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ST. ANDREWS, N. B., CANADA. Saturday, 10th March, 1917

PROGRESS OF THE WAR

[March 10 to March 1] IN the period under review the war entered the thirty-third month of its course. No sensational event occurred in the progress, which continued generally in favor of the Entente Allies.

There was much activity at many points in the Western campaign, but except on the Ancre no important changes in positions were effected; on the Ancre, however, the British continued to dig in, fully their position, and the prospect of a more ground west of Bapaume.

Practically no changes were reported in the Eastern campaign on any part of the front from Riga to Rumania; in fact some unchanged condition appeared to be the rule in the Balkan and Austro-Italian campaigns.

The Caucasian campaign, which includes the operations in Persia as well, provided an important piece of news in the report of the capture of Hamadan by the Russians, who followed up their success by taking the heights to the southwest of that Persian stronghold.

In the Mesopotamian campaign the British continued their pursuit of the retreating Turks and had approached within a short distance of Ctesiphon, which was the farthest point reached by Gen. Townshend before his retirement to Kut-el-Amara. The Turks appear to be completely routed, and the prospect of the British occupying Baghdad seems near.

From the Egyptian campaign it was announced that the Turks had abandoned a strongly entrenched position in the neighborhood of Sheikh Nuran west of Shellal, having been driven therefrom by British aircraft which dropped bombs on the fortified position.

The striking illustration of the war in the desert for it was altogether unexpected to the general public that the British were engaged with hostile forces so close to the Nile and at such a comparatively short distance from Cairo. Shellal is just south of the first Cataract of the Nile, where the famous Assuan Dam is situated. How it was possible for the Turks to collect a large force in such a position is not apparent to the uninformed.

No news was received concerning the East African campaign, which must now be pretty near its close.

The German submarine campaign was conducted with the same ruthlessness as had previously characterized it, but the British and French, and the Italians as well, appear to have met with much success in coping with it, and it is believed a large number of submarines have been captured or destroyed. The French have decided not to report daily, but only weekly, the losses (if any) inflicted by submarines, and apparently the British are adopting the same course.

Under the heading "News of the Sea" we have reprinted from the daily papers all the reports published during the week of the marine disasters, including those due to submarine activity. The list is shorter than for many weeks preceding, which would tend to confirm the belief that the Entente Powers are dealing with the problem in a satisfactory way. Much interest was manifested in the closing proceedings of Congress at Washington on Saturday last, a small section of Senators having succeeded in obstructing the passage of the legislation which the President asked for in connection with the situation created by the rupture of diplomatic relations with Germany.

WATERWORKS

WE had hoped and expected to be able to print long before this a draft of the Bill to be presented to the Legislature as proposed at its next session in Fredericton, by the Town of St. Andrews for authority to issue bonds to provide the funds necessary to defray the cost of the proposed waterworks installation. For several weeks there has been appearing in the BEACON a notice to the effect that the necessary legislation was to be sought, but the draft of the Bill itself has never reached our office, and we are unable to ascertain if it is yet completed or not. Inasmuch as a Committee of the Town Council has had the matter in hand for many months, and for a good many weeks has been assisted by a solicitor, there is no apparent reason for the delay in having the draft of the Bill printed for the information (and if necessary, criticism) of the ratepayers. To those who say there is yet plenty of time we would respectfully point out that some little time may be necessary to study the proposed Bill, and that it should be presented to them well in advance of the session of the Legislature. No valid reason is apparent for any further delay.

DEER ISLAND AND CAMPOBELLO MAIL SERVICE

WE would say to our Deer Island and Campobello friends that we believe the Post Office Department really intends to keep its promise in regard to improving the mail service between the islands and the mainland; but great bodies move slowly, departmental forms or must be written, documents of all kinds must be multiplied, and miles of red tape must be used, before a fulfillment of the promise can be expected.

