DARK SKINNED FIGHTERS ON THE WAY TO THE FRONT

WEDNESDAY MORNING

first appearance in the firing line.

The opposing forces are so strong that it must be many days before a decisive result is attained by either, despite the great losses which they are suffering and which grow greater as report follows report.

ARTILLERY DUEL CONTINUES.

Along the old front, stretching from the River Oise to the Meuse, from which the Germans withdrew their best troops to strengthen the army, which is attempting to advance along the coast, the French have been taking the offensive, and to the north of Soissons have been engaging in an artillery duel with the Germans in which they have destroyed several of the German batteries. They seem to have been playing at this game for some time, for the last three reports from Paris have announced the destruction of German guns.

Further east, the offensive tactics of the French have driven the Germans, who were threatening Nancy, back across the frontier. The Germans, however, are so strongly entrenched along the long line that it is believed they are preparing to remain for the winter, holding their positions until their present objectives, the northern ports of France, have been attained.

NOTABLE FRENCH SUCCESS.

A notable success of the French is reported today from the east end of 300 mile front. A drive in the vicinity of Nancy threw the Germans over the French border into Lorraine. From Pont-a-Mousson

to Pagny, the entire country is freed of the invader.

St. Mihjel is in the hands of the German crown prince despite all efforts to dislodge his forces. But east of that town the French are making splendid progress and the envoloping movement against his position is expected to reach an early and successful issue. North of Melsicourt, the town in the heart of the Argonne forest, taken yesterday, the Germans lost additional ground today.

There was renewed activity on the centre this morning when a bombardment from French guns drove the Germans from fortified posts between Soissons and Berry-au-Bac. Several German batteries are said to have been blown to bits. At all points the German offensive appears to have reached a critical stage. They must either go forward or backward. The latter eventuality seems most unlikely and military authorities predict a general retirement all along the front within a few days. On the other hand reliable reports say that the kaiser was in Belgium Sunday and gave emphatic orders that Dunkirk and Calais must be captured, laying special stress on the mportance of the latter port.

LIEUT.-GEN. FRANKLYN DEAD.

Lieut.-Gen. Sir William Edmund Franklyn, who commanded the third division of Kitchener's new army, died suddenly tonight.

Lieut.-Gen.Franklyn, prior to assuming the command in Kitchener's army, was military secretary to the secretary of war, which post he had held since 1911. He was born in 1856 and served with distinction in India and other countries. He was director of the adjutant-general's department of the war office in 1904-06.
BRIG.-GEN. KAVANAGH WOUNDED.

A casualty list issued tonight, dated Oct. 23, reports 16 officers killed, 35 wounded and 23 missing. Among the wounded are Brig.-Gen. C. T. McM. Kavanagh and Lieut.-Col. E. B. Cook, First Life Guards; Lieut.-Col. A. F. H. Ferguson, Second Life Guards, and Lieut.-Col. B. E. Ward, Middlesex Regiment. Captain John Jacob Astor, First Life Guards, son of William

Waldorf Astor, was wounded in a battle in France. LIEUT.-GEN. FREDERIC KILLED.

The 60th Prussian casualty list, with accompanying Saxon and Bavarian lists, was published in Berlin today. The list is headed with the name of Lieut.-Gen. Frederic of Sax-Meiningen, who was killed in a battle near Montigny, Aug. 23.

Despatches from the south report that the Germans have restrong enough they would possibly

pulsed the French attacks in southern Vosges. Five German officers, wounded in battle, are in the hospital at manufacturing in a residential district.

er is Frince Jean Charles of Carolath Beuthen, a lieutenant of the regiment of Uhlans, No. 3, who is suffering from a wound in the leg.

THAMES CHANNELS CLOSED.

To frustrate the attempts of hostile craft to reach London, further channels in the Thames, several of which previously had been closed, were banned today by order of the British admiralty till further notice. Within certain limits vessels at anchor in the river must not show lights between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m.

General Von Tripp and several members of his staff killed by a shell from the British fleet cow days since, were buried today at

CAPTURED GERMAN BANNER.

In the fighting around Arras, George Andre, noted French athlete, outdistanced his comrades in a bayonet charge and suddenly found himself well within the German lines. He seized a banner from the hands of a nearby color bearer and footballed his way thru the Germans surrounding him. They were so astonished at his conduct that he succeeded in regaining the French line, altho wounded in the foot.

