FIGHTING LIKE ONLY SUCH HUNS COULD FIGH

Again Using Poisonous Gases, Enemy Tries to Germans are bound ultimately to Force the Allied Lines-Illegal Practices Have lose, and it is the consciousness of this fact that inspires their present Political Object.

askerl to endure."

a'bove the din."

place the casualties.'

LOST 80 PER CENT.

vetaced under a murderous fire, their

Prisoners captured in the recent

stated that one German corps lost

10 per cent, of its men in the first

week, that the losses from our artil-

lery fire, even during days when no

attacks were taking place had been

very heavy, and that many of their

MERELY AN INCIDENT.

"In regard to the recent fighting

in its true perspetcive, and that it

should neither be belittled nor ex-

of attack, it resulted in a consider-

able in the neighborhood of the oper-

ing the llast few months, such, for

carried out with the aid of poisonous

STILL HAVE THE INITIATIVE.

"The true idea of the meaning of

Inclian troops, who, he says,

The "eye-witness" then relates inci-

London, May 6 .- The British official "eye-witness" in a long account of the engagement of the last few days in the Ypres region records that situation April 22-23, but the ser- gained by the past efforts of the althe Germans have continued the use vices rendered by the British infantry lies because the Germans have not of asphy viating gases, but with less success than on the first occasion.

The area to the north and east of undertaken with a political rather

Despite the use of gas by the Germans, the narrative says, the French horn of the salient, formed a kind of have made continual advances east bastion. Throughout the fighting this tary standpoint a sign of weakness of the Yor es Canal south of Pilkem, the result' of which was to remove the wedge occupied by the Germans in the French line between the canal and the Yr ves-Langemarck road, a gain of over 1,000 yards. During this advance a li trge number of German back. prisoners wer e taken.

While the 1 rench continued their advance in this section it is asserted in repelling attacks in front, they, that the Germ ins attacked the Brit-ish south of Neuve Chapelle and at their left were falling back. The test Hill No. 60, in b oth cases using gases. In the latter attacks, however, owing to a change in the wind, the fumes were blown back toward the Germans who are believed to have suffered, as no attempt to advance was made by

TRENCHE'S EVACUATED

Similar tactics are said to have been adopted by the Germans in their attack north of Ypres last Sunday. 'About five o'cl'ock in the evening, the "eye-witness" says, 'a dense cloud of suffocating van ors was launched from their trenches along the whole front held by the Fre, ach right and by our left from the YDI es-Langemarck road to a considerable distance east own men had suffered from the ef-The fi mes did not fects of the gas. carry much beyond our fr ont trenchers but these were to a great extent rer.dered untenable, and a retirement only three weeks' training were from them was ordered.

'No sooner had this started the the enemy opened a violent bombar d. ment with asphyxiating shalls ar d shrapnel on our trenches and on our to have the field of battle and the infantry as they were withd awing Meanwhile our guns had not been idle. From a distance, perhaps crwing to some peculiarity of the light. the gas on this occasion looked like a great red cloud, and the moment it was seen our batteries poured a com-

centrated fire on the German trenches "Curious situations then arose between us and the enemy, the poison belt, the upper part shredding into thin wreaths of vapor as it was shaken by the wind, and the lower and denser part sinking into all inequalities of the ground and rolling slowly down the trenches. Shells would rend it for a moment, but it only settled down again as thickly as before.

RECEIVED WITH BAYONETS

"Nevertheless, the German infantry faced it, and they faced a hail of In other cases, the men oaltaohloin holding the front line managed to move to the flank, where they were more or less beyond the affected area. Here they waited until the enemy came on and then bayoneted them when they reached our trench-

"On the extreme left our supports waited until the wall of vapor reach- south-east of Ypres, at St. Eloi, on to England, but after a short stay ed our trenches, when they charged the 14th of March, and at other there returned to Shanghai and was through it and met the advancing Germans with the bayonet as they swarm- all these earlier efforts and the last bank. He is then alleged to have beed over the parapets.

ate trenches, but reinforcements arrived, who charged the enemy before gases. they could establish themselves in position. In every case the assaults failed completely. Large numbers were mown down by our artillery. the gas cloud could not make their likely to lose it. They do mean, howa great number of the wounded per- pointed out, that the enemy's defenished from the fumes.