It must be borne in mind that our energetic and indefatigable parliamentary representative has the matter in hand, and as he is always alert to advance the

interests and promote the welfare of his constituents, we may be sure that he will enter the persuasive chirrup and if that does not avail he will apply the whip and spur. As a last resort the BEACON will modestly give a gentle reminder that there is a difference between promise and performance, that the whole is greater than the part, and that the public interests are of more consequence than bureaucratic methods or political expediency.

We stop the press to add that Mr. Hart M. P. is just informed as that he expects tenders will soon be called for in connection with the contemplated improvement in the Island mail service.

Dispatches from Peking announce that the Chinese Cabinet had resigned because they favored China's immediate participation in the war on the side of the Entente Allies, to which the President refused to agree. Later dispatches indicated that the President was changing his attitude and that the Cabinet would resign. Should China actually declare war against Germany the situation thus created will have a more far-reaching effect than can be easily conjectured at the moment.

President Wilson took the oath of office on entering his second term on Sunday, March 4, but the formal inauguration with the customary speech took place on Monday. The President was sworn in on March 4, no matter upon what day of the week it was, but it is a curious coincidence, if it is nothing more, that it rarely falls on Sunday in a Presidential year, and the next year in which it will again occur is 1945.

A general election is to take place shortly in Australia, and pending the election Premier Hughes will be unable to go to London to attend the Imperial Conference. The exact date on which the election is to meet has not yet been announced, but it may not be till April or even May.

The exposure of the German plot to invade Mexico and Japan with the United States has created a world-wide sensation, which is only heightened by the German Foreign Minister's explanations and attempts to justify it.

WORLD'S GOLD OUTPUT IN 1916

According to Statistics published by the Commercial and Financial Chronicle, the world's gold production in 1916 was valued at \$458,908,761, as compared with \$471,824,145 in 1915, the largest in history. In 1914 the output was valued at \$442,659,785.

The total world's gold production amounted to 22,194,911 fine ounces, as against 22,825,015 ounces in 1915 and 21,413,708 ounces in 1914. The world's production of gold, as estimated, records a decrease in 1916, notwithstanding that supplies from the Transvaal were of greater magnitude than ever before, and Rhodesia and Canada made greater contributions to the general aggregate than in the previous year, the former setting for itself a new high record and the latter getting closer to the totals exhibited in 1900 to 1902, inclusive, when the Yukon sprang into prominence and was also hailed as a coming rival to South Africa.

The fact of the matter is that the decline in production in the United States alone during the year has been more than sufficient to offset the gains shown in Africa and Canada, besides the decrease in yield in Australasia also helped to offset the increases in the territory mentioned.

The production by ounces for the past three years follows: 1915. 1914. 1913. 1912. 1911. 1910. 1909. 1908. 1907. 1906. 1905. 1904. 1903. 1902. 1901. 1900.

Comparison of the world's output by ounces and values follows:

Table with 4 columns: Year, Ounces, Value, and another column. Rows for 1916, 1915, 1914, 1913, 1912, 1911, 1910, 1909, 1908, 1907, 1906, 1905, 1904, 1903, 1902, 1901, 1900.

CANADIAN FARM STATISTICS FOR 1916

Ottawa, March 5th, 1917. A bulletin issued by the Census and Statistics Office reports on the values of farm land, of farm help and of farm live stock in 1916, as returned by crop respondents at the end of January.

AVERAGE VALUES OF FARM LAND. For the whole of Canada the average value of farm land held for agricultural purposes, whether improved or unimproved, and including the value of dwelling houses, stables and other farm buildings, houses, barns and other farm buildings, is approximately \$41 per acre, as compared with \$40 last year. The average values by provinces are as follows:

Prince Edward Island, \$39; Nova Scotia, \$33.6; New Brunswick, \$29.4; Quebec, \$52; Ontario, \$25.5; Manitoba, \$33; Saskatchewan, \$18.5. In the last named province the higher average is due to orcharding and fruit growing.

