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Terrific Fighting On The Western Front

Belgians Make Progress — Determined Charges By Germans Near Ypres and at Other Places — Five Attacks on British Lines Near LaBasse

Paris, Jan. 26.—The French War Office this afternoon reported: "On the Yser front Belgian troops have made progress in the vicinity of Perwez. "At daybreak yesterday the Germans, one battalion strong, delivered an attack against our trenches to the east of Ypres. This movement was arrested sharply. Three hundred dead, including the commandant of the company at the head of the German advance, were left on the field of battle. This attack was to have been supported by certain companies from the German second line, but these men, under the fire of our artillery, found it impossible to come out from behind their shelters. "Not far from LaBasse, at Givenchy and Guinchy, the enemy delivered five attacks against the British line. After having made some slight progress the Germans were repulsed and left on the field numerous dead and sixty prisoners, including two officers. This attack was accompanied by endeavors at diversion at several points on our front. Between the road from Bethune to LaBasse and Aix Noullette, a detachment of the enemy which endeavored to come out from its trenches was at once stopped by the fire of our infantry and of our artillery. On the rest of the front, between the Lys and the Oise yesterday saw artillery duels. "To the west of Craonne the enemy delivered two successive attacks each of great violence. The first was repulsed, but the second penetrated our trenches. By an energetic counter attack, however, our troops succeeded in regaining almost all of the ground lost by them. At this point the fighting is still going on around that part of the trench which is occupied by the Germans. "In Champagne the artillery of the enemy has showed less activity than on preceding days, while our batteries delivered an effective fire against the German positions. In the Argonne, in the vicinity of St. Hubert, we checked with our artillery fire an attempt on the part of the Germans to deliver an attack. "In Alsace the enemy was active in the employ of his mine throwers against our positions at Hartmann-Wellerkopf. At this point yesterday saw no fresh fighting. The Germans yesterday bombarded Thann, Lanbach, and Sennheim."

BRITAIN DOES MORE THAN SHARE

Petrograd, Jan. 26.—Replying to a query concerning the help England was rendering France and Russia, M. Sazonoff, foreign minister, said that Great Britain had undertaken a greater far heavier than had been expected of her. Answering a question as to whether there was any danger of the conclusion of a premature peace, M. Sazonoff said emphatically that Russia would remain faithful to the spirit of the imperial manifesto and the agreement with the allies, not to conclude an independent peace.

GERMANS NOW ADD TOO FICTION

Berlin (via London, Jan. 26)—A statement issued here today repeats the fiction of a British cruiser being sunk in the North Sea fight, and says: "According to well informed German sources, this cruiser suffered heavily from the fire of our cannon and was then sunk by a German torpedo. The sinking was observed by a German afloat, which followed the battle closely. "Two English torpedo boats were also sunk. The afloat also observed the serious damage to our English ships."

BIBLES FOR ALL SOLDIERS

Washington, D. C., Jan. 26.—Rapid progress is being made in a movement to supply Bibles to all soldiers at the battle front in Europe, according to a statement made here today by George Fox, secretary of the American Bible Association, which is carrying on the work in co-operation with the world's Sunday School Association. Mr. Fox said that Sunday school children throughout the country were assisting and that already arrangements had been completed for forwarding to the front one million Bibles. The soldiers of each nation are to be supplied with testaments in their native language. "Turks Fight Hard. "Petrograd, Jan. 26.—The general staff of the army in the Caucasus reports: "Our offensive in the region of Transchoruk continues despite an obstinate defensive on the part of the Turks. "In the region of Olti, some isolated fighting occurred with Turkish detachments. Along other sections of the front, the usual cannonading continues. "A German Report. Berlin, Jan. 26.—A despatch from Cra-cow says that Austro-German forces have occupied Kielec, Russian Poland. "IS NOW A PRIEST. A visitor to the city today was Rev. William T. Dorgan of Brooklyn, N. Y., here on his way to Memramcook to visit old friends and teachers prior to leaving for the west, where he will be located. Father Dorgan was only recently ordained to the priesthood. He studied for some years at St. Joseph's University, Memramcook, where he made many friends who will wish him success. After a short visit to the college he will leave for Calgary, where he will be located. "Phebe and Ferdinand. WEATHER BULLETIN Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service. Synopsis—The Atlantic coast storm yesterday has passed to the eastward of Newfoundland, and the weather is now fine throughout the dominion. A heavy snowfall occurred yesterday in Quebec and northern New Brunswick, and rain in Nova Scotia and southern New Brunswick. The temperature continues very low in the western provinces. "Colder. Maritime—Moderate west and north winds, fair today and Wednesday, becoming colder.

