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THE WAR NEWS

The battle of Ypres is still in progress. The Germans had evidently made up their minds to anticipate the great drive of the Allies by a powerful counter stroke, and if they have not succeeded they have at least made a very formidable attack. Their losses must have been tremendous, but today's cables say that with the admirable system of light railways they have been able to bring up great masses of men and munitions of war, and that they are still vigorously on the offensive. Their first drive failed, however, and confidence is expressed in the ability of the Allies to continue to hold them in check. The line which they bent back appears to have been straightened out again, and after the shock of the first assault, which forced them to fall back, the Allies by vigorous counter attack regained the lost ground. At least this appears to be the substance of the news by cable. According to the statements of wounded French soldiers the asphyxiating bombs are not as terrible as first represented. However, they either put the men to sleep or drove them out of the trenches, and we are told that those who slept were bayoneted by the advancing Germans. Incendiary bombs have also been thrown into the town of Ypres. German ingenuity is revealing itself in some utterly devious inventions, but the British, French and Belgian soldiers meet every assault and every device with unflinching courage and resolution. The Canadians with conspicuous bravery stormed a German position on Saturday morning, and we are told that "all London is praising their conspicuous gallantry." Further news of the casualties is awaited with universal anxiety.

Last night's cables brought news that the fleet has again attacked the Dardanelles, and is supported by an army which disembarked under the guns of the fleet and began its advance against the Turkish position. This time a more determined effort will be made to force the passage of the Straits. From the Carpathians comes word that the Russians have successfully repulsed further attacks by the enemy, but for the moment no great action has developed, and attention is centred on the operations in Flanders and at the Dardanelles.

The Italian press is conducting a vigorous campaign in behalf of intervention on the side of the Allies. The opinion appears to grow that Italian armies will soon be in the field against the Austrians, and the Italian fleet co-operating with that of Britain and France. Such a diversion would have a notable effect upon the fortunes of the war.

The list of the German commercial raiders is off the sea. The Kormoran, which will be interned at the Norfolk navy yard during the period of the war so far as the naval situation is concerned, the rumors about a great possible battle in the North Sea do not appear to have had any foundation.

THE AWFUL COST

The Canadian people realize today as never before what the people of the Mother Country have been suffering for many months past, and what the people of France and Belgium have suffered to a far greater extent. The news that the Canadians killed and wounded, although the news has shocked the whole country, is but insignificant in comparison with the losses sustained by the other nations involved in this gigantic war. While there is a measure of satisfaction in the king, the commander-in-chief and others in regard to the gallantry of the Canadian soldiers, their conduct is no more than was confidently expected of them by their fellow countrymen. They had not been accustomed to war, but their courage was of the sort that characterizes a free people defending their freedom and their homes; for the homes of Canada are being defended by the Canadian soldiers in Belgium and France today. The whole attitude of the Canadian people toward the war, however, will be materially altered by the news of the heavy casualties among the Canadian troops. These men will not die unavenged. There will be a new note in Canadian patriotism. It is impossible to read of the death or wounding of those we know without an increased feeling of bitterness against those responsible for the war, and a greater determination to play a more vigorous part in crushing forever the spirit of Prussian militarism. Canada will be the poorer for the sons she has lost, but the richer for their example. Their deeds are imperishable, and will shed lustre upon the name of Canada through all the coming years. In a great crisis in world-history they have proved themselves worthy of their parentage, and of the freedom they have enjoyed. There will be many dark days in the weary months to come, but this war is not of Britain's making or of Britain's choice. Two widely different ideals are striving for the mastery in the world, and there will be no compromise. We know what British freedom stands for, and we have been learning of late what Prussian militarism would involve. There can be no compromise. Doubtless great questions will arise after this war is over, calling for the exercise of the highest statesmanship. Great difficulties must be overcome and differences adjusted, but the paramount duty of this

hour is to crush the Prussian war-lord and his ambition, and in that the men of Canada will have their share of glory and achievement and of bitter cost. Each day's list of casualties will make them the more determined to see this thing through to the end.

