

HUNS DISHEARTENED AFTER 1ST. STAB AT VERDUN

GERMAN PRISONERS TELL WHY MARCH ON VERDUN FAILED

Officers promised Cannon would clear way for infantry, but instead French field and machine guns out advancing battalions to pieces—Two-thirds of every battalion wiped out.

Paris, March 8.—Prisoners taken at Verdun estimate the losses of the battalions which took part in infantry assaults since Feb. 23 at an average of two-thirds their total strength.

"Our officers promised us," said one, "that cannon would clear the way for us so that we could occupy the French lines almost without loss. We believed also that at each stage of our advance new artillery preparation would enable us to continue without great risk. Instead, my battalion, under unheard of fire from field guns and machine guns, for hours together, was cut to pieces. The effort we made passed all measure of human strength. That is why the march on Verdun failed."

A German soldier belonging to the Sixty-fourth Infantry said: "Our battalion started from its position in the woods on the night of March 2, with orders to occupy an earthwork to the east of Fort Douaumont. Suddenly someone called 'Here come the French.' The shock was so impetuous that it overwhelmed our lines. I fell into a hole made by a shell and lay there all night, listening to the calls of the wounded for stretcher bearers. The moans of them ended in the death rattle.

"There can scarcely be anything left of my company. It had already lost one-fourth of its numbers in the fighting from Feb. 21 to Feb. 24. This was the finish."

Another German, a member of the Twenty-fourth Regiment, said: "I was glad to get out of that hell. Our spirits were pretty low in all the division, because we felt that the work of taking Verdun would have to be begun all over again."

NEWCASTLE BOY GETS COMMISSION IN AERIAL SERVICE

Lieut. Gerald Creaghan passes examination for Commission in Royal Flying Corps.

Newcastle, March 7.—Lieut. Gerald P. Creaghan, son of J. D. Creaghan of Newcastle, has passed his examination successfully and received his commission in the Royal Aerial Service. He left Newcastle last July in the Canadian Overseas Railway Construction Corps.

The Town Improvement League decided to call a mass meeting of the citizens in favor of prohibition and will invite the president and secretary of the N. B. Branch of the Dominion Temperance Alliance, Rev. W. D. Wilson and Donald Fraser, Jr., to address it.

St. Samuel's Dramatic Club staged the Sact drama "The Mossmates" in Douglasstown Temperance Hall, Monday night. The play was well attended and the hall was filled. The proceeds, for building a new hall for the congregation, were \$70.35.

Newcastle Patriotic Fund committee met last night. One new name was added to the relief list and several dropped off. The thanks of the executive were on motion of Rev. W. J. Bate and P. W. Dixon, unanimously tendered the retiring secretary, Ald. H. H. Stuart, for his sixteen months faithful occupancy of that office.

BREWERS WILL CUT DOWN THEIR IMPORTS TO RELEASE SHIP TONNAGE

London Board of Trade decides not to investigate loss of steamer Persia.

BEAUTY DOCTOR TELLS SECRET

Despite Beauty Doctor Gives Simple Recipe to Darken Gray Hair and Promote Its Growth.

Miss Alice Whitney, a well-known beauty doctor of Detroit, Mich., recently gave out the following statement: "Anyone can prepare a simple mixture at home, at very little cost, that will darken gray hair, promote its growth and make it soft and glossy. To a half-pint of water add 1 oz. of honey, a small box of Orifex Compound and ¼ oz. of glycerine. These ingredients can be bought at any drug store at very little cost. Apply to the hair twice a week until the desired shade is obtained. This will make a gray-haired person look twenty years younger. It is also fine to promote the growth of the hair, relieve itching and scalp disease, and is excellent for dandruff and falling hair."

Get the Habit of Drinking Hot Water Before Breakfast

Says we can't look or feel right with the system full of poisons.

Millions of folks bathe internally now instead of loading their system with drugs. "What's an inside bath?" you say. Well, it is guaranteed to perform miracles if you could believe these hot water enthusiasts.

There are vast numbers of men and women who, immediately upon arising in the morning, drink a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it. This is a very excellent health measure. It is intended to flush the stomach, liver, kidneys and the thirty feet of intestines of the previous day's waste, sour bile and indigestible material left over in the body which if not eliminated every day, become food for the millions of bacteria which infect the bowels, the quick result is poisons and toxins which are then absorbed into the blood causing headache, bilious attacks, foul breath, bad taste, cold, stomach trouble, kidney misery, sleeplessness, impure blood and all sorts of ailments.

People who feel good one day and badly the next, but who simply can't get feeling right are urged to obtain a quarter pound of limestone phosphate at the drug store. This will cost very little but is sufficient to make anyone a real crank on the subject of internal sanitation.

