

Germany Forbids All Imports of Luxuries
French and Hun Versions of Verdun Fight
Great Loss of Steamers During Week-end

CAPTAIN SMITH OF THE INDIAN RESERVE, NOW HOME FROM THE FRONT

Short Notice Given But Quiet Civic Reception For Him Saturday Afternoon in Indian Office--His Friends and Relatives Present, and Were Proud and Pleased at Recognition He Received.

In spite of the fact that only very short notice was given, the reception accorded to Capt. Smith, son of Chief Smith of the Reserve, who returned from the front Saturday afternoon, was as unique and successful an event as Brantford has ever seen.

The soldier, not arriving Grand Trunk, it was ascertained that he was coming T.H. and B. at 4.15. The party proceeded to the station, and in a few minutes the train arrived with Captain Smith on board.

The little party was whirled to the Indian Office, where a few friends from the Reserve had gathered, and in one of the rooms was held an informal civic reception.

Ald. Minshall also extended his welcome. He and Captain Smith had worked together for years in the Brantford Carriage Co. and he knew what a fine man he was.

Mr. Lickers, a school teacher on the Reserve, spoke briefly. The red man would bear an equity with the white man hereafter, he claimed.

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CAUGHT BETWEEN TWO BARRING FIRES OVERWHELMED BY ARTILLERY FIRE, AND OUTNUMBERED; THE GERMANS REPULSED

Holding Strong Positions, the French Now Keep the Enemy at Bay - Berlin is Told Fort Douaumont is Reduced by Gun Fire to Utter Ruin.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Paris, Feb. 28.—(Delayed)—Impetuous counter-attacks by French troops north of Verdun, in which the Germans were thrown back from many positions conquered by them during the first four days of the battle, according to reports from the front, are considered as inaugurating a second phase of the great action under conditions most favorable to the defenders.

"Caught between two barring fires," said M. Briand, "covered with shrapnel from all sides, attacked by our fresh divisions surging upon the field of battle at an unexpected moment, the Germans saw their efforts stopped short. The struggle was a titanic one."

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MORE EVIDENCES OF THE PINCH

Berlin, via London, Feb. 28.—The German Government has adopted a decree prohibiting the importation of commodities regarded as luxuries, which can be dispensed with in war time.

CONSERVATIVE NOTICE
The annual ward meetings of Ward 1, 2 and 3, will take place at the rooms of the Association, corner of King and Dalhousie streets, on Wednesday night March 1st at 8 p.m. sharp.

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The compact ranks of the Germans. "Finally exhausted, their ranks decimated, the German armies recoiled from under our furious counter-attacks. We have regained the advantage. Installed upon formidable positions, our heroic soldiers remained masters of the field of battle."

THE GERMAN VERSION
Berlin, Feb. 28.—The Tagblatt correspondent telegraphs the following account of the reduction of Douaumont:

The organization of the attack on the north front of Verdun was a masterpiece in itself. Preparations of a vast extent had first to be carried out in complete concealment from the enemy.

IN CHAMPAGNE.
German troops, by a surprise attack, have been successful in entering certain advanced French trenches near Navarin farm, in the Champagne district.

IN THE WOEVRE.
In the Woivre district the Germans yesterday evening and last night assumed an attitude of greater activity. The railroad station at Eix, after changing hands several times, finally remains in possession of the French.

NO CHANGES OF IMPORTANCE.
Berlin, Feb. 28.—(By Sayville wireless).—Although further advances have been made by the Germans north of Verdun, no changes of great importance in this region are revealed by the war office statement of today.

STILL HOLD THE FORT.
In the Verdun region fresh French reserves were exhausted in fruitless efforts against Fort Douaumont. The Germans advanced their lines further toward Bras and Vacheraville, and made fresh gains in the Woivre.

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BRANDENBURG TROOPS STORMED DOUAUMONT AFTER GREAT GUN FIRE

Two Other Forts Also Have Fallen to Enemy is the Berlin Story - Correspondent of German Newspaper Tells the Story of the Attack.

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PARIS CLAIMS VERDUN IS STILL HOLDING FIRM, BERLIN SAYS NO CHANGES OF IMPORTANCE

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LANDED.
Up to midnight the bodies landed from the Maloja include eighteen men, eleven women and four children, in addition to eleven Lascars.

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"But that's a totally different story to what you told me yesterday." "Yes, mum. You see you didn't believe that one." -London Mail.

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