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War News.

Messages Received Previous to 9 A.M.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

LONDON, March 23. Our troops carried out two successful raids against enemy trenches about Gommecourt and the Bethune-la-Hautte Roads. Prisoners captured and three dugouts filled with Germans were bombed and blown in. The enemy sprang a mine to the north of Arras, and two mines to the north-east of Neuve Chapelle, causing slight damage to our trenches. A grenade attack north of Arras was repulsed. There has been artillery activity about Fricourt, Gommecourt, Hohenzollern Redoubt, and Ypres. At one place our artillery fire caused a big explosion in the enemy lines.

McKENNA QUESTIONED IN THE COMMONS.

LONDON, March 23. In the Commons to-day, Chancellor of the Exchequer Reginald McKenna, was asked whether the Government intended to take measures to prevent the investment of British money in the United States and other foreign countries. McKenna said that such investments were contrary to the national interests, and that he deprecated them.

WIDOWS OF SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

LONDON, March 23. The number of widows of British soldiers who have, thus far, been referred to the Army Council is 41,500 according to Wm. Haye, Parliamentary Under Secretary of the Local Government Board, in a speech in the Commons committee on the war pensions bill, to-day. The widows of sailors, Fisher added, aggregated about 8,000.

ASQUITH GOES TO PARIS.

LONDON, March 23. Announcement was made in the Commons to-day by Mr. Lloyd George that Premier Asquith would go to Paris next week to attend an important conference of the Entente Allies. Sir Edward Grey and Earl Kitchener will also attend the Conference.

THE SITUATION UNCHANGED.

PARIS, March 23. The French official statement published this morning says that during the night a violent bombardment took place to the east of the Meuse River. To the west of the Meuse, the fire diminished in intensity and the general situation is unchanged.

FRENCH OFFICIAL.

PARIS, March 23. The French War Office this after-

noon, gave out the following statement regarding the progress of hostilities. To the west of the River Meuse, the bombardment has diminished. Last night the enemy did not renew his attacks on the little Hill of Haucourt, about one kilometre south-west of Malancourt, which we hold. To the east of the Meuse, the bombardment was continued with violence at several points on our front. In the Woivre there has been no important development to report with the exception of an intermittent cannonading to the west of Port-a-Mousson. A surprise attack upon a trench of the enemy in the vicinity of Feyer has resulted in our taking several prisoners. The night passed quietly on the remainder of the front.

NOT TORPEDOED BUT WITHDRAWN.

LONDON, March 23. It is reported unofficially that the Calloper lightship at the mouth of the Thames has not been torpedoed, as was reported yesterday by Lloyd, but has been withdrawn from its station.

ASSAILING HINDENBURG'S LINE.

NEW YORK, March 23. A News Agency despatch from London says that half a million well equipped Russian troops under direct command of General Kuropatkin are now assailing Von Hindenburg's line on a front of 150 miles.

PROHIBITING IMPORTATION OF HOPS.

LONDON, March 23. Walter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, announced in the Commons to-day that the British Government was contemplating prohibition of the importation of hops.

CURZON'S FATHER DEAD.

LONDON, March 23. Baron Seardale, the Rev. Alfred Curzon, father of Earl Curzon of Kedleston, died to-day after an illness of several months.

GERMAN SEAPLANE BROUGHT DOWN.

LONDON, March 23. Advice received from Dover by the Press Association, state that a second German seaplane was brought down after a raid made by four German aeroplanes over the Kent coast last Sunday. It is said that a British airman was crossing the Channel in a new aeroplane, saw the raid in progress, and, joining in the chase of the Germans succeeded in bringing down one of their machines.

NORWEGIAN BARQUE SUNK.

LONDON, March 23. The Norwegian barque Lindfield, has been sunk. Thirty of her crew were rescued and are aboard the Norwegian barque Silas, which is approaching Queenstown. She left Portland, Oregon, on November 7th last for the United Kingdom.

The Norwegian steamer Kanik was sunk on Wednesday night, according to a despatch to Lloyd's from Havre. The crew were saved. The Norwegian steamer John Blum, which left Baltimore on March 6th, bound for Valikid, with a cargo of grain, has been taken into Kirkwall, Scotland, by a British patrol vessel.

FRENCH BARQUE SUNK.

LONDON, March 23. Lloyd's report that the French barque Boualville has been sunk. She was last reported as having sailed from Falmouth in February.

SERBIAN PRINCE GUEST OF HONOR.

PARIS, March 23. Crown Prince Alexander, of Serbia, was the guest of the city at luncheon to-day. President Poincare, Premier Briand and other prominent men were present. The Crown Prince signed the gold book of the municipality.

CHIEF CLERK ARRESTED.

PARIS, March 23. A despatch to the Balkan Agency from Bucharest to-day, says that the Chief Clerk of the American Legation at Sofia is reported arrested by the Bulgarian authorities, accused of giving a present to an employee for using greater haste than ordinary in vice-ing passports. The American

Minister is said to have protested energetically to the Bulgarian Government, insisting on the clerk's immediate release.