Just as soap and hot water act on the skin, cleansing, sweetening and refreshing, so limestone phosphate and hot water act on the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels. It is vastly more important to bathe on the inside than on the outside, because the skin pores do not absorb impurities into the blood, while the bowel pores do.

TO DARKEN HAIR APPLY SAGE TEA

Look Young! Bring Back Its Natural Color, Gloss And Attractiveness.

Common garden sage brewed into a heavy tea with sulphur added, will turn gray, streaked and faded hair beautifully dark and luxuriant. Just a few applications will prove a revelation if your hair is fading, streaked or gray. Mixing the Sage Tea and Sulphur recipe at home, though, is troublesome. An easier way is to get a 50-cent bottle of Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound at any drug store all ready for use. This is the old time recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients.

While wispy, gray, faded hair is not sinful, we all desire to retain our youthful appearance and attractiveness. By darkening your hair with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound, so one can tell, because it does so naturally, so evenly. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning all gray hairs have disappeared, and, after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, glossy, soft and luxuriant. This preparation is a delightful toilet requisite and is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

Will Not Run.

Judge Forbes announces that on the advice of his physician he will not be a candidate for the office of mayor.

YOUR CHANCE Is As Good As Ever

Persons sending in solutions to this puzzle now may win just as readily as those who forwarded their answers a week ago. But do not wait until it is too late.

THE WINNER IN THE COMPETITION MAY SECURE \$150

Contest Will Close on Wednesday, March 15

This is not a trick or catch, but a straight problem, requiring some ingenuity and thought. The puzzle can be solved in many different ways, and any one of these will be accepted as correct, if the required result is reached—namely, that the totals of the columns, up and down and side to side, shall be the same.

Use your brains and try for one of these prizes—your chances are just as good as any other persons. Solve the puzzle, send in your solution with the coupon and a payment on subscription account, and see if you can win the cash. Remember, the contest will close March 15th.

ARRANGE THE NUMBERS

From one to twenty-five, in these blank spaces, so that the totals of each column, up and down, and from left to right, will be the same.

Amount of the prize you win will depend on the amount sent with your solution

HOW TO ENTER

The contest is open to any person residing in the Maritime Provinces. The payment on subscription to The Standard (daily or semi-weekly) of from \$1.00 to \$6.00 entitles the contestant to submit a solution of the puzzle and the amount of money so paid will be credited in full according to the scale given elsewhere in this announcement. As many different solutions may be submitted as the contestant desires. It is necessary to make an additional payment with each one, but no amount higher than \$6.00 will be accepted with any one solution. It is not necessary to pay the same amount with each solution if more than one is submitted. Remit by cheque, money order, postal note, express order, or if cash is enclosed be sure to register the letter. Solutions not accompanied by cash will not be considered. This contest is open to both old and new subscribers, and will close on Wednesday, March 15th. If a second puzzle is necessary, it will appear immediately thereafter.

USE THE COUPON.

Always use the solution coupon and read it carefully before filling out. Write your name and address plainly. The payment of from \$1.00 to \$6.00 on your subscription allows you one solution. Remember the larger the amount you pay on your subscription the larger will be your dividends should you win one of the prizes. You can get \$6.00 paid six solutions at \$1.00 each if you wish, but one solution with \$6.00 paid on it will mean a much larger prize should you win.

THE PRIZE LIST

For the correct solution of this puzzle The Standard offers the following prizes: First Prize—Twenty-five times the amount of money sent in by the winner. Second Prize—Fifteen times the amount of money sent in by the winner. Third Prize—Ten times the amount of money sent in by the winner. Fourth Prize—Five times the amount of money sent in by the winner. The first prize can thus be \$150.00, the second \$90.00, the third \$60.00, and the fourth \$30.00. In addition to this there will be given eleven prizes of \$5.00 each, irrespective of the amounts sent in by the winners.

The prize list thus works out as follows:

Amount sent in	Prizes will be			
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
If the competitor sends in \$1.00	\$25.00	\$15.00	\$10.00	\$5.00
If the competitor sends in \$2.00	50.00	30.00	20.00	10.00
If the competitor sends in 3.00	75.00	45.00	30.00	15.00
If the competitor sends in 4.00	100.00	60.00	40.00	20.00
If the competitor sends in 5.00	125.00	75.00	50.00	25.00
If the competitor sends in 6.00	150.00	90.00	60.00	30.00

Contest will close on Wednesday, March 15th

Get Busy Today and Send in Your Answer as Early as Possible

Solutions will not be considered unless the coupon is used, nor unless cash payments are made on subscription

THE PUZZLE

The problem is to arrange the numbers from one to twenty-five in the above squares in such a manner that the figures will total the same in each column up and down and in each row from left to right. No number may be used twice, but every number from one to twenty-five must be used. Here nine arranged in a smaller square in the manner desired. It will be seen that these figures add up to fifteen in each column up and down and in each row from left to right. The larger puzzle must be solved after the same style. The "one to nine" is shown merely as an explanation of what is required. There is no trick or catch in the matter.

