

is still occupied by the enemy, our troops attacked the hostile positions, which are obstinately defended.

"The British fleet co-operated, but was forced back by the heavy artillery fire. Three ships were hit. During the afternoon of Oct. 25 the fleet kept beyond the distance of sight.

"Near Ypres the battle is stagnant. Southwest of Ypres and west and southwest of Lille our attacks are progressing. During severe street fighting the English suffered great losses, leaving about 500 prisoners.

"North of Arras a heavy French attack broke down, the French losses being severe. In the eastern theatre of our offensive on August 20 is progressing. The battle near Ivangorod is favorable, but till now there has been no decision."

FIFTEEN MORE OFFICERS KILLED.

A casualty list was issued tonight, dated Oct. 22-23. It reported 15 officers killed, 52 wounded, and 17 missing. Among the wounded is Lieut. Sir Philip Lee Brockelhurst, who accompanied the British Antarctic expedition in 1907.

GERMANS CANNOT PROGRESS.

That the German advance along the channel coast is well over the Yser River at a point between Dixmude and Nieupoort, but has been unable to make any further progress, is net result of the great German drive in Flanders. Reports from other parts of the 300-mile front are entirely favorable to the allies, and it is said now that the French have succeeded in throwing large masses of troops into the Argonne forest, penetrating as far as the Village of Melzicourt, effectually splitting the armies of the German crown prince on the east of the Argonne and the forces of the Duke of Wuertemberg on the west. Advances from Amsterdam state that General Helmuth Von Moltke, chief of the German general staff, is in a dying condition, and has been started for his home in Berlin on a litter.

In spite of the Homeric efforts of the kaiser's armies, the drive southward from Flanders to Dunkirk and Calais seems destined to perish midway, after a terrible loss of life, and with nothing to show for the enterprise, not even a moral advantage. First the Belgians and latterly the Belgians supported by British and French have frustrated each new attempt to strike a decisive blow. The Flanders coast line from Ostend to the French border, for a distance of three miles inland, is free of the Germans, driven away from the ocean's fringe by the tremendous fire of the allied warships. But the invaders have planted artillery that commands every available approach for a flanking force from the naval contingent, and for the present a landing will not be attempted.

TROOPS CROSS YSER IN FORCE.

After ten days of the most stubborn fighting the Germans forced a passage of the Yser in the district lying from six to ten miles inland, and they are believed to hold the allied side of the stream for a stretch of about five miles. This, of course, was sufficient to permit bringing troops across the river in force. The final and successful assault of the Germans on the Belgian lines, when great masses of infantry and hundreds of heavy guns co-operated, is understood to have occurred early Sunday morning.

With the Belgians falling back in good order and contesting every foot of the way, British reinforcements reached their lines by noon Sunday, when the defence immediately stiffened and halted. A few hours later French infantry arrived in large numbers, and a re-offensive movement was started that has completely checked the German drive, and which has halted them in on two sides, with the River Yser behind and a solid defensive before them. A part of their forces are said to have been cut off by flying columns of French infantry, with a tremendous loss of life and many prisoners to the Germans. In fact, the number of killed and wounded in the great Flanders yesterday's conflicts were characterized by many bayonet charges, in which the French and British more than sustained their reputation, never failing to gain ground after their heart-breaking rushes in the face of a destroying fire from rifles and machine guns.

FIRST LINE FIGHTERS USED.

That the first line of Prussian troops is leading the advance from Flanders is the declaration of correspondents at the front. The representative of The Daily News says, in this connection: "The Prussians hurling themselves into the storm are not the old, whiskered, paunchy men, and youths untried, as the tale has been told, until one is ill of it, but stern, hard fighters of the first line."

The British army is fighting with praise of the French preparedness for the present situation along the Yser. Long before Antwerp fell, says Dame Rumor, the French staff foresaw the German manoeuvre to gain Dunkirk and tolled off corps after corps to rest and prepare for this action. Many of the men now on the Flanders fighting line are reserve troops who come into the fray almost fresh. Not only was infantry waiting, but adequates of cavalry and artillery. When the Germans came the Belgians met them and now that occasion demands, the armies of the republic are giving thrust for thrust with the men from over the Rhine. And all along the front is a sprinkling of British troops, who, despite their pitiable smallness of numbers, are giving a good account of themselves.

ALLIES HOLD CARDINAL POINTS.

From Ypres to Roulers an action only less violent than that between Dixmude and Nieupoort is under way. It is significant that all four of the towns named and all cardinal points are held by the allies.

The fighting on the second line mentioned began as an artillery exchange and concluded with desperate bayonet charges by the Germans. In fact, this order of battle is becoming such a regular thing that the troops charge on each side know that back of every heavy bombardment is a bayonet charge. The moment the fire intensifies to the maximum is the moment the troops in the opposing trenches prepare for that other moment of infantry movement, and then come the hundreds of glorified, gray-coated or khaki-clad men who sweep on to victory or glory.

Lille is another vortex in the kaleidoscopic battle front. Here the Germans have fought with desperate resolution to hold the French advanceantage around the city and every attempt to upset their progress has so far failed.

Armistices also remains securely in the hands of the Franco-British and the kaiser's commanders are tugging hard, deeply in an attempt to disman and its occupation by the allies has stopped troop movements of vast importance.