"Farther to the east a similar at- fidence is still unshaken and that he tack was made about 7 p.m., which is able to strike in some strength seems to have been attended with where he sees the chance or where even less success, and the assaulting local advantage can be secured. infantry was at once beaten back by

"It was not long before all our gained only by bearing in mind that inal position. The attack on the resources in men.

French met with the same result.

The extent of the ground covered destroyed by fire. French met with the same result.

map, is usually a minor matter, though a position of certain points, or of areas may, for tactical reasons, be of considerable military importance. Progress, therefore, as a rule, may be judged by the drain caused to the enemy's strength and not by the extent of ground won or lost.
GERMANS BOUND TO LOSE.

"In the form now assumed by the struggle—a war of attrition—the as possible some success of sufficient magnitude to influence the neutrals, te discourage the allies, to make "A great deal has been said of the troops on the left, which saved the great deal has been said of the troops on the left, which saved the critical and to induce the belief among people ignorant of war that nothing has been rejected to the classical and to have the company of the classical and the company of the classical and the clas Zonnebeke, representing a narrow than a strategical object.

by either side, as measured on the

"It is to that extent from a miligarrison held firm under a raking Another sign of weakness is the artillery fire from all sides, and under adoption of illegal methods of fightrepeated assaults, which were deliving, such as spreading poiso ered with so much determination that gas. It is a confession by the Ger the enemy more than once reached mans that they have lost their forour trenches before they were beaten mer great superiority in artillery and are, at any cost, seeking another "Not only was this so, but while technical advantage over their enemy

our mer in this quarter were engaged as a substitute.
in repelling attacks in front, they, "Nevertheless this spirit, this dewas as hard as any soldiers can be be underestimated. Though it may not pay the Germans in the long run, t renders it all the more obvious that they are a foe that can be overcome only by the force of overwhelmden ts showing the steadiness of the ing numbers of men and guns.'

REMARKABLE CAREER war-cry swelling louder and louder OF RAYMOND SWOBODA fighting," the narrative continues,

Student, Soldier, Bank Clerk and Embezzler; Now a

By Special Wire to the Courier. "It would seem that a large num-Paris, May 6.-Raymond "Swobober of infantry who had received da," whose arrest was due to the fire in the steamship La Touraine, and brought up during the battle to rewho now is charged with espionage by the French military authorities, The 'eye-witness' then quotes a Geronce served as a reserve officer in the man brigade order, telling the officers German army, according to informa-

tion the Petit Parisien says it has ground in the rear patrolled for stragobtained. It complains that many of "Swoboda" has led an adventurous men who are only slightly wounded. the soldiers accompany to the rear told by his acquantances are to be be-"This," says the "eve-witness," "would lieved. He was born in San Francisco, impress some as failure in discipline but was taken by his mother to Switon the part of the German soldiers. zerland at the age of five after she but under the stress of fighting, and had had a disagreement with his in view of the losses and strain imfather. From Switzerland he is said posed upon the men, this is only to to have gone to Germany where he became associated with a man named Schwind, under which name Swobo-

da attended various schools in Swit zerland and England. He attended the University at on our left, it is desirable that the Heidelberg in 1887. About this time German off ensive should be viewed two German missionaries were murdered in China, and Swoboda enlist aggerated. Effected in the first in-jed with other students in the punitive stance by surprise, as a novel form expedition which was organized. After ten months military service he resignshrapnel as well. In some cases, able gain of ground for the enemy, as where the gas had not reached our lines, our troops held firm and shot warfare, the greater part of which Kong, Canton and Tien Tsin. Workthrough the cloud at the advancing has so far been maintained by such ing at one time for an American geobodies of fresh troops as were avail-

logist, who was prospecting for oil.
Swoboda finally entered the service of the Russo-Chinese bank at Shang-"There seems to have been strong hai, where he remained 18 months. local counter-offensive undertaken in The Boxer rebellion then broke out, reply to the allied offensive at other, and he took service in the German points, arid made with the same ob- expeditionary force, passing the exject as previous attacks delivered dur- amination for reserve officer.