A despatch from Amsterdam says: "The first batch of French non-combatants left Germany yesterday via Schaffhauses, Berne and Geneva. The departure will be allowed of all women and of all males under 17 years of age and over 60. A train with German non-combatants is expected to arrive shortly in Germany from France."

From Geneva comes the following message: The most powerful Zeppelin yet made has just been launched at Friedrichshafen, on Lake Constance. Without preliminary trials it flew away northward at great speed, cheered by the soldiers who shouted 'To London! to London!" Count Zeppelin was present at the launching.

The airship has a special armored compartment for bombs. A message from Avlona. Albania, says that 600 regular Greek soldiers have arrived at Vasari and attacked the Mahommedan troops at Ghegi. The Greeks then started for Kerciovo.

It is declared that reports from the interior of Albania say that Greek epirotes have destroyed the Villages of Schialisi, Busi, Tepeleni, Premedi and Rubzi, not far from the Grecian border.

SEE IMPROVEMENT

Washington Officials Confident Conditions Will Speedily Right Themselves.

Canadian Press Despatch.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27 .- Altho negotiations between Sir George Paisn, American bankers and the federal reserve board, to clear up problems of international finance, will be resumed here Friday, officials are inclined to hope now that the developments in the natural course of trade will high in their burden and possibly present a solution of the whole problem.
Officials here pointed today to the

fact that the rate for foreign exchange in New York had dropped to within a few cents of normal, and that ind! dual debtors in this country are evidently seeking to take care of their own obligations in the usual channels of exchange. The fact that Great Britain has agreed that cotton shall not be regarded as contraband and shall the problems of the hour at Ottawabe on the free list, is expected to help The railway is ready for operation

toward finding a bottom for cotton and opening a market for the crop. The twelve reserve banks will be open within three weeks and with the vast reserves to be released with their en-trance into the field, conditions are expected to show decided improve-

It was said that it may even be possible to arrive at some conclusions which will obviate the necessity for any sort of agreement between British Government, the British bank-ers, and American bankers.

NEW RAILWAY NOT YET IN OPERATION

National May Be Idle Till Spring, Latest Report.

By a Staff Reporter.

Ratepayers Protest Against Harry B. Lattimer's Use of Back Yard Building.

Harry B. Lattimer at 508 Dover brick building in the rear of his residence, which the residents claim is dential district. They also claim that it is injurious to health and property. The fumes which emerge from the chimney, they say are poisonous. The association decided to approach the board of control and the board of



Algerian troops packing a baggage wagon as the convoy starts for the front from Franc-Le-Port,

Mr. Lattimer said: "I have been manufacturing here for a good many years in a small way, and my place has been inspected several transport of health. The fumes are not strong enough to me.

but I was here before it was am well within my rights."

RUSSIANS ADVANCE INTO EAST PRUSSIA

Essential Victory" Gained in Russian Poland—Many Prisoners Taken.

(Continued from Page 1.)

call a German error in delaying night attack until the opportunity wa

At the same time, however, the Rus sian generals express admiration of Gen Von Morgen's lightning advance five German army corps over the difficult, swampy region approaching Warsaw, from the southwest. The appearance of the Germans in this quar ter was most unexpected.

The Germans made a grave error, it is asserted, in not pursuing the advantage derived from their unexpected advance, which would have enabled them to approach within eight miles of Warsaw without their presence being made known.

Poles Held Aloof.

For unknown reasons the Germans uddenly decided to delay the attack until morning, which allowed the SIberian and other Russian reinforce ments adequately to protect the city Papers found in the possession of Ger-man officers indicate that the general plan was to attack Warsaw that night. One explanation for the change in the plan is that the Germans failed to secure the assistance of the Pollsh secure the assistance of the Polish element upon which they had counted. The Russian generals also admire the Germans' abrupt extrication when they found themselves outflanked, their retreat being so complete and precipitate that the Russians were unable to overtake and engage the rear guard in action for several miles. The whole affair, including the whirlwhole affair, including the whtrlwind advance and retreat, at present is a puzzle to the Russians.