La Basse witnesses events of much the same import. The centre of the German lock of canals having immense strategic value. However, the German luck has been better in this vicinity and as the towns of a week's fighting have been taken in this vicinity and as the towns of French are striving valiantly to retake them.

West of Lens, and east of Arras, German assaults were checked thru-out last night and today. Fighting is continuing in this district with British and French tenaciously maintaining their ground.

The intensity of operations in Flanders and the scope of the conflict around Lille and along the Aisne have almost overshadowed the importance of operations on the French right wing. It would seem that the movement against the forces of the crown prince is at last in a fair way to a successful issue.

CROWN PRINCE IN DANGER.

After the battle of the Marne the Duke of Wuertemberg fell back to a position already prepared for his army on the west of the Argonne forest. The crown prince, however, kept hammering at Vitry-Le-Francois until his lines were in dire peril. He then retreated precipitately to a point east of effect a juncture in the forest. When the French pursuit came up their tactics immediately grasped the situation and at once posted artillery function. It will be remembered that the crown prince endeavored to drive thru a wild and desolate part of the Argonne, beyond the farthest point of the French advance. This effort was frustrated with great loss to the keeping apart the corps of the two leaders they were unable to effect anything like a decisive flanking movement thru the heavily wooded Argonne.

But within the past ten days, they have bent back the front of the German lines around St. Mihiel and taken positions east of that town on the road to Metz, which seriously imperiled the Germans under Frederick III. If, as reported, the manoeuvre in the Argonne is successful, it would seem that a fatal hour has set in for the crown prince. Enveloped on three sides he will be compelled to fight on a triple front or retire country and it is fair to assume that the French will fare as well, or better, than our forces in a breakneck race for the best roads. It is not improbable that the decisive engagement of the present front will be fought in the east rather than the west. Only a seven-mile gap remains open in the rear of the crown prince's army and two French forces from either side are advancing to close that gap. The taking of Melzicourt today was a big step forward.

CONGENIT HAD SPLENDID VOYAGE

High Spirits of Our Troops Reflected in Newsw Letter.

COL. CURRY'S ADDRESS

Big Convoy Greatest Thing in Canadian History, Declared Officer.

Account of Voyage Canadian Troops—Sept. 25 to Oct. 15.

(By L. D. Anderson.)

Today we are of the last lap of our journey, and had it been clear, do doubt we would have seen land. As it is a heavy sea is running and a strong northeast wind blowing. But today we are in the expectancy of this long voyage being ended.

The 48th Highlanders, on board R. M. S. Megantic, have had a royal time. Too much cannot be said of the treatment received at the hands of the White Star Line, who have given us excellent meals and the best of accommodation.

We embarked on Sept. 26 and lay in the St. Lawrence off Quebec until the 30th. While in the St. Lawrence our regiment began its physical drill. This has been the order of the day all the way across the ocean.

During the afternoon of Oct. 1 ships began slipping down the St. Lawrence. We were bound, and at 10 p.m. just as last post was being sounded, the group of transports and the waka of an oak of Quebec nobly stood bidding adieu to us.

Thirty-Four Liners There. The morning of Oct. 12 we slipped into Gaspe Bay and many a man rubbed his eyes to make sure he was awake when he mounted the deck in the morning.

MacAlum, an employee of the West-Indiam Company, had escaped electrocution while working at the hydro warehouse on North Hickson street yesterday.

True Bill in Murder Case. A true bill was brought in by the grand jury at Montreal Monday against James Robinson, alias Thomas Brown, charged with murdering Andrew Richardson.

Rev. Dr. Symonds Speaks. Rev. Dr. Symonds, D.D., vicar of Christ Church Cathedral, Montreal, spoke at Canadian Club luncheon last night.

Prizes for Lawns and Yards. The annual distribution of prizes for the best kept lawns and back yards in West Hamilton was held last evening by the West Hamilton Improvement Society.

Chased a Ship. On the 25th day at sea we were alarmed when a vessel suddenly left her column and sped away off to the south.

Mr. Poyer, Aberdeen and Mt. Royal. Mr. Poyer, Aberdeen and Mt. Royal, was elected president of the Epworth League.

Gets Thawed As Damaged. One thousand dollars' worth of injuries was awarded yesterday afternoon by Justice Kelly in the case of Wm. Dawson against the Postal Works.

Epworth League Meets. Hamilton district conference of Epworth League was held at the Epworth Church last evening.

By-election in West Hamilton. The fight will be waged between the Independent Labor and Conservative candidates only.

Factories Secure Orders. Hamilton manufacturers will share liberally in the orders that the British and French war offices are placing in this country for army supplies and equipment.

Recruiting Proceeds. Recruiting for the second Canadian contingent is proceeding rapidly.

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HAMILTON CITIZEN GRAVELY INJURED

Charles Quinon Struck Down by Automobile—Condition Reported Critical.

TRUE BILL FOR MURDER

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CARE IN CHOOSING MEN MAKES REJECTIONS FEW

Men of York and Peel Regiments Have Little Trouble in Passing Doctor.

WARNING TO UNITED STATES

Canadian Associated Press Cable. LONDON, Oct. 26.—Approval of the remarkable enthusiasm shown in Canada in raising the second contingent.

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