THE SITUATION IN MEXICO.

EL PASO, March 23. Private advices reaching here to-day, confirmed the report that General Luis Herrera had joined the Villistas at Chihuahua, and left little room for doubt that Mexican affairs had reached a point fraught with far-reaching and perhaps serious consequences to the United States. Not only is it accepted here as definite that Herrera had declared against both Carranza and the United States, but it was asserted with equal confidence that Torreón is also in the hands of the Villa forces and that all Northern Mexico is seething with open rebellion against the de facto government. So grave was the situation regarded here that the military authorities planned to-day drastic steps to relieve all Mexicans in El Paso of any arms they might have concealed in their homes. All night long El Paso waited for warning whistles which would tell that the expected outbreak had occurred. Three hundred soldiers with machine guns and attachment waited under arms for any emergency and the police reserves equipped with rifles, were also held ready.

LOSS WILL REACH \$15,000,000.

PARIS, Texas, March 23. A survey of the burned district, which covers more than two-thirds of the city, showed to-day that according to estimates, the loss would reach \$15,000,000.

STEAMER IN DISTRESS.

HALIFAX, March 23. The agent of the Department of Marine at Halifax, has received a wireless message from the master of the steamer Marjek, this evening asking for assistance for the ship Svaland, near the Scottish Moor. The message from Marjek follows: The ship Svaland, late Scottish Moor, in Lat. 44 N., Long. 58.30 W., dismasted. The crew are wireless for tug. The cable from the Marjek broke after two days' towing. Will stand by for wireless communication. Wire if sending assistance, and if wireless to marine agent has nothing in Halifax harbor at present that would be of assistance.

Does Catarrh Bother You? Are Your Nostils Stuffed?

Why not give up that snuff and stop dosing your stomach? The one sure treatment is "Catarrhazone," sure to cure because it goes where the disease really is. Certain to cure in your case because it has restored tens of thousands worse than you are. Catarrhazone is a thorough cure because it destroys the causes as well as the effects of the disease. Relief is prompt, cure is quick with this powerful remedy which is guaranteed to cure Catarrh in any part of the nose, throat, bronchial tubes or lungs. To be really cured, use only Catarrhazone and beware of dangerous substitutes meant to deceive you from genuine Catarrhazone which is sold everywhere, large size contains two months treatment, costs \$1.00; small size 50c; sample size 25c.

Forced to Retreat.

Some weeks ago the Telegram exclusively noted that the American schooner J. R. Bradley, of North Polar fame, would be prosecuting the seal-fishery in the Gulf. She fitted out at London and proceeded to Channel, which port she left on Tuesday last for the Gulf, but, owing to ice and weather conditions, was forced to turn the same day, though she has left again since. The J. R. Bradley took her crew from Channel.

TO REMOVE DANDRUFF.

Get a 25-cent bottle of Dandertine at any drug store, pour a little into your hand and rub well into the scalp with the finger tips. By morning most, if not all, of this awful scrub will have disappeared. Two or three applications will destroy every bit of dandruff; stop scalp itching and falling hair.

Baseball.

The Baseball League will hold its annual meeting to-morrow night at the Imperial Tobacco Company's office to make arrangements for the coming season's games. The trophies won last year will be presented and election of officers will also be held. One of the clubs, we learn, will have to drop out, owing to all but two of its players having enlisted with "Ours."

Vigorol

VIGOROL, the Great French Tonic, is opposed to disease; therefore it finds it out and drives it away. Your nerves are toned up. Your bowels made healthy and strong. Your blood purified. The kidneys and liver cleansed. Headaches, biliousness, and that heavy, tired feeling, will go. You will feel like a new person. Don't be fooled—get VIGOROL, and you will never regret it. Sold at all drug stores.

AUCTIONED DAMAGED FLOUR.—When the Sagons met with an accident some time ago part of her cargo was damaged. Some slightly damaged flour amounting to over 200 barrels was auctioned yesterday by Mr. P. C. O'Driscoll.

BRITISH THEATRE, on Friday and Saturday.

BIG FEATURE PROGRAMME.

Cleo Madison, the Favourite Actress, in "THEIR HOUR."

A romance of two hungry hearts, beautifully acted in two reels.

"THREE BAD MEN AND A GIRL."

An exciting two-part drama, featuring Grace Cunard.

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"A GIRL'S GRIT."

A very interesting and exciting episode of the Hazards of Helen.

"MERELY PLAYERS."

A two-part dramatic masterpiece, a marvellous and powerful story produced in a most effective manner.

WILFUL ANDREWE—A whirlwind Keystone comedy filled with humorous situations.

USUAL BUMPER MATINEE FOR THE CHILDREN ON SATURDAY.

PERFORMANCES THROUGHOUT THE LENTEN SEASON FOR THE CITY RELIEF FUND.

At the House.

THURSDAY, March 23.

