THE HERALD

TUESDAY, SEPT. 7TH, 1915.

THE Allan liner Hesperian, torpedoed on Saturday night, sank 34 hours later Twenty-six persons perished.

A great harves . W. A. Black, vice president of the Ogilvie Flour Mills Co. who is visiting the west, says that, with continued favorable weather, the wheat crop this year should exceed 240,000,000

FRANCE and Autria have established the institutions in which to train the men who have been crippled by the war and for the new occupations they can pursue profitably. England must have similar institutions, and Canada also With regard to them the Mother Country and the colonies are somewhat behind. Kingston Whig.

BECKWITH COMMEMORATION. Historic and Patriotic Service Great Success.

A beautiful summy afternoon and a very large and representative crowd, with a most interesting and impressive service, were the order of the day at the historic ruins of the first Presbyterian church on the 7th line of Beckwith last church on the 7th line of Beckwith last Sunday afternoon. Long before the appointed hour many in buggies, carriages and automobiles, and others on foot, were seen wending then way to the hallowed spot, where on August 20, 1822, Rev. Geo. Buchanan, "the pioneer pastor," preached the first sermon in this region of Lanark county. Commissioned by the Edinburgh Presbytery of the Church of Scotland, to be the first ambassador to unfurl the old blue banner of the covenant and to plant the standard of the covenant and to plant the standard of the covenant and to plant the standard of Zion in the new country, then a wilderness wild, the brave servant of God made his way to Beckwith and for many years labored faithfully among the early settlers. The pastors following him were Smith, Morrison, McHutcheson and Ross, until the disruption of 1844, when a portion of the congregation seceded to the Free Church, and erected in the following year Knox Church. ed in the following year Knox Church at Black's Corners, the 70th anniversary of which is to be observed on the 19th

Seating accommodation for severa hundreds had been provided and was fully taken up, while many on the out-skirts of the crowd stood or sat in the

Precisely at three o'clock the cerv Precisely at three o'clock the ceremonies began, when the beadle, in the person of Mr. William Young, followed by the precenter, Mr. D. R. Ferguson, and the minister, Rev. J. W. S. Lowry, all attired in black gowns, and followed by a large number of ruling elders of neighboring congregations, made their way from the stately ruins of the old kirk to the platform. A temporary pulpit had been tastefully erected in which sat the preacher for the day, Rev. Mr. Lowry, who was supported on the right by Rev. Captain Oxley, and on the left by Rev. Captain Oxley, and on the left by Rev. D. McEwen, returned missionary from Brazil. The service began by singing the old hundred psalm and prayer, followed by appropriate scripture readings, the singing of the 46th and 121st psalms, the old familiar paraphrase, "O God of Bethel," followed by prayer by Rev. Mt. McEwen. After the offering for the patriotic fund, which amounted to between sixty and seventy dollars a most appropriate quartet to amounted to between sixty and seventy dollars, a most appropriate quartette "The Little Brown Church in the Vale," was sweetly sung by Misses Bella Fer-guson and Maggie McEwen, and Messrs D. R. Ferguson and A. J. Duff.

Rev. J. W. S. Lowry then announced his text, from Hebrews II: 3, "How shall we escape" if we neglect so great salvation," and in the course of a lengthy salvation," and in the course of a lengthy sermon referred to the preciousness and the value of the great salvation purchased for mankind through the all-atoning work of our crucified, risen and exalted Redeemer. They had also a great national and spiritual salvation wrought out for them by their fathers through fire and sword away back.

"In those ages of darkness and blood

If the and Swort and Jack blood
When the minister's home was the mountain and
wood,
Where in Wellwood's dark valley the standard of
Zion,
All bloody and torn mid the heathen was lying."

All bloody and torn mid the heathen was bying."

The priceless gem of civil and religious freedom was again being assailed by a despotism worse than Egyptian bondage, and men and money were needed to crush that cruel foe and hand on to generations yet unborn the national and religious privileges and blessings bequeathed to us by our witnessing forefathers and sealed with their blood. But the salvation of the text was deliverance from sin, death and hell and the securing of celestial and eternal life. Yet men were largely indifferent to it all. The sin of neglect, the don't care spirit, was rampant, and men and women cared little for their soul's needs. A great cloud of witnesses was looking down upon them that very day and beckoning them all to fidelity to Christ as their Saviour and King, and for the wandering and erring to be reconciled to God. How could the people of Beckwith escape if they should neglect so great salvation? The only way of escaping from the wrath of God was to hide themselves in the bosom of God and be saved with an everlasting salvation.

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Mr. Lowry in concluding asked all present that day who wore the blue badge on their hearts and who would give themselves anew in covenant to (Continued on page 5, col. 2.)

