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## ENORMOUS TOLL PAID BY ENEMY FOR SMALL GAIN

The Austro-Germans Throw Masses of Troops Against the Italians.

HEAPS OF DEAD MARK WAY

Alpine Regiments Forced to Give Way in Face of Assault.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—Notwithstanding the terrible losses they have sustained, the German and Austro-Hungarian armies in the mountainous region of Northern Italy continue their efforts to break the Italian line and open a passageway to the plains below. In France and Belgium there is little military activity, except for small contingents and artillery duels. The rearward approach to attacks in force were made by the Germans Saturday night in the Champagne region of France and to the north of the Chemin-des-Dames. In both the German and Austro-Hungarian forces the offensive was directed against the French. A small British manoeuvre south of Canada resulted in the capture of a few German prisoners and a machine gun.

**Fighting Continues.** Between the Brenia and Piave Rivers in the Italian highlands hard fighting continues without cessation. The enemy to the east of the Brenia has been able, by throwing huge numbers of men into the fray and seemingly disregarding the enormous casualties that are being inflicted upon him, to advance his line to the Caprile Hill, a dominating point at the head of the San Lorenzo Valley, which leads to the Venetian plains. Here, however, he has been forced to stop under the terrific defence of the Italians, who have been forced to stop under the terrific defence of the Italians, who have been forced to stop under the terrific defence of the Italians.

Prior to gaining the summit of Caprile Hill, the invaders twice were summarily repulsed, but for their final attack they brought up large numbers of fresh reinforcements and the Italian defenders were compelled to give ground.

## RUSSIA IS PROTESTING AGAINST GERMAN TROOPS GOING TO WESTERN LINE

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A Petrograd dispatch dated Friday announced the assumption of Russian-German armistice negotiations, and says they are concerned with the transport of troops from the front, the question of armistice conditions, and the Russian attitude in respect to the transportation of German troops to other fronts, contending that the Germans should not send men from the east to France and Belgium.

The Petrograd newspapers announce that Germany has withdrawn her demand for disarmament of the entire Russian army.

Bolshevik units at Kiev have been disarmed by the Ukrainians and sent to their homes.

## FACE COVERED WITH PIMPLES ASHAMED TO GO OUT

Many an otherwise beautiful and attractive face is sadly marred by unsightly pimples, blotches, flesh worms and various other blood diseases.

Their presence is a source of embarrassment to those afflicted, as well as pain and regret to their friends.

Many a cheek and brow cast in the mold of beauty have been sadly defaced, their attractiveness lost and their possessor rendered unhappy for years.

Why, then, consent to rest under this cloud of embarrassment?

There is an effective remedy for all these defects.

It is Burdock Blood Bitters. This remedy will drive out all the impurities from the blood and leave the complexion healthy and clear.

Mrs. Katherine Henry, Port Sydney, Ont., writes: "Two years ago my face was so covered with pimples I was ashamed to go out at all. I tried several remedies, but they were of no use. At last a friend advised me to try Burdock Blood Bitters. I got a bottle, and by the time it was used I could see a difference. I then got two more, and when I had used them the pimples were completely gone. I can highly recommend B. B."

Manufactured only by the T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

## LOOK AT CHILD'S TONGUE IF SICK, CROSS, FEVERISH

Hurry, Mother! Remove poisons from little stomach, liver, bowels.

Give "California Syrup of Figs" at once if bilious or constipated.

Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, it is a sure sign that your little one's stomach, liver and bowels need a gentle, thorough cleansing at once.

When peevishness, crossness, pale, doesn't sleep, doesn't eat or act naturally, or is feverish, stomach sour, breath bad; has stomach-ache, sore throat, diarrhoea, full of cold, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste, undigested food and sour bile gently move out of its little bowels without gripping, and your child will be a playful little again.

You needn't coax sick children to take this harmless "fruit laxative," they love its delicious taste, and it always makes them feel splendid.

Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here, be sure you get the genuine, ask to see that it is made by "California Fig Company." Refuse any other imitation.

## WILLIAM TOLMIE, THE STRONG CANDIDATE IN WEST ELGIN RIDING

REQUIRES THREE DAYS IN MONSTROUS SEAS TO RESCUE SAILORS

Waves Constantly Rolling Over Knight of Thistle.

SIXTY-FOUR ARE SAVED

Twenty-Three of Men Are English, the Remainder Chinese.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Dec. 16.—

The 64 members of the crew of the British steamship Knight of the Thistle were brought here late today by an American naval cutter, which rescued them shortly before they were stranded.

The steamship, which was en route from the United States to the United Kingdom, was stranded off the coast of Cape Race, Newfoundland, on Monday.