MEDICAL INSPECTION

The address by Dr. W. F. Roberts before the German Street Brotherhood last evening and the resolutions adopted in favor of medical and dental inspection in the public schools direct attention once more to a matter which is of vital importance to the welfare of the community. If the citizens could be got to realize how much such inspection would mean, not only to the health of the children themselves, but to the health of the community in preventing the spread of disease, they would never rest until provision for such inspection had been made. It is not an experiment that Dr. Roberts advocates, and has been advocating for more than ten years. In every city where an inspection has been made for the first time of the children in the public schools, whether in Canada or the United States or other countries, the number of children suffering from defects which unfitted them from getting the best results in their school work and which in many cases meant permanent disability in later life if the defects were not removed, has been so great that immediate action was taken along the lines which Dr. Roberts suggests. We need somebody in St. John to take as much interest in the welfare of the children as some people take in cattle and dogs and horses, in taxation, town planning, city government, and some other matters which are really less vital to the community. The German Street Brotherhood should not content itself, and doubtless will not content itself with the mere passage of a resolution. That resolution should be passed on with an educative campaign, and should gather force as it goes, until provision is made for the appointment of school doctors and dentists, and nurses, and such an improvement in our educational system in that respect as will bring St. John into line with other enlightened communities.

May 7 has been set apart as Arbor Day for St. John county. Why not have a real observance of this day?

The American Civic Association wants to know what is being done in St. John in the way of a clean-up campaign. Don't let speak at once.

Do the Conservatives think in view of what is transpiring in Flanders today that this country should be thrown into a bitter political campaign? If they do, and if they set upon that thought, they will get their answer from an indignant people.

When we read of the brutal treatment of prisoners by the Germans, we are almost tempted to resent the courtesy which permitted some German officers, who are prisoners, to take dinner at a leading hotel on their arrival at Amherst recently.

If the Canadian casualty list inspires a lot more Canadians of wealth to order hospital beds or make other large contributions, the fact will show that they appreciate what is being done to conserve the wealth of Canada by her soldiers at the front.

For the year ending March 31 the exports from St. John were more than \$18,000,000 greater in value than in any previous year. The port has made a new record for steamship business in winter. Even the imports were greater than in any previous year with the exception of the two last previous.

Among the crimes of which Mr. F. B. Carvell, M. P., has been guilty are the elimination of Mr. J. K. Pennington from provincial politics, the exposure of Mr. Pinder and his retirement from the public works committee at Fredericton, the exposure of grafting operations in connection with the military supplies at Ottawa, and various other activities which have brought him the much dreaded condemnation of the St. John Standard, and that other exponent of political purity, the Fredericton Gleaner.

A matter of much importance in relation to the schools of St. John has been brought to the attention of The Times by a lady who is a teacher, and who takes a deep interest in the children, entirely apart from her daily duties in the schoolroom. She finds it necessary quite frequently to ask her friends for a pair of boots or some article of clothing for a boy or girl, who, because of a lack of proper clothing remains away from school. Clearly there should be an organization of some kind to meet this need, so that generous citizens would not be imposed upon, and yet so that no child would be compelled to remain away from school because of lack of proper clothing. If the Children's Aid Society were provided with funds so that it could employ an agent and investigate every case, it would go far toward the solution of the problem. Since that society is unable to carry on its work, there ought to be some organization to which teachers could apply in such cases as those to which a teacher has directed the attention of this paper.

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One morning a woman of the neighborhood heard a commotion outside to find Everett in the act of tormenting the cat.

"Why, Everett," she called, "what are you doing to that poor cat? I thought you belonged to the Band of Mercy Society."

"I did," replied the little boy, "but I lost my star."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Harmonious Sentality.

A correspondent sends us this story, evidently from an ironical Swiss paper. A few soldiers belonging to part of a Swiss regiment in garrison at Basel went to a certain cafe for refreshments. One of them sat down alone at a table. Later a civilian, a German, joined him and the two began to talk war politics.