AUSTRIA'S HOST OF WOUNDED. Canadian Press Despatch.

LONDON, Oct. 27, 7.42 p.m.—It is semi-officially reported at Frograd, according to a Central News despatch. that the number of Austrian wounded who passed thru Vienna alone, which was officially estimated at 136,000 up to Sept. 13, now amounts to at least

now, and operation was to have begun on Nov. 1, yet no announcement is forthcoming. By the agreement made Transcontinental Grand Trunk, the G. T. P. is to operate the N. T. R. Rumor persists that the G.T.P. has refused to carry out this part of the agreement, but Hon. Frank Cochrane declared today that he had heard no-

The expectation is the line will not be operated until next spring. Mean-

NEW REBELLION IN SOUTH AFRICA

Generals De Wet and Beyers Twenty-Eight Bodies Recov-

break.

(Centinued from Page 1.) bunch into preparations for an armed resistance.

Supplies Commandeered.

Altho aware of these preparations for some time, the Union administration, says the Governor-General, has spared no effort to preserve peace without bloodshed, while at the same time taking adequate steps to meet any situation that might arise. The government now learns that burghers in north Orange Free State are commandeering supplies for military re-quirements under the authority of

Gen. Christian DeWet, and in the west-ern Transvaal under the authority of Gen. Beyers. Town Seized.
Several rebellious commandoes are now in existence. The town of Heilbronn has been seized, and officials of the government made prisoners. At Reitz a train was stopped and armed citizens on board, members of the defence force, were taken from the train and disarmed

"Under these circumstances," continues the Governor-General, "the duty of the government is made clear, and it has been determined to deal firmly with the situation. All essential steps are now being taken. t'al steps are now being taken. Great Majority Loyal.

"A very great majority of the citizens of every province are thoroly loyal and resent the idea of rebellion. When they are thoroly informed of the situation the government is confident hat they will give every assistance in restoring order.
"In order to not encourage the move-

ment in any way, the support of all citizens has been especially requested. They are advised that a special alertners must be exercised and informa-tion given the government at the earliest possible moment which will help but down the rebellion. "Citizens who for any reason have

een guilty of disobedience under the Defence Act need have no fear of any action against them by the govern ment so long as they remain quietly at nome and abstain from acts of violence against the constituted authori-

Gen. De Wet in the South African war was commander-in-chief of the Orange Free State forces. He was commandant at Ladyemith and was sent to relieve Gen. Cronie as second n command. After Gen. Cronje's surrender he received full command. vas one of the signatories of the Vereeniging peace conference, and was prointed minister of agriculture in

Gen. De Wet was opposed to th government's action in regard to the present war, and early in Octobe empted to speak at a meeting held in protest of this action, but was prevented from doing so by a demonstration of sympathizers of Gen. Lou's the premier of the Union of South Africa

Brigadier-General Bevers was also a noted figure in the South African war and was chairman of the Vereeniging peace conference. Last September he resigned as commandant-general of oTTAWA, Oct. 27.—What is going to be operated until next spring. Meanwhile the section from Moncton to be done regarding the National Transcontinental Railway is one of the problems of the hour at Ottawa. The railway is ready for operation will be run every alternate day.

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SIXTY-ONE KILLED IN MINE DISASTER

Joint Leaders in Out- ered by Midnight From

ROYALTON EXPLOSION

Revised Figures Reduced Number of Casualties-Cause, Gas Detonating.

Canadian Press Despatch.
ROYALTON, Ills., Oct. 27.—A total of sixty-one known dead is shown on the casualty list issued late tonight by officials of the Franklin Coal and Coke Co.. at whose mine near here three hundred men were entombed at the going-to-work

men were entombed at the going-to-work hour this morning.

The decrease in the number of dead intimated earlier in the day was accounted for by the registration tonight of scores of miners who had escaped during the day, but who were too busy assisting in the rescue work to answer to the roll call of rescued.

Twenty minutes before the explosion 246 men went into the mine, only the last carful of the day force remaining on the surface. Tonight twenty-four bodies had been recovered and thirty-seven men were missing. It was conceded by officials of the mine that the thirty-seven still were entombed and would never be brought out alive.

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The fire followed a gas explosion that
courred five minutes before the miners were to begin work. About fifty men had not entered the shaft, but the others had gone down and begun to scatter to the various workings.