AT SALISBURY PLAIN.



Captain George C. Ryerson of Toronto, formerly of the Royal Grenadiers, now in the 8th Battalion at Salisbury. He has a brother in the Canadian artillery brigade.

WELL PLEASED WITH BRYAN'S POSITION

The London Times Comments American Stand on War Questions

PRO-GERMANS HAVE ANSWER

Defence of American Neutrality Unpalatable Only to Those Who Wish to See it Infringed—Policy Worthy of Greatest Neutrals

London, Jan. 26.—The Times today, in an editorial on Secretary of State Bryan's reply to Senator Stone regarding the attitude of the American government on questions raised by the war, says: "It will be read with satisfaction by all unprejudiced champions of neutral rights. The pro-Germans now have their answer and have probably realized their extreme unwisdom in formulating their grievances. "Secretary Bryan has demonstrated beyond controversy that the charge of favoritism toward the allies is utterly untrue and his swift away, once for all, the whole mass of German and pro-German actions and placed the American people in a position in which the American and British law on these subjects differ but, broadly speaking, the doctrine laid down by Mr. Bryan is a doctrine of our own courts. "Perhaps the most triumphant Secretary Bryan's reply is that in which he refutes the charge of general unfriendliness towards Germany and her allies. "Secretary Bryan's defence of American neutrality can be unpalatable only to those who wish to see it infringed and altogether his letter commends itself to us as an admirable exposition of a policy which becomes the greatest of neutral peoples."

AT GREAT AGE

David Miller Dead at Bayswater in His 94th Year

In the 94th year of his age, the death of an esteemed resident of Bayswater, Kings County, N. B., David Miller, took place yesterday. He was a native of Tyrone, Ireland, and came to this country in 1840. He had ever since been a resident of Bayswater. The funeral will be conducted on Wednesday at two o'clock with interment at White Head. Two sons, Samuel Miller of Bayswater, and James of St. John, survive, with one daughter, Miss Sarah at home, and there are also seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

NOT SINGLE DEATH FROM TYPHOID AMONG SOLDIERS WHO WERE INOCULATED

London, Jan. 26.—Sir Frederick Treves, well known surgeon, in speaking before the Royal Society of Arts, said that the results achieved by inoculation against typhoid fever in the British expeditionary force have been "positively astounding." He said that since the war began there had been only 212 cases, of which 178 were among persons who had not been inoculated. There had been only twenty-two deaths, and none of those who died had been inoculated. Not a single death from typhoid fever had occurred among those inoculated. "There never had been a time in the history of any campaign where the wounded soldier has been better looked after," said Sir Frederick. "When the history of this war is written one of its most astounding features will be the sanitary precautions taken to secure the health of our soldiers and their cure in disease."

REAL ESTATE NEWS

Transfers of real estate have been recorded as follows: St. John County. H. A. Bruce to G. A. Brown, property in Simonds. City of St. John to G. W. Barnes, \$500, property in Duke street. John Douglas to Alexander Watson, property in Simonds. W. J. Mahoney to Helen, wife of David McPherson, property in Lancaster. Sarah E. and James Thompson to A. E. Thompson, property in Musquash. Kings County. G. S. Duncan to G. & G. Flewelling & Co., Ltd., \$2,000, property in Upper. Hannah Marr to J. F. Folkins, \$600, property in Studholm.

Deadly British Fire Destroys Enormous Gun Which Enemy Was Placing In Position

St. Omer, France, Jan. 23 (via Paris, Jan. 26)—The heavy artillery of the British has destroyed an enormous gun which the Germans were placing on a hill about a mile from the first line of trenches, and about two miles from Festubert, with the object of silencing the English howitzers and bombarding Bethune. The position of the big gun was marked by a British aviator and the fourth shell from the British guns demolished it. The British gunners then directed their fire on a group of German artillerymen engaged in placing a similar gun a mile farther behind, scattering them with a few well directed shells. They also smashed three pumps brought up by the Germans to empty water out of their trenches.

GERMANY CAREFUL OF FOOD SUPPLY

All Stocks of Corn, Wheat and Flour to Be Seized and Doled Out by Government

Berlin, Jan. 26.—(Via London)—The federal council has put into effect sweeping regulations for conservation of the food supplies, as follows:—All business transacted in these commodities is forbidden from January 26. All municipalities are charged with the duty of selling preserved meat. The owners of corn are ordered to report their stocks immediately. Upon confiscation, a fixed price will follow. A government distributing officer for the regulation of consumption will be established, distribution being made according to the number of inhabitants.