Mr. Lloyd asked for answers to the following questions of which he had previously given notice of:—(1) for copy of all correspondence between the Government and the Reid Commission in relation to the suspension of construction work under the Railway Extension Act, 1910; (2) for copy of all correspondence relating to the Tonnage Shortage under the Audit Act, and his special report under Section 33b of that Act; and (4) whether any loan or financial assistance has been received by the Government, what amount, for what purposes, on what terms and conditions; also if any expenditures or appropriations have been made; also for all correspondence relating to same.

In reply to question No. 1 the Colonial Secretary said that he would table the information at the next sitting, though he was then in a position to say that the work had been suspended. Answers to the second and third questions were tabled.

The Prime Minister replied to question No. 4 stating that the Newfoundland Government had received one million dollars from the Imperial Government in January last, making a total of two millions from the Home Government. Out of the last million only about \$400,000 was gone, and that it was to be used solely for war purposes. He said the only correspondence in connection with the transaction was that application was made to the British Government and the amount asked for was advanced from their Treasury. We pay the interest.

Mr. Stone asked the Prime Minister if anything was done in regard to the Postal Telegraph Enquiry ordered last year.

Owing to the illness of Mr. Knight, the committee appointed to conduct the enquiry, the Prime Minister said, the report was not yet ready, but would be presented to the House within a few days.

The Colonial Secretary drew attention to an article that appeared in the Mail and Advocate a few days ago dealing with the conduct of certain officials in the Postal Telegraphs main office in St. John's recently. He said that the charges in that article were mainly well founded. He had received a report from the Postmaster General and would lay the matter before the Government.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the following Bills were passed without amendment:—"An Act to amend 3. George V., Cap. 14, entitled: "An Act Respecting the Construction of a Railway through Labrador"; "An Act to amend the War Measures Act, 1914"; "An Act to Incorporate the Salvation Army" and "An Act to enable the Governor in Council during the existence of a state of War to take possession of articles of Commerce unreasonably withheld," passed committee stage.

The Bill "An Act to amend the Seal-fishery" was referred to a joint select committee consisting of Mr. Coaker, Mr. Placott, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Cashin, Mr. Winsor, Mr. Abbott and Mr. Young. The Legislative Council will be asked to appoint a select committee also for conference.

Other Bills on the order paper were deferred.

The House went into Committee on the Estimates but discussion was deferred to give members time to consider them.

The Prime Minister gave notice of a Bill to amend the Sealing Laws, and Mr. Lloyd gave notice of a Bill to incorporate the Union Electric Light Co.

Mr. Lloyd also gave notice of question asking about the opening of the Bay de Verde branch railway.

Mr. Coaker again drew the attention of the House to the unsatisfactory official reports. Some of the reports were good; others bad.

The House adjourned at 6.15 p.m. till this afternoon.

Here and There.

OFFICIAL DINNER.—At the viceregal mansion last night a number of members of the House of Assembly were entertained by His Excellency the Governor.

DISABLED SCHOLAR LEFT AGAIN.—The schooner Thomas, which was driven into the Azores in a damaged condition, after being 100 days out to St. John's from Pola with a cargo of salt, has left again for this port after having repairs effected. Her arrival should be looked for early next month unless bad weather is again encountered.

Here and There.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH.—The service at St. Mary's Church this evening will be at 7.45 instead of 7.30.

LOADING COFFISH.—The schooners George Ewart and Bohemia are loading fish at Marystown for Oporto.

AT THE CITY HALL.—The weekly meeting of the Municipal Board takes place to-night.

LOADING SALT BULK CO.—The schr. Hiram Lowell is loading salt bulk fish at Channel for Gloucester.

FIELD GLASSES.—Mr. Eric Bowring acknowledges with thanks a pair of field glasses from a "Poor Parson."

LEAVING LONDON.—The s.s. Rappahannock is leaving London Wednesday next for this port, bringing a large shipment of dry goods.

"Stafford's Liniment" cures Rheumatism, Lumbago, Neuralgia and all Aches and Pains. Sold in over 500 stores—jan5,tf

PIT PROPS.—Piles of pit props ready for shipment line the railway tracks at Norris Arm and Notre Dame Junction. Quite a number of men are engaged cutting and preparing these for export.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c. frl.

HAS VOLUNTEERED.—Mr. John Thistle, youngest son of Mr. William Thistle, of the Post Office, has offered his services to King and Country and has entered hospital for a slight operation to make himself fit. Johnnie, like a good many more of "Ours", is showing his pluck.

"Stafford's Phoratorne," the best Cough Medicine for all kinds of Coughs and Colds. Price 25c. Postage 5c. extra.—jan5,tf

ST. THOMAS'S MEN'S BIBLE CLASS.—At the St. Thomas's Men's Bible Class last night the Rev. Mr. Moulton conducted the meeting, taking his text from Matt. 27:34. The address was eloquent, inspiring and helpful to those whose privilege it was to be present.

Blazer stripes are a feature of the new cottons, and they are effectively used for coat collars and for sports coats and suits.



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If you are chilly, breathe deeply and you will not be so likely to take cold.

The water in which potatoes have been boiled will clean flat silver very well.