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Driven Back By Gas.

The sound of the explosion was heard in Royalton and every adult person in the town except the telephone operator. hurried to the mine. Rescue parties were organized quickly and help was summoned from surrounding towns. Gas in the mine, however, prevented the rescuers from penetrating more than 1500 feet into the workings and they were unable to reach the 105 men entrapped on the lower level, which was in flames.

One hundred and fifty men, however, were taken from the mine, but more than eighty of these had been overcome by

were taken from the mine, but more than eighty of these had been overcome by gas. Two died at the surface.

Recovered Twenty-Eight Bodies.

A mine rescue car from Benton, III. arrived nearly four hours after the exposion with a supply of oxygen helmats. The work of rescue was pushed with vigor and soon 28 bodies had been recovered. covered.

covered.

Companies were organized to battle the flames in the lower level, but experts feared it would be impossible to subdue the fire unless the burning sections were sealed. It was announced that this would not be done until all hope of saving the entrapped men was abandoned.

TO IDENTIFY LEMAN AS A DESERTER

Germans Looking for Excuse to Execute Heroic Defender of Liege.

Special Direct Copyrighted Cable to
The Toronto World.

DUNKIRK, Oct. 25.—According to
advices from Halle, Germany, a movement is under way that seeks to identify General Leman, the heroic defender of Liege with a Hallette. fender of Liege, with a Heinrich Lehmann, who deserted from the German army in 1870. It is declared that the resemblance between the two men is very striking.

General Leman is now a prisoner in the fortress of Mogdeburg.

BRIISH PLAY PART

West of Lille Without Firing Shot.

German Barricades at W ton Blown to Pieces by Artillery.

Council Endorses Changing

proving the revised agreement of the Toronto-Hamilton highway. The new agreement will be signed by Mayor Allan and l'orwarded to the commission at Toronto, and it is expected that the work will now be proceeded with at once. It is probable that the proposed bridge scheme will be gone on with also.

Work With Board of Trade.

The council received a request from the board of trade that a committee from the council be appointed to work in conjunction with the good roads committee

French girl leaves the vineyard to aid a Senegalese soldier with his kit.

HAMILTON REVISES

ROAD AGREEMENT

Contract to Same Terms as Toronto's Gained.

HYDRO RADIAL LINES

Power Commission Asked to Report on Line to Geor-

gian Bay.

the council be appointed to work in conjunction with the good roads committee of the board of trade and one from Wentworth County to consider the proposition to construct the proposal to grant \$35,000 for the erection of a new kitchen at the City Hospital was passed by the aldermen without dissent.

Mould Build Storm Sewers.

Ald. Fred Littlewood gave notice that at the next meeting of the council he would move that a bylaw for the issuing of debentures amounting to \$650,000 for the construction of storm sewers be placed before the ratepayers in January.

Query Re Gas Rates.

On being questioned by Ald. Young as to what the board of control was doing to have the minimum gas rate charged by the United Gas and Fuel Company the board was still working on the question. Ald Young stated that if the board of control could sot no satisfaction he would have the matter placed in the ment.

Proceed With Sewer.

hands of the railway board for settlement.

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Alderman Birrell announced that the authorization of the Ontario Board of Health for the construction of the east end sewer had been given and that the contract had been let to a Toronto concern. He stated that the manufacture of the concrete pipe would be started on Thursday, and the digging of the trenches would be begun at once.

Want Hydro Enquiry.

The 'ollowing recommendation of the board & control was passed:

"The the Hamilton council join with the councils of other municipalities interested in a request to the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario to enquire into, examine, investigate, and perating an electric railway from Georgian Bay thru Guelph to Hamilton to St. Niagara Peninsula."

A bylaw authorizing the expenditure of \$33,870 for work to be done on the the work to be started at once.

Major Tolmie, M.L.A., of the **extended of the Board of the Baser Freille.

the work to be started at once.

Drop Politics.

Major Tolmie, M.L.A., of the 28th the Liberal Club in the Sun Life Building last evening. He dealt with the war duestion and stated that politics should work in unison at this critical time.

Hospital Overcrowded.