"Would you shoot on the Germans if they invaded Switzerland?" asked the German.

"Oh, no, never," exclaimed the soldier. "Walter, a pint of beer and a beefsteak with potatoes for this brave man," ordered the civilian.

"And your pals sitting at the next table—would they also not shoot the Germans if they tried to invade this country?"

"Oh, no, never," retorted the Swiss. "Walter, a glass of beer for each of the soldiers at the next table," ordered the civilian.

And addressing again the soldier, he asked: "Is this generally the view held in the Swiss Army in regard to a possible German invasion? Are all the Swiss soldiers so Germanophil?"

"I don't know," replied the soldier. "But why would you not shoot the Germans?"

"Because we belong to the band,"—Manchester Guardian.

The Great Need.

"Book Agents," this teacher will teach the children to economize.

The Victim—"That's no good to me. What I need is a book which shows me how to live without economizing."

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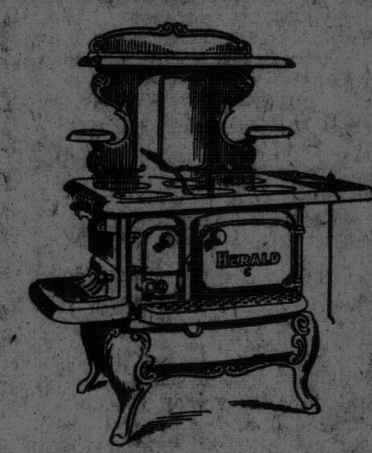
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FURTHER WORD OF
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Ottawa, April 26.—The Canadian division was in reserve today, according to a despatch received by the minister of militia from Col. J. Carriek, M. P., of Gen. Alderson's staff. Col. Carriek wired: "Canadians covered themselves with glory. Their heroism most highly appreciated at headquarters. In reserve today."

The list of casualties which continues to come from the front, gives additional

evidence of the fierce character of the fighting north of Ypres. That the Fifteenth battalion was also in action is evidenced by the names of several officers of this corps which came through tonight.

Messages of a congratulatory nature continue to pour into the government, and a wave of intense patriotism is evidently sweeping the country. Sir George Perley, acting High Commissioner for Canada in London, catches the spirit of the Canadians.

"All London is praising the conspicuous gallantry of the troops."

Britain Proud of Them.

Hon. Lewis Harcourt, secretary of state for the colonies, says: "Britain is proud of her Canadian brothers. The prime minister answered: 'I am most grateful for your message, which will be deeply appreciated by the people of the dominion.'"

General James Drenth, of Washington (D. C.), wired the minister of militia: "I sincerely regret the terrible losses, but glory in the magnificent showing of the Canadians."

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Major Scobell, in command of the Frontier Guard of Niagara Falls, wired: "Am ready to go to the front to fill the gaps."

Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, Bart., of Vancouver (B. C.), answering a message of sympathy in the death of his son-in-law and the wounding of his son, says:

"If death had to call Merritt (his son-in-law), he would have chosen it in defence of his country. Canada, in its sorrow, is consoled by the bravery of her soldiers. Reggie (son) cables from Boulogne: 'Slightly wounded.'"

The officers reported wounded tonight are as follows:

"Capt. Bowen, 7th battalion, formerly 7th, 19th Edmonton Dragoons.

"Major Ballentyne, 4th battalion, seriously wounded, formerly of 20th Peel regiment.

"Lt. W. I. Ford, 7th battalion, of Kamloops, formerly of the Rocky Mountain Rangers.

"Lt. H. J. Schornschmidt, 7th battalion, Vancouver.

"Lt. F. S. Malson, 18th battalion, formerly of the 8th Royal Highlanders, Montreal.

"Lt. J. A. Danneberg, 18th battalion, a graduate of the R. M. C., and attached with corps of guides.

Capt. Geo. Haggerty MacLaren, 18th battalion, place of residence unknown

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