

# CHECK AT FRESNOY NOT REGARDED AS SERIOUS

## BRITISH AND FRENCH MAKE GAINS IN GREAT STRUGGLE

Gen. Haig's Men Advance Near Bullecourt—Canadians Assisted at Fresnoy by South England Troops—French Capture Fortified Position.

London, May 10.—Correspondents at British headquarters in France, referring to the situation at Fresnoy, say the village had been difficult to hold ever since the Canadians captured it on last Thursday. As the British were not in possession of the village of Achille and Oppy, respectively to the north and south of Fresnoy was greatly exposed. Standing out from the line like a bastion, the Germans made strong attacks daily on each side of the village to prevent the British from getting forward to strengthen their position.

In their final assault the Germans employed vastly more men than the British had used in taking the village. Their losses are declared to have been so severe that if we had used up every man we had on the field we should not have approached them in numbers, and if the operation costs us some ground we have a large credit in man power to balance it.

### English Troops Brave.

The Canadians apparently were not the main defenders of the position, the thrust of the attack falling on South England troops, whose stubborn resistance is highly praised. It is said that they were worn out and compelled to give way before the overwhelming strength of the enemy. Nevertheless it was the same men who, after an hour's breathing spell, re-attacked and recovered a large part of the ground. The correspondents describe the setback as being on a small scale and such as is bound to occur from time to time, provided the enemy is willing to stand the losses such assaults entail.

London, May 10.—Progress was made by the British last night in the neighborhood of Bullecourt, east of Griscourt and south of the Stouche river, so says today's official announcement.

Paris, May 10.—A fortified position

on the Valenciennes plateau was captured last night by the French. This is announced officially. Heavy artillery fighting continues in this region, where the Germans made a counter-attack with a division of fresh troops. Several German counter attacks along the Chemin des Dames were repulsed. The statement follows:

"During the night the enemy attempted, without success, several rather feeble counter-attacks at various points along the Chemin-des-Dames. All his efforts were defeated by our fire. A counter attack in great force against positions carried by us in the region of Cheveux met with the same fate and did not prevent us from making further progress and capturing a fortified position of support. Prisoners and a machine gun remained in our hands."

"On the northern slopes of the Valenciennes plateau we carried out an operation which enabled us to enlarge our gains and to take prisoners belonging to a division of troops which arrived recently on this part of the front. Artillery fighting continues actively in these sectors. East of Hill 108, near La Pompelle, north of Bezonvaux, and in the region of Metzeral, patrol skirmishes and grenade fighting occurred. Information now at hand shows that German airplanes reported to have been damaged seriously on April 23 and 24, May 5 and May 7, were in reality brought down. Yesterday our pilots caused two German airplanes to fall in flames."

A quiet wedding was solemnized at eight o'clock last evening when Rev. F. S. Dowling, minister of St. Plummer's church, united Norris B. Plummer and Mrs. Nellie Fleming, both of this city. The ceremony was performed at the home of Rev. Mr. Dowling. The couple were unattended. After a short trip Mr. and Mrs. Plummer will reside at 21 Horsfield street.

## SINN FEINER WINS IN SO. LONGFORD

Joseph McGuinness Defeats Nationalist in Late Edward Blake's Constituency.

London, May 10.—Joseph McGuinness, a Sinn Feiner, has been elected to the House of Commons at the special election to fill the vacancy of the southern division of Longford county, Ireland. His majority was 37 over Patrick McKenna, Nationalist.

Number of Sinn Feiners elected to House of Commons will now be two. Count Plunkett, of North Roscommon was the first of that political persuasion to be chosen.

South Longford was represented at Westminster for many years by the late Hon. Edward Blake of Toronto, sometime Liberal leader in Canada. McGuinness, the newly elected member, is serving a three years' sentence in Lewes prison. He was convicted with the Dublin rebellion last year.

## ALBERTA VOTES JUNE 14

Winnipeg, May 10.—The Free Press has a special despatch from Calgary, stating that the provincial elections will be held in Alberta June 14th and 15th.

## DEMAND FOR MINING SHARES IN TORONTO.

Toronto, May 10.—The first real demand in some little time developed on the Standard Mining Exchange yesterday and this imparted a very much better complexion to the list. A distinct change in sentiment appears to have taken place, the feeling now pre-

## TORPEDOED HOSPITAL VESSELS

German Submarines Sink Two More Ships with Wounded after Frieberg Raid.

London, May 10.—Two further hospital ships have been torpedoed by German submarines since British airplanes raided the town of Frieberg as a reprisal for previous sinkings of hospital ships. Andrew Bonar Law, member of the British war council, announced today in the House of Commons.

## MORE PEACE TALK HEARD

New York, May 10.—"Underground rumors" of peace have been persistent. For two or three days there have been vague suggestions in well informed financial circles referring to peace developments of a definite character. It is intimated in some quarters that Washington has had information of this character from German sources. The idea appears to be a breakdown by Germany. The advice have influenced very important stock operators to retire short commitments notwithstanding liquidation by wealthy persons in connection with the war financing. Should peace now come overnight a bear panic would occur according to active houses.

There is a wave of liquidation by investors from all parts of the country and it will have to run its course, says a prominent wire house in touch with the big centres of the United States.

## OPPOSITION ORGANIZE FOR REAL BUSINESS

Dr. Taylor of Charlotte Elected Permanent Chairman and Mr. Peck, Albert, Secretary.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, May 10.—A meeting of the Opposition party was held in their rooms in the legislative assembly today, and Dr. Taylor of Charlotte county, was elected permanent chairman of the caucus. Mr. J. L. Peck, of Kings, and Dr. W. C. Crockett, of Albert county, were appointed party whips. Mr. George B. Jones, of Kings, and Mr. George B. Jones, of Kings, were elected as a publicity committee. The meeting was a very enthusiastic one throughout.