When the uprising was quelled, instance, as those made in February Swoboda again left the army and went there was no difference in kind, the come involved in an embezzlement South of St. Julien the denseness only difference being that on this lat- after which he fled, was arrested, esof the vapor compelled us to evacu- est occasion the attempt had been caped, was re-captured, tried and sentenced in the German consular court. Part of his term was served in a German fortress, but his sentence said to have been commuted and he "There is no reason why we should not expect similar tactics in the fu-from prison, his acquaintances as-Men were seen falling in heaps and ture. They do not mean that the others scattering and running back to allies have lost the initiative in the start life anew and took the name of They do not mean that the sert, he came to France determined to their own lines. Many who reached western theatre, nor that they are Swoboda, which really was his since he had not been adopted by Schwind. way through it and in all probability ever, and the fact has been repeatedly He had lived ten years in Paris and had built up a successful business as sive is an active one, that his con- a broker when the war began.

It is now stated that the Trent Valley Canal will probably not be opened until the spring of 1916, as there are a number of obstructions to be removed.

the operations of the allies can be The National Elevator, owned by trenches were re-occupied and the it is their primary object to bring the National Elevator Company of whole line re-established in its origabout the exhaustion of the enemy's Winnipeg, located on the C. N. R. tracks, Port Arthur, was completely

Cohe D MASQUERADER

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The stranger watched him in silence. There was the same faint contempt, but also there was a reluctant interest in his glance as it passed from the fingers fumbling with the case to the pale face with the square jaw, straight mouth and level eyebrows drawn low over the gray eyes. When at last the card was held out to him he took it without remark and slipped it into his pocket.

Chilcote looked at him eagerly. "Now the exchange?" he said. For a second the stranger did not re spond. Then, almost unexpectedly, he

"After all, if it amuses you"- he said; and, searching in his waistcoat pocket, he drew out the required card. "It will leave you quite unenlight ened." he added. "The name of a failure never spells anything." With another smile, partly amused, partly ironical, he stepped from the little island and disappeared into the throng of

Chilcote stood for an instant gazing at the point where he had vanished then, turning to the lamp, he lifted the card and read the name it bore, "Mr. John Loder, 13 Clifford's Inn." CHAPTER II.

N the morning following the night of fog Chilcote woke at 9. He woke at the moment that his man Allsopp tiptoed across the room and laid the salver with his early cup of tea on the table beside the

For several seconds he lay with his eyes shut. The effort of opening them on a fresh day-the intimate certainty of what he would see on opening them -seemed to weight his lids. The heavy, half closed curtains, the blinds severely drawn, the great room with its splendid furniture, its sober coloring, its scent of damp London winter-above ife, the newspaper says, if stories all, Allsopp, silent, respectful and respectable-were the things to dread. A full minute passed while he still feigned sleep. He heard Allsopp stir

> "Nine o'clock, sir!" He opened his eyes, murmured something and closed them again. The man moved to the window, quietly pulled back the curtains and

discreetly, then the inevitable informa-

tion broke the silence:

half drew the blind. "Better night, sir, I hope?" he ventured softly. Chilcote had drawn the bedclothes over his face to screen himself from

the daylight, murky though it was. "Yes," he responded. "Those beastly nightmares didn't trouble me for once." He shivered a little as at some recollection. "But don't talk-don't rehas no originality." He spoke sharply. At times he showed an almost childish irritation over trivial things.

Allsopp took the remark in silence. Crossing the wide room, he began to lay out his master's clothes. The action affected Chilcote to fresh annoy-

"Confound it!" he said. "I'm sick of that routine! I can see you laying out my winding sheet the day of my burial. Leave those things. Come back in half an hour."

Allsopp allowed himself one glance at his master's figure huddled in the great bed; then, laying aside the coat he was holding, he moved to the door. With his fingers on the handle, he "Will you breakfast in your own

room, sir, or downstairs?" Chilcote drew the clothes more tight ly round his shoulders. "Oh, anywhere -nowhere!" he said. "I don't care." Allsopp softly withdrew.

