

PITIFUL SCENES AMONG REFUGEES—STORY OF HARDSHIPS INCREDIBLE

Some 2,500 Belgians are Being Taken Care of in Paris, France—German Brutality Shown in all its Reality.

[By Special Wire to the Courier]

PARIS, Aug. 27.—The Cirque de Paris, where the crowd of Belgian refugees has grown to 2,800, has taken on the aspect of a human stable. The floors of the wide foyers are all covered with straw which has become wet and the homeless and poverty stricken people may be seen lying about, many in attitudes of sad dejection. Trained nurses of the Red Cross, priests, soldiers and doctors are constantly moving among the crowd, ministering to their wants.

At the entrance to the hall a large cask containing beer was placed and a soldier was soon apportioning the beverage to a waiting line of men and boys.

Inside the amphitheatre were children of all ages, sizes and descriptions. The scarcity of baggage was noticeable, everyone apparently having taken only the few things that could be easily carried in their hasty flight. The evening meal consisted of a huge slice of bread with a piece of beef on top and afterwards black coffee was served.

An old man sitting in a corner on a sack of straw, told the following story:

"People call me Jean Beaulon, I have a little weanup just across the river from Liege in the town of Grivegnée. When the mobilization order was announced my two sons, both fine fellows, went off to join their regiments. My daughters, I have two, this one here and another, remained with their old father."

The girl he mentioned to was a bright-eyed girl of about 16, but only her eyes were visible as she sat there with her face wrapped in bandages. He continued:

"You see her poor dear face? Well a German was the cause of that. When they came they demanded wine which I gave them and one man tried to insult her. When she resisted this he struck her and she fell against the counter and broke her jaw."

The old man then told of their flight and the hardships they endured.

Another refugee, Mme. Agnes Bourssault of Walkenraedt, in telling her story of the flight from Belgium said:

"Please don't ask me to tell the horrible things I saw while coming here. I have lost my husband and brother, who died in the noble cause, and now you see me alone with my five children. The greatest suffering I underwent was from hunger. We could get days except a little stale bread. The thing that hurt me most was the inability to satisfy the wants of my little ones."

Georges Jus, a restaurant keeper of Chenece, told this story:

"When we heard the Germans approach, my wife and I fled across the river into Liege. It seems now much like a dream. Just before they entered there we left along with many others."

"Never shall I forget the sights we saw along the roadside where mutilated corpses and wounded and dying strewn our pathway."

Many other refugees continued to arrive during the night. The government is doing everything possible to aid them.

TOKIO WAS SURPRISED

Did Not Expect Austria to Declare War on Japan.

[By Special Wire to the Courier]

TOKIO, Aug. 27.—The news of the declaration of war by Austria-Hungary upon Japan, following the official announcement of the disarming of the Austrian Cruiser Kaiserin Elizabeth, in the port of Tsing-Tau, caused surprise in Tokio. It had been hoped here that Austria-Hungary, having but small interests in the Far East would not force a breach of relations with Tokio, especially as regarded as friendly to Japan.

Baron Von Mueller, the Austrian Ambassador, and the members of his staff, always have been popular here.

The censoring of the news from China is most effective. It is believed here that the Japanese have not yet landed troops at Kiao-Chow, the German leased territory in China, against which she has begun military operations. There is reason to believe that the Japanese navy is carefully sweeping the waters around Kiao-Chow for mines, of which it is known that very large numbers have been submerged recently.

Assurances have been received here from Peking that President Yuan Shi Kai and his government are amply satisfied with Japan's pledges concerning the future safeguarding of Chinese and British interests and the maintenance of the commercial status quo, and her promise of assistance to prevent Chinese revolutionaries from seizing this occasion to create disorder.

The feeling prevails here that the Japanese authorities will be able to control the principal revolutionary leaders opposed to the President of China. Dr. Sun Yat sen, who is at present living at Tokio, is the best known of these leaders. He is credited with saying that he is satisfied to await the outcome of the present situation. He does not believe that an outbreak at the present time would be of assistance to the real Chinaman.

Social and Personal

The Courier is always pleased to use items of personal interest. Phone 1781.

Mr. G. A. Murtery is a visitor in the city to-day from St. Thomas.

Miss Daisy Austen of New York, is the guest of Miss Belle Eames, 25 Duke Street.