AVERAGE WAGES OF FARM HELP

The average wages paid for farm help during 1916 have reached a higher level than in any previous year for which returns have been collected. For the whole of the Dominion the wages per

month during the summer, including board, averaged \$43.23 for male and \$22.46 for female help, as compared with \$37.10 and \$20.20 in 1915. For the year 1916, including board, the wages averaged \$397 for males and \$229 for females, as compared with \$341 and \$200 in 1915. The average value of board per month was returned as \$17 for males and \$13 for females, the corresponding figures for 1915 being \$14.57 and \$11.11. By provinces the average wages per month for males and females respectively in the summer season, including board, are as follows: Prince Edward Island, \$31.35 and \$17.31; Nova Scotia, \$38.77 and \$19.11; New Brunswick, \$35.74 and \$16.66; Quebec, \$40.73 and \$19.70; Ontario, \$39.41 and \$20.58; Manitoba, \$48.37 and \$26.97; Saskatchewan, \$48.55 and \$26.66; Alberta, \$52.28 and \$29.12; British Columbia \$49.86 and \$28.66.

AVERAGE VALUES OF FARM LIVE STOCK AND OF WOOL

The average value of horses in Canada is about the same as a year ago, but much cows, other cattle, sheep and swine show a substantial increase and return values that are higher than in any year since 1909. Horses three years old and over average for Canada \$159 as against \$169 in 1915, milch cows are \$70 as compared with \$62, cattle between 1 year old and three years average \$43 against \$38, sheep average \$10.48 against \$7.96 and swine \$11.98 per 100 lb live weight as against \$8.38. The average value of wool attains a record of 37 cents per lb for unwashed and 50 cents per lb for washed wool.

Using the numbers of live stock as estimated last June, and the average values now returned, the total value of the farm animals of Canada may be estimated at \$798,544,000, as compared with \$745,346,000 in 1915, the values of each description being as follows: Horses \$378,831,000 as against \$370,378,000 in 1915; milch cows \$181,813,000 as against \$164,224,000; other horned cattle \$170,254,000; against \$151,477,000; sheep \$20,588,000 as against \$18,225,000 and swine \$51,058,000 as against \$43,942,000.

NEWS OF THE SEA

London, March 7.—An official statement issued today says that 23 British merchant vessels were sunk by mine or submarine during the week ending March 4. Of these fourteen were of 1, 600 tons gross or over, and nine were under 1,000 tons. In the same period three British fishing vessels were sunk. The statement includes one merchant vessel and one fishing vessel sunk during the previous week, but not included in a previous statement.

The British merchant vessels were unsuccessfully attacked by submarines during the week.

The number of merchant vessels of all nationalities, of more than 100 tons net, arriving at United Kingdom ports during the week was 2,529. The number sailing was 2,477. These figures are exclusive of fishing and local craft.

UP-RIVER DOINGS

St. Stephen, N. B., Mar. 7.—Mr. and Mrs. Mary and their young daughter, Winifred, have been in St. John this week.

Mr. Robert Webber has been quite ill, with an attack of grippe, during the past week.

Miss Eliza Milberry, who has been a patient at the Chipman Hospital, was able to leave that institution last week.

Mr. DeVay, of Portland, has been a recent guest of his sister, Mrs. Lyons, coming to attend the funeral of their sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Lawlor.

Mrs. George T. Baskin has returned from an extended visit in New York City. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Scoville are in St. John this week.

Mrs. James Murray has been visiting St. John, called there by the illness of her son, Mr. Walter Murray, who is an instructor at the Boy's College, in Rothsay.

MARRIED

GREENWOOD-CHIPMAN. On February 28, at the residence of the bride's parents, Sandy Point road, Rev. Thomas Hicks united in marriage Charles H. Greenwood, of Wilson's Beach, Campobello, and Miss Annie M. Chipman, of St. John.

DIED

DIED.—At St. Andrews, on the 4th day of March, Jane Lamb, wife of Andrew Lamb, aged 90 years. Funeral from Greenwood Church on Saturday, March 10, at 3 o'clock, p. m.