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## DECLARES BORDEN'S GOVERNMENT IS A 'KAISER'S SOCIETY'

Detroit Labor Writer Urges Workers to Vote Liberal.

HOODWINKED SOLDIERS

Gordon Cascadden Says Their Dependents Have Been Badly Treated.

BUFFALO, Dec. 16.—Gordon Cascadden, formerly of Buffalo and a son of the late Dr. Cascadden, has come out against the Borden Government in this campaign. He was for three years editor of the Detroit Labor News, which is owned and controlled by the organized labor movement of Detroit, and is well known as a writer on economic subjects.

From coast to coast, he declares the moneyed interests and friends of the Borden Government are making attack on organized labor. Senator George Lynch Staunton of Hamilton, speaking in his home city the other day, declared, according to the Toronto Globe, which is for the Borden Government, that he despised the men calling themselves the Labor party in Hamilton.

In Toronto the Union candidates and their supporters are attacking Mr. friend Joe Marks, editor of the Industrial Worker.

Papers which represent the big interests in Western Canada are attacking the Borden Government. A political party which is fighting the railroad and elevator combines, although at the present moment this very league is standing shoulder to shoulder in support of the striking street car men of St. Paul and Minneapolis.

Gibbons for Labor. On the other hand, Sir Wm. Laurier has endorsed many Labor candidates. George S. Gibbons, the Liberal candidate in London, according to the Toronto Globe, has declared that if he is elected it is his intention to get a square deal for labor in Parliament, regardless of what side that legislation emanated from, and that he has cured similar pledges from practically every Liberal candidate in Western Ontario.

On the other side we find the Canadian Manufacturers' Association backing the Borden Government. We also find last Thursday's Mail and Empire declaring, in an editorial, that the business circles of the country are in favor of the Borden Government.

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Alleged Terms of Separate Peace Made With the Bolshevik Party.

MARKET FOR THE HUNS

Former Empire to Open Gates Free to German Manufacturers.

FOE MAKES CONCESSIONS

Agreement to Last 40 Years, According to One Version of the Terms.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 16.—Announcement was made today by the Bolshevik official news agency that Russia and Germany had agreed upon the terms of an armistice.

The Russian delegates constituting the armistice committee at the Lithuanian city of Suwalki, advised the Bolshevik authorities at the Smolny Institute that an agreement was reached with the Germans on Friday concerning the transfer of troops. It was to this effect: "Both sides signing this agreement bind themselves until December 30, 1917 (January 12, 1918), not to carry on any military operations on the front from the Baltic to the Black Sea, except such transfers as were already begun up to the moment of signing this agreement."

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# Santa Claus Toy Headquarters

## TOYLAND SUPREME

### Santa Has Been Here With Thousands of Toys

He left the finest and largest display to be found anywhere in the city. He left instructions that all boys and girls, fathers and mothers, big brothers and sisters, and aunts and uncles should pay a visit to this wonderful exhibit and leave an order for him.

### Santa Claus Knows What the Boys and Girls Like in Toys and He Has Left Them Here With Us To Be Distributed

Our entire basement is filled to overflowing with every kind of toy ever manufactured. Toys from every part of the world. Big toys and little toys, expensive toys, moderately-priced toys and cheap toys. You really cannot appreciate the wonderful display we have unless you see them.

"Oh-h-h What a Wonderful Doll!"

"Oh-h-h What a Wonderful Train!"

chorused Mary and Tommy Brown as their eyes rested upon the doll and train in question conspicuously displayed in our toyland. With a cry of joy each rushed for the doll and train. "Oh, mother, I want this doll. I never saw one like it before," shrilled little Mary. "Oh, mother, do come and buy this train for me first," called Tommy, and poor mother was in a dilemma for a moment. Only for a moment, however. Mother noticed dozens of other boys and girls and worried mothers, too, having just the dandiest time inspecting the hundreds of different toys and leaving orders for Santa Claus to deliver Christmas eve. So mother and Tommy and Mary got busy and after exploring toyland, left their order for Santa. "Gee, it was the best time I ever had," cried both children as they climbed the stairs, "wish we could stay there all day." And mother smiled wistfully, because it brought back memories of the days when Santa visited her, too.

### There's a Welcome Waiting You in Toyland!

### Come and Pay Us a Visit!

Balls	Horses	Teddy Bears	Dolls	Buggies	Dolls
Stoves	Dishes	Fire Engines	Drums	Engines	Boats
Blocks	Trunks	Doll Cradles	Sleighs	Pianos	Mirrors
Trains	Magic Lanterns	Blackboards	Games	Horns	Guns
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