Left to himself, Chilcote sat up in bed and lifted the salver to his knees. The sudden movement jarred him physically. He drew a handkerchief from under the pillow and wiped his forehead. Then he held his hand to the light and studied it. The hand looked sallow and unsteady. With a nervou gesture he thrust the salver back upon the table and slid out of bed. *

Moving hastily across the room, h stopped before one of the tall wardrobes and swung the door open; then, after a furtive glance around the room, he thrust his hand into the recesses of a shelf and fumbled there. The thing he sought was evidently not hard to find, for almost at once he withdrew his hand and moved from the wardrobe to a table beside the fireplace, carrying a small glass tube filled with tabloids

On the table were a decanter, siphon and a water jug. Mixing some whisky, he uncorked the tube. Again he glanced apprehensively toward the door, then with a very nervous hand dropped two tabloids into the glass.

While they dissolved he stood with his hand on the table and his eyes fixed on the floor, evidently restraining his impatience. Instantly they had disappeared he seized the glass and drained it at a draft, replaced the bottle in the wardrobe and, shivering slightly in the raw air, slipped back

When Allsopp returned he was sitting up, a cigarette between his lips, the teacup standing empty on the salver. The nervous irritability had gone from his manner. He no longer moved jerkily; his eyes looked brighter, his pale skin more healthy.

"Ah, Allsopp," he said, "there are some moments in life, after all. It isn't all blank wall."

"I ordered breakfast in the small **CIRCUIT** norning room, sir," said Allsopp, with out a change of expression. Chilcote breakfasted at 10. His ap-**CLIPPINGS** petite, always fickle, was particular,'y incertain in the early hours. He helped himself to some fish, but sent away

his plate untouched; then having

drunk two cups of tea, he pushed back

Twice he shook it out and twice turn

upon it made him dally. The effect of

the morphia tabloids was still appar-

ent in the greater steadiness of his

susceptibilities, but the respite was

emporary and lethargic. The early

days-the days of six years ago, when

these tabloids meant an even sweep of

thought, lucidity of brain, a balance of

judgment in thought and effort-were

days of the past. As he had said of

Lexington and his vice, the slave had

As he folded the paper in a last at-

tempt at interest the door opened, and

"Good morning, sir," he said. "For-

He was a fresh mannered, bright

amused and depressed Chilcote by

"Good morning, Blessington. What

s it now?" He sighed through habit

and, putting up his hand, warded off

a ray of sun that had forced itself

through the misty atmosphere as if by

The boy smiled. "It's that business

of the Wark timber contract, sir," he

said. "You promised you'd look into

it today. You know you've shelved it

nage are rather clamoring for an an-

swer." He moved forward and laid

the papers he was carrying on the ta-

ble beside Chilcote. "I'm sorry to be

such a nuisance," he added. "I hope

your nerves aren't worrying you to-

Chilcote was toying with the papers.

At the word nerves he glanced up sus-

piciously. But Blessington's ingenuous

"No," he said. "I settled my nerves

last night with-with a bromide. I

knew that fog would upset me unless

avoid bromides. Bad habit to set up.

But this Wark business-I'd like to get

it under way if you have no objection."

Chilcote passed his fingers over the

"No, sir. I supped with some people

polite, but he had an inordinate sense

"Forgive me, sir," he said, "but about

that contract? I know I'm a frightful

about him absently. "By the way, did

you see anything of my wife yester-

"Mrs. Chilcote gave me tea yesterday

"I feel that for sixpence I'd chuck it all."

ing at Lady Sabinet's and looking in at

one or two places later." He eyed his

Chilcote smiled satirically. "Eve is

very true to society," he said. "I

couldn't dine at the Sabinets' if it was

to make me premier. They have a

butler who is an institution-a sort of

heirloom in the family. He is fat and

breathes audibly. Last time I lunched

there he haunted me for a whole

Blessington laughed gayly. "Mrs.

Chilcote doesn't see ghosts, sir," he

Chilcote tapped his fingers on the

Blessington governed his impatience

He stood still for some seconds, then

"If you will be lenient to my per-

"Confound it, Blessington!" he ex-

claimed. "Am I never to be left in

meal without having work thrust upon

peace? Am I never to sit down to a

me? Work-work-perpetually work!