At the regular meeting of the City Hospital governors yesterday, Dr. Langrill reported that the institution was overcrowded and that new buildings would have to be erected, but no action was taken. The tenders for the new kitchen once.

Fire Damages School.

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Fire of unknown origin caused \$200 damage at Queen Victoria School. East Hunter street, shortly after six o'clock last evening. The fire broke out in a supply room on the third floor and was soon extinguished by the firemen.

Still Unconsclous.

Charlie Quinton, 212 Balsam avenue, who was injured Monday evening in an automobile accident, is still unconscious at the City Hospital and little hope is held for his recovery.

Hamilton's Toronto-Hamilton highway agreement was rescinded yesterday by the board of control and a new agreement will be drawn up modeled on that bassed by the Toronto. George H. Gooderham, chairman of the commission, announced that this action meets with the approval of the commission.

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Two important concessions are obtained. One is the reduction of time for the maintenance of the road from 25 to 20 years, and the other gives the city the right to select men to work on the Hamilton section of the road from the civic employment bureau.

IN CROSSING LYS

Foe Forced to Abandon Point

BRIDGES LEFT INTACT

Canadian Press Despatch. LONDON, Oct. 27.—The officianakes public today the story of

"The state of the crossings over Lys indicated that no organized sche of defence had been executed, some the bridges being in a state of rep merely barricaded, while one was even defended or broken.

"The resistance offered to our adva on the 15th was of a most determing character. The fighting consisted filercely-contested encounters, Infan attacks on the villages being unavail until our howitzers reduced the hout to ruins. Other villages were taken a retaken three times before they we finally secured.

French Cavairy to Fore.

"The French cavairy here gave, we come support, and on the evening of 16th the resistance was overcome, enemy retiring five miles to the eaward."

Describing an incident of the fight

A sheet of flame and a shower shells at the same time made the as light as day and enabled the chine guns. Our cavalry extricate themselves with the loss of one office wounded and nine men killed and wounded, but a narty of volunteers went back and carried off their wounded comrades

and carried off their wounded comrades from the inferno.

"During the 17th, 18th and 19th of October our right encountered strong conosition from the enemy about La Bassee. where they had established themselves behind embankments. On the centre and the left we made better progress, altho the Germans were everywhere entrenched and, in spite of the bombardment, held some villages on the Lys. At the close of each day a night counter stroke was delivered against one or another part of our line, but they were all repulsed.

"Tuesday, Oct. 20, a determined but unsuccessful attack was made against virtually the whole of our line. At one point where one of our brigades made a counter attack 1000 German dead were found in a trench and 40 prisoners were taken."

continuing, the narrative points out that the advance of the allies has been hindered by the weather and the nature of the ground together with the impossibility of knowing before hand the reception that advance detachments were likely to meet in approaching any village or town.

or town.

Resistance irregular.

"One place may be evacuated hastily as untenable," the recital continues, "while another in the same general line will continue to resist for a considerable time. In some villages the inhabitants meet our cyclists with klases, while at the next one the roads will, in all probability, have trenches cut across them and be blocked with barricades and machine guns. Under these circumstances an incautious advance is severely punished and it is impossible for large bodies of troops to push on until the front has been thoroly reconnoitered. This work requires the highest qualities from our cavalry, our cyclists and our advanced guards.

Armored Motor Cars Useful,

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"Armored motor cars equipped with
machine guns are now playing a part in
the war, and have been most successful
in dealing with small parties of German
mounted troops. In their employment
our gallant allies, the Belgians, who are
now fighting with us and acquitting
themselves nobly, have shown themselves
to be experts. They appear to regard
Uhlan hunting as a form of sport. The
crews display the utmost dash and skill
in this form of warfare, often going out
several miles ahead of their own advanced troops and seldom failing to return loaded with spoils in the shape of
lancer caps, helmets, lances, rifles and
other trophies, which they distribute as
souvenirs to the crowds in the market,
places of the frontier towns.

KILLED IN CAMEROONS.

LONDON, Oct. 25.—Lieut. Wesche of the South Lancashires is officially reported killed in fighting in the Cameroons.

Hamilton Hotels.

HOTEL ROYAL

January. 1914.
BEST SAMPLE ROOMS IN CANADA.
\$3.00 and up—American Plan. ed?

E. PULLAN