Mr. G. M. Doe was a guest at the Kerby House yesterday from Goderich.

Mr. J. S. Shultz and Mr. G. McCordick motored to the city yesterday from Goderich.

Mr. J. McKay and Miss McKay of Ottawa, were motor guests in the city yesterday.

Dr. Bier and family have returned to the city after a month's holiday spent in Muskoka.

Mr. W. H. Newman returned yesterday from a holiday spent at Tranquility Island, Parry Sound.

Messrs. W. J. Fraser and Joe. Wilkinson, left last night to attend the Connaught race meeting at Ottawa.

Dr. Pat Hardy of Toronto is a guest of Judge Hardy. The doctor is on his way home from a four months' canoeing and fishing trip in the north.

Mr. Fred Bennion, the new manager of the Imperial Life Assurance Co., has taken up his residence at 215 Brant avenue. Mrs. Bennion and family will join him here next week.

Mr. A. A. Adams of Hamilton, who is a member of the Brantford Golf Club, won the best gross score in the Niagara-on-the-Lake golf tournament yesterday.

The Misses Beatrice and Vivian Balne of New Jersey, U.S.A., who have been visiting their cousin, Miss Emily Barron of Maple Hill Farm, returned to their home last night.

The members of Grace Church Choir had a very jolly picnic yesterday afternoon and evening on the grounds of Colonel and Mrs. Murray. In the evening there was a huge bonfire and corn roast on the banks of the Grand River. Singing and other amusements were participated in and greatly enjoyed by the chorists.

Mr. E. Roberts, the well-known Brantford baritone, writes from England that he has just completed a most successful tour with Miss Marie Hall, the world renowned violinist, who many Brantfordites have had the pleasure of meeting upon the occasion of her visits to Brantford. Owing to the war the tour has been cancelled in the meantime and Mr. Roberts' future plans are very unsettled. Miss Hall's pianiste who is a Hungarian, promptly left for the seat of war upon the declaration of hostilities. The general opinion is that all the big artists will have to cancel their engagements this season. The United States is the only country of importance that is open to them and the financial stringency there is such that there will be little encouragement to book engagements this coming season. The musical and theatrical world has been hit very hard by the war.

The Walker-Fancher Tribe, which holds every two years a reunion, is in session this week in the city with Mr. J. C. Walker and family. Members are present from Denver, Colo., and Kalamazoo, Ann Arbor, Fenton and Milford, Mich., besides from many cities and towns of Ontario. This tribe, like all others, has a history. The ancestors on the Walker side are of Scotch descent; on the Fancher side French. They settled first in Vermont, and members of both sides of the tribe participated as officers in the civil war. In 1820 the tribe scattered, members settling in all parts of the States and Canada. The tribe numbers at present some 200 members. Such a reunion as this cannot but emphasize the bonds between the two countries. Born of a common parentage, with common sympathies and purposes, this tribe living under two flags is united in bonds that will not sever. Old Glory floats beside the Union Jack in this time of international crisis for the brotherhood of man and the principles of democratic government.

Store News J. M. YOUNG & CO. Store News

Friday's Specials FROM HURRY-OUT SALE

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Corduroy Velvets 50c 27 in. Corduroy Velvets, in Black and colors. Regular 65c. Sale Price... 50c	Embroid'ry Flouncing 59c 3 pieces Embroidery Flouncing, 44 in. wide. Worth \$1.00. Sale Price... 59c	House Dresses 98c 1 lot Ladies' House Dresses in print and ging... 98c
New Shirts 69c 3 dozen Men's Print Shirts in all sizes, spots, stripes and checks. Worth up to \$1.25. For... 69c	Men's Shirts 49c Men's Working Shirts in dark colors, all sizes. Sale Price... 49c	Men's Underwear 35c Men's Balbriggan Underwear, shirts and drawers to match, all sizes. Sale Price, each... 35c
Ready-to-wear Specials Balance of all our summer ready-to-wear goods, such as Dresses, Skirts, Waists, etc., all to clear at nearly HALF-PRICE.	Remnants of Carpets In Wilton, Velvet, Brussels, Tapestry, length 1 1/2 to 10 yards. To clear at SPECIAL PRICES.	Corsets 98c Ladies' Corsets, broken lots, in various makes, sizes 18 to 30. Worth up to \$3.00. Sale Price 98c

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WAR OFFICE SECRECY HAVING BAD EFFECT SAYS TIMES EXPERT

LONDON, Aug. 27.—5:01 a.m. —The military correspondent of The Times comments upon the extreme secrecy with which the British war office is shrouding the movements of the British army. He contrasts this attitude with the frankness of the French authorities in issuing periodic summaries of the movement of their army, and says that it is to be feared the present policy is having an ill effect upon recruiting. He adds that the nation does not yet realize the stupendous nature of the task to which it is committed.