LOSES CASE BECAUSE HE TOOK RISK WHEN SAFE WAY WAS AVAILABLE

Important Judgment by Mr. Justice McKeown in Matter of Mill Accident

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HIGH TREASON CHARGE AGAINST A PERSONAL FRIEND OF KAISER

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STEAMER RAMMED BY SCHOONER

New York, Jan. 26.—The steamship Washington of the American-Hawaiian Line has been rammed by the schooner Elizabeth Palmer of Fenwick Island. Those aboard the steamer are being rescued by the old Dominion Line's Hamilton. The Washington is a freighter and carried no passengers. Her crew consists of forty-five men. A soldier named McDonald, a member of the 26th, fell this morning and was quite seriously injured. He was hurrying along through one of the rooms in the army and fell striking his head against the floor. He was conveyed to the hospital, unconscious, and at 2:30 o'clock was still unconscious. morning gave an order that the business be continued by the assignee until the meeting of creditors this week. This is done so that perishable stock may be disposed of.

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ANDREW RUDDECK DEAD

The death of a native of St. John, and for a long time a resident of Hampton, where he was respected by a host of friends, took place yesterday in the person of Andrew Ruddick, who passed away at his home here, aged eighty-five years. Although he lived in this city for some time in his younger days, the greater part of his life was spent in Hampton where he conducted business in general merchandise. He retired a few years ago. He had been in very good health up to within a few weeks. Four daughters survive—Mrs. Peter McGowan of Moncton, Mrs. George H. Barnes of Hampton, Mrs. H. J. Todd of Tacoma, Wash., and Miss Elizabeth Ruddick of Hampton. There are two sisters Mrs. James McAlary and Miss Rebecca A. Ruddick in St. John, and two brothers, William of Boston, and John Ruddick of this city. The funeral will be held in Hampton tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

SAYS PET POM'S \$1,000 COAT TURNED BROWN IN THE BATH

Toronto, Jan. 26.—Mrs. Alice M. Wylie, of Vineland, Ont., denied in the non-jury assize court that there had been misrepresentation regarding a three-pound Pomeranian dog which she sold to Mrs. Boylan, of Westchester, N. Y. Mrs. Boylan, she said, inspected the dog before purchasing. Mrs. Boylan has a kennel of purebred Pomeranians and she added to it by the purchase of a thousand dollar dog from Mrs. Wylie. The dog's black coat was the result of dye, she alleges, and in the course of bathing and rubbing it became brown. The dye even discolored her husband when he fondled the dog. She wants her thousand dollars back, plus \$500 damages. The dog in question, "Scamp" was sired by a dog owned by a daughter of Senator Ekins.

MAKING THEM WORK

Ottawa, Jan. 26.—Sir William Otter, who has charge of the internment of aliens of enemy nationality, has arranged to send 400 Austrians and Germans from Port Arthur and Fort Williams to a point eight miles west of the C. P. R. to clear 2,000 acres of land for settlement. ROUTE MARCH. The members of the 26th battalion went out this afternoon on a route march into the country districts. They will return to the city about five o'clock.

Some of The Princess Patricias



Some non-commissioned officers and privates of the Princess Patricia Canadian Light Infantry.

BRING TO ST. JOHN STORY OF A BRITISH CRUISER DAMAGED IN ATLANTIC

Men of the Charybdis, Here Today, Tell of Collision With Freighter Off Sandy Hook—Warship Makes Bermuda and Will Not Be Repaired at Present

The Royal Mail Steam Packet Line's Chignecto, Captain C. Adams, arrived in port this morning from Bermuda and the West Indies. She had an excellent passage, making the run from Bermuda in seventy-two hours, despite strong southerly winds. She had on board 108 passengers, twelve first, five second and eighty-six third class. The major portion of these were sailors of the British cruiser Charybdis, and a few military men enroute to England to join the colors. The Charybdis is damaged at Bermuda having arrived there about a week ago from New York. While enroute to that port she was in collision with a freight steamer, the Bayano, which was carrying a cargo of hay, oats and feed stuffs to Italy. The collision took place one dark night about ten o'clock when the cruiser was about ten miles from Sandy Hook. It is said that the freighter was going along at considerable speed when she crashed into the Charybdis' bow carrying away part of it and causing considerable damage to the bow of the cruiser. Fortunately the water compartments were closed and she did not founder. She was built in 1888, has a displacement of 4,860 tons, carried 312 of a crew and was capable of steaming 19.5 knots an hour. The remainder of the crew are still at Bermuda. Those who arrived here will proceed to England, and there be assigned to another cruiser. The passengers on the Chignecto were W. B. Allington, J. Bartram, O. F. W. Critchley, E. G. Dumble, Lieut.-Colonel A. O. Fages, Mrs. N. Fages, Miss M. Fages, Master C. F. Fages, Captain R. G. Glennie, W. J. Hayman, H. H. Hobbs, Dr. F. E. Lawlor, Mrs. E. Lawlor, Rev. Dr. C. McKinnon, Mrs. McKinnon, Lieut. G. Nicholson, R.N., J. A. Raleigh.