OBITUARY

CAPT. H. B. JOYCE. Aboard a train on his way to Washington, D. C., Capt. Hanson B. Joyce, retired mariner of Seattle, died Monday, according to word received from Hood River, Or., where the body was taken from the Oregon-Washington train for shipment to Seattle. Passengers had noticed for some time that Capt. Joyce's eyes were closed, and supposed he was asleep. He was identified by credentials showing that he was a delegate to Washington Harbor, No. 12 of the American Association of Masters, Mates and Pilots, on his way to meeting of the Grand Harbor. No inquest was held.

Capt. Joyce was 70 years old this month. He retired from the sea three years ago, and has since been residing in Seattle, Wash. Surviving him are his wife, residing at 1917 Ninth avenue, West; two sons, who are also mariners, Capt. Benjamin Joyce, first officer of the steamer Mariposa, and George Joyce, second officer of the United States miler steamer Ringgold, and five other children. Mrs. Louise Horn, Mrs. Emma Lane and Miss Mabel Joyce, all of Seattle, and Mrs. Sarah Whitehouse and William F. Joyce, both in the East.

He was born at Swan Island, Me. He was a member of the Knights Templar Lodge, the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, and Commercial Club, and the Association of Masters, Mates and Pilots, which will have charge of the funeral services. Arrangements for the funeral have not been made.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

* * * Captain Joyce, before coming West, for many years followed the Mackel sealing and was always among the high liners and will be remembered by many old shipmates about Quoddy who sailed with him. He occasionally came to Eastport, St. Andrews, and the North Shore, for cargoes of frozen herring. Coming West in 1886 he was one of the first to go to halibut fishing. At first it was impossible to find suitable steamer for the business. In 1887 Capt. Joyce went East and built the steel steamer New England which came out around the Horn. Again, in 1900, Capt. Joyce at San Francisco had the steamer Kingfisher

BEAVER HARBOR, N. B.

Rupert Hawkins and Melvin Dunbar, of Pennfield, are around with their wood-sawing machine, and already have saved a good many cords.

Mrs. Rena Parsons and Mrs. George Marx, of Newburyport, are here, called by the serious illness of their sister, Mrs. Margaret Eldridge.

The "Sunshine Class" of the Sunday School, with Mrs. Martin Eldridge as teacher, held an ice-cream sale on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Martha Bates spent last Thursday with Mrs. Jessie Holmes at Pennfield.

G. M. McKay and L. H. Outhouse attended the funeral of the late Hon. Geo. J. Clarke at St. Andrews.

The many friends of Geo. A. Eldridge are glad to see him home again in his usual health, after a long illness.

Fred Eldridge, who has been working at Musquash, is now at home.

Wayman Eldridge is home from St. John to be with his mother who is very ill.

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Munroe enjoyed a drive to St. George during the week. Miss Leora Jamieson, of Portland, is spending a few weeks vacation at the home of her uncle, Mr. Albert Cross.

The young people enjoyed a social gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wright on Friday evening last. Music and dancing made the evening pass very pleasantly.

The Red Cross Society met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Barry on Wednesday evening.

Cecil Cross has sold his fishing schooner to St. Andrews parties.

W. W. Waite, who is lumbering on Wolves Island, has purchased a motor-boat from L. H. Outhouse.

BOCABEC, N. B.

March 5. Many friends will read with regret the announcement of the death of Mr. John Taggart, of Bocabec Cove, which occurred on Sunday last, March 4, after a lingering illness of several months.

Misses Adelaide and Bessie McCullough, and Miss Spinney visited Miss Theima McKay on Saturday last.

Miss Alice Thomas is spending a few weeks at St. George.

Miss Bernice Mitchell entertained a number of her young friends on Saturday last, it being her 12th birthday.

Mr. Hillman Johnston, of Chamcook, is proud with his woodcutter, cutting wood for several families.

LAMBERTVILLE, D. I.