Laid of Rest

Late Mrs. Margaret Proctor. The funeral of the late Mrs. Margaret Proctor took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Foster, 24 Foster street, and was attended by many friends and sympathizers. Rev. J. Loney of Immanuel Baptist Church officiated at the house and grave. The following beautiful floral tributes were received, showing the high esteem in which deceased was held: Wreaths from the family, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burch, Mr. and Mrs. Barton Burch and family; sprays, Mrs. Robt. Fowler and Mrs. Angus, Mr. and Mrs. Reg. Fowler, Mrs. Thos. McHutchison and Miss Foster, Mrs. and Miss Propper, Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Woodard, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cockburn, C. J. The pallbearers were Wm. Foster, Jas. Elmer and Henry Burch, Chas. Page and Robert Fowler.

Late Mrs. Wood. Many tokens of sympathy were received by the family of the late Mrs. Wood, who was reverently laid to rest yesterday in Greenwood cemetery. The cortege, which was a large one, proceeded from the late residence upon Clarence street, after the last services had been solemnly conducted by the Rev. R. D. Hamilton. The pallbearers were Messrs. John Lawrason, Coyne Townsend, J. A. Campbell, Wm. McMeans, and A. Snider. The floral tributes were offered in great wealth from many dear friends. They were as follows: Wreaths, family, officials of Wellington St. Church; harp, Mr. and Mrs. James Smith, Miss Wood and Eva Vince; cross, Mrs. Graham and family; crescent, Mr. and Mrs. Snider, Mr. and Mrs. Heddie; anchor, Mr. C. Kitchen and family and Jack C.; sprays, Mr. and Mrs. Brett and family, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McMeans, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hopper, Bible Class No. 2, Wellington Street Methodist Church; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kirby, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wood and Anna, Court Endeavor, A. O. F. Sprays, Home department Wellington St. Church, Mr. and Mrs. M. Hornung, St. George, Mr. W. G. Ranston, morning class Wellington Street Church, Mrs. Kent and Way, Paris, Mrs. and Mrs. T. Ferrent, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Bloxham, M. and Mrs. C. E. Pryce, Mr. and Mrs. Maricle, Mr. and Mrs. Yakes and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Campbell.

Nuptial Notes

COBURN—LAWDALE
The Rev. C. W. Rose yesterday united Alfred Coburn and Maria Lawdale, both of this city, in the holy bonds of matrimony.

GOODREID—MORLEY
Edward Goodreid was quietly married to Lucy Christina Morley at Grace church yesterday by the Ven. reable Archdeacon Mackenzie.

Lawn Tennis

The Y.M.C.A. tennis team found the Parisians fairly easy yesterday when they met them in a return engagement upon the French courts; Goold and Whitney defeated Rehder and Ellis 6-3, 6-4; Watts and Roper were too good for Lee and Armstrong by 6-4, 4-6 and 6-3. Preston and Dunstan lost to Hehder and Ellis 6-3, 6-4, while N. Goold defeated Lee easily in a love set and 6-1. The Y.M.C.A. team will meet the Dufferin club next week, probably on Wednesday.

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LET SHIP GO

American Cruiser Held Up a British Vessel at New York.

[By Special Wire to the Courier]

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—Whether the British steamer Francisco was permitted to raise her two 4.7 rifles mounted aft or was compelled to dismantle before sailing last night with 6,000 tons of grain for Hull was unknown this forenoon to navy yard officials here. The Battleship Florida, which stopped the Francisco in the harbor, had not reported to the navy yard. It was too dark for shore observers to see whether the guns were still aboard when the Francisco was allowed to proceed.

It was generally believed, however, that the guns were not taken off. At the navy yard, the Florida's failure to report was construed as confirming the belief. The Francisco according to report carried no ammunition. Her captain claimed that the rifles were merely a saluting battery.