HESPERIAN TORPEDOED

Ship Is Still Afloat and All on Board Saved.

German Submarine Attacks Canadian Ocean Liner on Way From Liver-pool to Montreal and Fails to Give Any Warning-Hesperian Reported to Be on Way to Queenstown Under Convol — Wounded on

LONDON, Sept. 6.—The Allan Line steamer Hesperian, with 350 passengers and a crew of 300 aboard, bound from Liverpool for Montreal, was attacked without warning by a German darkness was falling Saturday evening. Although the torpedo found its mark, the vessel remained afloat, and, according to a statement issued by the company last night, every soul aboard was saved. The Allan Line

aboard was saved. The Allan Line officials, however, decided not to give out a list of the passengers.

No submarine was seen, and probably it was too dark to observe the wake of a torpedo, but all the passengers and members of the crew arriving at Queenstown on the rescue steamers yesterday agree that the attack was made by a German undersea boat, basing their opinion on the force of the shock and the great volume of water thrown into the air. This dropped back in the deck, drenching the passengers who were taking an after-dinner promenade, feeling quite safe, in the belief that they had passed the submarine danger zone.

ger zone.

The force of the explosion was tremendous, and of the passengers landed at Queenstown, many of them scantily clad, about 20 were injured. There were no American passengers aboard, so far as the American Consul could learn last night, but two members of the crew were American citizens, and they were both saved.

About 30 Canadian soldiers, who were wounded in battle in Flanders, were going home to recuperate. Most of the other passengers were Canadians, returning from a visit to England, or English people on their way to Canada to settle.

The torpedo struck the Hesperian in the forward engine-room, and the ship immediately began to settle by the head. Captain Main ordered the passengers and crew into the boats, but with his officers remained on the bridge, although at that time he must have felt sure that his ship would go down.

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The discipline was perfect, but one of the boats, the falls of which became jammed, capsized, and those in her were thrown into the water. In the darkness confusion naturally prevailed, but all were picked up, and, with other passengers and the crew, were transferred to the rescue steamers which arrived in answer to wireless calls for assistance. The Hesperian was about 150 miles to the westward when struck.

A despatch from Queenstown says:
"Rescue boats with passengers and members of the crew of the Allan Line steamer Hesperian arrived here Surday and told of the torpedoing of the liner Saturday evening by a German submarine off the south coast of Ireland.

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"The passengers were unanimous in declaring that the Hesperian was attacked in the gathering night without warning. The only person aboard the steamer who actually saw the underwater boat was a man on watch, who got a glimpse of it in the distance and reported the fact to Captain Main.

Main.

"The passengers declare that the steamer was down by the head when they last saw her, but that she was making her way slowly to Queenstown under her own steam.

Among the invalided Canadian soldiers on their way home was one who had lost his eyesight. The boat into which he was helped had previously capsized through the falls getting jammed and someone cutting the rope. This man was a good swimting jammed and someone cutting the rope. This man was a good swimmer. He went down at first, but quickly came up and struck out bravely. Suddenly a cry from the half-darkness was heard: 'I can see! I can see! 'And it was true, the man had regained his eyesight.

All of the passengers pay the highest tribute to the efficiency of the crew and the coolness of Captain Main.

Main.
"Major Barre, of the 15th Cana-"Major Barre, of the 15th Canadians, who was accompanying 12 officers and 38 men who had been wounded back to Canada, said that there was no warning. He was corroborated by his wife, who was traveling with him, and by the invalided soldiers he was in charge of.

U. S. HOPES DESTROYED.

Situation at Washington is Now a Bad as After Arabic Wao Sunk.

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—That the
torpedoing of the Allan liner Hesperian by a German submarine has destroyed at one blow the beautiful
structure of peace and amity built up
in Washington during the last two
weeks through the efforts of the German Ambassador was the belief in
Washington last night.

Officials were dismayed at the first
reports of the terpedoing of the Hesperian, and permitted themselves the
hope that these were not true until
an official report was received from
Consul Frost at Queenstown this
evening.

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It is now regarded that matters stand exactly where they did after the Arabic was sunk by a German submarine. This Government will look to Berlia to explain how it was that, while the German Ambassador here has represented that German submarines were not to attack liners without warning and without regard to those on board, twice within less than three weeks liners have been so many facked.

EXPLOSION WAS TERRIFIC. or Barre Says Tornedo Sent Colin of Water Fifty Feet High.