March 6. Mrs. Morten Leeman and her children spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. P. G. Pendleton.

The late Mrs. Lambert visited friends at Maccaree last week.

Miss Vera Cammie, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Edward Cammie, returned to Eastport last week.

Mr. Horace Waring, who was called here by the illness of his wife, returned to St. John on Monday.

Miss Myrtle Conley, of Leonardville, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. A. A. Stuart.

Miss Winifred Adams is visiting friends at Eastport, Me.

LORD'S COVE, D. I.

March 5. Mrs. G. H. Smith, and Mrs. Frank Pendleton and her niece, Maxine, were visitors with Mrs. Ned Morang on Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lambert, of Stuart Town, and Mrs. A. W. Mitchell, of Maccaree recently.

Mr. Seward Parker returned Monday Saturday evening from a very pleasant visit with friends in Letite, N. B.

Mr. Horace Waring returned to his home in St. John by steamer Grand Manan on Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Adams and children, Harriett and Mary, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ned Morang.

Mr. Sumner Stuart, of Lubec, Me., was an over-Sunday visitor with his brother, Capt. G. L. Stuart.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Lambert and children spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. T. A. Barker.

Mr. Charles A. Stuart, who has been poorly for a few days, is much better and able to go about again.

The Ladies of the True Blue Lodge met in the Hall on Thursday afternoon to transact some very important business.

Miss Hazel Lambert entertained a number of her friends on Thursday evening.

Mr. Menzy Chambers and Mr. Robert Holmes, of Letite, visited friends on the Island recently.

Some of the young men from Letite sailed over to the Island on Sunday and spent the day with friends in Stuart Town.

A goodly number of the boys from Leonardville attended Church here on Sunday evening.

Miss Edith Rogerson and Miss Gertrude Rogerson, of Leonardville, were over-Sunday visitors with Mrs. Grant A. Stuart.

The storm that passed over this section on Monday was one of the worst of the season leaving three feet of snow on a level.

SEAL COVE, G. M. March 5. Rev. G. T. Wright held a baptism on Sunday, March 4 when eleven persons

were baptized. A large gathering of people witnessed the ceremony.

Mr. Gerald McLaughlin returned home on Friday last from a business trip to St. Stephen.

Mr. Russell Harvey is able to use his car again. Several weeks ago the crank shaft was broken and it is now repaired.

Mr. Howard Zwicker has been putting up ice the past week. He has now about fifteen tons, and expects to get more.

Mr. Robert Fraser has been engaged in hauling ice over a three mile trip.

The wood has all been hauled and is now being sawn with the machines belonging to C. B. Harvey and F. S. McLaughlin.

Mr. J. Burton Cook's many friends are sorry to hear that he is suffering from heart trouble.

Mr. Lyman Greene has returned from Letite, bringing a new boat with him.

Ethel Harvey's home was the scene of a very pleasant surprise party recently. The guests came from Grand Harbor in order to celebrate her 71st birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner Ingalls last week received a visit from the stork which left them a baby girl.

Mr. J. C. Benson and son have been engaged in packing bonesees herring this winter.

Mr. Stuart Benson arrived from Black's Harbor with a load of bonesees fish.

Mr. Sydney Harvey returned last Saturday from a trip to Campobello.

Mr. Gordon Benson and Arnold have returned from a trip to Halifax with Mr. Owen Morse in his schooner Bessie L. Morse.

Mr. Minott's fleet has been freighted for Messrs. McLaughlin Bros.

Mr. John Zwicker has been busily engaged cutting weir brush at South Head.

NORTH HEAD, G. M.

March 8. The Rebekah Lodge "Insula" were at Home Friday evening March 2 and entertained their Brother Odd Fellows of Lodge "Ichthyus."

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Social and

Mrs. E. D. Rigby and Ladies Aid of the very pleasantly, at her evening.

Mrs. Myers and Mr. arrived from Providence last and spent the evening.

Mrs. T. T. Odell is in town and other cities in New York.