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## **Germans and Turks Try To Hide News of Defeat**

But London Learns That Russians Hit a Heavy Blow — Allies Vary Flank Attacks by Pressure From Rheims on **Lorraine Frontier** 

London, Jan. 7-Neither Turkey nor Germany has conceded the defeat of Furkish armies in the Caucasus as announced officially in Petrograd, but as another details of this fighting are received in London, it would appear that this reported Turkish disaster has been as complete as that suffered by any forces since the outbreak of the war.

In spite of this, however, the lates t official communication from Turkey al-together ignores the fighting in the Caucasus and dwells upon the struggle which has spread over the Persian frontier to Urumiah, an important town where the Turks say that, aided by Persians, they have defeated the Russians. GERMAN CHECK IN POLAND

In Poland the German's apparently are no nearer Warsaw, and there is little alteration in the battle front extending from the Baltic to the Carpathians. The Russians seem to be still concentrating their main effort in the Carpathian pass-es. At the same time they are continuing a vigorous offensive in Bukowina. The occupation of this Austrian territory populated as it is largely by Rou-manians, may soon exert, in the opinon of British observers, a powerful influ-ence throughout Europe as bringing the Balkan situation to a head. In the western arena the allies have varied their flank attacks, which recent-te heads the superse in the same of Wanders and in Alszee by interne-

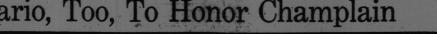
ly brought them success in the sand dunes of Flanders, and in Alsace, by inten-sifying the pressure from Rheims to the Lorrafne frontier, where some ground

has been gained. • The Germans, meanwhile, have sought to repair the damage done to their wings. This has resulted in the recovery of some ground for them near Stein-bach, in Upper Alsace, but their attacks in Flanders were repulsed.

THE MERCIER INCIDENT

The reported detention of Cardinal Mercier, by the Germans, presumably for the reason that he advised his countrymen not to give allegiance to the German administration, continues to be a topic of lively discussion and specula-

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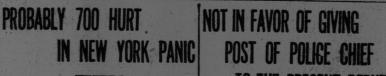


Provision, However, That They Must Be Used in Manner That Will Bring No Benefit to the Enemy

BRITAIN

London, Jan 7—The British reply to means of escaping the effects of the the American note regarding interference war.

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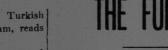
tion in London and Amsterdam. It is reported that the cardinal had been re-moved to Brussels, but this has not been confirmed. An English translation of his pastoral letter has been published in London in pamphlet form.

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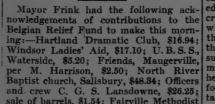
"In the region of Lille, we repulsed, with succes,s a violent German attack on one of our trenches. This trench, in the beginning lost by us, was recap-tured with great brilliancy and by the exploding of mines we demolished a portion of the German field works.

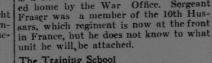
"Between the Somme and the Aisne there has been nothing to report except Call For Mounted Infantry le

artillery engagements. "To the east of Rheims, on the Alger farm, we exploded some mines last evening. This resulted in the stopping of the enemy's field work. "In the Argonne, to the west and to the north of Verdun, there were yes-



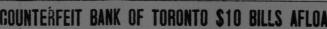


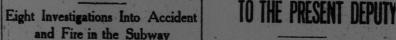




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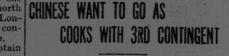






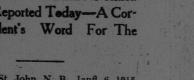
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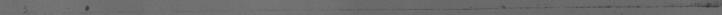
New York, Jan. 7-Eight investigations into the subway accident in which the woman lost her life, almost 200 men, women and children were so badly in jured that they were treated at hospitals and probably 500 others were bruised or partly asphyxiated, are now in progress or will be started today. Charles A. Perkins, district attorney of New York, hurried to Fifty Fifth street and Broadway soon after the accident and descended into the subway and examined the two local trains and ne express train in which the patient occurred when, the short circuiting of electric and cable wires shut off the power. While still at the scene, he called witnesses before him and later heard their statements in detail. Dther investigations, several of which for earlier of the grant and fre departments. Coroner Riordsa and the Interborough Rapid Transit. Company. The accident, coming at the beginning of the american curb with a statement is there for a mat



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