while important executive sessions and that he may ask the house to amend its rules so as to permit members of the cabinet to join in its deliberations. Such a course as that indicated would excite no surprise, for Mr. Wilson has already more than once shown his independence of recent precedent in the matter of presenting his views on the state of the union to congress in person, instead of having his messages read, as most of his predecessors have chosen to do."

Bradstreet's adds that the senators will apparently make no objection to the president's proposal, but that the house may be less hospitably inclined toward representatives of the president who have not been elected by the people.

The British battleship Bulwark, which was blown up the other day, was for years the flagship of Admiral Charles Bessborough in the Mediterranean. In his two volume memoirs, just published in the United States by Little, Brown & Company, Admiral Bessborough says: "Forty-four years had elapsed since I was a midshipman in H. M. S. Marlborough, flagship in the Mediterranean, when I hoisted my flag in H. M. S. Bulwark as commander-in-chief upon that station, in June 1905. Those changeable years had seen the old navy out and the new navy in; their revolutions had transformed the whole material aspect of the navy, and the essential spirit of the navy, adopting itself to new conditions, remained unaltered."

"King Edward VII honored the flagship with a visit on April 4, 1906. About an hour before the king came aboard the swaying over the quarter-deck caught fire, owing to a short circuit of the electric light. Lieut. Gibbs, with great pluck and presence of mind, instantly climbed upon the awning and extinguished the flames with his hands, which were severely burned."

Harry Lauder's Son a Soldier. In the course of a speech at a complimentary supper in Timaru, New Zealand, Harry Lauder remarked that he could honestly say that on every appearance he gave of his best, and the appreciation of the audiences had been his reward. He had met nothing but kindness and friendship since he arrived in these far distant parts of the empire. He had met the clear cut, indomitable Scot wherever he went. That was the type of man that had made the colony, and that was the type required in the northland at this juncture. (Hear, hear.) He hoped all would do their duty to their country, and make what sacrifices were necessary. His son, who had come to Australia to see him, had been in the commonwealth only eight days when he was ordered to return home at once. He was a lieutenant in the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. That was his sacrifice—his only son.

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German employees of the mint who have gone to the war ought to make good marks.—Wall Street Journal.

Unesay Passenger—I say, steward, doesn't the ship tip frightfully?

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It would seem that there is a good opening for a clearance house at the front to handle the numerous "checks" received by the opposing forces.—Vancouver Sun.

John R. Drexl, discussing his detention in Germany, adds:

"The Kaiser has forbidden the German troops to drink the Czar has forbidden drink to the Russian 'cheeks' as he was pegging along on his bicycle down a narrow country road, he came across a man holding a ram by the horns."

"Halloa!" cried Robinson, "Can I help?"

"I should be much obliged," replied the other, "if you'd hold this ram just while I get that gate over here open."

"Certainly," replied Robinson; and, dismounting, he boldly seized the ram by the horns.

"Thanks, awfully," said the stranger, now on the other side of the gate. "The brute attacked me more than an hour ago, and I've been struggling with him ever since. So long, old chap! Hope you'll be as lucky as I was!"

"Yes, John received his trunk this morning. It's been somewhere over there in Germany for eleven weeks."

"Where is John?"

"Why, he's out at the garage shooting bullets through his trunk. He thinks they'll make it look so much more interesting, don't you know?"

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When the apples are cooked stir them until they are smooth and add sugar to taste. Cover again and boil for a short time with the sugar. The more quickly they are cooked the better flavored the sauce will be. This sauce when successful is equal to any jam.

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The pioneers had a way of cooking apples in a hurry that appeals to the taste of many. Those poor pioneers were always so busy with the interminable amount of work they had to do that they had to invent hasty ways of preparing fruit and some of the ways are excellent. They used to take ripe clean apples—they had no cooking worms in those days—and wash them.

"We cannot wither nor custom stale our infinite variety." Apples are good everywhere, at all times and in all manner of ways.

"Take 'apple sass' for instance. No two housewives make it exactly alike, but their families eat it with relish just the same. Those of us who have become accustomed to apple sauce at its best may not be enthusiastic over the watery and slippery sauce you get in some places, but I think it is allowed to go to waste. I have made enquiries about the way to make my favorite brand of Pippin apple sauce and I am going to pass it along. Possibly it is in the government recipe book, but my copy is at present buried under unanswered correspondence and I am afraid to hunt for it for fear of getting my letters more hopelessly mixed than they are now. Here is the recipe that never fails to tickle my palate.

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The court jester of Czar Nicholas I. who was a skillful mimic, once decided that he would like a vacation and some money to spend. So he presented himself at the office of the marshal of the palace to talk over the matter. While he was waiting in the anteroom, the Czar entered. This is the interview that took place:

"What are you doing here, Martinow?" inquired Nicholas.

"I came here to ask the Marshal for a leave of absence."

"Come along with me and I will present your case for you."

So the Czar, in company with the jester, entered the marshal's office, and said to him: "I have a request to make on behalf of my friend here, but—and he turned to Martinow—"first you must make some fun for us."

Martinow was embarrassed. "I'm afraid I can't do it, your Majesty. I haven't anything here to work with."

"Here, take my helmet!"

Martinow put it on his head, threw out his chest and assuming a haughty air, addressed the marshal in a tone exactly like that of the Czar—"Sir, how well are you satisfied with our jester, Martinow?"

Without waiting for the answer, he took off the helmet, and assuming the bearing of the marshal, he answered in the latter's tone of voice. "Very well satisfied, indeed, Your Majesty."

He then replaced the helmet on his

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head, and said, imitating the Czar. "If you, sir, are satisfied with the jester, then we shall let him have a thousand rubles and a three months' leave of absence."

Then in the voice of the marshal he said: "It shall be done as you wish, Your Majesty; it shall be done."

The Czar laughed uproariously at this clever bit of dialogue, and said, graciously: "Since Martinow has ordered it in the name of the Czar, we must grant it. All right, Martinow, take care of your self and good luck to you!"

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