## INTERESTING FOX SUIT HEARD IN MONCTON

Several St. John Attorneys in Case—Defendant is P. Todd of St. Stephen.

Special to The Standard. Moncton, May 10.—A fox case in which the Silver Fox Fur Co., Ltd., with a ranch at Mud Creek, Albert Co., brings action against P. Todd of St. Stephen to recover \$900, balance due on foxes sold in February, 1916, also \$240 for ranching the same, was commenced before Justice Chandler at Supreme Court Chambers here today. M. G. Teed, K. C., of St. John, and E. A. Reilly, K. C., of Moncton, appeared for plaintiff and Smith and Tait of St. John for defendant. The plaintiff's case was finished this afternoon.

## NEIGHBORS KILLED IN ACTION IN FRANCE

Gunner Ripley and Alexander Ayles of Moncton Give Up Lives for the Empire.

Special to The Standard. Moncton, May 10.—R. P. Ripley, foreman of the C. G. R. Shop, received official notice today that his son, Gunner Robert A. Ripley, was killed in action on April 28. Word also was received by Mrs. Alexander Ayles of Moncton that her husband was killed in action about the same date. Both men lived in adjoining houses on Luis street.

First Trip to Fredericton. The steamer D. J. Purdy will leave this morning for Fredericton. This is her first trip this season.



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## CLAIM CLERK HARPER BET ON THE ELECTION

Despatch which Stated Evidence Showed he had Money at the Polls in Error.

Special to The Standard. Moncton, May 10.—In this morning's despatch regarding charges of partisanship on election day preferred against Harper R. Allen, C. G. R. postal clerk, should have read: "At the enquiry which started today, evidence was given to show that Allen not only had money bet on the election, but that he also stood at the polls and distributed Robinson ballots to electors." There was no evidence whatever that Mr. Allen used money at the polls, as might be inferred. The hearing will be resumed on Monday.

## HIC" TIDE AT CHATHAM

Special to The Standard. Chatham, May 10.—The storm last night caused the tide to rise so high that the first floors of the Snowball Company's lumber mill and roasting mill were covered to the depth of a foot with water this morning, causing suspension of work.

## BISHOP BARRY BETTER

Special to The Standard. Chatham, May 10.—Bishop Barry's condition was greatly improved this evening, his temperature having fallen to normal. Dr. Duffy, the attending physician, has high hopes of the ultimate recovery of the aged prelate.

New York, May 10.—The rather sharp decline which our market experienced yesterday really reflected a general tendency. With all the uncertainties attendant upon the situation in which are included the problem of raising an amount of money exceeding any sum raised in any country in one loan before, in the complications attendant upon the raising by taxes of a sum to equal approximately two billion dollars of additional revenue, the market so far as I can read it has given an account of itself that evidences a degree of strength and solidity that is marked. Undoubtedly it will continue to be unsettled and the uncertainty surrounding present conditions may tend to further liquidation but a very much more sensational decline coincident with the rapid development of the important influences which are working at the present time would not have been surprising. Forecasts in connection with the situation are valueless. The market has got to face a good deal and the way in which it has faced it in the past two weeks gives assurance of confidence.

## KINGSTON

Kingston, May 9.—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Kierstead who have been residents here for many years have moved to St. John. They will be much missed by their friends here.

Mrs. Basil May and young son, Hamilton, of New York, are visiting her mother, Mrs. John Mott, for a time. Much sympathy is extended to the Rev. A. G. Peters and family in the loss of their son, Adolphe, who was killed in action April 9th. He was but 18 years of age. He went overseas in the 140th Battalion, and in March was sent to France where he was soon killed in action. He has also a brother, Ernest, in the 104th Battalion, who is yet in England.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday night, May 9th, for Pte. Peters in Kingston Baptist church.

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## MARRIAGES.

PLUMMER-FLEMING.—On May 10, at eight p.m. at the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. F. S. Dowling, minister of St. Plummer's church, Norris B. Plummer and Mrs. Nellie Fleming, both of St. John.

## DIED.

MACDONALD.—Killed in action, somewhere in France, April 23, 1917. Herbert Daniel McDonald, aged 24 years, Lieutenant Canadian Artillery, only son of Charles and Nellie K. McDonald, of St. John, N. B.

GAYTON.—In this city, on May 9th, Captain William H. Gayton, leaving a widow, two sons and two daughters to mourn the loss of a loving husband and father. (Sackville, N. B. and Lewiston, Me., papers please copy).

Funeral Friday afternoon, at 2.30 from his late residence, 28 Harrison street. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend.

SARGENT.—At 67 High street, on May 10, Elizabeth Sargent, widow of Edward Sargent, in her 82nd year, leaving two daughters, one son, eleven grandchildren, four great grandchildren and two brothers to mourn.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

## IN MEMORIAM.

In loving memory of Mary A. wife of the late Rev. Robert Wilson, who fell asleep May 11th, 1905. "Until the day break and the shadows flee away."

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McAdam, May 8.—The McAdam Dramatic Club played "Tony, the Convict" before a crowded house last Tuesday evening. The parts were well taken and much credit is due the young people who made up the cast. The proceeds, which amounted to over eighty dollars are to be used for a returned soldiers fund.

The first troop trains to come from the west via C. P. R. passed through here last week. The battalions took recreation and rest from travelling in marching around the town. All presented a very fine appearance.

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