LONDON, Sept. 6.—Major J. S. Barre of the 14th Battalion of Canadians, who was returning to Canada wit twelve officers and thirty-eight men to recuperate after being wounded at the front, describing the submarine attack on the Hesperlan, says:

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"In company with some brother officers I was sitting on one of the upper decks after dinner, about 8.20 p.m., and was smoking a cigarette, when suddenly I heard a loud detonation. The liner trembled terribly, an enormous column of water about fifty feet in height was shot into the air, and before we could realize what had occurred it came down on deck with a terrific noise, flooding the deck and drenching myself and brother officers who were with me at the time. With the downpour of sea water were mingled several pieces of iron. Our group went under cov-

the time. With the downpour of sea water were mingled several pieces of iron. Our group went under-cover from the deluge for the instant. We ascertained from the officer that the liner had been torpedeed by a German submarine. It was at this time almost dark, and we could see neither submarine nor torpede. "Capt. Mains we on the bridge when the torpede struck the ship, and his first order was to lower away the lifeboats and see that all the women and children on board were first safely placed in them. I cannot speak too highly of the commander's skill and coolness. It was truly worthy of the best traditions of British seamen. He also gave instructions to have the "S.O.S." wireless message sent across the waters appealing for assistance, and be had rockets fired to attract the attention of any vessels in the vicinity. Morse signals were also used. Nothing was left undone to bring succor. Our position at that time, I learned from the Captain himself, was 130 miles west of Queenstown. We received three answers to our wireless messages."

MISTAKE IS REALIZED.

Germans Now See Submarine Policy is a Juge Blunder, Says Balfour.

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LONDON, Sept. 6.—Arthur J. Balfour, First Lord of the Admiralty, has contributed a letter to the British press in which he says:
"I claim no gifts of prophecy; I make no boast of the future. But of the past I can speak with assurance, and it may interest you to know that while the losses inflicted upon the German submarines have been formidable, British mercantile tonnage is at this moment greater than when the war began.

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"It is true that by this method of warfare many inoffensive persons, women and children, as well as men, neutrals as well as belligerents, have been robbed and killed. But it is not only the innocent who have suffered, the criminals also have paid a heavy toll. Some have been rescued and are prisoners of war; but from the very nature of submarines it must often happen that they drag their crews with them to destruction, and those who send them forth on their unhonored mission wait for their return in vain.

turn in vain.

"Herein lies the explanation of the amazing change which has come over the diplomatic attitude of Germany towards the United States. Men ask themselves why the sinking of the Lusitania, with a loss of over 1,100 men, women and children, was welcomed throughout Germany with a shout of triumph, while the sinking of the Arabic was accepted in melancholy silence. It is because the authors of the submarine policy have had time to measure its effects—that the deeds which were merely crimes in May, in September are seen to be blunders."

"PATIENCE" THE WORD.

Germans Face Disaster in Russis Says French Critic.

PARIS, Sept. 6.—Writing in Pre-parazione, an Italian military organ, Colonel Barone, the great military critic, who recently visited Gen. Joffre, makes the following disclos-

"Some people, among them the French supreme command, think that in the present circumstances a general offensive on the western front can be delayed without inconvenience in order that once it is begun it can be carried out thoroughly without interruption.

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"There also is an impatient minority, headed by some of the most perminent politicians, who believe that it is best to act quickly.

"The former are right. By pushing her advance into Russia Germany is marching to disaster, and it is far better for the allies to await this event and then strike.

"That is how the Franco-British commanders reason, and, far from believing that they are abandoned to their fate, the Russian General Staff think so, too.

think so, too.
"Joffre is not asleep. He deserves
our entire and illimitable confid-

RESTORED HIS EYESIGHT.

Plunge Into Water From Hesperian's Deck Was Boon to Soldier.

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QUEENSTOWN, Sept. 6.—An extraordinary incident is related by one of the Canadian soldiers, Chambers of Truro, Nova Scotia, rescued from the Hesperian, and who had been rendered blind at the front through the action of German gases. He had been thrown into the water, and struck out manfully to save himself, when suddenly, after he had been swimming for some time, he found that the sight of one eye had been completely restored. The man-was so asion ished and overloyed that, while still in the water, he should out to those near him that he had regained his sight. He swam for sout 604 yards thefore he was picked up and brought saiely to Queenstown.

Stratford citizens propose to raise \$50, 000 by hings against for the Canadian Patriotto Fand.

The Minister of Fisheries announced that effects will be made to increase Canada's export fish trade.

It is stated that samples of gold quartz from Matheson, where the recent strike was made, run as high as 2,000 ounces to the ton.

Sir Sam Hughes arrived back in Ottawa and was given a hearty reception. A large crowd had assembled, and the band of the Governor General's Foot Guards was out to welcome him.

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Three American battleships are reported to have passed through the Panama Canal. The result is accepted as proof that the whole main battleship fleet, a total of 21, could be passed through in one day.

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