2	7	6
9	5	1
4	3	8

DECIDING TIES.

This contest is conducted by The Standard merely for the purpose of securing new subscriptions and making collections on renewals. At the same time it offers to new and old subscribers an opportunity by which through exercising a little patience they may earn generous sums of money. There will no doubt be a number of correct answers—perhaps a large number. If it should happen that more persons reach a correct answer than there are prizes offered, a second puzzle will be given for the purpose of deciding ties. No one who fails to solve this first puzzle will be permitted to enter such second puzzle if it becomes necessary to put a second puzzle in the event of there being fewer correct solutions of the first puzzle than there are prizes offered, then the prizes will be awarded in the order in which these correct solutions reach The Standard office.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Whatever amount of money is sent in will be credited on one continuous subscription to The Standard according to the scale given below, unless otherwise requested by the competitor. Competitors must enclose with their solutions, one, two, three, four, five or six dollars, whatever amount they please up to six dollars, but not less than one dollar and will receive credit as follows:

DAILY		
\$1.00 City Subscription	2 months	
\$2.00 " " "	4 months	
\$3.00 " " "	6 months	
\$4.00 " " "	9 months	
\$5.00 " " "	1 year	
\$1.00 Subscription by mail	4 months	
\$2.00 " " "	8 months	
\$3.00 " " "	1 year	
SEMI-WEEKLY		
\$1.00 Subscription by mail	1 year	
\$2.00 " " "	2 years	
\$3.00 " " "	3 years	

All amounts higher than \$3.00 will be applied on subscription to the Daily Standard. No solutions will be accepted unless accompanied by payment on account of new or renewal subscriptions. Nor will any solutions be accepted unless the coupon, which must accompany the solution, is filled in as required. Contestants who send in the solution and forget to enclose the money must repeat their solution in the later letter in which the money is enclosed.

SOLUTION COUPON

Cut out this coupon smoothly around the border and send it in as soon as possible with solution and money attached to, "Puzzle Department," St. John Standard.

Date Sent 1916.

St. John Standard.

Amount enclosed

Subscription to Standard.

State whether Daily or Semi-weekly.

Are you at present a subscriber to the Daily Standard?

Are you at present a subscriber to the Semi-weekly Standard?

The name and correct address to which your paper must be sent,

FUNERALS.

The funeral of Mrs. Augusta Colter took place at 2.30 o'clock yesterday from her late residence, 78 Princess street, to the Cathedral, where the prayers were read by Rev. Miles P. Howland. Interment was in the old Catholic cemetery. The funeral was largely attended, which bore testimony to the esteem of the deceased. Relatives acted as pallbearers.

The remains of Mrs. Jane Harrison were taken to Norton at noon yesterday for interment. Services were conducted at her late residence, Duke street, on Tuesday evening, by Rev. Dr. Hutchinson.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Kerr, wife of Jas. Kerr of East Pembroke, Mass., formerly of Mount Middleton, Kings county, was held from Wallace's undertaking parlors, Sussex, N. B. were also in Sussex to attend the funeral.

the west on the afternoon of Friday, March 3rd.

The services were conducted by the Rev. Thos. Mitchell, assisted by the Rev. H. C. Rice. The funeral was largely attended by friends of the deceased. Mr. Kerr and his daughter, Mrs. Turner, accompanied the remains from East Pembroke to Sussex. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kerr of Hartland, N. B. were also in Sussex to attend the funeral.

CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND.

Single—Frank Fairweather, Elmira, New York, \$4.
Monthly—Chas. H. Hutchings (two months), \$10; Miss Margaret J. Bolton, \$1; Miss Edith M. Scully, \$1; W. H. Campbell (two months), \$10; Peter Campbell (two months), \$10; W. E. Scully, \$5; H. A. Porter, \$5; Hon. J. D. Hazen, \$75; Mrs. T. W.

Street, (two months), \$2; Mrs. Wm. Tobin (two months), \$1; Mrs. John Kolliter (two months), \$1; Mrs. Isaac Amos (two months), \$2; R. J. Finnegan (two months), \$2; C. A. Christie (three months), \$1.50; Leo Murphy (two months), \$1; Patrick McElrath (two months), \$2; Mrs. J. A. Durbin (two months), \$50c; Mrs. Cosgrove, \$2; W. B. Newman (two months), \$2; H. Mont Jones, \$5; Geo. A. Dickson, \$10.