

THE ALLIES' BIG CAPTURES DURING THE YEAR 1916

Activity Resumed on Verdun Front

FRENCH PATROLS WERE ACTIVE

PARIS, Jan. 2.—The artillery was rather active north of south of the Somme in the region of Louvroy and Verdun around Dead Man's Hill and Bezonvaux and also in Champagne, says today's communication from the front. Our patrols were very active and brought in prisoners.

Two More Steamers Have Been Sunk

BELONGING TO FOUR DIFFERENT COUNTRIES

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Lloyd's shipping agency announces the British steamer Hollyhock, thirty-five hundred tons, and the Swedish steamer Eric have been sunk. The Swedish steamer Goodspeed and the French sailing ship Antioquia also are reported sunk.

Export of Coal to Norway Prohibited

WHICH DID NOT FULFIL ITS OBLIGATIONS

LONDON, Jan. 2.—The Norwegian newspapers quoted in the Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen say the British Government has prohibited the export of coal to Norway because of the unsatisfactory manner in which certain obligations were fulfilled by Norway.

Make A Clean Sweep

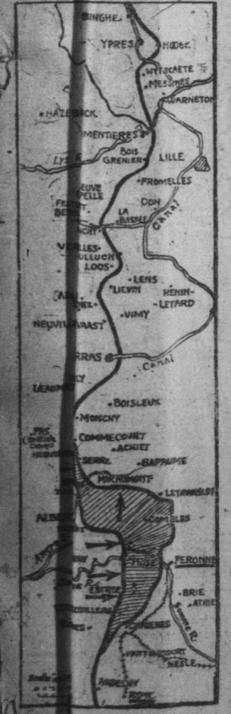
Burglars Take Everything Portable from Toronto Residence

Toronto Jan 1.—On Sunday while J.M. Bullen and his wife of 91 Clendennan avenue were dining at the house, burglars entered the house and removed everything portable. Jewelry, silverware, etc., to the value of several hundred dollars were taken and the thieves did not overlook two pounds of butter in the refrigerator.

118th Bn. Concert To-morrow Evening

Fine Program Arranged.

In another column will be found the program to be rendered by the 118th Band of the Grand Theatre, to-morrow, Tuesday evening. A glance at the numbers should prove sufficient to attract all lovers of music to the concert. When at Camp Borden the 118th Band had no supporters, and the bandmen have indulged in such practice lately as a rare treat in store for all who attend. Give the boys a good show.



FRONT EXTENDED. England states that the British front now has 100 miles and extends to the Somme.

Leakage Has Been Repaired

Company Sells One Generator

The cause of the escaping vapors of steam on West King and Caspary Streets has been removed although vapors of steam are still to be seen. The reason of the steam was a break in the water main on King Street, which gushed out in such quantities that the log drain pipe of the heating company could not take care of it. The contact of the water with the hot steam-pipes resulted in the evolution of the water, and the steam rolled out in dense clouds.

In conversation with Mr. Soucy, manager of the heating plant, it was pointed out that the water from the city's main had done considerable damage to the log-pipes, which necessitated a drying out of the same. The effect of the leak, Mr. Soucy said, also drew on the boilers, which necessitated more coal on the city's main when the situation was at its worst. This effect was seen on the receiving pressure apparatus, the way led lines being indicative of the vibration in the pipes.

It seems that the leak had existed for about two months. The so-called water in the ground had become so great in the neighborhood that steam came forth which with the water was a nuisance to the property owners. The city voiced a complaint and communications between the two corporations followed, the company claiming there was a leakage of water and that they were not responsible for the steam.

Mr. Soucy states the company will require remuneration from the city for the damages caused to the part of the system.

Generator Sold

The 320 h.p. engine and electric generator of the plant, one of two formerly used by the street railway is being removed and will be shipped to the purchasers in Philippsburg, Pa.

Window Again Broken Early This Morning

At 12:40 o'clock this morning a soldier passing down King street paused long enough in front of The News Record to hurl a brick through the plate glass in the front office window. The moment he had done so, he ran off up King street.

A constable standing at the corner of King and Queen streets, heard the crash and seeing the soldier running set off in pursuit. He followed him into a cafe, but as there were about 30 soldiers there it was impossible for him to locate the offender.

A civilian, who saw the act, accompanied the police to the depot at 2 a.m. but failed to identify the offender among the soldiers gathered there to return to London on the 2:07 train.

The window which was broken, only yesterday morning was put in to replace the one broken in Monday evening's riots.

Gen. Haig Thanks London Officer

GEN. MACDONNELL PLANNED AND EXECUTED COURCELETTE'S CAPTURE.

Major-Gen. A. H. Macdonnell, D. S. O. C. M. G., who has the rank of colonel of the local military headquarters staff at the outbreak of war, has been warmly commended by Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, the British commander on the western front, for his work in connection with the capture of Courcellette, according to a letter received from Gen. Macdonnell by Mayor Church, of Toronto, a personal friend of the officer.