Word from General French greatly cheered the public throughout Great Britain to-day.

Football

The executive of the Brantford and Paris Football League met last night at Paris, in order to do the Parisian club an honor due them.

The business was purely formal and nothing past routine business was transacted.

Eligible Men
The men eligible to play on Saturday were as follows: R. Charleck for S. O. E.; J. B. Armour for Holme-dale; F. Davies for Duffs; W. Johnson for Sons; H. Bunnell for P. S. A.; W. Maycock for Scots; L. Bate-man for Paris; Geo. Glansville for Tutela and R. J. Hemmings for Duffs.

Suspended
F. Fergie of the Scots was suspended for the rest of the season for striking a referee.

A game between All Scots and the Duffs was arranged for Thanksgiving Day in aid of the hospital. The particulars are not yet out.

Courier Cup Final
The final for the Courier Cup to be fought between the Scots and Tutela will take place on September 7th, Labor Day, at 3 o'clock at Agricultural Park.

The general hospital cup final will be played on Sept. 19th when Tutela and the Duffs battle for the trophy.

Rescue For the Karluk

[By Special Wire to the Courier]

NOME, Alaska, Aug. 27.—Relief was within thirteen miles of Wrangell Island, where the shipwrecked crew of the Karluk, one of the vessels of the Stefansson Canadian exploration party are reported marooned since last winter, but a shortage of gasoline prevented their rescue. This is the report brought here by Captain Annevik of the Power Schooner P. J. Alber, when he returned from a walrus hunting voyage into the Arctic.

"There was no ice along the Siberian coast as far north as we went," said Captain Annevik, "but we could see a heavy pack surrounding Wrangell Island. We were within fifteen miles of the island when a heavy fog floes set in, and as our gasoline supply was running low, we dared not attempt to make our way through the ice floes around the island, so turned around and came back to Nome. A strong northwesterly breeze has shifted the ice so favorably that the Revenue Cutter Bear on which Captain Robert Bartlett has gone to rescue his crew, will have no trouble in reaching the island."

The Bear is now supposed to be in the vicinity of Point Barrow, her last call before turning westward to pick up the twenty-one men and one woman stranded on Wrangell Island.

MIDDLEPORT

[From Our Own Correspondent]

The August meeting of the Middleport Woman's Institute, which was held at the home of Mrs. George Howden was well attended there being about sixty members and friends present. A good programme was given of addresses, readings and music by the members and visiting friends, after which lunch was served. All report a splendid time.

The members of the Institute and friends of the neighborhood gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Quinton McBlain on Thursday evening last and presented Miss McBlain, president of the Institute with a nicely upholstered leather chair and miscellaneous show-er. All report having a good time.

Mrs. W. Peddie Miss Riddell, Miss Jessie Christina and Helena are holidaying in the village.

Cameron McKelvey is visiting at his home in Hamilton.

Mrs. German and Miss Christina and Master William Preiss visited Mrs. Bella Axon on Sunday last.

Miss Estella Bressit has returned home from her visit with friends in Hamilton.

Master Gordon Dunsdon who had the misfortune to have his leg broken is getting along nicely.

Mrs. De is visiting at Mrs. Thomas Fearman's.

MUSKOKA'S IDEAL ATTRACTI-ONS.

There is not any better time than the present for an outing in the Muskoka Lakes of the Highlands of Ontario, 1000 feet above sea level. Among the hills and forests of the Highlands nestle these charming lakes, with all the attractions that are found in just the out-of-the-way place that takes one from the bustle and dust of the city. September is a beautiful month in this district. The Grand Trunk Railway offers exceptional service to take you there. Apply for illustrated literature and all particulars to T. J. Nelson, City Passenger and Ticket Agent, Grand Trunk Railway, Brantford, Ont.

BARON OF MERTHIER
LONDON, Aug. 27.—The death was announced in London to-day of William Thomas Lewis, first Baron Merthier. He was born in 1837, and was a large employer of labor in South Wales, where he had extensive mining interests.

War Service

First—No extra premium will be charged on policies in force prior to August 1st, 1914, on the lives of any policyholders of the Canada Life Assurance Company who may engage in military or naval service, in or outside of Canada, irrespective of whether such policies provide for an extra premium or not.

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