PLAY IN ST. PATRICK'S HALL IS ENJOYED

"A Detective in Petticoats" was the title of a breezy three-act comedy presented last night in St. Patrick's Hall, Castleton, by the members of the Assumption Dramatic Club in aid of the repairs to the altar of the Church of the Assumption. The presentation was distinctly successful, and though the night was most disagreeable, a large audience gathered. The young women deserve credit for the able manner in which they fulfilled the demands upon them. Attractive specialties were offered between acts, and were heartily received. Those taking part being Miss Agnes Egerton, Miss Margaret Morrissey, Miss Theresa McKenna, Miss Viola Tobin, Miss Miss Audrey Belyea and others. Assisting the young women was a committee composed of W. F. Kindred, W. J. Owens and S. Haley. The cast in "A Detective in Petticoats" was as follows:— Mrs. Evelyn Warrington, a society lady Miss Kit Graham. Octavia Frothingham, her sister and a Radcliffe graduate Miss H. M. O'Reilly. George Napper, a detective from Chicago Miss Mollie Tobin. Mary, Mrs. Warrington's housemaid Miss Agnes Wilcox. Mrs. Cummings Miss Agnes Egerton. Mrs. Green Miss Loreta Morrissey. Friends of Mrs. Warrington: Mary, a servant Miss Jean Quinlan. First act—Dressing room in Mrs. Warrington's. Second act—Room off ball-room in Mrs. Warrington's friend's house. Third act—Drawing-room in Mrs. Warrington's.

PAY THOUSAND OR GO TO JAIL FOR SOME FIVE YEARS

Westmorland Scott Act Case Judgment — Death of Dennis Gallagher

Moncton, Jan. 26.—Lagare R. Richard must pay fines and costs aggregating \$1,000, or spend five years in the county jail for violation of the C. T. A., as the result of a decision given by Chief Justice Landry. A telegram from Dorchester, Mass. by S. J. Craig, announces the death of his father-in-law, Dennis Gallagher, a former resident of Moncton, eighty-one years of age. Four sons and six daughters are living in the United States. Mrs. Craig is a daughter. James Willis, a Greek, who runs a shoe-shine parlor, was fined \$300 and costs in the police court this morning for violation of the C. T. A. Norman Langille, arrested here recently on a charge of bigamy, was sentenced to four months in jail at Halifax yesterday.

FAIRVILLE NEWS

Mrs. W. C. Parker, of Fairville, has just received a letter which went down on the ill-fated Empress of Ireland. Mrs. Parker mailed the letter on May 25, 1914, to a friend, Mrs. Dodsworth, at Leeds, England. It was taken up among other mail matter by divers and forwarded by the postal department to Mrs. Dodsworth who, in return, has sent it back to Mrs. Parker. Although blurrer a little by the soaking, it is quite readable. Mr. and Mrs. Parker, who have been out in this country a few years, are about to pay a visit to their old home at Leeds, and will return before the winter season closes. The home of F. Ramsey, Harding street, Fairville, on Saturday evening was the scene of a very pleasant gathering when friends met in honor of Ernest Ramsey and William Harris who are leaving with the second contingent. During the evening Fred Ramsey presented each a gold initial signet ring. The evening was spent pleasantly with music and games and the company dispersed at midnight.

THE WHEAT MARKET

Chicago, Jan. 26.—Although wheat advanced today, influenced by a big decrease in the European visible supply, the gains did not last long. Bears took courage from advices that pressure of grain at the wharves in Argentina was becoming more pronounced, and that the outlook there for a larger number of vessels had been greatly improved by special efforts of the Italian government. After opening 8-8 off to 1-4 up, the market scored a moderate rise all around, but then receded to about last night's level.