Major-Gen. Macdonnell, who was last summer promoted from the rank of brigadier-general, was in command of the brigade which captured Courcellette, and had the honor of marching into the fallen town at the head of his brigade. Gen. Macdonnell was warmly complimented by Gen. Haig on his plan of attack, which necessitated the capture of 3,000 yards of territory in No Man's Land, being about the first open fighting of any account since trench warfare was adopted.

French Canadians. In writing to Mayor Church, Gen. Macdonnell warmly commends the bravery of the Canadians and their cheerfulness under all circumstances. He says they are eager to get to get at the Germans, and say that confidence in victory permeates all ranks.

Major-Gen. Macdonnell went over



THE MEANING OF GERMANY'S "PEACE TERMS." These two maps reproduced from the London City Hall, speak for themselves. The two maps are each approximately 31 columns wide, the two making a good even col layout.

Peace Negotiations Are Not Obtainable

GERMANY'S DUTY TO DISCLOSE HER TERMS.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—(Comm. ent) on the entente's reply to the German peace proposal, the Amsterdam Telegraph, according to a Reuters dispatch from that Holland says: Germany's maneuver to divide her enemies has completely failed. The entente's note bears witness to unanimity and solidarity only possible on a basis of the honest belief in the justice of their cause. The entire neutral world, with President Wilson at its head, must now agree that it is

Allies Captured 585,000 Prisoners Last Year

Keeps About Thirty Austrian Divisions Engaged and Has Captured 1,200 Square Miles of Territory.

ON THE FRENCH FRONT IN FRANCE, Jan. 2.—During the course of last year, according to authoritative figures, 578,500 Germans were captured on the French front by the French and 40,800 by the British while in Serbia and Macedonia the entente

The Registration Cards Are Being Signed

MEN ARE PROMPTLY SIGNING CARDS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Gratitude for American assistance to the Belgians was conveyed to President Wilson in a New Year's message from King Albert of Belgium, received at the White House to-day. It gives them the hope that the United States will always remain a powerful protector of Belgium, concludes the message.

HOPE U. S. WILL ALWAYS REMAIN BIG PROTECTORS.

Another mysterious fire was covered yesterday at Pillsbury when S. Sifts on returning home at an early hour found a fire in the hay mow.

Assists Innocent Aliens

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LONDON.—So far as known here, England is the only one of the countries at war which supports a charitable committee for the help of enemies' distress. Yet such is the "Emergency Committee for the Assistance of German, Austrian, and Hungarian Distress."

Hydro Power Development Legislation

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TORONTO, Jan. 2.—Legislation authorizing the hydro municipalities to assume liability for the cost of the proposed new Chippewa-Cook-Queens power development and thus ultimately become owners of the plant upon which the same terms as those under which the transmission lines will become the property of the municipalities, is to be introduced in the Legislature next session.

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FRENCH MAYOR BINDS WOUNDS OF AN INJURED GERMAN IN A FARMHOUSE COURTYARD. The incident took place in an out-of-the-way farmhouse at St. Etienne au Temple, France. Several French women are interested spectators. The fact also, the German is wounded in the head, his status in the eyes of the French spectators and they treat him not as an enemy but as one of their own. They see that his life is saved as if he were one of their own boys.

Curtail Passenger Service To End Freight Trouble

G.T.R. AND C.P.R. GIVEN PERMISSION TO TAKE OFF TRAINS

TORONTO, Jan. 2.—The congestion of freight at various points of the Niagara frontier, is assuming such alarming proportions that Sir Harry Drayton, chairman of the Dominion Railway Commission, has authorized the G.T.R. and C.P.R. to curtail their passenger service in order to provide extra motive power and train crews for freight service.

Passenger and traffic officials of both lines assembled to Montreal yesterday to discuss the situation generally and to make certain recommendations to the railway commission, in connection with the various designs of the systems upon which the passenger service can be reduced without directly inconveniencing the traveling public.

Must Move Munitions

Sir Harry Drayton has also instructed the railway officials that the movement of munitions must be carried on punctually with as little delay as possible. In asking the railways to curtail the passenger train service Sir Harry Drayton urged that in reaching a conclusion the officials should endeavor to jointly equalize the new schedules on corresponding divisions, upon which certain trains will be dispensed with temporarily. At present it looks as though both railways will possibly dispense with six or 10 trains on the Toronto division, with a reduction of the through passenger train service between Toronto and Montreal.

Trains will also be taken off the Hamilton and Leppa divisions, and the service will probably be reduced on the Teeswater and Lindsay-Peterboro lines. On the different branch lines, where there is a double and triple service it is quite likely that only one train a day will be operated under the proposed change of service.

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This society was formed by members of the Religious Society of Friends to aid innocent alien enemies in Great Britain rendered destitute by the war, and its report for the last fiscal year shows that nearly \$100,000 was contributed and disbursed. Membership is not confined to the Quakers for the Archbishop of Canterbury, the head of the Church of England, and the Bishops of Leitchfield and Lincoln, as well as Viscount Bryce, Lord Haldane, formerly Minister for War, and several members of Parliament and ministers of Protestant churches are among its supporters.

The committee maintains a regular call and enter sympathetically into the heavy difficulties that continually arise.

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