I have heard no other word in the last

he rose suddenly from his seat and

turned to the window-"there are times

when I feel that for sixpence I'd chuck

it all—the whole beastly round"—

six years. I declare there are times"-

sistency, sir, I would like to remind

"No. Eve doesn't see ghosts.

glanced down at his pointed boot.

said; "but if I may suggest"-

rather miss sympathy there."

of irritability.

papers in Chilcote's listless hand.

afternoon. She told me she was din-

day? What did she do last night?"

"Oh, the contract!" Chilcote looked

papers. "Were you out in that fog last

face satisfied him.

I took precautions."

night, Blessington?"

of duty.

was very partial, I believe."

give me for being so untimely."

his secretary came a step or two into

pecome master.

shook out the morning's newspaper.

Bert Wilson, the Toronto outfielder working out at the Island every his chair, lighted a fresh cigarette and d'y and will be able to take nis place in the outfield when the team arrives home a week from Monday. ed it, but the reluctance to fix his mind Bert states that outside of a little stiffness his broken leg was all right.
while the "sympathy" leg has also recovered. hand and eye, the regained quiet of his

Major I. Bravenor swelled the list of player's who reported at Hamilton yester day. Cunningham reported

Montreal has released Bates, a re cruit pitcher, to Scranton, while First Baseman Holstein is also billed to get the hook, likewise Pitcher Ste-

The Toronto Baseball Club, rather President McCaffery, somewhat aggrieved over McGraw's action in turning "Jim" Thorpe, the Indian player, over to Jersey City. In a sense, the Leafs had a claim on the famous redskin. They were ho foot after his services last year, and at one stage had him all but signed. eyed boy of twenty-three. His breezy In fact Thorpe had practically acceptalertness, his deference, as to a man ed terms, and ready to come here, who had attained what he aspired to, But one or two of the big league clubs refused to waive, and the world's champion athlete was kept by New McGraw was not willing to lose the player outright, which would have been the case had he not recalled the waivers, and though he had no place for the player, he retained him on his pay roll. None of the other clubs this year were apparently anxious to secure the Indian, and he was allowed to go to the Jersey City club which is managed by George Wilse, who was with the Giants for many for a week already, and Craig-Bur- years.

The Toronto ball team did not per form yesterday because of rain at Jersey City. They jump to Providence after their seige at Jersey and then back to Newark for the final splurge before coming home. To date they have not had an even break at Richmond in four games and lost the only game at

Toronto fans are sure of one thing -new faces. Of last year's team, only O'Hara, Herbert and Kelly remain. That means a pretty thorough cleaning up. The entire infield is new, the outfield has only O'Hara, with Bert took precautions."

"I'm glad of that, sir, though I'd staff has Herbert, and the catching department Kelly.

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and after the war prevailed in January of the following contras Rye flour increased per ton; wheat flour buckwheat from \$60 t from \$60 to \$250. ton of straw cost 21 brought \$612, and t increased 500 per cen Out of a population district of Sosnovita are now dependent i Beldin there are 5,000

Chine

ULTIMATUM P Peking, May 7. Hioki, the Japane China went to the office between 3 this afternoon and Japanese ultimatur

that China accede mands presented Government. Previous to this part of the legation visi ter Tsano. Ulino t tum of the Japane contained certain of the twenty-four

sented by Tokio. Peking, May 7 .son to believe that to concede everythi Japan, realizing that

This possible cut sent tense situation comprehended in Pel ly a number of fore well as Chinese th day packing their pe and otherwise prepar

It was ascertained the Japanese Govern presented to the Ch Tokio a note, warni must accept the dem otherwise there wo to her an ultimatum, which would be fix Sunday, May 9.

It is Hop Japan a Will S World Bloody

By Special Wire to

London, May its editorial page pointing out the na-Japanese situati The Times, "are velopments of the issue hangs the fi ization, another w slowly gathering 1 has not yet burst ; there is still time pan may spare the this fresh visitatio "The hope is no latest messages fr king. Neverthele

linger the feeling that matters may tremity. This expe er entirely shared where the situation watched.

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